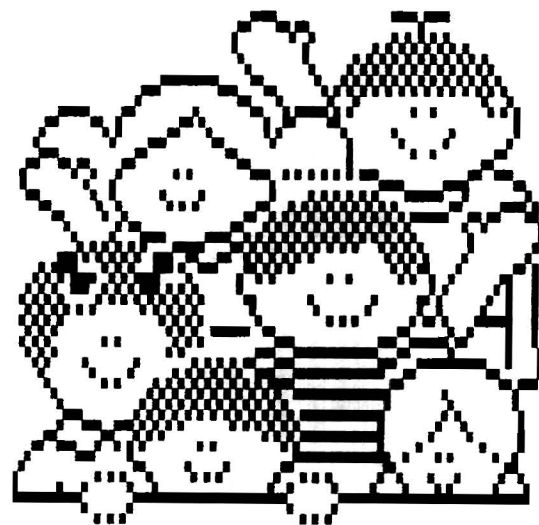




**"IT WAS A
GRAND
DAY!"**



PREFACE

Miss Ethel McCoy of Poland, Ohio, began to record her thoughts in 1913 when she was 11 years old. For the next seven years, she kept a journal of Special Events, Gifts & Grades, and People Important in Her Life, as well as lists of New Words, Quotations, and even a "Book of Foolishness."

Early in April, 1920, her father contracted small pox, and the family was quarantined. Ethel (now age 17) was suddenly denied the privilege of visiting with her many friends (except by telephone). It was very hard!

After several weeks of confinement, she wrote,

"Wed. Apr.28-'20, - Took a hike this morn again, but it was too showery & windy. But, at home and then going for the cow I found a chippy sparrow...a house wren - oh! but I think they are dear, and such a sweet warble they have...and a chickadee. And this morn I was so close to a female bluebird. And the male was near. Oh! what a wonderful color. I finished crocheting the edging for a guest towel today that I've had for years and years. I laid it by for my - HOPE-LESS chest. I tried to repair my cape, too. I got notes from Ruby and Edith. I wish they'd write some every day. Ain't I piggish? Talked to Florence C. and Lulu face to face tonight. Wonder if there's any objections to my doing so. Talking from the door? Can't be helped! I'm beginning to feel the --- sting of being shut in here. The operetta is next Fri. Next week is Glee Club concert and Field Meet! Here's hoping!"

We have no more of her writing until Wednesday, Feb. 4, 1931, when Ethel (Nicolis, now) noted on a wall calendar the anniversary of an important event - "Gene's Birth." Mom kept track of things, off and on, throughout the decade of the thirties on wall calendars; but, due to a happy mistake (one of the girls received two diaries for Christmas, 1939), Mom once again began to keep a "regular diary" in 1940.

It was a grand year! War clouds in Europe had not yet cast a shadow on the happy activities at 26 Delaware Ave., just as the rain couldn't dampen the fun of that wonderful summer at the lake.

In 1940, Dad celebrated his 40th birthday and spent many evenings enjoying the dog races - a fact that Mom recorded at the end of a day's entry as "Dad D.R.", in small letters. Betty rejected her first set of high school graduation pictures, and Bob played hookey to go to Cleveland to a game - that was rained out. Dave kept trying to take his driver's test, and Gene was already varnishing floors. While everyone else was out partying, Don stayed home on Halloween to do his homework, and Ruth got a new Spring Coat for \$5 and Hat for \$2. Toodles came to a sad and untimely end.

Meanwhile, Mom washed, ironed, mended, and cleaned a lot, and turned out more pies, cakes, & cookies than Sara Lee, not to mention hundreds of jars of preserved fruits, vegetables, pickles, relish, and jelly. Still, she found time to play 500 and Cinch, attend sports events and movies, help with church and community affairs, and even read "Gone With the Wind"!

In transcribing her diary, I have retained Mom's spelling and punctuation as exactly as I could. My keyboard lacks the symbols for "degrees" and "cents" so I had to spell those out. Whenever I made an editorial explanation of an abbreviation (with Dave's help), I enclosed it in brackets...as [] (mostly for clarification for future generations who might not know what "Stam. Aud." meant). Parentheses....as () are Mom's own.

Return with us now to those thrilling days of yesteryear! Anyone for "Cinch"?

Mary Nicolls
Columbus, Ohio
November, 1987

1940

JANUARY

1 - A fresh new year! Wonder what it has in store for us. Dad & the children went to the store to take inventory this morning. I finished the book, "Hope for Living." This p.m. Dad & I went with Blackmans to Bowdlers where men played 26 games of cinch while we just talked. Had oyster stew & played one game of Rum. Home at 12:30.
8 degrees above.

2 - Still very cold. Washed towels & colored clothes a.m. All but Dad & Dave went to town. Children went to see Gulliver's Travels and I to see "Four Wives." Both shows good. Ironed a little eve. Men (Bob, Dave, Gene & Dad) to Sheet & Tube B.B. Took tree out a.m.

3 - Still very cold. About 6 above. Children back to school. Washed rest of wash. Removed pine arrangements & put up new pictures p.m. Ironed all evening.

4 - Just a little warmer. About 18 degrees p.m. Started to snow eve. Ironed a.m. did a little sweeping, etc. Down home p.m. Ironed all evening. Finished.

5 - Still snowing & blowing a.m. Getting colder. Sewed pillow cases & mended. Made soup & baked pies and cookies p.m. Stopped to see Ann this eve. She's sick in bed with cold. It's down to 5 above tonight. Poland played N.Jackson there & won both games. Bob & Dave each 4 points on Res.

6 - Warmer today. About 18 degrees. Sunshiny! Took girls in to see Clare Tree Play. Dick Whittington Went in after them. Betty & I did cleaning in between trips. Took G.A.A. Girls in to Newport p.m. Went to Ann's & Mother's. Went after girls at N.P. To bed early. Tired. Ann not very good. Has pain like pleurosy. Ivan wanted us to go to hockey game at Cleveland tonight.

7 [Sun.] - Not so cold today. About 20 degrees. Began snowing a soft, quiet snow about 3 p.m. Kept up till late evening. I went to church a.m. Stopped to see Ann. She's better. Went up in the woods with kids P.M. Skated about 1/2 hour.

8 - Washed. Down home p.m. To Gym class eve. About 25 there, mostly new ones. Home at 9:30.

9 - Betty's 18 today! Was zero this morning again. Everything white with frost. Ironed a.m. Dusted & swept downstairs p.m. Up to Mary's. Made Betty's cake. Went to 500 Club at Ed J. eve.
22 degrees at noon. 10 above at 1 a.m. (score - 1440)

10 - Ironed a.m. Nice day not so cold. Town p.m. Kath Hart & I got a sweater for Jack Meeds for surprise birthday party Sat. eve. Took Dave in for his lesson at 7 p.m. Came home & ironed. Tired! Uncle Charlie Spitler was over this morning.

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11 - Snowed all morning. Lovely big flakes part of the time. But, turned to rain by p.m. Just mist. Mended. Scrubbed kitchen, walls, too. 500 with the kids eve. To bed at 10.

12 - Foggy this morning. Snow nearly gone already. Baked doughnuts & pies a.m. Cut out apron & basted it p.m. B.B. game tonight. We won from N.Lima. Reserve game overtime. Dave & Bob on Res. Bob also on varsity. Gene & Don played in grade prelim. game. Don played about 1 minute.

13 - Beautiful Day. Not cold. Cleaned. Down home p.m. Dad & I to Jack's birthday party eve. 16 there. Had a good time. He was in bed when we got there. Played 500. Then sang until 2:45 a.m. Very cold strong wind.

14 [Sun.] - Rain hard all a.m. Thunderstorm p.m. Ended in a hailstorm which covered ground. Rested today. Very windy tonight. Home of Paul Beight burned down at 4 this morning burning to death mother & son. Poland Center.

15 - Snow on the ground again and still snowing. About 20 degrees. Washed. Rested & finished apron p.m. To gym class eve. 25 there.

16 - Cold again. About 13 above. Snowing a little. Ironed. Finished at 3:30, all but sheets. Dad & I went to Little's (Dan's) to dinner party tonight. Blackman's and Rolke's, too. 500 and store. more fun playing store. She had a lovely dinner. Stuffed pork chops, pot, wh. & sw., gravy, peas, salad, celery, etc., apple pie & cheese, coffee. Home at 1 a.m.

17 - Snowed last night and still snowing. Colder. Pressed sheets. Made cookies. Down home p.m. Took girls in to see Jane Withers at 5 o'clock. Home at 8:30. Good show. Jane was sweet.

18 - 10 degrees above all day. Washed again. Washed my hair, too. Rachel over p.m. and Kath Hart, too. Took Dave in town to get a top coat. Got a nice one at Printz for 13.95. To Blackman's eve for 500.

19 - 13 degrees below!!! 8:30 a.m. Truck wouldn't start. Had to "snail" it. Ironed some a.m. p.m. baked cookies, pies, made soup, finished ironing. B.B. with Goshen. Reserve won in overtime. Vars. won by 11 points. Bob played Vars. tonite. Still about 5 below.

20 - Not so cold! 2 above. Snowing! Stormy! Cleaned. Down home p.m. 500 with kids in eve. Letter from home yesterday says Dickie & Janie have whooping cough & Janie 3 day measles.

21 [Sun.] - About 15 above a.m. Dad & I to Valley Club Columbiana with 500 club for turkey dinner. What a meal! Home at 9:30 p.m.

22 - Light snow nearly all day. Not so cold. Washed. K. Hart over all morning. Going to have a party. Ran sweeper, hemmed Ruth's skirt p.m. Gym class eve. 24 there.

JANUARY

23 - 9 above early a.m. but it warmed up quite fast. Ironed a.m. Went to executive meeting of Music Club at H.S.- p.m. Came home ironed more. To Wash ville to 500 club tonight. Would rather have been at B.B. game. Greenford. We won both games. Began light snow eve.

24 - Everything covered with clean snow again. Pretty! Snowed lightly most all day. Sun shone some, too. Finished pressing towels, sheets, etc. scrubbed kitchen & hall floor. Mended all eve. To bed at 10.

25 - 4 above 8 a.m. Snowy all day. Washed towels and rugs a.m. Up to Mary's, down home and to town p.m. Took Bob & Betty in. Betty got sweater, Bob an overcoat. Printz 13.00, Green. Sewed on dresser scarf eve. Bed at 10.

26 - Still pretty cold. Pressed towels, cleaned medicine cabinets & sewing machine drawers, fixed trousers for Dave. Baked & pressed boy's suits p.m. All to B.B. game at Canfield. They beat us by 10 points in both games. Cold!

27 - Snowing most all day. not so cold. about 15 above. Cleaned a.m. till 3 p.m. To town to exchange Dad's shoes. Down home. 500 with Don & Ruth eve. Rest all went to Sorority Dance.

28 [Sun.] - Nice day. Cold of course. Rested all day. Cut out pictures for scrapbooks all p.m. Bed at 10.

29 - Washed. Helped serve at McKinley Dinner at our church. 114 served. Home at 10:30 p.m.

30 - Thawing just a little. Sunshiny. Ironed a.m. To Music Club meeting p.m. Got 100 penny cards for a mile of pennies > to get filled. Down home. Blackman's up eve. 500 & cinch. We beat the men at the latter. Bed at 1 a.m.

Jan.31 - Everything beautiful 5 above, with frost this morning. Warmed up quite a bit. Sunshine all day. Mrs. Hamil. up a.m. Dusted, ran sweeper & washed windows all over house p.m. Ironed some more. Pressed most all eve. Went to Dr. to pay bill (\$6.00)

FEBRUARY

1 - 30 degrees above A.M. Began a light snow about 9 o'clock. Washed towels A.M. Pressed sheets. Got soup & pie from church for lunch. Down home P.M. Making crocheted edge on dresser scarf. Mr. Egolf here a little while this eve. Mended. Pressed towels eve. raining & freezing eve.

2 - 4 above A.M. Snowed most of night. Stormy this A.M. Quite slippery. Washed hair A.M. Baked P.M. To B.B. game eve at Springfield (Petersburg) We beat them 34-27. Reserves lost.

