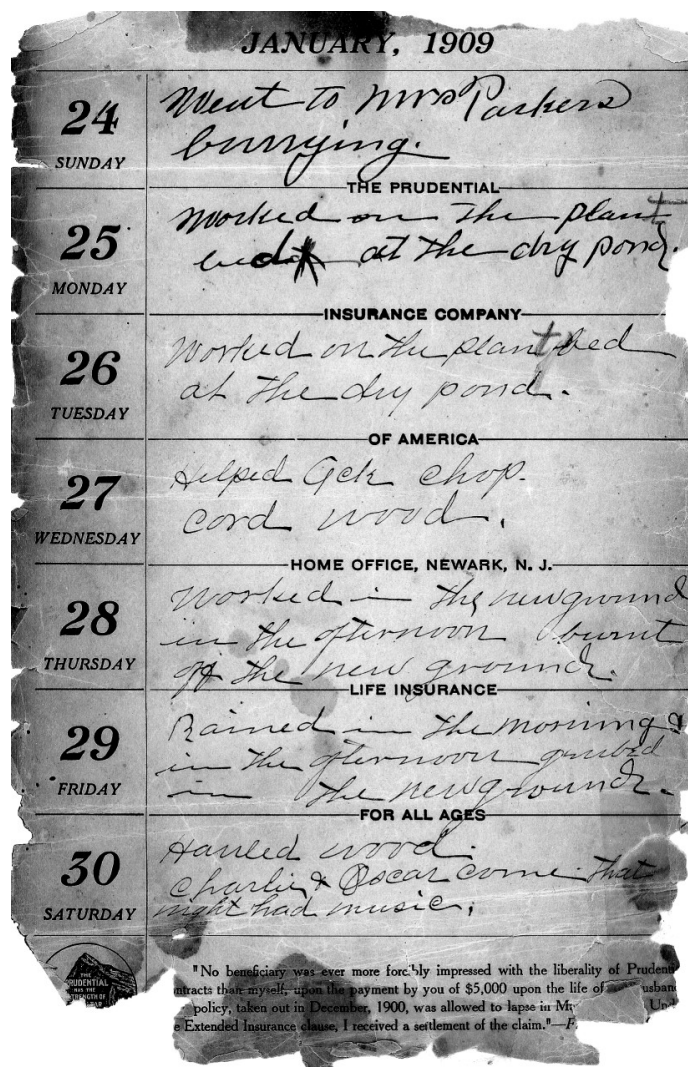


The 1909 Diary of Daniel B. "Doss" Dwiggins: A Farmer in Eastern Forsyth County, North Carolina and Civil War Veteran

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Doss Dwiggins (19 Mar 1846 – 22 Dec 1923) was a Civil War soldier and later a farmer who lived in eastern Forsyth County, North Carolina near the Guilford County line. He married Mary Jane Ballard (24 Dec 1845 – 2 Jul 1925) on 5 Nov 1868. During 1909, Doss kept a journal that included daily entries of his activities as well as references to people he encountered. Although in somewhat poor condition, its contents were transcribed because they illuminate what it was like to be a farmer in a rural part of Forsyth County in the early years of the 20th century. A page from the actual journal is shown below. Research has resulted in the identification of many of the individuals mentioned in the diary as well as their connections to Doss. It is hoped this will be of interest to those interested in the past. Original spellings have been preserved, but some punctuation has been added to enhance readability.



January

(Entries for Friday the 1st of January through Saturday the 16th are missing)

