

1943 DIARY OF NELLIE (HELEN) CONVERSE CARR, Otego, NY. 1878-1968. Age: 65 years old. Copied November 2016 by Alicia Ione Leonard McNutt Pagano, granddaughter of Nellie Carr. She wrote 2016 in her 1906 book as there was room at bottom of most pages.

Notes and Comments

Gpa Carr died Dec 24, 1941. It is now a whole year later. At one point, Gma would no longer live on their little farm, on Lobdell Rd about a mile up from Paul Tillson's. I do not know when she moved to live with Mr. & Mrs. Amasa Teed, Unadilla, who were cousins. She was living with them when she began this 1943 diary.

However in February, Gma moved to her daughter's (Helen and Richmond Daniels) in Otego and lived there throughout rest of 1943. In her diary she recalls that February 12, 1931 was the anniversary of when she and Will moved from the farm just up the road to the smaller one she had recently left. My mother, remembering her own early life, called them the "upper house" where she grew up and the later "lower house" that I knew.

During my mother's pregnancy, my father Neil Leonard worked for Paul Tillson on his farm and they lived in a house on the Tillson property. When I was born (in a hospital in Sidney), it is my understanding that my mother brought me up the road from Tillson's to her parents' home. My father went to Oneonta to try to find work. I do not remember this upper house as I was only 1-1/2 years old when my grandparents moved to the "lower house." This small place and times spent there with my grandparents has many peaceful and happy memories for me and still enhances my life. My father's family home was in Gilbertsville at the place where Rt 3 ends into River Rd on the Unadilla side of Cope's Corners.

Who was to know the connection between the Tillsons and my father's family as time went on. For in a later diary, Gma writes that we attended the wedding of my cousin Gerald and Patricia Tillson (28 Dec 1946). Now Gerald's son Brent and his family own Carefree Gardens on Beaver Meadow Rd outside Cooperstown and their daughters have the Origin's Cafe. My daughter has bicycled with their daughter Dana. So we move through the generations.

On Jan 14, Gma writes, "There was a blackout.." This was probably to test the system to prepare against potential air raids. During this time I was a freshman in high school. I took classes in the school cafeteria to learn silhouettes of airplanes, German and US, so I might volunteer at the Observation Post in Unadilla. I enjoyed doing this. I was the only girl in the class. Unadilla was very active in areas related to the war and I was too. I collected milkweed pods to be sent away and made into life preservers for our military. People, including grandma, knitted mittens and socks for soldiers. The Community House on Main Street was busy with meetings to sell War Bonds and to help in many ways. Amasa volunteered at the observation Post too (2 Jan).

I have another memory of this period. On Dec 12, 1941, the U.S. Army was transporting a large number of troops from NC to VT and MA along Route 7 through our town of Unadilla. (Unadilla Times, Jan 2, 1942). This was an exciting event in our town as it continued for a

length of time. We were all out cheering them on. The young soldiers were appreciative of our attention and were tossing out their addresses in hopes of more mail from "home." And my girlfriends and I were eagerly picking them up with hopes of our own. For several years I wrote letters to those who answered. I would go sit up on the hill that is contiguous to today's Butternut Rd, look over my town and write about whatever I was doing or I thought was happening in our town. James Dale is the only soldier who kept up our correspondence and he just sent me cards with his address-Africa, Italy and wherever he was. And one day we stopped writing.

Gma and a number of family members attended not only church, but special meetings when evangelists came to our area. In January, a Miss Brainard and Miss Geiger held meetings in the Federated church in Unadilla (Jan 6, 10,14). Miss Brainard was the Dean of Women at Providence Bible Institute (PBI) and her presence at our church was the connection for me to attend Providence Bible Institute in 1948. I was a music major and graduated from their 3 year program in 1951. At this time, PBI was moving in the direction of becoming a more liberal 4 year college with several majors. They had purchased a new campus and changed the name of the college to Barrington College. I decided that I wanted the B.A and stayed the additional year carrying a double major of music and English and graduating in 1952. At the time, I did not realize the importance of this decision to complete the four year program.

The Rotary Club sponsored numerous programs at the Unadilla school. (22 Jan). Some were international presentations, others were professional music. I went to these and believe they had an important impact on my life.

Jessie spoke about rug making at Women's Club (10 Feb, 29 Jan). She was well known for her hooked rugs and gave classes and lectures about creating patterns and making rugs. She won prizes in many venues including the 1939 World's Fair. I have a foot stool from her with the cover of her hooked work.

My mother went to visit George Gadsby in Oneonta. (Jan 21). Uncle George was Gma Clara Gadsby Leonard's brother. There is an interesting relationship between Gadsby's and Leonards. For several generations Gadsby men married Leonard women. Then Gpa Leonard married Clara Gadsby. In this process, and through convoluted relationships, he was considered at one time to "be my own Granpaw." This was documented in newspapers at the time.

Uncle George and his wife Laura lived at 24 Spruce St. He was a manager at the D&H railroad round house in Oneonta when Oneonta was important for that roundhouse. . Their daughter, Edna, was a school teacher teaching English in the Hobart area. My memories of them are very strong. For several years when I was probably around 8 to 10 Uncle George would come and get me on my birthday (June 29) and I would visit them until July 4th. Here I had my first cantaloupe and participated in a more affluent household. I could play barefoot in the morning, but had to bathe and wear shoes and dress "properly" by noon. Aunt Laura or Edna would take me downtown to the movies or to shop and maybe for an ice cream soda. Uncle George would buy 4th of July fire crackers, sparklers and the little worm-like items that expanded when set

ablaze. Edna lived to be about 94 and sometime just before she died she recalled a memory about us. She said I was climbing the telephone pole out in front of their home. She asked me why I was doing this because little girls were not supposed to do such "tomboyish" things. My response was, "I'm building my strength." She said she never forgot this.

When I first retired In 2005, I considered buying 24 Spruce St from Edna who was in a home now. I liked the location near the Colleges and felt I would enjoy Oneonta. But Edna was not ready to adjust her thinking to a realistic price considering major repair needs of the house. At the moment, I was disappointed, but in the long-run, it was best for my life. I have many other memories about them. It would take several pages, I'm certain. Note that Aunt Laura's funeral was 25 Oct. (25 Oct).

Helen and Richmond both worked in the Scintilla at some point (20 Feb). This was a high employer 24-7 during the war years. During my high school years, we would often take the 7:15 train to Sidney to go roller skating or the movies and return with Scintilla workers as they finished their 11pm shift.

It appears that the farm was still in use during this year and maybe into next year before it was sold (9 May). Helen's family planted potatoes and other vegetables there and harvested them. They picked berries, grapes, currants and apples. (31 May). This year they were getting ready to move to their own farm on the other side of the River at Otego. Gma distinguishes these two farms in her own way and to recognize this helps the reader understand where they are going to plant and to harvest during this year. Her former home, she calls, "the farm" or "up on the hill." The new home for Helen's family across the river in Otego she calls, "the place," or "the new place." (4 May, 29 Sept). Or "their place (9 May).

Gma uses the style of "diary" writing that gives facts rather than the "journal" format that places importance on emotion and the writer's feelings. Many feelings can be intuited by what is written and what is not. However, she openly expressed her emotions about a visit to the farm on Sept 14th, the day after Gpa would have been 77. "I took up two white peonies. We made a fire and it seemed dryer & more comfortable than at any other time I've been over since living there. But it was so quiet and lonesome." My own heart can feel her recognition of loss and I grieve with her from this distance of time and place.

The "ban on pleasure driving," (3 Jun). Is a reminder that this is during WWII. The effects of this ban had a longer reach than this year. In 2004 when I retired to my mother and her 2nd husband's farm near Unadilla, younger people were surprised that I knew only a few country roads in the area. This is because there was gas rationing and now the "ban." During my high school years, I rode, as a cheerleader, to our local sports games on the school bus. But there was no pleasure driving. Traveling to Otego, Oneonta, or Sidney, we had a frequent schedule with both the D&H train and the Greyhound bus. So I learned these other rural roads when I was 75 years old.

Gramma went to several churches in Otego but she felt more at home in the Presbyterian church and eventually I believe she joined (17, 24 Sept). I remember looking at the Presbyterian membership history- I believe it was one time when I was working on the Girl Scout History at the Unadilla Historical Building that once was a Catholic Church on lower Main St. I saw that I had joined when I was 11, if I remember correctly.

Bartering among Gma's neighbor's was apparent during the Depression and here we see Gma still engaging in this historic way of exchange as she asked Leona if they wanted "butter to pay for the bacon." (5 Aug). Also they were "canning" the bacon and maybe just pork??

Gma usually wrote the day's temperature at the top of the page. I have placed it after the date.

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1 Jan Fri. Snowed some during a.m. Rita called on 'phone and asked me to come down to dinner. I had planned to go this p.m. Amasa came up and took us down, then went on to Sidney later for Chas & family who were here to dinner. Later he took them to depot to take the train to Rhinebeck. Amasa drove around for me to-night. Norma made ice cream, and we had a nice dinner. I made 4 bibs for Helen's little folks to-night. Fire alarm. Fake alarm to-nights

2 Jan Sat. Snowed some this a.m. We made head cheese and had a busy day. Jessie & Amasa went up to the observation post, as usual this evening. Muriel Eldridge was hurt while riding down hill, so they called a doctor. Two teeth broken, and a slight concussion. Had a letter from Anna Ireland, also card from Nina B.