3 - Warmer. Lovely sunshiny day. Snow melting. Cleaned until 8 P.M. Down home. Ruth to Hilda Crum's party. Went to get her at 5 P.M. Went to Hart's eve. to play 500. Bill here eve. Home for weekend.

4 [Sun.] - Cloudy. Temp. about 35. Eugene 14 today. Made his cake A.M. Slept P.M.

5 - Washed. Ground & trees, everything covered with snow this morning. Soon melted away. Ironed a few shirts P.M. Went to gym eve.

6 - Rained A.M. part of P.M. Washed woodwork & windows bedroom & bathroom & put up clean curtains. Went to Missionary Tea P.M. They had a play that was very good. About 25 there. Club at Marie's tonight.

7 - Ironed all A.M. Washed part of kitchen walls, windows, etc. and put up clean curtains. Scrubbed floors. Finished ironing eve. Mended.

8 - Nice day. Snowed some. Ruth Hahn & I left home at 9 A.M. to see Gone With The Wind. Show lasted from 10 until 15 to 2 continuous. Enjoyed it very much. Did a little shopping. Stopped for tea with Ruth. Down home a few minutes. Legion Affair. Went to Y.College & Westminster game in our gym. W. won. Pete Penguin was there. Our boy played. Howland won.

9 - Rain nearly all day. Very foggy by evening. Washed towels, curtains, etc. Cleaned woodwork & windows downstairs. Put new oilcloth on drain boards. Baked cookies & two pies. Went to B.B. game. Won over Berlin Center.

10 - Very foggy this morning. Lasted till noon. Turned into a drizzle all P.M. Cleaned A.M. To town about 12:30. (Pay house) Had to drive with lights on then. Down home after. To Ruth's party eve. 8 of us. Had a good time as usual. I won 1st at 500. Hose. Gene (Martha) & Betty (Harry) went to Grotto Dance.

11 [Sun.] - Ground covered with snow again. Sun shining. Beautiful day. Up at 8 A.M. Went to church eve. W. Fed. Y.M. colored glee club sang. They were very good.

12 - Lovely spring day. Not cold. Good Breeze. Washed & hung them outdoors all but colored things. All dry. Gym eve. 23 there.

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13 - Cloudy all day and colder. about 8 p.m. began light snow. Ground covered in an hour. Ironed some today. Down home P.M. & paid gas. Ironed eve. finished at 9 p.m. Dad & boys went to Boardman to see House of David and S.&Tube play B.B.

14 - Lots of snow this morning. Still snowing. Drifted bad. Took kids to school in the morning, but didn't go out at noon. Too many cars getting stuck. Snowing & drifting all day long. School let out 1 hr. early. Cleaned kitchen cupboards & china cabinets. Mended eve.

15 - Stopped snowing about 6 last nite. 10 in. recorded around here. 18 in. in Pitts. Beautiful day. Sunshine all day. Washed. Cleaned silver. Took Don & Gene to store at 4 to peddle circulars. Took Bob to Reicharts to get drums to take to school for practise. Bed early 9:30. All roads covered with snow. Rough driving.

16 - Sunshine again but was about 12 above this morn. Everything covered with frost. Ironed A.M. Baked P.M. Put up back room curtains. Water was turned off from 10 A.M. till late eve. Main broken on Yo. Rd. Went around with Mrs. Piep. P.M. to deliver tickets for Muni Card Party the 27th. All went to Tourn. eve. Poland won over N. Jack.Hi by 1 point - very close calling.

17 - Nice day. Snow melting. Not cold. Cleaned A.M. Washed kitchen walls. Town P.M. Got tallys, favors, etc. for Tues. 500 club. Got dozen glasses. Down home. Took kids to Boardman about 15 to 6. Dad & I went at 7. We beat N.Lima by about 10 points. Goshen & Lowellville was good game.

18 [Sun.] - Began raining about 11 turned to snow by 12. Snowed hard all p.m. Lots of snow again. Went to church a.m. Wrote letters p.m. Am so hoarse can hardly talk. Kept snowing a heavy wet snow until late eve. Traffic tied up.

19 - Colder today. Washed bathroom walls. Cleaned downstairs P.M. Didn't go to Gym. Still hoarse, cough a good deal.

20 - Dad's 40 today. Finished cleaning & prepared chicken supper for 500 club. Dad didn't know they were coming for supper. All but Bow. & Aunksts were here when he came home. Guess everyone had a nice time. Dad got shirt, tie, cards, bathrobe, cigars. Snowed a little all day.

21 - Snow is frozen hard, making hard driving. Sun shone all day. Main roads clear. Rather cold. Rested A.M. & straightened up house. Down home p.m. We went for ride Peters. Spring. etc. mended eve.

22 - Frosty a.m. Washed. School's out! Went to bed awhile p.m. Cold in my head worse. Sunshiny P.M.

23 - Ironed. Didn't get done. All went to B.B. games eve. Canfield beat us 52-26 -- Wow! They have a real team.

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24 - Snowing again. Thick wet snow. Finished ironing, cleaned. Down home. All went to B.B. game. Canfield are champs. Lowellville runner-up. We beat Berlin Center. That's over for another year. We don't even go to MacDonald this year.

25 [Sun] - Beautiful day. Snowed a pretty snow part of the afternoon. Dad & I went to Johnstons at Washingtonville for turkey dinner. All club there. She had a 24 lb. turkey. What a meal! Home at 11:30 P.M. Cold!

26 - Nice day. Snow melting some. Didn't wash, read GWTW. Down home and to Yates with Bob's o'coat P.M. To Gym eve. Going to quit -have quit- after next week. Not enuff come to meet expense.

27 - Snowed in night and light snow most all morning. Everything covered again. melting underneath tho'. Turned to rain p.m. Washed. - Ironed & mended Ruth's leggins eve.

28 - Didn't get much ironing done today. GWTW kept getting in the way. It's really very interesting. Ironed some, then finished in the evening. Sloppy outdoors.

29 - Thurs. - Had pressing to finish a.m. cloudy all day. Snow melting a little.

MARCH

1 - (Fri.) Thank goodness for March! There's at least a promise of spring in just the name. I guess it came in like a lamb, was quite calm all day. Got foggy at night. Baked - cleaned - Boys ork made initial performance at a dance after school this eve.

2 - Cloudy! Began raining p.m. Raining hard eve. Cleaned. Took Betty in to get pictures taken a.m. Down home & to get hair set p.m. There from 3:30 till 6:30. Harts, Meeds & us went to Emma Walsh's party. 16 there. Had a good time.

3 [Sun.] - Rained some nearly all day. Church a.m. Read GWTW p.m.

4 - Washed. Read GWTW p.m. Went to Gym but didn't take. Went to Fidelis class meeting at Kreiters, Ann associate hostess. Finished GWTW at 1:15 a.m. Snowed most of eve. Everything clean & white again.

5 - Warmer. Snow melting. Cloudy. Began snowing a little eve. Ironed. Thru at 2:30. Took Betty in to get proofs. Doesn't like them. Down home & to Ann's. To 500 at Bowdler's. Heard from Erma wants us to come out Sunday for Mother's birthday.

6 - Snowing lightly all a.m. Ground getting covered again! Such weather! Finished pressing. Wrote to Erma. nap p.m. Dad & I to Piepenbrink's for dinner tonite. Wear-ever demonstration Zeislars and Mariners there. Had a good time playing 500 after. Home at 1 a.m.

7 - Washed towels a.m. Took boys to store p.m. Mended.

8 - Cleaned upstairs and down All but kitchen. Baked cookies & 2 pies. Aluminum man came & talked for hr. but I said "No."

9 - Colder! Trying to snow a little. Changed beds & finished cleaning. Girls & I to town at 11 a.m. Betty had pictures taken again. Paid 6 bills. Down home. Dad & I 500 with Betty & Harry tonite.

10 [Sun.] - Snowing some. All went out to C'ville. Yesterday was Grandma Nic's birthday (58), so everyone came home today. 30 Of us. Girls in C'ville cooked the dinner & took it in. Nice to see everyone again. Dickie's walking. Home at 6:30 p.m. Down home.

11 - Washed. Sunshiny but cold. Got Betty's proofs & took them in after school & ordered pictures. Went to Gym. Last time for sure! Had a lot of fun. Ended by my pulling the volley net down.

12 - Ironed a.m. Beautiful day but cold. Was about 9 above a.m. Went to see Grapes of Wrath with R. Hahn p.m. That it was a very good picture. Went to see N.Y. Celtics play Y S & Tube at Boardman with Dad eve. 54 to 53 S.& T. Some Bas. Ball!

13 - Cloudy! Ironed a.m. & part of p.m. (Pressing) Down home p.m. Took Dave & radio in town 4 o'clock. Tried to rain p.m. Sun finally shone some.

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14 - Snow! Snowed hard all day! Piled up everywhere. Really pretty even tho we are tired of it. Scrubbed & waxed kitchen floor. Went in after radio p.m. Blackman's over till 1 a.m.

15 - Stormy! Snowing! Cleaned all day! Baked 3 pies! Went to Band Concert. Erma & Melvin & Shirley came, too. We met them after. Played 500 till 1 a.m.

16 - Snowing some today again. Very cloudy in a.m. as tho' blizzard was coming. Sun shone p.m. Melvin put in base plugs upstairs all day. 5 altogether. Had Meeds & Hahns in for 500 eve. Had a good time, I thot. (Down home p.m.) Canfield won all games up to Finals at State Tourn. lost to New Carlisle.

17 [Sun.] - Nice day. Snow all gone by evening. Melvin got the chimes in before dinner. I'm real pleased with them. Erma's left for home about 4 p.m. Don's eczema is very bad, clear up his arm & around his mouth. Is trying clorox solution today.

18 - Warm. about 58. Hung sheets and towels out. Began to rain about 1:30. Rained hard showers at 3 and 6:00. Bob 17 today! Mended. To bed early.

19 - Ironed all day. Finished up after supper. Nice day. Cold wind. 500 Club at Blackman's tonight. Home at 1:45. Ho hum! No more school the rest of the week.

20 - Mended a.m. Rained turned to snow. Real blizzardy in p.m. Took Betty, Kate & Helen in to town. Bob took his radio in. Down home and to Ann's. Ann in bed with int. flu, and Mother Cover in bed with broken pelvic bone. Dear oh dear! Mended eve.

21 - Still nice day. Sunshiny but rather cold yet. Spring-cleaned the bookcase and drawers under window-sill today. Down to Ann's p.m. Took Bob in to get his radio. To bed early.

22 - Good Friday Ground white with snow again this evening. Sun came out early, tho. Cleaned more drawers in dining room. Cleaned down stairs. Baked cookies and 3 pies. Went to church.

23 - Cold! Very cold! Finished the cleaning by 11 a.m. Went to Mkt. St. Got Betty's pictures and birthday presents for Bill & Sara Hill. Took Ruth to Sara's party. Down home & to Ann's. Ann better. Don & Ruth colored Easter eggs. Rest away to parties & show.

24 [Sun.] - Got up at 5:30 a.m. Went to sunrise service. Home at 7:30. Listened to sunrise service on radio. To church at 11 a.m. Slept awhile p.m. Betty, Bob & I went to Flo's. Took her a picture. Went to Easter Cantata tonight. Harry & Betty went too. Still very cold! 10 above this a.m.

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25 - Still no school today. Washed. Washer broke before I was done. Cord burnt out. Ork practise here p.m. so Betty & I went down to Hahn's. Then I went over to Ralph's & Harts. Still cold! Hemmed tablecloth & napkins eve. (Cut end off of too long one.)

26 - Sunshiny & a little warmer. Ironed a little a.m. Went to music meeting p.m. Had a tea with teachers. Very nice! Boys ork practise here again eve. Dad & I went over to Piep's for 500. Boys & Betty went up to see Tiny Hill at Nu Elms later.

27 - Light snow covering the ground this morning again. Snowed all a.m. but melted by 1 p.m. Ironed all day. Finished about 6 p.m. Rained p.m. Dad fixed washer cord.

