

1958 DIARY OF NELLIE (HELEN) CONVERSE CARR, Otego, NY. 1878-1968. Age:80 years old. Copied December 2016 by Alicia Ione Leonard McNutt Pagano, granddaughter of Nellie Carr

Comments: Written in the small black 6 ring notebook along with 1957. At the opening of 1958, Gma is at the Seaman's family in Suffield, CT. She has been there in Suffield since Oct and now for just 3 weeks this year. She has been caring for the 92 year old Mrs. Seaman in her home in Unadilla.

In October Mrs. Seaman's family brought their mother to their home in Suffield and Gma came along to continue caring for her. Now she has been admitted to a nursing home (Jan 21) and Gma's daughter Helen went to bring her home and took her to Norma Collin's home (my mother) on Route 23 in Sidney, near Sidney Center. This is where she is living now and where she will live for the next 10 years until her death in April 1968.

I had recently wondered if Gma Carr had ever traveled beyond the Otsego County area where she spent most of her life. This was my first documentation that she had been out of New York State--to Connecticut and Massachusetts. I believe she went to Quakerstown PA some years earlier as her daughter, my aunt Helen's family, lived there for a short period of time. Although Gma did not travel widely, she had a broad perspective on life, felt comfortable with people who had traveled, commented on politics and enjoyed attending various venues where people brought photos of their travels or missionaries talked of their experiences in other countries. She seemed to be a person of the world without traveling much.

Churches: When I was growing up in the 1940s the Baptist and the Presbyterian churches formed a Federation and alternated pastors. Both churches were used a various times. I do not know the rationale for the Federation, but have thought it was economical at the time. I have read the Presbyterian church roll or a copy of it in the small stone Unadilla Historial Building when I was presenting the History of Girl Scouts in Unadilla. (I also did a history of the Women's Club in Unadilla and it was in the Historical Building. AP) I noted that I became a member when I was 11. Gma became a member of this church or the one in Otego. Now the churches are separate again and my mother takes Gma to the Presbyterian church while she and her husband go to the Baptist church (Jan 26). There is no animosity about this, it is just what each is doing. On 4 Nov Gma and mother went to Sidney Center to vote. Now we vote in Sidney and the Reustow's across the street vote in Sidney Center. Don't know when this changed.

My mother has been making and tying quilts. (Nov 19). I believe they put up the frame in the livingroom, then they had a kind of "quilting bee" where mother's husband George, neighbor's or friends from church, and mother and Gma worked on the quilt. One time I gave her some scraps of material from La Fata's father's dress factory in Staten Island. The pieces were about 2 x 9 inches and in white, peach, blue, and another color. Mother designed and quilted a beautiful quilt for me. She told me this was the only quilt she "quilted." All the other quilts she made had been tied. I showed this quilt in the Mt Upton Quilt Show one year in early 2000s.

Gma makes rugs as well as helping with the quilts. She spends a great deal of time with these rugs during the next few years. I remember visiting home near the end of her life and she was still sitting at her sewing machine working on braiding her rugs.

As I read Gma's diaries it seems as if she is always working, Always doing something productive. Here is one example. 20 Nov Thur. Mostly fair, pleasant. Norma & Rita went to Norwich and Sidney to trade. I kept busy ironing, cleaning upstairs etc.

Reading the diaries for the next ten years, I am amazed and impressed by the closeness of our family. My sister Rita's family was always back and forth with mother and Gma is right there in it too. Rita brings Michele to stay over for the week, takes her home on Friday and leaves David or one of the other children. Now, as I reflect, I can understand more clearly the close relationship between my sister and my mother. Again, I was living far from family and missed these times. Gma's diaries bring me close into the family and I am living that as well as appreciating the life I lived that was far from them geographically. My life, and the lives of my children, is enhanced in this way. I am thankful for the opportunity to copy these diaries now.

In high school, we were close to the Collins family. They were members of our church and we did things socially with the boys. When their mother, who was a friend of our mother, died it seemed like a natural progression for George and mother to find their way through friendship into marriage and the care of our families. All four of George's boys served time in the Air Force--Walter, Moby, Bob, and Fred. Walter went on to Cornell and has become the "father of Vet Tech in the United States." Moby completed 20 years in the service and then began his own business. Both of the younger boys did their several years and continued on in various professions. All of us find the farm as "home" and we love all that it means to us.

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1 Jan Wed, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. --

7 Jan Tue. Rec'd letter from Carrie. I went to Springfield with Shirley Orr and was measured for a truss. Began snowing Late in p.m.

8 Jan Wed. 8 or 10 in of snow this a.m. Many schools closed. Catherine did not teach. Colder to night.

9 Jan Thu. 10. --

11 Jan Sat. Catherine & I went to Springfield on 11:20. I could not get my truss finished in time to come home with her so waited til 5:30. Cold.

12 Jan Sun. --

13 Jan Mon. Had a letter from Helen. Cold.

14 Jan Tue. A bad storm. Rain & sleet. Icy. Schools closed around. Jean did not go to work. Catherine school closed.

15 Jan Wed. Gradually warmer. Street slushy. Jean not feeling well so did not go to work. Has cold & head ache.

16 Jan Thu. 17. --

18 Jan Sat. Catherine & I went to Springfield on 9:40 bus. Came home on 2:00. I went to Surgical shop for check up on truss. Cold & icy walks.

19 Jan Sun. Dr Coats came & told Mrs S that she's to go to nursing home. The ambulance came for Mrs. S at 2:30. Catherine went with her mother. Jean drove and took things.

(Another account on page before. AP). Mrs. S was taken to the Convalescent Home & Hospital in Windsor Locks this afternoon in ambulance. I phone Helen that I was ready to come home when weather was right.

20 Jan Mon. --

21 Jan Tue. Catherine found by phoning that we had better not go to N home to see Mrs. Seaman yet. Helen & Betty came between 2 & 3 for me. We got off around three. Made good time till we left Albany when it began to rain-freezing on. Slow traveling for some time then better for the last 50 miles or so. Left Betty at the Baptist home. Late evening when we got to Helen's.

22 Jan Wed. --

23 Jan Thu. Rich & Helen brought me to Norma's in evening.

24 Jan. Fri. N went to Sidney for groceries and I went along and called at Mrs. Melicks while she was at store.

25 Jan Sat. Snowing this a.m. Turned to rain and thawing during nite.

26 Jan Sun. N & Geo went to Unadilla Bap church and I went along to Pres church. Thawing. Some rain in p.m. N & G went for a ride in p.m. Rita & family were over in p.m. & stayed all evening.

27 Jan Mon. Snowed during the nite. Trees beautiful. N did small washing.

28 Jan Tue. Snowed & rained in a.m. N went to Sidney to do errands in a.m. In even N & G went down to Hayes. Freddie came. Seems wintry.

29 Jan Wed. --

30 Jan Thu. Temp around freezing or little above after snow flurries.

31 Jan Fri. Some sunshine also snow flurries. About freezing temp. Norma went to Sidney to shop. I went along and when N went to Norwich on an errand, I stopped at Barbara Gould's.

1 Feb. Sat.--

2 Feb Sun. We went to church Jessie & A came over to call in p.m. It snowed by spells most of the time to-day.

3 Feb. Mon. Cold. Windy.

4 Feb Tue. Cold-stormy-windy-12 degrees or so above zero. N went over to Rita's and took her to Sidney. Stormy about 1:30 when she came home.

5 Feb Wed. 6 --

7 Feb Fri. Stormy. Norma went to Unadilla to shop & do errands. I went along, called at Harris' then N took me up to Teed's. We went to F.C. Dinner party at Mrs. Riders. 27 there. Had a fine dinner & pleasant time. Very strong blustery night.

8 Feb Sat. Stormy & blustery.

9 Feb Sun. Still wintry. Am still at Teed's.

10 Feb Mon. Bright. No wind. Geo came for me in p.m. Cold night

11 Feb Tue. -3 Degrees this a.m.

12 Feb Wed. 13.

14 Feb Fri. Cold most of the week. Began snowing in a.m. N went over to Rita's early and they went to Sidney to get gro. It snowed hard Fri & Sat and blew so we couldn't get out to church. Helen & Rich called in late p.m. Betty came later. Was here to supper and spent evening.

15 Feb Sat. --

16 Feb Sun to Sat 22 Feb.. Sun even I was dizzy & sick and it kept up all day Mon & Tue. Wed a.m. Dr. Hust came. I was in bed most of the wk but up some Fri & Sat and am feeling better. But weak & not able to do anything. Fri wrote to Carrie and Sat to Mrs. Melick. Still. Cold but not zero. David came over the 11th and stayed until the 19th when Rita came for him. The driveway has been snowed in for a wk or so. Fri & Sat the snow remover was used and it was cleared. Fred came home Fri nite.

23 Feb Sun. A pleasant day. Not very cold. Some above freezing. N had headache. Geo not very good so they didn't go to church. Fred went. I read, and washed dishes 3 times. The first work I've done in a week.

24 Feb Mon. 40 degrees or so. Bright. I feel much better, but tire easily. Wrote to Helen. N & G worked on income tax in all.

25 Feb Tue. Mild. Some sunshine. Snow melting fast. G & N went to Sidney this a.m. To do errands. Geo not working yesterday & to day.

26 Feb Wed. Bright. N & I went to Sidney to do a few errands. It was Spring-like. 40 degrees or over.

27 Feb Thu. Rainy or snowing by spells. 34 degrees Sun a.m.

28 Feb Fri. Some rain & snow. 40 degrees or over. Norma went to Sidney to get groceries this a.m. Fred came home to nite. Norma took him to Sidney to go with others to see a game at Sherburne.

1 Mar Sat. Some rain. Thawing. Fred bro't a girl friend to supper.

2 Mar Sun. Thawing. Snow disappearing nicely. We went to church. Wayne Lyon & family called this p.m. Freddie left in p.m. For Cortland. Cloudy in p.m. I

3 Mar Mon. Cloudy. Some rain. 40 degrees. Geo not working. Rec'd package, candy etc from Catherine S.

4 Mar, Tue, 5, & 6. Mostly warmer. 40 degrees. Some snow flurries.

6 Mar Thu. Norma went to Sidney to shop. I went and stayed at Mrs. Melicks. N stopped and we stayed and had cookies & tea. Snowed hard when we first got back, but it didn't amount to much.

7 Mar Fri. Some snow. Still milder.

8 Mar Sat. Colder. 20 degrees in a.m. And warmed up only about to 25 degrees. Geo did not come home. Phoned & wrote.

9 mar Sun. Went to church. In p.m. N & I rode down below Sidney to see the deer. Heard that an albino deer had been seen in that locality but of course we didn't see it.

10 Mar Mon. N & I went to Sidney to see "Old Yaller." It was very good we thought.

11 Mar Tue. Norma & I went to Oneonta. N bought her a new coat, also house dress. I got a hat. We stopped at Helen's on our way up. We saw a lot of deer feeding on bare places.

12 Mar Wed. Norma took me up to the Cope's. She stayed to dinner.
13 Mar Thu. We went up to church to dinner served by Circle of the Assn. Saw a lot of folks I knew.
14 Mar Fri. It snowed in the nite and is still at it. About 34 degrees in a.m. Sap ran all nite.
15 Mar Sat. Cloudy. Snow flurries. Walter boiled down the sirup and canned it this p.m. Around 33 degrees. I sorted stockings. (*For rugs. AP*)
16 Mar Sun. We went to church & SS. Cloudy & snow flurries. Saw 3 deer feeding below the house.
17 Mar Mon. Snowed during the nite. Sap ran a little thru the nite. 35 degrees or so. Snow flurries to day. Foggy. Rec'd card from Norma. Geo came home Wed nite.
18 Mar Tue. This afternoon we went down to Effie Medburry's to call. It was a good weather. Stormed a little after we got back. Walter finished up his 3rd run of sap. Talked with N at p.m.
19 Mar. Wed. We went over to New Berlin this p.m. To call on Jennie Phelps. Went up to call on E Millard but didn't find them home. Called at Gail Cross. Minnie was there. Called at Ella Pearsall's but they weren't at home. It did not storm to-day. A very little sunshine.
20 Mar Thur. Storming this a.m. And kept it up by spells. Still more stormy toward nite. We hear it is very bad in places S of here. Md especially. Heavy snow fall. As far as Va there is an unusual depth. We went up to Guy Posts to call on his mother who is there sick.
21 Mar Fri. We went up to an Assn meeting at Georgianna Halbert's this p.m. I stopped to call on Helen brown who is sick. This even we called at the Swenningsons. Not as stormy later in the day. We rode up to the meeting with Viola Post. Walter came for us in p.m.
22 Mar Sat. A few flurries in early a.m. Carrie & Walter brought me home in p.m. We came by way of Sidney.
23 Mar Sun. Bright most of the day. 40 degrees or so. We went to church.
24 Mar Mon. I went with Betty & Helen up to visit Mary & family. We started some after 12:00 so didn't have too long to stay. It was a lovely sunshiny day and it was an interesting trip. so much snow in places. We stopped for a lunch on Quaker St.
25 Mar Tue. --
26 Mar Wed. I had a date with Dr. Joseph at 10:30. Norma took me down and did her weekly shopping. Stormed more or less during the a.m. About 40 degrees.
27 Mar Thu. Cloudy in a.m. But later mostly sunny.
28 Mar Fri. Cold in a.m. Sunny & Spring like during most of the day. Cloudy in p.m. Partly. Fred & friend came just in time for supper. N & Geo went to the sale at Chambers to-nite.
29 Mar Sat. Cool mornings but warmed up to 50 degrees or so. sunny. Carrie & Mildred Cope called late in p.m. Norma went over to Mrs. Mason's to a brush party to nite. Fred came back after going to Cortland for a test. Will be here for 2 wk Spring vacation.
30 Mar Sun. Norma's birthday. We all went over to Rita's to dinner.
31 Mar Mon. --

1 Apr Tue. --

2 Apr Wed. N went to Sidney to shop. Walter & Bev came late to night. Stayed over night. Went early up to her folks.

3 Apr Thu, 4. --

5 Apr Sat. The folks all went to a sale this evening. Bo't a deep fat electric cooker.

6 Apr Sun. Easter sun. Rained all day. N & G went to church. Rita & family were here to dinner & evening. We went for a ride to Afton to see high water. Also E. Sidney dam.

7 Apr Mon. Rain & sunny by spells.

8 Apr Tue. Cold. Snow squalls. N washed & dried in spite of the rain.

9 Apr Wed, 10.--

11 Apr Fri. Geo & Norma went to Sidney in evening and I went with them to Unadilla to Mrs. Chambers to the F.C. Meeting. 12 present. We had a pleasant time. It snowed both going & coming.