3 Jan Sun. Amasa & Jessie went to S.S. & church. In the afternoon they took a long walk. Saw five deer. I wrote to Eunice, also Helen & the girls. Got the bibs wrapped and relay to mail. Pauline was down a few minutes this evening. Muriel is getting along very well.

4 Jan Mon. Warm this morning. Snowed during the forenoon. Windy by spells. Colder toward night. Norma called from Dr. Smiths. She tho't it very cold & windy. Jessie washed. finished drying clothes in house. I worked at Helen's pillow cases this evening. (Trimming).

5 Jan Tue. It has been quite a cold day. Windy down town. Jessie went down and made calls at Mrs. Youngs. Mrs. Noxon's & Ethel Connelly's. Snowed by spells this p.m.

6 Jan Wed. 10 Degrees. It warmed up during the day. Was about 20 degrees this p.m. Jessie took me down to Main St. And I went down to Norma's and stayed till evening. Then went with N. & Rita to the evening service (evangelistic). Miss Brainard & Miss Geiger are conducting. Amasa stopped on his way up from Sidney for me. When I got to Norma's she was not there, so I called at Mrs Pearce's a while. It is -10 this evening. A nice winter night.

7 Jan Thu. Zero Jessie & Amasa went down to the meeting at the church to-night. Cold evening. Zero to-night. I made out an order to Wards (*Montgomery Wards. AP*) to-night.

8 Jan Fri. Pleasant but did not warm up very much. It's below zero this evening. I worked on a quilt this p.m. Sewed lining pieces together, also top. Jessie walked down to U. Late this p.m. She and Amasa attended the meeting this evening.

9 Jan Sat. 17 degrees. Amasa took me down as far as Main St. At 6:15 when he went to the Ob. Post. I went to Norma's and went with them to the meeting. Stayed overnight.

10 Jan Sun. Not as cold. I went to S.S. And church. Norma & the girls went to church also. We all went to meeting this evening. Jessie came down to the evening meeting, and I came back with her. Chas & family came up to church then on up here to dinner. Helen & Richmond stopped a minute at Norma's to leave a pr of arctics for me.

11 Jan Mon. --

12 Jan Tue. Mrs. Melick called this morning. Some below freezing. Stormed by spells.

13 Jan Wed. Rec'd a letter from Helen today. Jessie & I went down to the meeting. (Also Muriel & Roger). Helen came to Norma's this p.m with Betty, Philip & Joan. They went to the doctor's office, then came over to the meeting. I stayed down till about eleven o'clock. Amasa drove down for me.

14 Jan Thu. Received p'kg from Ward. shoes, etc. Jessie went down st. This p.m. she & A went to Sidney. Amasa & I went down to the meeting this evening. It was parents' night. Muriel rode back with us. There was a black out coming on as Miss Brainard was about to begin her sermon. She went on with it as usual. At the close of the meeting, all who had lately been converted, as well as church members were asked to come forward.

15 Jan Fri. Jessie & Amasa went to the meeting to night.

16 Jan Sat. 27 degrees. Snowed during the night. Was up to 44 degrees to day. Jessie went to the post. I rode down with her and went to Mary Clifford's until it was time to go to the church. Jessie came to the church for Muriel & I.

17 Jan Sun. About freezing. Jessie went down to S.S. & church. Amasa stopped for her and they went to Sidney, Amasa to see the doctor as he has a cold. They stayed down to Chas for dinner. Jessie & I went to church service, which is the last meeting. Jessie took Norma and the girls part of the way home. It is very icy. I wrote to Carrie.

18 Jan. Mon. About freezing. I finished some bibs, etc I've been making for Helen's children and got them ready to send to-morrow. Very icy. I washed or rather did the washing for the first time, alone. We dried the clothes inside, as it wasn't a drying time.

19 Jan Tue. Still about freezing this a.m. Stormed some. colder to-night. We put a quilt on this p.m. One I have planned to make for Helen. I have made quite a start on it to-day. Sent Helen's p'kg today.

20 Jan Wed. 2 degrees. Jessie went up to the post, then down to an all-day Missionary Meeting at Mrs. Williams. I finished tying the quilt this evening. Sent a letter to Anna Ireland today.

21 Jan Thu. Cold all day. Stayed around 4 degrees much of the p.m. Jessie & Amasa went to prayer meeting this evening. I suppose Norma went to Oneonta to day to spend the day at Uncle Geo. Gadsby's.

22 Jan Fri. About zero. Not as cold as Yesterday. Jessie & Amasa went to a concert at which Margaret Speaks sings.

23 Jan Sat. I rode down with Amasa when he went to the Ob. Post, and stayed at Norma's while he was at the post. He drove around for me. It is about freezing and very icy traveling. Jessie & Amasa attended Mrs. Judson's funeral this afternoon.

24 Jan Sun. A little above freezing. Amasa and I went to church & S.S. I wrote to Helen. Also to Violet Myers. Amasa & J took a walk this p.m.

25 Jan Mon. 26 degrees. Cloudy and mild. Was above freezing all day. Amasa & Jessie went down to Chas. This evening. Rec'd a letter from Helen. The little folks have been sick with stomach troubles but are better.

26 Jan Tue. Colder to-day. Percy Edwards called this evening.

27 Jan Wed. Katherine Bostwick called this a.m. Mrs. Jones isn't very good and hasn't been since she left here Dec. 24. Amasa & Jessie went up to the Harry McLaughlin's to supper at 5 o'clock. Jessie rode down with Mr. Strobe and walked up. Amasa driving up later.

28 Jan Thu. Began snowing this a.m. And has snowed several inches. I am making a slip for Betty.

29 Jan Fri. Warmed up considerably to-day. This p.m. I walked down town. Called at Rosa Harrison's, then went to Norma's. Amasa drove around for me at night. I worked a while with Jessie on the hooked rug this evening.

30 Jan Sat. Been snowing this a.m. And snowed till after noon a while. Amasa shoveled paths. Rec'd a letter from Carrie.

31 Jan Sun. Jessie & I went to church and S.S. J & A took a walk this p.m. Saw several deer.

1 Feb Mon. J & A went to Sidney this a.m and Oneonta this p.m. Sent a letter to Carrie.

2 Feb Tue. The sun has shone part of the time- tho it has snowed some. Rec'd a card from Carrie saying Cora Guile has pleurisy. She has been in the hospital for several days & has had a operation.

3 Feb Wed. I walked down to Norma's but did not find her at home. Stopped on my way down to Mrs. Murphy's to see about her making a hdkf. (*Handkerchief. AP*). Called at Mrs. Allen's in the other part of the house as Mrs. M wasn't there at first. A & J went down town this even. J to the W club and A to the office I think. Warmer & pleasant this evening.

4 Feb Thu. Rained this evening and has been mild all day. I have worked on Jessie's rug some to-day. Jessie and I went to prayer meeting to-night.

5 Feb Fri. Bright..

6 Feb Sat. Rainy during the a.m. And the temp was at about freezing. Rec'd a call from Myrtle Vroman saying that her father died in his sleep yesterday a.m. Phoned to Norma telling her about it.

7 Feb. Sun. Amasa & I went to S.S. & church. I went home with Norma and spent the p.m. Amasa took us up to Norma's as it is real icy. I walked up about 5 o'clock. It had snowed quite a little and the walking wasn't bad.

8 Feb Mon, 9 Feb Tue. --

10 Feb. Wed. Amasa & Jessie went to Cooperstown to-day. Jessie talked to the Women's Club about hooked rugs. She took the new one she has been making as well as others. The Rotarians had a supper at the hotel here, and A & J stopped to it. Lois bro't Carolyn up and she stayed here while they were at the supper. It rained a little this p.m. But cleared off later. Has been a fairly good day.

11 Feb Wed. Rained a while this a.m. Then turned to snow. Snowed several inches. Cold. Tonight.

12 Feb Thu. I walked down to Norma's this p.m. Stopped at Mrs. Murphy's for a h'k'f'k she has made for me. It was rather cold, and quite icy, but I got along all right. Amasa went to Utica on

business for the Co. Twelve years ago today Will and I moved down into the little house. It is Fred Carr's birthday also. I believe he was born in 1892.

13 Feb Sat. --

14 Feb Sun. Amasa & Jessie went to church. Helen and Norma came up this p.m. And I went down to Norma's with them for a while. Helen brought me home. She wants me to come up and help them a few days. Expect to go Sat. Next. I wrote a letter to Alice Wood who is laid up with a broken shoulder. Much colder this p.m. And evening..

15 Feb Mon. Has been a very cold day. Not much, if any, above zero all day. Amasa is not feeling well. He and Jessie went to Sidney a while this p.m. And he went to see the doctor.

16 Feb Tue. It warmed up today. Still is a little below zero to-night. Rec'd a card from Carrie saying that Will Kilsby died Sunday.

17 Feb Wed. Some above zero this a.m. Has stormed very little. Jessie went to the Missionary Meeting this p.m. Made some calls and rode back up with Amasa. I made an apron for Norma this evening. Had a letter & card from Myrtle.

