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And temper all, then world-reviving sun,  
Into the perfect year. — *Thomson.*

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## TO PATRONS AND CORRESPONDENTS

The 1847 edition of *The Old Farmer's Almanac(k)* noted the passing of Robert B. Thomas, founder, during the Spring of 1846. The new publishers stated that every effort would be made to maintain the *Almanac* in the spirit, format, and general style which Mr. Thomas had so long and successfully pursued in each edition since that of 1793. The names of the editors who have, through these past hundred years, dedicated anew each and every edition to this maintenance of the founder's example, are:

John H. Jenks .....	1847-1860
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Probably no nicer bouquet could have been placed beside the many others on the founder's grave this Spring than that from the Grolier Club of New York City in their mention of *The Old Farmer's Almanac(k)* as one of One Hundred American Books, printed before 1900, remarkable for their influence upon American life and culture. Among others mentioned were The Declaration of Independence, Webster's Dictionary, Montgomery Ward's Mail Order Catalog, Mary Baker Eddy's *Science & Health*, the Monroe Doctrine, and Hawthorne's *Twice Told Tales*.

This edition, published in Atomic Year 2, finds a world and an America in the throes of post war adjustment. There is occasion for alarm in the slow progress of the United Nations peace organization, in the faulty distribution of food, in the high temperatures of inflation, and in other things. However, in this first year of real peace much good has been accomplished and basic forces are at work which, given time, point to the possibilities, at least, of greater individual happiness and progress than the world has ever before witnessed.

This year David Morton of Amherst, Massachusetts, has again contributed the Calendar page poetry; B. M. Rice of Peterborough, New Hampshire, the Farm Calendars, Anecdotes, and Pleasantries; Loring B. Andrews of Scituate, Massachusetts, the Astronomical Data; Joseph Chase Allen, the humorous predictions on page 39; Robert Foote added other valuable material. We are indebted greatly to various government agencies for their assistance and contributions as well as to Mr. Weatherwise for his somewhat more lengthy than usual weather contributions and prognostics for the coming year (see page 6).

Our 1945 edition, we regret to say, carried one or two minor errors on pages 44 and 58 which must have been apparent to all readers. On Page 62, Joseph Goodale should have been qualified as having pro-created a daughter who was to become Robert B. Thomas' mother. Also there was a difference in Length of Days, Sunset and Sunrise times between this *Almanac* and the times computed by certain others—occasioned by the "refinement of our formula in the year following Leap Year, at which time sidereal time and mundane time start off on another of their 'quadrennial' honeymoons." As the 1946 edition revealed no such variations, we take it that Mr. Astronomer found no need, after 1945, of accounting for anything but continued cordial and harmonious relations between sky and earth.

We can conclude only with an expression of gratitude once more to the readers who have for so many years supported us and given us the confidence to carry on. It is to be hoped the years to come will continue to merit that confidence. Man, however, in these great things, can only propose. God is the true disposer. In this then it is by our works, and not by our words that we would be judged: these we hope will sustain us in the humble though proud station we have so long held, in the name of

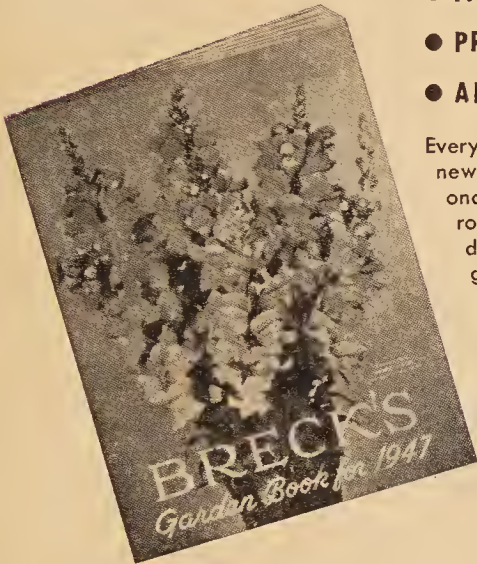
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## EXPLANATIONS AND SIGNS

In accord with long time usage the left and right hand calendar pages beginning respectively on pages 14 and 15 will be seen to contain numerous symbols (known as signs) and abbreviations which denote the many happenings in the heavens and on the earth which the OFA purports to set forth. On this page and on pages 76 and 77 we include a brief summary of these hieroglyphics — the careful study of which will reward you with not only greater appreciation of this almanac but also stimulation with regard to further study of the wonders of the universe.

### Names and Characters of the Principal Planets.

☉ ☽ ☿ ☿ The Sun.	♀ Venus.	♃ Jupiter.	♆ Neptune.
☾ ☽ ☿ ☿ The Moon.	♁ The Earth.	♄ Saturn.	♇ Pluto.
☿ Mercury.	♂ Mars.	♅ or ♂ Uranus.	

### Names and Characters of the Aspects.

♁ Conjunction, or in the same degree.	♁ Dragon's Head, or Ascending Node.
☐ Quadrature, 90 degrees.	♁ Dragon's Tail, or Descending Node.
♁ Opposition, or 180 degrees.	

### Names and Characters of the Signs of the Zodiac.

1. ♈ Aries, head.	5. ♌ Leo, heart.	9. ♎ Sagittarius, thighs.
2. ♉ Taurus, neck.	6. ♍ Virgo, belly.	10. ♏ Capricornus, knees.
3. ♊ Gemini, arms.	7. ♎ Libra, reins.	11. ♐ Aquarius, legs.
4. ♋ Cancer, breast.	8. ♏ Scorpio, secrets.	12. ♑ Pisces, feet.

### Chronological Cycles for 1947.

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### Movable Feasts and Fasts for 1947.

Septuagesima Sun Feb. 2	Good Friday Apr. 4	Whitsunday May 25
Shrove Sunday Feb. 16	Easter Sunday Apr. 6	Trinity Sunday June 1
Ash Wednesday Feb. 19	Low Sunday Apr. 13	Corpus Christi June 5
1st Sun. in Lent Feb. 23	Rogation Sunday May 11	1st Sunday in Advent Nov. 30
Palm Sunday Mar. 30	Ascension Day May 15	

## THE SEASONS, 1947

### Eastern Standard Time

Winter Solstice (Winter 1946),	December 22, 5:54 A.M.	— Sun enters Capricornus, ♏
Vernal Equinox (Spring, 1947),	March 21, 6:13 A.M.	— " " Aries, ♈
Summer Solstice (Summer),	June 22, 1:19 A.M.	— " " Cancer, ♋
Autumnal Equinox (Autumn),	September 23, 4:29 P.M.	— " " Libra, ♎
Winter Solstice (Winter),	December 22, 11:43 A.M.	— " " Capricornus, ♏

## CALCULATIONS AND CORRECTIONS

(For Outside New England, see Pages 10, 11, 12)

While the predictions of the Calendar pages are made for the latitude and longitude of Boston and are in *Eastern Standard Time*, the time of the 75th meridian west of Greenwich, they may be used throughout the United States by applying the corrections given here and in the tables on pages 7 and 12.

The Table given below contains corrections in minutes of time for a number of important places in New England, and any other place in New England can use the correction of the place in the Table which is nearest in longitude to itself.

For the Rising and Setting of the Sun, Moon and Planets add tabular quantity if longitude from Boston is West, but subtract it if East; and this will give the value when the place is in or near the same latitude as Boston. When the latitude of the place differs considerably from that of Boston, the correction will also be right when the celestial body is on or near the Equator; but when it is remote from the Equator so much accuracy cannot be expected.

	East.		West.		West.
Eastport, Me. . . . .	16 min.	Concord, N.H. . . . .	2 min.	Springfield, Mass. . . . .	6 min.
Bangor, Me. . . . .	9 "	Nashua, N.H. . . . .	2 "	Williamstown, Mass. . . . .	9 "
Augusta, Me. . . . .	5 "	Plymouth, N.H. . . . .	3 "	Newport, R.I. . . . .	1 "
Lewiston, Mo. . . . .	4 "	Keene, N.H. . . . .	5 "	Providence, R.I. . . . .	1 "
Portland, Me. . . . .	3 "	Montpelier, Vt. . . . .	6 "	Woonsocket, R.I. . . . .	2 "
Blddeford, Me. . . . .	2 "	Brattleboro, Vt. . . . .	6 "	New London, Conn. . . . .	4 "
Portsmouth, N.H. . . . .	1 "	Rutland, Vt. . . . .	8 "	Willimantic, Conn. . . . .	5 "
Provincetown, Mass. . . . .	4 "	Burlington, Vt. . . . .	9 "	Hartford, Conn. . . . .	6 "
Gloucester, Mass. . . . .	2 "	Lowell, Mass. . . . .	1 "	New Haven, Conn. . . . .	7 "
Plymouth, Mass. . . . .	2 "	Worcester, Mass. . . . .	3 "	Bridgeport, Conn. . . . .	9 "

## EARTH IN PERIHELION AND APHELION, 1947

The Earth will be in Perihelion on January 3, 9 P.M., distant from the Sun 91,934,000 miles. The Earth will be in Aphelion on July 5, 5 A.M., distant from the Sun 95,063,000 miles.



## WEATHER REPORT BY MR. WEATHERWISE, MISCELLANY, & OTHER 1947 PREDICTIONS

### Last Winter's Weather

Compared with other winters, Mr. Weatherwise stated about one year ago that the winter months of 1945-46, would have "more storms of rain and snow." The weekly Weather & Crop Bulletin issued by the United States Weather Bureau for March 12, 1946 revealed that "the percentage of normal precipitation for the winter of 1945-6 (December, January, February) for the New England states was 104." A "wetter than usual" winter was experienced everywhere in the United States except from Indiana to New York and New Jersey, in the southern Rocky Mountains and in the far Southwest. December in New England was exceptionally moist—being some 130% of normal. New Englanders will not soon forget the three northeasters of the week of December 8th.

Come the middle of February, Maine had its worst storm in seven years but Mr. Weatherwise had warned Maine readers of the Almanac about this many months before—just as he had forewarned the residents of West Stewartstown, New Hampshire of their cold spell during the week of February 4th—and all of New England with regard to the cold during the week preceding.

Spring came earlier than usual again with resultant losses to maple syrup tappers and apple growers.

### Next Winter's Weather

Having successfully predicted the past three winters as, respectively, "mild," "turbulent," and "wet," Mr. Weatherwise reports the forthcoming winter months will bring a "real old fashioned winter with plenty of snow and cold weather—the kind that Grandpa knew when he was a boy." This will be a winter, he concludes, during which we shall have to look out for the birds and wild animals more carefully than usual as the snow cover will last well into March in many places—and crusty conditions will rule much of the time.

### Vacation Weather

The forecasts of Mr. Weatherwise are prepared more with an eye to farm crop weather than to vacationist's requirements. *The Old Farmer's Almanac* has many calls during the year from vacationists to supplement these forecasts. "Good crop weather," we are told, is not very enlightening for a tennis fan. We suggest therefore that vacationists heed the studies made by Stephen S. Visher with regard to the New England climate: Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont get their heaviest rain and snowfalls between January 1 and 14. The driest periods for Maine and New Hampshire fall between June 18 and July 2; for Vermont between July 3 and 16, and for Cape Cod between July 17 and 30. Rainy days in the summer are frequent in New Hampshire, in Vermont the last two weeks in August—and, for New Hampshire, the last week of September.

### Atomic Weather

"If atomic energy is ever used to control the weather," writes the *Barnstable Patriot*, "it will naturally be under government control. And won't that be something . . . Senator Slushbelly of the South will filibuster for year round magnolia blossoms and Congressman Chucklehead of Maine will want to earmark funds to divert the Gulf Stream to Penobscot Bay." The *Patriot* concludes that its own representative, perennial Charles Gifford, won't have to do anything because "Cape Cod already has the finest weather in the country." Men stationed at Camp Edwards on the Cape during the war worked up what they considered a reliable all year forecast for this admirable weather—which would do for any week or month . . . namely, "Colder . . . with rain or snow."

### Best Fishing Days

*The Old Farmer's Almanac* has never lent itself to astrology of any kind. There are those, however, who do pay their money and waste their time basking under the astrological sun—when they should be tending to more important business. To please these people, we beg to state that the best fishing days are when the fish are biting—which, in turn, depends largely on your bait and how you spit on it . . . and has very little to do with the Last Quarter and New Moon periods (see Almanac calendar, pages 14-36) as being more favorable or when the Moon happens to be on good terms with Uranus, Neptune or Venus. Jan. 5, 12, 17; Feb. 1, 9, 16, 23; Mar. 18; Apr. 18, 24; May 2,

*Continued on page 38*

## TIDE CORRECTIONS

To obtain the time and height of high water at any place, apply the differences in accordance with the sign given to the daily predictions for Boston (Commonwealth Pier). Where a value in the "height difference" column is preceded by an\*, the height at Boston should be multiplied by this ratio.

	Time Differ- ence h.m.	Height Differ- ence Ft.		Time Differ- ence h.m.	Height Differ- ence Ft.
<b>MAINE</b>			<b>PENNSYLVANIA</b>		
Augusta . . . . .	+3 50	*0.4	Philadelphia . . . .	+2 29	*0.5
Bangor . . . . .	-0 05	+3.6	<b>DELAWARE</b>		
Bar Harbor . . . . .	-0 33	+1.1	Rehoboth . . . . .	-3 37	*0.4
Boothbay Harbor . . .	-0 20	-0.8	<b>MARYLAND</b>		
Eastport . . . . .	-0 28	*1.9	Baltimore . . . . .	-4 25	*0.1
Old Orchard . . . . .	-0 10	-0.7	Ocean City . . . . .	-3 57	*0.4
Portland . . . . .	-0 10	-0.6	<b>DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA</b>		
Stonington . . . . .	-0 30	+0.2	Washington . . . . .	-3 08	*0.3
<b>NEW HAMPSHIRE</b>			<b>VIRGINIA</b>		
Hampton . . . . .	+0 15	-1.2	Norfolk . . . . .	-1 54	*0.3
<b>MASSACHUSETTS</b>			Virginia Beach . . .	-3 14	*0.3
Fall River . . . . .	-3 16	*0.5	<b>NORTH CAROLINA</b>		
Falmouth . . . . .	-0 40	*1.1	Beaufort . . . . .	-2 59	*0.3
Hyannisport . . . . .	+0 45	*0.3	Carolina Beach . . .	-3 30	*0.4
Lynn . . . . .	+0 05	-0.2	<b>SOUTH CAROLINA</b>		
Marblehead . . . . .	-0 05	-0.3	Myrtle Beach . . . .	-3 45	*0.5
Marion . . . . .	-3 16	*0.4	Charleston . . . . .	-3 15	*0.5
Monument Beach . . .	-3 06	*0.4	<b>GEORGIA</b>		
Nantasket . . . . .	+0 10	+0.1	St. Simon's Island . .	-2 51	*0.7
Nantucket . . . . .	+0 50	*0.3	Savannah . . . . .	-2 40	*0.8
New Bedford . . . . .	-3 21	*0.4	Tybee Beach . . . . .	-3 26	*0.3
Oak Bluffs . . . . .	+0 05	*0.2	<b>FLORIDA</b>		
Onset . . . . .	-3 06	*0.5	Daytona . . . . .	-3 20	*0.4
Plymouth . . . . .	0 00	+0.1	Fort Lauderdale . . .	-2 15	*0.3
Provincetown . . . . .	+0 15	-0.3	Jacksonville . . . . .	-0 40	*0.1
Scituate . . . . .	-0 05	-0.5	Miami . . . . .	-3 00	*0.3
Wellfleet . . . . .	+0 20	+0.6	Palm Beach . . . . .	-3 20	*0.3
Woods Hole . . . . .	-3 01	*0.2	Port Everglades . . .	-2 15	*0.3
<b>RHODE ISLAND</b>			St. Augustine . . . .	-2 20	*0.5
Block Island . . . . .	-3 21	*0.3	St. Petersburg . . . .	+3 58	*0.2
Narragansett Pier . . .	-3 31	*0.4	<b>WASHINGTON</b>		
Newport . . . . .	-3 31	*0.4	Ilwaco . . . . .	+1 44	-3.5
Providence . . . . .	-3 11	*0.5	Port Townsend . . . .	+5 04	*0.5
Watch Hill . . . . .	-2 06	*0.3	Seattle . . . . .	+5 37	-2.0
<b>CONNECTICUT</b>			<b>OREGON</b>		
Long Island Sound . . .	-0 02	*0.7	Astoria . . . . .	+1 37	-3.3
New London . . . . .	-1 47	*0.3	Cape Arago . . . . .	+1 19	-4.8
<b>NEW YORK</b>			Yaquina Head . . . .	+1 12	-3.7
Coney Island . . . . .	-3 00	*0.5	<b>CALIFORNIA</b>		
Long Beach . . . . .	-3 57	*0.5	Catalina Island . . . .	-1 33	-5.9
Long Island Sound . . .	+0 08	*0.7	Crescent City . . . . .	+0 56	-5.0
New York City . . . . .	-2 50	*0.5	Eureka . . . . .	+1 20	-5.0
Ocean Beach . . . . .	-3 57	*0.4	Long Beach . . . . .	-1 37	-5.5
Southampton . . . . .	-3 22	*0.3	Monterey . . . . .	-0 03	*0.4
<b>NEW JERSEY</b>			Point Mendocino . . .	+0 24	*0.4
Atlantic City . . . . .	-3 57	*0.5	San Diego . . . . .	-1 35	-5.9
Bayside . . . . .	-0 24	*0.6	San Francisco . . . . .	+0 59	*0.4
Cape May . . . . .	-3 37	*0.5	Santa Barbara . . . .	-1 19	-6.0
Ocean City . . . . .	-3 17	*0.4	Santa Cruz . . . . .	+0 08	*0.4
Seabright . . . . .					
to . . . . .	-3 44	*0.5			
Seaside Park . . . . .					

**Example:** The figures for Full Sea in Columns 11 and 12 of the left hand Almanac pages 14-36 are the times of high tide at Commonwealth Pier in Boston Harbor. The heights of these tides are given on the right hand pages 15-37. The heights are reckoned from Mean Low Water: each day has a set of figures—upper for the morning—and lower for the evening. Since Gulf ports are not beset with the tidal problems of ports on the open ocean, the conversion of the times of the tides at Boston to those of Miami is given by way of illustration.

See page 20—April 12.

<b>BOSTON</b>		<b>MIAMI</b>	
High Tide	3.45 A.M.E.W.T.	High tide (Boston)	3.45 A.M.
		Correction above	-3.00
Height	8.9 feet	High tide (Miami)	12.45 A.M.E.S.T.
		Height (Miami)	2.7 feet
		(8.9 x 0.3)	

## ECLIPSES FOR THE YEAR 1947

In the year 1947 there will be three eclipses, two of the Sun and one of the Moon.

I. *A Total Eclipse of the Sun*, May 20, 1947, invisible in the United States. The Sun will be totally eclipsed for observers within a path approximately 120 miles wide that starts just off the west coast of Chile, sweeps diagonally across South America from Santiago, Chile, to Bahia, Brazil, crosses the South Atlantic to embrace the Gold Coast of Africa and traverse the northern Congo to terminate in southern Kenya. As a partial eclipse it will be visible from all points in South America except the extreme northwest, the South Atlantic Ocean, Africa, and western Saudi Arabia. The eclipse's maximum duration will occur at a point off the west coast of Africa where the total phase will last 5 m. 14 s.

II. *A Partial Eclipse of the Moon*, June 3, 1947, invisible in the United States. The beginning will be visible generally in Europe except the northwestern part, Africa, the eastern part of the South Atlantic Ocean, Asia except the northern and northeastern parts, the Indian Ocean, Antarctica, the western and southwestern parts of the Pacific Ocean, and Australia. The ending will be visible generally in Europe except the extreme northwestern part, Africa, the South Atlantic Ocean, Asia except the northern and northeastern parts, the Indian Ocean, Antarctica, the western and southwestern parts of the Pacific Ocean, and Australia.

III. *An Annular Eclipse of the Sun*, November 12, 1947. The annular phase traverses the eastern Pacific Ocean from a point south of the Aleutians to the coast of South America at Cape Pariño, Peru, whence it cuts inland across the Andes to terminate near the headwaters of the Amazon. The partial phases of the eclipse will be generally visible throughout the United States, but as a partial eclipse of any magnitude only from points in the west and southwest states. Particulars of the eclipse for selected places in the United States are given in the table below. The particulars for intermediate points can be approximated from those for the nearest point listed.

Place	Eclipse begins	Maximum eclipse	Eclipse ends	Fraction solar diameter covered
Albuquerque, N.M.	11.42 A.M.	12.44 P.M.	1.47 P.M.	0.20
Austin, Texas	1.11 P.M.	2.16 P.M.	3.18 P.M.	0.20
Boise, Idaho	11.16 A.M.	12.14 P.M.	1.15 P.M.	0.22
Boston, Mass.	3.37 P.M.	3.48 P.M.	3.59 P.M.	0.01
Carson City, Nev.	10.00 A.M.	11.09 A.M.	12.22 P.M.	0.33
Cheyenne, Wyo.	11.53 A.M.	12.41 P.M.	1.29 P.M.	0.12
Columbus, Ohio	2.16 P.M.	2.35 P.M.	2.53 P.M.	0.02
Denver, Colo.	11.51 A.M.	12.42 P.M.	1.34 P.M.	0.14
Helena, Mont.	11.34 A.M.	12.22 P.M.	1.10 P.M.	0.14
Jackson, Miss.	1.42 P.M.	2.33 P.M.	3.21 P.M.	0.13
Little Rock, Ark.	1.37 P.M.	2.24 P.M.	3.07 P.M.	0.11
Los Angeles, Cal.	10.00 A.M.	11.15 A.M.	12.36 P.M.	0.39
Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn.	1.59 P.M.	2.04 P.M.	2.09 P.M.	Negligible
Montgomery, Ala.	1.55 P.M.	2.43 P.M.	3.27 P.M.	0.12
Nashville, Tenn.	1.58 P.M.	2.34 P.M.	3.09 P.M.	0.07
New Orleans, La.	1.41 P.M.	2.38 P.M.	3.31 P.M.	0.17
New York, N.Y.	3.31 P.M.	3.48 P.M.	4.05 P.M.	0.02
Oklahoma City, Okla.	2.15 P.M.	2.40 P.M.	3.06 P.M.	0.04
Omaha, Neb.	1.32 P.M.	2.03 P.M.	2.34 P.M.	0.05
Phoenix, Ariz.	11.17 A.M.	12.30 P.M.	1.46 P.M.	0.31
Raleigh, N.C.	3.16 P.M.	3.51 P.M.	4.24 P.M.	0.08
St. Louis, Mo.	1.51 P.M.	2.22 P.M.	2.52 P.M.	0.05
Salt Lake City, Utah	11.26 A.M.	12.25 P.M.	1.25 P.M.	0.21
San Francisco, Cal.	9.52 A.M.	11.02 A.M.	12.23 P.M.	0.39
Tallahassee, Fla.	2.59 P.M.	3.54 P.M.	4.38 P.M.	0.16

## OCCULTATIONS OF ALDEBARAN, 1947

No occultations of the bright star Aldebaran (Alpha Tauri) will be visible to observers in the United States during 1947.

## VENUS, MARS, JUPITER AND SATURN, 1947.

Below are given the times of the rising or setting of the Planets named, on the first, eleventh and twenty-first days of each month. The time of the rising or setting of any one of said Planets between the days named may be found with sufficient accuracy by interpolation. For explanation of keys (used in adjusting times given to your town) see pages 4 and 10 — especially if you live outside New England.

1947		VENUS h. m.	Key		MARS h. m.	Key		JUPITER h. m.	Key		SATURN h. m.	Key
JANUARY	1st	rises 3 40A.M.	M	sets	4 22P.M.	B	rises	3 17A.M.	N	rises	6 28P.M.	C
"	11th	" 3 39A.M.	N	rises	7 14A.M.	P	"	2 47A.M.	N	"	5 41P.M.	C
"	21st	" 3 44A.M.	N	"	7 02A.M.	O	"	2 15A.M.	N	"	4 57P.M.	C
FEBRUARY	1st	rises 3 53A.M.	O	rises	6 47A.M.	O	rises	1 39A.M.	N	sets	7 50A.M.	O
"	11th	" 4 02A.M.	O	"	6 30A.M.	N	"	1 05A.M.	N	"	6 09A.M.	O
"	21st	" 4 09A.M.	O	"	6 13A.M.	M	"	12 29A.M.	N	"	5 27A.M.	O
MARCH	1st	rises 4 12A.M.	N	rises	5 57A.M.	L	rises	11 56P.M.	N	sets	4 54A.M.	O
"	11th	" 4 13A.M.	N	"	5 37A.M.	L	"	11 18P.M.	N	"	4 13A.M.	O
"	21st	" 4 10A.M.	M	"	5 16A.M.	K	"	10 38P.M.	N	"	3 33A.M.	O
APRIL	1st	rises 4 03A.M.	L	rises	4 52A.M.	J	rises	9 53P.M.	N	sets	2 49A.M.	O
"	11th	" 3 54A.M.	K	"	4 30A.M.	I	"	9 10P.M.	N	"	2 10A.M.	O
"	21st	" 3 44A.M.	J	"	4 07A.M.	H	"	8 25P.M.	N	"	1 32A.M.	O
MAY	1st	rises 3 32A.M.	I	rises	3 45A.M.	H	rises	7 40P.M.	N	sets	12 54A.M.	O
"	11th	" 3 20A.M.	G	"	3 23A.M.	G	"	6 55P.M.	N	"	12 16A.M.	O
"	21st	" 3 10A.M.	F	"	3 01A.M.	F	sets	4 09A.M.	D	"	11 35A.M.	O
JUNE	1st	rises 3 00A.M.	E	rises	2 38A.M.	E	sets	3 22A.M.	E	sets	10 55A.M.	O
"	11th	" 2 55A.M.	D	"	2 18A.M.	D	"	2 39A.M.	E	"	10 19A.M.	O
"	21st	" 2 54A.M.	B	"	1 59A.M.	D	"	1 57A.M.	E	"	9 43P.M.	O
JULY	1st	rises 2 50A.M.	B	rises	1 42A.M.	C	sets	1 16A.M.	E	sets	9 07P.M.	O
"	11th	" 3 09A.M.	A	"	1 25A.M.	B	"	12 36A.M.	E	"	8 31P.M.	O
"	21st	" 3 25A.M.	B	"	1 10A.M.	B	"	11 52P.M.	E	"	7 55P.M.	N
AUGUST	1st	rises 3 48A.M.	B	rises	12 55A.M.	B	sets	11 10P.M.	E	sets	7 16P.M.	N
"	11th	" 4 11A.M.	D	"	12 43A.M.	A	"	10 32P.M.	E	rises	4 21A.M.	D
"	21st	" 4 36A.M.	E	"	12 32A.M.	A	"	9 55P.M.	D	"	4 48A.M.	D
SEPTEMBER	1st	rises 5 04A.M.	F	rises	12 21A.M.	A	sets	9 16P.M.	D	rises	3 12A.M.	D
"	11th	sets 6 13P.M.	J	"	12 11A.M.	B	"	8 40P.M.	D	"	2 39A.M.	D
"	21st	" 6 01P.M.	I	"	12 01A.M.	B	"	8 06P.M.	D	"	2 05A.M.	D
OCTOBER	1st	sets 5 49P.M.	H	rises	11 50P.M.	B	sets	7 31P.M.	D	rises	1 31A.M.	D
"	11th	" 5 37P.M.	G	"	11 40P.M.	C	"	6 53P.M.	D	"	12 57A.M.	E
"	21st	" 5 28P.M.	E	"	11 28P.M.	C	"	6 25P.M.	D	"	12 22A.M.	E
NOVEMBER	1st	sets 5 21P.M.	D	rises	11 14P.M.	D	sets	5 49P.M.	C	rises	11 39P.M.	E
"	11th	" 5 20P.M.	C	"	10 59P.M.	D	"	5 17P.M.	C	"	11 02P.M.	E
"	21st	" 5 25P.M.	B	"	10 42P.M.	E	sets	4 45P.M.	C	"	10 24P.M.	E
DECEMBER	1st	sets 5 37P.M.	B	rises	10 22P.M.	E	rises	6 52A.M.	O	rises	9 46P.M.	E
"	11th	" 5 54P.M.	B	"	9 59P.M.	E	"	6 24A.M.	O	"	9 06P.M.	E
"	21st	" 6 16P.M.	B	"	9 31P.M.	F	"	5 55A.M.	O	"	8 25P.M.	E
"	31st	sets 6 41P.M.	C	rises	8 59P.M.	F	rises	5 26A.M.	O	rises	7 44P.M.	E

## MORNING AND EVENING STARS, 1947

(A Planet is called Morning Star when it is above the horizon at sunrise, and Evening Star when it is above the horizon at sunset. More precisely, it is a Morning Star when it is less than 180° west of the Sun in right ascension and Evening Star when it is less than 180° east. When the planet is near conjunction or opposition, the distinction is unimportant.)

Mercury will be favorably situated for being seen as an Evening Star when near its greatest eastern elongations, about February 20, June 17, and October 13. On these dates it will set 1h. 30m., 1h. 42m., and 0h. 46m., respectively, after sunset. It will be seen as a Morning Star when near its greatest western elongations, about April 5, August 3, and November 22, on which dates it will rise 0h. 53m., 1h. 29m., and 1h. 45m., respectively, before sunrise.

Venus will be a Morning Star until September 3, then an Evening Star for the remainder of the year. It will be at its brightest for the year during the first week of January.

Mars will be an Evening Star until January 6 when it reaches conjunction, then a Morning Star for the remainder of the year. The planet's brightness will increase steadily through the year as it moves to opposition to the sun early in 1948.

Jupiter will be a Morning Star until May 14, on which date it reaches opposition. It will be an Evening Star from May 14 to December 1, the date of conjunction, and then a Morning Star again to the year's end.

Saturn starts the year as a Morning Star, but becomes an Evening Star on January 26, when it reaches opposition. It remains an Evening Star from January 26 to August 5, when it reaches conjunction, and then becomes a Morning Star again for the rest of the year.

## CALCULATIONS AND CORRECTIONS

### IF YOU LIVE OUTSIDE NEW ENGLAND

(For New England — See Page Four)

Times obtained for a place other than Boston by the conversions described below will in every case be in the Standard Time of the time zone in which the place lies. Some States by State ordinance do not observe Standard Time during the whole or part of the year. To obtain the time in everyday use in those States during the period such State ordinances are in effect one hour should be added to the time derived by conversion. The times used herein are Eastern Standard Time. To compensate for Daylight Saving Time in those States or Cities which continue it by local ordinance, add one hour.

A direct reading of the figures on the Almanac pages gives information that applies precisely and solely to Boston. The examples which follow interpret the significance of this information and illustrate the way to get the same information for a place outside New England, such as Dallas. The date, April 12, used for the purpose of the illustrations, has been chosen at random.

**Sunrise and Sunset.** The times of sunrise and sunset at Boston on April 12 are read directly from columns 4 and 6 on page 20. The key letters adjacent to these times, in columns 5 and 7, are indices to the table on page 12 whereby the times of sunrise and sunset at Boston are converted into those for other key cities, to wit:—

BOSTON			DALLAS		
Sunrise	5:09	A.M.E.S.T.	Sunrise (Boston)	5:09	A.M.E.S.T.
Key Letter		G	Correction (Column G, page 12)	+ :52	
			<hr/>		
			Sunrise (Dallas)	6:01	A.M.C.S.T.
Sunset	6:22	P.M.E.S.T.	Sunset (Boston)	6:22	P.M.E.S.T.
Key letter		K	Correction (Column K, page 12)	+ :35	
			<hr/>		
			Sunset (Dallas)	6:57	P.M.C.S.T.

**Dawn and Dark.** The approximate times dawn will break and dark descend are found by applying the length of twilight taken from the table on page 77 to the times of sunrise and sunset given on the calendar pages. The latitude of the locality determines the column of the table from which the length of twilight is to be selected.

BOSTON			DALLAS		
(Latitude 42° 22' N.)			(Latitude 32° 48' N.)		
Sunrise	5:09	A.M.	Sunrise	6:01	A.M.
Subtract length of twilight (Column 4 of table)		1:39	Subtract length of twilight (Column 4 of table)	1:28	
			<hr/>		
Dawn breaks	3:30	A.M.E.S.T.	Dawn breaks	4:33	A.M.C.S.T.
Sunset	6:22	P.M.	Sunset	6:57	P.M.
Add length of twilight		1:39	Add length of twilight	1:28	
			<hr/>		
Dark descends	8:01	P.M.E.S.T.	Dark descends	8:25	P.M.C.S.T.

**Sun Fast.** The column headed "Sun Fast" is of primary use to sundial enthusiasts. The figures therein tell how fast on each day the time indicated by a *properly adjusted and graduated* sundial will be of the time indicated by a clock. On April 12 sun time in Boston will be 15 minutes Fast of Eastern Standard Time. The time indicated by a sundial located elsewhere than in Boston is converted to clock time by applying two corrections, the "sun Fast" correction for Boston and that for the locality given in Column I of the table on page 12.

BOSTON			DALLAS		
Sundial time	2:34	P.M.	Sundial time	9:17	A.M.
Sun fast		- :15	Sun fast		- :15
			<hr/>		
Eastern Standard Time	2:19	P.M.	Correction (Column I, page 12)	+ :43	
			<hr/>		
			Central Standard Time	9:45	A.M.



**Length of Day.** The figures in the column headed "Length of Day" give directly the length of time the Sun will be above the horizon at Boston. The length of day in other localities is found by subtracting the time of sunrise from that of sunset for each locality. (See *Sunrise and Sunset* above).