12 Apr Sat. Cold & damp. N did Fred's washing and it dried fairly good. Rained some in late p.m. N has a hard cold and feels quite bad. I made bread & cookies and did some cleaning.

13 Apr Sun. Bright & warmer tho cool wind. Geo & N did not feel like going to church. Fred went to Sidney and I went to Unadilla to church.

14 Apr Mon. Warm & bright. N feeling better. Did a big washing and most of the ironing. N & G worked outside to-night at asparagus bed.

15 Apr Tue. N & I went to Sidney in good season this a.m. she had errands & I called at Mrs. Jones. N & G went to Sidney to-nite to see Dr Stacy. They plan to see Tuie at the hospital. He has the same trouble he had last winter.

16 Apr Wed. N & I went over to Mrs. Seaman's house for my things, then went to the Teed's for what I had there. It was a fine day. Cope's & Dorothy called.

17 Apr Thu.. --

18 Apr Fri. Norma went to Sidney to shop for groceries. I had a cold so couldn't go. She called at Mrs. Melicks aAnd left some rolls.

19 Apr Sat. Very warm. Fred came home. We baked all a.m. Geo & N put in more seeds.

20 Apr Sun. Very warm. Up to 80 degrees. I didn't go to church as had a cold & lame leg. The rest went. Rita & children came over for dinner. Rita went down to see Tuie in p.m then again in even. It threatened rain (thundered) and sprinkled some. The children stayed here while she was gone. Mr & Mrs Vincent called in p.m. And stayed to supper.

21 Apr Mon. Warm. Threatening rain all day and finally there was at shower in late p.m. We froze 6 p'kgs d greens to-day. N took some down to Hoyts. Walter came in this evening. Stayed over nite. Left his dog here.

22 Apr Tue. --

23 Apr Wed. We froze 7 p'kgs greens to-day.

24 Apr Thu. We went to Unadilla this a.m. Took greens to Miss Halsey & Harris' then went on to Sidney. I called at Mrs. Melicks. N got groceries, Etc Took greens & Mrs. M., N & G went down to Hoyts this evening. Took greens. Francis Daniels called in p.m.

25 Apr Fri. Cool. We had a busy day. Rita & children were here for supper. Then she left the boys & went to Sidney to shop and to call on Tuie. In even. N & G went to Sidney to Dr. Stacey's. They took the boys and dogs.

26 Apr Sat. Norma & George went to Ithaca this a.m. Started at 11:00. Rather cold & windy.

27 Apr Sun. Cold a.m. Fred & I went to church. N & G came back earlier than expected as Geo was sick all the time they were away. Chas Teed came Fri and was at church with Amasa & Jessie

28 Apr Mon. A rainy day. We did not wash.

29 Apr Tue. Fair in a.m. We got clothes pretty well dried & some ironing done.

30 Apr Wed. Rita & children came over toward nite. She went down to see Tuie. They stayed all night here. W & Carrie called.

1 May Thur. N took Rita to Sidney to take her car to be fixed then took them home a little later. N & I went up to Helen's. Stopped in Unadilla to leave muffins at the Harris' also at Wood's store. Helen & N went up on a hill on the Otsdawa Rd to see ponies I rode along and stopped at Mr. Kirk Stayed to dinner and N came back for me, then went home

2 May Fri. Quite pleasant. Cool. Windy. Amasa is expected to have an operation this a.m. No went with Geo to a Union meeting at Oneonta to-nite. Fred came home, then went to Ithaca. Tuie came home this a.m.

3 May Sat. --

4 May Sun We went to church. N & G went over to Mr. Savory's this p.m. Called at Rita's on way home.

5 May Mon. Cloudy. some wind. We washed. Geo went to Oneonta early to get plaster to use on the apartment. Jessie called. Chas took plane for Tex this a.m. Amasa getting along satisfactory.

6 May Tue. & 7 May. Cool & rainy. Geo & N working on the apartment as G has no work.

8 May Thu. Rainy & cool. N & G went to Oneonta this p.m. Fred & Elmer came in at supper time. N. I went to S Centre to the store this evening. Some sunshine toward nite.

9 May Fri. Norma & I started for G-ville about 9:40. Stopped in Sidney to do various errands. Called at Ernest Pearce's. Ate our lunch near Ferry place. Went to Mrs. Harrington's to see about phone share. Went to Morris to Mr. Backus office. Got the necessary papers in shape. Went to Helen's for her to sign hers but she wasn't home. Waited nearly 2 hr then went to G and on to Cope's. Mostly pleasant.

10 May Sat. Emily & Geo came about 8 o'clock.

11 May Sun. Mother's Day. We all went to church but Walter who had to see to some small young stock to keep them in pasture. Emily & Geo started about 2:00 for home. Maude Cope daughter Ella Pearsall's & husband and his mother called. In early evening, we went over to Katherine Teeds to learn news of Amasa. She had called on him. Some better. We stayed to have ice cream and cake and hear hymns on record player. A thunder shower while we were there.

12 May Mon. Cool. Bright mostly. We went up to the Filer's to call, also stopped at Tillson's but did not find them at home. Called at Ruth Toby's.

13 May Tue. We rained in a.m. Cool. Cloudy, windy. Norma phoned this evening. Clara Hoyt died Sun.

14 May Wed. Cool, cloudy. Walter & I went to Sidney to meet France's Cope at 6:41. Stopped at Teed's. Found Amasa had come home the day before and is getting along good. Rained late in p.m. And kept it up. Not hard--also in evening.

15 May Thu. Rained part of the day anyway. Carrie & alter (& France's) took me home in p.m. It rained hard most of the way. C & W stopped at Teed's a minute.

16 May Fri. Norma had planned to go to Rob Harris' to stay over the weekend with the children while Bob & Jane went for a trip. N did not feel well especially her ear so I went along and stayed. Called at May Clifford's in p.m. N got medicine.

17 May Sat. A lovely day. Norma feels better and I came home late in p.m. Geo came for me. I got supper etc.

18 May Sun. Rained during the nite and this a.m. Geo & I went to church. Cleared off during the morning and is nice this p.m. Norma came home this p.m. Not feeling very well.

19 May Mon. Norma & I went to G-ville with the papers and got the check for the phone share. Stopped at Cope's a few minutes. France's Cope was still there also Dorothy.

20 May Tue. N washed to day. It was quite a drying day A cool wind.

21 May Wed. Geo & N took the car to U to be fixed then went to Rita's. We finished ironing & baked bread.

22 May Thu. N & I went to Sidney to do errands. Went to Rita's and took David along. We got some things for David's birthday which is next Mon. Came home by Rita's. Mostly cloudy. Rained some towards nite.

23 May Fri. Pleasant. Cold & windy. N took me over to Unadilla this a.m. I went to the Greens. Was there for lunch. Called at Harris' and Ms. Freers. Saw Mr Harrison & Mrs Lawrence at the Greens.

24 May Sat. --

25 May Sun. Went to church. Rita & family also Glenn Hot & Dale were here for supper-- especially for David's b-day. We had a short hard shower at supper time.

26 May Mon. Good drying day. We went up to S Center to shop and I stopped at Lula Halbert's a few minutes. Tuie began work to-day.

27 May Tue. We ironed. N &. Called at McGills, alto the Earls this a.m. Took narcissus. N went to a baby shower at Sidney (also Rita) to nite. Quite bright and warmer.

28 May Wed. --

29 May Thu. Norma shopped to-day. I went along and called at Mrs. Melick's. N met Rita at hospital in Sidney and hoped about the boys as they had to go to clinic.

30 May Fri. Memorial Day. G & N went to Westford to take flowers to cemetery. Quite a nice day. Cool wind but not cold, as it has been.

31 May Sat. Set out tomato plants.

1 Jun Sun. N, Fred & I went to church. Very warm. Mr. & Mrs. Trask called in p.m.

2 Jun Mon. Rainy during nite & rainy some so no wash day. Very cool.

3 Jun Tue. Good wash day. Cool, mostly pleasant. N & I went up to Sid Centre store this even.

4 Jun Wed. --

5 Jun Thu. N went over to Una to get medicine for the puppy and I rode along. A shower last night.

6 Jun Fri. Walt & Bev cam this even.

7 Jun Sat. W & Bev left after lunch. Geo & N went to Oneonta to shop.

8 Jun Sun. We went to church. I went early as it was Children's Day at Bapt church so went in to S.S. In p.m. N took me over to Teed's. Carrie & Walter were there. I stayed till evening. Geo & N came over for me and stayed a while.

9 Jun Mon. Rainy. N washed late in the day.

10 Jun Tue. N. Ironed. Rainy

11 Jun Wed. We baked & cooked all day. N got their clothes ready for their trip to Alicia's. Put up lunch in evening. Very warm & Sultry. Some rain.

12 Jun Thu Bright. Cooler. G & N started soon after 6:00. Took the dogs. Pleasant all day. I froze a box of asparagus.

13 Jun Fri. Began raining about 10 o'clock. I froze 3 p'kgs of rhubarb. Carrie, Walter and Jennie Phelps called this p.m. Betty came also and stayed to supper. It rained hard this p.m. Some in a.m. Very warm and sultry this evening.

14 Jun Sat. Colder this a.m. A strong W wind all day. I went over to see Sarah's new baby and again to take eggs to them. Rita & family came over late this evening. They helped cover up things in the garden as it seems quite cold.

15 Jun Sun. No frost this morning. We were busy uncovering garden stuff and didn't get to church. Jerry Curtis stayed with Fred last night. I got breakfast & dinner for them. Kept fairly busy. It was a rather long day. I talked with Lois also Jessie. Lois and children arrived from El Paso last night.

16 Jun Mon. Cool, windy and fair till late p.m.. It clouded up. Rained a little. I went over to Sarah's this p.m. Jerry Curtis stayed here, just nite. rec'd a card from N saying they arrived at Alicia's OK. Thur late p.m.

17 Jun Tue. Windy, cool and not sunny much of the time. Norma called this even from Jamestown. They plan to be home Wed or Thur.

18 Jun Wed. --

19 Jun Thu. We looked for the folks, but they did not come.

20 Jun Fri. Had a call from Norma this evening. They are at Walter's. Will come home later. Arrived around 11:00. Has rained gently toward night but not to amount to much.

21 Jun Sat. First day of summer but doesn't feel like it. We have been getting a few strawberries for a couple of days. To-day we all helped and picked 10 qt or so. Sold 2 qt to Caswell's and gave one to Rita. Froze 15 p'kgs, have some left for short-cake to-morrow. Norma did quite a washing. Seemed like rain but didn't. N & G went over to Rita's this evening to take a rose bush they got for them, etc.

22 Jun Sun. Cool, but fair. Neither N or G felt like getting ready for church. Freddy & I went. N & I attended the Bac Services at Baptist church. Mr. Wetherbee preached an excellent sermon.

23 Jun Mon. N washed. We picked berries. Froze 5 p'kgs & made jam. Rita & boys came in evening.

24 Jun Tue. We ironed in the even. N & G went over town and I went over to call at Mrs. Pomeroy's. She wasn't at home so I called at Vivian Coles also Harris'. Threatened rain--but didn't rain.

25 Jun Wed. N went down to Sidney to trade. I went to foot doctor. G & N picked berries and we froze 12-1/2 qt besides selling 2 qt and giving away 1 qt and we saved some to use.

26 Jun Thu. Rained some this a.m. So Geo & Fred both came home from work. We made 2 rules of jam. Lois, Catherine & Johnny came this p.m. And stayed to supper. G & N went to the ball game (donkey) this evening.

27 Jun Fri. We picked berries and took care of them. Geo went up to Walter's in a.m.

28 Jun Sat. Made JaM. Picked a few berries and took up to Helen's in evening.

29 Jun Sun. We went to church. Comfortable day. Rita & family came over and we had a picnic supper in the grove. Rita made cheese hamburgers. Geo came home to-nite. Rita, Norma the children & I went to Teed's to get some onion sets the Cope's sent over for Rita.

30 Jun Mon. N washed. Picked berries and we froze 7 boxes of berries, made jam. Very warm.

1 Jul Tue. Another warm day. Picked berries. We sold and gave away. Froze a few and made jam. Some for Mrs. McGill.

2 Jul Wed. Picked berries. It threatened rain and we had a thunder shower toward nite. Helen called late in p.m. We made jam and froze berries this even.

3 Jul Thu Had a date with Dr. Elliot at 9:15. N did shopping & made a call. I went to Mrs. Melicks. We picked a few strawberries in p.m. Made jam. Had the first peas.

4 Jul Fri. Rained gently more or less all a.m. N & I went down the road and picked wild strawberries in the meadow. We got enough for a short cake. N & G went to Sidney to the 4th of Ju celebration band concert. Fireworks, etc. It began raining at 7:30 or so.

5 Jul Sat. Rained off and on all day. Geo tended hay as it stopped raining a while then started again towards nite. N picked berries & sold 2 qt to McGills & 1 to Sarah. Had plenty left to use. N took Fred over town and I rode along this evening. N & G went to Unadilla this a.m. To get something for Teddie (*the dog*). Raining hard this evening.

6 Jul Sun. We went to church. In late p.m. G, N, & I went over to Teed's to call. There was a hard shower soon after we got there. It stopped before we started home.

7 Jul Mon. We worked at peas all day. G & Fred helped some too. N froze 24 pets and half and 8 puts. Same weather. Hot, sultry, and threatening rain. The hay is spoiled. G is trying to get it raked up and off the grass.

8 Jul Tue. N washed. Almost dry. Clothes got very wet but we dried in the house so some were ironed. We picked a few berries to-nite which will be the last.

9 Jul Wed. N & I picked peas to freeze. Had several p'kgs which will be the last to freeze. Mostly cloudy all day. No rain. G worked in Masonville. He & Fred went over. F came back and N went over to get G to-nite. Warm & sultry this p.m. C & Walter, Emily & Alice called.

10 Jul Thur. Norma & I went to Sidney. She got groceries. I went to Elliot's to return lenses & get a report to give Dr. Landers when I go to Bing. We ate lunch at the picnic table to night. Sultry weather.

11 Jul Fri. Very warm & sultry. About 8 o'clock there was a hard thunder shower. N washed a few things, but got them in. There was to be a Friendly Circle picnic in Martin Brooks picnic grounds but it was cancelled after the rain.