18 Feb Thu. It warmed up some during the day. Was 22 degrees this a.m. Wrote a letter to Minnie Kilsby to night. Have some things packed ready to go to Helen's Sat.

19 Feb Fri. Above zero this a.m. And grew warmer. I rode down with Amasa to Dr. Friedman's office this p.m. I let him examine the growth that has been in my side for several years--and which has troubled a little lately. It is a tumor called "lipoma" and will not be worse. Nothing to worry about. I went to Norma's. Helped her with cleaning floors as she wasn't feeling well. I called at Rosa Harrison's as she isn't well. Rode up with Mrs. Strobe K. Tonight went with Amasa & Jesse to a firemen's banquet. Norma, Neil and Rita went and we all had quite a good time. It is quite spring like.

20 Feb Sat. Richmond came for me late this a.m. We stopped at Norma's a few minutes. Helen went to work at Sidney after being home since Mon.

21 Feb Mon. Helen & I went to church this a.m. It is warm and bright. Above freezing. I went over to Mr. Alta Terry's and called this p.m. Mary & I went to church this evening.

22 Feb Tue. It has been a lovely bright day. Mrs. Daniels washed. I hung out. I sent a letter to Carrie also Jessie.

23 Feb Wed. --

24 Feb Thu. Still mild. Richmond, Helen, the little folks & I went over to G-ville this a.m. We called at Nina Sargents & called at Sam Musson's to see about fire insurance. A little cooler to-night.

25 Feb Fri. Walter stopped for me this p.m. I am going over to supper and stay over night. It is their 45th wedding anniversary. Rainy.

26 Feb Sat. Helen & I went down to the school house to get our war ration book (2) early this a.m. Rec'd a card from Norma. Betty went to the young peoples' meeting at Mr. McPherson's. Colder today, tho' not very cold. 15 degrees this a.m.

1 Mar Mon. To 5 Mar --

6 Mar Sat. Philip is 3 years old to-day. Helen and family went to Oneonta to-day. I went too and took Joan and went to Myrtles. Were there to dinner

7 Mar Sun. Mary & I went to church this morning. It is very icy and cold. H & R both worked to-day.

8 Mar Mon to 13 Mar. --

14 Mar Sun. Helen & Rich. Went to church this a.m. I went this morning , also evening.

15 Mar Mon.--

16 Mar Tue. We had planned to go to Unadilla to get my things but Rich is about sick with a cold and sore throat.

17 Mar Wed. R did not work.

18 Mar Thu. R did not work.

19 Mar Fri. R. Better. Went to work.

20 Mar Sat. A lovely spring like day. Robins are in evidence.

21 Mar Sun. H & R worked today. I went to church morning & evening.

22 Mar Mon, 23 Mar Tue. --

24 Mar Wed. We went to Unadilla today. Went up to Teed's for my things. (H & I). Rich loaded up things (furniture) in his trailer. I stayed with the little ones at N while H & R went to their work, and all came home this evening.

25 Mar Thu. --

26 Mar Fri. I sowed tomato & pepper seeds today.

27 Mar Sat. --

28 Mar Sun. H & R did not work. Helen has not been very well so did not go to church. R. Did in the a.m. I went to church both morning & evening. Mary went with me both times.

29 Mar Mon. A lovely day tho' cool.

30 Mar Tue. Will Wright's funeral was held today at Unadilla. R & H went early to work and attended the funeral first, as it was at 1 o'clock . Frank went also. It snowed during the night and has been cold & dark and has rained some. Norma's 31st birthday.

31 Mar Wed.. --

1 Apr Thu. 2, 3 Apr---

4 Apr Sun. I went to church both a.m and evening. Betty went too in the evening. H & R did not work to-day and they went to church. I stayed for S.S and enjoyed it very much. Mrs. Redington is the teacher.

5 Apr Mon. Helen was very sick so couldn't work to-day. Cold & windy & stormy by spells. Betty was sick too. Both feel better to-night.

6 Apr Tue. Helen went to work. Rec'd letter from Jessie, also Walter Myers.

7 Apr Wed. I went with Betty to the dentist's to-night. We have an appointment for her to morrow night after school at 4:00. Rec'd a p'kg of maple sugar from Carrie to-day.

8 Apr Thu. Betty & I went to the dentists at 4:00. She had her teeth cleaned & one filling put in. Has an appointment for Tues at 3:30.

9 Apr Fri. Mrs. Daniels has been sick for the past few days and had the Dr. Come to-day. He thinks she has erysipelas. Has been warmer this p.m. Than it has been for several days.

10 Apr Sat. --

11 Apr Sun. I did not go to church as I feel tired, and Helen was disturbed by Joan, etc.

In the afternoon H & family went over to Alice's and stayed till evening. I had a nice rest. Wrote letters and sorted over some of my things in my room.

12 Apr Mon. --

13 Apr Tues. Richmond went over to the Musson's to get seed potatoes to-day and H & I and the little folks went too. H went to Theresa's & I stayed at Eleanor's. Anna Ireland came up on the 3 o'clock bus and stayed till the 6 o'clock bus. It has been a storm day. Rain mostly.

14 Apr Wed. --

15 Apr Thu. The Norwegian singers, Eiven Bjorstad gave a concert in the Central School this even. Helen left at 7 o'clock in Sidney and came back to attend, getting Norma as she came along. N stayed over night but left on a bus about 10 Friday a.m.

16 Apr Fri, 17 Apr Sat.--

18 Apr Sun. I went to church this a.m. And Mary & I went this evening. I went over to Leona's a while this p.m. And she & Miss Hathaway walked up town with us. I called at Thos. Porter's. had a nice visit with them. H & R worked.

19 Apr Mon. Helen was sick with a grip cold and did not work today. Was in bed about all day. Jessie called on her way home from Presbytery. She brought my hat that I left there, when I left there.

20 Apr Tue. Helen felt some better but not able to work.

21 Apr Wed. Helen went to the doctor for medicine to-day and feels quite a lot better to-night. Alicia came up on the afternoon bus to stay a couple of nights. The three girls went to prayer meeting to-night.

22 Apr Thu. Helen went to work today. Rich is about sick but went to work. Mary came home at noon about sick so did not go to school this p.m. Betty & Alicia went to young people's meeting this evening.

23 Apr Fri. Alicia went home this a.m. Mary feels some better but did not go to school. Betty went to a movie to-night.

24 Apr Sat. Helen did not feel as well and did not go to work today. I have a cold too, and have not been feeling very good.

25 Apr Sun. not a very pleasant day. I did not feel like going to church either morning or evening. Helen went this evening. Betty was baptized this evening.

26 Apr Mon, 27 Apr Tue. --

28 Apr Wed. Helen started cleaning the clothes press. Has part of the paper on. It is cool. I do not feel very well yet.

29 Apr Thu. We finished papering the clothes press. It's warm and I feel some better to-day. Had a card from Norma asking the girls to come there next wk when they have Easter Vacation.

30 Apr Fri. Rita came up on a bus about 7 o'clock to stay a couple of days. H & R went to Oneonta this a.m. It was a very rainy morning.

1 May Sat. Below freezing this a.m. A cold disagreeable day.

2 May Sun. Rita went home and Betty with her. They rode with R & H. Not quite as cold. I did not go to church as I did not feel like getting ready.

3 May Mon. School vacation this week.

4 May Tue, Helen, the children & I went over to their place and got dandelion greens. Mary went with H. & R as far as Norma's for a visit. Betty came home on the bus about 3:30. Norma rode with Earnest Pierce & wife and called here while they went to Oneonta.

5 May Wed. --

6 May Thu. Mary came home on the after noon bus. Helen, Betty the little folks and I went over to their place and put in a few seeds this a.m. Mrs. Mabel Baily called this afternoon.

7 May Fri. Dillwin was over and Betty went home with him to stay till Sunday. We went over to the new place and got quite a few dandelion greens. In the p.m. I cleaned & washed them.

8 May Sat. I canned the greens. Had 3-1/2 qts. I did not feel well, but am better to-night.

9 May Sun. I went to church this a.m. This afternoon called at Mrs. Terry's and Leona's. Joan went too. Helen & the other children went over to their place. Philip was sick and went up and stayed with the folks up stairs while we went over to the farm. We got some rhubarb, bleeding heart, sweet violets & lilies. Some one had been there and picked the daffodils--most of them.

10 May Mon to 12 May --

13 May Thu. Mary, Philip & I went over across the river to the new place and got dandelion greens. it sprinkled and we were not gone long but had a fair lot of them. Mary helped me clean them for canning.

14 May Fri. Helen went over and set out some perennials that we got over at the farm. It has been quite pleasant. Cool to-night.

15 May Sat. Helen & I went over to the farm to take dinners for Rich & the children who were over there planting potatoes. I got a few dandelion greens.

16 May Sun. I did not go to church as everyone slept late and I seem to be busy. It has been cloudy, threatening rain, but hasn't rained. Mary & I went to church this evening. Mr. McPhersosn is sick. Mr. Decker from Fly Creek conducted the meeting. Several others came with him. There were several vocal selections.

17 May Mon. Helen. & I went over to their place and set some plants that she got over on the hill this a.m. We got greens over there too. I dropped the boiler on my foot this a.m. And haven't been able to step on it this p.m. I looked the greens over and got them ready to can.