Sunday, 17th	Went to see Mrs. Parker ¹ in the afternoon
Monday, 18th	Helped Mode ² strip tobacco
Tuesday, 19th	Helped Mode strip tobacco
Wednesday 20th	Went to Jule Dillon ³ to the sale
Thursday 21st	Helped Mode load his tobacco (Mrs. Medaries ⁴ died)
Friday, 22nd	Went to see Mrs. Parker and in the afternoon I went to Mrs. Medaries' burring. (Mrs. Parker died)
Saturday, 23rd	Hauled wood and corn. In the afternoon went to Mrs. Parkers
Sunday, 24 th	Went to Mrs. Parker's burring
Monday, 25th	Worked on the plant bed at the dry pond
Tuesday, 26th	Worked on the plant bed at the dry pond
Wednesday, 27th	Help Ack ⁵ chop cord wood
Thursday, 28th	Worked in the new ground and in the afternoon burned off the new ground
Friday, 29th	Rained in the morning and in the afternoon grubbed in the new ground
Saturday, 30th	Hauled wood. Charlie ⁶ and Oscar ⁷ come that night – had music.
Sunday, 31st	Set by the fire and afternoon went to Mr. Barrow's ⁸ “Cold day”

February

Monday, 1st	Cut flue wood
Tuesday, 2nd	Hauled hay and helped Ack chop in the afternoon
Wednesday, 3rd	Chopped flue wood and helped Monroe Stigall ⁹ chop afternoon
Thursday, 4th	Burnt plant bed
Friday, 5th	Sowed plant bed and went Nute ¹⁰ after Bedie ¹¹ in the afternoon

¹ Not identified.

² This may be Moses Andrew Hester (10 Sep 1887 - 14 Aug 1973). He married Nancy Jane Pegram on 12 Dec 1910. She was born 16 Dec 1889 and died 29 Mar 1969. She was Doss' second cousin once removed. However, it is more likely the man referred to as “Mode” is William Moses Barrow husband of Doss' daughter Sallie L. Dwiggin. William Moses Barrow was born 8 Mar 1865 and died 4 Mar 1923. William and Sallie were married 15 Aug 1886. William was the son of James E. Barrow and was Doss' second cousin once removed.

³ Julius Eri Dillon (27 Dec 1875 - 26 Oct 1952). He married Edna Ada Dwiggin on 14 Dec 1897. She was Doss' niece and daughter of Robert L. Dwiggin and Maranda Jane Nelson.

⁴ Mrs. Medaries was Jeanette Josephine Linville (26 Nov 1844 - 20 Jan 1909). She was the wife of Dr. Marion Dennis Medaris who was born 16 Aug 1835 and died 20 Apr 1915.

⁵ Atlas David Dillon (1 Jul 1878 - died 2 Feb 1951). He married Doss' daughter Addie Peoria Dwiggin who was born 25 Jan 1885 and died 28 Apr 1955.

⁶ Charlie Winston Vance (20 May 1876 died 25 Apr 1922). His brother was Oscar Vance. Charlie married Atla Inez Brittain on 20 Dec 1906. She was born 15 Aug 1888 and died 24 May 1985. She was a first cousin once removed to Doss's wife Mary Jane Ballard. Charlie and Oscar's mother was Doss' sister, Laura Jane Dwiggin.

⁷ William Oscar Vance (2 Jun 1882 - 7 Aug 1933).

⁸ James E. Barrow (5 Aug 1832 - 13 Aug 1917). He was Doss' second cousin.

⁹ Jackson Monroe Stigall (3 Feb 1876 - 10 Nov 1926).

Saturday, 6th	Sprouted in the new ground – Jno ¹² come home – Maud ¹³ and Nelie ¹⁴ come in the afternoon
Sunday, 7th	Went to Bethel ¹⁵ to preaching and stayed at home in the afternoon – it snowed
Monday, 8th	Sprouted in the new ground
Tuesday, 9th	Helped Verge Walker ¹⁶ chop “Mr. Jno Self ¹⁷ died” (Aunt Polly died 13 Feb 1913) ¹⁸
Wednesday, 10th	Sprouted in the new ground and in the afternoon went to the burring
Thursday, 11th	Went to Annie's ¹⁹ and in the afternoon sprouted
Friday, 12th	I was sick. Wyatt ²⁰ and Lillian Blanch ²¹ come
Saturday, 13th	Lay around the fire – not wel
Sunday, 14th	Stayed at home – Walter ²² and children come and I went to see Mr. Branson ²³ in the afternoon
Monday, 15th	Worked in the new ground
Tuesday, 16th	Worked in the new ground – Ack brought my pig
Wednesday, 17th	Went to mill – worked in the new ground
Thursday, 18th	“Mr. Tommy Crews ²⁴ died” I went there and stayed all day
Friday, 19th	Worked in the new ground – it rained some
Saturday, 20th	Worked in the new ground
Sunday, 21st	Went to Pine Grove to the protracted meeting
Monday, 22nd	Rained - I set by the fire
Tuesday, 23rd	Rained
Wednesday, 24th	Rained – went to Walter's in the afternoon
Thursday, 25th	Killed hogs
Friday, 26th	Helped Mr. Parker raised his barn
Saturday, 27th	Went to Bethel to Exhibition
Sunday, 28th	Stayed at home