BOSTON		DALLAS	
Length of day	13h 13m	Sunset	6:57 P.M.
(From calendar pages)		Sunrise	6:01 A.M.
		Length of Day	<hr/> 12h 56m

**Moonrise and Moonset.** The procedure for finding the times of moonrise and moonset follows that for finding those of sunrise and sunset except that, for localities outside New England, the constant additional correction taken from Column **Q** on page 12 must be applied.

BOSTON		DALLAS	
Moonrise	12:42 A.M.E.S.T.	Moonrise (Boston)	12:42 A.M.
Key letter	Q	Correction (Column Q, page 12)	+ :12
		Correction (Column <b>Q</b> , page 12)	+ :04
		Moonrise (Dallas)	<hr/> 12:58 A.M.C.S.T.

**Moon Souths.** The time the moon souths in Boston is converted to the time it is due south in a locality other than Boston by applying the appropriate corrections from Columns I and **Q** on page 12.

BOSTON		DALLAS	
Moon souths	5:05 A.M.E.S.T.	Moon souths (Boston)	5:05 A.M.
		Correction (Column I, page 12)	+ :43
		Correction (Column <b>Q</b> , page 12)	+ :04
			<hr/> 5:52 A.M.C.S.T.

The other information concerning the Moon contained on the left hand Almanac pages applies without correction throughout the United States.

**Risings and Settings of the Planets.** The times of the rising and setting of the naked eye Planets with the exception of Mercury are given for Boston in the table on page 9. The procedure for converting these times to those of other localities follows that for converting the times of sunrise and sunset given above.

**Planetary Aspects.** The planetary aspects indicated by the symbols and abbreviations on the right hand Almanac pages 15-37, are explained on pages 4, 76 and 77.

## WEATHER OUTSIDE NEW ENGLAND

Barring Easterlies and Tropical Storms it may be said that readers of the Almanac living outside of New England and West of the Hudson will experience much the same changes in the weather as those indicated herein . . . provided one day is subtracted for each Time Zone (see page 67) West of Boston.

ALMANAC DATA — OUTSIDE NEW ENGLAND  
 TABLE FOR FINDING TIMES OF SUNRISE, SUNSET, MOONRISE, MOONSET, AND RISING AND SETTING  
 OF PLANETS TO WITHIN 5 MIN. ACCURACY ANYWHERE IN U. S. A.

(See explanation on preceding pages 10 and 11.)

		Your town (interpolate between nearest two). SUBTRACT OR ADD these MINUTES to Almanac times given.													Moon					
		A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	m	m
Atlanta, Ga.	+22	+18	+15	+11	+8	+5	+1	-2	-6	-11	-14	-18	-21	-25	-28	-31	-35	+2		
Butte, Mont.	+31	+33	+35	+37	+39	+41	+42	+44	+46	+48	+50	+52	+54	+56	+58	+60	+62	+6		
Charleston, W. Va.	+57	+55	+53	+51	+50	+48	+46	+45	+42	+40	+39	+37	+35	+33	+32	+30	+28	+2		
Chicago, Ill.	+8	+8	+8	+7	+7	+7	+7	+6	+6	+6	+5	+5	+5	+5	+4	+4	+4	+2		
Cincinnati, O.	+66	+64	+63	+61	+60	+59	+57	+56	+54	+52	+51	+49	+48	+46	+45	+44	+42	+2		
Dallas, Tex.	+74	+70	+66	+63	+59	+56	+52	+48	+43	+38	+35	+31	+27	+23	+19	+16	+12	+4		
Denver, Colo.	+26	+24	+23	+22	+21	+20	+19	+17	+16	+14	+13	+12	+11	+9	+8	+7	+6	+5		
Des Moines, Ia.	+34	+33	+33	+33	+32	+32	+32	+31	+31	+30	+30	+29	+29	+29	+28	+28	+28	+3		
Detroit, Mich.	+48	+48	+48	+48	+48	+48	+48	+48	+48	+48	+48	+48	+48	+48	+48	+48	+48	+2		
Indianapolis, Ind.	+10	+9	+8	+6	+5	+4	+3	+2	+1	-1	-2	-3	-4	-5	-6	-7	-8	+2		
Jacksonville, Fla.	+80	+76	+71	+67	+62	+58	+53	+48	+43	+38	+32	+27	+23	+18	+14	+9	+5	+2		
Los Angeles, Cal.	+36	+33	+29	+26	+23	+20	+16	+13	+9	+5	+1	-2	-5	-9	-12	-15	-19	+7		
Louisville, Ky.	+13	+11	+10	+8	+6	+5	+3	+1	-1	-3	-5	-7	-8	-10	-12	-14	-16	+2		
Miami, Fla.	+86	+80	+74	+69	+63	+57	+51	+44	+37	+30	+23	+17	+11	+5	-1	-7	-12	+1		
Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minn.	+18	+19	+21	+22	+23	+25	+26	+27	+29	+30	+32	+33	+34	+36	+37	+38	+39	+3		
New Orleans, La.	+57	+53	+48	+43	+38	+33	+28	+22	+16	+10	+5	-1	-6	-9	-15	-20	-25	+3		
New York, N. Y.	+17	+17	+16	+15	+15	+14	+13	+13	+12	+11	+10	+10	+9	+8	+8	+7	+6	0		
Omaha, Neb.	+44	+43	+43	+42	+42	+41	+41	+40	+40	+39	+39	+38	+38	+37	+37	+36	+35	+4		
Philadelphia, Pa.	+25	+24	+23	+22	+21	+20	+19	+18	+17	+15	+14	+13	+12	+11	+10	+9	+8	+1		
Pittsburgh, Pa.	+43	+42	+41	+41	+40	+39	+38	+37	+36	+35	+34	+33	+32	+31	+31	+30	+29	+1		
Raleigh, N. C.	+53	+50	+47	+45	+42	+40	+37	+34	+31	+27	+24	+22	+19	+16	+14	+11	+8	+1		
Richmond, Va.	+42	+40	+38	+36	+34	+32	+30	+28	+26	+23	+21	+19	+17	+15	+13	+11	+9	+1		
Rochester, N. Y.	+23	+24	+24	+25	+25	+25	+26	+26	+26	+26	+27	+27	+28	+28	+28	+29	+29	+1		
St. Louis, Mo.	+30	+28	+27	+25	+24	+22	+20	+19	+17	+15	+13	+11	+10	+8	+7	+5	+3	+3		
Seattle, Wash.	+4	+7	+9	+12	+14	+17	+20	+23	+25	+28	+31	+34	+37	+39	+42	+45	+48	+3		
Topeka, Kans.	+51	+49	+48	+46	+45	+44	+42	+41	+39	+37	+36	+34	+33	+31	+30	+29	+27	+4		

## PRINCIPAL HOLIDAYS, ETC. IN 1947

America has no nationwide holidays. Each state determines its own. In the table that follows (\*) indicates these quite generally observed by all states; (\*\*) indicates those for only certain states; and (\*\*\*) indicates days usually observed in some localities though probably not observed as holidays. Only continental United States is covered here.

Jan. 1 (*) New Year's Day	May 10 (**) Memorial Day (N. C. & S. C.)
Jan. 8 (**) Battle of New Orleans	May 11 (***) Mother's Day
Jan. 19 (**) Robert E. Lee's Birthday	May 20 (**) Mecklenburg Day (N. C.)
Jan. 26 (**) MacArthur Day (Ark.)	May 22 (***) Nat'l Marine Day
Jan. 29 (**) McKinley's Birthday	May 30 (*) Decoration or Memorial Day
Feb. 8 (**) Arbor Day (Ariz.)	June 3 (**) Jefferson Davis Day (Ala., Ark., Fla., Ga., La., Miss., S. C., Tenn., Tex. & Va.)
Feb. 12 (**) Abraham Lincoln's Birthday	June 14 (**) Flag Day (Mo. & Pa.)
Feb. 14 (**) Admission Day (Arizona)	June 15 (**) Pioneer Day (Idaho)
Feb. 14 (***) Valentine's Day	June 15 (***) Father's Day
Feb. 15 (***) Susan B. Anthony Day	June 17 (**) Bunker Hill Day (Suffolk County, Mass.)
Feb. 18 (**) Mardi Gras	June 20 (**) West Virginia Day
Feb. 22 (*) George Washington's Birthday	July 4 (*) Independence Day
Mar. 1 (**) State Day (Nebraska)	July 13 (**) Forrest's Day (Tenn.)
Mar. 2 (**) Texas Independence Day	July 24 (**) Pioneer Day (Utah)
Mar. 7 (**) Burbank Day (Cal.)	Aug. 1 (**) Colorado Day
Mar. 15 (**) Jackson Day (Tennessee)	Aug. 4 (***) Coast Guard Day
Mar. 17 (**) St. Patrick's or Evacuation Day	Aug. 16 (**) Bennington, Vt. Battle Day
Mar. 25 (**) Maryland Day	Aug. 19 (***) National Aviation Day
Apr. 1 (**) State Election (Michigan)	Aug. 30 (**) Huey Long Day (La.)
Apr. 4 (**) Good Friday (Conn., Del., Fla., La., Md., Minn., N. J., Penn. & Tenn.)	Sept. 1 (*) Labor Day
Apr. 6 (**) Army Day	Sept. 8 (**) Election Day (Me.)
Apr. 7 (**) Easter Monday (N. C.)	Sept. 9 (**) Admission Day (Cal.)
Apr. 10 (**) Arbor Day (Neb.) 1872	Sept. 12 (**) Defender's Day (Md.)
Apr. 12 (**) Halifax Day (N. Car.)	Sept. 17 (***) Constitution Day
Apr. 13 (**) Jefferson Day (Mo., Okla., Va.)	Sept. 26 (***) Am. Indian Day
Apr. 14 (***) Pan American Day	Oct. 6 (**) Missouri Day
Apr. 19 (**) Patriots' Day (Me., Mass.)	Oct. 12 (*) Columbus Day
Apr. 21 (**) San Jacinto Day (Texas)	Oct. 27 (***) Navy Day
Apr. 24 (**) Arbor & Bird Day (Mass.)	Oct. 31 (**) Nevada Day
Apr. 24 (**) Fast Day (N. H.)	Nov. 1 (**) All Saints' Day (La.)
Apr. 26 (**) Memorial Day (Fla., Ga., Miss.)	Nov. 4 (*) Election Day
May 4 (**) R. I. Independence Day	Nov. 11 (**) Armistice Day
	Nov. 23 (**) Repudiation Day (Md.)
	Nov. 27 (*) Thanksgiving Day
	Dec. 7 (**) Delaware Day
	Dec. 21 (***) Forefather's Day
	Dec. 25 (*) Christmas Day

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JANUARY, FIRST MONTH.

ASTRONOMICAL CALCULATIONS.

☉'s Declination.	Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /	
		1	23s.02	7	22 25	13	21 32	19	20 25	25	19 03					
	2	22 57	8	22 17	14	21 22	20	20 12	26	18 48						
	3	22 52	9	22 09	15	21 11	21	19 59	27	18 33						
	4	22 46	10	22 01	16	21 00	22	19 45	28	18 17						
	5	22 39	11	21 52	17	20 49	23	19 32	29	18 01						
	6	22 32	12	21 42	18	20 37	24	19 17	30	17 45						

- Full Moon, 6th day, 11 h. 47 m., evening, E.
- ☾ Last Quarter, 13th day, 7 h. 56 m., evening, E.
- New Moon, 22nd day, 3 hr. 34 m., evening, E.
- ☽ First Quarter, 29th day, 7 h. 7 m., evening, W.

KEY LETTERS REFER TO CORRECTIONS TABLE, PAGE 12, FOR ALL POINTS OUTSIDE NEW ENGLAND.

Day of Year	Day of Month	Day of the Week	☉ Rises		Key	☾ Sets		Key	Length of Days	Sun Fast.	Full Sea, Boston.		☽ Sets.	Key	☽ Souths.		☽'s Place	Moon's Arc
			h.	m.		h.	m.				Morn	Even			h.	m.		
1	1	W.	7	13	P	4	23	B	9	09	12	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 32	J	6 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 55	Ari	9
2	2	Th.	7	13	P	4	23	B	9	10	12	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1 44	L	7 46	Tau	10
3	3	Fr.	7	13	P	4	24	B	9	11	11	7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	7 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2 58	M	8 41	Tau	12
4	4	Sa.	7	13	P	4	25	B	9	12	11	8	8 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	4 16	O	9 41	G'm	13
5	5	S.	7	13	P	4	26	B	9	13	10	9	9 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	5 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 35	Q	10 46	G'm	14
6	6	M.	7	13	P	4	27	B	9	14	10	10	10 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	rises	—	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 52	Cnc	15
7	7	Tu.	7	13	P	4	28	B	9	15	10	10 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	5 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 01	A	—	—	—
8	8	W.	7	13	O	4	29	C	9	16	9	11 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	—	6 17	B	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 57	Leo	16
9	9	Th.	7	13	O	4	30	C	9	17	9	0 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	0 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	7 34	D	1 58	Leo	17
10	10	Fr.	7	12	O	4	31	C	9	19	8	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	8 48	F	2 54	Vir	18
11	11	Sa.	7	12	O	4	32	C	9	20	8	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	9 59	G	3 44	Vir	19
12	12	S.	7	12	O	4	33	C	9	22	7	3	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 06	I	4 31	Lib	20
13	13	M.	7	12	O	4	35	C	9	23	7	4	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	—	—	5 15	Lib	21
14	14	Tu.	7	11	O	4	36	C	9	24	7	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 10	J	5 58	Lib	22
15	15	W.	7	11	O	4	37	C	9	26	6	5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1 14	L	6 41	Sco	23
16	16	Th.	7	10	O	4	38	C	9	28	6	6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2 16	M	7 25	Sco	24
17	17	Fr.	7	10	O	4	39	C	9	29	6	7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	8	3 18	O	8 10	Sag	25
18	18	Sa.	7	09	O	4	40	C	9	31	5	8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	9	4 19	P	8 58	Sag	26
19	19	S.	7	09	O	4	42	C	9	33	5	9	9 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	5 17	P	9 46	Sag	27
20	20	M.	7	08	O	4	43	C	9	35	5	9 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	6 10	Q	10 37	Cap	28
21	21	Tu.	7	07	O	4	44	C	9	37	4	10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	11	6 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 58	P	11 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 27	Cap	29
22	22	W.	7	07	O	4	45	C	9	38	4	11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	11 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	sets	—	12 <sup>M</sup> <sub>M</sub> 17	Aqr	30
23	23	Th.	7	06	N	4	47	D	9	40	4	11 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	—	6 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 01	D	1 05	Aqr	1
24	24	Fr.	7	05	N	4	48	D	9	42	4	0 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	0 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	7 06	E	1 52	Psc	2
25	25	Sa.	7	05	N	4	49	D	9	45	3	1	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	8 11	G	2 37	Psc	3
26	26	S.	7	04	N	4	50	D	9	47	3	1 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	9 17	H	3 21	Psc	4
27	27	M.	7	03	N	4	52	D	9	49	3	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	10 23	I	4 06	Ari	5
28	28	Tu.	7	02	N	4	53	D	9	51	3	3	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 31	K	4 51	Ari	6
29	29	W.	7	01	N	4	54	D	9	53	3	3 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	—	—	5 39	Tau	7
30	30	Th.	7	00	N	4	55	D	9	55	2	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 42	M	6 30	Tau	8
31	31	Fr.	6	59	N	4	57	D	9	58	2	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 56	O	7 <sup>M</sup> <sub>M</sub> 26	G'm	9

JANUARY hath 31 days.

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Now, in this hushing silence that is snow,  
The ear, left empty of the assaulting din,  
Listens for other voices that may grow  
Audible, here, from chancellories, within.—  
Saying the good were evermore the strong,  
Saying the gentle bear the cross of merit,  
Saying man's wisest word is still the song,—  
And this the generations will inherit.

D. M.	D. W.	Aspects, Holidays, Heights of High Water, Weather, etc.	Farmer's Calendar.
1	W.	Circumcision. □ ⊙ ⊙. {9.2 Fast of Teverth. Tides {8.3	Stormy
2	Th.	♀ in ⊕ Peri. Tides {10.1	with raw
3	Fr.	Take down greens tomorrow Tides {10.6 9.2	winds.
4	Sa.	2nd a. Christmas. ⊙ ⊙ ⊙. {11.1 9.5	
5	E	Epiph. ⊙ ⊙ ⊙. ⊕ Peri. {11.7 11.5	high. 9.7
6	M.	♀ Aph. Tides {11.7 9.9	Slippery
7	Tu.	Dr. Thos. Barbour d. 1946 ⊙ h ⊙. La. {11.6	Hol. —
8	W.	Tides {11.9	going.
9	Th.	Moon contacted by radar 1946 Tides {9.8 10.9	Fair
10	Fr.	F. Scott Key b. 1844 Tides {9.7 10.3	and
11	Sa.	1st S. af. Epi. ⊙ Ψ ⊙. ⊕ Eq. {9.5 9.7	on colder.
12	E	Margaret Deland d. 1944 Stat. in R.A. {9.8 9.1	
13	M.	St. Hilary. Coldest in year Tides {9.1 8.6	
14	Tu.	Chimney fires now Tides {9.0 8.1	Rain,
15	W.	♂ ♀ ⊙. Tides {9.0 7.8	snow,
16	Th.	Benj. Franklin Bapt. 1706 ⊙ ♀ ⊙. Tides {9.0 7.7	fog.
17	Fr.	Magna Carta ret'd to G. B. 1946 ⊙ ♀ ⊙. {9.1 7.8	and
18	Sa.	2d S. a. Ep. ⊕ in Hol. {9.3 9.2	South 7.9
19	E	♂ rides. low. Tides {9.4 8.0	sleet.
20	M.	Steel strike. 1946 ⊙ ⊙ ⊙. feed the birds now Tides {9.6 8.2	
21	Tu.	♂ ♀ ⊙. Tides {9.7 8.4	Look
22	W.	Burma Road opened 1945 ⊙ ♀ ⊙ Sup. Tides {9.8	for
23	Th.	Whitney Warren d. 1943 Tides {8.6 7.8	a
24	Fr.	Conv. of St. Paul. ♀ Gr. Hel. Lat. N. {8.7 9.7	thaw.
25	Sa.	3rd S. a. Epi. ⊙ h ⊙. Tides {8.9 9.6	
26	E	♀ Gr. Hel. ♀ Gr. El. W. ⊕ on Eq. Tides {9.1 9.4	
27	M.	Nantucket isolated 1945 Tides {9.3 9.2	Blustery
28	Tu.	Harry L. Hopkins d. 1946 Tides {9.4 8.9	and
29	W.	Chas. I beheaded 1649 F.D.R. born 1882 Tides {9.6 8.7	
30	Th.	Louisiana Purchase 1803 Tides {9.8 8.6	rough.
31	Fr.		

So you are thinking of good resolutions? That reminds us of a certain old lady reputed to be the greatest jam maker in the county. She has shelf on shelf of every kind of jam — peach, beach plum, raspberry, wild strawberry, cherry, etc., — they are there, the whole mouth-watering list. But no one ever gets to taste "Auntie's" masterpieces. She just keeps them on the shelf to be looked at. Well, those jams of hers seem to us like most of the resolutions you and I make. They're mighty pretty things, but we just keep them on the shelf.

Something more about good resolutions. If they're really good, they not only have to be used but they aren't made with loopholes you can wriggle through now and then. Which brings up by way of example the story of the old soak who swore off drinking the morning of January first, with the solemn vow, "I shall drink no more." In a few hours, however, he was again in his cups, and on being asked if that was what he meant by drinking "no more," replied, "It sure is,—no more than I used to."

Every farm should have its own shop and this is one month of the year when you can really put it to use. As you will want such a shop stove-heated in these bitter months best have it in a separate building pretty well away from your hay barns.

Trim up your young stand of pines by cutting all branches back close to the trunk.

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FEBRUARY, SECOND MONTH.

ASTRONOMICAL CALCULATIONS.

☉'s Declination.	Days.	0 /	Days.	0 /	Days.	0 /	Days.	0 /	Days.	0 /
	1	17s.	12	7	15 25	13	13 28	19	11 24	25
2	16	55	8	15 06	14	13 08	20	11 03	26	8 51
3	16	37	9	14 47	15	12 48	21	10 41	27	8 28
4	16	20	10	14 28	16	12 27	22	10 19	28	8 06
5	16	02	11	14 08	17	12 06	23	9 57		
6	15	43	12	13 48	18	11 45	24	9 35		

- Full Moon, 5th day, 10 h. 50 m., morning, W.
- ☾ Last Quarter, 12th day, 4 h. 58 m., morning, E.
- New Moon, 20th day, 9 h. 00 m., evening, W.
- ☽ First Quarter, 28th day, 4 h. 12 m., morning, W.

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Day of Year	Day of Month	Day of the Week	☉ Rises. h. m.	☉ Key	☉ Sets. h. m.	☉ Key	Length of Days. h. m.	Sun. Fast. m.	Full Sea. Boston. h. m.	☽ Sets. h. m.	☽ Key	☽ Souths. h. m.	☽'s Place	☽'s Moon's Age
32	1	Sa.	6 58	N	4 58	D	10 00	2	6 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	7 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	3 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 12	P	8 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 26	G'm 10
33	2	S.	6 57	N	4 59	D	10 02	2	7 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	8 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	4 26	Q	9 30	Cnc 11
34	3	M.	6 56	M	5 01	E	10 05	2	8 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	9 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	5 33	Q	10 34	Cnc 12
35	4	Tu.	6 55	M	5 02	E	10 07	2	9 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	10 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	6 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 33	Q	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 37	Leo 13
36	5	W.	6 54	M	5 03	E	10 09	2	10 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	11 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	rises	—	—	—
37	6	Th.	6 53	M	5 05	E	10 12	2	11 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	—	6 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 22	E	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 36	Leo 14
38	7	Fr.	6 52	M	5 06	E	10 15	2	0	0 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	7 36	G	1 30	Vir 15
39	8	Sa.	6 50	M	5 07	E	10 18	1	1	1 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	8 48	H	2 20	Vir 16
40	9	S.	6 49	M	5 09	E	10 19	1	1 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	2	9 55	J	3 07	Lib 17
41	10	M.	6 48	M	5 10	E	10 22	1	2 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	3	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 00	K	3 52	Lib 19
42	11	Tu.	6 47	M	5 11	E	10 25	1	3 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	3 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	—	—	4 36	Scor 20
43	12	W.	6 45	M	5 12	F	10 27	1	4 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	4 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 05	M	5 20	Scor 21
44	13	Th.	6 44	L	5 14	F	10 30	1	5	5 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	1 08	N	6 05	Scor 22
45	14	Fr.	6 43	L	5 15	F	10 32	1	6	6 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	2 10	O	6 52	Sag 23
46	15	Sa.	6 41	L	5 16	F	10 35	1	6 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	7 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	3 10	P	7 41	Sag 24
47	16	S.	6 40	L	5 18	F	10 38	2	7 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	8 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	4 05	Q	8 30	Cap 25
48	17	M.	6 39	L	5 19	F	10 40	2	8 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	9 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	4 55	Q	9 21	Cap 26
49	18	Tu.	6 37	L	5 20	F	10 43	2	9 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	10	5 38	P	10 11	Aqr 27
50	19	W.	6 36	L	5 21	F	10 46	2	10	10 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	6 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 16	O	11 00	Aqr 28
51	20	Th.	6 34	L	5 23	F	10 48	2	10 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	11 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	sets	—	11 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 48	Aqr 29
52	21	Fr.	6 33	L	5 24	F	10 51	2	11 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	11 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	6 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 02	F	12 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 34	Psc 1
53	22	Sa.	6 31	K	5 25	G	10 54	2	0	—	7 08	H	1 19	Psc 2
54	23	S.	6 30	K	5 26	G	10 57	2	0 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	0 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	8 15	I	2 04	Ari 3
55	24	M.	6 28	K	5 28	G	10 59	2	1	1 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	9 24	K	2 49	Ari 4
56	25	Tu.	6 27	K	5 29	G	11 02	2	1 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	2 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	10 34	L	3 36	Tau 5
57	26	W.	6 25	K	5 30	G	11 05	3	2 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	3	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 46	N	4 26	Tau 6
58	27	Th.	6 24	K	5 31	G	11 08	3	3 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	4	—	—	5 19	G'm 7
59	28	Fr.	6 22	K	5 33	G	11 10	3	4 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	5	1 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 00	P	6 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 16	G'm 8

FEBRUARY hath 28 days.

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The eye, enamored as it is,  
 And all but lost in love, and slow,  
 Lingers, expectant, waiting, now . . .  
 And the heart, no less would ask to know  
 If these prophetic, cloudy forms  
 Are flowers to come or flowers that grow  
 From some lost spring, remembered so.

D.M.	D.W.	Aspects, Holidays, Heights of High Water, Weather, etc.	Farmer's Calendar.
1	Sa.	St. Bridget. ♂ ♀ ☾. 37° below 1851 Tides {10.1 8.7	<p>This is the month when the farmer may take a bit of ease. But a good warm fire to sit by and the deep rocker to do the sitting in should not set a man to napping all the day. Let him catch up now on that stack of farm magazines, seed catalogues, and literature from the county agent and the Department of Agriculture that's been gathering on the top of his desk. Better look to the seed catalogues and get your order in. Everyone else has the same idea.</p> <p>How about doing a little experimenting this year to find out for yourself some of the things you've just taken, so far, on some other fellow's say-so? Instead of spraying all your orchard with the same kind of spray you have used year after year, try that new kind you've heard so much about on half of it. In planting a garden why not put some of it in this new "synthetic soil" they claim takes the place of all fertilizers, does away with natural diseases, and completely discourages attacking beetles and bugs. There are so many new things coming out this year and so many extravagant claims for most of them, a man has to prove many to himself.</p> <p>It always pays to raise what the other fellow doesn't, particularly for small cash crops. How about new raspberry bushes and more strawberry plants? Ever try raising squab? A sure market there with the summer people.</p>
2	E	Septuagesima S. Pur. Ground-10.5 M. hog Day 9.0	
3	M.	♄ in runs high Tides {10.9 9.3 <i>Falling</i>	
4	Tu.	Cyrus Alcer d. 1894 ♂ ♀ ☾. {11.2 9.6 <i>weather.</i>	
5	W.	Tides {11.4 10.0 <i>Windy</i>	
6	Th.	St. Dorothea. Tides {11.4 10.1 <i>and</i>	
7	Fr.	J. H. Manley d. 1905 Tides {11.2 10.1 <i>shivery.</i>	
8	Sa.	Boy Scouts (Am.) Fd. 1910 Hol. Ariz. Tides {10.1 10.8	
9	E	Serag. S. ♂ ♀ ☾. Eq. on 10.0 10.2 <i>Slush</i>	
10	M.	Normandie capsized 1942 Tides {9.8 9.5 <i>under-</i>	
11	Tu.	Fuel crisis N. Y. C. 1946 Tides {9.5 8.8 <i>foot.</i>	
12	W.	Lincoln's Birthday ♂ ♀ ☾. Tides {9.2 8.2	
13	Th.	W. A. Neilson d. 1946 {8.9 7.7 <i>Moderates</i>	
14	Fr.	St. Valentine's Day Hol. Ariz. {8.7 7.4 <i>but still</i>	
15	Sa.	♃ in ♄. ☐ ♀ ☾. ☾ in 18° below Apo. 1817 {8.6 7.4	
16	E	Quingua. S. (ShroveS.) ♂ ♀ ☾. ☾. Tides low.	
17	M.	Pulter landslide 1571 {8.9 7.8 [16 <sup>th</sup> 8.7 <i>wintry.</i>	
18	Tu.	Shrove Tue. Mardi Michelangelo 9.2 Gras b. 1564 8.1	
19	W.	Ash Wed. ♂ ♂ ☾. {9.4 8.4 <i>More</i>	
20	Th.	Auld Deer "Worst in year" ♀ per. ♀ Gr. El. E. {9.7 8.7	
21	Fr.	Set hens now to 28th. Tides {9.9 9.0 <i>comfortable</i>	
22	Sa.	Washington's Birthday ♂ ♀ ☾. {10.0 9.3 <i>indoors.</i>	
23	E	1st S. in V. Quadrag. ☾ on 9.3 Eq. 9.9	
24	M.	St. Matthias ☽ Stat. in Highest tides R.A. ever 1723 {9.6 9.8	
25	Tu.	Colt's six-shooter patented 1836 Tides {9.8 9.6	
26	W.	Alex. James ♂ Stat. in Ember d. 1946 ♀ R.A. Day {9.9 8.9 <i>Rain or</i>	
27	Th.	Rockport, Mass. Incorporated 1840 Tides {9.9 8.9 <i>snow.</i>	
28	Fr.	Lincoln toured N. E. 1848 ♂ ☽ ☾. Ember Day also Sat. {9.9 8.6	

The birds are arriving at the Vineyard just about now. Early crows may also be seen.

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MARCH, THIRD MONTH.

ASTRONOMICAL CALCULATIONS.

☉'s Declination.	Days.			Days.			Days.			Days.			Days.		
	1	0 /		7	5 /		13	3 /		19	0 /		25	0 /	
	1	7s. 43		7	5 25		13	3 04		19	0 42		25	1 40	
	2	7 20		8	5 02		14	2 40		20	0s. 18		26	2 04	
	3	6 57		9	4 38		15	2 17		21	0N. 06		27	2 27	
	4	6 34		10	4 15		16	1 53		22	0 29		28	2 51	
	5	6 11		11	3 51		17	1 29		23	0 53		29	3 14	
	6	5 48		12	3 28		18	1 06		24	1 17		30	3 38	

- Full Moon, 6th day, 10 h. 15 m., evening, W.
- ☾ Last Quarter, 14th day, 1 h. 28 m., evening, W.
- New Moon, 22nd day, 11 h. 34 m., morning, E.
- ☽ First Quarter, 29th day, 11 h. 15 m., morning, W.

KEY LETTERS REFER TO CORRECTIONS TABLE, PAGE 12, FOR ALL POINTS OUTSIDE NEW ENGLAND.

Day of Year	Day of Month	Day of the Week	☉		☽		Length of Days.	Sun	Full Sea, Boston.		☽		Key	☽		Moon's Age
			Rises.	Key	Sets.	Key			Morn	Even	Sets.	Key		Souths.	Place	
			h.	m.	h.	m.	h.	m.	h.	m.	h.	m.		h.	m.	
60	1	Sa.	6	21	K	5 34	G	11 13	3	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6	2 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 13	Q	7 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 17	Cnc	9
61	2	S.	6	19	K	5 35	G	11 16	3	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	7	3 21	Q	8 20	Cnc	10
62	3	M.	6	17	K	5 36	G	11 19	4	7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	4 20	Q	9 21	Leo	12
63	4	Tu.	6	16	K	5 37	H	11 22	4	8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	9 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	5 10	P	10 20	Leo	13
64	5	W.	6	14	J	5 39	H	11 25	4	9 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	10	5 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 50	O	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 16	Vir	14
65	6	Th.	6	12	J	5 40	H	11 28	4	10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	11	rises	—	—	—	—
66	7	Fr.	6	11	J	5 41	H	11 30	4	11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	11 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 24	H	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 07	Vir	15
67	8	Sa.	6	09	J	5 42	H	11 33	5	0	—	7 34	I	12 55	Lib	16
68	9	S.	6	07	J	5 43	H	11 36	5	0 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	0 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	8 42	K	1 42	Lib	17
69	10	M.	6	06	J	5 45	H	11 39	5	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	9 48	L	2 27	Lib	18
70	11	Tu.	6	04	J	5 46	H	11 42	6	2	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	10 54	N	3 12	Sco	19
71	12	W.	6	02	J	5 47	H	11 45	6	2 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 58	O	3 58	Sco	20
72	13	Th.	6	01	J	5 48	H	11 48	6	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4	—	—	4 45	Sag	21
73	14	Fr.	5	59	J	5 49	H	11 50	6	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	5	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 59	P	5 33	Sag	22
74	15	Sa.	5	57	I	5 50	I	11 53	7	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6	1 57	Q	6 23	Cap	23
75	16	S.	5	55	I	5 52	I	11 56	7	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	7	2 49	Q	7 13	Cap	24
76	17	M.	5	54	I	5 53	I	11 59	7	7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	7 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	3 35	P	8 03	Cap	25
77	18	Tu.	5	52	I	5 54	I	12 02	7	8	8 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	4 15	P	8 53	Aqr	26
78	19	W.	5	50	I	5 55	I	12 05	8	8 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	9 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4 48	O	9 41	Aqr	27
79	20	Th.	5	48	I	5 56	I	12 08	8	9 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	10	5 17	M	10 28	Psc	28
80	21	Fr.	5	47	I	5 57	I	12 11	8	10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	5 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 43	L	11 14	Psc	29
81	22	Sa.	5	45	I	5 59	I	12 14	9	11	11 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	sets	—	11 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 59	Ari	0
82	23	S.	5	43	I	6 00	I	12 16	9	11 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	—	7 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 12	J	12 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 45	Ari	1
83	24	M.	5	41	I	6 01	I	12 19	9	0	0 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	8 23	L	1 32	Ari	2
84	25	Tu.	5	40	I	6 02	J	12 21	10	0 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1	9 37	N	2 22	Tau	3
85	26	W.	5	38	H	6 03	J	12 24	10	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	10 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 51	O	3 15	Tau	4
86	27	Th.	5	36	H	6 04	J	12 28	10	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	—	—	4 12	G'm	5
87	28	Fr.	5	35	H	6 05	J	12 31	10	3	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 05	Q	5 11	G'm	6
88	29	Sa.	5	33	H	6 06	J	12 34	11	4	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1 15	Q	6 13	Cnc	7
89	30	S.	5	31	H	6 08	J	12 37	11	5	5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2 16	Q	7 14	Cnc	8
90	31	M.	5	29	H	6 09	J	12 38	11	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	7	3 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 08	Q	8 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 12	Leo	9



MARCH hath 31 days.