18 May Tue. --

19 May Wed. Mr. Lower the Pres. Minister called this p.m. We are having a good deal of rain. Rains about every day. Rec'd a letter from Carrie, card from Norma, and letter from Mrs. Butler.

20 May Thu. --

21 May Fri. Rainy this morning. I washed but could not get clothes out. R & H the little ones & I went to Unadilla. We took some things for dinner and stayed as long as we could and got back in time for R & H to start work. Rainy this evening.

22 May Sat. --

23 May Sun. Betty & I went to church this a.m. And Helen & I this evening. Mrs. Burly son & daughter called this p.m. And we went over to the place.

24 May Mon. It has been a fine day with no rain.

25 May Tue. Helen went over to their place and put in peas and other garden stuff. It has threatened rain but we had had none here.

26 May Wed. To 28 May Fri. --

29 May Sat. Rich & his father went over to the farm and put in some more potatoes today. No rain to-day.

30 May Sun. Helen & I went to church this a.m. Heard a Jewish evangelist. Very good too. This evening, Union Mem. Service in Baptist church. Mr. Adams, preaching. A lovely day. Mrs. Hunt called and went with us to the cemetery. We saw the parade and there was music & a speaker. Mr. Moore from Oneonta.

31 May Mon. --

1 Jun Tue. (*Gma wrote today and the next 3 days a week later in the diary and marked it that way. AP*). A very bad thunder shower between 5 & 6 and rain later in evening. The wind did considerable damage on trees & wires and lights were off.

2 Jun Wed. --

3 Jun Thu. Very warm to-day. Had intended to go over to Carrie's for week end but there is a ban on pleasure driving so I wrote her I could not go. She got my card and called on phone at the Bump's. I went over and talked with her.

4 Jun Fri. Still very warm.

5 Jun Sat. Some cooler after a shower this evening.

6 Jun Sun. Cool this a.m. Mary & I went to church. A former minister Mr. Mosha preached. I stayed to S.S.

7 Jun Mon to 11 Jun. --

12 Jun Sat. Quite warm to-day. Mary & I set out some cabbage plants to-night.

13 Jun Sun. I went to church this a.m. This afternoon went over to Leona's and we went down to Mrs. Baileys making a long call. Helen & the children took their lunch and went over to the place. Rich was over there to work. Warm this a.m. But seems some cooler to-night.

14 Jun Mon. Mary & I set out cauliflower plants (also pepper) to-night. Quite warm. Rained (or sprinkled) a very little.

15 Jun Tue. Mary & I started a flower bed to-night. It has been warm today. Threatening rain. Rich cultivated potatoes on the farm. H drove over after him as he left the tractor over there. She bro't home a nice lot of asparagus.

16 Jun Wed. Not as warm today. I put in more flower seeds to-night quite cool to-night.

17 Jun Thu. Helen & I went over to their farm and took tomato plants and worked a very short time. This p.m late, Mary & I walked over and worked a while. Set out a few tomato plants and hoed peas. There was a thunder shower. We started home and Mr. Wilber overtook us and we rode with him. He bro't us home

18 Jun Fri. Some cooler. Mary & I went over to the farm and worked again. Mary came back early. I stayed quite late. Frank was over there, and overtook me on my way home, so I did not have to walk all the way. We set out more tomato plants. Sowed beet seed.

19 Jun Sat. Warmer today. Mary & I went over again to-night. Finished hoeing the garden by the barn & set out quite a few tomato plants.

20 Jun Sun. -- 21, 22 --

23 Jun Wed. Still warm.

24 Jun Thu. Mary & I went over at 5:30 and worked in the garden. It was cool, but turned out to be a HOT day. We went over again to-night. Rode over when Frank went over to milk. We finished setting out tomato plants. Over 80. Put in parsnips seed, & onion sets.

25 Jun Fri. Very warm.

26 Jun Sat. Warm. I started for Norma's on the bus that leaves about 6:00. There was a thunder shower which didn't amount to much just as Mary & I started for the bus station. It rained some too after I reached Unadilla.

27 Jun.Sun. Norma & I went to church. I went home with J & Amasa to dinner and Carrie & Walter, Emily & children were there also. It is still warm. I called at Mrs. Jones on my way back to Norma's. Called at Rosa Harrison's. N went to C.E. (*Christian Endeavor. AP*). Meeting but came over to the Harrison a minute. We went down to Brion's store to find out when the early bus leaves in a.m. Had ice-cream.

28 Jun Mon. I took the early bus at 8:47. Norma went down with me. They were just finishing washing when I got up here.

29 Jun Tue, 30 Jun Wed.. --

1 Jul Thur. Mary & I rode over with Frank when he went to milk and hoed & weeded most of the garden. Got a mess of peas.

2 Jul Fri, 3 Jul Sat. --

4 Jul Sun. I did not get to church as I did not feel very well and that seemed to be quite a lot to do, getting Betty ready etc. Helen worked today.

5 Jul Mon. Mary & I transplanted the celery plants this p.m. Frank set out the large celery plants after a nice rain during the night. Betty started for Montrose to a young people's Bible Conference to be gone all the week.

6 Jul Tue. I worked in the flower bed to night.

7 Jul Wed. Mary & I have weeded some in the garden here to day.

8 Jul Thu to 10 Jul. --

11 Jul Sun. I went to church both this morning & evening. Helen went in the morning. I walked up to the Porters, but they did not appear to be home.

12 Jul Mon. Betty came home this a.m. From Montrose. I rode over to the farm and put poison on the cabbage & cauliflower to-night when Frank went to milk.

13 Jul Tue. --

14 Jul Wed. H & R went up on the hill to hill the potatoes. Did not finish. I went over to call at Mrs. Hunt's to-night. Mrs. Daniels isn't feeling well. This is the second day she did not work.

15 Jul. Thu. H & R went up to finish the potatoes this a.m. I got up at 5:30 and walked over to the place and picked what currants there were. Then I went up with H& R to the farm and picked the currants there. Phoned Carrie at Mr. Lobdell's and Dorothy came up and picked too. Coming home we stopped at the Moore place & got a few huckleberries, then went over the Flax Island road and stopped at the cemetery. Took flowers from the hill.

16 Jul. Fri. --

17 Jul Sat. Warm to-day.

18 Jul Sun. I did not go to church this a.m. As I had a head ache. But felt better and went this evening. Cooler to-day. We had our first cucumbers--2 small ones.

19 Jul Mon. Helen & I went over and picked the berries, also a few peas & string beans this a.m. Cool air today.

20 Jul Tue. I went over to-night and thinned out some turnips. Mary & I worked in our flower bed, and I planted some string beans to-night. It rained this afternoon.

21 Jul Wed. Helen & the girls picked the berries to-day Canned 3 qt.

22 Jul Thu. --

23 Jul Fri. Helen, Mary & Mrs. Daniels picked the berries to-day. We canned them -- 7 qt. and I got huckleberries. Helen picked yesterday. They brought over a nice lot of cucumbers to-day.

24 Jul Sat. Helen & I went over and picked cucumbers & string beans. The girls went with Frank over to the huckleberry patch (Moore's) and got enough to can 3 qt.

25 Jul Sun. H & I went to church this a.m. And Betty & I to-night. It rained early this a.m. And again the p.m. A hard shower and again during church, not as hard.

26 Jul Mon. Helen, Mrs. D & Mary picked berries. We did not wash. I canned them. The girls helped look over. There were 10 qt. Mrs. D had half.

27 Jul Tue. --

28 Jul Wed. Mary & Helen picked the berries. There were 3 qt to can. We saved a few out. I wrote to Norma to night.

29 Jul Thu. Commenced raining early this a.m. And rained very hard for several hours. Began raining again late this p.m. Thunder showers one after another. A lot of rain has fallen.

30 Jul Fri. I went over to night and picked cucumbers while the cows were being milked.

21 Jul Sat. Helen picked the berries and we canned them. There were 5 qt

1 Aug Sun. I went to church both morning & evening.

2 Aug. Mon. Helen & I went over and picked cucumbers, string beans & peas this a.m. Helen took Betty over on the hill to help about haying.

3 Aug Tue, 4 Aug Wed. --

5 Aug Thu. I went over to Leona's to see if she would like butter to pay for the bacon we had of her and brought back some which Mary & I canned.

6 Aug Fri. I went over & took cans to Leona & brought back the rest of the meat. And Mary & I canned it. It was a big job.

7 Aug Sat. Mary & I took the cans of meat over.

8 Aug Sun. Mary, Philip & I went to the M.E. Church as there were no services at the Baptist church. I called at Mrs. Porters this evening, also at Mrs. Terry's.

9 Aug Mon. -- 14 Aug Sat. --

15 Aug Sun. Helen, the children and I went to the M.E. Church this a.m. I went over to Leona's a while late this p.m. And stayed till about 9 o'clock. R & his father went blackberrying and got a lot of them.

16 Aug Mon. H & R are having a a vacation. They all went up on the hill. Took food to cook & were gone all day. They worked at the haying and hoped to finish but couldn't. It has threatened rain all day and did rain late this p.m. & evening. I canned 12 1/2 qt blackberries.

17 Aug. Tue. The folks went up on the hill this p.m to finish haying but didn't quite do it. Joan stayed with me. It has threatened rain all day but hasn't even sprinkled I think.