28 - Nice day. Warmer. Finished Monday's wash. Down home p.m. Mary M. & I went to see Helen Jepson at Stam. Aud. with Yo. Symphony tonight. She was lovely & a wonderful singer. Enjoyed it a lot. Someone gave Jack his tickets. Jack had to work so I was glad to get to go.

29 - Lovely spring day! Almost too warm tho' for so early. Ironed yesterday's things. Baked 3 pies. Went over to school p.m. to help for BB Banquet. Came home & started supper, then we went back & staid till midnight. Served 44. They danced after to Wick Mackey's ork. Had cr. chicken, mash pot. biscuits & gravy, peas, salad, pie alamode.

30 - Raining a.m. Cleaned. Betty went to scholarship tests at South High a.m. Down home p.m. Still raining! Blackman's & us went to card party at Grange Hall in Vienna eve. Cinch till 2 a.m.

31 [Sun.] - Nice sunny day. A little cool. Went for walk p.m. Stopped to see Mrs. McCrone. Down home. Ann & I went to Pres. church tonight to hear Canfield Junior (Meth) choir. Very good.

APRIL

1 - Sunny Day! Air cool but sun warm. Washed and hung everything outdoors. All dry! Ironed eve.

2 - Nice day. Thru ironing at 11:30 a.m. Put clothes away p.m. Rested. Washed part of walls & woodwork in kitchen. Put up clean curtains. 500 at Columbiana. (2 a.m.)

3 - Nice a.m. Quite warm. Washed windows upstairs. Cleaned upstairs and down. Had a terrific electrical storm about 3 p.m. Got as dark as night. Betty & I went in town about 4. She got a skirt, me a garment. Dave a coat & trousers. Mended eve. Rained most of evening.

4 - Sunshine again. Finished cleaning. Scrubbed & waxed kitchen floor. Baked, etc. Myron & Ada & Mary McCrone up for supper. Played Cinch awhile. Home about 10 p.m. I have a nice head cold.

5 - Nice day. Rather cold wind. Baked 3 pies, cookies. Down home p.m. Senior play tonight. Very good. Cold not much better. Sneeze & blow all the time.

6 - Lovely day. Not cold. Cleaned a.m. Went to Struthers to pay taxes - 11 a.m. Took Betty, Don & Ruth in town to see "Young Tom Edison." Came back, got Mother we went to Foster. Good show. "The Amazing Mr. Williams." Melvin Douglas & Joan Blondell. Tired tonight. Gene went in town himself & got blue pants and shoes. Cold better.

7 [Sun.] - Sunshine a.m. Rain p.m. Rested today. Slept 3 hours p.m.

8 - April showers today. Washed. Dave in bed with a head cold and sore throat. Mine's much better, cough some now. Went in town at 5 p.m. to have dinner at Ravers with Ann, Bert, Betty, Soph & Helen. Then to Albert St. for Bingo. No luck, but fun! (Turkey, etc. Good)

9 - Rain. Ironed. Dave up some but not dressed. To bed at 10:30 p.m.

10 - Nice day! Finished ironing (pressing) & cleaned downstairs. To town p.m. Down home. Went to party on Earl Hahn. Surprise birthday! Meeds & Kerrs. Had a good time. Home at 12:30. She gave us all prizes. Ladies bath salts. Men socks. Dad upset! --- Funny!

11 - Cloudy! Cleaned closet & drawers in our room. Rained hard p.m. and all evening. Sewed some eve. To bed early.

12 - Ground covered with snow this morning. Snow flurries all day. Cold! School out at 11 a.m. Teachers' convent. Cleaned rest of closets & drawers. Went to Book Review with Olson girls. "Show me a Land" Mrs. R. Miller reviewed it. Central Auditorium.

13 - More snow on ground and still snowing. O Hum! Cleaned. Took Ruth & girls in town for "Rip Van Winkle." Down home p.m. Sewed up 2 pillow cases. Dad & I went to Idora to play Bingo. Phooey! Home at 11:30. Cold & snowy. Some melted today, but it would snow hard again & cover the ground again.

APRIL

14 - Sunday - Looks like January out, instead of April 14. Snow all over. Melting on the roads when sun comes out. Worked on scrapbooks p.m. till 8 p.m.

15 - Monday - Snow nearly all gone, but cloudy a.m. Sun shone p.m. was warm. Got all clothes dry outside. Took Betty in town after school for picture for school paper in a formal from Betty Gay shop. Ironed eve.

16 - Tues.- Ironed all day, thru about 3 p.m. dusted & swept. Dad & I to show eve. "Too Many Husbands"

17 - Wed. - Nice a.m. Rain p.m. Hard shower about 4. Rain all evening. Worked in attic all day. Only got half of it straightened up. What a mess! Went in town after school. Betty got proofs. Dad & I to Bingo at Alo[?] St. Phooey!! Got sweeper brush \$1.25

18 - Thurs.- Cloudy. Showered some until about 2 o'clock. Cleared up but not sunny. cool. Finished attic. Took boys to store after school. Took Blanche Cover's baby bed down after supper. Eleven years is a long time to keep a borrowed article. Visited awhile. Came home, mended. To bed at ten. Jack M. got me beaters for Mirar. 85 cents.

19 - Rain! Rain! I papered the attic stairway with a roll I found in the attic. First paper I ever hung. Looks it! Didn't go far enough, tho'. Baked p.m. Went to Minstrel eve. Real good show! Raining hard as ever at 11 p.m. What a night!!

20 - Still raining! Everywhere is water! Cleaned! To town at noon. Got Betty skirt, Ruth Coat, Hat, Gloves, socks, undw. Came home & went to dentist. Had two roots out. \$2.00 Down home. Piepenbr. over for cards eve. (Ruth's coat-\$5 Hat-\$2 Gloves- .60 Betty's skirt-\$2.00)

21 [Sun.] - Finally stopped raining last night sometime. Cloudy most of the day. Sun came out late in day. I walked down home p.m. Dad & I went for ride. Petersb. then over to Blackman's All of club there but Marie's. Waffles and then Rummy. Home at midnight.

22 - Sunny morning. Washed. Everything dry outdoors. Ironed eve till 10 p.m. Dad started painting bathroom ceiling & walls. First coat on.

23 - Nice day! I finished putting first coat on b.r. walls this morning. Then finished ironing. Done at 2:30 p.m. Dusted & swept, then went down to Freda Johnston's to see her about nomination for Music Club. There till 5:30 over home till 6:00 - Supper & got ready right away for club at Lucy J's. Home at 1:45 - Oh me!

24 - Beautiful Day! Baked cookies first, then began cleaning wall-paper. Did our bedroom & Gene's & Don's. Got w.work & floor washed in ours. Dad came home early & put second coat on ceiling of b.r. Girls & Dad & I went to Fitch to Music Festival tonite. Very good. Bob & Dave were in band.

APRIL

25 - Nice a.m. Cloudy p.m. a little shower about 1 p.m. Cold wind. Varnished our bedroom floor. Washed w.w. & floor & furn. in G. & Don's room. Aired pillows. Took boys to store p.m. Shortened Betty's new skirt and mended socks eve. Dad painted some. Got headache & quit early.

26 - Foggy this morning. Washed. Nice day. Cool wind! All clothes dry. Mother up p.m. Ironed eve. Dad finished second coat on walls. Put rugs down in bedrooms eve. All but Don & Ruth went to G. Res. [Girl Reserve] Dance.

27 - Beautiful Day! 7th & 8th Grades went on tour in Youngstown. I took a load. We left at 8 a.m. Got back at 1:30 p.m. About 150 in the group. Went thru Court House, County Jail, Dollar Bank, B.W. [Butler-Wick] stock exchange, Isaly's Plant, W.F.M.J. Very interesting, but hard on the feet. Down home p.m. and to Cover's. Piep's eve for 500. Gene & Don shoes-\$5 & \$4

28 [Sun.] - Another grand day. Dad put Plax on w.w. in bath. He went golfing p.m. Betty, Kate, Ruth, Don, Gene, & I went to C'ville. Went for hike to N. Barn to get daffodils. Home at 8 p.m. Went to funeral home. Kellog & Benzenhoffer. In auto wreck last week. Mrs. quite bad.

29 - 'Nother nice day! I painted all morning, trimming. Scrubbed kitchen p.m. Painted some more and then finished in the eve. Looks pretty good.

30 - Nice day again. Cleaned, began at 7 a.m. Went to Music meeting & down home p.m. Had 500 club here eve. and morning until 2:30 a.m. (Cinch) Last meeting this season.

MAY

1 - Rain! Rain! Washed!! To dentist p.m. He cleaned all of them and filled one. \$3.00

2 - Rain! To town a.m. Got coat. McK.[elvey's] base.[ment] \$12.00
Ironed p.m. Blackman's came by in new car eve. Took us to Columbiana so men could play c i n c h !! Home at 12:00 Ho! Hum!

3 - Raining still yet! Went to Florence Betty Craig's down by store this a.m. & got permanent. \$3.50. Mary Marg. Stotz did it. Got home at 12:45. Baked 2 pies. Went down home. Ironed eve. Bed early. Betty went to G. Res. [Girl Reserve] dance at Idora with Jimmy. Formal. Borrowed one of June's.

4 - Still raining. Well, a light mist but very cloudy. Cleared up some by p.m. Cold! Cleaned a.m. Track meet p.m. Poland won 53 pts. Next was Levittsburg with 26. Bob & Dave both also ran. Dad & I went to Hahn's to fill in at 500 club. G.F. bunch. Had a good time.

5 - [Sunday] Beautiful Day! Warm again. Flowers are coming now. Went up to see Mary's garden. Raked some in mine. Dad played golf a.m. I took a tramp up thru the fields out back, came home & took a 2 hr. nap. Dad & I went for a ride to Canfield, listened to radio & so to bed.

6 - Thunderstorm about 6 a.m. Washed. They dried fast, so I began ironing p.m. Finished all of it by 10 p.m. Was a nice warm day.

7 - Lovely day again. Cleaned paper & woodwork in girls' room. Cleaned paper in hall-way & stair-way. Took up stair carpet. Dad put it down again tonite & Gene varnished girls' floor while I washed hall wood-work. To bed at 10. Tired.

8 - Rain early this morning. Turned out a nice day, tho. I cleaned the paper in liv. room & dining room. Kate Elser was here selling dresses. I ordered two for \$2.98. Dad varnished floors tonight.

9 - Lovely day. Washed a.m. Put rug down at noon, & began getting curtains up & things straightened up. Washed furniture, pictures, etc. till about 9 p.m. Boys & Dad simonized the car, eve.

10 - Nice day. Town a.m. Got new dress. Bemberg sheer. \$5.00 Strouss base. Home had lunch & went to Track Meet. We won by about 20 points. Tonite girls & Dad & I & Dave went to Dave's Trombone recital. (Mr. Lehto's) Tired!

11 - Nice day. Cleaned. Down home p.m. To Hart's to party eve. Betty, Bob, Dave & Gene to Sorority dance eve.

12 [Sun.] - Lovely day. Dad played golf from 9 till 2:30. I went to church. Betty got dinner so I played tennis with Jim S.[Sherry] After dinner Mother came up & we went to the woods. Home at 4 and Flo was here. Went to cemetery & then all over town. Took her home at 9:30 & so to bed.

MAY

13 - Nice day. Warm again. I cleaned back room (den) today, and am so tired tonight. Dad started to wash porch tonight. To bed at 9:15.

14 - Cloudy a.m. Washed. Got them all dry. Turned out nice. Went to vote p.m. Down home. Put rug down in den & washed furn. & put back.

15 - Went over to Grade School a.m. to help in Pre-School Clinic. Nice a.m. but began raining at noon & rained all p.m. & eve. Betty & I went in town after school. She got coat \$5.00 pink dress \$3.33 & gloves. Ironed eve.

16 - Finished ironing. Cleaned Bob's & Dave's room. Rainy. Gene & I painted boys' floor tonight.

17 - Painted boys' floor over again in some places. Washed floors & more of stairway. Put up curtains in boys' room.