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Now the old tree, with vague ambiguous hands,  
 Gesticulates on the unaging sky,  
 Spelling the thing that no sky understands,  
 Spelling the same to ignorant passers-by:  
 To a man, staring, to the unheeding boy,  
 To lovers, hand in hand, too fond to see:  
 "The old are laughs, having won to joy  
 Through winds that are time passing," spells the tree.

D. M.	D. W.	Aspects, Holidays, Heights of High Water, Weather, etc.	Farmer's Calendar.
1	Sa.	St. David. C. J. Swan Hol. } 9.9 d. 1935 Neb. } 8.4	Stormy
2	E	2nd S. in ♀ Gr. Hel. } 10.0 Lat. S. ♀ Lat. N. } 8.5	
3	M.	♂ ♀ C. C. in } 10.2 Peri. } 8.9	2nd C runs Hol. high. Tex.
4	Tu.	Mass. Bay Colony chartered 1628 Tides } 10.5 9.8	now.
5	W.	Feast of Ice Patrol starts out Tides } 10.8 Esther. } 9.8	
6	Th.	Purim. W. H. Wells Tides } 11.0 d. 1946 } 10.2	High
7	Fr.	The Ides Beware of Hol. } 11.0 begin Old Colind Calif. } 10.4	winds.
8	Sa.	♂ ♀ C. ♀ ♀ Int. C on Eq. Tides } 10.8	
9	E	3rd S. in ♀ Ent. □ ♂ C. } 10.4 d. 1944 } 9.9	Altogether
10	M.	Jos. C. Lincoln Great storms in } 10.0 d. 1847 1888, 1924, 1939 } 9.3	un-
11	Tu.	St. Gregory. ♀ ♀ C. } 9.6 d. 1946 } 8.6	pleasant.
12	W.	Edwin F. Edgett Emirian Tides } 9.2 d. 1946 } 8.0	
13	Th.	♂ Stat. in R. A. Tides } 8.8 d. 1944 } 7.6	Storms
14	Fr.	Caesar ass. in. C rides } 8.5 BC. 44 } 7.4	again
15	Sa.	4th S. in ♀. ♀ ♀ ♀. Tides } 8.4 d. 1946 } 7.3	but
16	E	St. Patrick Evac. W. J. Noonan } 8.5 Day d. 1946 } 7.6	clears
17	M.	Vesuvius erupt. 1944 ♀ ♀ C. } 8.7 d. 1944 } 7.9	nicely.
18	Tu.	St. Swallows arr. Tides } 9.0 Joseph's San Capistrano } 8.4	
19	W.	"Give Me Liberty", 1775 ♀ C. } 9.3 d. 1946 } 8.8	More
20	Th.	St. Benedict. ♀ Stat. Spring en-♀ in R. A. begins. } 9.9	
21	Fr.	Maple sap is ♀ in ♀ } 9.9 running now } 9.7	21st ♀ wind
22	Sa.	Passion S. (5th in L.) C on Eq. } 10.0 d. 1882 } 10.1	and
23	E	Longfellow Tides } 10.0 d. 1882 } 9.0	cold.
24	M.	Ann. of Lady Day. Hol. Tides } 10.8 Md. } 9.9	A few
25	Tu.	Walt. Whitman ♀ in ♀. } 10.4 d. 1892 } 9.6	mild
26	W.	Florida ♀ in Peri. Tides } 10.4 disc. 1518 } 9.2	days
27	Th.	Seven Sor. The Irish were } 10.2 Vir. Mary. } 8.8	
28	Fr.	German Army in. } 10.0 whipped 1945 } 8.8	may
29	Sa.	Palm S. (6th in L.) ♀ ♀ C. } 9.8 d. 1857 } 8.4	be ex-
30	E	Goold Brown ♀ ♀ C. Tides } 9.8 d. 1857 } 8.6	pected
31	M.		

High time now to get your feet out of the oven. Those stale drifts in the corners are going fast, and it's just a step from snow to mud to grass. Things are piling up. Take that manure outside the cowbarn. Better mend that broken wheel on the spreader now. Mend everything, for that matter, that isn't junk. And save the junk if there are spare parts in it. Town Meeting is a kind of deadline. After that you "go."

You should have a thought to the labor you will need this year. Don't hire a man for work that you can best do yourself, and be sure that the handling of your machines is by those who understand them. If this means hours of slow teaching, it will be many times repaid. Sound machines carefully looked after are your chief asset. Wages are high, and help generally inexperienced (what has become of the good old hired-man?). Hire no more men than you can keep an eye on, even if this means cutting down on crops. Before a man goes on your payroll, let him know how long you are hiring him for and what you expect of him. Stick to the letter of your understanding as to wages and hours and holidays.

If the barnyard has washed out considerably this winter, put a good coating of hard pan with plenty of gravel over it. See if your town road agent can't tar your driveway. There is nothing harder on floors, linoleum and rugs than the constant tracking of dirt and gravel.

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APRIL, FOURTH MONTH.

## ASTRONOMICAL CALCULATIONS.

☉'s Declination.	Days.			0 /			Days.			0 /			Days.			0 /			Days.			0 /												
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	13	14	15	
	4	N	24				7	6	41			13	8	55	19	11	03				25	13	04											
	4		47				8	7	04			14	9	16	20	11	23				26	13	24											
	5		10				9	7	26			15	9	38	21	11	44				27	13	43											
	5		33				10	7	49			16	9	59	22	12	04				28	14	02											
	5		56				11	8	11			17	10	21	23	12	24				29	14	21											
	6		19				12	8	33			18	10	42	24	12	44				30	14	40											

○ Full Moon, 5th day, 10 h. 28 m., morning, W.

☾ Last Quarter, 13th day, 9 h. 23 m., morning, W.

● New Moon, 20th day, 11 h. 19 m., evening, W.

☽ First Quarter, 27th day, 5 h. 18 m., evening, W.

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Day of Year	Day of Month	Day of the Week	☉ Rises. h. m.	☉ Key	☉ Sets. h. m.	☉ Key	Length of Days. h. m.	Sun. Past. m.	Full Sea, Boston. Morn. h. Even. h.	☽ Sets. h. m.	☽ Key	☽ Souths. h. m.	☽ Key	☽'s Place	☽'s Age
91	1	Tu.	5 28	H	6 10	J	12 42	12	7 $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	8	3 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 49	O	9 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 07	Leo	10
92	2	W.	5 27	H	6 11	J	12 44	12	8 $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	9	4 23	N	9 59	Vir	11
93	3	Th.	5 24	H	6 12	J	12 48	12	9 $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	9 $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	4 52	L	10 47	Vir	12
94	4	Fr.	5 22	H	6 13	K	12 51	13	10 $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	10 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	5 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 16	J	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 33	Lib	13
95	5	Sa.	5 21	G	6 14	K	12 54	13	11	11 $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	rises	—	—	—	—
96	6	S.	5 19	G	6 15	K	12 56	13	11 $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	—	7 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 31	K	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 18	Lib	15
97	7	M.	5 17	G	6 17	K	12 59	13	0	0 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	8 37	M	1 03	Sco	16
98	8	Tu.	5 16	G	6 18	K	13 02	14	0 $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	1 $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	9 43	N	1 49	Sco	17
99	9	W.	5 14	G	6 19	K	13 05	14	1 $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	1 $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	10 47	P	2 36	Sgr	18
100	10	Th.	5 12	G	6 20	K	13 08	14	2	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 47	P	3 24	Sgr	19
101	11	Fr.	5 11	G	6 21	K	13 10	15	2 $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	—	—	4 14	Sgr	20
102	12	Sa.	5 09	G	6 22	K	13 13	15	3 $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	4 $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 42	Q	5 05	Cap	21
103	13	S.	5 07	G	6 23	K	13 16	15	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	1 31	P	5 55	Cap	22
104	14	M.	5 06	G	6 24	L	13 19	15	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	6 $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	2 13	P	6 45	Aqr	23
105	15	Tu.	5 04	F	6 26	L	13 22	16	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	7 $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	2 48	O	7 33	Aqr	24
106	16	W.	5 02	F	6 27	L	13 24	16	7 $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	8	3 18	N	8 20	Aqr	25
107	17	Th.	5 01	F	6 28	L	13 27	16	8 $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	8 $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	3 45	L	9 06	Psc	26
108	18	Fr.	4 59	F	6 29	L	13 30	16	9	9 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	4 09	K	9 51	Psc	27
109	19	Sa.	4 58	F	6 30	L	13 32	17	9 $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	10	4 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 32	I	10 37	Ari	28
110	20	S.	4 56	F	6 31	L	13 35	17	10 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	10 $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	sets	—	11 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 24	Ari	29
111	21	M.	4 55	F	6 32	L	13 38	17	11 $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	11 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	7 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 19	M	12 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 13	Tau	1
112	22	Tu.	4 53	F	6 34	L	13 41	17	—	0	8 36	O	1 06	Tau	2
113	23	W.	4 51	F	6 35	L	13 43	17	0 $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	0 $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	9 53	P	2 03	G'm	3
114	24	Th.	4 50	F	6 36	M	13 46	18	1	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 07	Q	3 04	G'm	4
115	25	Fr.	4 49	E	6 37	M	13 48	18	1 $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	—	—	4 06	Cnc	5
116	26	Sa.	4 47	E	6 38	M	13 51	18	2 $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 12	Q	5 08	Cnc	6
117	27	S.	4 46	E	6 39	M	13 54	18	3 $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	1 07	Q	6 08	Leo	7
118	28	M.	4 44	E	6 40	M	13 56	18	4 $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	1 51	P	7 04	Leo	8
119	29	Tu.	4 43	E	6 41	M	13 59	18	6	6 $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	2 27	N	7 55	Vir	9
120	30	W.	4 41	E	6 43	M	14 01	18	7	7 $\frac{3}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$	2 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 56	L	8 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 43	Vir	10

APRIL hath 30 days.

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The shapeliness of trees,  
Of flower . . . of leaf . . . is such  
That the mind's way with these  
Is less like thought than touch,  
And the eye's way in this,  
Less like a look than a kiss.

D. M.	D. W.	Aspects, Holidays, Heights of High Water, Weather, Etc.	Farmer's Calendar.
1	Tu.	Only fools ob- Pacific tidal serve this day wave 1946	Hol. \$9.8 Mich. \$9.0
2	W.	U. S. Mint Hol. wave 1946 est. 1792 Ariz. Tides \$10.1	<i>Pleasant</i>
3	Th.	Maundy Brahm's Stat. in Thurs. d. 1897 h R. A. \$10.3 \$10.0	<i>then</i>
4	Fr.	Good Fri. \$ΨC. Snowed 12 in. \$10.5 N.H. 1898 \$10.3	
5	Sa.	Pass- over Gr. El. in W. Army Aph. C on Tides \$10.4 \$10.5	
6	E	Easter S. Day Tides \$10.3 \$10.5	<i>changes</i>
7	M.	Easter Hol. N.C. Tides \$9.9	<i>to lowery</i>
8	Tu.	G. C. Benedict d. 1907 \$C. \$10.4 \$9.4	<i>and</i>
9	W.	March into Egypt Tides \$10.1 \$8.9	<i>dank.</i>
10	Th.	N. Y. Herald Tribune founded 1844 Neb. Tides \$9.7 \$8.4	
11	Fr.	Wind blew 231 mph. Mt. Wash., 1934 Tides \$9.3 \$8.0	<i>Cold</i>
12	Sa.	F. D. Roosevelt in Apo. C rides Hol. \$8.9 d. 1945 \$17.7	
13	E	Low S. lat. E. W. Va., Va. \$8.5 \$7.5	
14	M.	Earliest opening date Rangeley Lake, Me. \$8.4 \$7.5	<i>easterly</i>
15	Tu.	Taxes! Tides \$7.4 \$8.4	<i>storm with</i>
16	W.	Average date last killing frost Tides \$8.6 \$8.3	<i>snow.</i>
17	Th.	Magellan k. 1521 Tides \$8.9	<i>Drizzles.</i>
18	Fr.	Ernie Pyle League of Nat. \$9.2 d. 1945 aban. 1946 \$9.3	
19	Sa.	Patriots' D. \$ΨC. \$ΨC. \$ΨC. \$ΨC. on E. \$9.9	
20	E	2nd S. af. E. \$9.9 \$10.4	[19 <sup>th</sup> \$9.6 \$9.9]
21	M.	S. L. Clemens Hol. \$10.0 d. 1910 Texas \$10.7	<i>Changeable.</i>
22	Tu.	Mississippi R. bridged 1856 Tides \$10.0	<i>Milder.</i>
23	W.	St. George. \$hO. Shakespeare b. 1552 \$11.0 \$9.9	
24	Th.	Fast Day (N. H.) \$ΨC. C in Peri. \$11.0 \$9.6	<i>Cold</i>
25	Fr.	St. Mark Robl- & Gr. Hel. in Runs galla Lat S. Aph. C high.	
26	Sa.	Hol. \$10.5 [25 <sup>th</sup> \$10.8 \$8.9 \$9.2	<i>for</i>
27	E	3rd S. a. E. \$hC. D.S.T. begins \$10.1 in some places \$8.6	
28	M.	Capt. Bob Bartlett Mars \$9.7 d. 1946 conceived \$8.6	<i>now.</i>
29	Tu.	Tawawa R. ice loosening Tides \$9.5 \$8.8	<i>Warmer.</i>
30	W.	Hitler—a suicide? 1945 Hudson shad running Tides \$9.5 \$9.2	

Honey is a good cash crop to any farmer, but bees themselves are a pure necessity to the fruit grower as they are the chief means of pollinating. The blossom period is just around the corner and your order for swarms from commercial handlers should be in now at latest. A hive to every acre of orchard is more than ample, far less should do. Indeed many fruit growers depend solely on wild honey bees and bumble bees, though this is a poor practice as the activity and numbers of these vary greatly from year to year.

Unfortunately, as New England fruit growers learned only too well in the spring of 1945, honey bees will not work at temperatures below 55° Fahrenheit (bumble bees a bit lower). In the long drawn out cold and rainy spell of the 1945 blossom period the temperatures were seldom above 50°. The result was the slimmest apple crop in New England history.

The resourceful fruit grower should consider this old-fashioned method of helping out the bees; cut blossom sprays of good pollinizers for your McIntosh trees, for instance, from Gravensteins and Cortlands and place them in the boughs of the "Macs." This will help as it will make the most of the activities of even a very few bees.

The practice of dusting gathered pollen through orchards is not yet general, but may well be in a few years. Without examining the cost of such an operation, it would seem a certain answer.

Any plant growing in the wrong place is a "weed"

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MAY, FIFTH MONTH.

## ASTRONOMICAL CALCULATIONS.

☉'s Declination.	Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	14N.58	15 16	15 34	15 51	16 09	16 26	16 43	16 59	17 15	17 31	17 47	18 02	18 17	18 32	18 47	19 01
	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	19 41	19 54	20 07	20 19	20 31	20 42	19 41	19 54	20 07	20 19	20 31	20 42	19 41	19 54	20 07	20 19
	25	26	27	28	29	30	20 53	21 04	21 14	21 24	21 34	21 43	20 53	21 04	21 14	21 24

○ Full Moon, 4th day, 11 h. 53 m., evening, E.

☾ Last Quarter, 13th day, 3 h. 08 m., morning, E.

● New Moon, 20th day, 8 h. 44 m., morning, E.

☽ First Quarter, 26th day, 11 h. 35 m., evening, W.

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Day of Year	Day of Month	Day of the Week	☉		Key	☽		Key	Length of Days.	Sun Fact.	Full Sea. Boston.		☽		Key	☽		D's Place	Moon's Age
			Rises.	Sets.		Morn.	Even.				Souths.								
121	1	Th.	4 40	E 6 44	M	14 04	19 8	8½	3 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 21	K	9 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 29	Lib	11						
122	2	Fr.	4 39	E 6 45	M	14 06	19 9	9½	3 44	I	10 14	Lib	12						
123	3	Sa.	4 37	E 6 46	M	14 09	19 9¾	10¼	4 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 07	H	10 58	Scor	13						
124	4	S	4 36	D 6 47	N	14 11	19 10¾	11	rises	-	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 43	Scor	14						
125	5	M.	4 35	D 6 48	N	14 13	19 11¼	11½	7 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 29	N	-	-	-						
126	6	Tu.	4 33	D 6 49	N	14 16	19 -	0	8 34	O	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 29	Scor	15						
127	7	W.	4 32	D 6 50	N	14 18	19 0¼	0¾	9 36	P	1 17	Sgr	16						
128	8	Th.	4 31	D 6 51	N	14 20	19 0¾	1½	10 34	Q	2 06	Sgr	17						
129	9	Fr.	4 30	D 6 52	N	14 23	19 1½	2	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 25	Q	2 57	Cap	18						
130	10	Sa.	4 28	D 6 53	N	14 25	19 2¼	3	-	-	3 47	Cap	19						
131	11	S	4 27	D 6 54	N	14 27	19 3	3¾	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 10	P	4 37	Cap	20						
132	12	M.	4 26	D 6 56	N	14 29	19 4	4½	12 47	P	5 26	Aqr	21						
133	13	Tu.	4 25	D 6 57	N	14 32	19 4¾	5½	1 19	N	6 13	Aqr	22						
134	14	W.	4 24	C 6 58	O	14 34	20 5¾	6½	1 46	M	6 58	Psc	23						
135	15	Th.	4 23	C 6 59	O	14 36	20 6¾	7¼	2 11	K	7 42	Psc	24						
136	16	Fr.	4 22	C 7 00	O	14 38	19 7½	8	2 34	J	8 27	Ari	25						
137	17	Sa.	4 21	C 7 01	O	14 40	19 8½	8¾	2 56	I	9 13	Ari	26						
138	18	S	4 20	C 7 02	O	14 42	19 9¼	9½	3 21	G	10 01	Tau	27						
139	19	M.	4 19	C 7 03	O	14 44	19 10	10¼	3 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 48	E	10 52	Tau	28						
140	20	Tu.	4 18	C 7 04	O	14 46	19 10¾	11	sets	-	11 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 48	G'm	0						
141	21	W.	4 17	C 7 05	O	14 48	19 11¾	11¾	8 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 48	Q	12 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 49	G'm	1						
142	22	Th.	4 16	C 7 06	O	14 49	19 -	0½	10 00	Q	1 53	Cnc	2						
143	23	Fr.	4 16	C 7 07	O	14 51	19 0¾	1¼	11 01	Q	2 58	Cnc	3						
144	24	Sa.	4 15	C 7 08	O	14 53	19 1½	2¼	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 50	P	4 00	Leo	4						
145	25	S	4 14	C 7 09	P	14 55	19 2½	3¼	-	-	4 59	Leo	5						
146	26	M.	4 13	B 7 09	P	14 56	19 3½	4½	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 29	O	5 53	Vir	6						
147	27	Tu.	4 13	B 7 10	P	14 58	19 4½	5½	1 00	M	6 42	Vir	7						
148	28	W.	4 12	B 7 11	P	14 59	19 5¾	6¼	1 26	K	7 28	Vir	8						
149	29	Th.	4 11	B 7 12	P	15 01	19 6¾	7¼	1 50	J	8 12	Lib	9						
150	30	Fr.	4 11	B 7 13	P	15 02	18 7¾	8¼	2 12	H	8 56	Lib	11						
151	31	Sa.	4 10	B 7 14	P	15 04	18 8¾	9	2 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 34	G	9 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 40	Scor	12						



Look how the witty grass,  
 With a green, quick mind,  
 Is still for two who pass  
 In love—and blind,  
 A couch the grass will spread  
 For lover and lover,—  
 And never a word be said  
 Of a green cover.

D. M.	D. W.	Aspects, Holidays, Heights of High Water, Weather, etc.	Farmer's Calendar.
1	Th.	St. Philip & St. James. { <sup>9.6</sup> / <sub>9.7</sub> Mackerel	To the casual eye the green leaf, the tender shoots, the eager buds ready to burst are nature just about as usual this time of year, mighty pleasing to contemplate, relaxing and inspiring. Not so to the farmer. He is the poor devil on the "inside" of all this. And yet not really on the inside either, for Nature feeds him with her half truths only, her false promises, her juggling oracles. He knows it, and so, while hoping for the best, he plans for the worst, and expects, maybe, something about half-way between.
2	Fr.	♅ ♃ ♄ on Hol. Tides { <sup>9.8</sup> / <sub>10.1</sub> skies	
3	Sa.	Invention of Frisco Fire the Cross 1851 Tides { <sup>9.8</sup> / <sub>10.3</sub> may	
4	E	4th S. a. E. Jenny Lind { <sup>9.7</sup> / <sub>10.5</sub> hold	
5	M.	Am. Medical Ass. org. 1847 ♅ ♃ ♄ { <sup>9.6</sup> / <sub>10.5</sub> rain.	
6	Tu.	Bret Harte d. 1902 Tides { <sup>—</sup> / <sub>9.3</sub>	
7	W.	Official VE Day 1945 Tides { <sup>10.3</sup> / <sub>9.0</sub> Windy	
8	Th.	Lag B'Omer Tides { <sup>10.1</sup> / <sub>8.7</sub> and disa-	
9	Fr.	♄ Tides { <sup>9.8</sup> / <sub>8.3</sub> greeable.	
10	Sa.	Red Sox won 15 in Straight 1946 ♄ in Apo. N. & S. Car. { <sup>9.4</sup> / <sub>8.1</sub>	
11	E	5th S. a. E. Rogation Sunday Mother's Day { <sup>9.0</sup> / <sub>7.9</sub>	
12	M.	Langdon (N H.) decl. V. P. 1812. Minor Tides { <sup>8.7</sup> / <sub>7.8</sub>	
13	Tu.	Pius IX b. 1792 Rogation Tides { <sup>8.5</sup> / <sub>8.0</sub> Cold.	
14	W.	♅ ♃ ♄ in ♂ Days Tides { <sup>8.5</sup> / <sub>8.2</sub>	
15	Th.	Ascen. B. ♄ ♃ ♄ Sup. { <sup>8.6</sup> / <sub>8.7</sub> Wet.	
16	Fr.	S. S. Poland lost 1840 ♄ on Eq. Tides { <sup>8.8</sup> / <sub>9.3</sub> Change-	
17	Sa.	♄ ♃ ♄ { <sup>9.1</sup> / <sub>9.8</sub> 18th ♂ ♄ ♃ ♄ ♄ ♃ ♄ ♄ Gr. Hel. Lat. S. { <sup>9.5</sup> / <sub>10.4</sub>	
18	E	S. a. As. Minor Am. Rogation Day { <sup>9.5</sup> / <sub>10.4</sub> able,	
19	M.	Booth Tarkington in Peri. Ore. { <sup>9.8</sup> / <sub>11.0</sub> may	
20	Tu.	Columbus d. 1506 Tot. Ecl. ♄ ♃ ♄. { <sup>9.9</sup> / <sub>11.8</sub> shower.	
21	W.	K. Poole, fdr. Taunton, Mass. d. 1664 ♄ ♃ ♄. { <sup>10.0</sup> / <sub>11.5</sub>	
22	Th.	Nat'l Marine Chief Justice Stone d. 1946 ♄ in Peri. { <sup>—</sup> / <sub>9.9</sub>	
23	Fr.	Churchill res. 1945 ♄ runs high Tides { <sup>11.4</sup> / <sub>9.7</sub>	
24	Sa.	Rail Strike 1946 ♄ ♃ ♄ Tides { <sup>11.1</sup> / <sub>9.4</sub> Warm	
25	E	Whit S. Pentecost { <sup>10.7</sup> / <sub>9.1</sub> for	
26	M.	Civil War ended 1865 Tides { <sup>10.2</sup> / <sub>9.0</sub>	
27	Tu.	St. Bede. Pled Piper 1254 Tides { <sup>9.7</sup> / <sub>9.0</sub> now.	
28	W.	Noah Webster Ember d. 1843 ♄ ♃ ♄ Tides { <sup>9.4</sup> / <sub>9.2</sub>	
29	Th.	♅ ♃ ♄ ♄ Gr. Hel. Lat. N. ♄ on Eq. { <sup>9.2</sup> / <sub>9.4</sub> Rainy	
30	Fr.	Memorial Day Tides { <sup>9.1</sup> / <sub>9.7</sub> days.	
31	Sa.	Johnstown Flood 1889 Snowed in Mid-west 1946 { <sup>9.1</sup> / <sub>10.0</sub>	

But he has commonsense and the ability to cut his cloth to fit the pattern. If it's been too wet to get the field corn planted in time to mature, he figures on planting oats instead. But he can forget all his worries with his fishing pole—for a couple of evening hours—that's the nerve tonic for him. And a good mess of hornpout fried crisp will heat the slickest trout or salmon.

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JUNE, SIXTH MONTH.

ASTRONOMICAL CALCULATIONS.

☉'s Declination.	Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /										
	1	22	N.00	7	22	43	13	23	12	19	23	25	25	23	24	22	08	8	22	49	14	23	15	20	23	26	26	23	23
3	22	16	9	22	54	15	23	18	21	23	27	27	23	21	4	22	29	11	23	04	17	23	23	23	23	26	29	23	15
4	22	24	10	22	59	16	23	20	22	23	27	28	23	18	6	22	37	12	23	08	18	23	24	24	23	26	30	23	12

- Full Moon, 3rd day, 2 h. 27 m., evening, E.
- ☾ Last Quarter, 11th day, 5 h. 58 m., evening, W.
- New Moon, 18th day, 4 h. 26 m., evening, W.
- ☽ First Quarter, 25th day, 7 h. 25 m., morning, E.

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Day of Year	Day of Month	Day of the Week	☉		Key	☽		Key	Length of Days.	Sun. n. Fast.	Full Sea, Boston.		☽		Key	☽		☽'s Place	☽'s Arc
			Rises. h. m.	Key		Sets. h. m.	Key				Morn. h.	Even. h.	Sets. h. m.	Souths. h. m.					
152	1	S	4 10	B	7 15	P	15 05	18	9 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	9 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 58	F	10 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 25	Sco	13				
153	2	M	4 09	B	7 15	P	15 06	18	10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 24	D	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 12	Sgr	14				
154	3	Tu	4 09	B	7 16	P	15 07	18	11	11	rises	—	—	—	—				
155	4	W	4 08	B	7 17	P	15 09	18	11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	11 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	8 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 25	P	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 01	Sgr	15				
156	5	Th	4 08	B	7 18	P	15 10	18	—	0 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	9 20	Q	12 51	Sgr	16				
157	6	Fr	4 07	B	7 18	P	15 11	17	0 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1	10 07	P	1 41	Cap	17				
158	7	Sa	4 07	B	7 19	P	15 12	17	1	1 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	10 46	P	2 32	Cap	18				
159	8	S	4 07	B	7 19	P	15 13	17	1 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	11 20	O	3 21	Aqr	19				
160	9	M	4 07	B	7 20	P	15 13	17	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 48	N	4 08	Aqr	20				
161	10	Tu	4 06	B	7 21	P	15 14	17	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	4	—	—	4 53	Psc	21				
162	11	W	4 06	B	7 21	P	15 15	16	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 13	L	5 37	Psc	22				
163	12	Th	4 06	B	7 22	P	15 16	16	5	5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	12 36	K	6 20	Psc	23				
164	13	Fr	4 06	B	7 22	P	15 16	16	6	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	12 58	I	7 04	Ari	24				
165	14	Sa	4 06	B	7 23	P	15 17	16	7	7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1 21	H	7 49	Ari	25				
166	15	S	4 06	A	7 23	Q	15 17	16	7 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1 46	F	8 38	Tau	26				
167	16	M	4 06	A	7 24	Q	15 18	15	8 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	9	2 14	D	9 31	Tau	27				
168	17	Tu	4 06	A	7 24	Q	15 18	15	9 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	9 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 50	B	10 29	G'm	28				
169	18	W	4 06	A	7 24	Q	15 18	15	10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	10 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	sets	—	11 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 32	G'm	29				
170	19	Th	4 06	A	7 25	Q	15 18	15	11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	8 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 46	Q	12 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 38	Cnc	1				
171	20	Fr	4 06	A	7 25	Q	15 19	14	—	0 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	9 42	Q	1 44	Cnc	2				
172	21	Sa	4 06	A	7 25	Q	15 19	14	0 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1	10 26	P	2 47	Leo	3				
173	22	S	4 07	A	7 25	Q	15 19	14	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2	11 01	N	3 45	Leo	4				
174	23	M	4 07	A	7 25	Q	15 19	14	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	3	11 30	L	4 37	Vir	5				
175	24	Tu	4 07	A	7 26	Q	15 18	14	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	4	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 55	J	5 26	Vir	6				
176	25	W	4 07	A	7 26	Q	15 18	13	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	5	—	—	6 11	Lib	7				
177	26	Th	4 08	A	7 26	Q	15 18	13	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 17	I	6 55	Lib	8				
178	27	Fr	4 08	A	7 26	Q	15 18	13	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	12 40	G	7 39	Sco	9				
179	28	Sa	4 09	A	7 26	Q	15 17	13	7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	7 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1 03	F	8 23	Sco	10				
180	29	S	4 09	A	7 26	P	15 17	13	8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 28	D	9 09	Sgr	11				
181	30	M	4 09	B	7 26	P	15 16	12	9 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	9 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 57	C	9 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 57	Sgr	12				



An old house, in the white sun,  
And the wide green around;  
And the old sum: one and one,  
And the right answer found.—  
A passer-by may look

On what as well had been  
Lost Eden in a book,  
Save for two going in,  
Half turning, there, to look  
Where a passer-by had been.

D. M. D. W. Aspects, Holidays, Heights of High Water, Weather, etc.

Farmer's Calendar.

1 **E** Trinity S. Nicomede. ☽ ♃. { 9.1  
10.2  
2 **M.** Tides { 9.0  
10.8 *May storm*  
3 **Tu.** Bridgewater, Mass. ☾ Par. { 8.9  
disc. 1495 Ecl. ☽ ⊕ ☉. { 10.3  
4 **W.** No. Am. Tides { 8.8  
disc. 1495 10.2 *from East.*  
5 **Th.** Corpus Christi. St. Boniface. ☾ Rides { —  
low. { 8.6  
6 **Fr.** Invasion, ☾ in Tides { 10.0  
1944 Apo. { 8.5  
7 **Sa.** Missouri R. bridged Dr. Walter G. { 9.3  
w. steel 1879 Kendall d. 1946 { 8.5  
8 **E** 1st S. af. T. Tides { 9.6  
8.3 *Cooler,*  
9 **M.** Chas. Dickens Hail and { 9.3  
d. 1870 'hurricane' 1946 { 8.3  
10 **Tu.** Boston Marine Soc. { 9.0  
fd 1742 8.3 *may hail.*  
11 **W.** St. Barnabas. Old Folks meeting { 8.8  
w. Commington, Mass. { 8.4  
12 **Th.** Strawberries Tides { 8.7  
8.7 *Some*  
13 **Fr.** ripening ☾ on Tides { 8.7  
Eq. { 9.2 *good*  
14 **Sa.** Flag. Hol. Tides { 8.8  
Day. Mo. & Pa. { 9.7 *days.*  
15 **E** 2nd S. a. T. St. Bernard Father's { 9.0  
Day { 10.3  
16 **M.** Sacred Heart. ☽ ☽ ☾. Tides { 9.3  
10.8  
17 **Tu.** Bunker Hill ♀ Gr. El. Snowed Vt. { 9.6  
Day E. 1816 { 11.3  
18 **W.** Rich. Grozier ☽ ⊕ ☾. Invasion { 9.8  
d. 1946 Moon { 11.6 *Now*  
19 **Th.** ☾ in ☾ runs Tides { 9.9  
Peri. high { 11.3 *much*  
20 **Fr.** Ψ in R.A. ☽ ♃. Hol. { —  
W. Va. { 10.0 *warmer.*  
21 **Sa.** Fireflies around now ☽ ♃ ☽ in ☽. Tides { 11.7  
11.9  
22 **E** 3rd S. a. T. SUMMER 1.19 { 11.3 *Good*  
BEGINS. a.m. { 9.7  
23 **M.** Simon Lake Tides { 10.9  
d. 1945 9.6 { 22nd ☽ en-  
ters ☽.  
24 **Tu.** Midsummer's Nat. John { 10.8  
Day the Baptist { 9.5 *growing*  
25 **W.** Salem on { 9.7  
Fire, 1914 ☽ ♃. ☾ Eq. { 9.4 *weather.*  
26 **Th.** U. N. Charter Tides { 9.2  
Sgd. 1945 { 9.4  
27 **Fr.** E. Bartlett Tides { 8.8  
(pear) d. 1860 { 9.4 *Real*  
28 **Sa.** Maria Mitchell ☽ ♃ ☾. { 8.6  
d. 1889 { 9.6 *warm.*  
29 **E** 4th S. a. T. St. Peter & St. Paul. { 8.5  
{ 9.7  
30 **M.** Bikini Bomb Stat. in { 8.4  
Test, 1946 ♀ R.A. ☐ Ψ ☉. { 9.8

Nothing about the farm "shows up" more than in these early June days, yes, and June nights, too. The careless farmer finds the scoot and manure spreader lost in the tall grass. His night-wandering cattle punch through his idle fences to munch the neighbor's garden. Better no fence at all than a poor one.

Of fencing, its thoughtful laying out will save your pasturage. Several rather small pastures, which your cattle or other livestock are allowed to graze alternately, will give you grass far longer than one large pasture constantly grazed. For the small farmer it will prove economical to stake out his few cows in the European way.

To mix your various kinds of livestock in common grazing is poor practice. If you have sheep, cattle and horses, let us say, let the cattle feed first in your fresh pastures or for but a short time together with horses and sheep. Cattle are shallow browsers and will avoid all grass patches, no matter how lush, fertilized with their own dung. Horses will crop more closely. Sheep will crop to the very roots if you let them, and can, of course, do well in a pasture that is exhausted for cattle. Keep livestock of any kind out of land that you are counting on for a future timber crop.