¹⁰ Newton Jasper Dillon (12 Apr 1873 - 1 Aug 1929). He was a brother to Ack. Nute married Doss' daughter, Annie M. Dwiggins on 3 Sep 1904.

¹¹ Van Bedie Dwiggins was born in 1893 and died in 1951. She was Annie M. Dwiggins' daughter. Bedie married Cornelius “Neal” Nelson on 25 Apr 1909.

¹² John Ashley Dwiggins Sr. (4 Oct 1875 - 21 Dec 1937) was Doss's son.

¹³ Not identified.

¹⁴ Not identified.

¹⁵ This is now Bethel United Methodist Church on Haw River Road in Guilford County, NC.

¹⁶ Virgil Eugene Walker was born 19 Jul 1878 and died 14 May 1924. He married Bura Blancoe, “Blanche,” Dwiggins. She was born 25 Sep 1882 and died 22 Dec 1929. She was Doss' niece.

¹⁷ John C. Self (9 Mar 1830 - 9 Feb 1909). He was the husband of Mary E. who was born 15 Feb 1836. They are buried at Bethel Church.

¹⁸ Not identified.

¹⁹ Annie M. Dwiggins (14 Sep 1873 - 31 Oct 1946). She was Nute's wife.

²⁰ Not identified.

²¹ Not identified.

²² Walter Sylvester Dwiggins (25 Oct 1871 - 8 Dec 1967). He was Doss' son. Walter married Laure Lee Warren on 7 Dec 1893. She was born 2 May 1871 and died 4 Mar 1932. Laura was Doss' second cousin once removed.

²³ There was a Sheperd Branson listed in the 1900 census living in Belews Creek, Forsyth Co., NC. He is listed as a widower, age 60, born January 1840.

²⁴ Thomas Allen Crews (17 Mar 1855 - 18 Feb 1909). He was Doss second cousin and also a second cousin once removed through two other paths. Thomas married Anna Lasander Browning about 1877.

March

Monday, 1st	Chopped and in the afternoon helped Oscar B ²⁵ chop
Tuesday, 2nd	Chopped in the new ground
Wednesday, 3rd	Worked in the new ground. It thundered and rained some
Thursday, 4th	Cut flue wood
Friday, 5th	Cut flue wood
Saturday, 6th	Rained some. I went to Mr. Barrow's in the afternoon
Sunday, 7th	Went to Bethel to preaching
Monday, 8th	Hunted after my pigs and in the afternoon helped Nute chop
Tuesday, 9th	Worked in the new ground
Wednesday, 10th	Split stove wood and in the afternoon worked in the new ground
Thursday, 11th	Went to mill and worked in the new ground
Friday, 12th	Worked in the new ground
Saturday, 13th	Went to see Mr. Branson – it rained
Sunday, 14th	Went to Mr. Barrow's in the afternoon
Monday, 15th	Chopped flue wood and worked in the new ground in the afternoon
Tuesday, 16th	Worked in the new ground
Wednesday, 17th	Planted potatoes before noon and sowed oats afternoon
Thursday, 18th	Sowed oats
Friday, 19th	Sowed oats
Saturday, 20th	Worked in the new ground
Sunday, 21st	Stayed at home all day.
Monday, 22nd	Helped Mode saw and in the afternoon went to Miss. Ann Lowrey's ²⁶ chopping
Tuesday, 23rd	Went to town and got clover seed
Wednesday, 24th	Sowed clover seed
Thursday, 25th	Sawed stove wood and chopped
Friday, 26th	Sawed and chopped
Saturday, 27th	Split wood
Sunday, 28th	Went to Mr. Barrow's in the afternoon – went to see Mr. Branson
Monday, 29th	Worked in the new ground and in the afternoon went to the mill
Tuesday, 30th	Chopped and sawed
Wednesday, 31st	Went to Miss Ann Lowrey's to the barn raising