18 - Nice day. Put up curtains. Washed hair. Cleaned a little. Went down to town hall from 11 to 12 to help for Tag Day (Band). Took in \$57* by 5 p.m. District track meet p.m. We won by 20 points or more. Down home. Our boys' ork played for a school dance at Girard. Dad & I took instru. in truck and stayed. *Total was \$60.30.

19 [Sun.] - Nice a.m. quite warm and windy. Ruth, Don, & I went to the woods before dinner. Dad played golf. Ann came up p.m. Had a hard rain-storm late p.m. All the children went over to Jim Sherry's for birthday cake & ice cream eve. All but Don & Ruth went to Idora, then.

20 - Nice day. Windy. wonderful wash day. I washed until 2:30 p.m. Had 7 quilts, a blanket, besides regular, which was plenty. Ironed some eve. Dad to council. State began work on Main St. Resurfacing from M.E. Church thru town.

21 - Ironed most of day. Had telephoning to do for cakes for ice cream social next Sat. eve. Dad painted porch floor tonite. Gene put screens on. Bob & Betty went to Prom. Was another lovely day. Quite warm.

22 - Nice a.m. Had light thunder-storm about 1:30 p.m. Rained a little, but turned out nice again. Wahed kitchen today. O what a job! Had to use Perfection Paint Cleaner & rub. Thru at 5:30.

23 - Cloudy, began light rain p.m. Rained all eve. Wahed dishes & put them back in cupboard. Washed back stair-way. Washed clothes eve. Mended. Dad to D.R. at Brimfield. Daddy Lewis fell from the scaffolding on their house while painting today and hurt his back. Bob played hookey, went to Clev. with Sara & her Dad. No game. rain!

24 - Still raining this morning. Washed "old" cellar-way. Hung clothes out about 3 p.m. Cleared up for an hr. or so then rained real hard again & all evening. I cleaned "new" cellar. Thru at 5 p.m. Fixed Dad's trousers eve. and ironed some.

MAY

25 - Cloudy. Girls cleaned while I baked 2 pies & a cake. Betty & I went to town about 11. She got blue dress, wedgie shoes, hat. Came home. I baked another cake for Ice Cream Social tonite. Went down home awhile & to Legion home. Worked there all evening serving ice-cream. We think we made about \$20. Dad to Brim. [Brimfield to D.R, that is.]

26 [Sun.] - Nice day. Cool. Baccalaureate Services at Pres. Church this eve. We all went. Rained some this eve.

27 - Nice day! Washed. Stopped at 9 to go to Senior Assembly. It was very nice. Home & finished washing. Ironed a couple hours this eve.

28 - Nice day. Cloudy at times. Ironed a.m. Thru at 11:30. Went to music meeting p.m. Betty went to luncheon at Alice Jean's. At 4:30 p.m. Betty, Kate, Jim & I left for C'ville. Went to Jennie's Comm. Very nice. She spoke very well. All the sisters were there. We got home at 12:30.

29 - Cloudy. I washed & waxed kitchen & b.r. floors a.m. Cleaned house all over. Betty went to practise a.m. for Comm. She's been getting lovely gifts all day. Bob & I went in town at 3 p.m. Got Betty a tennis racket & records. Began raining at 7:30. Stormed during Comm. & kept raining after. Commencement was very nice. Still can't realize it, But, I was so pleased with them, they looked so nice. Mother & Dad N. and Erma & Melvin & Art came out. Ann & they came home with us for a while after. Betty went out with Jim S. later, then.

30 - Cloudy a.m. Began raining when parade was marching. Rained steadily & harder, by night it was pouring all evening long. What a holiday! We rested all day except to go down to see parade, I went to cemetery & then visited with Mother till 4:30. Yates women up all evening. Dad in bed with a cold.

31 - Sunshine, thank goodness! I'll have to admit I'm 38 now, whether I feel like it or not. Had callers all day. Mrs. Sherry, Mrs. Piep., Rachel, Mother, Ruth M., Mary M., Soph & Bert and Ann. Some to see Betty's things, and some brot me gifts. Everyone remembered me so nicely, makes me so happy. Boys got me a cake at the Baker's Ruth made one & Mother made one and Jimmy brot me a cute little one that his mother made me with candles on. 4 in all. Dave gave me a Harriet Hulbard Ayer set, Ann Symphony tickets, Ruth 25 cents, Olson's, lovely nightie, Freda sent me an African violet, Mary an azalea, & Mother brot me 2 plants, hankie from Marg B. Dave & Betty went with Lockwoods to Pymatuning to sail. To dance eve. David Redding called to ask to take Ruth to show tomorrow. Bob started to work for Ivan.

JUNE

1 - Rain again. Cleaned. Down home p.m. Eve. Dad to Milton - Bob, too. Dave to party. Betty out with Jim. Me to Bertha's to party. 8 of us. Gave Ann a pin (a beauty.)

2 [Sun.] - Nice day. Ann, Ruth Hahn, Harts, & Lucille & Harold & Davy up this p.m. & eve.

3 - Nice day. Sun very hot. Clouded up about 3 p.m. & sprinkled a little, then cleared up again. Washed. A big one. Cleaned kitchen drawers p.m. Ironed a little. Dad council.

4 - Nice day! Ironed early a.m. Went to town a.m. Sat on porch from 1 till 3:30 visiting with neighbors. Made Ann a birthday cake. Ironed some more. Went down to Ann's about 6 p.m. Ironed eve a couple of hrs. very warm today.

5 - Another nice day. Not so warm, a nice breeze going. Finished ironing. Don & I planted glad bulbs. I put clothes away and mended & fixed over some things. Down home p.m. Dad & I for ride eve. Betty wrecked Jimmy's Ford. Ran into our 2 trees out front.

June 6 - 19 years of married life. We've done a lot of living in those 19 years. They surely haven't been dull. - It was about 80 today again. I pulled some weeds, made a pr. of pillow cases, did some other mending, baked cookies, cleaned two cupboards, & a few other things today. Mom was up p.m. Toodles bit Bob Sherry quite bad this p.m., making more trouble. - Woe is me, only the first week of vacation. Ruth & I went for walk eve. Dad D.R.

7 - Rained p.m. Bad wind storm. Still very hot! Well - this has been a very sad day for me. Jim came over with apologies, etc. this morn. I talked to his mother and then Dr. Thomas who treated Bob's hand came to explain the Dog Warden would come to take Toodles to observe him for rabies. ---He came --- He says he must keep him for 10 days so they can tell if he has rabies. Then I told him to put him to sleep. It will make everyone happy but the kids & I. It's almost as hard to give him up as a person. [and written up the side...] Dr. said Bob's hand wasn't serious.

8 - Betty went to Columbus with Hahn's to get Bill. Ruth went to Marciabelle's picnic. I cleaned down home a little while. It stormed a little tonight again. Dave says, "What do you s'pose Toodles will do when it storms for the next 10 days." He always hunted me up at the first sign of a storm. And Bob got out of bed & came downstairs last night before he thot, - he said he thot he heard him barking.

9 [Sun.] - Still hot! Went to church. Children's Day. Home, had dinner & then Mother & I went to Foster to see her Jimmy Stewart - Shop Ar.the Corner & Raffles. Both good. Eve. - Betty & I went to W. Wilson's [Woodrow Wilson High School] Bacchlaurete Service. Rev. McAllister spoke. He's very good. Harry came home with us. [Harry Bradford, Betty's friend, graduated.]

JUNE

10 - Hot! Washed! Big one. Went to town p.m. Paid a couple bills. Betty got her tennis racket, and play suit & shoes with some other grad. money. We dragged the tennis court tonight. My, I'm tired. Slapy. [?] It rained hard tonight again.

11 - Hot! Ironed. Washed my hair. Mrs. Sh. called to see how I felt about my dog. I told her. Ironed some more. Went up to Mary's awhile. Bob went in & got his new Old's horn (\$150) Ann was up eve. - Talked & talked, then went to Tech. Came home and ironed till 11:30. Dad D.R. Rained some p.m. Truck broke today more bad luck.

12 - Hot!!! -- Finished ironing. Iron quit on me, wouldn't heat. Betty, Kate, Ruth & I went in to Volney Rogers at 10:30 a.m., Betty played Peggy Brandon. Lost by 11-9 -- 5-7 -- 6-0. She had a cold & didn't feel good to start with and the sun was so hot and by the 32nd game she didn't care what happened, so it was over soon. Mended some eve. Rained p.m.

13 - Didn't rain today. Cooler! Thank goodness! Did some sewing early a.m. Kath H. then Mrs. Pete came over on porch. So -- 10:30 when I came in. Ironed & pressed some things. Washed kitchen floor & hall-way. Down home a little while. They got a new dining room suite & ice box. Played tennis with Jim & Ruth eve. Boy's ork here eve. Girls & I went for cones then saw Yates and took May to her work 5th ave.

14 - Baked most all morning. Cool! What a relief! - 12:30 went to Volney Rogers. Julie Misnick & Betty in Girls doubles. They won. Home & got ready to go in to meet the girls at Raver's at 6 p.m. Had roast turkey dinner Yum! and a birthday cake for Helen. Then went to see Susan & God. Joan C. & Frederic March. I've seen better shows. Home at 11:15 p.m. Rained eve.

15 - Cleaned Down home p.m. Had hard, hard rain a regular down pour for over a half hour about 4 p.m. Ruth got her perm. at Baun's today. (\$2.20) She & I went to Mkt. St. & Struthers tonight to get dresses. She got 2 - Mkt.St. (\$2 & \$1) and I got one at Strut. (2.98)

16 [Sun.] - Nice day! Still cool, but comfortable. Girls & I to V. Rogers p.m. to see Peg B. beat Julia M. 8-6 6-2 in semi-finals in girls' singles. Down home. Took Dad F. Farmer's eve. Dad & I went down to McCrone's. Their 31st anniversary. Cinch. Myron & I won 5 to 1. Home at 11:30 p.m. Harry here.

17 - Cloudy all morning. Washed! Got most everything dry. Sprinkled a little p.m. Took Betty in to Volney Rogers at 1:30. Julia & she won over Carol Trigg & Pat Fogg in semi-finals. They were going to play off the finals, but it rained quite hard for about 10 min so was too wet. I ironed 2 hrs. eve. Mrs. P. over. Dad to council.

JUNE

18 - Cool! Rain most all day and evening. Ironed from 7:30 until 12:10 and then from 2:30-3:30. Finished Tired! Betty started to work at Pioneer Mkt. for Howard Mc. today. Mrs. Mc called me yesterday & said she needed Mary in the house so would Betty like to try Mary's place in the store. 9 to 6 & till 8 on Sat. \$6 a week. She isn't sure if she likes it. Too complicated, she says. Mended eve. [& up the side in small letters....] Dad DR 1:30

19 - Cloudy a.m. Didn't rain but looked very much like it all morning. I worked in garden from 8 till 11 a.m. Ruth & I went to town p.m. Dad, R. & I got shoes - \$4.98, \$2.98, & \$3.45. Dad pants. R. bath. suit. Took Betty in to V.R. for girls' doubles finals. She & Julia won 6-2 6-2.

20 - Quite cool today. Really too cool. I made strawberry jam and jelly all day. Have 50 jars. Went down home a few minutes at 5:30. Betty & I went to S.S. Ball Game after supper. They lost as usual. Ork practise here. Mrs. Pete played for them. R. Hahn came up till 11 p.m. I stemmed strawberries after. Dad D.R.

21 - Made more jam and jelly a.m. Have 37 jars jam and 25 jars jelly. Baked a cake, 3 pies, & cookies p.m. Took cake down to mother eve. Made 4 more jars jam & 7 jars jelly tonight. 73 jars total.

22 - Cleaned. Rained a little p.m. Down home p.m. Betty works until 8 Sat. Got her first pay \$6. Dad's foot quite sore.

23 [Sun.] - Rainy early a.m. We were to go out to C'ville for chicken dinner, but - fan belt is broken or nearly, & couldn't get a new one any where so stayed right here. Called home on phone Read & slept. --- Over to Piep's for 500 eve.

24 - Rainy! Showered all day, but I kept hanging clothes out, & they all got dry finally. It cleared up by afternoon. I cleaned the old cellar p.m. Ironed some eve. & mended & to bed early. Tired.