Weeds are going to seed now. Don't let them. Mow them down early this month or before they have started seeding.

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JULY, SEVENTH MONTH.

ASTRONOMICAL CALCULATIONS.

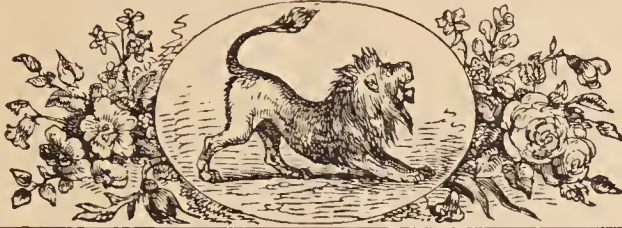
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		1	23	N.08	7	22	38	13	21	54	19	20	55	25	19
	2	23	04	8	22	32	14	21	45	20	20	45	26	19	32
	3	23	00	9	22	25	15	21	36	21	20	33	27	19	18
	4	22	55	10	22	18	16	21	26	22	20	22	28	19	05
	5	22	50	11	22	10	17	21	16	23	20	10	29	18	51
	6	22	44	12	22	02	18	21	06	24	19	57	30	18	37

- Full Moon, 3rd day, 5 h. 38 m., morning, W.
- ☾ Last Quarter, 11th day, 5 h. 54 m., morning, E.
- New Moon, 17th day, 11 h. 15 m., evening, W.
- ☽ First Quarter, 24th day, 5 h. 54 m., evening, W.

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Day of Year	Day of Month	Day of the Week	☉		Key	☽		Key	Length of Days.	Sun Fast.	Full Sea.		Key	☽	Key	☽'s	Moon's Age				
			Rises.	Key		Sets.	Key				Morn	Even						Sets.	Key	Souths.	Place
182	1	Tu.	4	10	B	7	26	P	15	16	12	10	10	2 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 31	B	10 <sup>F</sup> <sub>M</sub> 47	Sgr	13			
183	2	W.	4	10	B	7	25	P	15	15	12	10	10	3 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 11	B	11 <sup>F</sup> <sub>M</sub> 37	Cap	14			
184	3	Th.	4	11	B	7	25	P	15	14	12	11	11	rises	—	—	—	—			
185	4	Fr.	4	12	B	7	25	P	15	14	12	—	0	8 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 46	P	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 28	Cap	15			
186	5	Sa.	4	12	B	7	25	P	15	13	11	0	0	1 <sup>2</sup> <sub>M</sub> 21	O	1	17	Aqr	16		
187	6	S.	4	13	B	7	24	P	15	12	11	0	1	9	51	N	2	05	Aqr	17	
188	7	M.	4	13	B	7	24	P	15	11	11	1	2	10	17	M	2	50	Aqr	18	
189	8	Tu.	4	14	B	7	24	P	15	10	11	2	2	10	40	K	3	34	Psc	19	
190	9	W.	4	15	B	7	23	P	15	09	11	2	3	11	02	J	4	17	Psc	20	
191	10	Th.	4	15	B	7	23	P	15	08	11	3	2	11	23	H	4	59	Ari	22	
192	11	Fr.	4	16	B	7	22	P	15	06	10	4	1	5	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 46	G	5	43	Ari	23	
193	12	Sa.	4	17	B	7	22	P	15	05	10	5	1	5	—	—	6	28	Tau	24	
194	13	S.	4	18	B	7	21	P	15	04	10	6	1	6	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 12	E	7	18	Tau	25	
195	14	M.	4	18	B	7	21	P	15	03	10	7	1	7	12	43	C	8	12	G'm	26
196	15	Tu.	4	19	B	7	20	P	15	01	10	8	1	8	1	22	B	9	11	G'm	27
197	16	W.	4	20	B	7	20	P	15	00	10	9	1	9	2 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 12	A	10	15	Cnc	28	
198	17	Th.	4	21	B	7	19	P	14	58	10	10	1	10	sets	—	11	22	Cnc	29	
199	18	Fr.	4	22	B	7	18	P	14	57	10	11	1	11	8 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 17	P	12 <sup>M</sup> <sub>M</sub> 28	Leo	1		
200	19	Sa.	4	23	B	7	18	P	14	55	10	—	0	8	57	O	11	29	Leo	2	
201	20	S.	4	23	O	7	17	O	14	53	10	0	1	0	9	29	M	12	26	Vir	3
202	21	M.	4	24	O	7	16	O	14	52	9	1	1	1	9	56	K	3	18	Vir	4
203	22	Tu.	4	25	O	7	15	O	14	50	9	2	2	10	20	I	4	06	Lib	5	
204	23	W.	4	26	O	7	14	O	14	48	9	3	3	10	43	H	4	51	Lib	6	
205	24	Th.	4	27	O	7	13	O	14	46	9	3	3	11	06	F	5	36	Sco	7	
206	25	Fr.	4	28	O	7	13	O	14	44	9	4	4	11	31	E	6	21	Sco	8	
207	26	Sa.	4	29	O	7	12	O	14	42	9	5	5	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 59	C	7	07	Sco	9		
208	27	S.	4	30	O	7	11	O	14	41	9	6	6	7	—	—	7	54	Sgr	10	
209	28	M.	4	31	O	7	10	O	14	39	9	7	7	8	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 31	B	8	43	Sgr	11	
210	29	Tu.	4	32	O	7	09	O	14	36	9	8	8	1	10	A	9	33	Cap	12	
211	30	W.	4	33	O	7	07	O	14	34	9	9	9	1	55	A	10	24	Cap	13	
212	31	Th.	4	34	O	7	06	O	14	32	9	10	10	2 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 47	A	11 <sup>M</sup> <sub>M</sub> 14	Cap	14			





Grass is another language, a green tongue,  
 An alien speech not ours to understand,  
 Heard everywhere, and current through the land,  
 But not for us the quick word said or sung:  
 The lexicon is not at our command.  
 How to attend? How tune the ignorant ear?  
 We hesitate at whispers, half turn back,  
 Or lying prone, with all the tongues come near,  
 Almost we comprehend, almost we hear  
 What well may be the word our wisdoms lack.

D.M.	D.W.	Aspects, Holidays, Heights of High Water, Weather, etc.	Farmer's Calendar.
1	Tu.	Blood of Christ	
2	W.	Visit. of Mary. w.St. Eliz. ♀ Aph. ♂ ♀ ♂	Tides {8.4 9.9} <i>Cold</i>
3	Th.	Lexington Normal Sch. fd. 1839	in rides {8.4 8.5 10.0} <i>low.</i>
4	Fr.	INDEPENDENCE DAY	Cal. Coolidge born 1872 {8.5 10.0} <i>and</i>
5	Sa.	Br. elect Labor Party 1945	⊕ Aph. in Tides {8.6 rain.
6	E	5th S.a.T.	Fast of Hart. Circus Tarnuz Fire 1944 {9.9 8.6 9.7
7	M.	St. Frances Cabrini	can. (Only Am. 1946 Cath. Saint) {9.7 8.7
8	Tu.	Liberty Bell cracked 1835	Tides {9.5 8.7} <i>Scorching</i>
9	W.	Minot's Lighthouse Tower beg. 1857	Tides {9.3 8.8} <i>sun.</i>
10	Th.	Eq. Death Valley	Tides {9.1 9.0
11	Fr.	Burr shot Hamilton 1804	Tides {8.9 9.2
12	Sa.	Thoran b. 1817	Tides {8.8 9.6} <i>Expect</i>
13	E	7th S.af. P. Day	♀ in Tenn. Hol. {8.8 10.0} <i>thun-</i>
14	M.	Bastille Day	♂ ♀ ♂ inf. ♂ ♂ C. {8.9 10.4} <i>der</i>
15	Tu.	St. Swithun	♂ ♂ C. {9.1 10.9} <i>storms.</i>
16	W.	Atom bomb test N. M.—1945	♀ Stat. in R.A. C. runs high {9.4 11.4
17	Th.	Miss. trade ap. 1863	♂ ♀ C. ♂ ♀ C. C. in {9.7 11.7} <i>Peri.</i>
18	Fr.	Klondike Gold Rush 1897	♂ h C. Tides {10.0 11.8}
19	Sa.	Dog Days (Sirius) begin—23rd (not calc.)	Hot 1905 Tides {— 10.2}
20	E	7th S.a.Tr.	St. Margaret. Tides {11.7 10.2}
21	M.	Pittsburg riots 1877	Tides {11.4 10.2} <i>Sultry.</i>
22	Tu.	Mary Magdalene	♂ ♀ ♀ Gr. Hel. Lat. S. {10.9 10.0}
23	W.	Eq. on 10.3 9.8	22nd ♂ Ψ C. <i>Cooler.</i>
24	Th.	Salt Lake City fd. 1847	45° drop Boston 1830 Hol. {9.6 9.6} <i>Utah</i>
25	Fr.	St. James. St. Christo-pher	♀ Stat. in R.A. Tides {8.9 9.4
26	Sa.	St. Anne.	♂ ♀ C. Tides {8.4 9.2}
27	E	8th S.af. T. Past. of. AV.	♂ in ♂. {8.1 9.2}
28	M.	Tides {7.9 9.3}	<i>Moist.</i>
29	Tu.	1st Almanac printed 1472	Tides {7.9 9.4}
30	W.	Capt. Cook's 1st trip 1768	♂ rides low. Tides {8.0 9.5}
31	Th.	St. Ignatius of Loyola	♂ in Apo. Tides {8.2 9.7}

There's still the old swimming hole under the same twisted alder where Dad flung his pants and shirt as a kid, and where Dad's boy flings his of a hot afternoon.

Come Sundays, now and then, the "old boys" join their young fry down there and splash and dive. Then after a bit they lie back on the bank and smoke, remembering the days when they stuffed sweet fern and dried raspberry leaves and alfalfa into home-made pipes, and tied knots in the shirt of the last fellow out.

Now the kids have cut poles and in the riled waters catch the silly shiners and little trout. Strange that in this thrashed pool they bite at their best. Dad says there were really big trout here in his day, and recalls the years when the beaver dam made the pool twice this size. He recalls a fifteen inch whopper he caught in those days.

"Old" Dan snorts, "Pshaw! It warnt' but ten—and I caught it." And that starts a kid's wrangle of words from the oldsters with a heap of unreliable and dimly recollected evidence, till young Dan lets out an Injun Whoop and all hands are on their feet. A wild scramble and grabbing in the ferns till he holds up the fish, flopping and wriggling. "Gosh! Gosh!"—and "old" Dan takes the trout and lays it in the palm of his hand—and turns to Dad—a twinkle in eye. "Gosh, feller, I guess this tops ours, sure." And the sun goes down.

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AUGUST, EIGHTH MONTH.

ASTRONOMICAL CALCULATIONS.

☉'s Declination.	Days.		Days.		Days.		Days.		Days.	
	0	'	0	'	0	'	0	'	0	'
1	18	N.07	7	16 32	13	14 48	19	12 54	25	10 54
2	17	52	8	16 15	14	14 29	20	12 35	26	10 33
3	17	37	9	15 58	15	14 11	21	12 15	27	10 12
4	17	21	10	15 41	16	13 52	22	11 55	28	9 51
5	17	05	11	15 23	17	13 33	23	11 35	29	9 30
6	16	29	12	15 06	18	13 14	24	11 14	30	9 09

- Full Moon, 1st day, 8 h. 50 m., evening, E.
- ☾ Last Quarter, 9th day, 3 h. 22 m., evening, W.
- New Moon, 16th day, 6 h. 12 m., morning, E.
- ☽ First Quarter, 23rd day, 7 h. 40 m., morning, E.
- Full Moon, 31st day, 11 h. 34 m., morning, W.

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Day of Year	Day of Month	Day of the Week	☉		☽		Length of Days.	Sun Fast.	Full Sea, Boston.		☽	Key	☽	☽'s	Moon's Age
			Rises.	Key	Sets.	Key			Morn.	Even.					
213	1	Fr.	4 35	D	7 05	N	14 30	10	11	11	rises	-	-	-	-
214	2	Sa.	4 36	D	7 04	N	14 28	10	11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	7 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 54	N	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 02	Aqr	15
215	3	Su.	4 37	D	7 03	N	14 26	10	-	0	8 21	M	1 48	Aqr	16
216	4	Mo.	4 38	D	7 02	N	14 24	10	0 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	0 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	8 45	K	1 33	Psc	17
217	5	Tu.	4 39	D	7 00	N	14 21	10	0 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	9 06	J	2 16	Psc	18
218	6	We.	4 40	D	6 59	N	14 19	10	1 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2	9 28	I	2 58	Ari	19
219	7	Th.	4 41	D	6 58	N	14 17	10	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	9 49	G	3 41	Ari	20
220	8	Fr.	4 42	D	6 57	N	14 14	10	3	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	10 13	F	4 25	Ari	21
221	9	Sa.	4 43	D	6 55	N	14 12	10	3 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	10 41	D	5 11	Tau	22
222	10	Su.	4 44	D	6 54	N	14 10	10	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	11 15	B	6 02	Tau	23
223	11	Mo.	4 45	E	6 53	M	14 07	11	5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 58	A	6 57	G'm	24
224	12	Tu.	4 46	E	6 51	M	14 05	11	6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	-	-	7 57	G'm	25
225	13	We.	4 48	E	6 50	M	14 02	11	7 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 54	A	9 01	Cnc	26
226	14	Th.	4 49	E	6 48	M	14 00	11	9	9 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2 01	A	10 06	Cnc	27
227	15	Fr.	4 50	E	6 47	M	13 57	11	9 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	3 <sup>M</sup> <sub>M</sub> 18	A	11 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 10	Leo	28
228	16	Sa.	4 51	E	6 45	M	13 55	11	10 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	11	sets	-	12 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 09	Leo	0
229	17	Su.	4 52	E	6 44	M	13 52	12	11 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	-	7 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 54	L	1 04	Vir	1
230	18	Mo.	4 53	E	6 43	M	13 50	12	0	0 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	8 20	J	1 55	Vir	2
231	19	Tu.	4 54	E	6 41	M	13 47	12	0 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	8 44	H	2 43	Lib	3
232	20	We.	4 55	F	6 40	L	13 44	12	1 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2	9 07	G	3 29	Lib	4
233	21	Th.	4 56	F	6 38	L	13 42	13	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3	9 32	E	4 15	Scor	5
234	22	Fr.	4 57	F	6 36	L	13 39	13	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	3 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	9 59	D	5 02	Scor	6
235	23	Sa.	4 58	F	6 35	L	13 37	13	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	10 30	C	5 49	Sgr	7
236	24	Su.	4 59	F	6 33	L	13 34	13	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	11 07	B	6 38	Sgr	9
237	25	Mo.	5 00	F	6 32	L	13 31	14	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 50	A	7 28	Sgr	10
238	26	Tu.	5 01	F	6 30	L	13 29	14	7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	-	-	8 19	Cap	11
239	27	We.	5 03	F	6 28	L	13 26	14	8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 40	A	9 09	Cap	12
240	28	Th.	5 04	F	6 27	L	13 23	14	9	9 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1 37	A	9 58	Aqr	13
241	29	Fr.	5 05	F	6 25	L	13 21	15	9 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	10	2 37	B	10 45	Aqr	14
242	30	Sa.	5 06	G	6 23	K	13 18	15	10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 40	D	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 31	Psc	15
243	31	Su.	5 07	G	6 22	K	13 15	15	11	11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	rises	-	-	-	-



Here, where the rain begins,  
The cows come to the tree;  
Air thickens and light thins,  
And all the eye can see  
Is where a field begins,  
And what as well might be  
A memory that thins  
To ghosts of cow and tree.

D.M.	D.W.	Aspects, Holidays, Heights of High Water, Weather, etc.	Farmer's Calendar.
1	Fr.	Lammas Day. Hol. Cal. Tides {8.4 9.8	Now is the sweet corn in full tassel, and the rowan from the June-mowed fields big enough to make a good ripple in the hot winds. The waterfall is a thin wavering thread over the mill dam, lawns cry for a heavy soaking (better just before dusk), at night porcupines snuffle and sob and bark and eye the sweet apples in the orchard, foxes feed in the blueberry pastures. This may be the time marking the end of your last field mowed, before the rowan mowing, the last spraying of your fruit trees—when only the occasional weeding of your garden crops seems to demand attention. But there is much that you can do now, and to best advantage. Contrary to usual practice, your light bearing fruit trees may profitably be pruned now. Get out the brush scythe and clear the hardack and scrub cherry and sumac from your orchard walls and around the boulders. No better time to gravel your woods, roads and paths, and inspect your fences for a second mending. Finish the hand mowing around your fruit trees and cut your props for the limbs already heavy with fruit. Choose ash and maple rather than birch for this purpose as they will stand up much better. If the cordwood you cut in spring is still lying about, saw it now and get it under cover. In this dry season the dam you have been planning on can most easily be constructed.
2	Sa.	Decl. of Indep. Sgd. by those present Tides {8.6 9.9} Showers	
3	E	9th S. a. T. St. Stephen. Gr. el. W. {8.8	
4	M.	Coast Guard Heat wave Day 4-17, 1904 {9.9 9.0} now	
5	Tu.	Hiroshima, 1945 6h 0. 6 6 Tides {9.9 9.1	
6	W.	Transfiguration. C on Eq. Tides {9.7 9.3	
7	Th.	Name of Jesus Tides {9.5 9.4	
8	Fr.	Adm. King's "Blackest (Savo Is. Day of WW II" 1942) Tides {9.3 9.5	
9	Sa.	Nagasaki, 1945 Tides {9.0 9.6} Dry	
10	E	11th S. a. P. St. Laurence. V in 8. {9.8 9.8} spell.	
11	M.	Tides {8.6 10.0}	
12	Tu.	Plant Iris disc. 1847 C runs high Tides {8.7 10.4} 10.4	
13	W.	Japs surrender 1945 d. 1945 Hugh Cabot Tides {8.9 10.8} 9.3	
14	Th.	As. of Vir. 6 6 C. V. in 10.2 [15th C in. Battle of Benning, Vt. 1862] 11.7 [15th C in. Peri. Sandwich Id 1639 {10.5 11.6} Blows	
15	Fr.	11th S. a. T. Sandwich Id 1639 {10.5 11.6} Blows	
16	Sa.	Ill. fireball expl. 1944 6 6 h. Tides {10.6 10.6} and	
17	E	11th S. a. T. Sandwich Id 1639 {10.5 11.6} Blows	
18	M.	Ill. fireball expl. 1944 6 6 h. Tides {10.6 10.6} and	
19	Tu.	6 6 C. C on Dog days Aviation Eq. end Day {11.8 10.6}	
20	W.	Seth Green d. 1889 Tides {10.8 10.4} rains	
21	Th.	Charter Oak down 1856 Tides {10.1 10.0} hard.	
22	Fr.	Lulgi Cardinal Maglione d. 1944 6 6 C. Tides {9.4 9.6}	
23	Sa.	Pompeii buried AD 79 Tides {8.6 9.3} Much	
24	E	12th S. a. T. Northeast 1893 Texas Hurr. 1945 {8.1 9.0}	
25	M.	Gr. Hel. Medford 1851 18.8 cooler	
26	Tu.	Celia Thaxter d. 1894 6 6 C. rides low. Tides {7.6 8.9}	
27	W.	Confucius 551 B.C. C Apo. in Tides {7.7 9.0} and	
28	Th.	St. August. 6 6 C. Sup. Tides {8.0 9.2} some	
29	Fr.	St. John the Baptist Beheaded. Hol. Calif. Tides {8.3 9.5}	
30	Sa.	St. Flacrus. Hol. La. Tides {8.6 9.7} clear	
31	E	14th S. a. P. Tides {8.9 9.8} days.	

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SEPTEMBER, NINTH MONTH.

## ASTRONOMICAL CALCULATIONS.

☉'s Declination.	Days.			Days.			Days.			Days.			Days.		
	0	1	2	0	1	2	0	1	2	0	1	2	0	1	2
1	8N	26		7	6	13	13	3	57	19	1	38	25	0	42
2	8	04		8	5	51	14	3	34	20	1	15	26	1	05
3	7	42		9	5	28	15	3	11	21	0	51	27	1	29
4	7	20		10	5	05	16	2	48	22	0	27	28	1	52
5	6	58		11	4	43	17	2	25	23	0N.05		29	2	15
6	6	35		12	4	20	18	2	01	24	0S.19		30	2	39

☾ Last Quarter, 7th day, 10 h. 57 m., evening, E.

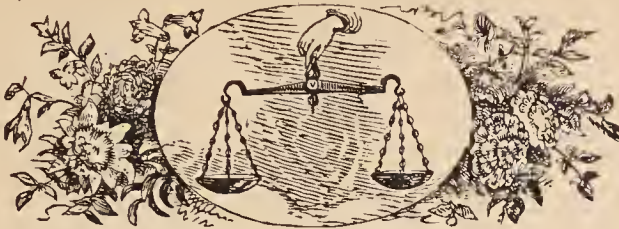
● New Moon, 14th day, 2 h. 28 m., evening, W.

☽ First Quarter, 22nd day, 12 h. 42 m., morning, W.

○ Full Moon, 30th day, 1 h. 41 m., morning, W.

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Day of Year	Day of Month	Day of the Week	☉ Rises.		Key	☽ Sets.		Key	Length of Days.	Sun. Dist.	Full Sea, Boston.		☽ Rises.	Key	☽ Souths.	☽'s Place	☽'s Moon's Age
			h.	m.		h.	m.				Morn	Even					
244	1	M.	5	08	G	6	20	K	13 12 16	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 $\frac{3}{4}$	7 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 12	J	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 14	Psc	16	
245	2	Tu.	5	09	G	6	18	K	13 10 16	—	0 $\frac{1}{4}$	7 33	I	12 57	Psc	17	
246	3	W.	5	10	G	6	17	K	13 07 16	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 $\frac{3}{4}$	7 54	H	1 40	Ari	18	
247	4	Th.	5	11	G	6	15	K	13 04 17	1	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	8 17	F	2 23	Ari	19	
248	5	Fr.	5	12	G	6	13	K	13 01 17	1 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 $\frac{1}{4}$	8 43	D	3 09	Tau	20	
249	6	Sa.	5	13	G	6	12	K	12 59 17	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	3	9 15	C	3 58	Tau	21	
250	7	S.	5	14	G	6	10	K	12 56 18	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 $\frac{3}{4}$	9 53	A	4 50	G'm	22	
251	8	M.	5	15	G	6	08	K	12 53 18	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	4 $\frac{3}{4}$	10 43	A	5 47	G'm	23	
252	9	Tu.	5	16	H	6	06	J	12 50 18	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{3}{4}$	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 43	A	6 48	Cnc	24	
253	10	W.	5	17	H	6	04	J	12 47 19	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	7	—	—	7 51	Cnc	25	
254	11	Th.	5	18	H	6	03	J	12 44 19	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	8	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 55	A	8 54	Leo	26	
255	12	Fr.	5	19	H	6	01	J	12 42 19	8	9	2 13	B	9 53	Leo	27	
256	13	Sa.	5	21	H	5	59	J	12 39 20	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	10	3 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 33	D	10 49	Vir	28	
257	14	S.	5	22	H	5	58	J	12 36 20	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 $\frac{3}{4}$	sets	—	11 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 42	Vir	29	
258	15	M.	5	23	H	5	56	J	12 33 20	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	11 $\frac{3}{4}$	6 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 45	I	12 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 31	Lib	1	
259	16	Tu.	5	24	H	5	54	J	12 30 21	—	0	7 08	H	1 19	Lib	2	
260	17	W.	5	25	H	5	52	J	12 28 21	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 $\frac{3}{4}$	7 31	F	2 06	Sco	3	
261	18	Th.	5	26	H	5	51	J	12 25 21	1 $\frac{1}{4}$	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 58	D	2 53	Sco	4	
262	19	Fr.	5	27	H	5	49	I	12 22 22	2	2 $\frac{1}{4}$	8 27	C	3 41	Sgr	5	
263	20	Sa.	5	28	I	5	47	I	12 19 22	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	3 $\frac{1}{4}$	9 02	B	4 30	Sgr	6	
264	21	S.	5	29	I	5	45	I	12 16 23	3 $\frac{3}{4}$	4	9 44	A	5 21	Sgr	7	
265	22	M.	5	30	I	5	44	I	12 13 23	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	5	10 32	A	6 12	Cap	8	
266	23	Tu.	5	31	I	5	42	I	12 11 23	5 $\frac{3}{4}$	6	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 26	A	7 03	Cap	9	
267	24	W.	5	32	I	5	40	I	12 08 24	6 $\frac{3}{4}$	—	—	—	7 52	Aqr	10	
268	25	Th.	5	33	I	5	38	I	12 05 24	7 $\frac{3}{4}$	7 $\frac{3}{4}$	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 25	B	8 40	Aqr	11	
269	26	Fr.	5	34	I	5	36	I	12 02 24	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 28	C	9 26	Aqr	12	
270	27	Sa.	5	35	I	5	35	I	11 59 25	9 $\frac{1}{4}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 32	E	10 10	Psc	13	
271	28	S.	5	37	I	5	33	I	11 56 25	9 $\frac{3}{4}$	10	3 37	F	10 54	Psc	14	
272	29	M.	5	38	I	5	31	I	11 54 25	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	4 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 42	H	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 37	Ari	15	
273	30	Tu.	5	39	J	5	29	H	11 51 25	11	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	rises	—	—	—	—	



The bird that was still in the sky when the thunder came,  
Sudden and dark and deafening, headed south,  
And dwindled to less than a bird in the noise and flame,  
And was swallowed and lost in the angry and cavernous mouth . . .  
Think of ber—now! And think of whatever we've heard  
Of sparrows that fall, but never out of the care  
Of a larger love than ours . . . and we've need of a word  
To tell us today that the way of a bird in the air,  
Being dark to us, may lead to a sbining tree,  
Tranquil and tall in the dawn—as we pray may be.

D.M.	D.W.	Aspects, Holidays, Heights of High Water, Weather, etc.	Farmer's Calendar.
1	M.	Labor Day. Tides { <sup>9.2</sup> / <sub>9.9</sub>	Storms
2	Tu.	V. J. Day on Lowest bar. Tides { <sup>9.4</sup> / <sub>9.9</sub> Eq. 26.35-1935	
3	W.	Eleven days lost 1755 $\delta \psi \odot$ Sup. Hurr. 1821 Tides { <sup>9.9</sup> / <sub>9.7</sub>	
4	Th.	St. MOSES. Saxy Gale 1867 Tides { <sup>9.8</sup> / <sub>9.9</sub>	
5	Fr.	Worst hay fever now McKinley shot 1901 Tides { <sup>9.6</sup> / <sub>10.0</sub>	expected.
6	Sa.		Tides { <sup>9.3</sup> / <sub>10.0</sub>
7	E	14th S.a.T. $\psi$ Gr. Hel. Lat. N. Tides { <sup>9.9</sup> / <sub>9.9</sub>	
8	M.	Nat. Virgin Election Day Maine $\delta \psi \odot$ Tides { <sup>9.7</sup> / <sub>9.9</sub>	
9	Tu.	$\odot$ rns Trop. storm 1809 Tides { <sup>8.5</sup> / <sub>10.0</sub>	Could
10	W.	Perry Day $\delta \psi \odot$ Tides { <sup>8.6</sup> / <sub>10.2</sub>	be
11	Th.	Red Sox win Am. Lg. 1946 Tides { <sup>8.9</sup> / <sub>10.5</sub>	fine
12	Fr.	N. E.'s "Saddest Day" 1674 $\delta \psi \odot$ In Perl. { <sup>9.4</sup> / <sub>10.9</sub>	
13	Sa.	J. J. Pershing b. 1860 Tides { <sup>10.0</sup> / <sub>11.2</sub>	week.
14	E	15th S.a.T. Holy Cross. $\delta \psi \odot$ Tides { <sup>10.4</sup> / <sub>11.2</sub>	
15	M.	Jewish New Year $\psi \odot \psi \odot$ on Eq. { <sup>10.8</sup> / <sub>11.2</sub>	
16	Tu.	St. Euphemia. J. McCormack d. 1945 { <sup>10.9</sup> / <sub>10.9</sub>	Frosts
17	W.	Constitution Day $\psi$ in $\psi$ . Ember Day { <sup>10.9</sup> / <sub>10.8</sub>	in
18	Th.	Trees are blushing $\delta \psi \psi$ . Tides { <sup>10.4</sup> / <sub>10.5</sub>	places.
19	Fr.	$\delta \psi \odot$ . $\square \psi \odot$ . Days Tides { <sup>9.7</sup> / <sub>10.1</sub>	
20	Sa.	Old Ironsides lchd. 1797 Tides { <sup>9.0</sup> / <sub>9.6</sub>	Bad
21	E	17th S.a. $\psi$ . St. Mathew. { <sup>8.4</sup> / <sub>9.2</sub>	storm
22	M.	8 witches bgd. 1692 $\odot$ rides Underground low. moon { <sup>7.9</sup> / <sub>8.8</sub>	is
23	Tu.	AUTUMN BEGINS. P.M. $\odot$ en. $\psi$ . Tides { <sup>7.6</sup> / <sub>8.5</sub>	due.
24	W.	Atone-ment John the Baptist conceived $\odot$ Apo. { <sup>7.5</sup> / <sub>8.5</sub>	
25	Th.	$\psi$ Killing frost 1879 Tides { <sup>7.7</sup> / <sub>8.7</sub>	Fair.
26	Fr.	Cyprian & Justina American Indian Day Tides { <sup>8.1</sup> / <sub>8.9</sub>	
27	Sa.	Daylight Bk. robbery Concord—1863 $\delta \psi \psi$ { <sup>8.5</sup> / <sub>9.2</sub>	Cool
28	E	17th S.a.T. D.S.T. ends $\psi$ in Apl. { <sup>8.9</sup> / <sub>9.5</sub>	and
29	M.	St. Michael & All Angels. Succoth. { <sup>9.3</sup> / <sub>9.7</sub>	nice.
30	Tu.	St. Jerome. $\odot$ on Harvest moon Tides { <sup>9.7</sup> / <sub>9.8</sub>	

Plan to sow fields before the 20th of this month. Later sowing than this for a mixture of grass and clover will invite winter killing of the latter. Now is the time to put in your rye or other winter grain. Lawns resowed this month will get a catch of grass with very few weeds. Rake out the dead weeds on your lawns, at least, and fill in with good grass seed. Go to your orchards and explore for borers. You will find evidence of them on many of the young trees in the form of wadded sawdust at the base and clinging to the trunk. Probe for them with wire, but if this method fails, put a pinch of cyanua gas in the holes and block with mud or grafting wax. Young borers, as shown by black patches and an oozing from the bark near the base of tree, may be picked out with a penknife. Don't miss the county fair. Encourage the youngsters to look forward to this from the time they plant their gardens, with an eye to entering their big sunflowers, pumpkins, corn or what-not for the many prizes. Their own produce and their own livestock are as much their pride and accomplishment as anything they can show from books or blackboard. But in the making of good farmers education is important. If you can help build their enthusiasm for your way of life, aim to send them on to a good agricultural college. We can't have too many intelligent farmers.

3/5 of all driving accidents come between dusk and darkness.

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## OCTOBER, TENTH MONTH.

## ASTRONOMICAL CALCULATIONS.

☉'s Declination.	Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /	
	1	3s.	02	7	5	21	13	7	38	19	9	51	25	11	58	
	2	3	25	8	5	44	14	8	00	20	10	12	26	12	19	
	3	3	49	9	6	07	15	8	22	21	10	34	27	12	39	
	4	4	12	10	6	30	16	8	45	22	10	55	28	13	00	
	5	4	35	11	6	53	17	9	07	23	11	16	29	13	20	
	6	4	58	12	7	15	18	9	29	24	11	37	30	13	40	

☾ Last Quarter, 7th day, 5 h. 29 m., morning, E.

● New Moon, 14th day, 1 h. 10 m., morning, E.

☽ First Quarter, 21st day, 8 h. 11 m., evening, W.

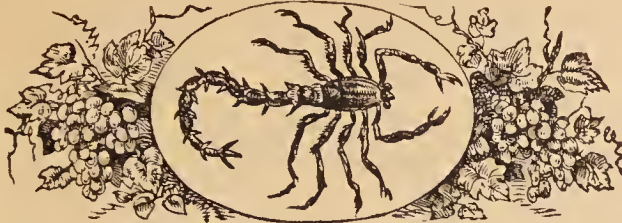
○ Full Moon, 29th day, 3 h. 7 m., evening, E.