April

Thursday, 1st	Beded potatoes and in the afternoon burnt off the new ground “Mrs. Ellen Crews ²⁷ died
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²⁵ Not identified.

²⁶ Ann Elizabeth Lowrey (31 Aug 1857, died 4 Dec 1936). She was the daughter of Hugh Lowrey and Ann Elizabeth Walker. She was a school teacher and never married. She had two sisters, Martha Jane and Mary Louise neither of whom married.

Friday, 2nd	Plowed in the new ground
Saturday, 3rd	Plowed in the new ground
Sunday, 4th	Went to Bethel to preaching – Walter's all come
Monday, 5th	Plowed in the new ground
Tuesday, 6th	Plowed in the new ground and in the afternoon rested
Wednesday, 7th	Cut stakes and afternoon stayed about the house
Thursday, 8th	Cut stakes and cleaned off ditch banks – not anything afternoon
Friday, 9th	Pulled cockle out of my wheat – not anything afternoon
Saturday, 10th	Sprouted and afternoon cleaned of ditch banks
Sunday, 11th	At home all day “Odell ²⁸ died” Easter Sunday
Monday, 12th	Went to the burring – Emma’s ²⁹ come
Tuesday, 13th	Rained all day. I went to town afternoon
Wednesday, 14th	Split stove wood and stood up wood.
Thursday, 15th	Drug logs off the new ground and afternoon went to the mill and carried Emma to the train
Friday, 16th	Went to Bethel to hear the President preach – afternoon plowed in the new ground
Saturday, 17th	Plowed in the new ground
Sunday, 18th	Went to Pine Grove ³⁰ to preaching afternoon
Monday, 19th	Worked up the branche
Tuesday, 20th	Ploughed and planted cucumbers
Wednesday, 21st	Ploughed
Thursday, 22nd	Worked up the branches and afternoon helped Ack plant corn at the Hedge roe
Friday, 23rd	Rained – afternoon ditched
Saturday, 24th	Ditched
Sunday, 25th	Stayed at home afternoon – forenoon went to Mr. Barrow’s
Monday, 26th	Ploughed
Tuesday, 27th	Ploughed up the bottom
Wednesday, 28th	Helped break Ack’s tobacco land “Mr. Lee ³¹ died”
Thursday, 29th	Cross ploughed corn land – afternoon went to burring
Friday, 30th	Ploughed up the creek. Afternoon rained, I went to Mr. Barrow’s to get my hair cut

May

Saturday, 1st	Went to Quartly meeting at Bethel
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²⁷ This was Ellen Hines, the second wife of William Wilson Crews. They were married 16 Apr 1867. Ellen was born 25 Sep 1841 and died 1 Apr 1909. William Crews was Doss' first cousin once removed. William Crews' first wife was Martha A. Dwiggins, born about 1835. They were married 30 Oct 1855. Martha was Doss' first cousin.

²⁸ Not identified.

²⁹ Mary Emma Dwiggins, born 8 Mar 1880. She was Doss' daughter. Emma married Walter S. Jones on 4 Mar 1903.

³⁰ Probably Pine Grove Methodist Church near Kernersville.

³¹ He is most likely the William S. Lee shown as living near Oak Ridge in the 1900 census of Guilford County. He was born in May 1829 and his wife Lucy Janie was born Oct 1847. She appears as a widow in the 1910 census.