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[on page 90] Got mixed up Ironed. Thru at 2:30. Ironed cellar curtains and put them up then. Lucille & Davey stopped for awhile.

26 - Sunshine ! But - about 11 a.m. it clouded up and we had a very hard elec. storm, with hail. Rained off & on then till about 2 p.m. What weather! Was down home early a.m. Came home at 10 and cleaned whole house. Went out & got Flo & went to San[itarium] to see Uncle Frank. Doesn't look very good. Got zinnia & aster plants. Planted some eve. Ruth H. operated on today.

JUNE

27 - Sunshine! This is Gene & Dave's big day! Vindicator Day! Was lovely day all day. I worked in garden from 7:30 to 10 a.m. Came in & did dishes & then we went to see parade. Some crowd! Home at 1:30 p.m. Ate, did dishes, went down home. Helped stem cherries. Stopped to see Ann. Got supper. Took Betty in to Tennis Banquet at Y.M. She got a cup. Marg. & Virg. Blackman here eve. She brot me salt & peppers from Wash D.C. and Malne. Meeds car stolen.

28 - Rain for a change! Began about 9 and quit about 11 a.m. Sunny p.m. Worked in garden till it rained. Baked cookles & 2 pies. Went over to Blackman's p.m. Mrs. Wehn had a stroke this morning & is pretty bad. A.B. Cover died at 5:30 this eve. Children went to free movies eve. Dad to D.R. Betty to Mansion with Jim. Me alone.

29 - Cleaned. Hard showers thru the day. Down home. Fixed picnic lunch eve for Reunion tomorrow.

30 [Sun.] - Nice early a.m. We went to Reunion at Conneaut, V. Township Park. Rained about noon & while we were eating. Sun came out p.m. but wind was very strong. Waves were very high. Boys & Ruth went in awhile any how. Just jumped waves. Couldn't swim. About 50 at Reun. Home at 7:30. Went down to A.B. Covers & over to Blackman's.

JULY

1 - Nice day. Really! Washed. Went to A.B.'s funeral p.m. Down home after and to Blackman's. Sat with Mrs. W. awhile. It's so sad. She can't talk and tries so hard. Went over to Hart's eve. Saw plans for their new house and some movies. Home at 10. Dad D.R.

2 - Nice day! Ironed a.m. nearly three. Went to North Side to see R. Hahn p.m. She's coming home tomorrow. Over to Blackman's. Mrs. W. no better. Stopped at home. Went down to Lawn Fete eve. Home early. Dad D.R.

3 - Nice day! Can't believe it! Finished ironing. Cleaned a.m. Rev. Connell came up at noon & wanted boys to pick his cherries on shares. They did, & so I canned 8 qts. made 5 glasses jelly, & saved enough for 2 pies. Worked until 2 a.m. Baked cake, too. In the afternoon Ruth & I went out to Mkt. St. I got wh. shoes. (3.98) (1.98)

4 - Lovely Day all day. Not too warm, but grand sunshine all day. Got up about 8 a.m. Baked pies & packed picnic lunch & left about 11 a.m. for Conneaut O. Towns. Park. Place was so crowded. We ate on the ground on a hillside, back quite away from the Lake. Then we walked for an hour, then went swimming. Got home about 7 p.m. Went out to Idora later. Got into one big traffic jam. Dad D.R.

5 - Nice day, all day. Sun quite warm. Baked cookies, and 4 pies. Cleaned pan cupboard. Mended. (napped, too) I'm tired today & a little sore in my muscles from swimming. Too strenuous exercise, I guess. Not often enuff is the trouble. To bed early eve. Children to free movies.

6 - Lovely Day. Cleaned. Took Mother out to Foster p.m. Came back made cake & started supper & then went for her. Eve. Ruth, Don, Dave & I went to show. Mickey Rooney in A. H. [Andy Hardy] meets Debutante. Very good. Dad D.R.

7 [Sun.] - Another grand day! Warm enough but not too warm. Wish it would stay this way rest of summer. No rain since week ago today. Just rested all day & am tireder than when I work. Went for ride eve New Bedford, Scienceville, etc. Walked up street talked to Mary & Jack & home to bed at 9:30.

8 - Sun still shining early a.m. Washed. Marg. B. called this morning to tell me her mother had another stroke last night. Ironed this eve. Dad council. Ruth went with G.Scouts to sew diapers for the Red Cross this p.m.

9 - Nice day. Getting quite warm again. Ironed. Was getting along fine till iron quit. It was Mrs. Piep's old one. Went down & got Mother's old one. Finished about 3:30 p.m. Went over to Blackman's about 5:30 to take Marg. a birth card & her mother had just died. Brot the girls home for supper. Bev. stald all night. Went to nom. com. meeting at parsonage.

JULY

10 - Still warm! Rained a little not much p.m. Baked 2 cakes & cookies a.m. One for Dave, & took one over to Blackman's. Went to town p.m. Went to funeral Home eve. Dad went with Charlie so I staid there until 9:30, then came home got kids & went to Market. Bob was alone, so we helped him pack up & come home, & unpack at B's. Brot Bev. over to stay all night.

11 - Quite warm. Mended early a.m. Baked three pies. Took 2 to Blackmn. Took Bev. in to Mkt. St. to get shoes, a.m. Went to funeral at 3. Stopped at Ruth H's on way home. We went over to S.S. Ball Game but it started to rain so they couldn't play. So - I went with Dad to D.R. Sat in car all the time.

12 - Much cooler again. Washed some towels & hose, etc. Worked in garden awhile. Baked a cake and 3 pies p.m. washed kit. floor. Walked down town about 9:30 p.m. Saw part of movie. Mended some. Dad D.R.

13 - Nice day. Cleaned. Waxed kit & bath floors. Down home p.m. Movie eve. 'Buck Benny'

14 [Sun.] - Nice day. Warm. Had chicken dinner. Worked at picture albums p.m.eve. Girls and I went to vesper Services at Canfield Fairgrounds. Rev. Talbut, speaker.

15 - Nice day. Washed, dried quickly. Ironed some p.m. and eve. Dad D.R. Rained some eve. Dem. conv. begins today.

16 - Nice day. Ironed. Thru at 11:30 a.m. Cleaned downstairs p.m. Put clothes away. Mended some. Went to Missionary picnic at Freda's. 34 there. Nice time. "The Six" (Bert, Ann, Helen, Soph, Betty & I) went to Lowellville to see the fireworks. My! My!! Never again. Had to wait too long & then too much traffic. Ann drove. Home at 1 a.m.

17 - Nice day. Baked cookies. Mended. Cleaned upstairs and straightened up attic. P.M. Made 16 glasses raspberry jelly. Down home. Dad, Don & I went to midget auto races at Canfield eve. Gene & Dave also went with Piep.'s.

18 - Put new oilcloth on sink boards a.m. Went over to Rachael's to see Aunt Belle. P.M. Mother & I went for ride. Got pretty warm. Ork practise here eve. Roosevelt and Wallace picked at Dem Conv.

19 - Quite warm today. Worked in garden just a little. Need rain badly. Baked cookies a.m. Pies p.m. Took load of kids to Shady Run. New city pool off Midlothian. Nice place. Went down to movie, eve. Jack B.[Benny] in Transatl Merry goround.

20 - Very warm! About 90 or more. cleaned. Down home p.m. Went over to see Hart's new house eve. Very nice! Then went to Volney Rogers. Nice & cool up there. Home at midnight!

JULY

21 [Sun.] - Hot! Children to S.S. Then we took dinner and went to Dun Eden Lake. Such a mob!! No place to eat or sit down or anything. We took possession of a reserved table & got told but weren't allowed to eat there. but did-- The boys & Ruth went swimming, then. We thot home looked pretty good after that. So - warm every where, tho.

22 - 90 some degrees. Who sald we weren't going to have any summer weather? Whew?! Washed. Ironed some eve. To bed at 10. Tired. Dad D.R.

23 - Still over 90. Ironed. Thru at 3 p.m. Down home. Made spaghetti & pudding eve. Dad D.R.

24 - Hotter yet!! 94 degrees. Was up at 5:30 a.m. Betty, Helen, Ann & I went to Clevel. on 8 a.m. bus. Did the stores. The air-cooled ones were grand. We were in Halle's, Higbees, May Co., Taylors, Sterling-Welsh's, Lindner's. Ate lunch at Mills. Dinner \$11 at Stouffers. That was lovely. Then went to Keith to see Geo W. Scandals and they were 'scandalous.' Got 9:10 bus home. In Poland at midnight.

25 - Up at 5 a.m. Got Gene up & took him to Y.M. to go to Clevel. with Y. boys to see Ball Game. It's nice this morning. Cool. Not for long, tho'. Was about 100 degrees. Went to Mkt.St. for chickens for store a.m. Wiped up kitchen & hall floors. Went for Gene & boys eve. They had a good time of course. Dad D.R.

26 - Mended. Cleaned downstairs. Washed towels. Temp. the same. Took kids in to Shady Run. Storm came up, so went right back after them & got in the hardest down-pour. Was a twister thru here. Broke rod on bedr. awning, came thru window and broke it all to pieces. Seemed a little cooler this eve. Walked downtown & back Dad & I.

27 - No relief. Same record heat. Around 95 degrees. Was down home early a.m. Jim Carpenter had stroke, affected his mind. Cleaned house. Baked cake. Took klds to Shady Run. Down home, took Mother for ride. Eve, went to see Maryland with Marg. B., Bess J. and Ruth & Bev. It was good.

28 [Sun.] - My oh my, what a day! Sat out under the apple tree all p.m. trying to find a breeze. Wasn't any! Went down home a little while then went to Shady Run to get kids. Decided to break an old rule of mine & go to a movie to get cooled off. Keith had "Awful Truth" & "The Lost Horizon." both good. Dave went with me. Was tired enuff to go to sleep at 12:30.

29 - There's seems to be a breeze today if one could stay in it all day. Don says the thermom. on the garage registers 104. Washed. Had to go in to pay insurance today, so took kids to Shady Run to swim while I was in town. Ironed eve. Dad D.R.

JULY

30 - 94 degrees Ironed from 7:30 to 12:30 steady, only stopped to use the phone a couple times. Then from 2 until 3:30 p.m. & so finished it. Hot as ever, tho there is a nice breeze. Dave, Bob & I left Yo. at 5:50 on train to Clev. for Clev. & Bos. game. Clev. won 2 to 1. Good game. Left Clev. at 12:05 in Yo. at 2:00. Betty & Jim went too, in car. The train was so dirty. ---Dad D.R.

31 - Well, believe it or not it's cool delightfully cool, today. O what a relief! Cleaned up the house a.m. mended some. Dad has afternoon off. Struthers Day. He & Dave went in town and got Dave's driving permit at 5:30. Dad & I went to Idora and got chicken dinner. Merchants had to buy 2 tickets (\$5) to finance the day. Very good dinner. Came home & Ruth & I went down to Lawn Fete & down home. Dad D.R.

AUGUST

1 - Cooler! Really a wind out. Hoed the glads. Did dishes then took Dave for a "lesson." Drove about an hour. He did very well. Baked cookies p.m. Down home. Eve. Ruth, Mom & I went to Foster. "If I Had My Way" and "2 Girls On Broadway." Good. Dad D.R.

2 - Temp. just about right now. about 80, but a nice cool breeze. Washed sheets & towels. Cleaned downstairs. Baked pies. Kids to movies, Dad D.R., Betty mansion. I went over to see Rachel (sick in bed) and so home to bed.

3 - Cloudy a.m. but warmed up pretty much by p.m. Baked cake & cleaned. Mother & I went to Mkt. St. p.m. All but Gene, Dave & Betty left for C'ville at 7 p.m. Went to "band concert." 500 till 1 a.m. Jim Carpenter died at 4 p.m.

4 [Sun.] - Dad & I slept till 9:30. Sure is quiet out there. Pretty warm, too. We need rain badly. Went up to Lee Earl's a.m. Ruth & Gert came up p.m. with plans about getting a cottage over Labor Day. I Hope! I Hope! Came home about 7 p.m.