18 Aug Wed. H & R went over this a.m and finished the haying. We all went over to the place this p.m. Helen & I picked cukes, hoed Tomatoes, pulled weeds. Etc. Helen & family took food and went over to the high point and cooked supper and camped for the night. Joan stayed with me. Very cool to night.

19 Aug Thu. H & R started work today. Cloudy, mostly and rather cool & fall like.

20 Aug Fri. I went down to Dr. Rothman's and made an apt to have my teeth out next Wed p.m. At 2:00.

21 Aug Sat.--

22 Aug Sun. Helen, Mary, the little folks & I went to the Baptist church this a.m. Mr. Alger spoke, a retired M.E. Minister. This evening a Mr. Leland Hines from Moody Bible Institute spoke. We all went.

23 Aug Mon. I picked Swiss chard and canned 7 cans.

24 Aug Tue. Helen & I went over to pick cukes. Also got Swiss chard 7 small beets. Mary & I cleaned them and I canned them with pickled beets. I started yesterday. Mrs. Cromwell called while we were looking over greens.

25 Aug Wed. I went to Dr. Rothman's office and had my 5 remaining teeth out.

26 Aug Thu. Mrs. Anderson called to see Mrs. D who was not in so she stayed until Mrs. D came and we visited a while.

27 Aug Fri. We washed but didn't dry. It has been a very rainy day.

28 Aug Sat. --

29 Aug Sun. I did not go to church as my face was swollen & discolored. But I am getting along well since having my teeth out. Carrie Nearing stopped & called a while, but did not get out of the car. Mr. & Mrs. Anderson came with her and her brother, Henry Dixson. Wrote a letter to Norma. All the Daniels family went over across the river and had a picnic. Wm's folks have been here since Fri.

1 Sep to 3 Sep. --

4 Sep Sat. My mother would have been 93 years old to-day. Amasa called a few minute to-night. We had a busy wk. canning, pickling, etc.

5 Sept. Sun. I went to church. Communion Sun.

6 Sep Mon to 11 Sep. --

11 Sept Sat. Another busy wk canning.

12 Sep Sun. I went to church in a.m. Mary too. Called at Mr. Porters this p.m.

13 Sep Mon. Will would have been 77 years old to-day.

14 Sep Tue. Helen, the little folks and I went over to the farm to-day. H helped in the field to get some barley. I took up two white peonies. We made a fire and it seemed dryer & more comfortable than at any other time I've been over since living there. But it was so quiet and lonesome.

15 Sep Wed to 19 Sep. --

20 Sep Mon. Marguerite and Sheldon called to tell me that John Carr had died this evening.

21 Sep Tue. Mary took Leona a lb of butter and some cauliflowers.

22 Sept Wed. H & R & I went to the funeral. Then H & R went on down to Sidney to work from the funeral. I rode back to Otego with Sheldon & Marguerite.

23 Sep Thu. --

24 Sept Fri. Carrie came over for me about noon and we went to Sheldon to the Missionary Meeting which was a reception for Mrs. Craig as they are leaving soon for Yonkers. I stayed at Carrie's till Sun. P.m.

25 Sept Sat. --

26 Sep Sun. Went to church with Walter & Carrie. H & children, Norma & Rita came over to Carrie's. We went up to the old place, then on to the cemetery at Flex Island. We got apples for Norma.

27 Sep Mon.--

28 Sep Tue. The gas man came to-day and filled our tank.

29 Sep Wed. --

30 Sep Thu. --

1 Oct Fri. My birthday. Had several cards & letters. Pair of stockings from Betty, and boxes of candy from Helen also Carrie Roshirt. Hdchf from Nina Barnes.

2 Oct Sat. Finished up the week of canning with a big recipe of ripe cucumbers pickles which about ends the canning & pickling for this year.

3 Oct Sun. Joan's birthday. I did not go to church. H & R worked.

4 Oct Mon. Helen's birthday.

5 Oct Tue. I went over to Mrs. Hamilton's for a short call.

6 Oct Wed, 7, 8, 9 --

10 Oct Sun. I went to church in the morning.

11 Oct Mon. Richmond expects to be out for three days to get the potatoes harvested.

12 Oct Tue. Mary helped pick up potatoes today as there was no school.

13 Oct Wed., 14, 15, 16. --

17 Oct Sun. I went to the Pres. Church this morning. Only a few were there but I enjoyed it and expect to keep giving there. Mr. Loyer minister.

18 Oct Mon. 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 --

24 Oct Sun. I went to SS and church service at the Pres. Church again and it seems more homelike there. In the evening there were Union services I the M.E. Church. Mr. Loyer preaching. I attended there. Called at Mrs. Porters, also Leona's this p.m. H. & R. Did not work.

25 Oct Mon. Norma & family called on their way back from Mrs. Gadsby's funeral. They only stayed a few minutes.

26 Oct Tue. I went to a Missionary meeting at Mrs. Hunts this evening. It was very rainy. I was glad I went as I enjoyed it and there were few there.

27 Oct Wed. --

28 Oct Thu. Carrie came over this a.m with Walter and stayed while he went to sign for fertilizer etc. She was here about 2 hours. Still rainy. Mr. & Mrs. Filer, Gladys & baby called this p.m.

29 Oct Fri. The children all went to a Halloween party at the church. They dressed as Old Fashioned girl, with Ghost & Red Riding Hood in order of their ages. All looked nice. Cleared or partly so this p.m. A little cooler. Sent a card & letter to Norma as it is their 15th Wedding anniversary to morrow.

30. Oct Sat. -

31 Oct sun. I went to Pres church this a.m. Mr. Loyer was away. Mr. Alger preached. Grant. Mildred Prindle called this p.m. H & R both worked. Philip was sick all day & evening.

1 Nov Mon. --

2 Nov Tue. Election Day. Rainy much of the day. I went up and voted this p.m. Then went to the Pres church and helped tie a quilt. Mrs. Bailey, Mrs.s Hunt & Mrs. Hamilton were there. The girls went to the movies but they were canceled.

3 Nov Wed, 4, 5, 6 --

7 Nov Sun. I went to church this a.m. In the p.m Norma & family came. Neil & Rich went over to the farm and cut some wood. Neil cut his leg and they had to come back early. I went back with them and went to church service. Mr. Hunt was guest speaker.

8 Nov Mon. Neil came up to Otego and I rode back with him. He & R went over to cut wood, but it rained and they came back.

10 Nov Tue. Carrie Roshirt & Myrtle came this a.m and stayed to p.m train. I went to train with them. Colder.

11 Nov Wed. 12, 13, --

14 Nov Sun. I went to church & S. S. Also evening service. I went over to Leona's a few minutes this p.m. Cold to-day.

15 Nov Mon. Cold and stormy. Snowed several inches.

16 Nov Tue. 17, 18, 19 --

20 Nov Sat. Jessie called a few minutes this a.m.

21 Nov Sun. I went to church both morning & even. Also S.S.

22 Nov Mon. 23, 24, 25, 26.--

27 Nov Saturday. The men dressed the pig to-day (or rather yesterday).

28 Nov Sun. Mary's birthday. I went to church & S.S. Also this evening. Union service in Pres. Church. Mr. Adams preaching. Cold & walks icy in places.

29 Nov Mon.--

30 Nov Tue. I went up to Mrs. Brown's to Missionary Meeting this evening. Walked up and rode back with Mr. Loyer & others who attended

1 Dec Wed. I went up to Dr. Rothman's to make an appointment to have teeth made. I stopped at the store and bo't some Christmas things.

2 Dec. Thu. Went to Dr. Rothman at 4:00 to have impression for teeth. Came home by way of stores and did a little shopping.

3 Dec Fri. 4 Dec --

5 Dec Sun. I went to church both morning & evening. Helen & Ruth have colds. Rich is about sick

6 Dec Mon. I went up to Dr Rothman. He is working on my plate. I stopped at store & P.O.

7 Dec Tue. 8, 9, 10, 11.--

12 Dec Sun. Helen isn't feeling very well. I went to church this evening. Cold.

13 Dec Mon. I went to Dr. Rothman's at 4:30. Hoped to get my plate. But instead he kept my upper plate, as he says he. Needed it before he set the teeth in lower plate.

14 Dec Tue. I was to go for my plate but was sick so sent word I couldn't meet the appointment.

15 Dec Wed. Felt some better today and was up around quite a good deal.
 16 Dec to 23 Dec. --
 24 Dec Fri. Norma, Neil and Rita came this evening and I went back with them to spend Christmas.
 25 Dec Sat. I helped Norma about dinner etc. Had a nice dinner. Pork roast with dressing, salad, Christmas pudding, etc. I had a nice lot of cards. Silk slip, 2 silk panties. Writing paper. Hand lotion. Hankies & diary.
 26 Dec Sun. Helen & children came for me about 1:30. Norma & family went down to Mr. Leonard's for Christmas dinner.
 27 Dec Mon. Helen is not feeling well and did not go to work.
 28 Dec Tue. Helen & Rich's father were to New Berlin to see Dr. Elliot.
 29 Dec Wed. Betty went up and got my teeth this p.m. Helen felt better and went to work.
 30 Dec Thu. Helen had a very poor day and night (last). did not go to work.
 31 Dec Fri. Helen felt better and went to work. Stood it well.