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Day of Year	Day of Month	Day of the Week	☉		Key	☽		Key	Length of Days.	Sun. P. Dist.	Full Sea, Boston.		☽	Key	☽	☽'s	Moon's Age
			Rises.	h. m.		Sets.	h. m.				Morn.	Even.					
274	1	W.	5	40	J	5	28	H	11 48	26	11 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	—	6 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 21	G	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 21	Ari	16
275	2	Th.	5	41	J	5	26	H	11 45	26	0	0 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6 46	E	1 06	Tau	17
276	3	Fr.	5	42	J	5	24	H	11 42	27	0 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1	7 16	C	1 55	Tau	18
277	4	Sa.	5	43	J	5	22	H	11 39	27	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	7 52	A	2 47	G'm	20
278	5	S.	5	44	J	5	21	H	11 37	27	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	8 38	A	3 42	G'm	21
279	6	M.	5	45	J	5	19	H	11 34	27	3	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	9 34	A	4 42	G'm	22
280	7	Tu.	5	46	J	5	17	H	11 31	28	4	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	10 41	A	5 43	Cnc	23
281	8	W.	5	48	J	5	16	H	11 28	28	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 55	B	6 45	Cnc	24
282	9	Th.	5	49	J	5	14	H	11 25	28	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	7 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	—	—	7 44	Leo	25
283	10	Fr.	5	50	J	5	12	H	11 22	29	7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	7 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 12	C	8 39	Leo	26
284	11	Sa.	5	51	K	5	11	G	11 20	29	8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	8 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2 29	E	9 31	Vir	27
285	12	S.	5	52	K	5	09	G	11 17	29	9 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	9 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	3 44	G	10 21	Vir	28
286	13	M.	5	53	K	5	07	G	11 14	29	10	10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 57	I	11 08	Lig	29
287	14	Tu.	5	54	K	5	06	G	11 11	30	11	11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	sets	—	11 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 55	Lib	0
288	15	W.	5	56	K	5	04	G	11 09	30	11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	—	5 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 57	E	12 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 42	Scor	1
289	16	Th.	5	57	K	5	02	G	11 06	30	0	0 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6 25	D	1 31	Scor	3
290	17	Fr.	5	58	K	5	01	G	11 03	30	0 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1	6 58	B	2 20	Sgr	4
291	18	Sa.	5	59	K	4	59	G	11 00	30	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	7 36	A	3 11	Sgr	5
292	19	S.	6	00	K	4	58	G	10 57	31	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	8 22	A	4 03	Cap	6
293	20	M.	6	02	K	4	56	G	10 55	31	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	9 14	A	4 54	Cap	7
294	21	Tu.	6	03	L	4	55	F	10 52	31	4	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	10 12	B	5 45	Cap	8
295	22	W.	6	04	L	4	53	F	10 49	31	5	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 14	C	6 33	Aqr	9
296	23	Th.	6	05	L	4	52	F	10 47	31	6	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	—	—	7 19	Aqr	10
297	24	Fr.	6	06	L	4	50	F	10 44	31	7	7	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 17	D	8 04	Psc	11
298	25	Sa.	6	07	L	4	49	F	10 41	32	7 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	8	1 21	E	8 48	Psc	12
299	26	S.	6	09	L	4	47	F	10 39	32	8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	8 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2 26	G	9 31	Psc	13
300	27	M.	6	10	L	4	46	F	10 36	32	9 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	9 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 31	H	10 14	Ari	14
301	28	Tu.	6	11	L	4	45	F	10 33	32	9 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	4 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 38	J	10 59	Ari	15
302	29	W.	6	12	L	4	43	F	10 31	32	10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	11	rises	—	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 47	Tau	16
303	30	Th.	6	14	L	4	42	F	10 28	32	11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	5 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 17	D	—	—	—
304	31	Fr.	6	15	L	4	41	F	10 26	32	11 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	—	5 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 51	B	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 39	Tau	17

OCTOBER hath 31 days.

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The lone gull, in the vast sky,  
Was what he knew his nature by;  
The flight's direction and its aim  
Being nothing that a man could name,  
Being nothing, in the circumstance  
Of the round, limitless expanse . . .  
The parting and quick-closing air  
Now, momentarily, would bear  
The inscription—nothing to endure,  
A brief and trivial signature.

D.M.	D.W.	Aspects, Holidays, Heights of High Water, Weather, etc.	Farmer's Calendar.
1	W.	St. Remigius. Portsmouth, N. H. {10.0 tornado 1847	This is a good month to set out trees, either fruit or shade. For your new orchards let us consider how you will proceed. It has been customary to set new trees either 35 or 40 feet apart, or else 20 feet from adjacent sets in the same row and 35 or 40 feet from the rows on either side. The former method looks only to the eventual wide spread of trees at full growth and wastes space while the trees are still young. The latter, allowing for a generous space even at full growth for the passage of cultivators or spray truck, plans for the eventual removal of every other 20 foot spaced tree.  Another plan, not widely enough used, is to plant every other space with some kind of fruit tree that will remain quite small (pears) or be small quick bearing and short-lived (peaches). Such trees will never crowd the apples as they will have borne themselves out before the apples reach them.  A variation of the first two plans would eventually see every other apple tree removed, indeed while still middle-aged, but just at that time when the size of its fruit was becoming smaller. It should be held in mind that the larger and older the tree the more difficult to control insects and disease on it. In place of these old trees small trees will be set. When they in turn reach strong bearing, the remaining old trees will be removed and young trees put in their place.
2	Th.	Ellice Island, Scallop Stat.in {9.9 1942 season R. A. {10.3	
3	Fr.	Chief Black Hawk Tides {9.8 d 1838 {10.4 <i>Good</i>	
4	Sa.	St. Francis of Assisi. ♂Ψ⊙. {9.6 {10.4 <i>fall</i>	
5	E	19th S. a. P. Snowed {9.8 1836 {10.3 <i>days.</i>	
6	M.	Shmini ♂⊙⊙. Hol. Tides {8.9 Atzereth ♂⊙⊙. Mo. {10.1	
7	Tu.	Simchoth ♂ runs high Tides {8.6 Torah {9.9	
8	W.	♂♂♂. Tides {8.5 {9.8 <i>Heavy</i>	
9	Th.	St. Denis. Abraham ♂h⊙. ⊙ in {8.7 Peri. {9.9	
10	Fr.	John Wesley Tides {9.2 b. 1738 {10.1	
11	Sa.	11000 Rain 23.2 inches {9.6 Virgins New Smyrna 1924 {10.4 <i>rains.</i>	
12	E	19th S. a. T. Columbus Day. {10.1 {10.6	
13	M.	J. MacRory ♂Ψ⊙. ♀ Gr. El. ⊙ on {10.6 d. 1945 ♂Ψ⊙. ♀ E. {Eq. {10.6	
14	Tu.	♂♀⊙. Tides {10.9 {10.5	
15	W.	10 days lost ♂♂⊙. Tides {10.9 1582 {10.2	
16	Th.	♂♀⊙. Tides {10.2 {10.8	
17	Fr.	Indians att. Tides {9.7 Royalton, Vt. 1780 {10.5 <i>Brisk.</i>	
18	Sa.	St. Luke. Little ♀ Gr. Hel. Tides {9.2 Summer ♀ Lat. S. {10.1	
19	E	20th S. a. T. Mission Tides {8.7 Sunday {9.6	
20	M.	♂ rides Tides {8.2 low. {9.1	
21	Tu.	♂ in Tides {7.5 ♂ Apo. {8.7 <i>Raw.</i>	
22	W.	Miller's world end Tides {7.6 fiasco 1844 {8.4	
23	Th.	World created Tides {7.3 4004 B.C. {8.3	
24	Fr.	Ave. date Tides {7.9 1st killing frost {8.4	
25	Sa.	St. Crispin. Feast of ♂ Stat. in Tides {8.3 Our Lord ♀ R. A. {8.7	
26	E	21st S. a. Tr. Christ Tides {8.7 the King {9.0	
27	M.	Navy ♂ on Tides {9.2 Day ♂ Eq. {9.2 <i>Cold</i>	
28	Tu.	Simon Shoe ration Tides {9.6 & Jude end 1945 {9.5 <i>storms.</i>	
29	W.	Hartford Courant Hunter's ♂ Tides {10.2 founded 1764 ♂♀♀. moon {9.6	
30	Th.	Old Time Ball Tides {10.8 Reading, Vt. {9.7	
31	Fr.	All Hallow's Eve. Hol. {10.8 Nev. {— <i>Snappy.</i>	

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NOVEMBER, ELEVENTH MONTH.

ASTRONOMICAL CALCULATIONS.

☉'s Declination.	Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /	
		1	14s.	19	7	16	10	13	17	52	19	19	23	25	20	41				
	2	14	38	8	16	28	14	18	08	20	19	37	26	20	53					
	3	14	57	9	16	45	15	18	24	21	19	50	27	21	04					
	4	15	16	10	17	02	16	18	39	22	20	03	28	21	15					
	5	15	34	11	17	19	17	18	54	23	20	16	29	21	25					
	6	15	52	12	17	36	18	19	08	24	20	29	30	21	35					

- ☾ Last Quarter, 5th day, 12 h. 3 m., evening, W.
- New Moon, 12th day, 3 h. 1 m., evening, W.
- ☽ First Quarter, 20th day, 4 h. 44 m., evening, E.
- ☉ Full Moon, 28th day, 3 h. 45 m., morning, W.

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Day of Year	Day of Month	Day of the Week	☉		Key	☽		Key	Length of Days.		Sun Full.	Full Sea, Boston.		☽		Key	☽		☽'s Place	Moon's Age
			Rises.	h. m.		Sets.	h. m.		h.	m.		h.	m.	h.	m.		h.	m.		
305	1	Sa.	6 16	M	4 39	E	10 23	32	0 1/4	0 1/2	6 <sup>P</sup> 33	A	1 <sup>A</sup> 35	G'm	18					
306	2	S.	6 17	M	4 38	E	10 21	32	1 1/4	1 1/4	7 29	A	2 35	G'm	19					
307	3	M.	6 19	M	4 37	E	10 18	32	2	2 1/4	8 33	A	3 37	Cnc	20					
308	4	Tu.	6 20	M	4 35	E	10 16	32	3	3 1/4	9 45	A	4 39	Cnc	21					
309	5	W.	6 21	M	4 34	E	10 13	32	4	4 1/4	11 <sup>P</sup> 01	C	5 39	Leo	22					
310	6	Th.	6 22	M	4 33	E	10 11	32	5	5 1/4	—	—	6 35	Leo	23					
311	7	Fr.	6 24	M	4 32	E	10 08	32	6	6 1/2	12 <sup>A</sup> 16	E	7 27	Vir	24					
312	8	Sa.	6 25	M	4 31	E	10 06	32	7	7 1/2	1 30	G	8 16	Vir	25					
313	9	S.	6 26	M	4 30	E	10 04	32	8	8 1/2	2 41	H	9 02	Lib	26					
314	10	M.	6 27	N	4 29	D	10 01	32	9	9 1/2	3 53	J	9 48	Lib	27					
315	11	Tu.	6 29	N	4 27	D	9 59	32	9 3/4	10 1/4	5 <sup>A</sup> 01	K	10 34	Scor	28					
316	12	W.	6 30	N	4 26	D	9 57	32	10 1/2	11	sets	—	11 <sup>A</sup> 22	Scor	29					
317	13	Th.	6 31	N	4 25	D	9 54	31	11 1/4	11 3/4	4 <sup>P</sup> 55	C	12 <sup>P</sup> 11	Sgr	1					
318	14	Fr.	6 32	N	4 25	D	9 52	31	—	0	5 31	B	1 01	Sgr	2					
319	15	Sa.	6 34	N	4 24	D	9 50	31	0 1/2	0 1/2	6 14	A	1 53	Sgr	3					
320	16	S.	6 35	N	4 23	D	9 48	31	1 1/4	1 1/4	7 04	A	2 45	Cap	4					
321	17	M.	6 36	N	4 22	D	9 46	31	1 3/4	2	8 00	A	3 36	Cap	5					
322	18	Tu.	6 37	N	4 21	D	9 44	31	2 3/4	2 3/4	9 00	B	4 26	Aqr	6					
323	19	W.	6 39	N	4 20	D	9 42	30	3 1/2	3 1/2	10 02	C	5 12	Aqr	7					
324	20	Th.	6 40	N	4 19	D	9 40	30	4 1/4	4 1/2	11 <sup>P</sup> 06	E	5 57	Psc	8					
325	21	Fr.	6 41	O	4 19	C	9 38	30	5 1/4	5 1/2	—	—	6 41	Psc	9					
326	22	Sa.	6 42	O	4 18	C	9 36	30	6	6 1/4	12 <sup>A</sup> 09	F	7 23	Psc	10					
327	23	S.	6 43	O	4 17	C	9 34	29	7	7 1/4	1 13	H	8 06	Ari	11					
328	24	M.	6 44	O	4 17	C	9 32	29	7 3/4	8	2 18	I	8 49	Ari	12					
329	25	Tu.	6 46	O	4 16	C	9 31	29	8 1/2	9	3 25	K	9 36	Tau	13					
330	26	W.	6 47	O	4 16	C	9 30	29	9 1/4	9 3/4	4 36	M	10 26	Tau	14					
331	27	Th.	6 48	O	4 15	C	9 27	28	10	10 1/2	5 <sup>A</sup> 51	N	11 <sup>P</sup> 21	G'm	15					
332	28	Fr.	6 49	O	4 15	C	9 26	28	10 3/4	11 1/4	rises	—	—	—	—					
333	29	Sa.	6 50	O	4 14	C	9 24	28	11 1/2	—	5 <sup>P</sup> 17	A	12 <sup>A</sup> 21	G'm	16					
334	30	S.	6 51	O	4 14	C	9 22	27	0	0 1/4	6 <sup>P</sup> 19	A	1 <sup>A</sup> 25	Cnc	17					



NOVEMBER hath 30 days.

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The winter woods are grey with sleep,  
 Or something so akin to sleep  
 They've no awareness of the man  
 Who walks among them, pondering  
 What things to keep, if keep he can,  
 And what let go, if anything,  
 Before his turning grey with sleep,  
 Or something so akin to sleep  
 He'll have no care of any man  
 Who walks a grey wood, pondering.

D. M.	D. W.	Aspects, Holidays, Heights of High Water, Weather, etc.	Farmer's Calendar.
1	Sa.	All Saints. { 9.7 10.9 [2 <sup>nd</sup> ♀ in ♂. ♂♂♂♂.	That this is the month of the Hunter's Moon may have no special meaning or appeal to most of us, but the relation of wild life, and game to agriculture should have real meaning to the countryman.
2	E	22 <sup>nd</sup> S. a. T. 1 <sup>st</sup> public mass { 9.5 Boston 1788 { 10.8	When the first farmer cleared his first field, erected his stone wall and went on to fell more and more trees and make more and more fields, he was upsetting the balanced ways of the primitive wildlife. But with the passing of the years and the centuries there can be no question that wildlife has found a way of adjusting itself to man, and especially the farmer—of finding a new balance. Hedgerows, brush covered walls, brushy corners at the edge of mowing and grain fields are literally refuges for pheasants, and quail, as well as rabbits. The ways of all wild life, the countryman knows, whether it be deer, woodchuck, porcupine, fox, or what you will, take their pattern from his way of life. In great part they live off him, naively or boldly steal from him, unconsciously work for him, often purposely seek his protection when he is least aware of it. He is their meal ticket, and though he hunts them, their guardian.
3	M.	St. Hubert. ☾ in ☐ runs P.W. Ayres { 9.2 Peri. high. d. 1945 { 10.5	
4	Tu.	Gen. Election Tides { 8.9 Day { 10.2 Cold	
5	W.	Fawkes Day ♂♀ ☉ Inf. ♂♂ ☾ { 8.8 Day { 9.9 and	
6	Th.	St. Leonard. ♂ h ☾ ♀ in ☐. Tides { 8.7 Day { 9.6	
7	Fr.	No. Africa Tides { 8.9 1942 { 9.6 stormy,	
8	Sa.	Prune your grapevines Tides { 9.3 Day { 9.6 might	
9	E	23 <sup>rd</sup> S. a. T. ♂♀ ♀. ♂♂☾. ☾ on Eq.	
10	M.	2 froze to death { 10.2 [9 <sup>th</sup> ♀ 9.7 snow. No. Dak. 1945 { 9.8 { 9.7	
11	Tu.	Armistice in Day, 1918 ♀ Peri. ♂ ♂ h. ♂♂☾. { 10.5 Day { 9.3	
12	W.	St. Martin. ☉ Annular Jer. Kern { 10.7 Eclipse d. 1945(11) { 9.7	
13	Th.	Indian Summer begins ♂♀ ☾. { 10.7 Storms Day { 9.4	
14	Fr.	Lewis' Clark in Pacific, 1805 ♂♀ ☾. ♀ Stat. in { 10.6 R.A.	
15	Sa.	King's Name Day, Belgium ☐ h ☉. { 9.1 threaten Day { 10.3	
16	E	24 <sup>th</sup> S. a. T. ☾ rides low. Tides { 8.8 but Day { 9.9	
17	M.	Endicott Peabody d. 1944 ☐ ♂☉. { 8.4 good Day { 9.6	
18	Tu.	St. Peter's ded. 1626 ☾ in Apo. Tides { 8.1 spell Day { 9.1	
19	W.	Gettysburg Address 1863 Tides { 8.0 Day { 8.7 of weather	
20	Th.	Many prominent people born this day { 7.9 Day { 8.5 expected.	
21	Fr.	Pres. at R. Benehley temple d. 1945 ♀ Gr. Hel. { 7.9 Lat. N. { 8.3	
22	Sa.	St. Cecelia. ♀ Gr. El. "As this day W. so the winter" { 8.2 Day { 8.3	
23	E	25 <sup>th</sup> S. a. T. St. Clement. Tides { 8.5 Day { 8.5	
24	M.	Robin Hood d. 1247 ☾ on Eq. Tides { 9.0 Day { 8.7	
25	Tu.	St. Catharine Tides { 9.5 Chilly. Day { 9.0	
26	W.	Bad seas 1705, 1898 Tides { 10.0 Day { 9.2	
27	Th.	Thanksgiving. S.S. Portland sank, 1898 Tides { 10.5 Day { 9.4	
28	Fr.	Cocoanut Grove fire 1943. Hol. Md. { 10.9 Rains Day { 9.5	
29	Sa.	♂ ♀ ☾. Tides { 11.1 or snows. Day { 9.5	
30	E	1 <sup>st</sup> S. in Ad. St. And. ☾ in Peri. ☾ runs high. { 9.6 Day { 11.2	

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DECEMBER, TWELFTH MONTH.

ASTRONOMICAL CALCULATIONS.

☉'s Declination.	Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /		Days.		0 /																																												
	1	21s. 45	7	22 34	13	23 08	19	23 25	25	23 25	2	21 54	8	22 41	14	23 12	20	23 26	26	23 23	3	22 03	9	22 47	15	23 15	21	23 27	27	23 21	4	22 12	10	22 53	16	23 18	22	23 27	28	23 18	5	22 20	11	22 58	17	23 21	23	23 27	29	23 15	6	22 27	12	23 03	18	23 23	24	23 26	30

- ☾ Last Quarter, 4th day, 7 h. 55 m., evening, E.
- New Moon, 12th day, 7 h. 53 m., morning, E.
- ☽ First Quarter, 20th day, 12 h. 43 m., evening, E.
- Full Moon, 27th day, 3 h. 27 m., evening, E.

KEY LETTERS REFER TO CORRECTIONS TABLE, PAGE 12, FOR ALL POINTS OUTSIDE NEW ENGLAND.

Day of Year	Day of Month	Day of the Week	☉ Rises. h. m.	Key	☉ Sets. h. m.	Key	Length of Days. h. m.	Sun Sun Fast. m.	Full Sea, Boston.		☽ Rises. h. m.	Key	☽ Souths. h. m.	☽'s Place	Moon's Age
									Morn. h. m.	Even. h. m.					
335	1	M.	6 53	O	4 14	C	9 21	27	1	1	7 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 32	A	2 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 29	Cnc	18
336	2	Tu.	6 54	O	4 13	C	9 20	26	1 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	2	8 50	B	3 32	Leo	20
337	3	W.	6 55	O	4 13	C	9 18	26	2 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	3	10 06	D	4 30	Leo	21
338	4	Th.	6 56	O	4 13	C	9 17	26	3 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	4	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 21	F	5 24	Vir	22
339	5	Fr.	6 57	O	4 13	C	9 16	25	4 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	5	—	—	6 14	Vir	23
340	6	Sa.	6 58	P	4 12	B	9 15	25	5 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	6	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 33	H	7 01	Lib	24
341	7	S.	6 59	P	4 12	B	9 14	24	6 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	7	1 42	I	8 46	Lib	25
342	8	M.	7 00	P	4 12	B	9 13	24	7 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	8	2 51	K	8 31	Lib	26
343	9	Tu.	7 00	P	4 12	B	9 12	24	8 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	9	3 59	L	9 17	Sco	27
344	10	W.	7 01	P	4 12	B	9 11	23	9 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	10	5 07	N	10 05	Sco	28
345	11	Th.	7 02	P	4 12	B	9 10	23	10 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	10	6 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 14	P	10 54	Sgr	29
346	12	Fr.	7 03	P	4 12	B	9 09	22	10 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	11	sets	—	11 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 45	Sgr	0
347	13	Sa.	7 04	P	4 13	B	9 09	22	11 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	—	4 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 56	A	12 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 37	Cap	1
348	14	S.	7 05	P	4 13	B	9 08	21	0	0 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	5 50	A	1 29	Cap	2
349	15	M.	7 05	P	4 13	B	9 08	21	0 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	0 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	6 49	B	2 19	Cap	3
350	16	Tu.	7 06	P	4 13	B	9 07	20	1 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	7 51	C	3 07	Aqr	4
351	17	W.	7 07	P	4 14	B	9 07	20	2 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	2 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	8 53	D	3 52	Aqr	5
352	18	Th.	7 08	P	4 14	B	9 07	19	3	3	9 56	F	4 36	Psc	6
353	19	Fr.	7 08	P	4 14	B	9 06	19	3 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	3 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	10 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 58	G	5 17	Psc	7
354	20	Sa.	7 09	P	4 15	B	9 06	18	4 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	4 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	—	—	5 59	Ari	8
355	21	S.	7 09	P	4 15	B	9 06	18	5 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	5 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 01	I	6 41	Ari	9
356	22	M.	7 10	P	4 16	B	9 06	17	6 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	6 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	1 05	J	7 24	Ari	10
357	23	Tu.	7 10	P	4 16	B	9 06	17	7	7 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	2 13	L	8 11	Tau	12
358	24	W.	7 11	P	4 17	B	9 06	16	7 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	8 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	3 24	M	9 03	Tau	14
359	25	Th.	7 11	P	4 17	B	9 06	16	8 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	9 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	4 39	O	10 00	G'm	15
360	26	Fr.	7 12	P	4 18	B	9 06	15	9 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	10	5 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 57	Q	11 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 03	G'm	16
361	27	Sa.	7 12	P	4 19	B	9 07	15	10 <sup>1</sup> <sub>4</sub>	11	rises	—	—	—	—
362	28	S.	7 12	P	4 19	B	9 07	14	11	11 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	5 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 09	A	12 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 09	Cnc	17
363	29	M.	7 12	P	4 20	B	9 07	14	—	0	6 27	B	1 15	Cnc	18
364	30	Tu.	7 13	P	4 21	B	9 08	13	0 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	0 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	7 48	C	2 18	Leo	19
365	31	W.	7 13	P	4 21	B	9 09	13	1 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	9 <sup>P</sup> <sub>M</sub> 07	E	3 <sup>A</sup> <sub>M</sub> 16	Leo	20



The trivial sweetness that is love,  
 The limited sorrow that is grief,  
 The heart grows fain and fainer of,  
 Though there before it lies the leaf,  
 And most instructive in career  
 Lived out to show what must befall:  
 From green . . . to gold . . . at last, to sere,  
 —And gone! The tree, outlasting all,  
 Stands, for the tardy heart to see  
 This unimpaired integrity.

D.M.	D.W.	Aspects, Holidays, Heights of High Water, Weather, etc.	Farmer's Calendar.
1	M.	"Black Hank" d. 1856 (horse) $\delta \text{ } \odot$ . Tides $\begin{cases} 9.5 \\ 11.1 \end{cases}$ Un-	<p>Now before the real snows have come and the weather holds cold and still, we have our best skating. Nothing is more exhilarating on a brisk December day than to follow the frozen track of one of our winding rivers. The skates sing and cut, and the rushing cold reddens our cheeks and waters our eyes. Familiar landmarks flash past: the rotting wharf where we fish for hornpout on summer nights, the gaunt pine with the remains of the eagle's nest still in it, the expressionless backs of the village houses as they flank the river. Then we are under the covered bridge and stopped at last by the old dam and broken mill. We note as we pause there for a "breather" that the mountain seems suddenly very near and clear, and there is a golden mist of clouds, wispy and faraway along the southwestern horizon. To-morrow the big snow will come and we may hang up our skates for this year.</p> <p>What better time than now for chopping and logging, or, for that matter, brush cutting and burning? When you are in the woodlot, plan to cut some of that white birch into Yule logs for your city friends. Tied with red ribbon such logs make ideal Christmas gifts.</p> <p>And take now another kind of inventory—of yourself, your accounting with the world this past year, your sloth or industry, the good deeds done or left undone. And so to the New Year.</p>
2	Tu.	John Brown h. 1859 Tides $\begin{cases} 9.8 \\ 10.8 \end{cases}$ favorable.	
3	W.	Battle Hohen-linden 1800 $\delta \text{ } \text{h} \text{ } \odot \text{ } \delta \text{ } \delta \text{ } \text{C}$ . Tides $\begin{cases} 9.2 \\ 10.8 \end{cases}$	
4	Th.	Grange h Stat. in fd. 1867 R. A. Tides $\begin{cases} 9.1 \\ 9.9 \end{cases}$ Clouds	
5	Fr.	Bible trans. Eng. 1611 Tides $\begin{cases} 9.1 \\ 9.8 \end{cases}$ denote	
6	Sa.	St. Nicholas. ♀ in Aph. $\text{C}$ on Eq. $\begin{cases} 9.2 \\ 9.2 \end{cases}$ snow.	
7	E	2d S. in Ad. St. Am-brose Har. $\delta \text{ } \Psi \text{ } \text{C}$ . $\begin{cases} 9.4 \\ 9.1 \end{cases}$	
8	M.	Virgin Mary Conc. Chanukah N. E. storm 1945 $\begin{cases} 9.7 \\ 9.0 \end{cases}$	
9	Tu.	Fancy Buttons the rage 1905 Kelly & Levin Tides $\begin{cases} 10.0 \\ 9.0 \end{cases}$ Milder	
10	W.	1941 Tides $\begin{cases} 10.2 \\ 8.9 \end{cases}$ now,	
11	Th.	N. E. most horr. murder 1782 (Beadle) $\delta \text{ } \Psi \text{ } \text{C} \text{ } \delta \text{ } \Psi \text{ } \text{C}$ . $\begin{cases} 10.3 \\ 8.8 \end{cases}$	
12	Fr.	Robt. Browning d. 1889 Tides $\begin{cases} 10.8 \\ 8.7 \end{cases}$ but	
13	Sa.	St. Lucy. Council of Trent 1445 Tides $\begin{cases} 10.2 \\ 8.7 \end{cases}$ better	
14	E	3d S. in Ad. $\delta \text{ } \Psi \text{ } \text{C} \text{ } \delta \text{ } \Psi \text{ } \text{C} \text{ } \delta \text{ } \Psi \text{ } \text{C}$ in $\begin{cases} 8.6 \\ 8.8 \end{cases}$	
15	M.	Bill of Rights, 1791 $\begin{cases} 8.5 \\ 8.8 \end{cases}$ [14th] $\begin{cases} 8.6 \\ 10.0 \end{cases}$ pull the	
16	Tu.	Halcyon is Breeding (15-29) $\delta \text{ } \odot \text{ } \text{C}$ in Apo. $\begin{cases} 8.4 \\ 9.5 \end{cases}$ rug	
17	W.	Wreck of Hesperus 1839 Emher Day Tides $\begin{cases} 8.8 \\ 9.2 \end{cases}$ to the	
18	Th.	Thorne Glacier disc. 1930 Buffalo Bliz-zard 1945 $\begin{cases} 8.2 \\ 8.9 \end{cases}$ crack	
19	Fr.	Ember Days Tides $\begin{cases} 8.2 \\ 8.6 \end{cases}$ of the door.	
20	Sa.	Gen. Patton d. '45 (21st) Underground moon Tides $\begin{cases} 8.3 \\ 8.4 \end{cases}$	
21	E	4th S. in Ad. St. Thomas. $\text{C}$ on Eq. $\begin{cases} 8.5 \\ 8.8 \end{cases}$	
22	M.	WIN. 11.43 BEG. A.M. $\odot$ en. $\Psi$ . Tides $\begin{cases} 8.8 \\ 8.4 \end{cases}$ Fine	
23	Tu.	32 prelates named Cardinals 1945 Fast of Teveth $\begin{cases} 9.2 \\ 8.5 \end{cases}$ be-	
24	W.	Tides $\begin{cases} 9.7 \\ 8.7 \end{cases}$ tween dull	
25	Th.	Christmas. ♀ in Aph. $\begin{cases} 10.2 \\ 9.0 \end{cases}$ days.	
26	Fr.	St. Stephen. $\delta \text{ } \odot \text{ } \text{C}$ . Tides $\begin{cases} 10.7 \\ 9.2 \end{cases}$	
27	Sa.	St. John. Apples $\begin{cases} 84.00 \\ 1750 \end{cases}$ runs high. Tides $\begin{cases} 11.1 \\ 9.4 \end{cases}$	
28	E	1st S. af. Ch. Gr. Hel. in Peri. $\begin{cases} 11.4 \\ 9.6 \end{cases}$	
29	M.	Tides $\begin{cases} 11.5 \\ 11.5 \end{cases}$ Cold and	
30	Tu.	$\delta \text{ } \text{h} \text{ } \odot$ 67 cons. days zero beg. N.D. 1934 Tides $\begin{cases} 9.7 \\ 11.3 \end{cases}$	
31	W.	1st U. S. Postage Stamp used 1847 $\delta \text{ } \delta \text{ } \text{C}$ . $\begin{cases} 9.7 \\ 10.9 \end{cases}$ snowy.	

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18, 21, 29; June 18, 25; July 15, 22; Aug. 15, 19; Sept. 8, 14, 15; Oct. 6, 13, 14; Nov. 2, 9, 14, 29; Dec. 14—1947.)

#### For Cutting Brush, etc.

If you would fell timber, "That it may last sound and good," states Whittimore's Almanac for 1738 (92 years from the founding of Harvard College—and 5687 from the founding of the World), cut it in the winter—especially when the moon is in Capricornus, Aquarius or Pisces (see left hand calendar pages under "Moon's Place." Brush, according to the same source, will never grow again if cut on the following days:

May	2	7	8	9	13	17	24	26	29
June	2	5	8	13	17	20	25	28	
July	5	8	13	17	22	25	26	29	
August	2	5	9	12	18	21	25	28	
September	1	5	8	11	15	19	25	30	
October	2	5	9	14	17	21	25	30	

On all other days say we, and these as well, brush when cut will grow, and grow again unless you plow it or pull it out by the roots or destroy it with one of these new fangled D.T.'s.

#### Fluffy Snow

C. F. Brooks who, along with E. F. Rideout, has upon occasion been taken for our Mr. Weatherwise—notwithstanding the latter's distinguished long beard, informed us recently that the average water content of snow is 1/10 its depth. A new case of extraordinarily low density—second only to the world's record—occurred during a 14 degree above temperature snowfall at Milton, Mass. on Jan. 20, 1946, at which time measurements show the fall to contain only 1/150th water content compared with its depth.

#### Moon Planting Guide

Again, we reiterate that *The Old Farmer's Almanac(k)* has little faith in such "rot" that one finds in some almanacs with regard to the influence of the moon on plant growth. The superstition is that plants which bear their fruits above the ground should be planted during the increase of the moon, preferably near the Full—during a "fruitful sign" and when a similar sign is rising at the time of sowing. Vegetables like potatoes from which the fruit is born under the ground supposedly do better if sown during the decrease of the moon—and the moon be in Virgo or Taurus. These dates can be easily determined from our left hand calendar pages by those who care to experiment along these lines.

#### Long Range Forecasting

Mr. Weatherwise was prompted to attend this past year the meetings of the American Meteorological Society at the American Museum of History in New York during which time he had the pleasure of talking with the Weather Bureau Chief, F. W. Reichelderfer and of listening to an interesting address by Jerome Namois, Senior Meteorologist, Extended Forecast Section, U. S. Weather Bureau, which touched upon blocking mechanisms, field correlation and corrections of temperatures and pressures, 10,000 foot levels, the physical significance of mean maps, departures from normal, the need for world and North American data over extended periods of time, fundamental weather processes and types. The conclusion of the speaker was that accurate day to day long range forecasts were "years away" but that some luck was being experienced with a six months ahead look at general weather conditions.

The formula by which Mr. Weatherwise is guided in his forecasts for *The Old Farmer's Almanac* was not discussed inasmuch as this has remained a secret for all the years it has been used. There has, however, never been made any claim on the part of the publishers of this *Almanac* that it was a "scientific formula" in the sense that the weather would come up or go down just as surely as the sun in accordance with previously worked out tables. Almanac users are cautioned against considering the forecasts herein as anything more than guides or reminders as to what may happen . . . which is as much an anyone these days can offer.

There is a good deal of activity in the direction of obtaining the key to the weather. Men are studying fall crop moisture, drought periods, sun spots, averages of many kinds, high altitude readings.—the list is long and interesting. Scientists literally are "doing something about the weather." How far they'll get is another question. Uncle Bill's rheumatic knee, Mr. Oak Apple, a woodchuck's hide, and the old plum tree will have to do for Mr. Average Mau for some years to come, we imagine.

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### Other 1947 Predictions . . . by the "Oracle"

These predictions for 1947 are made on the basis of mathematical calculation, exactly the same as Old Man Euclid figured out the Fifty-second Problem when he slipped on the soap in his bath-tub. We use no crystal balls; most of which are somewhere labelled "Made in Japan" and we are suspicious of such contrivances.

In the field of mechanics, farmers, who have tractors or harvesters to overhaul should spread large sheets beneath the machines when they get to the point where it becomes necessary to reach in, under, down and then up, to place the  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch cotter pin in the uppadbuble, or the gimmick. Only on rare occasions, in 1947, will this be accomplished without dropping the pin at least five times and losing it four times out of the five.

1947 will be a good year to buy horses; but back them out of the stall first! In buying milch cows, the wise man will take them on trial for a week, before clinching the bargain, if such a thing is possible. Do not attempt to feed young calves with milk while wearing your Sunday suit, in 1947. Violence, most horrible to contemplate, may easily result from failure to observe this warning. Do not be inquisitive if a male sheep should suddenly appear to be digging with a front foot, as a dog in burying a bone. It will be the part of wisdom to depart from the immediate scene without loss of time. Likewise, the low, rumbling note of the red bull will not denote pain or discomfort . . . except for those who remain within the pasture.