5 - Cloudy part of the day. But it was up to 88 again. Washed. Thru before noon. Down home p.m. Ironed some before supper. Ironed about an hour & 1/2 eve. Went over to Hart's to movies & so to bed. Rained just a little eve. Dad D.R.

6 - Hot! Then it stormed a little about 11 a.m. Rained hard for a little while. Rained a little about 3 p.m. I finished ironing at 11 a.m. Went to Jim Carpenter's funeral p.m. Stopped at home. Went down to Ann's this eve. She's been at Lake (Cover Cottage) for 10 days. Got word from Ruth that we can have Tucker cottage 24th thru Sept. 3rd.

7 - Cool a.m. Worked outdoors couple hrs. Cleaned weeds from roses and bed by back door & tied up grape vine to Kit. window. Cleaned some. Took kids to Idora at noon. Went to town at 2 p.m. (Ins. & House pay) & then picked up kids. They had one ride. Too big a crowd. Grocers picnic. Dad slept & listened to Ball Game. Ann up eve. Dad D.R.

8 - Dave & I went for ride for his second "lesson." Down home. Over to Hart's. They took Don & Ruth in to see Walt Disney's pictures at Keith. I baked cookies. Shortened boys' slacks eve. Dad D.R.

9 - Washed sheets and towels. Hot! about 80. Cleaned downstairs. Baked 2 pies & cokies. Took Mom to Market. Ironed eve. Dad D.R.

10 - Baked cake. Cleaned. It's warm but there's a nice cool breeze. Down home & to Struthers & got a dress. 3.00 Bemberg. Had to shorten it at waist & bottom. Took all evening. Ruth M. brot her cousin Bill Shaw up. He & Betty went with Bob & Sara to the Mansion. Dad D.R.

11 - Pretty Sunday morning. Dad left at 8 to play golf at Valley G. Club at Columbiana. We women went at noon. 500 club dinner. Very good chicken dinner. Sat around p.m. Cool & nice out there. Played 500 eve until 10 p.m. Tired!

AUGUST

12 - Temp. up to 90 again. Clouded up several times all day but no rain. Washed --- Dad home tonite so I didn't iron any. Stanley Gould & Virg. & a friend from Wilkes Barre were here.

13 - Plenty warm. Ironed all a.m. & 3 till 5:30 p.m. Ruth up to get dress for Helen Olsen's dinner party tomorrow eve. We decided to wear formals to surprise her & have some fun. I got a black one from Ann tonight. Tried an up-sweep hair-do. Guess I wouldn't make a society dame. To bed at 10:15. So tired. Rained a little eve. not much or enuff.

14 - Warm or hot but cool breeze. Dave & I went for a ride early a.m. Couldn't seem to get any work done when I did get home. Talked to Mrs. Ham., Mrs. Piep & Ruth M. was up again. Did do break. dishes (Ruth went to Firestone with G.Scouts) cleaned downstairs, put some clothes away, washed hair, went with Ruth at 2 to get it set. Home, dressed & some of the neighbors said I looked swell. Whoo! [she runs over into next day's space] To continue, Ben C. came for some of us, Bowse took the rest. They had on their white fireman's hats & chauffeured us. Well, Helen sure was surprised. Fun! we surely did have a grand time. Bill Hart came out (I called him) and took pictures of us. We played bridge & I got "Bouncing Betty", a wooden dog for yard for house number. Home at 12. Her dinner was just grand, everything so pretty, table and all & hand made corsages for favors.

15 - Mostly talked all a.m. Kath. Hart over. Called girls about a picnic for Betty Mag's birthday the 23rd. All set! at Millcreek. Town p.m. Paid bills Down home. Eve. walked downtown with Ruth, Ruth M. & Ann. Got soda. Met Ruth Hahn on way home. She came up & sat on porch till 11 p.m. Dad D.R.

16 - Washed all a.m. --- Baked some p.m. Ironed some eve. Ann, Ruth, & I went out to Sophia's about 10 to help her eat her birthday cake & ice cream. Got pictures of party. They're O.K.

17 - Cleaned. Ironed.. Down Home. mended some eve. Bed early. So tired. Gene got bit by Evan's (Botsford Ave.) dog while peddling papers tonite. Went to Dr. Thomas. Not Bad! Quite warm today.

18 [Sun.] - Hot! Baked cake & got dinner. Rested all p.m. Rained about 4:30. We've been boarding Pete McCrone's dog (spaniel puppy) for a couple days. Have lots of fun with him.

19 - Cloudy with showers off and on all day. Cleared up by late afternoon. Didn't wash & glad of it. Waxed kitchen & bathroom floors. Down home p.m. Went to Dentist at 8:45 p.m. & he pulled 2 teeth. Didn't hurt, tho one came out in 3 pieces.

20 - Washed. Had a nice day, but it turned very cool. Down home p.m. Came home & ironed till suppertime. Ironed eve until 10 o'clock. All done but 3 pants & 1 shirt. Mrs. Piep came over & talked while I ironed which helped.

AUGUST

21 - Finished ironing by 8:30. Mended till my fingers were so cold I had to start a fire in the furnace. Nice weather to plan to go to the Lake, isn't it? Went to town p.m. Got couple wash dresses for me & und.wear, socks for kids. Had to take the car in to McGuires tonight. Something wrong with differential (maybe)

22 - Still cold like Oct. or Nov. I cleaned the whole house real good. Took all day. Shortened dresses for Ruth, & I & did some other mending eve. Pressed dresses. Bed at 11 p.m.

23 - Tut! Tut! This will never do! Dark & cloudy this a.m. Looks like a winter morning. Washed, got everything dry. Made potato salad for picnic tonight. It's Betty Mag's birthday so we had a picnic in Mill Creek then went over into Idora & had a good time. Played Bingo. Everyone won prizes but Helen Ruth & I. (There were 8 of us) Home at 11!

24 - Nicer day today. Cleaned a.m. Went to town on 1 Bus. Went to Dr. Chessrown Sr. Was afraid I still had a piece of a tooth that Dr. Jr. pulled, but he said not & made me feel better. Then I went to McG. & got the car. Didn't charge us anything & put in a whole new assembly they said. Runs great. Down home. Baked until 11 p.m.

25 [Sun.] - We got up at 4:25 a.m. Left here at 5:30. No one up when we got to the cottage. Soon were tho'. 26 there today. Rained all day. Had to have fire in the stove to keep warm. Carl, Betty & Bob went back early in the evening. Arthur has 3 friends here & Sara L. boy friend & ours make 8 boys and 4 girls. & 5 of us older ones.

26 - This has been a rather nice day. Sunshine part of the time, but pretty cool. Boys went in swimming a little. We worked about all day getting organized, making things as livable and handy as possible.

27 - Rain again nearly all day. Cloudy a.m. & rained from noon on. Carl, & Bob & Betty came about 4 & staid till about 8. We played cards. About all we could do. Marian & Joe came today. They'd been to Cape May fishing.

28 - Well, this is more like it. I went in swimming before breakfast this a.m. It's alright. Isn't cold at all. We went into W. Springfield to shop today. Got corn, tomatoes, pears, peaches etc. & went to Griffey's the Gen. Store & got cards & candy. Waves were high p.m. Went swimming again p.m. after Erma & I fell out of the boat. Had weiner roast on beach tonite.

29 - This has been the nicest day we've had. Warm & sunny. Just ideal. The boys left last nite. (Art & his boys) Erma & Shirley went home for a couple days & Mother & Dad came. Carl & Bob came about noon. We have a motor-boat, so have a good time in that. Louis took Carl & I way up the Lake today. C. & B. went home about 7:30.

AUGUST

30 - Well, another of those lovely rainy days. Just poured all day till about 5 p.m. then cleared up so we all went down swimming. We played cards a.m. & Bingo all p.m. Had prizes of candy, donuts, cupcakes & surprise packages so that everyone had a good time. Marian & I were to get supper, so we had spaghetti. We had enough for an army. We adults went for a ride in the eve Ha!

31 - This has been a grand day for fun. I was swimming twice. Before lunch and p.m. again. Ruth B. & I rode on the raft till I have a nice sun burn now. Blackman's came about noon. Ivan had a big order for Camp Y-Uta. We had a paper bag lunch on the beach today. A surprise meal. Cube steak dinner tonite. Was so tired tonite I went to bed at 15 to 10.

SEPTEMBER

1 - [Sun.] I was up bright & early this a.m. - 6 oclock - having gone to bed so early last nite. Noone was awake, so I slipped out & went for a walk down the beach. Then came up & walked down to the farmhouse. The folks & Marge & Pete came about then so we went back & woke up the bunch. Carl & Betty & Bob came about 10. Went swimming p.m. We had a welner roast on the beach tonite. 23 of us. Gert & Louis left this a.m. Jerry & Ben came.

2 - Last Day of our vacation! We had 2 showers this morning, then it cleared up & was nice the rest of the day. It took me nearly all day to get things packed. Was only down to the Lake once with Dickie. There were 25 here for dinner today. We left about 5 o'clock, really sorry to leave as far as our good times were concerned. I'm perfectly satisfied of having a grand vacation! Keith A. [Aumann] came up & took Betty & Bob home.

3 - Nice day. It took me all morning to get organized. Put things away, etc. About noon, I decided to wash some of the big one I have. So did towels, under., & p.j.'s & socks. Down home. Ironed or pressed some eve. School started today. They are all at H.S. now.

4 - Did the rest of the washing today. Nice hot day to dry them. Washed from 7 till nearly 4 p.m. 6 quilts, 3 blankets besides regular which was plenty. Am very tired tonite. Sorted & mended socks eve. To bed at 10:30.

5 - Nice day again. Ironed some. Rachel was over. I was up to Mary's a.m. & down home p.m. so -- didn't get much ironing done. Ironed eve.

6 - Ironed some more. Baked cookies & pies p.m. Mother up a.m. Ruth M. up p.m. Walked down town eve with Ruth for a sundae. Her birthday. Finished ironing about 10 p.m. Dog races closed suddenly tonite.

7 - Cleaned all day. Rained a little today. Down home p.m. Mended eve. Stormed tonight.

8 - [Sun.] Lovely Day. Dad went to play golf at 9 a.m. Kids to S.S. I wrote to Ruth B. Dave, Gene & I went for a ride p.m. to New Castle, New Wilmington, etc. Got into a hard downpour. Read war stories which made me dream such things all night. London is being bombarded seriously from the air for 2 nights now.

9 - Cloudy at times. Washed, & got everything dry. Ironed eve. Rained about 11 p.m.

10 - Cool today. Ironed a.m. To town p.m. Paid bills, then went around with Betty to get sweater & skirt. Mended all evening.

11 - Cold today. Cloudy. Ironed wh. pants. finished at noon. Made Don's birthday cake. He's 13 today. Made cookies. Wrote June Ham.[ilton] a letter. She's in Wash. D.C. Mother & I went to Foster eve. to see "My Favorite Wife." Very good.

SEPTEMBER

12 - Went down home early a.m. to get green tomatoes. Made 12 pts. relish. Canned 14 pts. beets & fixed pickles today. Picked some peaches tonight. Rained a little a.m.

13 - Nice day. Warmer. I made 8 glasses of elderberry jelly. Canned 2 qts. of peaches. Picked more than a peck of peaches, took Mother to Mkt. came home & baked 3 pies & made chili. Went down to Hahn's for 500 eve.

14 - Rain early a.m. Nice p.m. Cleaned all day till 3 p.m. Baked cake. Down home. Canned 2 qts. peaches eve. Tired.

15 - [Sun.] Sunny most of day. Clouds up once in a while. Dad played golf. Dave, Gene & I went for a ride to E. Palestine.

16 - Washed. not a very good day. Cloudy most of the morning. Washed all of upstairs curtains. Ironed eve.

17 - Ironed. Baked cookies p.m.

18 - Washed again. Nice day. Missed a basketful on Monday. Washed windows & woodwork in bedrooms.

19 - Nice day. Ironed curtains & put them up. P.M. took mother up to Mkt.St. to get radio. Finished ironing eve. Pies came over for 500.