12 Jul Sat. We picked a few peas - the last. The Friendly C class was to have a picnic on Martin Brook. N & G. We're going to go but it rained hard around 3 p. The picnic was canceled.

13 Jul Sun. Warm, tho a lovely a.m. It looked like rain but stayed quite pleasant. We went to church. I went home with Ruth Phetteplace to dinner. N came for me in late p.m. We went up to Teed's and took sweet peas for Amasa.

14 Jul Mon. Helen & Betty came down and took N & I to Bing to see Dr. Landers where I had an appointment for my eyes being tests. Helen had errands too. It began raining about the time we started for home and rained hard most of the way home. We stopped for lunch & ice cream.

15 Jul Tue. N washed and dried, the rain seemed likely. We went up to Mr. Lanes and saw the lovely flower & veg garden.

16 Jul Wed. We went up to Mr. Lanes & picked peas. N froze 5 p'kgs and we had some to use besides. N & I went over to Teed's and Jessie took us up to the lake to see a bureau & stand to match the bed we bo't a while ago. N told Jessie we would take them. Chas & Lois are here to stay till Mon then he goes back home in Tx. She and the children stay longer. Threatened rain and did rain a little. Warm & humid.

17 Jul Thu. Cool & pleasant. N & George picked some cherries and we stoned them and N froze some.

18 Jul Fri. Mostly pleasant. G worked at Sidney.

19 Jul Sat. Thunder showers early this a.m. Fair part of the day.

20 Jul Sun. We went to church. Norma took me over to Cope's in p.m. We stopped at Teed's. Cool.

21 Jul Mon. Real cool a.m. Warmed up in p.m. And was fair & pleasant. We went to New Berlin. C & W took their clock to be repaired to Mr. Wales. We went to call on Elizabeth Millard. Picked currants after supper. Cool.

22 Jul Tue. Cloudy. Rained gently much of the day. We made 3 recipes of currant jelly. Cloudy & cool all day.

23 Jul Wed. Rained during the nite. Cloudy nearly all day but warmer & pleasant in p.m. We went up the Oregon Rd and on over to Rockwell's Mills on to Mt Upton. I called at Mrs. Burch's. Carrie went to store. I met Orrly Johnson. We went down to Medburys & called. Crossed the river & came up on the east side by the Leonard place. We made another recipe of jelly.

24 Jul Thu. Very foggy. Sun came out in a.m. But clouded up in p.m. Walter picked raspberries up to Halbert place. We froze 6 p'kgs and have some left for jam. I washed windows in. Living room, also cleaned shelves in kitchen cupboards. In p.m. We went over to Irene & Julian Ryan's to call. Stopped at Barbara Gould's. She told us of Amasa's death this p.m. Mild & pleasant.

25 Jul Fri.D. Burton Musson, Wife & Florence Terrel called this evening.

Much the same weather as yesterday. Carrie went to Sidney to Elliot's to have her eyes tested. We all went. Walter took me to Norma's to get some things I'll need to wear Sun. We stopped at Jessie's then all went down to Joyce's. Chas too. Soon after we got back Grover Lamphere & wife called.

26 Jul Sat. Very foggy, warm and sultry. Thunder shower in late p.m. Quite hard. Carrie took care of berries etc. I did cleaning. We did some mending.

27 Jul Sun. Cool a.m. But very warm in p.m. We went to church at G-ville. Went to Amasa's funeral at 2:30. Geo & N were there and Geo drove to cemetery. We went with them. Then I

went home with N & G. Geo took N over to Rob Harris' where she expects to stay with their children a few days.

28 Jul Mon. Fred picked cherries and I froze them this evening. Quite warm & sultry p.m.

29 Jul Tue. Geo picked cherries last nite and I froze them this evening.

30 Jul Wed. Geo picked the last of the cherries which I froze this a.m. Ironed. Wrote to Elsie Cheney. Quite warm. We went over to see N in evening.

31 Jul Thu. Rained during the nite. Geo came home from work it was so wet. Norma came home this evening about 10:30

1 Aug Fri. Warm & pleasant. Geo & N went to Union meeting to-nite.

2 Aug Sat. Foggy, early, warm. We went up to Buckhorn Lake to get bureau & dresser we bought of Jessie. Rita left Henry here while she went to a sale.

3 Aug Sun. I went to church with N & family. In p.m. We took a long ride. Stopped at Mr. Motts also old neighbor's, (Santico). Then back by Sidney to mail letters. Warm, pleasant.

4 Aug Mon. Norma & I went to Sidney for medicines & cards. Fine day.

5 Aug Tues. Nice day. Norma & I took a little ride up to Sidney Ctre when she went for milk.

6 Aug Wed. --

7 Aug Thu. N & Rita went to Delhi.

8 Aug Fri. Norma went for groceries to Sidney in a.m. Bro't David home with her. Fred took David home with a swing they bought for him. Thunder showers during the night and again this p.m.

9 Aug Sat.--

10 Aug Sun. We went to church. They had barbecue chicken for dinner. Rita & family were over and stayed till evening. David stayed.

11 Aug. Mon. We washed.

12 Aug Tue. We went to Sidney Centre for groceries and I called at Lula Halbert's. We called at Glenn Hoyts. N went down & picked black berries for a pie.

13 Aug Wed. N started for Sidney to do shopping. Had an accident & is in hospital for shock. Rita here all p.m.

14 Aug Thu. N some better this evening. G & F went down to see her. We have rain about every day.

15 Aug Fri. Norma came home from hospital this p.m. Madeline brought her.

16 Aug Sat. Pleasant day. N not too good but improving. Rita came over & picked string beans and they froze them.

17 Aug Sun. A very quiet day.

18 Aug Mon. We washed some. I picked up apples and we got them ready to freeze. Very cool.

19 Aug. Tue. We washed again. Norma went down to see Dr. Gelder this p.m. In evening she & Geo went to Sidney to see the justice or whoever he is. Not as cool to-day. Mrs. Savony & Alice called in p.m.

20 Aug Wed. Carrie, Walter, Donald Cope & family called. Rita & family came late in p.m. Picked apples, garden stuff etc. Dorothy Green & girls called this even

21 Aug Thu All the Copes were over to a picnic in the reservoirs. We had a thunder shower with high wind so we had our supper at Jessie's. She came for me. Donald bro't me home.

22 Aug Fri and 23 Aug Sat. Busy days cleaning, getting things from garden etc.
24 Aug Sun. Jessie came for me and we attended the Old Home Day at Guilford ME church. Stopped at the Seaman house on the way home as Catherine & Edward are there getting the house ready to rent. Cloudy. Rained a little as the meeting broke up.
25 Aug Mon. Cloudy. We washed part of the clothes. Baked bread & pie. Mrs. Melick & Lurene called on their way home from Mrs. Hanford's funeral. N. Feeling better.
26 Aug Tue. Rather cool but some sunshine. Good drying day. We froze beets & peppers. Did the rest of the washing. N still better.
27 Aug Wed. We canned snap beans, green peppers and beets. Jessie came over and ate lunch with us. Rather cool but pleasant. Foggy in a.m. Geo raked hay all evening. N not as good as she may have overdone yesterday. Insurance man came to see her this p.m.
28 Aug Thu. Lovely day. Rita & children were over to get empty cans. N & Geo went to Sidney Centre to nite. Mr. Lum came & baled hay in p.m.
29 Aug Fri. Another fine day. We baked, made apple sauce. The rest of the hay was baled to-day. Helen, Stevie & 2 boys called briefly. Helen wanted to get some dill especially. We had the first sweet corn. Fred got his insurance & license so went out in his car to night for the first.
30 Aug Sat. Warm & sunny. Geo got his hay raked and baled. We did Sat cleaning. Froze the last of the apple sauce. N feels best she has today.
31 Aug Sun. Very warm. A quiet day. We had lunch at the picnic grounds. Geo left for Walter's late in p.m. Fred went to State Fair. The wind blew hard in the evening & it rained some in a thunder shower.

1 Sept Mon. Labor Day. Mostly cloudy. We froze carrots. Geo got home about 10:00 this evening. Rita & boys came over this evening. Cooler to day.
2 Sep Tue. We washed to day. Good drying tho cloudy in a.m. Quite cool. Fall like.
3 Sept Wed. Cool. Rita lefty David here while she went to Sidney. They were all here to lunch.
4 Sept Thu. Not as cool. Showers in a.m. Bobby arrived for a few days furlough about the middle of the p.m. Warm this evening. We cleaned up stairs to-day.
5 Sep Fri. Warm in a.m. Mostly sunny. Bobby worked at Guilford and bro-t Alice Savory back this p.m. Cool this evening.
6 Sep Sat. Warm & threatening rain. We had a busy day getting ready for company to morrow.
7 Sep Sun. Rained in the night and kept raining more or less all day. Walt & Bev came at 11:00. The Trasks came about 1:00. Bobby, Alice & Sylvia came for a barbecue dinner which Geo & Walt did. Fred went over for Rita & the boys in p.m. Tuie came for them at nite. Rather mild. Fred took Sylvia home.
8 Sep Mon. Still rainy but not hard. We froze corn and N & Alice picked a bu for Mrs McGill. N went to a picnic with Sidney ladies to Guilford Lake this evening. Bobby away all day fishing near Guilford. He & Alice out to-night.
9 Sep Tue. Cool & clear in a.m. N did a big washing. We froze corn also they picked a bu for Mrs. McG. Betty came in p.m. And stayed till evening. Clouded up in p.m. Cool.
10 Sep Wed. Rained in the nite. Cloudy & rainy by spells all day. Bobby & Norma went to Bing to meet Alicia & children. They came on train about 5:45 to Bing.

11 Sept Thur. Very cool, windy and partly cloudy. Everyone seemed tired. Bobby went over for Rita and Alicia & R & B went to Sidney. Alicia did shopping for Norma. David stayed here while they were away. Seems like frost. N went with Geo this evening to the doctor's as Geo arms are painful.

12 Sep Fri. Frost in places but did no harm here as there was a fog. Cool, all day. Sunny. We froze 15 pt of corn this a.m. N, Alicia & children went to Unadilla to call at Harris' in p.m. Rita and family over to supper to-nite.

13 Sep Sat. Cool but pleasant. Will's birthday. He would have been 92. Fred took Alicia over to her father's after supper. Alice & Bobby were here since last evening. They went over to Mr. Fields to call. Came in in evening. Jessie called here about supper time and we asked her to stay which she did.

14 Sep Sun. Lovely a.m. Bobby started for home, Kan (?AP) about 10:00. A very quiet day and perfect weather. Fred took Alice home to-nite. N & G went to U to get gas this evening. No one went to church as all seemed busy getting Bobby off. Yes, Fred did. He took Alice home to-nite.

15 Sep Mon. We washed & canned about half of the peas. N & G went down to Dr. Stacy in evening. Very warm & fair.

16 Sep Tue We canned a canner of pears, also froze 4 pt of Lima beans. Warm & sultry. Began raining in late afternoon and kept raining all evening.

17 Sep Wed. Rained off & on all day. Rita bro't Alicia over from her father's and stayed a while. We ironed canned pears, and took care of crab apples.

18 Sep Thu. Rained during the nite. Some rain to-day also sunshine. Rita & children came over in a.m. In p.m. She took Alicia & children to her father's. He will take her to train in Bing for home. N barbecued chicken for lunch. Made crabapple jelly in p.m.

19 Sept Fri. Cool & cloudy. Mrs. Savory & Alice called in p.m. And stayed to supper. N & G went to drive in-in movies to nite. We did not do much to day. Rested after company. N did not feel well for a while this p.m. Was in bed 2 hr or so.

20 Sep Sat. Cool & Cloudy. The Collins car was bro't home to-day after being repaired. Rita & family were over a while this evening. N & G took a ride late to see how the car worked. I think. Over to Mr. Staffers.

21 Sep Sun.. We all went to church. A dark (rainy) day by spells. Walter stopped at night to bring the trunk he had been using. Bro't 1 bu peaches.

22 Sep Mon. We took care of part of the peaches. Washed a little. Cool & mostly cloudy. Some sunshine in p.m.

23 Sep Tue. A perfect fall day. Cool air. We finished peaches. Did some washing and Norma bro't in a lot of garden stuffs in case of frost.

24 Sep Wed. Milder to-day and threatening rain. We froze Lima beans, made pepper relish & peach jelly. Washed.

25 Sep Thu. Very warm & humid. Rita & boys came over in a.m. Left boys & did shopping. N took the truck & drove over to Rita's in p.m. We ironed.

26 Sep Fri. Warm & humid. Cloudy. N took me over to Mr. Rider's funeral, then did shopping. Rita bro't the boys over to stay while she went to the doctors.

27 Sep Sat. A rainy day. Geo went to Franklin in a.m. N & G went to Sidney in p.m. And to movies in evening.

28 Sep Sun. Quite pleasant. Some cooler almost cold. N went to church. I went home with Jessie. Mrs. Naylor is there visiting. Jessie took her home and I went along. We stopped at Cope's and at Mrs. Riders on the way when Jessie bro't me home.

29 Sept Mon. A slight frost. We washed. Made pepper relish. Rita & boys were over in a.m. Stayed to lunch. Dudes came over for green tomatoes

30 Sep Tue. NO frost, but cool, cloudy (partly) & windy. N went to Dr. Gelder for a check up in p.m. Geo went to Dr. Hust this evening. N went too.

1 Oct Wed. My 81st b day. N made a b day cake, then took me to the foot doctor at 10:30. We did some trading. Rita & boys came over after supper. We had some of the cake. N made a choc fudge. Quite cold to-nite.

2 Oct Thu. Cold morning (26 degrees). Helen came down about 10:30. After lunch Helen went to Coventryville and N & I went too. It was a lovely bright afternoon. Foliage pretty.

3 Oct Fri. Not quite as cold, but a hard frost. I went over to Mr. Hunt's this p.m. To meet Elsie Cheney and the others as we have met for several years. N took me over. Jessie bro't me home. Here is the list of those attending: Bertha Wilcox, Anna Reynolds, Lizzie Pearce, Jessie Hubbard, Rose Vinton, Jessie Teed, Elsie Cheney, N. Carr.

4 Oct Sat. Helen's 48 b-day which doesn't seem possible. Not as cold-no frost. Geo & N went to movies this evening.

5 Oct Sun. We went to church. Very cool, partly cloudy for p.m. N & I went with Geo over to Mr. Shafers. We sat in car. We drove around to Rita's a while. Coldest evening we have had. G & N gathered garden stuff.