Sunday, 2nd	Went to Bethel to preaching
Monday, 3rd	Picked plan bed and afternoon harrowed the new ground
Tuesday, 4th	Harrowed and afternoon went to town
Wednesday, 5th	Worked up the thicket
Thursday, 6th	Worked up the thicket and afternoon fixed my mellon patch
Friday, 7th	Helped Mode plant corn and afternoon planted my bottom
Saturday, 8th	Plowed my new ground – planted my mellon patch.
Sunday, 9th	Stayed at home all day – Annie’s Bedie Sallie’s ³² and Walter’s all come.
Monday, 10th	Rained and afternoon plowed in the new ground
Tuesday, 11th	Went to mill and afternoon plowed in the new ground
Wednesday, 12th	Finished plowing new ground and set potatoes
Thursday, 13th	Helped Ack cross plow tobacco land
Friday, 14th	Helped Ack fix up tobacco land and afternoon plowed in my new ground
Saturday, 15th	Finished plowing my new ground and afternoon went to cousin Wyatt’s to see the [convicts?] work
Sunday, 16th	Stayed at home all day
Monday, 17th	Harrowed my new ground and afternoon planted mellons and peas and corn
Tuesday, 18th	Finished planting corn and replanted corn
Wednesday, 19th	Ploughed in the new ground up here – Jno come home
Thursday, 20th	Rained
Friday, 21st	Carried Jno to the train
Saturday, 22nd	Went to Winston
Sunday, 23rd	Went to see Mr. Branson afternoon
Monday, 24th	Set tobacco and patotoe slips
Tuesday, 25th	Replanted corn and afternoon plowed in the new ground
Wednesday, 26th	Ploughed in the new ground
Thursday, 27th	Rained. I went to Mr. Barrow’s and afternoon picked up roots
Friday, 28th	Went to mill
Saturday, 29th	Run off land and afternoon plowed in the new ground
Sunday, 30th	Went to Annie’s and stayed all day
Monday, 31st	Helped Ack fix up tobacco land and afternoon went to town – Jno come home

June

Tuesday, 1st	Ploughed corn
Wednesday, 2nd	Ploughed corn and afternoon fixed up tobacco land
Thursday, 3rd	Harrowed my new ground and afternoon I pulled tobacco plants - it rained
Friday, 4th	Went to see Mr. Browning ³³ and afternoon set tobacco in my new ground
Saturday, 5th	Set tobacco for Ack Mode and myself

³² Sallie L. Dwiggin (2 Aug 1870 – 16 Apr 1928). She was Doss’ daughter and the wife of William Moses Barrow.

³³ This is most likely Rufus H. Browing (8 May 1837 and died 15 Jul 1909). He was the brother of Anna Lasander Browning.

Sunday, 6th	Went to Bethel to Odell's funeral
Monday, 7th	Helped Ack finish setting tobacco and finished fixing up my land.
Tuesday, 8th	Replanted corn
Wednesday, 9th	Went to Nute's after my grinding and afternoon hoed tobacco for Mode
Thursday, 10th	Went to town to give in – ploughed corn
Friday, 11th	Ploughed the new ground corn and afternoon went after plants and replanted my tobacco
Saturday, 12th	Finished replanting tobacco and shocked wheat for Ack
Sunday, 13th	Stayed home all day
Monday, 14th	Helped Mode and Ack cut wheat
Tuesday, 15th	Cut wheat and replanted corn
Wednesday, 16th	Hoed tobacco for Mode and afternoon finished cutting my wheat
Thursday, 17th	Finished replanting tobacco and helped Mode cut wheat
Friday, 18th	Helped Mode cut wheat
Saturday, 19th	Helped Mode finish cutting wheat and afternoon went to town
Sunday, 20th	Went to Annie's and spent the day
Monday, 21st	Ploughed corn
Tuesday, 22nd	Ploughed corn – afternoon hoed potatoes and sowed peas for Ack
Wednesday, 23rd	Ploughed my new ground corn and afternoon thinned corn and hoed
Thursday, 24th	Ploughed my tobacco
Friday, 25th	Went to the mill – afternoon planted my mellons Bedie come and stayed all night
Saturday, 26th	Finished ploughing my tobacco – Jon come home from Alamance
Sunday, 27th	Stayed home and afternoon went to Mr. Barrow's
Monday, 28th	Helped Ack haul wheat and afternoon helped him thresh Annie come
Tuesday, 29th	Helped thresh wheat and planted mellons
Wednesday, 30th	Hoed tobacco – afternoon it rained – forenoon. Hauled up my wheat

