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1976 To 1980

Michigan

Log Book

opening + closing instructions



notebook

10½ In. x 8 In.

40 Sheets

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1976

{ Carolyn, John, Jan
Gen Kelly July 8th → 16th.
Copy and Jose - July 25-31 1976
Marjorie + Anne + Ly - Aug 16th - 21st
John Janice + Jenny - Aug 24-29
Lenny + Carolyn Oct. 6 → 10th

① Jose and I mopped the kitchen and bathroom floor with Pine-Sol in an assault against ants.

② I (Copy) repaired the recoils on both motors (Mercury 20hp and Winrad 7.5)

③ We got 2 clasps for the boat moorings to attach them to the dock. - @ \$1.79 ea

10/9/76 Picked up John's Merc motor at Lake shores.
motor has been winterized (motor still needs new points)
Cost of repairs \$27.00

1977

May ^{Wed → Mon.} 4 → 9th Mother, Carolyn, Janice, Jenny
opened cottage

Replaced air volume control on pump @ \$4.86

9/8/77 Rollaway bed - \$10.00

June 4-11 Rickie, Bruce, Jessica, Ethan + me (B.M.G.)

Bruce's vacation. Bought Saw ^(5.95 + Tax) and removed bushes

by boat house - trimmed trees, put up docks, went to dump removed old wood pile, planted tomatoes, bought a Rick of firewood \$28.00*, bought fuel oil ~~47 gal~~

(47 gal #1 F.O. @ 47.9 = 2251 + Tax & delivery = \$26.07)

mowed grass with little snow. What happened to the Air cleaner for the big mower?

*Pete's Tree Service - Bellaire 533-8024

June 1977 - John

Solution to the existing dump problem:

Just unload the trash in the can at the park up the road. Open 7 days a week; 24 hrs. a day.

The ————ing boat motor (20 hp.) won't start!
Good Luck to anybody attempting the Feat.

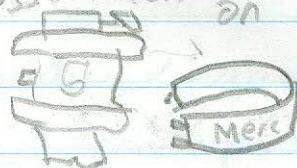
I started to paint the white trim on the cottage & garage, but rain caused ~~my~~ failure to complete my goal. It's up to you to see what got painted & what didn't. (I bought latex paint at 80% above normal prices)

I left the gas trottle disconnected → If any problems take it to Gary at Lakeshire's.

1977 July 15-24 - Fri to Thurs. Marjorie Liz Phoebe - Liz's friend Theresa
The gas company turned the arrow to the tank on the left and I could get that one unscrewed - So the one on the left has been in use. We found that the water heater made noises and never did turn itself off completely so I turned it off often - and found that a conservative measure. It holds water warm for dishes for many hours. For showers it must be lighted. Because of ^{very} warm weather we burned no oil. I bought a new tablecloth and jux dish. The old one inexplicably cracked in the oven. We couldn't find the air cleaner for the big mower, couldn't get the little mower started. So we chopped down most of the big weeds in the yard by hand. I cut some of the deadwood from the hedge. I reasserted our human rules on the four yew bushes. They keep thinking they are supposed to GROW. I weeded gardens (herb. tomato) and the beach. We took the small boat engine apart and found a loose screw which kept the pull rope from engaging. Later in our stay we had to do it again - so maybe it's a recurring thing. We found the place lovely and tried to leave it the same. We had an enjoyable stay. Cont. on page 13

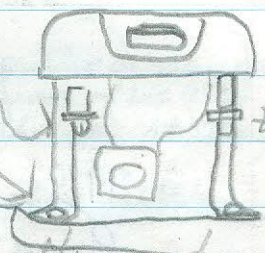
Mercury Motor - repair of recoil 7/30/76
(or how to get it apart in less than an hour)

- ① Remove shroud -



- ② Remove $7/16$ " castle nuts in front attached to rubber shock absorbers. Don't attempt to remove the larger bolts nearby.

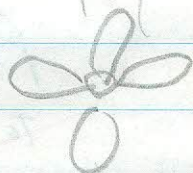
- ③ Next remove the two $1/2$ bolts attaching the top piece to the bottom structure.



- ④ Now go to the rear. Remove the $1/2$ inch castle nut to release the top structure from the rest (take out ^{top} spark plug to get at it.)



- ⑤ Remove handle from recoil, and thread it thru its hole, and tie it to the lower structure.



- ⑥ Remove large ^{center} bolt ($3/4$ "), and lift recoil unit off.