6 Oct Mon. 20 degrees this a.m. Cold all day. A little milder to-nite. We washed. Worked on a quilt we are fixing for Rita. Geo worked a while for some one in Sidney to-nite.

7 Oct Tue. We took care of the tomatoes that needed it. Were put in cellar before hard frost. N & G went to Sidney to-nite. Geo to Dr. Stacey.

8 Oct Wed. Was quite a pleasant day. N & I went up to Myrtles to dinner. Virginia came out with them.

9 Oct Thu. Warm & pleasant. The Roshirts & Myrtle called this [a.m. Then went over to Jessie's and I went with them. Jessie bro't me home in the evening. Rita & boys came over in a.m. She was in Sidney and left Henry here. They stayed to see the folks.

10 Oct Fri. Warm. Partly cloudy. Threatening rain. N went to U early in p.m. To shop. After that we went to the hospital. Called on E Carpenter and Mrs Morey. N on Mrs. Shuttle. In even N & G went to Sidney.

11 Oct Sat. Cold, cloudy & windy. A very little rain. N & I went to Franklin & Oneonta. Were away about all day.

12 Oct Sun. N & I went to church. Geo isn't feeling well. Rita & family came over to supper. Rita took Tuie to the hospital, then came back for children. They stayed over nite.

13 Oct Mon. Cold, cloudy & windy. Helen with Joan & Ruth took N & I to Bing as I had an app' ment with Dr. Mensham, the eye specialist. We did some shopping too. The foliage was lovely. It was pleasant most of the way home. Rita & boys were over to supper and stayed over nite. Rita went to see Tuie in evening.

14 Oct Tue. Frosty. Cold. Windy. We washed, baked etc. Rita & boys over to supper & over nite.

15 Oct. Wed. We took care of some tomatoes in a.m. N took me over to Cope's in p.m. Not as cold.

16 Oct Thurs. Quite Mild.

17 Oct Fri. Rained during nite. Partly cloudy (all day) we went to a Miss meeting at Viola Posts on p.m. Rained toward nite. We all went up to Mrs. Posts to take vegetables & call.

18 Oct Sat. Cool. Mostly fair. Windy. We worked on old garments repairing besides some Sat cleaning.

19 Oct Sun. Walter took Carrie & I to church. He had a cold. We went over to Rob Rolf's to call. Stopped briefly at Barbara's. Very pleasant. 50 degrees to 68.

20 Oct Mon Pleasant. Not as cold. We pressed the old garments we've been working on.

21 Oct Tue. Rather cold. Bright. Carrie made soup. We sorted out used clothing. I mended a little and washed upstairs windows.

22 Oct Wed. Washed windows down stairs. In p.m. We called on Faith Toby, Gertrude Daniels & Florence Lillie. Pleasant. Mild.

23 Oct Thu. It rained during the nite and all day till 3:00 or so. Walter & Carrie took me home late in p.m. I finished windows down stairs.

24 Oct Fri. Warm & pleasant. We washed some. Went to U. Norma Alice & I. N did trading. I called at Miss Halsey's. N & G went down to Recreation Center where Freddy works in even. then took Alice home. Mild.

25 Oct Sat. Rained in a.m. Cool. We baked, cleaned, etc.

26 Oct Sun. Began snowing in night and has snowed several in. Stopped snowing late in p. M. A nationwide storms snow or rain. 17 in in Tannersville in the Catskills.

27 Oct Mon. We washed. Poor day for drying. Cold. Cloudy. Mist in the air, foggy. Rainy to nite.

28 Oct Tue. Cold & rainy or like rain all day. N went to Unadilla to have her hair done. I went along and called at Mrs. Pomeroy's. & briefly at Adalias. Snow still left on ground, but thawing.

29 Oct Wed. Cool & some light rain. No sunshine. N went to Sidney to meet an insurance man and one from Bureau of Motor Vehicles (a hearing) at 11:00.

30 Oct Thu. Cold. Cloudy windy. sun tried to shine a little but didn't make out. N went over to Rita's and went with her to Delhi on business. Jessie came over to lunch with me.

31 Oct Fri. Henry's 2nd b-day. A bright day. Cold wind. N went to U to get groceries. I rode along and called at Mrs. Myers. Rita & family were over for supper N. Made a b-day cake for Henry.

1 Nov Sat. Cool. Mostly sunny. G & N gathered vegetables and covered them in dogs pen. Also put in builds.

2 Nov Sun We went to church. N & Geo went over to the Savoys for dinner. Jessie asked me there for dinner. Hazel, also Rose & Carol Vinton were there. It was cold & cloudy a little rain towards nite. J & N stopped for me to- night.

3 Nov Mon. Snow on ground this a.m. Slowed a little then sun came out and melted the snow. N washed and clothes dried well. We mended all our spare time.

4 Nov Tue. N ironed and we made bread, pie & cookies. Baked beans, We went to Sidney Center to vote after Geo came home. Rather pleasant.

5 Nov Wed. Warmer & guts pleasant. We worked getting a quilt ready to tie. Mrs. Clark & Mrs. (Left blank. AP). Came down in evening and put it on the frames.

6 Nov Thu. N did not feel well but we did the quilt tying and she bound it in the even. Partly cloudy & quite cold wind. N washed a little.

7 Nov Fri. N went over to Rita's and they went shopping for groceries. N & Geo took me over to Mrs. Wards to the J.C. Meeting this even. I went home with Jessie & stayed over nite. Hazel brought me home about noon.

9 Nov Sun. We went to church. We all went up to Helen's soon after lunch about 1 o'clock. Philip & Patricia Goodell were married at 2:00 o'clock in the Otego Baptist church. Only a few besides the children were there. Rich's folks & Alice & Willy Barber. Helen had a lovely white cake and coffee.

10 Nov Mon. Rainy more or less. N did not feel well and we did not wash except hand washing. N worked on a crib quilt for Henry. We tied it this evening.

11 Nov Tue. Veteran's Day- no mail. N washed. I made pie & cookies. Mostly sunny. g & N went to Dr. Stacey this evening. Rather cool.

12 Nov Wed. Lovely day. Helen came about 10:30 and we went calling on Cope's, Mary Pearsall's, Mrs. Butler, Eunice Saunders, and Orrin. Got home about 5:30 in time to finish supper. Had soup ready to warm up.

13 Nov Thu. Fair part of day. Rained some in p.m. & evening. N & I went to U to do trading etc. In evening G, N, & I went to a Bill Graham film, "The Heart is a Rebel." In school house.

14 Nov Fri. Cloudy all day. Some rain. Rather mild. We mended and cleaned. N & G went to Sidney this evening.

15 Nov Sat. Mildly & rainy. N & G went to U, Sidney & Franklin in a.m.

16 Nov Sun. We went to church. N & G went over to Rita's late in p.m. And stayed til into evening.

17 Nov Mon. G & Fred did not work to day as it was the first day of deer season. They had no luck. Went early this a.m. And N & G went again in p.m. (Drove). A cool rainy day. Rain by spells light. N washed some. We made a quilted for Mary (crib).

18 Nov Tue. N washed. It 'twas a very mild day for Nov. In the sixties. N worked getting a quite ready to put on frames. I mended. N barbecued chicken for supper. I made a cherry pie.

19 Nov Wed. Rainy this a.m. But cleared off. N did some washing. We put the quilt on frames and tied it.

20 Nov Thur. Mostly fair, pleasant. Norma & Rita went to Norwich and Sidney to trade. I kept busy ironing, cleaning upstairs etc.

21 Nov Fri. 51 years ago we were married. Snow squalls all the a.m. some sunshine. Colder to nite.

22 Nov Sat. I was sick all day. In bed. Downstairs. Dizzy & nauseated

23 Nov sun. Felt better to-day but no one went to church. I was up some. Wrote 2 letters to even. N & G went out for a ride in p.m.

24 Nov Mon. Cold & more or less rainy & story. N washed and things dried fairly well. I feel much better. Have been up most of the day.

25 Nov Tue. Cold. Below 32 degrees. Some storm but mostly fair. Carrie & Walter came for me at about 3. I stopped at the drug store for Christmas cards. We stopped at Jessie's a short time. Cards \$5.29.

26 Nov Wed. A cold rainy day on a.m. We went to Gville. To the Union thanksgiving services this even at Baptist church. Drove down for Florence Swermingson who went with us. Wilfred & Mildred came this evening late.

27 Nov Thu. Thanks Day. Quite cold. some snow flurries. Light. Some sunshine early. Not a bad day. Dorothy, Frank & Paul came between 11 & 12 and stayed till about 5. Julie & Lowel Judson called in early evenings. We sat up to see a play too 11;00. Not very interesting. Golden to nite.

28 Nov Fri. Quite a lot of snow fell to day. Snowed steadily - not too hard. Quite cold. Wilfred & Mildred started for home at 2:00. Not as much storm in p.m. Not as cold to night.

29 Nov Sat. A little snow fell in a.m. Quite cold. Carrie made Christmas cake. Grand. White.

30 Nov Sun. Cold 10 degrees above. Some snow flurries. We went to church. Slippery roads.

1 Dec Mon. Cold. About 25 degrees all day. C & W went to G-ville. In a.m. I cleaned some cupboards while they were away. We made candy using mashed potatoes. Not much if any snow to day.

2 Dec Tue. Some snow this a.m. sunshine in p.m. Cold.

3 Dec Wed. We went to Sidney as I had a date with Dr. Joseph. On the way called at Effie Mebury's. We did some shopping. We stopped for lunch at Norma's then went up and called at Lula Halbert's. Snowed late in p.m.

4 Dec Thu. Milder. Thawed quite a little. We ironed, made bread and sewed & mended on used clothing.

5 Dec Fri. Mild & rainy by spells. Fred took N & I to Sidney to shop. We both got Christmas things. We got home soon after 12. It was raining quite hard. I mended on the used clothing that Helen bro't in afternoon & evening. Colder & windy.

6 Dec Sat. Cold & windy. Snowed a. Little. I worked on the used clothing and finished it.

7 Dec Sun. 15 Degrees above. We went to church. I went home with Jessie for dinner. Effie McLaughlin & K Teed were there. Jessie bro't us home. Jessie came in to see the quilts. Rita & family came over and got their deer p'kgs for freezing. Jessie took the clothing I've been working on.

8 Dec. Mon. Cold. N washed then put on a crib quilt for Janice Christmas. I helped tie this afternoon. We finished all but binding.

9 Dec Tue. N started another large quilt and we tied nearly half of it.

10 Dec Wed. Cold 5 degrees above. We finished the tying of the quilt. We made Christmas cookies. I began sending C cards.

11 Dec Thu.-10 degrees this a.m. We did some baking and I made some candy. Wrote letters. N bound the quilt on machine. Refinished it in the evening by hand.

12 Dec Fri. Cold but only -4 or so. Norma went to Sidney with Rita to do shopping. I haven't felt well all day. Better to nite.

13 Dec Sat. I felt much better to-day. Made candy and wrote c cards mostly. Not as cold. 20 degrees above in day time.

14 Dec Sun. Still cold. We went to church. In late p.m. Geo & N went over to Savoy's. N went to a shower for Alice in evening. I wrote cards & letters.

15 Dec Mon. Cold. N washed some . I wrote cards. Made Candy.

16 Dec Tue. Cold. We were busy ironing. I dipped some candy. Wrote cards, etc. Rita went to Oneonta & left the boys with us.

17 Dec Wed. Not quite as cold in p.m. We were busy getting off my small p'kgs. Making cookies, writing cards, etc. Bobby called. He's coming home Friday he thinks.

18 Dec Thu. Not as cold. A few snow flurries. We are busy as usual, writing cards, doing up p'kgs etc.

19 Dec Fri. Not as cold. Above freezing. Bobby phoned that he was in NY City. Came by plane to-day. We have wrapped p'kgs and finished cards too. It is Rita's b-day and they were over this even. N made a lovely b-day cake. We had cake & ice cream.

20 Dec Sat. -4 this morning. Bobby came in this a.m. From Bing. A & G went to Sidney this a.m. to shop. I haven't done much. N wrapped gifts. I wrote some notes. Worked marking hdkf's in evening. Bobby & Alice came in the evening and stayed over nite. Walter & Bev came in late evening.

21 Dec Sun. We all went to church in a.m. Rob't & Alice did, then over to Savory's. W & B went up to her folks after dinner. N & G went to Savory's to practice for the wedding, then back to go to the Cantata at Baptist church. G, N & I went too.

22 Dec Mon.. We have been busy baking etc. W & Bev are here. He went up to Trasks tho- to day to work. Bobby, Alice & Carolyn came over late in p.m. Stayed into the evening.

23 Dec Tue. Norma was sick all day. Was not dressed as much. W & B here. Only W up to Trasks during the day. Alice & Bob came in late for supper & here part of evening. W, B & Geo went to Sidney this even to trade.

24 Dec Wed. We are to have Christmas dinner to-nite. so have been busy all day stuffing turkey etc, etc. Rita & family came. W & Bev were already here. Bobby & Alice came. We had our gifts from the tree after supper. Cold to-nite. I had several gifts from Norma Mrs. Seaman & Catherine. Walter & Bev, Alicia, Carrie sent \$2.00.

25 Dec Thu. Christmas Day. Cold. Walter & Bev left in late a.m. For the Trasks. Alice & Bob went over to Savory's in a.m. We straightened up things. N washed. I cleaned up stairs. We took it rather easy. Moby & Dotty called on phone this evening. They rec'd the p'kgs sent for Christmas.

26 Dec Fr. This is the day of Bob's seeing. N was busy pressing clothes, etc. I went with Rita and we all came back here as Bobby had the car. Alice & Bob came back here to stay over night. It was very cold. Not very warm in the church

27 Dec Sat. I slept late as we didn't get settled for sleep till around 2:00. I think we didn't do much as N was sick and in bed most of the day. Had fever. Rita & family came over in late afternoon and she & I got supper.

28 Dec Sun. Geo & I went up to Helen's to get my trunk as Bob & Alice may need it when they go to Kans. N feels better. They went over to Savory's this afternoon and took the trunk.

29 Dec Mon. Rather mild in a.m. But colder at nite. 20 degrees or so. N isn't feeling at all well. Sore throat, eyes, ears & nose affected. She's kept rather quiet. Seems some better to nite.

(Fred took N down to see Bob & Alice off on the bus at 8:40 a.m. Tue).