20 - Lovely Day. Warm. Baked all a.m. cookies & pies. To Football game p.m. Our boys won 26 to 0 against Springfield. Bob got a touchdown. Washed hair a.m. too.

21 - Quite warm! Cleaned all day -- till 2 p.m. Down home. Eve. Dad & I walked down town & back.

22 - [Sun.] Lovely day. Mother Nic called at 8:30 to see if we'd be home, so they came out for the day. Carl went to golf Tourn. at Columbiana. Won 1st. \$5 & trophy. After folks left we went over to Blackman's till about 10:30 p.m.

23 - Nice day. Warm! Washed! Went to music meeting p.m. Down home. Stopped at Ann's. She's been to Cleve. for 5 days. Ironed just a little eve. then Dad & I went for a ride around by store.

24 - Light rain most of day, raining harder in the eve. Ironed a.m. Betty & I went to town p.m. She got shoes, pinafore & coat. Ironed some more eve, and mended.

25 - Still raining this morn. then sunshine and rain alternately thru the day. Quite cool. I washed back room curtains, woodwork and floor & moved furniture. Down home. Put up curtains and mended eve.

SEPTEMBER

26 - Nice day but cool. Was a light frost last nite. I washed liv. room curtains, woodwork & floors today. Dad played golf p.m. We went over to Blackman's eve for "cinch." Home at 10:30.

27 - Had a hard frost last nite. Nice day a little warmer. Waxed liv. & back room floors & stairs. Went over to Dearings for a music club meeting about the Fall Frolic. Baked pies p.m. & went to Ball Game. We won over N. Waterford. 53 to 14, so I guess the boys can play. Sorted magazines eve.

28 - Heavy frost again. Cleaned. Baked cookies p.m. & cake a.m. Down home till 6 p.m. Ruth & I walked down to Isaly's eve.

29 - [Sun.] Nice day again. Dad left at 8 to play golf. All of us but Betty & Dad went to see & hear U.S. Navy Band at Stam. Aud. [Stambaugh Auditorium] this p.m. They were very good. Dad & I went to Johnston's at Washingtonville for cinch eve. Home at 11.

30 - Washed! Cloudy part of the day and cool, but they all dried. Ann called this a.m. Wants to have a dinner party this Sat. eve. and that's when we go to N. Benton with club, so I told her I couldn't. She & Ruth M. came up eve again (they're getting ready for Fidelis Class meet) & asked me again. I don't think I should when this other's been planned but I don't think Ann sees it that way. Why does everything happen to me.

OCTOBER

1 - Cloudy. Ironed. Took Betty in town p.m. to get coat. (Reversible) Took Dave out to Canfield to take driver's test, but cop wouldn't take him. Too late. Went to Ann's to Fidelis class meeting. Stayed to help wash dishes.

2 - Ironed a.m. Went to town p.m. Got brown suede (Emma-Jetticks) shoes. Went in to see Sammy Kaye. Very good show. Stemmed 1/2 bus. grapes eve. Have 1 bushel.

3 - Nice day. Warmer. Made jelly all day long. Have 64 glasses of grape and 6 of apple. Cleaned stove eve. Worked until 10:30 p.m. Down home p.m. 70 glasses jelly.

4 - Thick fog until about 10:30 a.m. then a lovely day. Warm. Ironed all a.m. Put jelly away. Bake cookies and pies p.m. Went to football game. Won over N.Jackson by 40 to 6. Bob got 2 touchdowns. Went down to Ruth M. & over to Lucille's (not home) eve. Ann's going to have her party Tues. eve.

5 - Cleaned and baked 2 cakes. Down home p.m. Left for N.Benton about 8 p.m. Played cards till about 1 a.m. Slept good until 7.

6 - [Sun.] Beautiful day. Warm. Trees are lovely colors. Men went out at 7 to play golf. I slept till they came back. Lucy got breakfast. We went for a walk to the pottery place. I got some cereal dishes & a "pig bank." Had fixed chicken for dinner about 3 p.m. Played cards & the men golf & left for home about 8 p.m.

7 - Rain! Cloudy until about 10 then started in raining. Washed just the same. Rained till about 3 p.m. So I hung some down in the basement. Baked cookies eve & fixed my fingernails. Harold came to Dad today & told him he'd have to let Betty go after this week.

8 - Hung clothes out this a.m. Sunshine but a cold wind. Went down & had my hair washed & set p.m. and am sorry I wasted the money. She did it a new way & I felt like ----- well, I had to leave it that way to go to Ann's party but I combed it out soon as I got home. Ann's party was very nice. Had so much fun my sides were sore from laughing. Played bridge.

9 - Cloudy & cool. Emma called & wanted to know if I'd consider joining an afternoon bridge club of 8. Told her "yes." Hope I'm not getting into something I'll be sorry for. Got some ironing done. Ann & I went to Symphony Concert. Lucille Manners. She was very sweet & sang lovely.

10 - Nice warm sunshiny day. Ironed all a.m. Went to town about 3:30. Ruth & I. Got her 2 pr. shoes. Ed Wilderson dropped dead while raking leaves this p.m. Dad & I went for ride this eve.

11 - A rather nice day. Cloudy part of day. Mother and I went to the cottage at the Lake today. Noone around anywhere & did we have a grand time. Carried stones & sand and wood. Left here about 9:30 a.m. Got home at 6 p.m. Got lost in Lowellville coming home. Hart's moved tonite!

OCTOBER

12 - Cleaned. Nice warm day. Down home. Poland had a night football game with Springfield tonite. Crowd of about 1500 there. Our boys lost 26 to 12. They played terrible. Bob hurt his knee. Lovely eve for the game.

13 - [Sun.] Another grand day. I helped Hart's sweep out the house. Dad & I went for a hike thru Poland Park p.m. It's lovely thru there. NYA boys have been working putting in grills paths seats, etc. We went down to Werner's eve. It's their 50th wed. anniversary. Went to funeral home to see Mr. Wilderson.

14 - Lovely Day. Washed. Didn't finish hanging out until about 1:30. Did some phoning for Frolic. Went over to school to get Bob. Took him to Dr. tonight. Says there is fluid under knee cap, meaning "water on the knee", I guess. Told me how to bandage it. Ruth B. called tonite saying Howard left for Baltimore this a.m. Wanted me to bring Dave & Bob S. [Stewart] down this weekend for Pitt Game, but I wrote her I couldn't.

15 - Did very little ironing today. Was raining early a.m. So took children to school & went down home till 9 a.m. Then went to meeting at school from 10 to 12. Took Betty in town at 2 to get material for her dress table, etc. Went to club at Marie's eve. Myrtle Walker was hit by a car about 5:20 down at the end of the street. Going home from Carols. Is pretty badly hurt.M. Walker has fractured jaw.

16 - School's out. This is registration day for selective draft, & teachers are helping with it. All men between 21 and 35 inclusive must register. I ironed until I got it finished which was about 3 p.m. Went out and picked some grapes, and planted some peonies. Nice day. Took boys in for horn lessons tonite. Went up to Marie's.

17 - Rain, colder. Did phoning and rld up basement a.m. Cut out Betty's material & basted some. Took Don to store, went to W. Johnsons & Ostovichs for donations. Sewed some more on Betty's cover, eve. Very tired!

18 - Rain before seven, but cleared up then & was nice, but a little cool. Baked all a.m. 4 pies & 5 doz. donuts. Cleaned up kitchen, washed floor p.m. Went over to school at 4, took a load of food over at 4:30. Went back at 7:30 & worked until 1 a.m. Had a mob! around 400. Think we took in about \$150 they said (not clear.) Dale Shears ork was good.

19 - Snow! Began snowing about 9:30 & snowed lightly all day. By afternoon the ground was white. Brrr! Cleaned. Down home. To bed early tired! Betty went to Retreat at Chr. Mission Camp.

20 - [Sun.] Cloudy most of day. Cold. Dad went to play golf about 1 p.m. I took boys, Ruth & Dad out to see model airplanes fly at Woodworth. Lots of fun! Betty came home tonite. Said it was plenty cold last nite. Fresh air camp.

21 - Rain most of morning. Cloudy p.m. so didn't hang out any clothes. Filled the basement. Mended p.m. Lengthened Ruth's red coat. Ironed a few things eve. and mended socks. Dave gets part in Junior Play. (Nov.16)

OCTOBER

22 - Everything white with frost. Hung out clothes from yesterday. Ironed some. Betty & I went to town p.m. Took car to McGuire's. Wasn't charging. Down home. Ironed till 10 eve. Was nice day. Sunny & not cold. Got brown hat. (Ash 1.25) [?]

23 - Finished ironing about 3 p.m. Beautiful day. Cleaned a little downstairs. Took Bob for his lesson, then we stopped at Uptown and saw Bob Hope in Ghost Breakers. Funny!

24 - Another grand day. Mended & put clothes away a.m. Cleaned out 2 drawers under window sill. Took mom & went for a ride out West. Reserve Road clear thru to the cottage at N.Benton. Lovely drive. Trees & farms made lovely scenery. Blackman's over eve.

25 - Cleaned some kitchen drawers & cupboards a.m. Baked 4 pies & cookies p.m. Took Bob & a load to football game at N.Jackson. We won 49-0. Dad & I went for a ride eve up around market. Took Bob to Dr. eve. Just says it's very slow & will be.

26 - Cloudy. I took Betty & Dave in to Stouss for a practise for a radio program at 8:30 a.m. Home at 9 & cleaned. Down home p.m.

27 - [Sun.] Rather a cloudy day. Dad played golf. Dave was on a radio broadcast at 1 p.m. WKBN. music teach. assn. program, Betty played for him. They did O.K. I went to bed & slept for about 3 hrs. p.m. Went over to Blackman's eve.

28 - Cloudy early a.m. but started to hang clothes out. They dried nicely so hung them all out & got them all dry. Very glad too, for I got a lot ironed this eve. then.

29 - Rain most all p.m. and eve. Did some more ironing early a.m. Mary M. & Mrs. Mangold came & we planned a party for Hart's. Went to music meeting p.m. at Grade School and tea at Bennets after. Very nice. 500 club eve. at Dorothy's. (Down home after the tea.) Got word tonite that Clare Nicolls had died. 29th

30 - A pretty nice day most of the day. Just cool today. Was over to Lucille's & Ruth's this morning. Betty & I went to Stuthers to look for a dress. (me) (no good) Finished ironing p.m. Took a long nap. Went out to Ev. Black's tonight for spaghetti supper. Ruth helped her. Meal was very good only too much! We played Bingo. Each got a prize. Fun.

31 - Cool & cloudy. Baked cookies a.m. Went to Emma's to bridge club at 1 p.m. Had a good time. Went to football game at 4. We won by an exciting finish. 13 to 18. Fairfield. Dad & I went for ride into town eve. Nothing exciting. Betty went to skating party. Bob to Sara's, Dave bowling with Dan R. [Reichart] Gene out. Ruth to Harts to Hall. party & Don stayed home and did home work all eve.

NOVEMBER

1 - No school today. Teacher's meeting. Washed my hair. Baked 4 pies & cookies. Took mom to mkt. & then into town with Bob. (He got jacket & trousers) Gene, too. Rained all day and all eve. Home from town about 5 p.m. Supper, then got ready & went back in for Dave's recital. Was very nice. Betty played for Dave.

2 - Nice day but cool. Cleaned. Went in town for Bob's trousers. Took mum along. Betty worked at McCrory's [5 & 10 cents store] today from 11 to 6. Got \$1.69. Kept Slavens children eve. Dad & I went to A. Johnsons with Blackmans. Cinch till 2:30 a.m.

3 - [Sun.] Slept until 9:30 a.m. Children went to S.S. When they came home we decided to go to C'ville. Was a nice day for a drive. Everyone went but Betty. Erma's were there & Gert's & Marge's came up. We went to L. Earl's, too. Home at 7:30 p.m.

4 - Grand day. Warm like summer, washed. Got everything dry. Ironed nearly everything by 11 p.m. Plenty of political talks on radio.