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1990

Pump - Replace face plate (lg circle with 8 screws)
Tightly

Close drainage valve at bottom of water
reserve Tank

fill top $\frac{3}{4}$ " hole at top of pump with $\frac{1}{2}$ gal.
of clean water + replace plug tight so it
is air tight

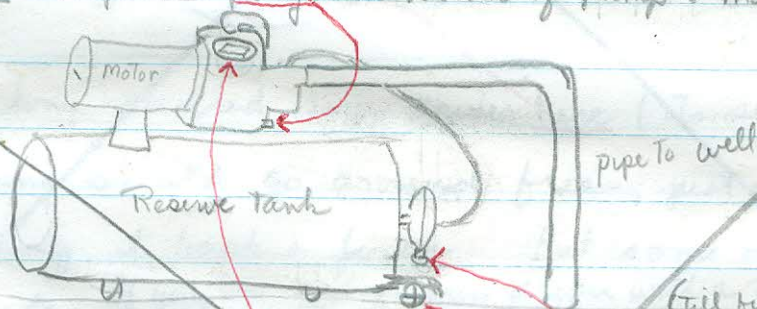
Plug in - if pressure hasn't started
to go up in 5 min, remove top again +
add more water - replace plug tight
+ try again

Open Cottage

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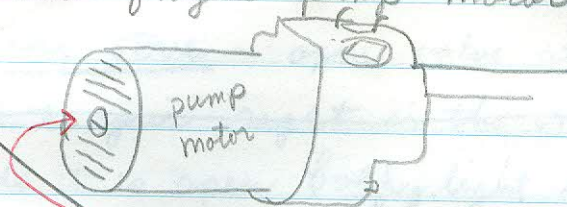
- 1) Check & see if drain ^{faucets} under cement slab in back of cottage are closed.
- 2) Close drain valve on hot water heater, ^(one is hose on it) & see if water intake valve behind water heater is open (you can get pump running & all faucets cleared before you turn it on to fill up hot water Tank)
- 3) Turn on electricity at fuse box (by putting ^{or lining up arrows of box (+/-)} square fuse things back in their place with on at top)
- 4) Close all faucets (shower, bathroom sink & kitchen sink)
- 5) Pump ① replace plug at bottom of pump & motor part



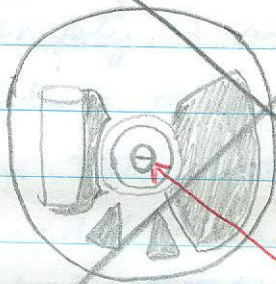
- ② Fill top 2" hole at top of pump with ^(fill filled) 1/2 gal water (clean if possible) & replace 2" plug with pipe wrench Tight so it is air Tight
- ③ Close all valves (especially drainage valve at bottom of water reserve tank)
- ④ Replace cap To air volume control, spring first, marble next & then cap.
- ⑤ Plug in (should go To 60 lb pressure)
If it just humms and gets hotter by the second, pull plug, motor is frozen

(over)

To correct frozen pump motor.



unscrew + remove plate on motor
then you see



Put long handled screw driver here (its set in about $\frac{1}{2}$ ")

This thing should go around free, just start
muscleing it back & forth. Put some oil on shaft
inside. If you tap end of screw driver with a hammer it will
break the freeze also.

Plug it in, if pressure still doesn't go up (it takes a
while) its not air tight, ✓ the screws & valves again.
If that doesn't work call repair man

- 6) Space heater - open valve on outside Storage Tank.
At back of heater turn to 4 or 5 + pump lever up &
down a few time (lever is along side of control) leave
lever pushed down. Watch, in 3-4 min you will
see oil at bottom of fire box, light with match
on long hanger wire (hooked on stove pipe) Turn heat
to what you want.

- 7) Cooking stove - open valve at outside tanks (the one to your right is the one in use) The way I do it is open both, light stove in kitchen & then turn off ^{one} left ^{off} hand tanks, then you know when the right side runs out, mark the tank empty + order another one (they only deliver once a wk now) Charge it to ^{HG} Green account. Mark in this book when ordered + when left handed tank was put into service.