30 Dec Tue. Norma did not feel at all well to-day.

31 Dec. Wed. N did not rest well. Coughed in the nite. We called the doctor this a.m. And he came about 10:00. Left 5 kinds of medicine and prescriptions for 2 more. He says it is congestion of throat, nose, eyes, ears & sinuses. She appears a little better to nite. Dr. Wants her to sit up in a big chair instead of lying down on acc't of sinuses. Cold to-nite. 8 Above.

THIS IS THE END OF THE 1958 DIARY.

1959 DIARY OF NELLIE (HELEN) CONVERSE CARR, Otego, NY. 1878-1968. Age: 81 years old. Copied January 1, 2017 by Alicia Ione Leonard McNutt Pagano, granddaughter of Nellie Carr.

Comments:

This year's diary from January 1 to March 27 is in the small black notebook along with 1957 and 1959. It begins again July 26 in a 7 x 5 " wired brown notebook. From March 28 to July 25 is missing. This year continues the new era for Gma which began early 1958. She has now come to live with my mother and George Collins, at 12562 County Highway 23 with a mailing address of Unadilla.

Gma was always busy. She seemed to find a way to work at something helpful from morning till night wherever she was. She seemed to know what needed to be done, or responded to someone's need. Examples here are: "I did some odd jobs that needed doing." (7 Jan). "I busied myself a little cleaning, reading, writing, etc (10 Jan). She might be "calling" on someone bringing them an item of food or helping them do something because they didn't feel well. I saw this throughout her life. When Gpa was not well, for many years she often was carrying the weight of all of the work- with the chickens, the garden, or the wood. And never a complaining or a mention of being tires until she reached 80 years old. Now, I am noticing that she is writing more about her health. Perhaps she is documenting it for herself, I don't know. But in future diaries we read more about her physical self. Never much about her emotional self. For that we must read between the lines most generally.

Weather. Just today, as I was reflecting on what Gma writes each day, I realized that she always had the feeling of a farmer/gardener. The weather was important when caring for animals, fields, and gardens. So every day she included information about the current weather. as well as changing patterns. This information is enough to give a weather researcher a great deal of info over many years.

More about quilts. See 1958 Comments as well. They have been making small quilts as well as the larger ones this winter. Now they have tied on the "last large one." (20 Jan). My mother made a bed size quilt for each of us children both the boys and Rita and I. Then she made one for each of our children. She didn't play favorites with a "blood of my blood," attitude. My husband's children, Pier and Jack, we're just as important as my children, Janice and Daniel.

Each of them received a large blanket. All of these were tied and they often included materials that we recognized from other items.

Gma's memory. Gma almost always remembers and documents the day she was married and the day her sister Carrie married, Gpa's birthday, and her mother's birthday. But she usually does not refer to many other historic dates. Here, on Jan 21st she remembers leaving Suffield, CT and going to my mother's home. This was the end of an era for her. From now on until she dies, she lives in my mother's home. ("23 Jan Fri. A year ago to-day that I came here to Norma's to live."). After Gpa died in 1941, she spent time at my mother's or Aunt Helen's or Jessie's, visited her sister Carrie Cope in G-ville. In some ways, whoever needed help at the time. Then she was employed by Jessie and lived in Jessie and Amasa's home. After that, she was employed by Mrs. Sherman on Main Street in Unadilla and lived there.

In August this year, the furnace at the house was converted to oil. My father's brother did the work. there was still a wood fire in stove. Perhaps this is before a new gas stove was bought for the kitchen and which we still have in 2017. This was a big change in heating the house and we kept this furnace until 2015 when had a new one installed. We had tinkered with the old one for a number of years and finally had to let it go.

Gma writes about what happens, but rarely gives her emotional response to it. This was true again when she went over to Walter and Carrie Cope's in Gilbertsville and helped family prepare her older sister who was very sick and Walter to be moved to Rochester near their children. She helped as it was needed, preparing meals, sorting out items in the house and being there as it was shown for renting. She was there on Sept 6 as her sister and husband left their home of many years. She called my mother to pick her up. But she didn't write the sadness that must have been in her heart.

Now, these many years after she is old enough, my mother learns how to drive and gets her driver's license.

Flowers and gardens. After my mother's death and I moved to the "farm," people were always telling me about my mother's beautiful gardens--both her flower gardens and her vegetable gardens. People loved her gardens, got bulbs and cuttings as well as food and beauty from them. In October Gma writes of the flowers they brought in to enjoy the last of their beauty before the damaging frost.

1959 COPY of DIARY

1 Jan Thu. New Year's Day. Geo did not work to-day. N washed. G hung out clothes. Mild toward nite. N quite a little better. She had a venison roast. I made an apple pie for dinner to nite.

2 Jan Fri. Geo did not have work to-day. Has been busy about various things. Went to Sid late in p.m. snow mostly gone. Mild to-day. I did some ironing this a.m.

3 Jan Sat. Mild about 30 degrees. N feels better. Did quite a washing. G hung out. We took down all Christmas decorations and cleaned with cleaner.

4 Jan Sun. Cloudy & mild. Geo took me to church and I went home with Jessie, Barbara & family. I was there for dinner. Quite a snow storm came up between 2 & 3 o'clock. It grew colder. I phoned for Geo to come for me as it was slippery. Geo has a cold and doesn't feel well.

5 Jan Mon. Below zero and wind blowing hard. We did not wash or do much extra to-day. Looked some/read our Christmas cards & put away. I made cookies this p.m.

6 Jan Tue. We ironed, baked, read, and mended some. Fred is having trouble starting his car so is renting rooms at Sidney. Came and got clothes to nite. Cold, windy & stormy to day. N feeling better.

7 Jan Wed. N feeling better. She washed and hung out most of clothes. Not as cold or windy. I did some odd jobs that needed doing. We mended in p.m. Had a letter from Alice & Bob.

8 Jan Thu. Not as cold. 15 degrees in a.m and kept about there. N washed a little. We finished ironing.

9 Jan. Fri. 15 degrees above & cloudy & wintry. We cleaned, etc. Another letter from Alice.

10 Jan Sat. Not quite as cold. Mostly cloudy and a little storm. N & G went to Oneonta to shop this a.m. Then to Sidney for groceries, etc. Got home about 4:00. I busied myself with a little cleaning, reading, writing, etc.

11 Jan Sun. We went to church. In p.m. Went over to Rita's. About 15 degrees this a.m. A few snow flurries.

12 Jan Mon. N is sick with a bowel & kidney trouble. Kept rather quiet. We washed 3 loads. I hung out most of them. Dried some in house. It is mild. About freezing.

13 Jan Tue. Snowed 2 or 3 in. Mild. N did not feel as well. Kept rather quiet. I did a little ironing.

14 Jan Wed. Mild. Around 32 degrees during the day. N has not improved. Went over to the doctors this evening.

15 Jan Thu. Still mild. Geo asked Mrs. McGill to get some medicine for N that the doctor wanted her to have so she went down this a.m for it. N has been in bed most of the day. Feels some better. Has been up some toward night. I made bread & an apple pie.

16 Jan Fri. Snowy more or less all day. N feeling some better. We made cookies & cake. Several inches of snow has fallen and it is colder. 20 degrees this evening. 4 in of snow or so.

17 Jan Sat. Cold. Fair. N feeling better all the time. Colder to nite.

18 Jan Sun. 4 degrees above zero. Fair. N did not feel like going to church. G & I went. N & G went to Sidney this p.m for a short time. Geo wanted to see a man about work. -4 degrees this evening.

19 Jan Mon. 10 degrees above this a.m. But windy. It is hard to keep the house warm. N put a quilt on.

20 Jan Tue. Not as cold. 25 degrees in early a.m. Warmed up to 20 degrees or so. We washed. Also tied on the quilt, the last large one. Geo went to a Men's Meeting at Bap church this evening.

21 Jan Wed. A year ago today Betty & Helen came down to Suffield for me. Very mild & rainy. Water very high & snow melting up to nearly 50 degrees in p.m. We ironed, baked, and finished tying the quilt.

22 Jan Thu. 60 degrees at 6:30 this a.m. Rained hard at 5:00 a.m. Later nearly freezing & some windy. A few snow flurries. N went up to McGills to call this a.m. N & G went over to town. N attended the Mission Aid. I think G went to Sidney to call on a friend at hosp.

23 Jan Fri. A year ago to-day that I came here to Norma's to live. The ground is bare. Not very cold. We finished binding the quilt this evening. It is much prettier than we expected it would look.

24 Jan Sat. Cold and some windy. N & G went to Sidney to shop in a.m, to Franklin this p.m. Snowed late in p.m.

25 Jan Sun. Snow turned to rain a while early this a.m. Later grew steadily cold. Windy & some storm. Geo has a bad cold so we didn't get out to church. Watched T.V as the telepath on was on till 12:00. Raising money for Polio Fund.

26 Jan Mon. -4 degrees this a.m. Warmed up to 14 degrees or so. Fair. N washed and the clothes dried fairly well. Ge worked and seemed to stand it very well.

27 Jan Tue. Moderate temp in a.m. We ironed. Also tied a small quilt for couch and bound it this even. I bro't down material for braided rugs and plan to start one. Just zero this evening.

28 Jan Wed. -8 degrees this a.m. Warmed up thru the day. Jessie came over to lunch. I pressed out material for rugs and cut a few strips.

29 Jan Thu. Cold a.m. But warmed up thru the day. Cloudy. I worked on rug material. Got the rug started. 36 degrees out this evening.

30 Jan Fri. 40 degrees this a.m. Rainy till about noon. Colder & clearing. We baked all a.m. Expected Walt & Bev. But had a card saying they couldn't come.

31 Jan Sat. Rather cold 16 degrees or so. did not warm up much. N & G went to Sidney to shop. Had late lunch. Rich & Helen came rather late for the evening. We hadn't had supper so ate between 9 & 10.

1 Feb Sun. We went to church. In p.m. G & N took me over to Cope's. They stayed an hr or so. Cold all day.

2 Feb Mon. A little below this a.m. Got to 10 degrees or so. Carrie washed. It was about zero when we hung clothes on porch. I made an apple pie.

3 Feb Tue. Not as cold temp but cold wind. Cloudy in p.m. Not much below freezing. Jessie called a while this even. I ironed and made bread. Mended in p.m. Very windy this evening above freezing.

4 Feb Wed. Rainy by spells. Growing colder. Very icy. No traffic. I washed windows in living room & small room.

5 Feb Thu. Not much colder. Cloudy mostly. I washed the rest of the windows down stairs & clean papers on a few shelves

6. Feb Fri. 10 or 15 degrees above in a.m. Quite a wind. Light snow squalls, then bright sunshine. 10 degrees above this evening.

7 Feb Sat. 15 degrees this a.m. A few snow flurries. Cool wind. I cleaned down stairs and made rolls this a.m. Worked at cutting for rugs this p.m.

8 Feb Sun. 10 degrees and fair. We rode to church with Viola Post -as Walter isn't driving till new license plates come.

9 Feb Mon 14 degrees or so. Mostly cloudy. I baked bread & a pie. G & N came for me around 4.00. We had some storm after we came home.

10 Feb Tue. Rained tonite a little. We worked on mending for Rita. G went to Sidney to see about work in a.m. In evening they both went to Rolland Leonard's to call.

11 Feb Wed. N repotted her violets. I mended on Rita's things. Colder to nite. Not much snow on ground.

12 Feb Thu. Rather cold. 14 degrees or so. I mended on pajama's for Helen. N washed doll's things & then things that were in the attic. I made bread. Worked on stocking rug in evening.

13 Feb Fri. Rainy this a.m. Thawing, icy. I worked on rug quite a lot. G & N went over to Rita's this p.m. Bro't David back. G hasn't felt well. Fred came in and got supper for him just before the folks came home.

14 Feb Sat. 20 degrees this a.m. But moderated. Rained a little. Cloudy. I finished the rug.

15 Feb Sun. It was real icy. We went to church and had no trouble. Fred came in a while this evening. I wrote several letters. A little colder this even.

15 Feb Mon. N washed. Quite a lot of sun & wind. In the upper 30's during the day. I wrote letters. Made bread, etc.

16 Feb Tue. We ironed. N & G went to Sidney this am. 40 degrees in middle of day. A very few snow flurries.

18 Feb Wed. Cloudy. In p.m. It rained then turned to snow. Ground white & colder to-nite. G is working on the stairway.

19 Feb Thu. Colder 10 degrees or so. Windy. Some sunshine. Zero in evening. G working on stairway.

20 Feb Fri. Zero this morning. Windy. Mostly sunny. Geo went to Sidney to see about work. Fred was up to supper/. Geo went to Union meeting. Not quite as cold this evening.

21 Feb Sat. Some sun. Stormy & windy in p.m. N did washing for Fred. I helped N mend. Worked on rug.

22 Feb Sun. About zero. We went to church. I went home with Jessie to dinner. We went to James Little's funeral. Fair. G & N & David W went over to Rita's to dinner. Jessie & I called at Harris' when she brought me home.

23 Feb Mon. N did not feel well. Sinus trouble, eyes, etc. She did a little washing. G & N went to Sidney to shop. It snowed in a.m. Milder to night. No mail man to-day. I worked on rug.

24 Feb Tue. Carrie & Walter's 55th wedding anniversary. Rather cold. Windy Partly cloudy. N washed. Not feeling well. eye still bothers. We baked bread, cookies. Geo has work at Oneonta for a few days.

25 Feb Wed. -8 this a.m but air and warmed up some. We baked, ironed & cleaning. Worked on rugs a little. Colder to nite.

26 Feb Thu. About zero in a.m. Warmed up to 40 degrees in p.m. Partly cloudy. N & I both worked on rugs some. Geo, N & David went down to Glen Hoyts this evening. Fred came in and was here to supper.

27 Feb Fri. Not as cold. 40 degrees at noon. N & G went to Sidney to-nite to Dr. Stacy. Also to Unadilla to take two of the dogs to Vet. Cold to nite. Jessie bro't over 3 A Violets for me to keep for her.

28 Feb Sat. Above freezing this a.m. And kept warming up. Water running everywhere. The folks shopped in Sidney this a.m.

1 Mar Sun. Still thawing. Snow has disappeared but ground is frozen so water stands on ground. We. Went to church. I got a lot of reading done this p.m. In my room. It was comfortable and N & G had callers.

2 Mar Mon. N washed. I finished my rug. Quite spring-like. Fred came up to supper.

3 Mar Tue. We baked bread, pies & cookies. N washed. In even they with David went over to Rita's. Left D. Then went to Sidney. Went to Stacy's then Rutlands for a call. Mild

4 Mar Wed. Ground white with snow. Snow flurries in a.m. Mr. Titus took me to the foot doctor at 11:00. Above freezing so much of snow melted. We both worked on rugs. I'm making one of rayon stockings.