July

Thursday, 1st	Hoed tobacco.
Friday, 2nd	Hoed tobacco and afternoon helped Mode haul wheat
Saturday, 3rd	Helped Mode haul wheat

(Entries for Sunday, July 4th through Saturday, July 17th missing)

Sunday, 18th	Stayed at home all day
Monday, 19th	Hauled hay from Walter's
Tuesday, 20th	Went to Mr. Nelson's ³⁴ to the barn raising
Wednesday, 21st	Primed and topped tobacco - Emma and Walter left –
Thursday, 22nd	Went to Pine Grove to preaching
Friday, 23rd	Finished ploughing tobacco and afternoon ploughed corn

³⁴ This is most likely Thomas Henry Nelson (25 Dec 1852 - 2 Oct 1919). He married Luzena Whitt on 5 Mar 1876. Luzena was born 26 Apr 1850 and died 11 Oct 1933. They were the parents of Cornelius "Neal" Nelson, the husband of Bedie.

Saturday, 24th	Finished ploughing my corn and hoed mellons
Sunday, 25th	Stayed home Mr. and Mrs. Dillon ³⁵ come
Monday, 26th	Chopped in the corn.
Tuesday, 27th	Rained – cut off briers afternoon
Wednesday, 28th	Went to mill
Thursday, 29th	Worked my tobacco. Mrs. Liza Pegram ³⁶ died
Friday, 30th	Helped Nute thresh and afternoon worked in my tobacco
Saturday, 31st	Worked in my tobacco

August

Sunday, 1st	Went to Bethel to protracted meeting
Monday, 2nd	Rained
Tuesday, 3rd	Rained and afternoon went to Mr. Barrow's
Wednesday, 4th	Went to town and afternoon worked in my tobacco
Thursday, 5th	Worked in my tobacco. Rained at night, waters was higher here than ever known
Friday, 6th	Fenced and went to Mr. Barrow's
Saturday, 7th	Worked in my tobacco
Sunday, 8th	Went to Browning's and afternoon went to Mr. Branson's
Monday, 9th	Worked in my tobacco and afternoon went to Nannie James ³⁷ burying
Tuesday, 10th	Worked in tobacco and afternoon helped Bob ³⁸ and Mr. Barrow's thresh
Wednesday, 11th	Helped Neal ³⁹ dig potatoes
Thursday, 12th	Went to Walter's after wheat. Mr. Roberts ⁴⁰ died
Friday, 13th	Threshed wheat at home
Saturday 14th	Worked in my tobacco
Sunday, 15th	Went to Mr. Brannson afternoon
Monday, 16th	Worked in my tobacco
Tuesday, 17th	Helped Walter put in a barn of tobacco
Wednesday, 18th	Worked in the tobacco
Thursday, 19th	Worked in the tobacco
Friday, 20th	Went to Annie's and afternoon worked in the tobacco
Saturday, 21st	Helped Mode and Ack prime and afternoon worked in tobacco
Sunday, 22nd	Stayed at home
Monday, 23rd	Worked in tobacco
Tuesday, 24th	Worked in tobacco
Wednesday, 25th	Worked in tobacco

³⁵ Mr. and Mrs. Dillon are most likely William H. Dillon (26 Sep 1842 - 5 May 1918) and his wife, Sallie Ann Nelson (24 Oct 1847 and died 28 Sep 1919). They were married on 13 Dec 1868 and were the parents of Ack and Nute Dillon.

³⁶ Not identified.

³⁷ Not identified.

³⁸ This is most likely Robert L. Barrow (17 Jul 1867 - 12 Jan 1945). He was the son of James E. Barrow.