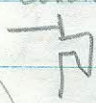
Better yet. Mark (R) tank when it was in service + mark tank that is full

(What ever - mark tank that is in use + the one that is full)

(After you have opened back valve + filled tank)

- 8) Hot water Tank follow directions for starting but you will have better success if you leave red button pushed in 2-3 min + pilot flame will stay on for you + then turn it on. (closed) (open)

when filling Water tank leave ^{temp} pressure valve open, it is on upper side of tank or a faucet open to release air in tank, watch that little valve because it will run over when it gets full.

the face plate over burners connects to tank with little tongues 

the little inter silver cover just lifts up + out.

if you need pump service
call. Earl Shaper
544-6627

Closing Cottage

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- 1) Close damper in fire place
- 2) Take in mail box
- 3) Pump - pull plug, open valve at bottom of Tank + drain, ~~loosen $\frac{1}{2}$ " plug at top, + remove sm. plug at base of pump + motor part (if you don't know which one read opening instructions)~~ Water will pour forth all over the place. Remove screw cap on air volume control (a spring + marble will drop out with cap) Put these in a safe place on shelf with, small plug.
- 4) Open all faucets, especially shower (to drain water from pipes)
- 5) Flush toilet to drain tank, remove lid from back.
- 6) Drain hot water heater (turn off night before if possible)
- 7) Anti freeze into drains + toilet
Shower drain - 1 Cup, Kitchen $\frac{1}{2}$ C, bathroom drain $\frac{1}{2}$ C, toilet 1 C, pump drain 1 C; Washer, $\frac{1}{2}$ C
- 8) Turn off oil at storage Tank, space heater off, lever lift up.,
- 9) Turn off valves at cooking fuel Tanks
- 10) Open refing door, pull plug - Defrost + clean refig the day before so all you need is a pan to catch sm. amt of water from freezer part.
- 11) Open + drain faucets under cement slab at back of house, leave open, replace cement slab.
- 12) Lock back door, screen door, ✓ windows, lock garage doors, close drapes, extension cords off floors, no bed covering Touching floors, electric blankets off beds, rugs off floor, porch furniture in house (over)

Take off
face plate +
8 screws to
drain water
from upper
system

Directions
on wall by new
hot water heater

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13) turn off electricity -

14) Make sure front door is locked.

15) Have a safe trip home.

(1977)

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Aug-13th - 22nd Lenny, Carolyn, Jenny Aug. 13th - 19th Bill & Joyce

Bill fixed John's Merc. motor, got motor started on Big Al.
boat, going to lunch Big Boat in 1978, to see how it does.
Weather cold & rainy most of week (Aug. 20th 8^{PM} temp 42°)

Paid for cooking fuel delivered in June \$17.21

8/20 Defrosted the refrig.

8/21 Scrubbed Living room. put 3 coats of wax on it cgs

Aug. 22nd - 26th Carolyn, John, Jamie, Jenny & Sharon Allen's

8/25 Scrubbed utility room floor (what a mess)

Perfect day on Thurs 8/25 78° - lake calm -

8/26 Left for home at 12N. (Friday)

8/28 - 9/3/77 Copy Josie & Mother were here

Mother got sick on ~~Monday~~ ^{Sunday (8/28)} night, and was
hospitalized Monday 8/29. Much time was spent
travelling daily between Traverse City & the cottage
daily. We waxed Mother's car, and I took down
the dock. Mother got out 9/2/77, and we went
home the 3rd

Sept. 19 Went to Traverse City & got Mother's Medical Records

Sept. 17 - 26 Jennie & Hank Sept. 21st - 26th Carolyn & Lenny

(Sun Sept. 18th & Sunday Sept 25th - Sunny days) - all the rest
raining. - Calked windows & painted lower windows to protect wood.
painted up wood under peak of roof.

Put up bird house in willow tree. Got 2 bushels of apples.
McIntosh \$2.50 & Delious \$5.00 / bushel.

Leaves not yet changed.

Closed cottage Monday Sept 26th. no problems

1978 ★

June 23 - July 2nd Mother, Carolyn & Jenny - opened cottage -
no problems. Weather beautiful. Lawn mower stopped running,
couldn't keep it going so lawn is a daisy field. New hot
water heater installed 6/29/68. Citgo oil Co got it all installed
& then discovered it was for natural gas instead of bottled & had
to convert it. Heater cost - \$95.95, tax - 4.64, labor - 45.00 @ \$18.00
parts - \$20.80 total = \$166.39 (choke) L.P. gas tank \$16.69

grand total of money from Mich. account \$183.08 (gasp)

Something ^{that needs} doing / Tar seam around hot water heater exhaust pipe on roof.

mon 3rd Paid for 2nd tank of Pet. gas \$16.43 7/27/78 picked: Marjorie 79 lb
July 24th → 28 - Cherry Express: Marjorie & Carolyn - Carolyn 76 lb
155 lbs.
Sour cherries - 45¢/lb. Sweet cherries 30¢/lb. We worked hard -

played little.... We also picked 4 quarts of wild black rasp-
berries - and bought 3 quarts of red raspberries. We did manage
to visit Charlevoix - but after parading through the high priced
shops we looked at each with ultimate boredom and decided to
come back to the cherries.

