

Elam Esch Mast (1891-1973) Diary Year 1922: First Quarter

Week of January 1

	Farm Chores	Family and Community News	Church Events	Notes
Sunday			Was at Sunday School. Was up to my home for dinner.	Elam's parents, Stephen K. (1849-1934) and Catharine (Esch) (1853-1929) Mast lived on Swamp Road west of Morgantown, Pennsylvania, where they grew fruits and vegetables to take to market. Ledger: Milk check in January 1922 was \$114.12. Ledger: The horse that was shod was Cap for \$1.20.
Monday	Hauled milk and cleaned stable, etc.			
Tuesday	Hauled milk, etc.			
Wednesday	Hauled milk. Went for saw dust, etc.			
Thursday	Was at New Holland and Honey Brook.			
Friday	Smoked meat, etc.			
Saturday	Got horse shod. Cleaned stables, etc.			

Week of January 8

	Farm Chores	Family and Community News	Church Events	Notes
Sunday			At Sunday School and Church. Were at Amos Hartzes for dinner.	Amos Hartz (1884-1972) was the son of Jacob and Malinda (Beiler) Hartz. Amos married Susan M. Kurtz (1886-1975). Susan was the daughter of Abe and Susanna (Yoder) Kurtz, making her Rebecca's first cousin. Ledger: wagon \$13.00 Although he used horses for farm work, Elam purchased an automobile in 1914.
Monday	Made double trees for harrow, etc.			
Tuesday		Was at sale-James Shirk.		
Wednesday	Snowed.			
Thursday		Was at Lancaster at horse sale.		
Friday	Went for wagon at James Shirks above Churchtown. Hurt wrist.			
Saturday	Cleaned stables.	Was at Elverson.		

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	Farm Chores	Family and Community News	Church Events	Notes
Sunday			At Park Hertzler's funeral and at Sunday School.	<p>Parke Hertzler was the only son of Joseph and Lizzie Hertzler. On January 5, 1922, at 21 years of age Parke died in a motorcycle accident in California. He was a member of Conestoga Amish Mennonite Church. He was survived by his parents and 8 sisters.</p> <p>Ledger: 2 horses \$227</p> <p>John Mast (1897-1977) was the son of David and Elizabeth (Stoltzfus) Mast and was Rebecca's cousin. He married Rebecca Hartz (1895-1956) who was the daughter of Jacob and Malinda (Beiler) Hartz.</p> <p>Anna Barbara Umble (1883-1922) was the daughter of John Adams and Mary (Esch) Umble and was Elam's cousin.</p>
Monday	Cleaned stables, etc.			
Tuesday	At horse sale at New Holland. Bought two horses.	At John Mast's wedding.		
Wednesday		At funeral at Bird in Hand-Anna Umble.		
Thursday	Cleaned stables.	Was at Steve Mast for policy.		
Friday	Cleaned stables, etc.			
Saturday	Cleaned stables.	Was up at town to see aeroplane.		

Week of January 22

	Farm Chores	Family and Community News	Church Events	Notes
Sunday		(Spotty died.)	At church and Sunday School.	<p>We think Spotty was a cow because in the not too distant future Elam buys a cow and names her Spotty.</p>
Monday	Was at Elverson and bought bull of Abner Hertzler. Took it down to John Kauffmans. Weight 1250 lb.			

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Tuesday	Butchered beef at John Kauffmans. Dressed 734 lb. I got half. Cleaned stables, etc.			John Kauffman (1893-1991) is Elam's brother-in-law, married to Rebecca's sister Linnie (1893-1974).
Wednesday	Cutting beef. Was at mill. Got flower and chop, mother was here helping cut beef.			
Thursday	Was at Terryhill and at Churchtown. Was up home and ground belognas and stuffed them, etc.			
Friday	Cleaned stables, etc.			
Saturday	Snowed. Pottered.			

Week of January 29

	Farm Chores	Family and Community News	Church Events	Notes
Sunday			Was at home. Snow.	M.G. Weaver & Son was a real estate company in New Holland, Pennsylvania, in the 1920s.
Monday	Shoveled snow. Hauled milk. Split wood, etc.			
Tuesday	Split wood. Cleaned stables, etc.	Lady was here.		
Wednesday	Was at mill, etc.			
Thursday	Cleaned stables.	Was up at New Holland to see M.G. Weaver, etc.		
Friday		At sale at Morgantown, etc.		
Saturday	Cleaned stables, etc.	Was up at Sams. He killed his beef. Weigh 1835 lb.		

Week of February 5

	Farm Chores	Family and Community News	Church Events	Notes
Sunday		Was up home for dinner.	Was at Sunday School and church.	Elam and Rebecca attended Conestoga Amish Mennonite Church all of their lives. By 1922, Sunday School was in English as were most services. Deiners refers to the farm
Monday	Pottered.			
Tuesday	Cleaned stables and split wood.			
Wednesday		Was at New Holland, Terryhill and at Deiners.		
Thursday		Was at town and Oberholtzer		

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		sale.		Elam and Rebecca are about to buy.
Friday	Cleaned stables. Was at store.	Down at Deiners.		
Saturday	Shelled corn, mixed chicken feed and cleaned stables, etc.			