5 Mar Thu. Bright. About 20 degrees in a.m. Mostly cloudy. We both worked on our rugs.

6 Mar Fri. Very windy. Up to 50 in middle of day. Final by spells. Colder at nite, a few snow flakes. G & N went to Sidney to nite- G to Stacey's.

7 Mar Sat. Colder Windy. A few snow flurries. I went with N to Sidney to shop. I got b-day gifts for them. Then called at Mrs. Melicks. N & I both worked on our rugs. I have a good start on a rayon stocking rug.

8 Mar sun. A bright sunny morning. We went to church. I wrote letters & read. N & G went down to Glen Hoyt's a while. Fred & Ronny came in a few min. Rather cold to-nite.

9 Mar Mon. A little above freezing. Light snow. N did a little washing. I cleaned lower cupboards. Electricity was off 2 hr this evening. Geo went over to U to a trustees meeting but it was called off. N & I worked on rugs.

10 mar Tue. Snowed a little in a.m. But was mostly fair, and good drying day. N washed. G & N went to a supper at Bapt church. Family nite supper.

11 Mar Wed. Nearly zero this a.m. G's b-day. N made cake. I ironed, cleaned some, and worked on rug. Milder to-nite. Fred came up late in evening. Ate supper.

12 Mar Thu. Snowed in the nite. Kept snowing more or less all day. There may be a foot or so to nite. Some wind and temp in the twenties.

13 Mar Fri. Some snow and much wind. 20 degrees or so. We baked, and did usual cleaning. Snow drifted in driveway but Geo managed to drive in. N & G went to Sidney to bank after Geo came home.

14 Mar Sat. A bright morning. Kept pleasant all day. N & G went to Sidney to shop, also Unadilla. In the evening, Helen Philip, Pat & Joan came down. H bro't material for rugs, also used clothing for church World Service.

15 Mar Sun. We went to church. Mostly sunny. Thawing. Snow disappearing fast. 40 degrees or over.

16 Mar Mon..... Rather windy. N washed some. We worked on crib quilt for Mary. Nearly finished it. G & N took me over to Rob't Harris to the Missionary Meeting. G ame for me about 9:45. I didn't stay for refreshments.

17 Mar Tue. N did more washing. It was bright and good for drying until late p.m. It snowed quite hard. Covered the ground. We finished Mary's quilt, and Geo plans to take it up to Helen's in the a.m.

18 Mar Wed. Snowed some early in a.m. Quite cold 20 degrees or a little over. N washed some garments we are getting ready to send to church World Service. We, or I worked at mending & pressing. N dyed some, getting ready to make another rug.

19 Mar Thu. 4 above zero this a.m. 50 degrees at noon. Good day for sap running, no doubt. N washed the last of clothing Helen bro't for CWService. I pressed & mended. Did sweaters by hand. I went with N to a Missionary Meeting at Mrs. Wetherbee's in the evening. First time N has driven since receiving her driver's license.

20 Mar Fri. A lovely spring day 4 degrees in middle of day. N did cleaning and some washing. In evening N & G went to Union meeting. Fred called in evening got clothes & bro't more to be washed. Also had a lunch.

21 Mar Sat. Spring has come. It has ruined some today, gently. Cloudy all day. G & N shopped in Sidney this a.m. Bro't David back and Rita and Bea came home this way and took him home. They stayed to lunch. I finished the mending for CWS clothing and began doing Helen's mending. Rain turning to snow in p.m. Late. Colder.

22 Mar Sun. 20 degrees above zero. Windy. We went to church today. Took the garments to the church we've been working on for W.C. Service. Mostly bright but did not warm up too much. Fred came in (his father went for him) in late p.m. N got a meal for him. Call to-nite.

23 Mar Mon. Cold morning 10 degrees. Warmed up some. Good drying day. N washed some.

24 Mar Tue Cold not as cold as yesterday. N washed I ironed & pressed used clothing to take to Carrie. N & G took Rita to the doctors. Geo went to Stacy. Rather mild this even. N started cleaning up stairs.

25 Mar Wed. Froze last nite but warmed up fast. Must be a good sap day. N finished my room and we moved my things in, so I slept there to nite. N went to U to have her hair cut. G sent along & went to Jones to take a heat lamp. Got Glen Hoyts milk as he is sick. Went to Sidney Centre for ginger ale for Glen. They stayed at Glen's awhile.

26 Mar Thu. Not as warm but mostly fair. N worked up stairs. I cleaned some cupboards. We both worked on rugs.

27 Mar Fri. Ground white this a.m. Some snow during this day. At times turning to rain--then colder at night. 3 or more in of snow. We did usual cleaning. N & G went to Sidney to nite to bank. Fred came up to supper and to get clean clothes.

THIS ENDS THE 1959 DIARY WRITTEN IN THE SMALL BLACK BOOK WITH 1956,7.
BEGINS JULY 26 IN LARGER WIRED NOTEBOOK.

26 Jul Sun. Cool morning but warmed up and was bright mostly. No one went to church. Wilford came in p.m. Norma & George called this p.m. Mr & Mrs. Gadsby called this even. No special change in Carrie. (*Note: Gma must be at her sister Carrie Cope's home in G-ville and Carrie is sick. AP*)

27 Jul Mon. Emily washed. A fine day. Dr. Von Haiseler called to see Carrie this p.m. Juna, Viola Post and Pauline Smith called this p.m.

28 Jul Tue. Warm. Mostly sunny. Emily did the ironing. Walter did some cleaning down stairs. I planned to go home but we thought it best to wait till Mildred came.

29 Jul Wed. Hot weather. 92 degrees in Oneonta. Juan Richards brought me hoe this p.m. I stopped at Jessie's a short time. Also at Bob Harris where Norma is caring for their children while they are away.

30 Jul Thu. Hot this a.m. But not as humid and a good breeze at times. Norma came home at 9:00. I have been busy doing little things.

31 Jul Fri. Hot and humid. Threatening rain which did come in pm. Quite a hard short shower then lighter. N washed & dried. Rita & family came over in even to get vegetables.

1 Aug Sat. Quite cool in a.m. Sun quite warm and indication of rain around us. N & G went to Sidney to shop. Rita went to Oneonta and left David & Sherry here. Rather cool to nite.

2 Aug Sun. Quite cool this a.m. And did not wam up too much. G & N went to church. Norma & I went over to Cope's in p.m. Stopped at Jessie's on way home and made quite a call. Carrie's not improving.

3 Aug Mon. Very cool a.m. 40 degrees. But warmed up some, comfortable in p.m. N washed. I made bread. We both did some writing. Not as cold to nite.

4 Aug Tue. Not quite as cool in a.m. But a strong wind all day. It is cloudy and seems very much like much needed rain. A very light mist about dark.

5 Aug Wed. Rained quite a lot during the nite. Enough to help gardens. Cloudy and threatened rain. About 9:00 p.m. It is raining gently. Betty and a little 4 year old girl she bro't with her came this p.m. And stayed till after supper.

6 Aug Thu. It rained quite hard during the night so the ground seemed very wet. Cloudy & cool. Richmond came down with a truck load of pat moss & mane ur. Helen & children started for a 2 days visit to Penna.

7 Aug Fri. Pleasant. Milder. Threatening rain. N & G went to Oneonta. G to Union Meeting. Fred here to supper. Jessie went over to Copes late in p.m. Carrie no better. Not as well really.

8 Aug Sat. Mild. Threatening rain some of the time. Mist at times in even. Emily phoned that her mother had a good night and seemed better to day. Aa card from Helen in Pa. They are having a good time. Fred came up in p.m. & helped G buzz wood. N & G went to Sidney to get groceries in a.m.

9 Aug Sun. We went to church. I went to Bap church with G & N as we have no church service till Sept. Rather warm & threatening rain. Did rain some on the way to church & while we were there. We all went over to Cope's in p.m. Carrie about the same. Donald & Wilfred are there to stay till Thur. It is her 83rd b day. She had lots of flowers. We took a mixed bouquet also tiger lilies. Norma made a b-day cake which is real pretty. Carrie had such a lot of glads also other flowers, white mums etc. 75 b-day cards. it rained some as we drove over, and poured while we were there for quite a while. Did not come here.

10 Aug Mon. Threatened rain nearly all day but N washed an no rain but a little towards night. I made bread & pie. N cookies. N & G went to Sidney. G to Dr. Stacy.

11 Aug Tue. Quite warm. Cool in a.m. I went with Jessie to visit at Paul Hovey's in p.m. The Wilcox's came in after supper. We all had a nice visit. Norma froze beets & started dill pickles. We ironed

12 Aug Wed. Rather cool a.m. But was a real pleasant day. N is cleaning out the raspberry bushes. The tank came for the oil furnace to-day.

13 Aug Thu. Warm morning. Rita & children came over about ten and stayed while N went over to the church to plan for Vacation Bible School. After lunch Rita went to Sidney to shop. Mrs. Gurney came this evening to get roots that N has to give away.

14 Aug Fri. Very warm to day.

15 Aug Sat. Very warm. In the nineties. G & N went to Oneonta to trade. I did a few little jobs, then worked at my rug and tried to keep cool.

16 Aug Sun. Very warm again. I went to the Baptist church with Geo & Norma. We had a thunder shower about five o'clock. Quite a lot of rain fell, but we need several days rain. Rita & family came in late p.m. On their way to her father's. They left David here. He will go with N to Vacation Bible School where she expects to help for 2 wk's. Jessie stopped and asked me to. Go over to Mrs. McLaughlins for a call, which I did.

17 Aug Mon. Warm and threatening rain. It finally came a thunder shower in p.m. Then rained off & on during the p.m. N is helping at the V Bible School. They come for her at 8:30 and it lasts still 11:30. Still rather warm to nite.

18 Aug Tue. A shower about 11:30. The cleaning and it was a nice p.m. A little cooler. Rita came over and did her washing as she has no water. N & I went over to the Cope's this evening. Mildred is there running the house and would like to have me come over to help.

19 Aug Wed. I made bread and did a little washing & ironing then got ready to go. Mildred came at 3:30 and stayed a while and I went back with her. Pauline Morris called this evening. Cool night.

20 Aug Thu. Warmed up so it was really hot as before the rains. Charl Lawson who helps here is having trouble after having a tooth out and went home early. Warm evening. We packed dishes this evening. 21 Aug Fri. Warm & sultry. A short shower in p.m. Charl didn't come to-day as her tooth has been making trouble. We did not get much extra done. Ironed. Had callers to see the house. Also Henry Cope & wife. Wilfred came about 11:00.

22 Aug Sat. Showers during a.m. Cleaning and warm. Charl back & feeling better. I made bread & pie and got dinner while Mildred rested as she had a bad nite with Carrie. Wil & Mil attended the wedding of a Musson girl this p.m. Callers to look at the house. Also Mr. Michell from Oneonta who will take the Cope's good in a van. Cooler to nite.

23 Aug Sun. Pleasant in a.m. But clouded up and was cool. Very quiet here. Wilfred went home in p.m.

24 Aug Mon. Rained early this a.m. Thundered a little. Perhaps rained during nite. Mildred had to wash some. Dried a few things mostly in house. Cleared toward night. I baked raspberry pie & tarts in p.m. We make cookies. Ironed a little in evening. Kay & Joe Napolitana called about supper time.

25 Aug Tue. Mildred did a big washing and it dried just perfect. We got quite a lot of the ironing done and put away. had a busy day. Norma came over this even. Brought lovely flowers. Cool tonight.

26 Aug Wed. Cool a.m. Partly cloudy. I did my hand washing. Made a pie and helped about dinner. Jessie came over to call. Finally stayed to dinner and helped us to get it. Emily came in p.m.

27 Aug Thu. Hot & humid. Showers went around in p.m. A little rain late in p.m. Mildred started for home about 1:30. I baked bread & cookies. In p.m. Went up stairs & sorted things that we think we can use.

28 Aug Fri. Warm & humid. Showers went around but we did not get much rain. A busy day. I sorted things in up stairs room in a.m. & P.m.

29 Aug Sat. Mrs Seaman's s94th b day. Warm & humid. Showers this p.m. But did not rain hard or long. Wilfred came about 11:00 last night. Everyone has been busy. Cheryl went home about noon which made quite a difference. I was up early and sorted over things for rugs.

30 Aug Sun. Mostly cloudy. Warm, humid. Thunder showers this p.m. But did not rain hard. Wilfred left soon after dinner. Geo & Norma came this p.m. Bro't lovely flowers also glads. We're tables & melons. They took some things that we have laid aside for them. Maude Cope & ever all of her family called.

31 Aug Mon. Began raining about 8 and rained all the forenoon hard. Emily washed. In p.m hung out a few things which dried some. I made cookies & a cake which didn't turn out very good. Fred & Nellie Gadsby called late in p.m as she wanted to get some rug rags we had.

1 Sep Tue. Clearing. Emily went to G- this a.m. I did little odd jobs and got dinner started. Sheldon & Marguerite called also Juna & daughter. The rest of the lot he's got dry. Chyrl ironed this a.m. And Emily finished in p.m. Quite warm & humid.

2 Sep Wed Partly cloudy and a little rain in p.m. Early in p.m. Rita brought Norma over to get boxes of things we have to take home. George came from Norwich where he works to get her. Walter had strawberry plants ready for him to take. The left between 5 & 6. Viola Post & daughter called in p.m.

3 Sep. Thu. Rained during the nite. Not as humid & warm to-day. Helen came this p.m. I went with her up to Guy Posts on an errand. Juna called this evening.

4 Sep Fri. Colder. Pleasant. The Sargents (Ansel) called this p.m. Also Swenningsens & Ralph Lyon. Mil & Wil came about 11:00 this evening.

5 Sep Sat. Pleasant a.m. Phillips who was a Cope called t his p.m. Also Henry Cope & wife Juna & Kay. Geo Johnson came at 7:00 to-nite.

6 Sep Sun. Cool a.m. Jessie called while we were eating breakfast. A busy a.m. As they are getting ready to take Carrie & Walter to Rochester this p.m. They got started at 2:30. I phoned N I'd be ready at 3:00. She came alone as Fred is sick so Geo stayed. In the p.m. Rita & boys came. Walter & Bev called on their way home from her folks. Wilford came over in evening to bring my Vit pills which I forgot.

7 Sep Mon Labor Day. Geo did not work. He & N worked in flower garden transplanting shrubbery & in p.m. Strawberry plants Walter gave us. Comfortable day. I wrote some letters. made cookies.