We did 10 batches of jam. Marjorie did 52 qts of cherries
Carolyn did 26 qts, 12 pts. Marjorie did mostly sweet & Carolyn
did mostly sour. Monday weather was hot, Tues hot again,
Wed. it rained off & on. Thurs. Cloudy with cold wind. Went
home Friday

Sept 7 → Sept. 14. John & Sharon

Cottage was found beautifully clean. It was raining
and overcast during our entire visit (except for 1 day). The
pump has been acting up by continuously running
on a low pressure (I think I fixed it). The boat was
running in excellent condition.

1978

Oct 4 (Wed) to (Sun) Oct 8 - Len, Carolyn, Gene & Hank

Rained from start to finish but we were lucky it didn't snow.

Cory alone. Oct 8-14

Monday Oct. 9, 1978

I came 10/8/78 and saw the above-noted people. Henry, Hank and I unloaded a washer and stove. My task is to get the stove operational and close the cottage. Sunday was a beautiful day with sunshine and temperature near 60°.

Josie has a cast on her leg and was underwhelmed at the prospect of making the trip in an old 1962 truck -

→ Re: Kitchen sink. - ~~the~~ drain is slow, but works. I worked fruitlessly on it for 2 days. Talk to me about it. I put a new trap on it, and this prevents backed up water from flowing on to the floor under the sink. That was a big improvement.

The weather has been beautiful every day. The flies tend to be very friendly this time of year.

Washer - I washed all the towels and some other stuff. It still works great. You'll like it.

1979

May 25 → 28 - John, Dave, Eric

- Weather overcast and in lower 50's, occasional Raining. We spend the whole weekend & water pump to be replaced. Boat Running Good. I left my stereo up for the summer for everybody's enjoyment.

1978
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John was here over Memorial Day weekend
And discovered that the pump suffered
"frost damage" — no water.

JUNE 15th

Copy & Bruce, Rickie, Jess, & Ethan

Earl Shafer fixed the pump (New pump).

Total cost: \$341.50 (200.00 - part / 140 Labor).

Eggleston put on a new roof — cost \$1013.00

Weather has been pretty nice — gets
quite chilly at night — into the 40's, but
it really warms up during the day (80's)

The heating stove had water in it —

Copy had to take apart the regulator.

We also added some dry gas to the
tank — works great now!

6/22/79

The recoil on the 7.5 hp. Evinrude broke. Mercury motor
runs great. Tried unsuccessfully to pull Bruce on ski —
he could not get up. I was surprised. I will try to

see about repairing the old pump — am taking it back

with me to Erie, (Pa.)

1979

July 11 to Aug. 15

Mother and Jennifer

We were welcomed into a beautifully clean cottage - everything in good order enjoyed the bulletin board & messages - Cleaned all the screens & small windows hung living room drapes - Made kitchen curtains on Marjorie's sewing machine - Had the small boat motor (7.5 HP) repaired and some things checked. Recoil, spring, plugs, carburetor replaced - works like new - Hope Penny will winterize it - or whoever comes later - The weather has been very lovely.

July 20-27 Carolyn, Janice and Derek came. Weather was lovely - rained one day Carolyn picked and canned and jammed ~~61~~ 60 lbs of sour cherries - She trimmed the shrubbery in front of cottage - She brought two chaise lounges to replace two that were broken (and not reported) - I bought portable sewing machine for cottage at Flea Market in C.L.

July 27 - Aug 15 Carolyn, Janice & Derek left and Jenny and I stayed on.

The tank of gas Bruce^{ordered} was delivered after four trip to the office. I ordered & paid for another tank - it was delivered quickly. Have enjoyed John's stereo very much

1980 April 30 - To May 5th

Mother + Carolyn opened cottage - no problems - weather warm + beautiful, Bath + fuel tanks full.

Elect. Meter at 0183 We bought beautiful Hide-a-Bed at Central Lake Furniture Barn for \$290.00, delivered. We sweet talked away the old spider filled davenport.