Week of February 12

	Farm Chores	Family and Community News	Church Events	Notes
Sunday			Were at home. Martha was sick.	In 1922, Elam was married to Rebecca Kurtz for 8 years and had 4 children: Kathryn, Edwin, Martha, and Lloyd.
Monday	Split wood, etc.			
Tuesday	Cleaned stables.			
Wednesday	Crist came. Cut trees down at Deiners.	At sale at Berkeys, etc.		
Thursday		At Stoltzfus and Witwer sale.		
Friday		Sale at Morgantown.		
Saturday	Cleaned stables.			

Week of February 19

	Farm Chores	Family and Community News	Church Events	Notes
Sunday			At church and Sunday School.	Ledger: cow \$72.75
Monday	Cleaned stables. At mill.			
Tuesday	Sawed logs.	Was at Churchtown.		
Wednesday		Was at West Chester, etc.		
Thursday		At Jacob Foreman's sale.		
Friday	Went for cow and hauled logs.			
Saturday	Cleaned stables.	Sale at Douglasville.		

Week of February 26

	Farm Chores	Family and Community News	Church Events	Notes
Sunday			At Sunday School	Ledger: 2 cows \$63 + \$29 = \$102.00
Monday	Cleaned stables. Tore out stables at Deiners.	Was at Jacob Summers sale.		
Tuesday	Went for cow at Summers	Was at sale at Gutherville.		
Wednesday	Hauled logs.	Was at Retew sale.		
Thursday	Hauled logs. Cleaned stables.			

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	Hauled lumber.		
Friday	Was fixing stables at Deiners.	Was at New Holland.	
Saturday	Cleaned stables. Bagged up wheat.		

Week of March 5

	Farm Chores	Family and Community News	Church Events	Notes
Sunday			At Sunday School and church me and Edwin. Children had cold.	Ledger: horse shod \$1.65 Crist, Ira, and Harvey were Elam's brothers-in-law. In 1922, Crist, Ira, and Harvey were single young men aged 21, 20, and 18.
Monday	Hauled milk. Was at Deiners at stables.			
Tuesday	Got horse shod. Hauled lumber. Worked at stable.			
Wednesday	Hauled lumber. Worked at stable. Crist ½ day.			
Thursday	Cut wood at Deiners, etc.			
Friday	Worked at stables. Crist, Ira and Harvey. ½ day.			
Saturday	Cleaned stables, etc.			

Week of March 12

	Farm Chores	Family and Community News	Church Events	Notes
Sunday			At Sunday School	
Monday	Fixed watering trough. Cleaned stables.			
Tuesday	Filled chaff bags. Worked at spring at horse stable door.			
Wednesday	Hauled 1 load to Deiners.	At sale at Honey Brook.		
Thursday	Hauled to Deiners.	At sale at Glenmore.		
Friday	Hauled to Deiners. Took paper off in kitchen.			
Saturday	Hauled phosphate. Hauled fodder. Got stables ready for cattle. Sawed a little wood. Cleaned stables, etc.			

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Week of March 19

	Farm Chores	Family and Community News	Church Events	Notes
Sunday			At church and Sunday School.	Ledger: Frank Hoffman for papering \$8.11
Monday	Moved to the Deiner farm.			
Tuesday	Was at mill. Worked at ram and straightened things up.			
Wednesday	Helped paper hangers	Was at Talbots sale.		
Thursday		Was at New Holland, etc.		
Friday	Fixed dish zink. Fixed spring wagon, etc.	Was at Elverson.		
Saturday	Cleaned at stables, etc.	Was at Morgantown and was up home for bed. Was up for smoked meat.		

Week of March 26

	Farm Chores	Family and Community News	Church Events	Notes
Sunday		Daves were here for supper.	Was at Sunday School.	Ledger Settlement expenses Interest on note \$31.50 On H.H. Stoltzfus from lease on Deiner \$75 M. G. Weavers expense \$12.50 On property \$3160 Total \$3279.00 Funds From Pop money and interest \$2090 From John \$604 From bank \$395.42 From Dave Hartz \$150.00 From sale of 98 bushels 40 lb wheat @ \$1.36 = \$134.18 Total \$3373.60
Monday	John came. Hauled milk. Straightened up things.			
Tuesday	Hauled milk. Plowed sod.	Was at Elverson.		
Wednesday	Went for dairy feed. Took corn to mill.	Settled for farm. Was at New Holland.		
Thursday	Worked at stables. Hauled milk.			
Friday	Hauled milk. Cleaned stables. Fixed doors and put window panes in sash.			
Saturday	Cut wood. Hauled milk. Fixed spouting.			

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