END OF 1943 DIARY

1944 DIARY OF NELLIE (HELEN) CONVERSE CARR, Otego, NY. 1878-1968. Age: 66 years old. Copied November 2016 by Alicia Ione Leonard McNutt Pagano, granddaughter of Nellie Carr. This is the first year of a small 5-year diary. 1944-48.

Notes and Comments, 1944:

"Nellie Carr from Betty & Mary Christmas '43" is written in the front of the diary. Now Gramma is continuing to live at her daughter, Helen Daniels, in Otego. Helen and Richmond work at the Scintilla in Sidney. It was a War plant making items for airplanes. Also, Helen was pregnant with Joan so Gramma was helpful in a house full of several children.

My mother and Dad came to pick up Gma Carr to celebrate Mother's Day and they went over to Gpa Leonard's. Gma Leonard has been gone 2 years now, but Gpa is living by himself at the farm by Rt 3 in Mt Upton/Gilbertsville. He and Gma had worked together in the house, especially after she became blind and he was very good at preparing dinner and taking care of the house.

(14 May). One memory of Gma Leonard: Gma L was a tall woman, taller than Gpa. She had the legs of her wood chair cut so that their eyes were on the same level when they sat at the kitchen table to eat. I have that chair. It was painted a light blue and I stripped it to the wood in 1957 when I was pregnant for Daniel.

1944 COPY of DIARY of NELLIE CONVERSE CARR 1878-1968. 66 YEARS OLD

1 Jan Sat. Esther & family were here for N.Years dinner. We all had dinner up stairs. Roasted chicken, ice-cream etc. a good dinner.

2 Jan Sun. I went to church this a.m. The first in some time, as I haven't felt like going. Helen worked. Rich went on hill to cut wood.
 3 Jan Mon. I went to the dentists and got my lower teeth he has been making for a month. Went around and made a short call at Mrs. Squires. Mr. S is sick.
 4 Jan Tue.--
 5 Jan Wed. The Missionary Soc met at Mrs. Hamilton's but I didn't feel like going. My cold is not as good.
 6 Jan Thu. 7, 8. --
 9 Jan Sun. It was cold and I had a cold so didn't get out to church
 10 Jan, 11, 12. --
 13 Jan Thu. Betty is sick this a.m. And could not go to school. H took her to the Dr. She has to keep in bed and will go to O to H.F. hospital for Ex. Mon.
 14 Jan Fri.-
 15 Jan Sat. I haven't felt very good all the week. Can't get over the cold
 16 Jan Sun. I didn't get out to church.
 17 Jan Mon. H didn't go to work but took Betty to O. (*Oneonta. AP*) for a chest exam. I feel some better to-day. Colder (11 degrees below) this am.
 18 Jan Tue. --
 19 Jan Wed. Donald Cope came over for me this a.m. And I am going over to Carrie's for a few days
 20 Jan Thu. Carrie & I went to the Ladies' Aid Society at Mrs. Lewis Gilbert's. Saw quite a few people I wanted to see. Called at Chester Bushnell's on way home. Called at Carrie Nearings.
 21 Jan Fri. We went up to Paul Morris's to a Missionary Meeting. I went over to Nina Sargents a while. Carrie & I went up to Donald's this evening.
 22 Jan Sat. I went up to Minnie's this a.m. Called at Donald's on my way. This p.m we went to G and saw N. Woodland. Seale's girls, Miss Peabody & F. Swarming son.
 23 Jan Sun. We went to church. Heard Dr. Arnold from Hartwick College preach. Helen came over for me this p.m. I called at Mrs. Terry's this evening.
 24 Jan Mon. 25, 26, 27, 28, 29.--
 30 Jan Sun. I went to church and S.S. Called at Mrs. Squires and she went with me to church this evening.
 31 Jan Mon.. We made sauerkraut this p.m.

 1 Feb Tue. 2, 3. --
 4 Feb Fri. I called at Mrs. Hunt's this p.m.
 5 Feb Sat. -
 6 Feb Sun. I went to church & S..S. Also this evening.
 7 Feb Mon.--
 8 Feb Tue. Norma came up on the 3 o'clock bus and stayed till 9 o'clock bus. I went up with her to bus stop.
 9 Feb Wed. 10.--
 11 Feb. Fri. Helen was about sick. Had lame neck and did not go to work.
 12 Feb Sat.--

13 Feb Sun. I went to church & S.S. And evening service. Called at Mrs. Hunt's as she has fallen and broken her wrist & hurt her hip.
14 Feb Mon. Jessie phoned that Aunt Mary North's funeral is held to-morrow.
15 Feb Tue. 16, 17, 18 --
19 Feb Sat. Anna Ireland phoned that she was coming to spend the day to-morrow.
20 Feb Sun. Anna came. We met her at the bus station. Helen took us to S.S. And church. We had lunch at "Sam's Place." Went to church this even. H & M came to walk me home.
21 Feb Mon. Betty went with H & R in the bus to Unadilla this p.m. Mary, Philip and I made sauerkraut this p.m. No school to-day & to-morrow.
22 Feb Tue. I went over to Mrs. Hunt's a while this p.m. Betty came home on train this p.m. Alicia came with her & stayed till evening.
23 Feb Wed., 24, 25, 26, --
27 Feb Sun. I went to S.S. And church also evening.
28 Feb Mon. 29 Tue. (*Leap year. AP*)--

1 Mar Tue. 2, 3, 4.--
5 Mar Sun. I went to church & S. S. Called at Mrs. Hunt's in p.m. Went over to Mrs. Squires before church. Had a nice call. Called at the Anderson's after church.
6 Mar Mon. 8, 9, 10, 11.
12 Mar Sun. I went to church & S.S. in Am. It was rainy and slippery so I didn't go this evening.
13 Mar Mon. 14, 15, 16. 17, 18. --
19 Mar Sun. I went to church & S.S.
20 Mar Mon 21, 22, 23, 24, 25. --
26 Mar Sun. I went to church & S.S.
27 Mar Mon. 28...--
29 Mar Wed. Helen went up to New Berlin to Dr. Elliot's to-day.
30 Mar Thu. Norma came up of the 9 o'clock bus and stayed till 6 o'clock to spend her birthday. She took Philip home.
31 Mar Fri. The S.S. Party was held at the manse. I went. We had a nice party and a good time. Rode part way up with Mrs. Eve. And home with the Brown's.

1 Apr Sat. Rita bro't Philip home this p.m. On the train. She stayed till 9 o'clock bus.
2 Apr Sun. Went to church both morning & evening and to S.S.
3 Apr Mon. --
4 Apr Tue. Mrs. Butler called this p.m.
5 Apr. Wed. 6, 7, 8.--
9 Apr. Sun. I went to S.S & church both morning & evening. Went down to Mrs. Squires a few minutes after church.
10 Apr Mon. Rita came this a.m to stay till to-morrow.
11 Apr Tue. Rita went home on 9 o'clock bus.
12 Apr Wed. 13, 14, 15.--

16 Apr Sun. I went to church & SS also church this even. Went a little early and went down to Mrs. Squires who went to church with me. Called at Mrs. Hunts this p.m.

17 Apr Mon. 18, 19, 20. --

21 Apr. Fri. Mrs. Filer called this p.m.

22 Apr Sat. --

23 Apr Sun. Went to church & S.S. Also evening service. Mr Loyer's last evening of preaching.

24 Apr Mon. --

25 Apr Tue. Mary, Lillian & I went to the farewell party for Mr Loyer. A large attendance and interesting program. Pleasant time.

26 Apr Wed. 27.--

28 Apr Fri. I went to Mrs. Hunts to a Missionary meeting. After the meeting we had a light refreshment in honor of Mr. Loyer & wife and Mr. & Mrs. Brown.

29 Apr Sat.

30 Apr Sun. Went to S.S. And church. Mr. Loyer's farewell sermon. Went to M..E. Church in evening but missed one of Mr. Loyer's really fine talks.

1 May Mon. --

2 May Tue. H & I went over to the farm and put in peas, radishes, onion sets, beets, carrots, Swiss chard.

3 May Wed. H & I went over and put in sweet corn & lettuce. Called at Mrs. Anderson's a few minutes.

4 May, --

5 May Fri. Mary & Joan went to Norma's on bus with H & R.

6 May Sat. Mary & Joan came back on afternoon train.

7 May Sun. I did not feel well so didn't go to church. Helen worked at the plant.

8 May, 9, 10, 11, 12.--

13 May Sat. Norma & Neil came for me to spend Mother's Day.

14 May. Sun. We went over to Mr. Leonard's for dinner. Came back to Helen's. I took more clothes & expect to spend the week at Norma's helping her sew. Had a bad headache.

15 May Mon. We washed then sewed. Started planting garden to-night.

16 May Tue. Sewed--planted garden.

17 May Wed. Called at Rosa Harrison's. Neil took me up to Jessie's at night. I called at Anna Irelands, also Mrs. Clifford's

18 May Thu. Sewed. Planted more garden.

19 May Fri. Norma & I went up to Jessie's to a Girls' Friendly meeting. Mrs. Melick & sister called this a.m.

20 May Sat. Sewed. Did Sat cleaning. N & I went down street in even.

21 May Sun. Went to church. N & family brought me home in p.m.

22 May Mon., 23.--

24 May Wed. Went over to Mrs. Croswell's a while this evening.

25 May Thu.

26 May Fri. Norma, Alicia & Rita came and went with us to a meeting at Baptist church. Doug Roe & Mr. Steele were entertainers. Rita stayed over night.