The stove works so nice, we love it. There is about 5 gal. of heating oil (purchase price \$1.20/gal) in tanks.

1980 5/23-5/27 John + Wards (Inc. Dave)

7 $\frac{1}{2}$ motor - The motor starts and idles fine but will not engage in Forward or Reverse. The problem seems to stem in the gear box.

20 H.P. - I bought a new propeller but am unable to put it on the motor due to lack of deep socket wrench. Also had problems starting the engine (spark plugs replaced)

6-13-6-21 - Copy, Bruce, Rickie, Jess, + Ethan -

COTTAGE IN GOOD SHAPE - WEATHER

COLD - LOW 40's AT NIGHT, BUT WARMS

up during day. Bought a MATTRESS

"BOX SPRINGS" (162.24) AT SAME PLACE. MOTHER

+ CAROLYN BOUGHT THE HIDE-A-BED. COPY

AND I put up the dock - moved the big boat out on the road with "for sale" signs.

Bought an electric lawn mower from Wards, but took it back after using it once

(And cleaning it!) Bought some curtains

1980

For the back bedroom (\$14.54) DRINKING
A LOT OF BEER. TRIED TO BUY A TOILET
(USED) but can't find any. Will
most likely buy one at home.
Bummer! (the new one won't fit with-
out some extra work) - Built a new
support for the oil tank & a new
valve - (the one valve leaked) The base
board was rotted and infested with
carpenter ants - dug out the rot, chloroxed
the entire side of the cottage - packed
with cement, Put up a new door
on the back bedroom (\$39.95). Bought
some more fuel oil (5 gal - \$6.10). The
weather has turned from bad to
worst!

The pump leaks a bit at the tank in the
rear. It needs to be loosened sealed and replaced.
The little motor (2.5 horsepower Evinrude) has a problem
in its lower unit. It needs repair. I lack a
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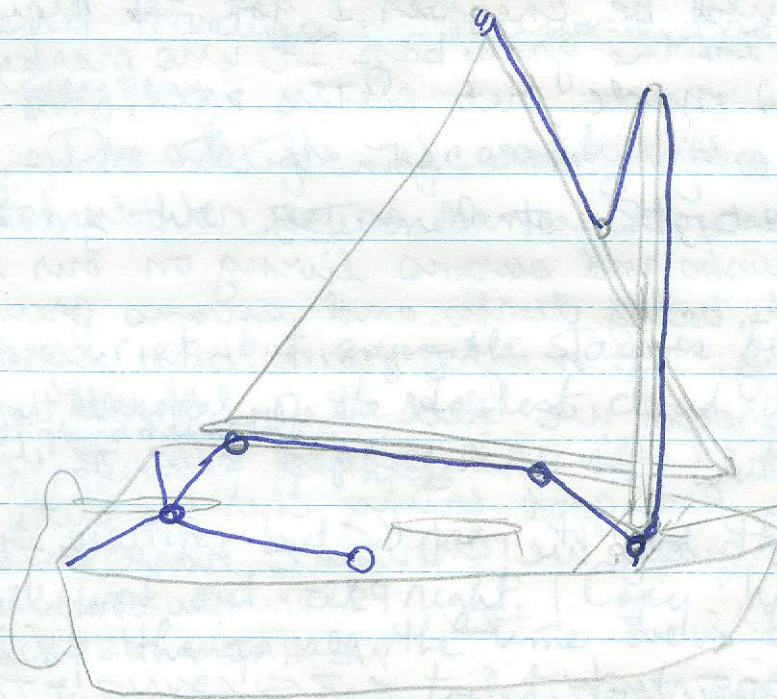
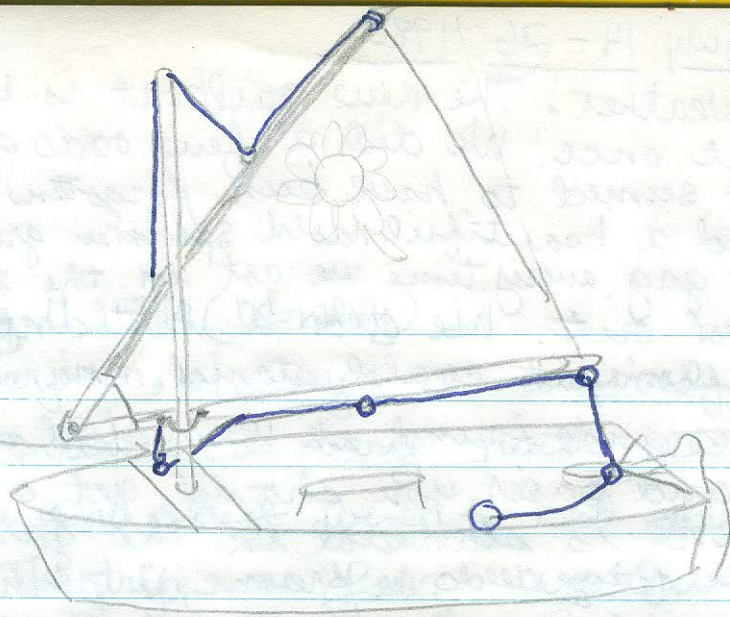
July 7th → 15th Lenny - Carolyn - Mother - Jenny