Persons who are kicked by horses during 1947 should remain calm. Do not make hasty movements, especially if the kick has left you in a prone position. Move with deliberation and judgment until you are out of range.

It will be well for the average person to pay some attention to his diet in 1947. Almost certain bad results are sure to follow the eating of more than a dozen fried eggs at a sitting. The fourth helping at the church bean supper should be sternly refused and more than twelve average-sized buckwheat cakes may easily lead to disaster.

More whiskers will be seen than formerly and the world may look for a widespread movement favoring or at least suggesting a practical use for the same, such as weaving them into hosiery, or dyeing them and using them for fur collars. Although this movement will apparently be headed by various women's organizations, it will be the neck-tie manufacturers who will actually sponsor it, in self-defence. As for the product of these people, a word about ties is in order, because 1947 will see the crisis in the tie-manufacturing, dyeing, and designing business; the high-light of which will be the production of a tie so splashed with color that the wearer will be unable to tie it without wearing smoked glasses.

Substitutes of virtually every kind and description will become common, but no chemical or mechanical device will be found that can satisfactorily replace the Rhode Island Red rooster. However, a self-hailed genius will appear during this eventful year, who will inform the world that he has discovered how to raise double-breasted poultry, by hatching only double-yolked eggs. (Patent Applied for.)

Many will earnestly inquire as to why gin is called "dry" when anyone knows that it is wet. Though the rubber, paper, plastic and other substitutes for three-cornered infant's wear shall be turned out in increasing quantity, the same will have to be changed just as frequently.

Pink spinach will make its appearance early in the autumn, in an effort, by child psychologists, to tempt Junior more readily. Junior will be tempted, just once!

With the conversion program well under way, merchandise and clothing will be much more plentiful, and the old-fashioned cut-rate sale will again be known. But if a sign should be seen, reading: "Men's pants, Half-off," do not take it literally.

Writers will find that their profession requires no new ideas or trends of thought in 1947, but it will also be well to sign up for some simple daily task which will yield sufficient income to provide board and room, while the work is being written. Or better still, abandon writing. After all, manual labor has lately developed into a profession, wherein, it is predicted, that the followers thereof, will presently (in 1947) draw their weekly stipends merely for refraining from wrecking the premises where they are employed.

## STATISTICS FROM WORLD WAR II

### COSTS

**Human Life** (U. S. only) up to Sept. 1, 1945: 252,885 killed, 651,218 wounded, 43,969 missing, 122,747 prisoners, 17,300 surgical amputations, 7,300 deafened, 1,190 blinded.

**Money** (World) up to Dec. 1, 1945: 1154 billion plus property damage 280 billion—total 1434 billion dollars. War materiel—(U. S.) 287.2 billion, (Germany) 280 billion, Russia 135.2 billion, Japan 49.2 billion, United Kingdom—over 100 billion. American taxpayers paid: 119.3 billion.

**Costs of Living:** Compared with 1935-39 average of 100, March 1946 price levels: farm products 172.5—cottons 253—grains 172.2—livestock 160—foods 142—fuels 126.5—textiles 163.1—building materials 164.9—All commodities 143.2. These figures are taken from National Fertilizer Association Price Index. According to the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, using the same 1935-39 base as 100, October 1943 price levels were as follows: Food 138.2—rent 108—clothing 133—fuel 107.9 and all commodities 126.4.

**Public Debt:** As of Jan. 1, 1946 the U. S. public debt was estimated at 278 billion dollars.

**Vocations and Avocations:** Approximately 8% of the entire U. S. population served in the Armed Forces. As many again were employed making ammunition alone. When such industries as shipbuilding, etc. are considered—and the government payroll—and the 30 million farm population—it is safe to assume that over half the population turned from what they were doing to aid the war effort.

### ACCOMPLISHMENT (Physical)

**Armed Force Strength:** Nov. 1, 1940—513,410; Jan. 1, 1945—7,753,949.

**Naval Strength:** At the end of the war over 100,000 vessels, including 1500 war ships . . . larger than the combined navies of all the rest of the world. (The Navy lost 431 vessels.)

**Synthetic Rubber:** Production reached 753,000 tons in 1944.

**Shipyards:** Produced 60 million deadweight tons.

**Airplane Manufacturers:** Made 223,444 (including 184,433 tactical) planes from December 1942 to the end of the war.

**Tanks: 119,400—Artillery Pieces: 1,116,000—Small Arms: 18,900,000.**

**Tractors: 190,000—Trucks: 2,400,000 including 660,000 jeeps.**

**Radio: Sets: 1,700,000—Telephones: 2,660,000—Shoes: 117 million pairs.**

**Locomotives: 7,000.**

**Inventions:** Atomic energy control, jet propelled planes, buzz bombs and rockets, radar, DDT, penicillin, microdots, parachute armies, synthetic rubber—and many others.

### POPULATION CHANGES

(including Armed Forces)

	1940	1942	Change
Continental United States	131 669 245	133 770 500	gain 2 101 255
Northeastern States	36 000 406	35 506 304	loss 494 102
North Central	40 191 408	40 162 262	loss 29 146
The South	41 517 543	43 288 881	gain 1 771 338
The West	13 959 888	14 813 053	gain 853 165
<b>New England</b>			
Maine	846 746	827 964	loss 18 782
New Hampshire	493 259	482 809	loss 10 450
Vermont	359 111	341 791	loss 17 320
Massachusetts	4 320 582	4 348 712	gain 28 130
Rhode Island	714 590	741 506	gain 26 916
Connecticut	1 714 625	1 784 686	gain 70 061
<b>Middle Atlantic</b>			
New York State	13 473 621	12 970 284	loss 503 337
New Jersey	4 166 489	4 279 998	gain 113 509
Pennsylvania	9 912 442	9 728 544	loss 183 898
<b>District of Columbia</b>	601 369	865 280	gain 263 921

### FARM POPULATION CHANGES

	1940	1945	Change
All Ages—All U. S.	30 398 000	25 398 000	loss 5 000 000
Males—14-24	4 546 000	2 727 000	loss 1 819 000
Males 25-44	3 799 000	3 039 000	loss 760 000
All sexes—45 & over	4 127 000	4 127 000	no change

*Sources: Census Bureau, Dept. of Agriculture, Associated Press, War Department.*

## GESTATION AND REPRODUCTION TABLE

Designation	Proper age for reproduction	Period of the power of reproduction in years	No. of Females for one Male	Period of Gestation and Incubation		
				Shortest period, days	Mean period, days	Longest period, days
Mare . . . . .	4 years	10 to 12		322	347	419
Stallion . . . . .	5 "	12 to 15	20 to 30			
Cow . . . . .	3 "	10 to 14		240	278-285	321
Bull . . . . .	3 "	8 to 10	30 to 40			
Ewe . . . . .	2 "	6		146	154	161
Ram . . . . .	2 "	7	40 to 50			
Sow . . . . .	1 "	6		109	115	143
Boar . . . . .	1 "	6	6 to 10			
She Goat . . . . .	2 "	6		150	156	163
He Goat . . . . .	2 "	5	20 to 40			
She Ass . . . . .	4 "	10 to 12		365	380	391
He Ass . . . . .	5 "	12 to 15				
She Buffalo . . . . .		8		281	308	335
Bitch . . . . .	2 "	8 to 9		55	60	63
Dog . . . . .	2 "	8 to 9				
She Cat . . . . .	1 "	5 to 6		48	50	56
He Cat . . . . .	1 "	9 to 10	5 to 6			
Doe Rabbit . . . . .	6 months	5 to 6		20	28	35
Buck Rabbit . . . . .	6 "	5 to 6	30			
Cock . . . . .	6 "	5 to 6	12 to 15			
Hen . . . . .		3 to 5		19	21	24
Turkey . . . . .				24	26	30
Duck . . . . .				28	30	32
Goose . . . . .				27	30	33
Pigeon . . . . .				16	18	20
Pea Hen . . . . .				25	28	30
Guinea Hen . . . . .				20	23	25
Swan . . . . .				40	42	45
Hen on Duck's Eggs . . . . .				22	30	34

## DURATION AND FREQUENCY HEAT SEASON

	<i>In heat for</i>	<i>Reoccurs if not bred</i>
Mares	6 days	3 to 6 weeks
Cows	2-3 days	3 to 4 weeks
Ewes	2-3 days	17-28 days
Sows	2-4 days	21 days
Bitches	5-7 days	3-6 months
Cats	3-15 days	4 months

## AVERAGE DATES FIRST AND LAST KILLING FROSTS

Boston . . . . .	Apr. 14 — Oct. 26	Richmond . . . . .	Mar. 31 — Nov. 2
Albany . . . . .	Apr. 24 — Oct. 15	Raleigh . . . . .	Mar. 27 — Nov. 5
Harrisburg . . . . .	Apr. 9 — Oct. 28	Macon . . . . .	Mar. 14 — Nov. 14
Cincinnati . . . . .	Apr. 8 — Oct. 23	Del Rio . . . . .	Feb. 23 — Nov. 27
Toledo . . . . .	Apr. 22 — Oct. 18	Helena . . . . .	May 7 — Sept. 29
Chicago . . . . .	Apr. 16 — Oct. 19	Santa Fe . . . . .	Apr. 25 — Oct. 19
Detroit . . . . .	Apr. 28 — Oct. 15	Tucson . . . . .	Mar. 11 — Nov. 9
Duluth . . . . .	May 6 — Oct. 5	Yuma . . . . .	Jan. 20 — Dec. 20
Bismarck . . . . .	May 11 — Sept. 21	Portland, Ore. . . . .	Mar. 15 — Nov. 21
Omaha . . . . .	Apr. 14 — Oct. 15	San Francisco . . . . .	Jan. 13 — Dec. 29
Portland . . . . .	Apr. 19 — Oct. 17	Parkersburg . . . . .	Apr. 17 — Oct. 18
Hartford . . . . .	Apr. 20 — Oct. 14	Oklahoma City . . . . .	Mar. 30 — Nov. 3
Evansville . . . . .	Apr. 5 — Oct. 29	Denver . . . . .	May 3 — Oct. 10
Cairo . . . . .	Mar. 31 — Oct. 29	Spokane . . . . .	Apr. 14 — Oct. 13
Minneapolis . . . . .	Apr. 27 — Oct. 10	Salt Lake City . . . . .	Apr. 18 — Oct. 20

## DIGEST OF 1946-7 FISH AND GAME LAWS

Open seasons include both dates. "Rabbit" includes "hare"; "quail" includes "partridge" in South; "grouse" includes Canada grouse, sharptailed, ruffed (known as partridge in North and pheasant in South) and other members of family except prairie chickens, ptarmigan and sage hen. The Fish and Game Commissions of each state have verified these figures (except where indicated) but as many states do not complete laws until after our press date, VERIFY in every case for changes. Limits are daily except those in italics which are seasonal.

Migratory Bird Laws for 1947 will not be released until August. For details consult local authorities or write Department of Interior, Fish & Wildlife Service, Chicago 54, Illinois.

♂ males only. † local exceptions. ‡ non-resident exceptions. ° last year's game laws. \* last year's fish laws. # Pounds. x unverified.

State and Species	Seasons	Limits, Season	State and Species	Seasons	Limits, Season
<b>Alabama</b> *			<b>Colorado</b>		
Deer	Nov. 20-Jan. 10 † ♂	3	Deer	Oct. 12-Nov. 24 †	†
Rabbit	Oct. 1-Feb. 20		Elk	Oct. 12-Nov. 24 †	†
Squirrel	{ N-Oct. 1-Jan. 1		Bear	Oct. 12-Nov. 24 †	†
Opossum, Raccoon	{ S-Oct. 15-Jan. 15		Quail	Nov. 17	
Muskkrat (fur), Otter	Oct. 1-Feb. 20		Pheasant	Nov. 17-Dec. 16	
Quail	Nov. 20-Jan. 31		Rabbit	Oct. 1-Feb. 1	
Turkey	Nov. 20-Feb. 20		All fish	May 1-Oct. 31 †	20
Bass	{ Nov. 20-Jan. 1 ♂ †	5	<b>Connecticut</b>		
W.L., str. bass	{ Mar. 20-Apr. 15	10	Rabbit	Nov. 1-Dec. 31	30
Bream	No closed season	15	Squirrel	Oct. 19-Nov. 23	30
Crappie, wh. pch.	No closed season	30	Quail	Dates not set	18
Rck. bass, g.-eye	No closed season	20	Pheasant	Oct. 19-Nov. 23	16
W.-eye pike	No closed season	20	Grouse	Oct. 19-Nov. 23	16
		15	Trout	Apr. 20-July 15	10
<b>Alaska</b>			Lake trout	Apr. 20-Aug. 31	3
Deer	Sept. 1-30 ♂ †	1 †	Pickeral	Apr. 20-Feb. 9	6
Moose	{ N-Sept. 1-20,	1	Wall-eye	Apr. 20-Feb. 9	6
Bear, br. & grz.	{ S.-Dec. 1-7 ♂ †	2	Bass, black	July 1-Oct. 31	10
Bear, black	{ Sept. 1-June 20 †	2	Bass, striped	No closed season	10
	{ E. of 138°	2	Perch	Apr. 20-Feb. 9	15
Polar Bear	{ Sept. 1-June 20 †		Salmon, sockeye	Apr. 20-Aug. 31	5
Caribou	{ No closed season †		Shad	Apr. 20-July 15	
Mountain goat	{ Aug. 20-Sept. 30 †	1 †	<b>Delaware</b>		
Mountain sheep	{ Dec. 1-15	1 †	Rabbit	Nov. 15-Dec. 31	
Rabbit	Sept. 1-Oct. 31 †	1 †	Squirrel	Sept. 15-Nov. 1	
Grouse & Ptarmigan	Aug. 20-31 ♂ †	1	Quail	Nov. 15-Dec. 31	
Trout & grayling	No closed season †	10	Pheasant	Nov. 15-Dec. 31 ♂	6
		†	Bass	June 25 Feb. 1	6
			Pike, pkl., w. eyed pike	June 25 Mar. 1	6
			Trout	Apr. 16 Aug. 15	6
<b>Arizona</b>			<b>Florida</b>		
Deer	{ N-Oct. 10-	1	Deer, male	Nov. 20-Dec. 31 † ♂	2
Rabbit	{ Oct. 25 ♂ †	1	Squirrel	Nov. 20-Jan. 31 †	13
Abert Squirrel	{ S-Nov. 1-	1	Quail	Nov. 20-Jan. 31 †	12
Turkey	{ Nov. 17 ♂ †	1	Turkey	Nov. 20-Feb. 15 †	4
Quail	No closed season †		Bass, black	May-Feb. 28	8
Trout	No open season	10	Bream	June 1-Mar. 31 †	20
Bass	No open season	15	Speckled perch	June 1-Mar. 31 †	20
Chan. Catfish	Nov. 16-Nov. 30 †	10			
	May 30-Sept. 30 †	15	<b>xGeorgia</b>		
	No closed season	10	Deer	Oct. 15-Jan. 15 † ♂	2
	No closed season	10	Bear	Nov. 20-Feb. 28 †	
<b>Arkansas</b>			Squirrel	Sept. 15-Jan. 15 †	
Deer	{ Nov. 11-16 ♂ †	1	Quail	Nov. 20-Feb. 28	
Squirrel	{ Dec. 9-14 ♂ †	1	Grouse	Nov. 20-Jan. 15	
Quail	{ May 15-June 15 †	1	Turkey	Nov. 1-Feb. 28 †	2
Turkey	{ Oct. 1-Jan. 1 †	2	Rabbit	No closed season	
Bass	{ Dec. 1-Jan. 31	15	Bass, striped	No closed season †	10
Trout	{ Apr. 1-Apr. 15 ♂	6	Bass, black	No closed season †	10
Pike	{ May 16-Mar. 15	6	Bass, rock	No closed season †	10
Jack salmon	{ May 1-Oct. 31	6	Bass, Ky. or r.-eye	No closed season †	10
	{ No closed season	6	Bream, perch	No closed season †	25
	{ No closed season	6	Crappie	No closed season †	15
			Pickeral	No closed season †	15
<b>California</b>			Wall-eye <sup>c</sup> pike	No closed season †	3
Deer	Aug. 7-Sept. 15 ♂ †	2	Muskellunge	No closed season †	2
Antelope	Limited ♂	2	Trout	Apr. 1-Nov. 15 †	10
Bear	Oct. 15-Dec. 31 †	2			
Rabbit	Nov. 15-Dec. 31	15	<b>xIdaho</b> *		
Quail	Nov. 20-Dec. 15	10	Deer, elk	Local seasons	1
Pheasant	Nov. 20-27 ♂	10	Antelope	Local seasons	
Trout (exc. gldn) = (Sp. wntsr seas.)	May 1-Oct. 31	15	Bear	Jan. 1-Dec. 31 †	1
Trout, golden	July 1-Sept. 30 †	20	Goat	Local seasons	1
Salmon	†	2	Sheep	No open season	
Bass, black	May 29-Oct. 31 †	10	Quail (Bob-white)	Local seasons	
Bass, striped	No closed season	5	Quail (others)	Local seasons	



<b>Idaho (cont.)</b>				
Hun. partridge	Local seasons			
Sage hen	Local seasons			
Pheasant	Local seasons			
Trout	May 21-Nov. 15†	25 or 15#		
Bass (1-mouth)	July 1-Apr. 30†	15 or 15#		
Bass (s-mouth)	No open season			
Salmon (steelhd.)	Local seasons	2		
<b>Illinois</b>				
Rabbit	Nov. 11-Jan. 31			
Squirrel	Aug. 15-Nov. 15†			
Quail	Nov. 11-Dec. 11			
Pheasant	Nov. 11-Nov. 20†			
Bass, black	May 15-Mar. 31†	10		
Bass (rk., wrmtb. wh., yel.)	No closed season	50 (75 in ag- g.)		
crapples, sunf., blue-gills				
Buffalo, bulldbd., catf., carp, sbpbd.	No closed season			
Trout	Apr. 1-Sept. 30	8		
Perch	No closed season			
Pickrel	May 1-Feb. 28	10 in ag- g.		
Wall-eyed pike				
Lake tr., white-fish	No closed season			
<b>Indiana</b>				
Rabbit	Nov. 10-Jan 10			
Squirrel	Aug. 10-Oct. 8			
Quail	Nov. 10-Dec. 20			
Pheasant	Dates not set			
Hun. partridge	Nov. 10-Dec. 20			
Bluegill, rd.-eared sunf., crappie, rock bass	June 16-Apr. 30	25 in ag- g.		
Bass, silv. or yel., bl., Ky., wh. or str.	June 16-Apr. 30	6 in ag- g.		
Pike-percb	June 16-Apr. 30	6		
Pike or pickrel	June 16-Apr. 30	6		
Yellow perch	June 16-Apr. 30			
Trout	May 1-Aug. 31	15		
Chan. catfish	No closed season			
<b>Iowa</b>				
Rabbit	Aug. 1-Mar. 1	10		
Squirrel	Sept. 15-Nov. 15	6		
Pheasant	Oct. 28-Oct. 30† ♂			
Quail	Nov. 1-Nov. 30			
Hungarian partridge	Nov. 12-Nov. 14†	8		
Trout	May 1-Oct. 31	8		
Northern pike	May 15-Nov. 30†	8		
Bass	June 15-Nov. 30†	5		
Pike, sand or saug., w.-eyed	May 15-Nov. 30†	8		
Bullheads	No closed season	25		
Yell, pch. and bass, yellow	May 15-Nov. 30†	15		
-str., silver	June 15-Nov. 30†	15		
Crp., cal. bass	Apr. 15-Nov. 30†	15		
Catfish				
<b>Kansas</b>				
Squirrel	June 15-Nov. 30	10		
Quail	Intermittent	3		
Pheasant	Nov. 7-11 ♂	10		
Bass	May 26-Apr. 24			
<b>Kentucky</b>				
Rabbit	Nov. 20-Jan. 15	8		
Squirrel	Aug. 15-Nov. 30	6		
Quail	Nov. 20-Jan. 15			
Ruffed Grouse	Dec. 1-Dec. 15	10		
Bass, black	May 30-Apr. 30	10		
Trout	May 30-Apr. 30	10		
W.-eyed pike, sand pike or sauger	May 30-Apr. 30	15 ea.		
<b>Kentucky (cont.)</b>				
Striped bass	May 29-Apr. 30			15
Crappie	May 29-Apr. 30			15
Rock bass	May 29-Apr. 30			15
Muskellunge	May 29-Apr. 30			
<b>Louisiana</b>				
Deer	Nov. 1-Jan. 10†			2
Bear	Nov. 1-Jan. 1			5
Rabbit	Oct. 1-Mar. 1			
Squirrel	Oct. 1-Jan. 15			120
Quail	Dec. 1-Feb. 20			120
Turkey	Apr. 1-Apr. 15 ♂			1
Bass, black, yel., white	May 1-Feb. 28†			15
Crappie	May 1-Feb. 28†			25
Sunfish	May 1-Feb. 28†			50
<b>Maine</b>				
Deer	Oct. 21-Nov. 30†			1
Bear	No closed season			
Rabbit	Oct. 1-Feb. 28†			
Squirrel	Oct. 1-Oct. 31			
Pheasant	Nov. 1-Nov. 15			12
Grouse	Oct. 1-Nov. 15			
Salmon, togue(a)	Ice out-Sept. 30			25
Salmon, togue(b)	Ice out-Sept. 15			25
Salmon, togue(c)	Ice out-Aug. 15			25
Trout (a)	Ice out-Sept. 30			25
Trout (b)	Ice out-Sept. 15			25
Trout (c)	Ice out-Aug. 15			25
Wh. perch (a)	Ice out-Sept. 30			25
Wh. perch (b)	Ice out-Sept. 15			25
Wh. perch (c)	Ice out-Aug. 15			25
Black bass (a)	June 21-Sept. 30			25
Black bass (b)	June 21-Sept. 15			25
Black bass (c)	June 21-Aug. 15			25
Black bass (fly)	June 1-20			3
Pickrel	No closed season			10†
a-Lakes & ponds				
b-Riv. abv. tidewtr.				
c-Brooks, streams				
<b>Maryland</b>				
Deer	Dec. 2-7 ♂†			1
Rabbit	Nov. 15-Dec. 31†			
Squirrel	Sept. 15-Oct. 15			
Quail	Nov. 15-Dec. 31†			6
Grouse	Nov. 15-Dec. 31†			6
Pheasant	Nov. 15-Dec. 31† ♂			1
Turkey	Nov. 15-Dec. 31†			6
Trout	Apr. 15-July 15			10
Bass-non-tdl.	July 1-Nov. 30			10
Str. (rek.) bass, non-tdl. wtrs.	Mar. 15-Nov. 30			10
Wall-eyed pike	Mar. 15-Nov. 30†			10
Pike, pickrel	July 1-Nov. 30			10
Perch	July 1-Nov. 30			10
Catfish	Feb. 15-Nov. 30†			10
<b>Massachusetts</b>				
Deer	Dec. 2-Dec. 7†			1
Rabbit, bare	Oct. 20-Feb. 15†			15
Squirrel	Oct. 20-Nov. 20			20
Quail	Dates not set			15
Grouse	Dates not set			6
Pheasant	Dates not set ♂			5
Bass	July 1-Feb. 15			5
Pike	Apr. 15-Feb. 15			5
Muskellunge	Apr. 15-Feb. 15			5
Pickrel	Apr. 15-Feb. 15			10
Pike perch	Apr. 15-Feb. 15			5
Salmon	Apr. 15-Feb. 15			5
Trout	Apr. 15-July 31†			12
Bluegls., cal. bass, crappie, hrnd. pout, sunfish, yel. pch.	Apr. 15-Feb. 15			20
<b>Michigan</b>				
Deer	Nov. 15-Nov. 30†			1
Deer (bow & arrow)	Oct. 15-Nov. 5			1
Bear	Nov. 15-Nov. 30†			1
Rabbit	{U-Oct. 1-Mar. 1			50
Squirrel	{L-Oct. 15-Jan. 31†			50
Grouse, prairie	{L-Oct. 15-Nov. 5†			25
chicken	{U-Oct. 1-Oct. 20†			15
Pheasant	{L-Oct. 15-Nov. 5†			15
	{L-Oct. 15-Nov. 5†			8

<b>Michigan (cont.)</b>			<b>Nebraska (cont.)</b>	
Woodchuck	L-Oct. 15-Jan. 31†		Perch	No closed season†
Trout	Apr. 27-Sept. 2†	15	Pike, w.-eye,	No closed season†
Bass	Apr. 27-Sept. 2†	5	saug. no'thn.	
No. pike, pk.pch.	Apr. 27-Sept. 2†	5		
Muskellunge	Apr. 27-Sept. 2†	25#	<b>Nevada</b>	
Lake trout	Apr. 27-Sept. 2†	10	Deer	Oct. 1-Oct. 21 ♂
White bass	Apr. 27-Sept. 2†		Rabbit	Nov. 1-Dec. 31†
Crappie, rk.			Quail	Nov. 3-Nov. 17
bass, yel. pch.	} Apr. 27-Sept. 2†	25	Pheasant	Nov. 10-Nov. 11
bluegills, sun-				All game fish
fish				
Whitefish	Apr. 27-Sept. 2†	7	<b>New Hampshire</b>	
			Deer	Oct. 15-Dec. 21†
<b>Minnesota</b>			Bear	No closed season
Deer (Bow	Oct. 16-Nov. 1†	1	Rabbit, hare	Oct. 1-Feb. 15
and Arrow)			Squirrel	Oct. 1-Nov. 1
Deer	Nov. 15-Nov. 25†	1	Quail	No open season
Bear	No closed season		Grouse	Oct. 1-Dec. 1
Squirrel	Oct. 15-Dec. 31		Pheasant	Oct. 15-Nov. 16 ♂†
Quail	Oct. 28-Nov. 12†		Trout, brook	May 1-Sept. 1†
Pheasant	Oct. 28-Nov. 12 ♂		Lake Trout	Jan. 1-Sept. 1†
Hun. partridge	Oct. 21-Oct. 27†		Salmon	Apr. 15-Sept. 1†
W.-eyed pike,	} May 15-Feb. 15†	8	Trout, golden	Apr. 15-Sept. 1
saugers, gt.				Bass
no. pike,			Muskellunge	May 28-Nov. 1
pickerel			Pike-perch	May 28-Nov. 1†
Muskellunge	May 15-Feb. 15†	2	Pickerel	May 28-Jan. 16†
Bass	June 20-Nov. 30†	6		
Trout	May 1-Sept. 15†	15	<b>New Jersey</b> *	
Lake Trout	Jan. 1-Feb. 15†	5	Deer	Dec. 17-Dec. 21 ♂†
	May 1-Sept. 30†		Rabbit, squirrel	Nov. 10-Dec. 15
			Quail	Nov. 10-Dec. 15†
Crapples, sunfish	May 15-Feb. 15†	15	Grouse	Nov. 10-Dec. 15
wh. & rk. bass	May 15-Feb. 15†	10	Pheasant	Nov. 10-Dec. 15 ♂
Catfish	May 15-Feb. 15†	50	Trout	Apr. 15-July 15†
Bullheads	May 15-Feb. 15†			Sept. 1-Sept. 30†
Whitefish	May 15-Feb. 15†		Pike, pick'l,	May 20-Nov. 30†
Buffalo	May 15-Feb. 15†		pike-perch	Jan. 5-Jan. 27†
			Bass, bl., Os-	} June 15-Nov. 30†
			wego, white	
<b>Mississippi</b>			Calico, rock	} June 15-Nov. 30†
Deer	{ Nov. 20-Dec. 1†	1	bass, crappie	
Bear	{ Dec. 20-Jan. 1†			Bass, striped
Rabbit	{ No open season		Wh., yel. pch.,	} No closed season
Squirrel	{ Same as Game		catf., sunf.	
Quail	{ Local seas. 5 zones			
Turkey	{ Dec. 10-Feb. 20†	1		
Bass	{ Apr. 1-Apr. 20 ♂	15	<b>New Mexico</b>	
Crappie	{ May 1-Feb. 28	15	Deer	Nov. 10-Nov. 21† ♂
White perch	{ May 1-Feb. 28	50	Elk	(Ltd.) Oct. 26-Nov. 3
Sunfish	{ May 1-Feb. 28		Bear	Nov. 10-Nov. 21†
			Antelope	Shooting by
<b>Missouri</b>				permitt ♂
Deer	Dates not set	†	Turkey	Nov. 10-Nov. 21†
Squirrel	{ May 30-Oct. 31	6	Squirrel	Nov. 10-Nov. 21
Quail	{ Nov. 10-30	15†	Trout	Nov. 10-Nov. 21
Rabbits,	{ Jan. 1-Oct. 31		Bass, pike pch.	
groundhogs	{ Nov. 10-Dec. 31	4	Crappie	Apr. 1-15
Wall-eyed pike	{ May 30-Dec. 31	8	Sunf., ring pch.	May 15-Nov. 30
Bass, black	{ May 30-Dec. 31	8	and bream	
Trout	{ May 30-Dec. 31†	8	Chan. catf.	
Bass, wh., yel.	{ May 30-Dec. 31	12	Bulhd., yel. and	} No closed season
Bass, warmth.,	{ May 30-Dec. 31	12	mud catfish	
rk.				
Crappie	{ May 30-Dec. 31	12	<b>New York</b>	
Channel cat	{ Mar. 15-May 31	8	Deer	†
	{ July 15-Dec. 31		Bear	†
Blue gl., bl. pch.	{ Mar. 15-Dec. 31	12	Rabbit	Oct. 21-Jan. 31†
			Squirrel	Oct. 21-Nov. 18†
<b>Montana</b>			Quail	No open season†
Deer	Oct. 15-Nov. 15†	1		{ Dates not set
Bear, bl. & br.	Apr. 15-Nov. 15†	1†	Grouse	" " "
Bear, grzly.	Oct. 15-Nov. 15	1†	Pheasant	" " "
Elk	Oct. 19-Dec. 9†	1†	Black bass	July 1-Nov. 30†
Goat	Oct. 1-31	1	Striped bass	No closed season
Grouse			Lake trout	Apr. 1-Sept. 10†
Quail, turkey	} Dates not set		Muskellunge	July 1-Dec. 1†
Sage hen				Salmon, klickd.
Hun. partridge			Salmon, chinook	Apr. 1-Sept. 10
Pheasant			Pike-perch	May 1-Sept. 10
All game fish	May 19-Nov. 15	15	Pickerel	May 1-Mar. 1†
			Gt. no'n pike	May 1-Mar. 1†
<b>Nebraska</b>			Trout, brk., br.,	May 1-Mar. 1†
Rabbit	No closed season	10	r'bow	
Squirrel	Sept. 15-Dec. 31	5	Lake trout	†
Pheasant	Oct. 19-Dec. 9†	5	Bullheads	Apr. 1-Sept. 10
Trout	No closed season†	10	Whitefish	No closed season†
Bass, black	No closed season†	10	Perch, white	Apr. 1-Sept. 10†
Crappie, sunf.,			Perch, yellow	No closed season
rock bass	No closed season†			No closed season†
Bullheads	No closed season†	15	<b>Long Island</b>	
Catfish	No closed season†	10	Rabbit, squirrel	Nov. 1-Dec. 31