27 May Sat. Rita went home on 6 o'clock bus. The children went to a carnival in Oneonta this pm
28 May Sun. Went to Church & S.S. We had Mission study. Mrs. Hamilton read. Went to M.E. Church for Union service. Mr. McPherson preached.

29 May Mon.--

30 May Tue. Norma came up on the early bus and stayed till 6 o'clock bus. Alicia played in the band. N & I went to cemetery.

31 May Wed. Helen took 6 o'clock bus to U. Expected to see Dr. Friedman for scratch on her hands etc. Will stay over nite.

1 Jun Thu. I went to Mrs. Sheldon's to a Miss. Meeting to night. N & N brought Helen home this evening.

2 Jun Fri. 3. --

4 Jun Sun. H & I went to church & SS. Mr. Altar preached. Also went to evening services at M.E. Church. H & R went to a party at Perry O'Hara's this p.m.

5 Jun Mon. R's uncle is here working for us a while.

6 Jun Tue. Today I went to a prayer meeting at Bapt. Church at 11 o'clock.

7 Jun Wed. Mr. George of the M.E. Church has the bell rung for prayer at 6 each evening. Lillian is here for a few days.

8. Jun Thu. Mrs. D went over and helped Helen clean and get ready to stay over across the river.

9 Jun Fri. Helen moved a few thing so they could stay over night.

10 Jun Sat. I made Philip a pr of pajamas this p.m. Also mended.

11 Jun Sun. Went to church & S.S. Wm. Alger preached again & called at Mrs. Porter's in p.m. Mr Merriman & sister called. Came to Mrs. Porters.

12 Jun Mon. Helen came over and finished clearing & cleaning her room. They were here to dinner & supper.

13 Jun. Tue. 14, 15, 16, 17

18 Jun Sun. I decided to go to Mrs. Merriman's. Mr M came for me this p.m.

19 Jun Mon. Mrs. M is in rather bad shape but they are nice people and I'll like to stay here. I know.

20 Jun Tue.- June 30. No writing

1 Jul Sat.--

2 Jul Sun. Helen & the children came for me this p.m. H isn't feeling well.

3 Jul Mon. Helen went to Unadilla this p.m. R drove to U. She stayed over night to see the doctor.

4 Jul Tue. Helen came back this p.m. On bus. Is feeling better.

5 Jul Wed. -

6 Jul Thu. Carrie & Emily & children came over this p.m a while.

7 Jul to 22 Jul.--

23 Jul Sun. A Mr. Snyder preached to day. Went to church & S.S.

24 Jul Mon.- Jul 29.. --

30 Jul. Sun. Mr. Alger preached. I rode to church with the Hyatts this evening. An outdoor service at M.E. Church.

31 Jul Mon. --

1 Aug.--

2 Aug --

3 Aug Thu.. Helen drove to Unadilla this a.m. Rich stopped and they all came home together. She took the little ones.

4 Aug Fri. --

5 Aug Sat. --

6 Aug Sun. We are having vacation the month of Aug. (Pres. Church).

7 Aug Mon to Aug 12 --

13 Aug Sun. Mr. Loyer is in Otego visits. He preached in Pres. Church also. There was a dedication service for the service flag. Baptism of children.

14 Aug. Mon. It has been very hot for sometime. Today relief came as we had several showers. Cooler to-nite. Didn't wash, as short of water. Caught water for washing. Sewed, mended wrote letters.

15 Aug. Tue. We washed. It was very hot again a this p.m. Mrs. Everett Lillian called this evening. Sewed & mended some.

16 Aug Wed. We had a light shower this p.m. Hot again.

17 Aug Thu. Warm again till we had quite heavy showers late in p.m. Mrs. Terry came over on an errand.

18 Aug Fri. Cooler and much cooler in p.m. And evening.

19 Aug Sat. Cool at night. Sun warm. I weeded & worked in garden. The first since the hot weather.

20 Aug Sun. rode to church with Mr. Hyatt. Mr Hine preached. The girls & Phil walked over and rode back in the Hyatt's car/

21 Aug Mon. Helen went to Sidney hospital at 3 a.m. Rich waited there about 6 hours but nothing had happened. R went down to hospital this even. A baby girl born about 5 a..m.

22 Aug Tue. We caught rain water, washed to-day. Thunder about this p.m. R went to work early & saw H. She had a pretty good day.

23 Aug Wed. Began raining toward night but still raining at bed time.

24 Aug Thu.

25 Aug Fri.

26 Aug Sat. We canned 4 qt corn to day.

27 Aug Sun. We went down to the hospital to see H and babe. Found them fine. R fussed with the water and finally got it running.

28 Aug Mon. --

29 Aug Tue. Low water again.

30 Aug Wed. Mrs Jostin called a few minutes and bro't tomatoes & she'll beans.

31 Aug Thu. Helen & baby Ruth came home from hospital this a.m. Both seem to be doing well. I picked field corn to-night. We hope to can to-morrow.

1 Sep Fri., 2 Sep Sat. --

3 Sep. Sun. I went to church. Mrs. Melick preached. Lovely day.

4 Sep Mon. --
 5 Sep Tue. There was an earthquake early this a.m. I was half asleep but realized my bed was shaking. School began today.
 6 Sep Wed. --
 7 Sep Thu. Sent my dental plates to Norma who will see Dr. Smith to have it repaired.
 8 Sep Fri. --
 9 Sep Sat. Received my dental plates -- all repaired.
 10 Sep Sun. I went to church. H took me over. Mr. Alger preached. (12 there including preacher). Cool but war sunshine.
 11 Sep Mon. 12. --
 13 Sep Wed. Will's 78th b'day had he lived. Did not remember until Norma came for the day and spoke of it. Rainy. Filers- Mr & Mrs & sister called.
 14 Sep Thu. 15 --
 16 Sep Sat. Water started after 3 days.
 17 Sep Sun. A case of polio in Otego. So churches and schools closed for a week. Mrs. Melick was to have spoken this a.m.
 18 Sep Mon. To Sep 23.--
 24 Sep Sun. Mrs. Melick spoke in Pres. Church. I went. Rather cold. Light frost.
 25 Sep Mon., 26. --
 27 Sep Wed. I went over to Mrs. Hunts to missionary meeting. Started early and called at Mrs. Squires. Mild & pleasant. Had a pleasant time.
 28 Sep Thu. Rained the p.m.
 29 Sep Fri.--
 9 Sep Sat. Helen & Mary went over on the hill to pick grapes and got things we wanted. Got a nice lot of fine grapes.

1 Oct. Sun. Mr. Haynes from Milford Ctr preached. I went to church & S.S. Carrie & Walter called this p.m. Had cards & letters for my b-day.
 2 Oct Mon. Helen got a bu of tomatoes. Also 1/2 bu beets for canning.
 3 Oct Tue. Helen & I went over town. Got cans to finish canning tomatoes. Got birthday present for Helen.
 4 Oct Wed. 5. -
 6 Oct Fri. Helen & the 3 little ones went to U to Norma's & to see the doctor. Rainy a.m. Warm.
 7 Oct Sat.. -
 8 Oct Sun. Went to church & S.S. Rally Day.
 9 Oct Mon. 10, 11. --
 12 Oct Thu. Columbus Day. Rita came up to day till Fri or Sat.
 13 Oct Fri. Rita fell yesterday & hurt her shoulder. H took her home Thurs p.m.
 14 Oct Sat. I went to Unadilla on 10:09 train. Rainy. N & I went down st in p.m.
 15 Oct Sun. I went to church. Mrs. Melick had charge as Mr. Benedict is sick. Called at Rose Harrison's also at Mrs. Melick's in p.m.
 16 Oct Mon. Came home on early train.
 17 Oct Tue. 18, 19. --

20 Oct Fri. Helen took me over to Pamela Woodlands to a Missionary Meeting. Went home with Carrie for a 2 day stay.

21 Oct Sat. We went to church A Missionary from China. Mr. Cartwright talked. It was fine.

22 Oct Sun. 23. --

24 Oct Tue. I went to G-vile with Carrie. Called at Nina Sargents and at Mrs Chas (*Fitam??*)

25 Oct Wed. Carrie & I attended commit all service for Aunt Minnie at Mt. Upton cemetery. Called at Liel Millards. In p.m. I went to G and called at Alice Wood's, Mrs. Ellis was there.

26 Oct Thu. 27, 28.--

29 Oct Sun. C & I went with Florence & (*Warin Liela??*) Alice Wood & F. Swearington to Johnson City to Myrtle Stewart's funeral.

30 Oct Mon. I rode up to G with Walter & called at Mrs. Peabody's.

31 Oct Tue. --

1 Nov Wed. --

2 Nov Thu. I went up to Minnie Kilsby's this a.m for a call. Went to G and called at Carrie Straits.

3 Nov Fri. Minnie came down to Carrie's for dinner.

4 Nov Sat.

5 Nov Sun. C & Walter brought me home this p.m.

6 Nov Mon. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11. ---

12 Nov Sun. Went to church. A Mrs. Whipple preached from Bing. Bible School. H took me over to the Heath's to call. Rode back with some of their people.