8 Sep Tue. AN did ot feel well so did not wash. Quite warm. I made bread.

9 Sep Wed. Rita & children were over. She brought apple sauce to freeze & apples to be gotten ready for pies to be frozen. Very warm. Thunder shower at supper time. Jessie called this evening

10 Sep the. Cloudy. Warm. We ironed. Looked over old pictures. Rained some late in p.m & evening. N & I went to Sid Centre to get can rubbers & tops for canning pears. I took a box of pictures, etc for Minnie which we left at Lula's and called there a while.

11 Sept Fri. Quite cool. Rita came over and she & N went to Oneonta to see about a freezer for Rita. I went along but stopped at Helen's while they were gone. G & N went to the bank after G got home to nite. We canned a few pears.

12 Sep Sat. Much cooler. 40 degrees early a.m. Cool wind all day. N & G went to Sidney to do errands. Rolland Leonard & man came and finished the furnace so it is being used - oil. We also have a wood fire in the stove. N made chili sauce. A letter from Emily. She isn't having much help in caring for Carrie.

13 Sept Sun. We went to church. Rita & family came over to supper and spent evening. Cold, but not quite as cold as last nite. There was a frost at Rita's this a.m.

14 Sept Mon. Cold morning. Frost (light) but no damage. N washed. We canned a few pears, made chili sauce. N gathered tomatoes, peppers, etc from garden but it did not freeze. Clouded up.

15 Sept Tue. We did the ironing. Baked bread & cookies. N took me over to Miss Halsey's. I called there a few min. In the even Jessie, Katherine Teed, Mrs. Curtis & I went to Guilford M.E. Church to a silver tea. The Hall sisters Julia & Pauline showed colored pictures of their European trip a year ago. Very interesting. Lasted pretty late. I stayed with Jessie.

16 Sept Wed. Norma called early to say that Georgg's mother had died and they went to Oneonta for his tools, then spent the day getting ready for Geo to go out to Wash. (*State of Washington*. AP). Jessie bro't me home after lunch. Fred took N & G down to Bing to take the plane at about 5:00. Cold N covered up things in garden. We had green beans that came on since the rain.

17 Sep Thu. We canned pears & plums. Rita & Tuie took David down to Bing to eye specialist. left Henry & Sherry here. They stopped for supper. Cold but clouded up.

18 Sept Fri. Cloudy so no frost. I believe we canned plums. Made pepper. Hash, froze rhubarb, made a quick cucumber pickle, tomato dill pickles, and got sweet ripe cucumber pickles started. Cool this evening. The rhubarb grew since the rain.

19 Sep Sat. Cold. We did not see frost. It was bright and a lovely day. N went to U to get her hair cut and get groceries. We had a busy day. She finished pickles. We both did cleaning. I went out towards night & got flowers which haven't been all spoiled by frosts and N arranged a bouquets for each room. Black eyed Susan's, delphiniums, nicatianas, petunias and glads. No doubt will be the last for this year.

20 Sep Sun. We went to church. Ruth Phetteplace came home with us. In the p.m. We drove to Bainbridge. N called on Hilda Sargent & her sister. Ruth & I sat in the car and visited. It was a lovely day.

21 Sept Mon. Very warm day for Sept. We washed & ironed. Made chili sauce. Rita & family came over to supper. Left the children as Rita plans to go to Albany to morrow, so we will have them to morrow. Tuie set out some strawberry plants that ame in the mail.

22 Sep Tue. Very warm. 76 degrees or so. Norma has been busy caring for the children. I mended some. Rita came over in evening for the children.

23 Sep Wed. Jessie came for me and took me to Sidney as I had an appointment with Dr. Joseph. She stopped here for lunch then I went with her to May Clifford's. had some soap grease & lye for her. N came for me at about five o'clock. Rita says Sherry has a tooth. Very warm. 80 degrees or more.

24 Sep Thu. Warm. Partly cloudy. Rita & children came over to wash as they have no water. Norma washed the car. I took care of a basket of apples Jessie gave us last week. N & Rita went up to Wells Bridge to see about Rita getting a freezer. Rained late in p.m. A little cooler.

25 Sep Fri. Cooler. The furnace is running good and heat feels comfortable. Norma cleaned in a.m. I did some up stairs. Started bread. At about 2:00 Geo called that he was at the air port in Bing. N & Rita went to Wells Bridge to see about the freezer while I baked the bread. Then we started for Bing. It was interesting to see the planes land or take off. Geo had a good trip. ON the way home we stopped & got 2 bu Mac apples and some pears for Rita. They picked the apples themselves (at lower price). Had a letter from Emily which I was very glad to get. No change for better in Carrie.

26 Sep Sat. About 70 degrees or a little above in middle of day. Cool wind. N & G went to Deposit to see some one related to some one Geo saw in Spokane this p.m. Then went to Sidney late in p.m. to get George's luggage which came a little later than he did.

27 Sep Sun. Geo felt tired so didn't go to church. N & I went. I started to walk over to the Baptist church. Tripped & fell on a tree trunk. When Jessie stopped thinking I would like a ride with her which I did, over to the church. Mr. Ludwig came along and picked me up--not hurt at all. Geo & N went over to Rita's and Geo helped Tuie fix a place for their new freezer when it comes.

28 Sep Mon. Partly cloudy. N washed. Bro't home Rita's clothes as she has no water. Clothes dried nicely. I did a little ironing. We made, or rather boiled down, tomato juice. Geo went over to Rita's to help again. Quite warm to day. Rita bro't David over as he hurt his face last night.

29 Sep Tue. Thunder showers during night. Quite a good deal of rain fell. Rained some to day. Very warm. Rita came over. Was here to dinner. Took David to the doctors to check his cut. Rita & N canned some pears for Rita.

30 Sep Wed. Warm. Cooled off a little toward night. We froze 15 p'kgs carrots this a.m. In p.m. Canned the rest of Rita's pears. Geo went over to Rita's to work in the back room, getting ready for their freezer. Freddy came in to supper. Mrs. Dunshee & Mrs. Barrows called this evening. I had several cards.

1 Oct Thu. Rained thru the night and most of the day off & on. We need it so much. Norma made a nice birthday cake for me (us). Helen Rich & Joan & Ruth came down in the evening. Helen bro't a cake. Norma had spaghetti & meat ready if the folks would like it and they would. Then we had cakes and ice cream. They stayed till about 10 o'clock. Is not raining this evening. I had more cards, and really had a nice birthday.

2 Oct Fri. Some cooler. No more rain tho cloudy by spells. Rita came over and took David to the Doctor who took the stitches out in his forehead. N & G went over to Rita's to-night as Geo

is working on the place for the new freezer. They stayed late (2:00) as they finished the mason work.

3 Oct Sat. Norma & Geo went to Franklin then to U to do shopping. Pleasant. Mild for this time of year. I took nicotianas & petunias over to the Blanchards also up to Earls this evening. They are still lovely and do not show signs of frost.

4 Oct Sun. Helen is 49 years old to-day. Still rather mild. N taught a S.S class at 10:00. So I rode along. Our service begins now at 9:45. S S at 11:00. Geo did not go. This p.m. N & G went over to Rita's. Left David there.

5 Oct. Mon. Partly cloudy. Warm. N washed and clothes dried good. WE had a busy day. N got wood in barn as it looked like rain. I made an apple pie and did little jobs. In p.m. Jessie & Avis Taylor called. In evening N & G caught part of the hens and took them to Walton to be dressed. Stopped at Rita's. Their new freezer came to-nite. Quite a shower (thunder) soon after N & G left.

6 Oct Tue. Mostly cloudy. Mild. N & I went up stairs and looked over the boxes of things brought over from Cope's. We sorted over everything. N worked this evening. Finished including some things of Rita's. There was quite a thunder shower late this p.m.

5 Oct Wed. It rained (thunder & shower) more or less all night. More rain than we have had in a long time. N worked up stairs sorting some of Rita's things and some boxes of Geo's mother. I did some mending, writing, etc.

8 Oct Thu. Some cooler this a.m. But warmed up later. Rita & children came over about 11:15. We had a "grab lunch" and went to Walton to get the fowls that G & N took to have dressed. Brought them back to Rita's and put in her new freezer to freeze then came on home. They had another lunch then went home. I rested a while. N washed and baked this a.m.

9 Oct Fri. Still warm. Partly cloudy. It rained a good deal during last night. Creek very high. N did some defrosting on the feeder which she started last night. I cleaned up stairs, and N did down stairs. We baked bread, mended, etc.

10 Oct Sat. Cooler but warm sun & pleasant. N & G went to Sidney to shop, etc. In p.m. Geo dug most of the potatoes and got them in. They also gathered the glads and stored them away to dry for the present. Jessie & Pauline Strobeck called and I went with them for a short ride, to Sidney Centre & back by the back road by Dunshee's. The foliage is lovely.

11 Oct Sun. cloudy-mild. Geo & I went to church. N did not feel well, but felt better later in the day. I rested, wrote letters, etc.

12 Oct Mon. Cool. Threatening rain. N washed and we got the clothes in to finished drying. A very few sprinkles. N hasn't felt well and has been in bed a good deal. Better this evening.

13 Oct Tue. Cool-cloudy. N feels better. Helen came for us to go to Bing. To the eye doctor at 9:30. We were on time at 11:30. Doctor found very little change in my eyes. So I do not go again till Apr 13. We did some trading. Helen looked at trailers, stopped on the way home for a lunch. It was between 5 & 6 when we got home. Rained or sprinkled a very little so we went, and came home. Quite cool. N feels better to nite.

14 Oct Wed. Quite cool. N ironed. We slept late and N did not feel very well. We did not accomplish much. I had a long nap. Geo is laid off for a time. Mostly cloudy & not pleasant.

15 Oct Thu. Colder morning than lately. Geo killed 4 hens and we all worked getting them ready for the freezer. (I did a small part). We cooked one for supper. The other 3 are cooling in

refrigerator to p'kgs & put in freezer to-morrow. Rita bro't Henry & Sherry over to stay while she shopped in Sidney. They were all here to lunch. Geo worked at grading the side lawn. Quite a bit of sunshine.

16 Oct Fri. Cool. Some sunshine. They did 2 more hens for freezing. N helped Geo by running the tractor while he used something to move dirt SOS graded the side lawn. G & Mr. Jones went up to Union Meeting, but the meeting wasn't held as something else was going on in the building.

14 Oct Sat. Partly cloudy-looked like rain but didn't till toward night. G & N went to Bing to pick apples. Got 5 bu. N Spies (got groceries too). This even took some up to Clarks, also McGills when they got milk. They worked some on the lawn before they went.

18 Oct Sun. Rather bright and pleasant. Not too cold in the a.m but began to be colder & windy in early p.m. We went to church. Mr. Benedict preached. It got down to 34 degrees in evening. N went out and got lovely flowers-nicotianas, marigolds, roses, tuberous begonia (double), petunias, dahlias, geraniums, pink begonia, pansies, portulacas, delphinium. Very lovely. N & I moved a few things in to the apartment, so I'll be sleeping there this winter and did last.

19 Oct Mon. 26 degrees this a.m. Cold windy. Partly cloudy, but clothes dried well. Geo went to Windham to work to day. We made bread. Did some mending, etc. Quite cold to night. The flowers are all spoiled as we expected.

20 Oct Tue. No frost this a.m. It has been a pleasant day. Rita & family were here for dinner. Then Rita & Tuie took David to Bing to see eye specialist at 3:00. They all stayed to supper. N bro't down clothing from upstairs which we're getting ready to take over where the Bap church women will send to Korea.

21 Oct Wed. About 26 degrees. Cold wind. Geo & N worked some on lawn. We mended & pressed clothing most of the day. N & G worked in flower garden, transplanted white lilac etc. Geo took Joe across the way, to Unadilla too nite.

22 Oct Thu. Not quite as cold. N got the clothing into boxes ready to take to U. We baked bread and froze some carrots. In p.m. We went to Unadilla. I took my cloth for 3 dresses to Mrs Alger. She took my measurements. I called at Mrs. Carmarchael's to see Grace Gibson who has had an eye out. She's coming on good and expects to have her artificial eye in a week. The fall shrubbery came to-day. They started digging the holes.

23 Oct Fri. It rained during the nite. Geo has worked about all day digging holes between showers. They have them all set in.

24 Oct Sat. Rainy. G & N started for Ithaca about 10 a.m. Jessie came for me about 4 o'clock . I stayed over nite with her. Rained hard in evening.

25 Oct Sun. We went to church & S.S. Barbara & family were at Jessie's for dinner. She bro't me home between 5 & 6. It has been fairly pleasant. Rained a little as we got home. G & N came about 8. A very little cooler.

26 Oct Mon. Mostly cloudy, and threatening rain. N washed and bro't clothes in to finish drying. Geo went to Sidney to Stacy this p.m. And N & I went along. It rained hard most of the way down.

27 Oct Tue. It was cold and misty this a.m. Geo went to Oneonta to work but did not stay. Norma did not feel well. Had pain in her side so has taken it easy to-day. We have worked on

the used clothing to be sent to needy. Temp 40 degrees or so all day. No rain. I ironed this a.m. Fred & friend called toward nite.

28 Oct Wed. Cold and snowing a very little. Geo went to work in Oneonta. The coldest day we have had this Fall. Not much above freezing all day. Fred came in after we had eaten and ate his supper. We worked all day on the clothing. N feels better, but has pain in her back at times.

29 Oct Thu. Coldest a.m we have had 26 degrees). But bright and warmed up some. I did some hand washing. We both worked on the used clothing most of the day. I went up to Caswell's this p.m. To call and returned the flash light I borrowed of them several weeks ago. The foliage is stil lovely.

30 Oct Fri. Cold a.m. Partly cloudy. Moderated this p.m. N feels some better. We worked all day on the clothing and finished what we planned to do. Which is the larger part of the big box we had full. Geo is working overtime to finish the job at Oneonta. Came back home at 1:30.

31 Oct Sat. It has rained more or less all day. G & N went to Sidney this a.m. N had an appointment with Dr. Elliot at 8:00. They got groceries. G went to Dr. Stacks, etc. We all went to the chicken & biscuit supper at Pres church at 5:30 this evening. It kept on raining but not as hard as during the day. It was a very good supper and it seemed like a large crowd.

1 Nov Sun. A little rainy but did not amount to much thru the day. We went to church. I'll be going to the Baptist church mostly as the Pres. Service starts at 9:45. mr. Webb goes to Otego to conduct service after ours here. It was Henry's b-day yesterday. We had them all over for supper, ice cream & b'day cake. N & R took pictures of the children.