³⁹ Cornelius "Neal" Nelson born Jun 1884 and died 1940, he was the husband of Bedie.

⁴⁰ Not identified.

Thursday, 26th	Worked in tobacco. Cousin Nesity ⁴¹ and Charlie Gorden ⁴² come
Friday, 27th	Helped Walter put in a barn of tobacco
Saturday, 28th	Worked in my tobacco
Sunday, 29th	Went to Mr. Dillon's forenoon. Stayed at home afternoon. Pen ⁴³ and Nannie ⁴⁴ come
Monday, 30th	Helped Mr. Barrow cut the locus tree off the crib. Afternoon helped Walter fill tobacco
Tuesday, 31st	Helped Walter finish filling and afternoon worked my tobacco

September

Wednesday, 1st	Hauled manure on my turnip patch and afternoon worked in tobacco
Thursday, 2nd	Sowed my turnip patch and afternoon worked my tobacco
Friday, 3rd	Helped Oscar fill tobacco
Saturday, 4th	Went to mill – afternoon worked in tobacco
Sunday, 5th	Went to Bethel to preaching, Walter come home with and spent the afternoon
Monday, 6th	Helped Mode and Ack string tobacco
Tuesday, 7th	Worked in my tobacco
Wednesday, 8th	Worked in my tobacco
Thursday, 9th	Worked in my tobacco
Friday, 10th	Worked in my tobacco
Saturday, 11th	Not very well. Worked in my tobacco afternoon
Sunday, 12th	Stayed at home
Monday, 13th	Helped Ack cut tobacco
Tuesday, 14th	Fixed up flues and afternoon worked in my tobacco
Wednesday, 15th	Worked in my tobacco
Thursday, 16th	Helped Oscar prime and afternoon [raised?] on Ack's tobacco
Friday, 17th	Cut my tobacco and stayed with the barn
Saturday, 18th	Stayed at the barn
Sunday, 19th	Went to Mr. Barrow's and afternoon stayed at home
Monday, 20th	Worked in my tobacco
Tuesday, 21st	Moved out a barn of tobacco and worked in tobacco. Essie Bowman ⁴⁵ "died"
Wednesday, 22nd	Stayed with my barn, went to the funrel afternoon
Thursday, 23rd	Stayed with the barn and cut tops
Friday, 24th	Helped Mode cut his tobacco
Saturday, 25th	Worked in my tobacco and afternoon went up to see the road hands work
Sunday, 26th	Stayed at home before noon. Afternoon went to Bethel to preaching
Monday, 27th	Cut my tobacco
Tuesday, 28th	Helped Mr. Anthony ⁴⁶ put in a barn of tobacco

⁴¹ Nearus Whitfield Gordon (18 Feb 1856 - 9 Feb 1939).

⁴² Charles Gordon, brother of Nearus, was born about 1855. They were Doss' first cousins once removed.

⁴³ Not identified.

⁴⁴ Not identified.

⁴⁵ Not identified.

Wednesday, 29th Hauled wood and stayed with my barn
Thursday, 30th Stayed with my barn

October

Friday, 1st Stayed with my barn
Saturday, 2nd Went to mill. "Mr. Jno Brookbank⁴⁷ died"
Sunday, 3rd Stayed at home all day. Mr. and Mrs. Dillon Annie's and family Bedie
Neal and the baby⁴⁸ all come and spent the day
Monday, 4th Cut corn
Tuesday, 5th Shocked corn and afternoon ploughed down tobacco stubbles
Wednesday, 6th Ploughed
Thursday, 7th Ploughed
Friday, 8th Ploughed
Saturday, 9th Finished ploughing my tobacco stubbles down and afternoon went to
Aunt Laura's⁴⁹ and spent the night
Sunday, 10th Stayed with Laura before noon and afternoon went to see Mr. Albert
Voss.⁵⁰ Come home that eve
Monday, 11th Ploughed for wheat
Tuesday, 12th Went to mill and afternoon went to Annie's to see how Edith⁵¹ and Clint⁵²
was
Wednesday, 13th Dug Sweet potatoes
Thursday, 14th (Entry missing)
Friday, 15th (Entry missing)
Saturday, 16th Sowed Wheat
Sunday, 17th Went to Annie's
Monday, 18th Sowed wheat
Tuesday, 19th Sowed wheat and afternoon helped Ack sow wheat
Wednesday, 20th Moved tobacco back in the (the rest is missing)

(Entries for Thursday, October 21st through Saturday October 30th are missing)

⁴⁶ Not identified.