5 - Rain of course! It's election day. Just poured part of the time, but kept up most of the day. Betty finished ironing & cleaned the house. I took Dave out to Canfield for driver's test about 11 a.m. but too many ahead of him so we gave it up again. P.M. went down home & took Betty & Virg Baer down to Mary Yates & had ice cream. Eve. Blackman's and Bowdlers and we played rum & cinch till about 2 a.m. and were convinced that Roosevelt is President for a 3 term. Thunderstorm eve.

6 - Snow flurries most all morning. Very cold. Cleaned kitchen cupboard a.m. made soup & talked on phone & Mary was in p.m. Piepenbrinks were over for 500 eve. For once we women beat them 6 to 1. To bed at 10 p.m.

7 - To town a.m. Mary M., Mrs. Mangold & I to get Hart's gift. Were to have the party this Sat. eve, but Katherine has quinzzy. Got them a mirror (8.50) discount made it \$6.22. It's beautiful, I think. I got a blue wooly dress (3.95) Lucille W [Withers] was over p.m. We planned a dinner party for the girls at her house the 30th.

8 - Snow flurries today. Finished my dress & Ruth's skirt, & baked all p.m. Sewed eve.

9 - A Rather nice day, not specially, tho'. Cleaned till 10 a.m. then all of us went in town. Betty to work at McCrory's, Don & Dave got shoes, Gene a new suit at Printz, Ruth just went along. (and me.) Came home & finished cleaning & baked cake. Went down home till 6. Gene, Don, Ruth & I went to State to see "Blondie has servant trouble" eve.

10 - [Sun.] Cloudy. Blackman's & us went to A. [Art] Johnston's from 3 to 12:30. Too much!

NOVEMBER

11 - Raining! Up at 6. Started washing. At 9 a.m. took Betty out to G.F. to put in application. R.Hahn went along. She had talked to a man who knew a man who might take her on. But he said he didn't need anyone right now, but may later on. We came back and washed some more, then went to Armistice program at school 11 a.m. Came home finished washing. Eve, went up town to parade. Dad, Dave, Bob were in it.

12 - Nice day. Ironed. Betty cleaned house. I washed bath & kitchen. Went down home & to pay gas p.m. 500 club at Blackman's eve. Betty had class meeting here this eve.

13 - Finished ironing a.m. Lovely day. Not very cold. Went to Legion card party p.m. Betty had to go in to McCrorys to work from 11:30 to 2:30. I stopped down home after card party. We filled in at Hahn's club tonight. They asked us to join. I enjoyed playing with them very much.

14 - Cloudy all day. Betty & I went in town at 10 a.m. She worked from 11 to 5:30. I went to bridge club at B.Pollock's p.m. and went to Symphony tonite. Moriz Rosenthal. Wonderful! Ann & I talked till 12:15. It began snowing about 7 p.m. and when I came in ground is covered.

15 - The outdoors is beautiful this morning with snow covering everything. Kept snowing lightly most all day so that there's a couple or 3 inches now. Driving is difficult. I cleaned medicine chest & bath. walls a.m. Baked pies & cookies p.m. Went down to church bazaar & got two aprons. Went in town for Betty at 6. Dad & I went to turkey supper. Then to Junior Play. It was very good. Dave was in it.

16 - Roads very slippery. Began snowing late p.m. again. Quite cold, too. Betty worked today, yesterday too. Cleaned. Down home. Had Hart's house-warming tonite. 22 of us. Had a good time. It was Katharine's birthday, too.

17 [Sun.] Snow melting today. Not so cold. Slept some p.m. Over to Blackman's eve.

18 - Cloudy. Washed. Hung them all indoors. Rested p.m. Cleaned some. Mended eve. Betty worked.

19 - Still some snow on the ground. Ironed some. Took Betty in to corner. Made Brownies. Went down home awhile p.m. Ironed from 7:30 to 10 p.m. not done.

20 - Ironed some more. Finished about 1 p.m. Took Betty in town & got mom's sweeper. got yellow mums for Mom, Mary & I. P.m. went down home, to Hart's, & Lucille's. Rained all day. Dad worked late, so all but Betty & Bob & him went in to see Kay Kyser's picture & Blondie -----

21 - [Thanksgiving] Lovely day. Sunshine & warm. Went to church. It was at Method. All went to Mother's for dinner. Home at 7 p.m. Dad went coon-hunting. I sewed all evening.

NOVEMBER

22 - No school. Nice day. Baked brownies. Washed windows, cleaned cobwebs, chandeliers, what-nots and pictures, etc. Went in to Mkt. St. for Don's salve, eve. Sewed till 11 p.m. am embroidering towels.

23 - Cleaned all day. Down home. Sewed eve.

24 [Sun.] Cloudy day. Getting colder. Wrote letters to Ruth and the folks.

25 - Rather nice day. Cold. Washed. Mary in p.m. Ironed eve.

26 - Began sleeting about 1 p.m. Got very icy & then slushy by evening. Ironed a.m. Finished all but press. sheets & towels. Went to music meeting. Good turnout. Had tea. Went to funeral home eve. Ray Rogers died Mon. 500 club at Bess J. eve. Home at 2:00

27 - Cold. Light snow all day. Windy. Press sheets & trousers a.m. etc. Town p.m. Got tallies etc. for 3 card parties. next Sat. the 17th and 12th. Just rested & listened to radio eve.

28 - Snowing. Baked cookies. Washed kitchen woodwork a.m. Bridge club at Mildred's p.m.

29 - Snowing most all day. Fine snow. Very icy on the roads. Baked small cake for Ruth's birthday. She's going to Sara's for supper & to Sara's recital. Baked pies. Went down home p.m. Over to Lucille's eve to pick turkey, etc.

30 - Very, very icy early a.m. Began to rain p.m. Snow all gone by eve. Cleaned till 1:30 p.m. Went over to Lucille's & helped set table etc. came home at 4:30 started supper here, then back at 5:30 until 12:30 a.m. Everything was nice, I guess, except ran out of gravy.

DECEMBER

1 [Sun.] - Snowed again lightly most of day until 3 p.m. Then sun came out and melted it. Got up at 9:30. Made cake. Addressed 20 Chr. cards p.m.

2 - Washed. Snowing. Went to see the Southernaires tonight at South High with Ann, Mother Cover and Aunt Ollie. They were very good. Enjoyed them very much. Very icy.

3 - Ironed. Went to town p.m. Took car to McGuire's to have heater fixed. Went on in to town & got new ruffled curtains for living & dining rooms. I like them. Went to Lucy J's for 500 eve. Very cold!

4 - Ironed today. Pressed some of the curtains & got them up.

5 - Shortened one curtain for short window. Finished putting them up. Down home.

6 - Washed a.m. Washed kitchen walls & ceiling p.m. Minister here. Made soup & baked. Went to first basket-ball game. Poland won both games from Greenford. Dave made 5 points.

7 - Cleaned. Down home p.m. Went to basket-ball at Lowellville. Good game. Poland won both. Came home & ironed curtains for back room & put them up.

8 [Sun.] - Nice day. Made some caramels p.m. Boys & Dad went bowling p.m.

9 - Washed. Finished putting up curtains. Ironed eve. Put new oilcloth on kitchen drainboard p.m.

10 - Ironed a.m. To town p.m. Pay bills & got prizes for club Thurs. To basket-ball game at Scienceville eve. Reserv. lost, varsity won. Bob made 3 points. Came home & finished ironing.

11 - Really cleaned all day. Washed & waxed all downstairs floors & bath-room besides other cleaning. So tired eve. Know the house is clean, anyhow.

12 - Cleaned. Had bridge club p.m. We had a good time tho' we only got 2 games played. Kath won first, Emma low. Gene was sick a.m. Stomach. He peddled papers, tho'. Blackman's were over p.m. for 500 & cinch. How can I remember bridge this way?

13 - Washed a.m. Down home a while p.m. Baked. To ball-game. Poland won both games from Springfield. Bob made 2 points & Dave 9.

14 - Nice day. We all but Betty, Bob & Dad went to town at 9:30. Some crowds! Home at 1 p.m. Cleaned some. Bed early eve. Tired.

15 [Sun.] - Lovely Day. Wrapped gifts and addressed Chr. cards all day & eve. Boys & Dad went bowling p.m.

16 - Washed. Didn't have many. Took Boys radio in town p.m. Mom & I. Stopped at Mkt.St. 5 & 10. Ironed eve.

DECEMBER

17 - Finished ironing from Friday & pressing for yesterday. Very cloudy day. Some snow on the ground a.m. Cleaned. Had 500 club here tonight. Exchanged gifts. Got salt & pepper set.

18 - Still cloudy. Dusted & ran sweeper. Put dishes away, etc. Wrapped a few gifts a.m. To Christmas music program eve. at school.

19 - To town a.m. Got Dad Hat & sweater & pants. Mrs. Piep over p.m. for 2 hrs. so didn't get anything done but lunch dishes. Ann & Ruth A. & I went to Symphony eve. Fray and Braglottl. Very good. Stopped at Gob Shop. Home at 12:15 a.m.

20 - Washed a.m. Down home awhile p.m. Baked pies. Went to B.B. game with Canfield. Res. won. Vars. lost by about 10 points.

21 - Cleaned. To town from 11 to 1:30. Down home for awhile. Left at 5:45 to meet "girls" & we went to Ravers for turkey dinner then to see Judy Garland in Little Nellie Kelly. Had gift exchange. I got bracelet from Evelyn. Ann, Ruth & I went up to school to see "dance." Nice.

22 [Sun.] - Dad & Bob worked all a.m. at poultry. Dave & Bob sang with chorus on Salute to Poland program at 2 p.m. I made candy p.m. no luck. Went to church program eve. all of us but Betty. Bob was in play.

23 - Went to town early a.m. Home at 1 p.m. Down home awhile. Ironed all eve.

24 - It's a beautiful warm day. Carl left at 4 a.m. Bob at 6 and Betty at 8. I wrapped gifts early a.m. then made some candy, then cleaned. Didn't get thru till 5. Took a bath & got supper. Boys brot tree in about 6 & trimmed it. I baked cake, made salad etc. eve. To bed at 11 p.m.

25 - A lovely spring day for a merry Christmas. Warm and sunshiny. We got up the latest this morn of any Chr. morn since we've had the children I think. After 7. Mother & Dad were here from noon till 7:30. Ralph & Rachel were over early eve & had ice cream & cake with us. Was a very nice day all 'round & we have lots of nice gifts. In the eve Carl & I visited Beebes, Maurices and Plepenbrinks.

26 - Cloudy. Rained a little eve. Washed. Ruth had 5 guests all p.m. one staid all night. Peg Hart. Blackman's came over eve & we went along to Columbiana to see Bess' thing. On the way home the Ford quit out by 5 points. We pushed it in to the station & Carl staid while some folks going by brot us home & Ivan got the truck & went back and they towed it home.

27 - Cloudy. Cleaned out 2 drawers a.m. Ironed some. Put up cellar curtains. Ironed all eve. Ruth M. & Evelyn B. & Mrs. Black were here about 10 p.m.

DECEMBER

28 - Nice day. Too warm for this time of year. Finished ironing about 10 a.m. Cleaned. Blackman's in awhile at noon. Marg. brot me another diary for next year. Down home about 5. Mom & I went to Carbon for spring water. So tired eve. Just slept. Betty, Bob & Dave went to Nu Elms to see Benny Goodman.

29 [Sun.] - Raining! Getting colder. Started out about 3 p.m. (Dad & I) went to Withers, Hahn's, Florence G's, and Meeds. Home at 7 p.m. It's snowing this eve. The rain turned to snow.

30 - Windy & cold this a.m. Ground almost covered with snow. Washed. Down home p.m. Played cards with kids eve. To bed early. Got a letter from home today and Jennie L. has Scarlet Fever. She's at Erma's.

31 - Not much snow left. Ironed steadily all morn. Filled pie shell & packed and took lunch to store at noon. Finished ironing about 2:30. Went to Hart's to a party this eve. Didn't start playing cards till 10:30 played till 1 a.m. Home at 2:00 Listened to radio till 3:30.

This ends 1940. I'm most thankful for our good health in the past year and our good times.