2 Nov Mon. Cold. A few snow flurries and light rain. N washed some but had to bring in to finish drying. I began cleaning cupboards. N & I began finishing a quilt-top for a quilt we plan to make for Helen for Christmas.

3 Nov Tue. N washed the rest of the clothes. A fair drying day. We went up to vote with Mrs. MGill this a.m. I cleaned some cupboards. Cut a few blocks. Geo came home early as he is given some time on account of Election Day. Fred came in to supper and in evening Rita & family came with their new car and ate supper.

4 Nov Wed. Began raining about 11:00 and was a real rainy p.m. We ironed and worked some on quilt we are making for Helen. N on a throw she is making for Beverly. Fred came and heard N went over to church. Geo broke his glasses. I mean frames and went to Sidney to get them repainted.

5 Nov Thu. Rained off & on all day. Rita brought the children over to stay while she shopped. In p.m. She took N down as meats were selling cheaper than usual. I got squashes ready to freeze, cleaned up stairs. No did some down stairs.

6 Nov Fri. It rained all day. Some of the time real hard. N did some extra cleaning. I made bread & cake. I got more squashes ready to freeze. N & G went over to the revival meeting at the church this evening.

7 Nov Sat. Colder about 3 degrees all day. N & G went to Sidney early to have dental work done. Light rain. N washed some, but.. I did a few odd jobs. Worked at Christmas pillowcase I evening. N helped me cut them out.

8 Nov Sun. About 22 degrees this a.m. Bright in a.m. We went to church. A missionary from Etheopia talked. It was extra good. Rev Floyd Estelle. Geo & N went over to Rita's this ps.ms.

9 Nov Mon. Cold. Mostly sunny. N washed & we ironed. Froze more squashes. N & I went over to Bap church to hear a missionary to Peru speak. The Rev. C.W.W. Cook. he was very good.

10 Nov Tue. Cold a.m. But warmed up some. Pleasant. N cleaned in her bed room. I finished the squashes, and cleaned some kitchen cupboards. In the evening we went over to church to a Fellowship supper, then heard a missionary to the Jews speak, Ref. Cohen.

11 Nov Wed. Veterans Day. No mail deliveries. Norma did some cleaning. I did the lower cupboards. Then Somme mending & sewing. Rita & children came over. We're here to dinner. Sherry stayed here. Very windy. 40 degrees in a.m. And stayed above freezing.

12 Nov Thu. About freezing. Not as cold this a.m. Rained a little during the nite. N did not get much sleep last nite as Sherry is cutting teeth & is fretful. N cleaned some living rooms, and I worked at cupboards. Mrs. Melick & Lurene called this p.m. Cooler to nite. N pulled the turnips & Geo got them in.

13 Nov Fri. Cool & windy. Not freezing. Rita & family left the boys here early in p.m. All were here to supper. They took Sherry home. Rita & Tuie both went to dentists.

14 Nov Sat. A rainy day. N went to U early to shop. Geo transplanted a lilac tree. We worked at cleaning mostly. Expected Walt & Bev in p.m. But they did not arrive till we were about to have supper and left rather early in evening. Still raining at bed time.

15 Nov Sun. We all went to church. In late p.m we went up to Hellen's. Found only Ruth there. later G & M went over to Rita's to get hunting license for G. They bro't Henry home with them to stay a few days.

16 Nov Mon. A about 32 degrees, but warmed up and was a good day to wash & dry. N & G got a piece of linoleum down in the apartment this even. I mended, wrote, etc.

17 Nov Tue. Rainy in a.m. Grew colder during forenoon. Snowed a little. Is cold and windy to-night. Geo worked late. got home about 9:00. He stopped at Helen's for a root of bleeding heart. N. Made a shoe bag for Geo.

18 Nov Wed. 10 degrees above zero. Warmed up in sunshine some. Cold, but not quite as cold to nite. Geo worked overtime again. Got home at 7:30. N worked at her afghan most of her spare time. I mended then worked on my rug I began some time ago.

19 Nov Thu. Not as cold but below freezing in a.m. A very few snow flakes. N worked on her "throw". I, on my rug material a. Little. We baked bread, pie & cookies.

20 Nov Fri. Cold. A little under freezing. Rita & children were here for lunch. Then she went to dentists leaving the children here. She took them all home. Henry has been here since Sun even.

21 Nov Sat. 52 years ago we were married. A few snow flurries and a very warm rain. N & I went to Unadilla this a.m. We went to Mrs. Aalgers and I got my dresses. N took a dress thee to be altered. In p.m. G & N went to Sidney to shop, then to Unadilla to the doctors as Geo is having foot trouble. Dr calls it neuritis.

22 Nov Sun. N. G went to church. Heard a candidate for a new minister. In evening they went to hear him again and I went to a Women's Praise Service at Pres. Church. Slides were shown of Alaska and African work being done there. After that refreshments & a fellowship hour. A & N stopped for me, and stayed a while.

23 Nov Mon. About 40 degrees. Windy. Partly cloudy. N washed. Geo went to Oneonta in a.m. To do errands. N & I worked on rugs. There was trouble with the oil as one drum was used u. Rolland L came up and checked it ..Is running OK now.

24 Nov Tue. Rained some in p.m. Rita & children came over. The little ones stayed here while she took David to dentists. Geo went to Sidney too. We had a busy day. Baking, etc. Helen came in for a short call in late a.m. N & G worked at linoleum in evening in apartment.

25 Nov Wed. Mostly cloudy. A little rain turning to snow in a.m. And enough to whiten the ground in p.m. Geo had work at C-town. Helen drove over from U where she went to get an estimate of damage done to can. Was here short time. Geo stopped for the beets they have been having prepared for the freezer on his way home.

26 Nov Thu. Thanksgiving Day. Ground white with snow, but sun shone and much of it melted. Geo took me over to Jessie's to have dinner with Hazel Anna Eells and Nellie Myers. We had a nice turkey dinner and a nice time. Geo came for me & took Mrs. M & Ann home. N & G worked on the apartment putting down linoleum.

27 Nov Fri. Geo worked to day at Cooperstown- It was rainy off and on after late a.m. I went up to McGills and called on Mrs. Chapman as her folks have gone away for a few days. We are busy getting ready for Thanks. Dinner to morrow nite. N has cleaned & waxed floors.

28 Nov Sat. Rained all last night. Water very high. G went to Sidney for groceries. N & I were busy all day aAs we had Thanksgiving dinner here to nite. Walter & Bev came between 6 & 7. Geo took dinner over to Rita and family as they were sick. Fred came in for dinner. Colder to nite.

29 Nov Sun. Cold. We all went to church but Walter. They started for home after dinner. Colder than it has been.

30 Nov Mon. Cold. About 23 degrees. Snowed some but drying very well. N washed. Rita & family came over this even and left Sherry & Henry as she is to go to Bing to-morrow to take David to eye doctor. Geo worked.

1 Dec Tue. Rita stopped on the way back from Bing. She & Eleanor were here for lunch (& children). N & I ironed, then worked on rugs, etc. Geo will work the rest of week.

2 Dec Wed. Jessie took N & I to Sidney. I went to Dr. Joseph. N shopped. Jessie stayed for lunch. G finished work at C-town.

3 Dec Thu. A lovely day and rather mild. We all went shopping to Sidney.in a.m. Geo went up to Walters in p.m to stay over nite and help Walter.

4 Dec Fri. Geo did not come home. Catherine Teed drove over for me to go to the Friendly Circle Christmas meeting at Miss Gilchrist's' at 2 p.m. Jessie brought me home. It has been mild and mostly bright. We baked some and N worked on her "throw" I did some on my rug.

5 Dec Sat. Another quite nice day. N washed a little. I did quite a little cleaning down stairs so N could work on her throw. I worked on my rug. Geo I staying over nite at Walters. He phoned this evening.

6 Dec Sun. Threatening rain all day but didn't get it till evening. Geo came home about 3 or so. We went over to the Bap church to the open House for the Wetherbees. There was a nice program (music) then each of the ministers present were asked to speak. Mr. Chamberlain,

Webb, Brahm, Moreland. Then refreshments (copies & punch) were served. It began to rain as we started for home. N & G stopped at Bob Harris'. He is in the hospital.

7 Dec Mon. Rainy in a.m and turning to snow in p.m. We put the quilt on, we're making for Helen, and this p.m. I made a little start tying and N worked on her throw.

8 Dec Tue. The ground was white this a.m. N washed. I worked tying the quilt most all day. N & G went across the road to a b-day party this even. I wrote Christmas cards.

9 Dec Wed. Thawed some in sun. We ironed and I finished tying the quilt. N sewed on pajama's. A man came and demonstrated a vacuum cleaner and they bo't it.

10 Dec Thu. Not very cold. Some below freezing perhaps. N made her Christmas cake. I helped get things ready. Baked bread. N finished her third "throw." I mended some & wrote cards & letters. Rita & children came up from Sidney and had lunch here. Geo went to Sidney to see about work. Expects to work tomorrow.

11 Dec Fri. Some over freezing. Snowed some. Geo worked. N used her new cleaner. Is so pleased with it. I wrote cards. Cleaned up stairs, etc.

12 Dec Sat. Rainy off & on to day & evening. Most of the snow has gone. G & N went to Sidney this a.m. For groceries and to finish Christmas shopping. I wrote C cards. N & I wrapped packages this evening. Fred was up to supper. We had round steak. It was GOOD.

13 Dec Sun. Cloudy. A little snow fell. We went to church. Mr. B preached. N & G went over to Rita's to dinner. I wrote notes & cards. Helen & Rich came in a while this evening. I watched "The Wizard of Oz."

14 Dec Mon. Geo worked at Sidney but came home early. He helped N pack the Christmas boxes that go to Fla & Kansas and they took them over to U to mail. N washed. I made candy. We both wrote cards.

15 Dec Tue. We ironed. I made candy. N wrote cards most of the day. I wrote quite a few. Geo went to Sidney then over to Rita's to help Tuie. Did not get home till evening. Moderate temp.

16 Dec Wed. We made three wreaths. N & G got the Christmas tree and N has it decorated. We got some p'kgs ready & they took them over in p.m. Geo went to Sidney to get a box of fruit Moby sent from Fla. Jane MGill & the Barnes girl came over and showed pictures Sarah L sent out.

17 Dec Thu. Geo worked at Cooperstown. N made cookies. I made more candy and nearly finished writing cards. In the evening we made another wreath and hemmed half of the quilt for Helen.

18 Dec Fri. Keeps about the same temp. Around freezing. Cloudy. A very little snow. We cleaned. N did some decorating. Also wrapped p'kgs. I about finished cards. We finished binding Helen's quilt. Geo worked.

19 Dec Sat. Rita's b day. Then went over to supper N made a cake for her. G & N went to Sidney to shop in a.m. I worked a very little on my rugs which finishes Christmas gifts. It stormed enough to whiten the ground and is quite icy. Cold to-nite.

20 Dec Sun. Quite cold this morning. Rita & family stayed over nite. We went to church. Took apples over to Ruth Phetteplace to use in Christmas boxes. The Motts stayed till late p.m. I wrote the last of my cards.

21 Dec Mon. B washed, Baked cookies. I made bread. It snowed a little. Not good drying. We packed candy, and finished the Christmas boxes for Helen & family and Mary's. Snowing this evening.

22 Dec Tue. Norma's & George's 9th wedding anniversary. Geo took the Christmas boxes up to Helen's for them & Mary. We baked bread & cookies to day. I worked quite a lot on my rug. Zero this evening. A poinsettia came from Emily & George. Wade's delivered it. Geo gave N a wrist watch which pleased her very much.

23 Dec Wed. -14 degrees this a.m. Geo had trouble starting his car. Mr. McGill came down & helped. It was after 8:00 when he left. N baked rolls, and did bob jobs. I worked at my rug mostly. Colder to nite.

24 Dec Thu. Not quite as cold -6 degrees, I think but grew warmer during the day. More or less cloudy. N cleaned and made a dolls for Sherry. I cleaned up stairs and nearly finished my rug. Fred came up for N to do up Christmas things and stayed for supper.

25 Dec Fri. Christmas. Alicia phoned early this a.m. We had no guests and really took it easy. N & G went to Sidney in p.m to take some packages of cookies to Mrs Heimer & Mrs Ruland. Not very cold around 32-34 degrees. Mostly cloudy. Threatened storm. I finished the rug and N wrapped it.

26 Dec Sat. Mostly cloudy. Threatened storm but not much came.. Walt & Bev came in a.m. We had our Christmas gathering this evening. Rita & family & Fred. Walt & Bev. We had turkey & baked ham. A very good supper. Then we had the gifts from the tree. Everyone had nice gifts. Some from Moby, Alicia, & Robert, sent by mail. I had over 70 cards. An "Ideal" Christmas booklet from Betty. Box candy from Carrie R. Tea caddy with 4 trays for t bags from Mrs. Seaman & Catherine. Stationery from N & G. Apron from Fred. Box Mints from Alicia. Box dusting powder from Alice & Bob. Poinsettia from Emily & George.

27 Dec sun. Thawing. We all went to church. Had dinner, then N & G went to a reception for their new minister and I went to the Pres church to Open House for the Webb's before they leave. Both were from 3-5. N & G called for me and stayed a short time. Walt & Bev left for Otego soon after we left. N & G went to church this evening.

28 Dec Mon. Thawed all nite. Ground bare. Rained all day. Not hard but steady. The folks across the road had an auction this p.m. Geo worked late- 8:30 or so. Walt & Bev came around seven. We didn't wash and did odd jobs.

29 Dec Tue. Just above freezing. Snowed or rained by spells. Walt & Bev started for home at 10:30 or so. I spent all my spare time cleaning silverware. Wrote a couple of letters. Geo was late but not as much as last even.

30 Dec Wed. Temp about the same-near freezing. N washed a little but it snowed by spells all day so not much drying. I finished cleaning silverware, spent some time with my clocks and took up my corduroy rug again which I had begun before Christmas. Geo came a little later. Found roads slippery but had no trouble.

31 Dec Thu. Colder. Cloudy. Helen, Betty and a little 3 yr old boy from the Home where she works came this p.m. Betty showed pictures with her moving picture camera and Helen took a picture of N & Teddy (Mother's dog. AP) and finished it up while here with a new camera she has. N & I worked on her throw & my rug. Geo did not get home till about ten as had to work overtime. They could not go over to the Watch nite service at Baptist church as planned.

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