⁴⁷ He is most likely the John S. Brookbank shown living near Oak Ridge in the 1900 census. He was born Oct 1847 and died 2 Oct 1902. On 17 Apr 1867 he married Elizabeth Porter (Mar 1848 - 14 May 1925). His wife appears in the 1910 census as a widow.

⁴⁸ Flora Nelson, born about 1909. She was the daughter of Neal and Bedie Dwiggin Nelson.

⁴⁹ Not identified.

⁵⁰ Albert Galion Voss (17 Jan 1830 - 17 Mar 1910).

⁵¹ Zora Edith Dillon (22 Sep 1908 - 13 Apr 1993). She married William Rex Williard.

⁵² Clinton Linville Dillon (26 Feb 1907 - 10 May 1956). He was Zora Edith's brother. Edith and Clint were Doss' grandchildren.

Sunday, 31st Stayed at home

November

Monday, 1st Helped Mode drill wheat
Tuesday, 2nd Hauled corn and afternoon pulled corn for Ack. Zelions⁵³ and Bob⁵⁴ come
Wednesday, 3rd Ploughed (the rest of this entry is missing)

(Entries for Thursday, Nov 4th through Saturday, Nov 6th are missing)

Sunday, 7th Went to Bethel to preaching
Monday, 8th Helped Mode crib corn afternoon
Tuesday, 9th Helped Mr. Nute Dillon shuck corn – afternoon helped him crib

(Entries for Wednesday, No 10th through Saturday, Nov 13th are missing)

Sunday, 14th Stayed at home
Monday, 15th Went to town. Annie and children come
Tuesday, 16th Drilled my [mixtrey?]. Carried Annie home

(Entries for Wednesday, Nov 17th through Saturday, Nov 20th are missing)

Sunday, 21st Stayed at home
Monday, 22nd Sprouted
Tuesday, 23rd Stripped tobacco

(Entries for Wednesday, Nov 24th through Saturday, Nov 27th are missing)

Sunday, 28th Stayed at home
Monday, 29th Hauled wood
Tuesday, 30th Hauled wood and rock to kill hogs

December

Wednesday, 1st Killed hogs and fenced (rest of entry is missing)

(Entries for Thursday, Dec 2nd through Saturday, Dec 4th are missing)

Sunday, 5th Went to Goodwill to Mr. Bailum Hester's⁵⁵ burring
Monday, 6th Stripped tobacco

⁵³ Not identified.

⁵⁴ Not identified.

⁵⁵ This is Balum Reed Hester who was born 21 Oct 1846. There are many family connections between the descendants of Balum and Doss.

Tuesday, 7th Stripped tobacco
Wednesday 8 Hauled wood and fenced (rest of entry is missing)

(Entries for Thursday, Dec 9th through Saturday, Dec 13th are missing)

Sunday, 12th Stayed at home before noon and afternoon went to see Mr. Stigall
Monday, 13th Rained. Stripped some tobacco
Tuesday, 14th Carried a load of lumber to Pink Linville⁵⁶
Wednesday, 15th Went to help Ack raise his house
Thursday, 16th Hauled a load of lumber to Pink Linville
Friday, 17th Hauled corn and wood
Saturday, 18th Went to Annie's

(Entries for the rest of December are missing)

⁵⁶ James Pinkney Linville (3 Aug 1868 - 20 May 1948) married Ida Evelyn Dwiggins on 24 Nov 1903. She was born 27 Nov 1878 and died 14 Jan 1959. She was Doss' niece.