Painted Cottage - 9 gal. Mountain Lake Green
paint used - 1 gal white trim. Took
3 days hard labor to scrap & paint cottage -
1 day to scrap & prep ~~garage~~ garage - 1 day to
paint - Jen - Carolyn - Lenny - Took one day to
paint trim (screen porch - doors - etc) The weather was
hot & dry only rained during night
Cleaned Garage

1980

Rigging the sail

clip



clip

don't let center board drag in sand

don't drag boat over sand too much, (it wears it through to styrofoam center)

Kere & Liz - July 14-26 1980

Beautiful weather! The new sailboat is very nice we didn't get wet once! We did a few odds and ends around the cottage that seemed to have been forgotten about. The shower stall had a beautiful mold specimen growing up the sides. We didn't gag every time we got in the shower after it was cleaned out. We did a little mopping and waxing to the floor, it could stand more. We bought a 1/2 cord of lumber and found it was still pretty green. With paint and paper you should get a nice fire started. The wood is stacked in the garage. The picture above the frig. needs a frame, I plan to buy one in Ohio, it should be cheaper. I got the picture at the Bellaire festival in the grab bag. It was marked woman, at 15¢. I feel I made out pretty well! We hit Charlevoix twice, both of which were fun filled days. The Petoskey's were very abundant, it seemed as if nobody looks for them any more. The ducks and swans living on our lake were a pleasure. Both, baby ducks and swans grew visably during our stay. It might have been from all the loaves of bread we fed them. Oh well, they were worth it. We went to Shook's and picked 6 lbs. of yellow cherries with red cheeks. Real good eating cherries but, they gave us the shits. I guess we shouldn't have eaten all of them.

Kere & Liz

PS. The new couch is real nice!

9:45 P.M. GOODNIGHT

WE HAD A VERY PLEASURABLE
& RELAXING STAY!

FRI. 25



LONG TRIP HOME TOMOR-

row in park - hard

ROW - BUMMER!!

more to do, some of these were hard parts. But
retro unifying it finally to

1980

Aug. 11 1980 (Monday)

Marjorie, Harvey & I arrived in late afternoon got settled in a very neat cottage - Had some beer and stuff went to bed early.

The trip was fair - weather very overcast and threatening - rained from Bay City to Grayling.

Due to the necessity of a situation at home we returned to Stow on Thursday - Mother.

This brief but enjoyable stay is being ended by the removal of the darkest cloud in my life - ^{the} loss of my granddaughter. The returning of Phoebe. At this writing, I still am not positive - but I pray to God that everything will work out all right. Copy has been busy fixing things all the time we've been here. He brought a new toilet but will put it in later. I was going to fly back... it's easy... from Traverse City, but Mother and Copy decided they wanted to come back, too in hopes of seeing Phoebe again. The weather hasn't been too hot although Copy and I did swim on Tuesday. We have eaten like Kings - all of us participating in the preparation of our feasts, Copy planning the menus. It's been great. We've also sampled various wines, beers, etc. Many of our plans have died a-borning... but maybe next year. It's lovely here - and I'm grateful to have a retreat like this.

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Total no. kWh - 300

fund meter reading

Meter 213 Sept. 17th - 21st Wed - Sun.

Len, Carolyn, Genie & Hank - Weather rainy on Thurs rest of time sunny, windy at 60-70°. Tarred around chimney & on top of chimney - caulked around base of cottage & garage (4 tubes of caulk used) - there is no fuel in tank - Right pet gas tank is new & full (cost \$22.88) left tank in use & almost empty.