<b>Long Is. (cont.)</b>					
Quail	Nov. 1-Dec. 31	6	<b>Penn. (cont.)</b>		
Grouse	Date not set		Muskellunge,		
Pheasant	Date not set	4	West'n and		
<b>North Carolina</b>			North'n pike	July 1-Nov. 30	2
Deer	Oct. 15-Jan. 1† ♂	2	Yell. pch., rock		
Bear	Oct. 1-Jan. 1†	2	bass, str. or		
Rabbit	Nov. 28-Jan. 31	10	cal. bass, wh.,		
Squirrel	Oct. 1-Jan. 1†		crappie, sunf.,		
Quail	Nov. 28-Jan. 31	150	catf., suckers,	No closed season	15
Grouse	Nov. 25-Jan. 1	10	carp		
Turkey	No open season		<b>Rhode Island</b>		
Russtan boar	Oct. 15-Jan. 1†	2	Rabbit	Nov. 1-Dec. 31†	
Trout	Apr. 15-Aug. 31†	12	Hare	Nov. 1-Dec. 31	
Bass, black		8	Squirrel	Nov. 1-Dec. 31	
Wall-eyed pike		5	Quail	Nov. 1-Dec. 31	
Striped bass	No closed season	8	Grouse	Nov. 1-Dec. 31†	
			Pheasant	Nov. 1-Dec. 31 ♂	
<b>North Dakota</b>			Bass	June 20-Feb. 20†	6
Sharptail	Oct. 5-Oct. 20	3	Pickeral	June 20-Feb. 20†	10
Pin'd grouse			Trout	Apr. 15-July 15†	10
Sage & ruffed	No open season		Striped bass	No closed season	20
grouse; part'ge			Perch, white	No closed season	30
Pheasant	Oct. 5-Nov. 30 ♂	3	Perch, yellow	No closed season	
Trout, salmon	May 2-Sept. 30	5			
Bass	June 16-Oct. 31	5	<b>South Carolina*</b>		
Wall-eyed pike,			Deer	Aug. 15-Jan. 1† ♂	5
northern pike	May 16-Oct. 31	10	Rabbit	Sept. 1-Mar. 1	
Crappie	June 16-Oct. 31	15	Squirrel	Sept. 1-Mar. 1	
Sunfish	June 16-Oct. 31	15	Quail	Nov. 28-Mar. 1	
Perch	May 16-Oct. 31	25	Turkey	Nov. 27-Mar. 1	2
			Trout, speckled	No closed season†	20
<b>Ohio</b>			Trout, rainbow	No closed season†	20
Deer	No open season		Bass	No closed season†	10†
Rabbit	Nov. 15-Jan. 1	4			
Squirrel	Sept. 14-28	4	<b>South Dakota</b>		
Pheasant	Nov. 15-30 ♂	2	Deer	Nov. 1-Nov. 20† ♂	1
Hun. partridge	Nov. 15-30	2	Grouse, prairie		
Grouse	Nov. 15-30	2	chicken	Sept. 20-Oct. 19†	
<b>INLAND DIST.</b>		1	Pheasant	Sept. 20-Jan. 17†	
Muskellunge	No closed season	2	Hun. partridge	Sept. 20-Oct. 19†	
Wall-eyed pike	No closed season	6	Trout	May 1-Sept. 30	15
Sauger	No closed season	6	Bass, w.-eyed		
Trout	Apr. 14-Sept. 16	6	pike, pickeral	May 1-Feb. 28	8
Bass	June 15-May 1†	6	Bluegills!	May 1-Feb. 28	15
<b>LAKE ERIE DIST.</b>			Bullheads, pch.	May 1-Feb. 28	50
Muskellunge	No closed season		Crappies, sunf.	May 1-Feb. 28	
Wall-eyed pike	No closed season				
Sauger	No closed season		<b>Tennessee</b>		
Trout	Apr. 14-Sept. 16	6	Deer	Special seasons	1†
Bass	June 30-May 25†	6	Bear	Special seasons	
			Rabbit	Nov. 25-Jan. 25	
<b>Oklahoma</b>			Squirrel	Aug. 1-Dec. 31†	
Squirrel	May 15-Jan. 1	10	Quail	Nov. 25-Jan. 25	
Quail	Inter. (Nov.-Jan.)	10	Grouse	Nov. 25-Jan. 25	
Bass	No closed season†	10	Wild boar	Special seasons	1†
Chan. catfish	No closed season†	15	Trout	Mar. 1-Oct. 1	10
Crappie	No closed season†	15	Bass	May 30-Mar. 31	8
			Wall-eyed pike	May 30-Mar. 31	5
<b>Oregon</b>			Sauger pike	May 30-Mar. 31	10
Deer	Sept. 28-Oct. 20 ♂†	1	Muskellunge	May 30-Mar. 31	5
Elk	Oct. 26-Nov. 17	1	Crappie	May 30-Mar. 31	15
Antelope	No open season		Rock bass	May 30-Mar. 31	15
Squirrel	Sept. 28-Oct. 20		White, str. bass	May 30-Mar. 31	15
Quail	Oct. 19-Nov. 3†		Yellow bass or		
Blue grouse	Oct. 12-20	4	jacks	May 30-Mar. 31	15
Pheasant	Oct. 19-Nov. 3†	6	Warmouth bass	No closed season	25
Hun. partridge	No open season		Bluegill bream	No closed season	25
Trout, salmon,			Catfish	No closed season	
steelhead,	Apr. 20-Oct. 31	15	Buffalo	No closed season	
less than 20"					
Bass, black;			<b>Texas</b>		
Perch, crappie,	No closed season	30	Deer	Nov. 16-Dec. 31† ♂	2
catf., sunf.,			Bear	Nov. 16-Dec. 31	1
bream, pike			Peccary	Nov. 16-Dec. 31†	2
Str. bass, shad	No closed season		Squirrel	{ Oct. 1-Dec. 31†	
			Quail	{ May 1-July 31†	
<b>Pennsylvania</b>			Turkey	Dec. 1-Jan. 16†	
Deer	Dec. 1-Dec. 15 ♂	1	Bass, bl., sp'ted	Nov. 16-Dec. 31† ♂	3
Bear	Nov. 18-23	1	White bass	No closed season	15
Rabbit	Nov. 1-Nov. 30	4	Trout	No closed season	25
Squirrel	Nov. 1-Nov. 30	6	Crappie	No closed season	5
Quail	Nov. 1-Nov. 30	4	Catfish	No closed season	25
Ruffed grouse	No open season				
Pheasant	Nov. 1-Nov. 30 ♂	2-8	<b>Utah</b>		
Turkey	Nov. 1-Nov. 30†	1	Deer	Oct. 19-Oct. 29† ♂	1
Hun. partridge	Nov. 1-Nov. 30	2-8	Elk (By permit)		1
Woodchuck	July 1-Sept. 30		Grouse, sage hen,		
Trout	Apr. 15-July 31†	10	prairie chicken	No open season	
Trout, lk. or sal.	July 1-Sept. 29	8	{ Pheasant	{ Nov. 2-Nov. 4	3†
Bass	July 1-Nov. 30	6	{ Quail		
Pike-perch	July 1-Nov. 30	6			
Pickeral	July 1-Nov. 30	6			

<b>Utah (cont.)</b>			<b>West Virginia<sup>o</sup></b>		
Bass	May 15-Oct. 31†	20	Deer	Dec. 2-7	1
Trout	June 15-Oct. 31†	20	Rabbit	Nov. 11-Jan. 4	35
Salmou	June 15-Oct. 31†	20	Squirrel	Oct. 5-Nov. 16	24
			Quall	Nov. 11-Dec. 14	20
<b>Vermont</b>			Grouse	Oct. 5-Nov. 16	10
Deer	Nov. 10-Nov. 20	1	Turkey	Oct. 5-Nov. 16	1
Squirrel	Oct. 1-Oct. 31	4	Bear	Nov. 11-30	1
Rabbit	Oct. 1-Feb. 28	3	Woodchuck	July 1-Dec. 31†	
Quall	No open season	4	Trout, rnbw.,		
Grouse	Oct. 1-Nov. 9		brown	Apr. 27-July 15	10
Pheasant	Oct. Sat. & Wed. ♂	2-4	Trout, brook	Apr. 27-July 15	15
Bear	June 1-Dec. 31		Bass	June 29-Nov. 30	8
Trout	May 1-Aug. 14	20	Pickerele	June 29-Apr. 30	
Lake trout,			Muskellunge,		
salmon	May 1-Aug. 31	2	w. eyed pike	June 29-Apr. 30	
Bass	July 1-Nov. 30	5	Rk. bass, crappie,		
Muskellunge	June 15-Apr. 14	25#	sunf., blueskill	June 29-Apr. 30	15
Pike-perch	May 1-Mar. 14	25#	Catfish	June 29-Apr. 30	10
Pickerele	May 1-Mar. 14	25#	Perch	June 29-Apr. 30	10
Smelt	June 1-Mar. 31				
<b>Virginia<sup>o</sup></b>			<b>Wisconsin</b>		
Deer	Nov. 20-Jan. 5† ♂	1	Deer	Nov. 23-Dec. 1† ♂	1
Bear	Nov. 20-Jan. 5†	1	Deer (bow &		
Elk	Nov. 13, 14, 15	1	arrow)	Sept. 28-Nov. 14	1
Rabbit	Nov. 20-Jan. 20†	75	Bear	No closed season†	
Squirrel	{Sept. 15-Sept. 30	75	Raccoon	Oct. 23-Nov. 30	8
Quall	{Nov. 20-Jan. 20	135	Rabbit	Oct. 19-Jan. 15	3
Grouse	{Nov. 20-Jan. 20	15	Squirrel	Oct. 19-Nov. 30	3
Pheasant	} Same as quall	20	Grouse	No open season	
Turkey		4	Pheasant	Oct. 19-Nov. 28†	
			Hun. partridge	No open season	
Bass	{W: June 20-Dec. 31		Quall	Oct. 24-28†	4
Trout	{E: June 20-Mar. 15	10	Bass, black	June 20-Jan. 15†	7
	Apr. 20-July 31	12	Trout	May 18-Sept. 7†	15
Pike	{W: Same as bass	20	Lake trout	Apr. 15-Sept. 30†	5
	{E: No closed season		Wall eyed pike,		
Crappie	June 20-Mar. 15	25	sauger	May 18-Jan. 15†	7†
Bream	No closed season	25	No. pike, pick'l	May 18-Jan. 15†	7†
			Muskellunge	May 18-Jan. 15†	1
			Bass, other	May 18-Jan. 15†	25
			Catfish	May 18-Jan. 15†	15
<b>Washington</b>			Bullheads	Apr. 15-Jan. 15†	25
Deer	Oct. 8-Nov. 5† ♂	1	Other panfish	May 18-Jan. 15†	25†
Bear	{E: Same as deer	1			
	{W: Closed during				
Elk	Elk season	1	<b>Wyoming</b>		
Rabbit	Nov. 3-Nov. 11 ♂†	5	Deer	Local season† ♂	1
Grouse	Oct. 13-Feb. 28†	2	Local seasons ♂		1
Quall	Oct. 13-14†	10	Local season† ♂		1
Pheasant	Oct. 13-30	3	Local seasons		1
Hungarian	No open season		Local seasons† ♂		1
partridge			Local seasons†		2
Steelhead	Dec. 1-Mar. 1†	3	Local seasons		
Other game fish			Trout	Apr. 1-Oct. 31†	20
Lowl'd lakes	Apr. 1-Nov. 30		Grayling	Apr. 1-Oct. 31†	20
Gen'l season	May 26-Oct. 31	20	Bass	Apr. 1-Oct. 31†	20

### MIGRATORY BIRD LAWS, 1946

After biological investigations and consultations with State game administrators, Secretary of the Interior Krug adopted, and President Truman approved in August, 1946 drastic amendments to the laws on migrating birds. The duck hunting season was reduced from 80 to 45 days, the daily bag limit from 10 to 7, and possession limit from 20 to 14. These amendments have been made to avoid imminent disaster threatened by a 50 per cent increase in the number of hunters from 1944 to 1946 coupled with a 36 per cent decrease in the number of ducks. Although most of the season will be over by the date this Almanac is published (December 1), the salient features of the 1946 rules may be of interest to some.

Waterfowl: October 5 to November 18 in North; October 26 to December 9 in Intermediate; November 23 to January 6 in South. Kentucky is now in South—Iowa, Montana, Ohio—intermediate. Daily bag and possession for geese has been reduced to 2 of any kind. The length of the shooting day for waterfowl, coots, rails, and gallinules runs from one half hour before sunrise to one half hour before sunset.

Rails and Gallinules: Same as waterfowl and coot seasons in Maine, Wisconsin, Massachusetts, and New York.

Wood Duck: No open season in Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Massachusetts, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, Utah, or Wyoming.

Canada Geese: No open season in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, or Alabama.

Snow Geese: No open season in Wyoming.

FOR FULL DETAILS, WRITE: Fish & Wildlife Service, Dept. of Interior, Chicago 54, Illinois.

## ANECDOTES AND PLEASANTRIES

## SONG

Why so pale and wan, fond lover?  
 Prythee why so pale?  
 Will, when looking well can't  
 move her,  
 Looking ill prevail?  
 Prythee why so pale?—

Why so dull and mute, young  
 sinner?  
 Prythee why so mute?  
 Will, when speaking well can't  
 win her,  
 Saying nothing do't?  
 Prythee why so mute?

Quit, quit for shame! this will  
 not move,  
 This cannot take her—  
 If of herself she will not love,  
 Nothing can make her:  
 The devil take her!

*John Suckling*

## SO THE ROOF FELL THROUGH

It was just after a terrific  
 downpour and we were driving  
 down a lonely road "North of  
 Boston," when we came upon an  
 old fellow surveying the ruins of  
 his home. We asked him what  
 had happened. He explained that  
 the roof had fallen in. We could  
 see that, but why?

"Well," was the answer, "that  
 roof has leaked so long, she's  
 just rotted through."

Why in the world hadn't he  
 fixed it long ago?

"It just seemed I couldn't get  
 at it. When it was fair, there  
 warn't no need of it, and when  
 it rained it was too derned wet."

## WISE

If you aim to be thought wise  
 In everything you say,  
 Talk wise—if you are able—  
 But look wise, anyway.

## SO I SEE

"You say you carry three pairs  
 of eye glasses. I suppose the  
 lowest powered are for distance  
 and the next stronger for read-  
 ing. But when do you use the  
 highest powered?"

"Oh! I put them on when I  
 eat shad."

## PAIR OF WHISKERS

Mr. Jinks, the sharp trader,  
 was proud of his whiskers. He  
 believed they made him a Beau  
 Brummell, fascinating to the fair  
 sex. Mr. Jinks was also proud of  
 his skill as a trader. In this he  
 had the reputation of being as  
 sharp as a razor.

One evening, in a jovial mood,  
 he got to bragging to friends  
 that he "could buy and sell any-  
 thing." After a while a broker,  
 known as a "foxy" trader, quietly  
 observed, "You exaggerate. You  
 wouldn't sell all things you pos-  
 sess."

To this Mr. Jinks replied, "Yes,  
 I would. Name your article, and  
 your price."

"It wouldn't be," replied the  
 broker, "that you would sell  
 your fine pair of whiskers?"

"How much am I offered?"  
 asked Mr. Jinks temptingly.

"I'll give you \$25," bid the  
 broker. "Make it \$50," replied  
 Mr. Jinks. "I will," said the  
 broker, as he drew from his wal-  
 let a \$50 bank note.

So a bill of sale was duly made  
 out and the price paid, the bill  
 providing that the broker should  
 have the whiskers on demand.

Time dragged on and Mr. Jinks  
 continued to wear his whiskers.  
 He combed them, but he didn't  
 trim them for the foxy broker  
 said, "You mustn't cut my whisk-  
 ers without my permission."

As the days went on the  
 whiskers lengthened and Mr.  
 Jinks began to regret his bar-  
 gain, especially as folks made  
 witty remarks about his going  
 about wearing the broker's  
 whiskers.

At long last came the day of  
 the grand ball, of which Mr.  
 Jinks was to be a master of  
 ceremonies. The broker called  
 for his whiskers. Mr. Jinks  
 pleaded to be permitted to wear  
 them to the ball. But the broker,  
 an obdurate person, would not  
 grant him a reprieve, not even  
 for a day.

A barber was summoned to the  
 broker's office, where he gathered  
 a group of friends. Mr. Jinks  
 took the chair. The barber soaped  
 the whiskers, stropped the razor  
 and in a jiffy shaved off one sec-  
 tion.

"That's enough for one day,"  
 said the broker, as he stayed the  
 barber's razor. "I'll take the  
 other side later."

Mr. Jinks rose in wrath and  
 demanded that the other whisker  
 be shaved off so that he might  
 go to the grand ball, though  
 clean shaven and minus the  
 whiskers of which he was so  
 proud.

But the broker merely said  
 that he didn't want the other  
 whisker until another day. Mr.  
 Jinks then realized that he had  
 been trapped in a trade and he  
 escaped from his predicament by

buying back his whiskers for \$100 or twice the sum for which he sold them.

From "Man About Town" in Salem, (Mass.) Evening News.

### THE WOMAN WHO LAUGHS

For a good everyday household angel, give us the woman who laughs. Her biscuits may not be just right, and she may occasionally burn her bread, and forget to replace dislocated buttons; but for solid comfort all day and every day, she is a very paragon. The trick of always seeing the bright side, or, if the matter has no bright side, of shining up the dark one, is a very important faculty,—one of the things that no woman should be without. We are not all born with the sunshine in our hearts, as the Irish prettily phrase it; but we can cultivate a cheerful sense of humor, if we only try. OFA 1889 from Rural New Yorker

### AN OLD SAW

A sawyer, after sawing with a very dull saw, exclaimed: "Of all the saws I ever saw saw, I never saw a saw saw as that saw saws."

### MR. LINCOLN SAID IT

When Mr. Lincoln was a young lawyer practicing in the courts of Illinois, he was once engaged in a case in which the lawyer on the other side made a speech to the jury full of wild statements.

Lincoln opened his reply by saying, "My friend who has just spoken to you would be all right if it weren't for one thing, and I don't know that you ought blame him for that, for he can't help it. What I refer to is his reckless disregard for the truth. You have seen instances of this in his speech to you. Now the reason of this lies in the constitution of his mind. The moment he begins to talk all his mental operations cease, and he is not responsible. He is, in fact, much like a little steamboat that I saw on the Sangamon River when I was engaged in boating there. This little steamer had a five-foot boiler and a seven foot stop whistle, and every time it whistled the engine stopped."

### OUGHT TO

When the automobile was just a growing competitor of old Dobbin, a travelling salesman traversing a lonely country road in his brand-new car got stalled in a muddy place and looked around for help. Finally he saw a farmer

tinkering on an odd sort of machine. He was curious, but in a hurry—asked the old fellow for his help and a pair of horses. When they got back to the automobile, the old farmer scratched his head and wanted to know what kind of a contraption that was. The reply was "auto." "Ought to what?" says the farmer.

"Automobile," replied the salesman, "but you tell me what kind of a machine that was you were tinkering on."

"Well," replied the latter not to be outdone, "that was an automow-grass—but the dern thing don't."

### PHILOSOPHY AND SUCH

The great principle of being happy in this world is not to be affected with small things.

Polite behaviour and refined address, like good pictures, make the least show to ordinary eyes.

Magnanimity is not to be disturbed by anything.

Old Farmer's Almanac 1888

### ONLY ONE FEAR

Old Lady: "What's the matter with the little boy?"

Street-Urchin (whimperingly): "Fraid."

Old Lady: "Afraid? Well I do declare! I didn't know you street urchins were ever afraid of anything, seen or unseen in this world or the next."

Street Urchin: "Yes, we're afraid of each other."

### THE CLOVE APPLE

In parent branch a hook, or nail. From a stout twine depends this fruit;

A rosewood wardrobe forms its trunk,

Morocco slippers made its root. Pierced full of holes the shrivelled pome,

How sweet it scents my grand-dame's wear!

Her pearly silk and India shawl Waft Ceylon breezes down the stair.

And bound for church on Sunday morn

(A minted lozenge in his mouth) How fragrant does my grandsire walk.

Clad in some waistcoat of his youth.

From YANKEE

### HER REMEDY

"What did your Mother do for your cut finger?"

"Licked me for cutting it."

## WORD CHARADES

(Solutions appear on page 78)

1

Men often strive my first to gain  
By strength or skill, by speed or  
worth;  
It causes deepest woe and pain,  
It causes also joy and mirth.

I watched a tennis player serve,  
And through the air the ball  
whizzed fast.  
It took an unexpected curve;  
The umpire said it was my last.

With thoughtful eyes and puzzled  
brow,  
It is my whole you're reading  
now.

2

Safe from the cold December  
storm,  
I sat by my whole so bright and  
warm,  
When the cry of my first I plain-  
ly heard.  
My last sprang up without a  
word;  
And panic-stricken, in sudden  
fright,  
We rushed out into the winter  
night.

3

Clad in his ermine and his robes  
of state,  
The haughty king in pomp and  
splendor sate.  
And 'mong the crowds which  
thronged the regal chair,  
My first approached, and looked  
upon him there.  
She, too, with white-furred robe  
and gentle mien,  
And noble air and countenance  
serene.  
"What does she here?" grumbled  
a doughty knight.  
The king replied, "The world  
hath said she might."

I walked across a sunny field one  
day,  
And saw an old man working by  
the way.  
"How is my last, old man?" I  
gaily said.  
"My last?" said he, and bent his  
grizzled head.  
"How is my last?" I said it o'er  
again.  
"My last?" he said (he seemed  
perplexed), and then—  
"Is my last good?" I asked of  
him once more.  
"Fine, sir," he said: "better  
than e'er before."

Across the ocean's wave my total  
lies;  
And, as Lord Tennyson in verse  
implies,  
Is dull and undesirable; but still,  
I'd gladly travel there, had I my  
will.

4

A king had many wives,  
Of whom my first was one;  
He spoiled their happy lives,  
Apparently for fun.

And some he sent away,  
Of home and friends bereft;  
Of some, ere they could pray,  
The steel my last had cleft.

With each, successively,  
The king found some pretext  
For banishment, and he  
Would then the whole my next.

5

High in my first they waved the  
flag.  
'Mid shouts of wild applause;  
And soldiers brave marched to  
my first,  
And fought to win the cause.

Without my second we could not  
Assert that "Right is Might,"  
Nor "Virtue is its own reward,"  
Nor other proverbs trite.

My last we all admit to be  
A blessing unsurpassed:  
Though some would give my last  
for all,  
Some give all for my last.

We often pass my total by  
With but a hurried look;  
And though we cannot read, yet  
We find it in a book.

6

Maid of Athens, ere we part,  
Hear my first with tender heart;  
Ere another hour is past,  
Let me be of thee my last.  
Then behold my very soul  
Filled o'erflowing with my whole.

7

A brave man looked forth and a  
figure he saw;  
'Twas bound to my first—he sur-  
veyed it with awe.  
And as it was fast disappearing  
from sight,  
He began to my second with  
furious might.  
An often fought foe, very hard to  
control,  
In the Scriptures we read of the  
fall of my whole.

## OLD FASHIONED PUZZLES

(Answers appear on page 78)

### 1. Conundrums

A. Why is life the greatest of all conundrums?

B. When may an army be said to be totally destroyed?

C. Which is the swifter, heat or cold?

D. Why is a young lady like a letter?

E. Why are dudes no longer imported into this country from England?

F. What flowers can be found between the nose and the chin?

G. Why is a dude's hat like swearing?

H. How many wives is a man lawfully entitled to by the English prayer-book?

### 2. Arithmetical Puzzles

A. If a room with 8 corners had a cat in each corner, seven cats before each cat, and a cat on each cat's tail, what would be the whole number of cats?

B. A farmer having an ox-chain consisting of 15 links, broke it into five equal parts and took it to a blacksmith to be welded together. The blacksmith agreed to repair it for 50 cents for each welding; but when he presented his bill he charged for four weldings, making the bill \$2.00. The farmer objected to the bill, saying that it should have been repaired with only three weldings. How was it to be done?

C. In the bottom of a well, 45 feet deep, there was a frog which commenced traveling toward the top. In his journey he ascended 3 feet every day, but fell back 2 feet every night. In how many days did he get out?

D. A vessel with a crew of 30 men, half of whom were black, became short of provisions and fearing that unless half the crew were thrown overboard all would perish, the captain proposed to the sailors to stand upon deck in a row and every ninth man be thrown overboard until half the crew were destroyed. It so happened that the whites were saved. Required: the order of arrangement.

### 3. Enigma

I am composed of 22 letters. My 14, 11, 22, 16, 17 is used to separate bran from meal.

My 13, 15, 3 is what people are often glad to do.

My 18, 12, 11, 5, 7 is a very common name.

My 12, 1, 10, 13 is an officer of a ship.

My 6, 15, 10 is a domestic animal.

My 12, 20, 19, 17 is underground.

My 6, 7, 20, 9 is a part of the face.

My 8, 5 is one of the commonest words of the English language.

My 15, 2, 4, 1 is a grand division.

My whole is an old saying.

### 4. Riddle

I am composed of 6 parts. As a whole I am a useful implement, or a means of conveyance; take away my 1st and I am broken and rough; remove my 2d and I become a plant; remove both 1st and 2d and I can either divide or mark division.

### 5. Double Acrostic

1. A country seat.

2. Termination.

3. To spring back.

4. A great river in the United States.

5. A fertile piece of land.

6. A race of people.

7. A weight.

My initials give one of the United States.

My finals a county in the same.

### 6. Anagram

Rethe si a rowd ni veyer limee,

Ot voel dan rinfedspih read;

Ni Gisheln 'sit "torfeg em ton,"

Ni Hrenfe 'its "vensuor."

### 7. Puzzle



Take away three lines so as to leave three perfect squares.



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## RECIPES AND HOUSEHOLD HINTS

By NANCY DIXON

In the year 1600 Jarvace Markham published THE ENGLISH HOUSEWIFE. The qualifications of a Cook were thus described in this strange composition. "She must be cleanly in both body and garments; Secondly, she must have a quick eye: Thirdly, a curious nose; Fourthly, a perfect taste and ready ear; Lastly, she must not be too butterfingered, sweet toothed, or faint hearted."

The first qualification of course remains the same. The quick eye, curious nose, perfect taste and ready ear suggest a form of kitchen acrobatics that have disappeared with the use of our 20th century kitchen equipment.

The importance of kitchen equipment is something to be considered. The tools with which we work should be purchased as carefully as a farmer would his herd or a musician his instrument. Aside from your stove and refrigerator a minimum utensil list for a small family would include:

1 set kitchen knives	2 bread pans	1 colander
1 chopping bowl	1 biscuit pan	1 pint baking dish
2 measuring cups	1 meat grinder	1 quart size double boiler
1 grater	1 tube pan	1 pint saucepan
2 biscuit cutters	1 spatula	1 cover to fit same
1 flour sifter	1 cake tester	1 cookie sheet
1 egg beater	1 can opener	6 custard cups
1 vegetable brush	1 set measuring spoons	(double for muffin tins)
1 perforated wooden spoon	1 cake cooler	1 pie plate
1 teakettle	1 apple corer	2 layer tins
1 coffee pot	1 rolling pin	1 2-tined fork
1 quart baking dish with cover	1 medium strainer	1 rubber scraper
1 quart saucepan	1 pair kitchen shears	
1 large iron frying pan	1 pastry brush	
	1 small funnel	

Thermometers for frying, syrups, meats and ovens

You will, of course, consider the size and habits of your family when buying utensils.

Shall we try out some of the above equipment on the following recipes?

### Hominy Croquettes

Boil 1 cup hominy grits in 6 cups salted water for 1 hour. Mix  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cups hot hominy with two beaten egg yolks and a little melted butter or margarine. Season to taste. Shape into small balls and fry in deep hot fat until lightly browned.

### Country Style Onion Pie

3 lbs. onions  
1 pint coffee cream  
3 eggs, beaten  
Pastry for One Pie

Peel and slice the onions. Fry in butter or other shortening until golden brown. Add cream and egg beaten together. Line deep pie plate with pastry. Pour in onions. Cover with remaining pastry. Bake in 350 degree oven for 1 hour. Crust should be golden brown.

### Cooked-Potato Dumplings

$3\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. cooked potatoes  
 $1\frac{1}{2}$  tablespoons butter  
4-5 eggs, beaten  
Sprinkling of nutmeg  
1 tablespoon salt  
2 cups flour  
1 roll cubed  
Salted water for boiling

Peel and grate the cooked potatoes. When cooled add butter, eggs, nutmeg, salt and flour and mix well. Fry the roll, which has been cut in very small cubes, in butter until golden and crisp. Shape dough into medium-sized balls with some of the crisp fried roll in the center of each. Roll in flour and boil in an uncovered kettle for 15 minutes. (Water should be at a rolling boil before dumplings are added. Make a test dumpling and cook. If this should fall apart add more flour to the dough.)

### Graham Cracker Delight

1 small box graham crackers	$\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon baking powder
2 eggs	Dash salt
$\frac{1}{2}$ cup sugar	4 drops vanilla
$\frac{3}{4}$ cup milk	

Soak the crackers in milk until spongy; add sugar and eggs, baking powder, salt and vanilla. Butter a casserole; pour in the mixture. Sprinkle some dry sugar over the top. Dot with butter and bake in a 350 degree oven for 20 minutes. Serve with whipped cream.

And now for a few household hints just to complete the day:

**Apple Corer.** The bottom part of a funnel makes a fine substitute for an apple corer.

**Kerosene Flame.** Pour milk over the flame of a kerosene fire; it will put the flame out instantly.

**Green Vegetables.** When cooking green vegetables use very little water, do not use a lid and cook only until tender. Do NOT add soda.

**Gold Borders.** Clean the gold borders on plates by scrubbing with a toothbrush dipped in bicarbonate of soda.

**Butter Saver.** To save butter when eating hot sweet corn, butter a small piece of bread and use the bread to spread the butter on the corn.

**Bed Slippers.** Make bed slippers for children out of old felt hats. Trace around a shoe on the felt with a pencil. Cut out the felt. Crochet uppers and sew them onto the soles, using a ribbon or a piece of yarn at the top to keep them on.

**Pigskin Gloves.** When laundering pigskin gloves add a few drops of olive oil to the rinsing water. You will find that they will be much softer.

**Washing Laces.** Even delicate laces may be washed beautifully and without fear of tearing by first basting the lace to a piece of white muslin or old sheet before washing.

**Milk Bottle Caps.** Cover milk bottle caps with crepe paper and fill with nuts and candy and use as favors for the next children's party.

**Leaky Garden Hose.** Do not dispose of your garden hose because it springs a few leaks. Paint the entire length of hose with a pliable roofing paint. This treatment will close all the tiny holes and breaks.

**Moth Preventive.** Hang moth preventive as high as possible in a closet as the fumes are much heavier than air and will filter downward.

**Valuable Documents.** To preserve valuable documents rub surfaces with a guttapercha solution bought at a drug store. To prevent from turning yellow with age wrap in blue tissue paper and store in envelopes.

**Laundry Bag.** Have a draw string on both ends of your laundry bag. Simply untie the string at the bottom and out comes the laundry.

**Coffee Storage.** Keep coffee in a tightly closed jar, upside down in the refrigerator. Coffee loses its flavor by separation, as its oils rise to the top of a container and evaporate when the jar is opened.

**Lime Deposit.** To remove the deposit of lime found in the bottom of a teakettle pour hot vinegar into the kettle and allow to stand over night. This will loosen the lime. After this has been done and to prevent further formation of the deposit put a few marbles in the bottom of the kettle.

**Spices.** Keep your spices in a cool place. This prevents the oils from evaporating.

### ONE WAY LINE

The Brattleboro Reformer tells of one Mrs. Butler, late of Jamaica, Vermont, who took no interest in the technical phases of the telephone industry but used the instrument with high Yankee disdain for conventions.

"When she wanted to order something from the store of George Gleason (one house removed) she would push the crank enough to sound the operator's signal, take down the receiver, waiting for nothing or nobody, and give her order twice. Without further ado and without listening, she would hang up and go about her business. In the long suffering ways of telephone operators Ruth then would call Gleason and give him the order. If it didn't appear when Mrs. Butler thought it should, she would repeat the procedure, giving her order twice and asking why but not waiting for an explanation."

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### 7 MYSTERIES

The "Seven Mysteries of the World" are:

1. How green leaves capture food and store it.
2. Life
3. Universe
4. Chemical elements
5. Disease
6. Mind
7. Emotions

*Science News Letter*

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**LETTERS AND POSTAL CARDS.—FIRST CLASS.**

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(Limit of weight 8 ounces.)

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**PARCEL POST.—FOURTH CLASS.**

(For Zone consult Post Office)

Everything over 8 ounces, including books and printed matter, except First Class and newspapers and other periodicals entered as Second Class matter mailed by the publishers:—

Table of fourth-class or parcel-post rates

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		1-2 Up to 150 miles	3 150 to 300 miles	4 300 to 600 miles	5 600 to 1,000 miles	6 1,000 to 1,400 miles	7 1,400 to 1,800 miles	8 1,800 miles	Over
1	\$0.08	\$0.09	\$0.10	\$0.11	\$0.12	\$0.13	\$0.15	\$0.16	
2	.09	.11	.12	.15	.18	.20	.24	.27	
3	.09	.12	.14	.18	.23	.27	.33	.38	
4	.10	.13	.16	.22	.28	.34	.42	.49	
5	.10	.14	.18	.25	.34	.41	.52	.61	
6	.11	.15	.20	.29	.39	.48	.61	.72	
7	.11	.16	.22	.32	.44	.56	.70	.83	
8	.12	.17	.24	.36	.50	.63	.79	.95	
9	.12	.18	.26	.39	.56	.70	.89	1.06	
10	.13	.19	.28	.43	.61	.77	.98	1.17	
11	.13	.20	.30	.46	.66	.84	1.07	1.29	
12	.14	.22	.32	.50	.72	.92	1.16	1.40	
13	.14	.23	.34	.54	.77	.99	1.26	1.51	
14	.15	.24	.36	.58	.82	1.06	1.35	1.63	
15	.15	.25	.38	.61	.89	1.13	1.44	1.74	
16	.16	.26	.40	.65	.94	1.21	1.53	1.85	
17	.16	.27	.42	.68	.99	1.28	1.63	1.97	
18	.17	.28	.44	.72	1.05	1.35	1.72	2.08	
19	.17	.29	.46	.75	1.10	1.42	1.81	2.19	
20	.18	.30	.48	.79	1.15	1.49	1.91	2.31	
21	.18	.31	.50	.82	1.21	1.57	2.00	2.42	
22	.19	.33	.53	.87	1.27	1.64	2.09	2.53	
23	.19	.34	.55	.90	1.32	1.71	2.18	2.65	
24	.20	.35	.57	.94	1.37	1.78	2.28	2.76	
25	.20	.36	.59	.97	1.43	1.85	2.37	2.87	
26	.21	.37	.61	1.01	1.48	1.93	2.46	2.99	
27	.21	.38	.63	1.04	1.53	2.00	2.55	3.10	
28	.22	.39	.65	1.08	1.60	2.07	2.65	3.21	
29	.22	.40	.67	1.11	1.65	2.14	2.74	3.33	
30	.23	.41	.69	1.15	1.70	2.21	2.83	3.44	
31	.23	.42	.71	1.18	1.75	2.29	2.93	3.55	
32	.24	.44	.73	1.23	1.81	2.36	3.02	3.67	
33	.24	.45	.75	1.26	1.86	2.43	3.11	3.78	
34	.25	.46	.77	1.30	1.92	2.50	3.20	3.89	
35	.25	.47	.79	1.33	1.98	2.58	3.30	4.01	



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36	\$0.26	\$0.48	\$0.81	\$1.37	\$2.03	\$2.65	\$3.39	\$4.12
37	.26	.49	.83	1.40	2.08	2.72	3.48	4.23
38	.27	.50	.85	1.44	2.14	2.79	3.57	4.35
39	.27	.52	.88	1.47	2.19	2.86	3.67	4.46
40	.28	.53	.90	1.51	2.25	2.94	3.76	4.57
41	.28	.54	.92	1.55	2.30	3.01	3.85	4.69
42	.29	.56	.94	1.59	2.36	3.08	3.94	4.80
43	.29	.57	.96	1.62	2.41	3.15	4.04	4.91
44	.30	.58	.98	1.66	2.46	3.22	4.13	5.03
45	.30	.59	1.00	1.69	2.52	3.30	4.22	5.14
46	.31	.60	1.02	1.73	2.58	3.37	4.32	5.25
47	.31	.61	1.04	1.76	2.63	3.44	4.41	5.37
48	.32	.62	1.06	1.80	2.69	3.51	4.50	5.48
49	.32	.63	1.08	1.83	2.74	3.58	4.59	5.59
50	.33	.64	1.10	1.87	2.79	3.66	4.69	5.71
55	.35	.70	1.21	2.05	3.07	4.02	5.15	6.27
60	.38	.75	1.31	2.24	3.34	4.38	5.61	6.84
65	.40	.81	1.41	2.41	3.62	4.74	6.08	7.41
70	.43	.87	1.51	2.60	3.88	5.10	6.54	7.97

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\$5	20c	\$300	65c	\$800	\$1.20
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100	40c	600	\$1.05		
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\$5	3c	\$25	10c	\$50	15c	\$200	25c
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\$2.50	15c	\$25.00	30c	\$100.00	50c
5.00	20c	50.00	40c	150.00	55c
				200.00	60c

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**POSTAL MONEY ORDER**

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From \$5.01 to \$10	11	From \$60.01 to \$80	20
From \$10.01 to \$20	13	From \$80.01 to \$100	22

**POSTAL NOTES**

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**Letters.**—For the places in the following list the postal rate is 3 cents each ounce or fraction. For all other foreign destinations, 5 cents first ounce and 3 cents each additional ounce or fraction: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras (Republic), Labrador, Mexico, Newfoundland, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Salvador, El; Spain and possessions; Uruguay, Venezuela.

**Post Cards.**—Single post cards for places enumerated above 2 cents. Single post cards for all other foreign destinations 3 cents. Maximum size 6x4¼ inches, minimum size 4x2¾ inches.

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**Maximum dimensions.**—For all foreign destinations on all classes of mail noted above (except Post Cards), 36 inches length, breadth and thickness combined, the length being limited to 24 inches. When sent in the form of a roll the length (the maximum of which is 32 inches) plus twice the diameter is limited to 40 inches.

### INTERNATIONAL PARCEL POST.

Many foreign countries have special import license regulations about which information may be obtained at your local post office.

Because of the varying rates and conditions, as well as frequent changes, applicable to foreign countries, it is important that a qualified postal employee handle parcel post transactions. Therefore, parcel post packages for foreign destinations must not be posted in a letter box; such packages should be taken to the main post office or to one of the larger classified stations and handed to a postal clerk.

### AIR MAIL: DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN

*(All rates per one half ounce unless otherwise indicated. For Armed Forces—see preceding page.)*

1. 5 cents: Per ounce: United States, Alaska, Canada. Per half ounce: Cuba, Mexico, Puerto Rico, U. S., Virgin Islands.

2. 10 cents: Bermuda, all of Central America and the Caribbean except those mentioned par. 3.

3. 15 cents: British & French Guiana, Colombia, Ecuador, Hawaii, Newfoundland, Surinam, and Venezuela.

4. 20 cents: South America, except for points in par. 3, and the Falkland Islands.

5. 25 cents: Canton Island.

6. 30 cents: Azores, all of Europe except Germany, Great Britain, Iceland, Ireland, Madeira, Malta, and Spanish offices in No. Africa.

7. 33 cents: Algeria, Corsica, Libya, Br., Fch., Span. Morocco.

8. 35 cents: Guam.

9. 40 cents: Canary Islands, Fiji, New Caledonia, Rio de Oro.

10. 45 cents: Dahomey, French Togoland, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal.

11. 50 cents: French Sudan, Gambia, Gold Coast Colony, Guinea (Fch., Port., Span.), Ivory Coast, Liberia, New Zealand, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, and the Philippines.

12. 55 cents: Cape Verde Islands.

13. 60 cents: Africa, except points mentioned pars. 11 and 14, Cameroons, Br. & Fch., Mauritius.

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## A TABLE FOR TELLING THE WEATHER THROUGH ALL THE LUNATIONS OF EACH YEAR FOREVER

Moon	Time of Change	In Summer	In Winter
	From Midnight to 2 A.M.	Fair	Hard frost, unless wind be S. or W.
	From 2 A.M. to 4 A.M.	Cold, with frequent showers	Snow and stormy
	From 4 A.M. to 6 A.M.	Rain	Rain
	From 6 A.M. to 8 A.M.	Wind and Rain	Stormy
	From 8 A.M. to 10 A.M.	Changeable	Cold Rain if wind be W.; Snow if E.
	From 10 A.M. to Noon	Frequent Showers	Cold & high wind.
	From Noon to 2 P.M.	Very rainy	Snow or rain.
	From 2 P.M. to 4 P.M.	Changeable	Fair & mild.
	From 4 P.M. to 6 P.M.	Fair	Fair.
	From 6 P.M. to 8 P.M.	Fair — if wind N.W. Rain — if S. or S.W.	Fair & frosty if wind N. or N.E.; Rain or snow if wind S. or S.W.
	From 8 P.M. to 10 P.M.	Same as from 6 P.M. to 8 P.M.	
	From 10 P.M. to Midnight	Fair	Fair & frosty.

If the new moon, 1st quarter, full moon, or last quarter happens (see left hand calendar pages 14-36)

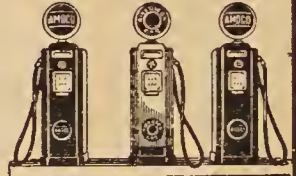
The nearer the time of the moon's change, first quarter, full, or last quarter is to midnight, the fairer the weather will be during the seven days following. (10 P.M. — 2 A.M.).

The nearer to noon the more foul or wet weather is to be expected. (10 A.M. to 2 P.M.).

Spring and autumn are affected nearly in the same ratio as summer and winter.



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## Tables of Measures

### (English Units)

#### Linear Measure

1 foot=12 inches
1 yard=3 feet
1 rod=5½ yards=16½ feet
1 mile=320 rods=1760 yards=
5280 feet
1 nautical mile=6080 feet
1 knot=1 nautical mile per hour
1 furlong=¼ mile=660 feet=
220 yards
1 league=3 miles=24 furlongs
1 fathom=2 yards=6 feet
1 chain=100 links=22 yards
1 link=7.92 inches
1 hand=4 inches
1 span=9 inches

#### Square Measure

1 square foot=144 square inches
1 sq. yard=9 sq. feet
1 sq. rod=30¼ sq. yards=
272¼ sq. feet
1 acre=160 sq. rods=43560 sq. ft.
1 sq. mile=640 acres=
102400 sq. rods
1 sq. rod=625 square links
1 sq. chain=16 square rods
1 acre=10 square chains

#### Cubic Measure

1 cubic foot=1728 cubic inches
1 cubic yard=27 cu. feet
1 register ton (shipping measure)
=100 cubic feet
1 U. S. shipping ton=40 cu. ft.
1 cord=128 cubic feet
1 U. S. liquid gallon=4 quarts
=231 cubic inches
1 imperial gal.=1.20 U. S. gals.
=0.16 cubic feet
1 board foot=144 cubic inches

### (Metric Units)

#### Linear Measure

1 centimeter=10 millimeters
1 decimeter=10 centimeters
1 meter=10 decimeters
1 dekameter=10 meters
1 hektometer=10 dekameters
1 kilometer=10 hektometers
1 inch=2.54 centimeters
1 meter=39.37 inches
1 yard=0.914 meters
1 mile=1609 meters=
1.61 kilometers

#### Square Measure

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1 sq. kilometer=100 hektars
1 sq. centimeter=0.15 sq. inches
1 sq. meter=1.20 sq. yards
1 sq. kilometer=0.39 sq. miles
1 hektar=2.47 acres
1 sq. inch=6.45 sq. cm.
1 sq. yard=0.84 sq. m.
1 sq. mile=2.59 sq. km.
1 acre=0.40 hektars

#### Cubic Measure

1 cubic centimeter=
1000 cubic millimeters
1 cu. decimeter=
1000 cu. centimeters
1 cu. meter=1000 cu. decimeters
1 cu. yard=0.76 cubic meters
1 cu. meter=1.31 cubic yards
1 liter=1.06 U. S. liquid quarts
1 hektoliter=100 liters=
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1 U. S. liquid quart=0.94 liters
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1 ton=20 hundredweight=
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1 ounce=20 pennyweight
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1 ounce=8 drams
1 pound=12 ounces

#### Metric

1 centigram=10 milligrams
1 decigram=10 centigrams
1 gram=10 decigrams
1 dekagram=10 grams
1 hektogram=10 dekagrams
1 kilogram=10 hektograms
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**TAIN'T SO**

Once again making the rounds is the hard-to-kill story about wheat (and other grains) being removed from ancient tombs and planted, and producing crops. The U. S. Department of Agriculture says it is such a good grain story that it is too bad there is not a grain of truth to it. Grain removed from vases in tombs is practically carbonized from age and exposure and is just as dead as the mummies of those who were provided with the grain as a sort of K-ration for their trips to and through worlds beyond this one.

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## HOW TO MAKE A COMPOST PILE

By J. R. HEPLER

I have had many inquiries on how to build a compost pile. Many people who build them put in so much fertilizer and lime that the compost is really dangerous to the plants. There is no better way to build compost than the old-fashioned method used a century ago. You build the pile of alternate layers of heavy sod and cow manure, using perhaps twice as much sod as cow manure, and allow it to rot for a year or two. This will make excellent compost. Do not add fertilizer of any kind to this composted material because of the danger of using so much that it will burn the tender seedlings.

If you want to build a compost pile in August for use next spring, make it of alternate layers of well-rotted manure and garden soil. Preferably, this should be kept in a dry cellar so that it will not freeze. The danger of using garden soil is that it is likely to have in it more damping-off and other plant diseases than old sod. Certain diseases stay in the soil for many years. The soil back of my house was infected more than 30 years ago and if I should use it for compost I would be almost certain to infect all cabbage, cauliflower, and broccoli plants with clubfoot, which is still very plentiful in it. The big advantage in using sod is that you can get soil from places that are quite likely to be free from disease.

Now, garden refuse such as pea vines, potato vines, bean vines, corn stalks, etc., are often composted to make manure. If this organic matter is infested with blight, as usually happens with celery tops, potato tops, or bean vines, you are simply returning these diseases to the soil. Therefore, it probably would be better to burn all this trash. But if you decide to make compost from it, either mix with some manure or one pound of 5-8-7 fertilizer to 50 pounds of garden wastes and allow the compost to rot over winter. It will make an acceptable manure by spring. However, this material should not be used for growing plants in the greenhouse.

—*The Journal-Transcript*, Franklin, N. H.

*Editor's Note:* It is said that by burying a piece of oak wood in a compost pile or manure pile, venomous snakes will refrain from inhabiting it.

## STANDARD TIME ZONES OF THE UNITED STATES

[Beginning with the Atlantic Standard Time Zone, the clock is set back one hour as one proceeds West into each other zone. Technically the time changes one hour for every 15° West but we have "arranged" the time zones that follow as better suiting our needs.]

**Atlantic Standard Time** (60° West)—which is 4 hrs. earlier than Greenwich time,—stretches in from the Atlantic Ocean and stops, roughly, at a line drawn between Calais and Houlton, Maine.

**Eastern Standard Time** (75° West) begins where Atlantic Standard Time stops, and stretches West to Isle Royal in Lake Superior, from where it goes to Sault Ste. Marie, into Lake Huron a bit, and down the center of Lake Michigan; jogs over to 85° longitude and down to Covington, Ky.; meanders over to the Big Sandy River and down through Bristol, N. C., to the 35th parallel, along which it proceeds to Chattanooga before making its final drop to Apalachicola, Fla.

**Central Standard Time** (90° West) begins where Eastern Standard Time stopped and stretches West to the No. Dakota-Montana border; comes back East far enough to split So. Dakota in halves; jogs through almost the center of Nebraska, cuts off the Northeast corner of Kansas and then follows the border between Texas and New Mexico; thence proceeds to underline New Mexico and Arizona—stopping near Yuma.

**Mountain Standard Time** (105° West) begins where Central Standard Time stopped, and stretches West to the Idaho-Montana border, from where it drops to the Salmon River, which it follows West to the Oregon-Idaho border, down and then East along the Nevada-Oregon and Idaho border to Bear Lake, Idaho; leaves the Great Salt Lake just to the West and Sevier Lake, too, before cutting into the corner made by Utah, Nevada, and Arizona. It cuts back East to as far again beyond St. George, Utah, and then South on 113° longitude before making West for the California-Arizona border and along down the Colorado River to follow the western shore of the Gulf of California.

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## LARGE HOG

"For in Arcadia I saw," writes Varro, "a hog with my own eyes which was so fat it was not only unable to get up but a shrew mouse, having eaten a hole in its back, had there made its nest and was rearing a family."

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## 1ST MAN UP

of European blood, Mt. Washington was Darby Field, an Irishman from near Exeter. The date was 1642.

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## NEW FRONTIERS IN AGRICULTURE

*"Whoever makes two ears of corn, or two blades of grass grow where only one grew before, deserves better of mankind, and does more essential service to his country than the whole race of politicians put together."*

—Dean Swift

Never in all history has the world been so food conscious, nor the vital importance of topsoil received such serious consideration. Soil conservation, the replenishment of fertility, the production of crops with higher food value—these have become household words. And the tiller of the soil, to a degree he never dreamed, has been raised in the esteem of all mankind. For too many years our land has been treated like a poor relative, grudgingly offered mere dribbles of replenishment. Fortunately for civilization, soil fertility at this eleventh hour is coming to be regarded as money on deposit.

Fortunately, too, for generations yet unborn, this increasing enlightenment has disclosed that even the best of conventional farming practices fail to return to the land all plant food needed to produce a healthy crop. In the urge for greater harvests, the growing of high-yielding hybrid crop varieties is being paid for by the loss of the most valuable nutrients of the soil. Further, is it nothing more than mere coincidence that insect pests have increased to a corresponding degree?

If we could wave a magic wand and—presto—clothe again this great land of ours with the virgin soil our forefathers found here, we would have the remedy. Mr. and Mrs. J. David Larson, of Hinsdale, Illinois don't claim to be magicians, and they aren't prepared to do just what the magic wand can, all at once, *but* after some twenty-five years of experimentation they have now available, in potentially unlimited quantities, a synthetic topsoil. They call it *Normal Soil*, and say that it's identical in all respects with the type of normal virgin soil found on mountain slopes, where, through the interminably slow process of weathering, the primary rocks have disintegrated and decomposed, and, after centuries of time, natural or virgin soil has been produced. Employing such common materials as clay, limestone, ground rock, peat, and farm wastes and then subjecting them to a "cellulose fermentation" process, they are certain they have produced new virgin soil—in the short space of three years. They claim the use of their Normal Soil will alone return to the land *everything* removed by the crop.

As a conditioner of intractable land their Normal Soil has been strikingly demonstrated on a plot of heavy clay ground where the crust was so solid that a post-hole digger was needed to break through when they planted their first crop of potatoes (a double handful of Normal Soil to each hole). They used no fertilizers and no sprays or dusts of any kind, but produced an excellent crop—and alongside fields that were heavily attacked by blight and Colorado beetle.

The "magic" qualities of their Normal Soil lies simply in the fact, they explain, of the chemical balance of its fifteen principal soil elements, all of which are in the available or plant food form,—that is, thoroughly broken down and blended. There is no excess of certain elements with a deficiency of others. Upon such chemical balance of the fifteen chief soil elements depends not only the yield but the quality of all products of the soil. And to this quality is due the vital resistance to fungus and other plant diseases, and explains why insect pests are *absolutely uninterested in healthy crops*.

The farmer and the fruit grower may be especially interested in Mr. and Mrs. Larson's contention that the use of their balanced soil alone precludes the necessity for sprays or dusts of any kind. They are awaiting with complete confidence the future reports of those orchardists who have just started a Normal Soil program.

The Larsons do not agree with soil experts who claim most of our topsoil is irrevocably destroyed. Not only, they say, can the missing topsoil be wholly replaced by adopting their program of soil restoration, but the result would be a new topsoil superior in fertility to the original soil. Readers desiring further information with regard to Normal Soil should write B. M. Rice of Peterborough, N. H.

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## SCIENTISTS AT WORK

(Courtesy in part Experiment Station Record—U. S. Department of Agriculture)

**Sterility.** The *Farm Journal*, February, 1946: Proper feeding is the key to the problem of sterility. Vitamin C (ascorbic acid) is most important—and it is Vitamin A which helps the body produce this necessary C. The cattle get A from green grass, high quality alfalfa, grass silage, etc. Once sterility has set in, the injection of ascorbic acid will give startling results. Another product that may help is the new thyroprotein "thyroid" drug.

**Sunshine in Food.** Dr. Karl Hamner and Dr. F. G. Somers, Cornell University, have discovered that the amount of Vitamin C in tomatoes varies directly with the sunlight the tomatoes receive during the 2 to 3 weeks before picking. In turnip greens, the C can be boosted 800%. Man, monkeys and guinea pigs are the only beings who don't make their own C—and most human beings need about 70 milligrams a day to maintain health. Some tomatoes contain only 20 milligrams; others have 90. The side of an apple facing the sun has more C in it than the shady side, etc.

**Farm Ponds.** J. R. Carreker, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, indicates top width is more important than face slope on a small dam. A minimum width of 8 feet is recommended (a bulldozer blade makes 10). To prevent seepage, the core wall of the best cementable clay loam available should extend down under the dam. A 4- to 6-in. pipe should be placed under the dam for draining the pond; adequate spillway capacity and protection are absolutely necessary in safe pond construction; shallow areas should be eliminated from the pond; special features such as use of water for irrigation and livestock watering should be provided for when the pond is constructed.

Fish production in ponds depends on proper stocking, food supply, food control, weed control, erosion control on the watershed, and removal of mature fish.

**More Food.** N. W. Hosley and other committee members, American Society of Foresters, have come to the conclusion that under proper management, forest wildlife could contribute much more meat, fish, furs, fats, skins, and recreation than it is now doing. Frequently this contribution could be made to the advantage of the wildlife itself through the removal of surplus populations. "Some way must be found to harvest the allowable crop and at the same time to retain public support of conservation measures."

**Fire Waste.** T. M. Adams of the Vermont Experiment Station has found that during recent years farm property losses by fire have been approximately 1 per cent of the value of the buildings; losses steadily increased from 1900 to 1931 and then decreased, being over 12 times as large in 1931 and 8 times as large in 1940 when they amounted to about \$700,000; fire insurance rates per \$1,000 increased from \$2.30 to \$6.60; of fires for which the causes were known (\$305,573 of the total loss of \$682,708) 32 per cent were caused by defective flues, 20 per cent by lightning, and 13 per cent by defective heating systems.

**Wintering Raspberries.** W. G. Brierley, Minnesota Experiment Station, states that unprotected Latham and Chief canes have at times survived winter temperatures as low as  $-45^{\circ}$  F.; yet, on other occasions, they have succumbed under more moderate temperatures. Covering canes during the winter is conceded to be the only safe way to avoid winter injury.

**Skunk Odor.** Mrs. Edwina F. Forrester, Framingham, Mass. states that even a well scented dog can be made "companionable" again within a reasonably short time by washing the animal with a mixture of 1 quart of vinegar—with one quart of water. A man's overcoat may be saved by placing vinegar on the stove, boiling it, and holding the coat over the fumes. The "wood-pussy" will soon be on its way.

**Plant Onions Upright.** At the Idaho Experiment Station, records taken on the yield of seed from onions planted October 6, 1943, in three manners showed that there were 25 per cent more seedstalks and the average yields were 40 per cent greater where the bulbs

were set upright than where random planting was used, and that virtual crop failure follow deliberate upside-down planting. Despite the additional cost of upright planting there was a substantial profit from this method.

**Draft Horse Weight.** L. H. Blakeslee, Michigan Experiment Station, has worked out a table from which the live weights of draft horses can be predicted from measurement of heart girth based on measurements and observations of 43 Belgian and Percheron foals at monthly intervals from birth. The weight was predicted from the equation  $y - c = ae^{bx}$ , wherein  $y$  = the weight,  $x$  is the heart girth in centimeters, and  $c$ ,  $a$ ,  $e$ , and  $b$  are constants calculated as -572.15, 286.46, 2.178, and 0.00996, respectively. A standard deviation of only  $\pm 12.32$  lb. was calculated from the observed measurements.

**Better Frozen Berries.** F. P. Griffiths, Massachusetts State College, states that attention should be given to varieties used, maturity, freshness—as well as firmness, ripeness, and full development. Materials added before freezing include various sugar mixtures as desired, and the use of pectin or calcium chloride brine dip to reduce drip. The method of packaging varies from a heat-sealed carton to a glass jar or tin can depending upon the space and equipment available. Maximum firmness and minimum of drip in the fruit is obtained by extremely rapid freezing; freezing at  $-10^{\circ}\text{F}$ . is considered essential. A storage temperature of  $0^{\circ}$  or below, with little fluctuation, is recommended.

**2, 4-D Control of Lawns.** Homeowners who are planning to use one of the several 2, 4-D weed killer spray preparations now on the market to rid lawns of such troublesome weeds as dandelions or narrow-leaved plantains may expect that the growth of the grass will be checked somewhat following the spraying.

The grasses recover, however, and in really weedy lawns the elimination of the weed competition favors better growth of grass. The result is that after about a month the effect of the weed-killing chemical wears off and the growth of the grass gains.

Experiments last year by U. S. Department of Agriculture investigators showed good results from fertilizing weedy lawns with a nitrogen fertilizer (urea applied at the rate of 60 pounds to the acre). The two chemicals did not interact and injure each other, and the fertilization did not preserve the weeds or encourage their growth. Instead, the urea acted on the grass and stimulated growth so that the check caused by the 2, 4-D was less objectionable. Dr. P. C. Marth and Dr. J. W. Mitchell also added the fungicide, Fermate, to the spray mixture without causing any unfavorable results.

**DDT Control of House Flies.** Messrs. Lindquist, Madden, Wilson, and Knipping of the Department of Agriculture have found that when 5-day-old houseflies were exposed for 1 to 5 min. and then transferred to clean cages for observations on knock-down and kill, boxes treated with 5 percent each of DDT and cyclohexanone in Deobase gave slightly better results over a 207-day period than those treated with 5 per cent. DDT in kerosene. When applied to screen-wire cages with a paint brush (100 mg. DDT per square foot) 10 per cent. DDT gave better results dissolved in kerosene than in dibutyl phthalate.

Strips of muslin treated with DDT and hung in the fly-rearing room gave almost complete kill of flies overnight and remained effective for 150 days. DDT dissolved in furniture polish and applied to mess hall tables is reported to have been effective.

**Carrot Storage.** R. E. Nylund of the Minnesota Experiment Station points out that storage for carrots in damp soil or sand is beneficial and that  $36^{\circ}$  temperature is nearly twice as beneficial as  $43^{\circ}$ . Cutting away the crowns does not seem to be a good idea.

**Fisheries.** "The fishery problem," says W. F. Royce, aquatic biologist, New Bedford, Mass., "is similar in principle to crop production, especially in the case of bottom fish. If the fish are too thick, the old fish crowd the young and too many die a natural death. If the fish are too thin, the limiting factor seems to be insufficient egg production. Reasons for pessimism about New England fisheries lie in the present largest-size-ever fleet, which must utilize only George's Bank and the Gulf of Maine—thus shortening the young haddock crop; meat will soon be giving fish competition; and Canadian freezing plants, with lower wages than we pay, are entrenching themselves in American markets."

**Hay Fever.** Dr. Earl R. Loew of University of Illinois, College of Medicine, and scientists from the Mayo Clinic have concluded that 2 to 3 daily pills of the new drug "benadryl" may give relief to sufferers from hay fever—and hives. It will not cure, but should relieve stuffy nose, smarting, watery eyes, etc.

**Coughs.** R. G. Frazier in *Proc. America Phil. Soc.*, April, 1940, reveals the men whose work kept them indoors during the U. S. Antarctic Service Expedition, 1939-41, were practically free from coughs. Those working outdoors in temperatures as high as  $-30^{\circ}\text{F}$ . developed irritating coughs to a degree proportionate with the amount of exposure. As soon as exposure ceased, so did the coughs.  
To stop choking—look up.

#### OTHER FARM STATISTICS

**Tractors in Use:** 1930—less than a million; 1939—more than a million; 1945—over two million; 1950—over  $2\frac{1}{2}$  million (est.).

**Cash income to farmers:** 1932—5 billion dollars; 1945—20 billion.

**Mortgage Debt:**  $10\frac{2}{3}$  billion in 1923— $5\frac{1}{3}$  billion in 1945.

**Bank Deposits:**  $11\frac{1}{2}$  billion in 1945 (War bond holdings  $4\frac{1}{2}$  billion).

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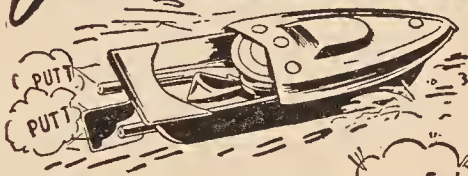
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## GLOSSARY OF ASTRONOMICAL TERMS, ETC.

- abol. . . . abolished  
 Aet. . . . age  
 An. Ecl. . . . see Eclipse, Annular.  
 Aph. — **Aphelion** . . . Planet revolving about Sun reaches point in its orbit farthest away from the Sun.  
 Apo. — **Apogee** . . . Moon reaches point in its orbit farthest from Earth.  
 Appulse . . . if during eclipse Moon passes only through the penumbra.  
 b. — born.  
 Aspect . . . description of the relative position of two or more bodies in the solar system. These are described by signs, etc., on the calendar pages thus  $\odot \delta \Upsilon$ , etc. By consulting the meaning of the signs and aspects on the opposite page, you will arrive at the meaning for the "sign language" used as the example; viz., Conjunction ( $\odot$ ) of Mars ( $\delta$ ) and the Jupiter ( $\Upsilon$ ) occurs on this day. (See par. 2, page 4.)  
 Conj. — **conjunction** . . . moment of closest approach to each other of any two heavenly bodies.  
 consecr. . . . consecrated.  
 d. . . . died.  
 declination (see top left hand calendar pages) . . . measure of angular distance any celestial object lies perpendicularly north or south of celestial equator. Exactly analogous to terrestrial latitude. OFA gives declination at time each day the Sun is due South.  
 Dominical Letter . . . used in reckoning civil calendars.  
 Eclipse . . . conjunction or opposition of sun and moon occurs with moon at or near a node.  
 Eclipse, annular . . . when sunlight shows around the Moon during the eclipse.  
 Eclipse, lunar . . . opposition of Sun and Moon with moon at or near node.  
 Eclipse, solar . . . conjunction of Sun and Moon with Moon at or near node.  
 Ecliptic . . . that circle in which the plane of the orbit of the Earth about the Sun would if extended cut the celestial sphere — or the apparent path of the Sun in the sky in a year due to the Earth's revolution about the Sun each year.  
 El. — **elongation** . . . apparent angular distance of a member of the solar system from the Sun as seen from the Earth.  
 Epact . . . used in reckoning ecclesiastical calendars.  
 Eq. . . . equator.  
 Equinox, autumnal . . . Sun passes from northern to southern hemisphere. Fall.  
 Equinox, vernal . . . sun passes from southern to northern hemisphere. Spring.  
 E.S.T. . . . Eastern Standard Time.  
 Feasts and Fasts . . . In the religious calendars, many "observable" days change each year with the date Easter falls on. The OFA endeavors to list the important Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish observances.  
 fd. . . . founded.  
 Full Sea (Morn and Eve) . . . the time the tide is high in the morning and in the evening at Commonwealth Pier, Boston. A correction table in the OFA also adjusts this time for other places. (See page 7.)  
 Gr. El. . . . greatest elongation.  
 Geocentric . . . measure of celestial longitude and latitude when observer is at center of the Earth.  
 Golden Number . . . used in reckoning civil calendars.  
 Heliocentric . . . measure of celestial longitude and latitude when observer is at center of the Sun.  
 Inf. — **Inferior** . . . Inferior conjunction is when the Planet is between the Sun and the Earth.  
 Julian Period . . . First year was 4713 B.C. Its length is 7980 years.  
 k. . . . killed.  
 Key . . . columns of letters marked thus refer to correction table on page 12 so that the times given may be adjusted to localities other than Boston.  
 Lat. — **latitude**.  
 Moon's Age . . . average time elapsing between new moons (max.  $29\frac{1}{2}$  days). Calculated when Moon is due South.  
 (D) First Quarter . . . moon in quadrature East or one half of the side of the moon toward the earth is illuminated.  
 (O) Full Moon . . . moon reaches opposition.  
 (Q) Last Quarter . . . moon in quadrature West.  
 (●) New Moon . . . Sun and Moon in conjunction.  
 Moon's Phases . . . Aspects of Moon and Sun.  
 Moon's Place . . . Moon's position in the Zodiac when due South or which "sign" it is in. See page 4 — par. 3.  
 Moon Rise and Set . . . as used in the OFA apply only to risings and settings between sunset and sunrise . . . or during the night.  
 Moon Runs High or Low . . . day of month Moon Souths highest or lowest above the horizon.  
 Moon Souths . . . Moon exactly above South point of observer's horizon.  
 Node . . . when a Planet or Moon in its motion crosses the ecliptic.

- Node, Ascending** . . . Planet or Moon crosses ecliptic from South to North.  
**Node, Descending** . . . Planet or Moon crosses ecliptic from North to South.  
**Occultations** . . . eclipses of Stars by the Moon.  
**Opposition** . . . time when Sun, and Moon or Planet appear on opposite sides of the sky (elongation 180 degrees).  
**O.S. — Old Style** . . . was when calendar was eleven days "out of whack." In September, 1752, the 3rd was reckoned as the 14th, to make present calendar.  
**Penumbra** . . . concentric area of partial shadow around the umbra.  
**Peri. — Perigee** . . . Moon reaches point in its orbit closest to Earth.  
**Peri. — Perihelion** . . . Planet revolving about the Sun reaches point in its orbit closest to Sun.  
**Quadrature** . . . Moon or Planet lies a quarter turn of the sky from the Sun.  
**R.A. — Right Ascension** . . . the measure Eastward along the celestial equator of any celestial body from the vernal equinox to the point where the circle which passes through the object perpendicular to the celestial equator intersects the latter.  
**Rain** . . . drops large enough to splatter on the old man's bald head.  
**Rej. — rejects.**  
**Roman Indiction** . . . used in reckoning ecclesiastical calendars.  
**Seasons** . . . boundary points are the two solstices and two equinoxes.  
**Snow** . . . when a cat's tracks are visible on the barn roof.  
**Solar Cycle** . . . used in reckoning civil calendars.  
**Solstice, Summer** . . . point at which the Sun is farthest north of the celestial equator, passing overhead on the Tropic of Cancer. Beginning of Summer.  
**Soistice, Winter** . . . limit of Sun's journey south of the celestial equator, passing overhead on the Tropic of Capricorn. Beginning of Winter.  
**Star, Evening** . . . above horizon at Sunset.  
**Star, Morning** . . . above horizon at Sunrise.  
**Stat. — stationary** . . . when the apparent movement of a Planet against the background of Stars stops — just before same comes to opposition.  
**Sunrise and Sunset** . . . visible rising and setting of Sun's upper limb across the unobstructed horizon of an observer whose eyes are 15 feet above ground level.  
**Sun Fast** . . . the times given in this column must be subtracted from your Sun Dial to arrive at the correct time.  
**Sup. — Superior** . . . Superior Conjunction is when the Sun is between the Planet and the Earth.  
**Tides, heights of** . . . at Commonwealth Pier, Boston. See correction table on page 7 for adjustments for other places.  
**Twilight** . . . begins or ends when stars of the sixth magnitude disappear or appear at the Zenith — or the Sun is appr. 18 degrees below the horizon.  
**Umbra** . . . deep shadow through which the Moon passes during eclipse.  
**Weather Indications** . . . in italics on the right hand calendar pages indicate the weather over, as a rule, three or four days time as shown by the spread of the words down the page.  
**w. . . with.**  
**Zenith** . . . point in heavens directly over observer's head.  
**Zodiac** . . . sixteen degree sky road outside of which moon and planets never wander. It is divided into twelve equal divisions called the Signs of the Zodiac, and forms much of the basis of some astrology — and superstition. See page 4 — par. 3.

### LENGTH OF TWILIGHT

Subtract from time of sunrise for dawn.

Add to time of sunset for dark.

Latitude	25°N	31°N	37°N	43°N	48°N
	to 30°N	to 36°N	to 42°N	to 47°N	to 49°N
	h m	h m	h m	h m	h m
Jan. 1 to Apr. 11	1 20	1 26	1 33	1 42	1 50
Apr. 11 to May 3	1 23	1 28	1 39	1 51	2 04
May 3 to May 15	1 26	1 34	1 47	2 02	2 22
May 15 to May 26	1 29	1 38	1 52	2 13	2 42
May 26 to July 23	1 32	1 43	1 59	2 27	—
July 23 to Aug. 4	1 29	1 38	1 52	2 13	2 42
Aug. 4 to Aug. 15	1 26	1 34	1 47	2 02	2 22
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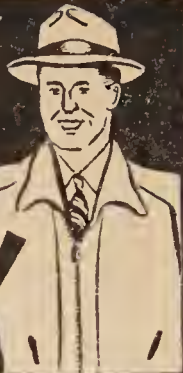
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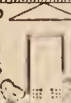
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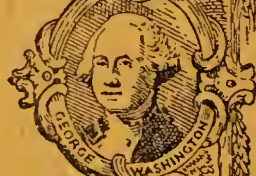


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