13 Nov Mon. --

14 Nov Tue. Helen, the little folk & I went down to Norma's. H to see Dr Friedman but he wasn't home. I am staying a few days at Norma's.

15 Nov Wed. 16, 17, 18. --

19 Nov Sun. Went to church.

20 Nov Mon. Jessie came for me. I stopped at Anna Ireland. She & I walked on up to Teed's to a 6 o'clock dinner. A. Phillips & Mrs. Melick were there. I stayed over night at Amasa's.

21 Nov Tue. Thirty-seven years ago today we were married.

22 Nov Wed. 23. --

24 Nov Fri. I called at Rosa Harrison this a.m. And Mrs. Melicks this p.m. Helen & family came to Norma's. She took Rita to Sidney Norma too. I came back with them.

25 Nov Sat. --

26 Nov Sun. Went to church and S.S. A Mr. Lewis preached. Went to a 3 o'clock meeting to vote for or against having Mr. Lewis as a stated supply. 24 votes--all for him. I stopped for Mrs. Squires.

27 Nov. Mon. 28. --

29 Nov Wed. Went to Mrs. Brown's to a Missionary Meeting. Mrs. Shultz came for me.

30 Nov Thu. --

1 Dec Fri, 2. --

3 Dec Sun. Did not go to church as it was so cold. the little ones have cold.

4 Dec Mon. 5, 6. --

7 Dec Thu. Helen & I went to Oneonta this p.m to do Christmas shopping. Tho' didn't do much. High prices.

8 Dec Fri. 9. --

10 Dec Sun. I went to church & S.S. Is mild.

11 Dec Mon. 12, 13, 14, 15, 16. -

17 Dec. Sun. Went to church U S.S. Mr. Lewis was here to preach. I have a cold and felt miserable.

18 Dec Mon. 19, 20. --

21 Dec. Thu. Helen & R went to Unadilla. Helen stayed till late evening.

22. Dec. Fri. 23. --

24 Dec Sun. Went to church & SS Not very cold.

25 Dec Mon. We had a tree this a.m. I had several nice gifts. Went with H & family to Mr. Daniels to Christmas dinner. Had a lovely dinner & a real good time. Raining.

26 Dec Tue. 27, 28, 29, 30. --

31 Dec. Sun. Went to church & S.S. Mr. Lewis preached. Talked with him about uniting with the church.

THIS IS THE END of the 1944 DIARY

1945 DIARY OF NELLIE (HELEN) CONVERSE CARR, Otego, NY. 1878-1968. Age: 67 years old. Copied November 2016 by Alicia Ione Leonard McNutt Pagano, granddaughter of Nellie Carr. This is the second year of a 5 year diary. 1944-48.

Notes and Comments:

Gma Carr continues to live at Helen's in Otego for most of this year. She visits her sister Carrie in Gilbertsville and stayed at Jessie's when they went on vacation. November 12 she moved to Jessie's, lived and worked for them. On January 7, she "united with the church by letter," and became a member of the Presbyterian Church. She had been considering this for some time.

I do not know when Gma's house on Lobdell Rd was sold, but it was after January 1945 because on the 13th Gma wrote "the men went up in the hill to cut and get wood (13 Jan).

In January, I was 15, a Junior in high school and a very active in the Federated Church in Unadilla. At that time we had a strong youth program, and on January 28, I "gave a sermonette" at the church service. My father and grandfather Leonard, along with Gma Carr were there. This is the only time I remember my father going to church with us. My mother was sick or she would have been there. The Federation was made up of the Baptist and the Presbyterian churches in Unadilla for financial reasons. The minister was selected alternately from a Baptist and then a Presbyterian perspective. In my memory, we met in the Baptist church for church suppers and when the weather was cold, also for the Baptist baptismal services. But I cannot give any further analysis of how the uses of the buildings were allocated.

In March, (22 Mar) Aunt Helen began a new job in which she earned \$.84 an hour and had a half hour out for lunch. It's interesting to see how the value of money has changed from that period to today.

We always noted the blooming of lilacs which we usually connected with Memorial Day in our area. However, this year they were blooming May 10 in "unseasonable weather." And then a snow storm so "lilac bushes heavy and blossoms full of snow."

1945 COPY of DIARY of NELLIE CONVERSE CARR 1878-1968 Age 67.

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

7 Jan Sun. Went to church. Rode with R & children. I United with the church by letter. Betty & I went over to Union Services in Pres. Ch. this evening.

8 Jan Mon. Mary & I went to Union Service in Pres. Church this evening. Not many there. Rather mild.

9 Jan Tue. Cold to day. Sewed this evening Made an outing gown for myself. (*flannel. AP*)

10 Jan Wed. Still cold. Sewed this evening.

11 Jan Thu. Continued cold.

12 Jan Fri. --

13 Jan Sat. Mild. The men went up in the hill to cut and get wood.

14 Jan Sun. Went to church & S.S. Stormy. Not very cold.

15 Jan Mon.--

16 Jan Tue. Snowed all day. Girls came home at noon.

17 Jan Wed. Very cold. 20 below zero.

18 Jan Thu. 19. --

20 Jan Sat. Rich. & his mother went up to Marguerite's as her little girl had died.

21 Jan Sun. Cold. 10 degrees below. I did not get to church. Rich, H & Grandpa went up to Marguerite's this p.m.

22 Jan Mon. 23, 24, 25, 26. --

27 Jan Sat. Helen. Rich, Mary, Phil & Ruth & I went down to Norma's. H took Ruth to Drs. I expect to stay a few days with N. As she had her teeth out.

28 Jan Sun. I went to church. Neil came for us. His father was there too. Alicia gave sermonette. N. Did not feel like going on account of teeth being out.

29 Jan Mon. Neil is sick and did not go to work.

30 Jan Tue. Neil still sick. I went to Mr. Flemings with Norma to stay with children in evening.

31 Jan Wed. We are sewing. Cut & made a gown for herself, pajamas for Alicia. I went down to Mrs. Melicks. Helped her some.

1 Feb Thu. I went over to Delia Harris' to talk with Jessie. N & I cleaned Dr. Smith's office this p.m.

2 Feb Fri. I went with Jessie to Walton to visit Hattie Dumond. Blustery. We had no trouble.

3 Feb Sat. --.

4 Feb Sun. N & I went to church. Cold in a.m but warmed up.

5 Feb Mon. 6. --

7 Feb Wed. We are sewing. I'm mending sheets & pillow cases. Hemming skirts, etc.

8 Feb Thu. I called at Rosa Harrison's. D. Donaldsons, Mrs Melicks & then to May Clifford's where I stayed to supper. Snowed all day.

9 Feb Fri. N & I cleaned the rooms to-day. Sewed too. N. Cut and we made her 2 aprons.

10 Feb Sat. I sewed this a.m. N went to Dr. Smiths & cleaned this p.m. I came to Otego on 4:00 pm trains. Mary met me with sled for suitcase.

11 Feb Sun. Betty, Phil, Joan & I went to M.E. Church this a.m. Union to save fuel. Mr. George preached. Rode with a lady over & back with Hyatts. Milder.

12 Feb Mon. 13, 14, 15, 16, 17. --

18 Feb Sun. Betty & I went to church. Union service at Pres. Church The house was full. Cold this morning. H has a cold and stiff neck.

19 Feb Mon. 20, 21. --

22 Feb Thu. B & M have vacation the rest of wk.

23 Feb Fri. Am making pajamas for Betty this wk. Got one practically finished & another well along

24 Feb Sat. --
25 Feb Sun. Mild & pleasant mostly. I went to church & S.S. A fair attendance.
26 Feb Mon. I feel that I'm coming down with a cold. Mrs Hyatt called to see if I could help at Mr. Algiers but I did not feel able.
27 Feb. Tue. Did not feel very good.
28 Feb. --

1 Mar Thu. We expected Norma to day but she sent a card saying she was sick.
2 Mar Fri. Norma came to day on 9 o'clock train & back on 6 o'clock bus. She feels better but not very good and it is about the same with me
3 Mar Sat. We washed. It is Spring like every day now.
4 Mar Sun. I feel better but not like going to church as it is cool and I still have a cold. I went up on the hill this p.m.
5 Mar Mon. 6, 7, 8 9, 10.--
11 Mar Sun. I went to church & SS. Quite pleasant and spring like. I heard a robin. Mrs. Squire called this p.m.
12 Mar Mon 13, 14. --
15 Mar Thu. I went over to Mrs Squire's and we went o Mrs. Bailey's to the Earnest Worker's meeting. Dinner at 12. the first meeting I have attended. We had a good time. Warm.
16 Mar Fri. I went over to Mrs. Squire's and we went to the Grange Hall to our S.S. Party. Not May there (20). Lights went out, but finally came on. Very warm evening.
17 Mar Sat.--
18 Mar Sun. Went to church & S..S. Mrs. Brown asked me to come up to dinner as Mrs. Melick was there. Mrs. Brown came over for me. I rode down to Mrs. Terry's with Mrs. McCall. (But Mrs. Squire on the way home).
19 Mar Mon. --
20 Mar Tue. Helen went to Sidney to see about getting work. Norma came back & stayed all night.
21 Mar Wed. Helen went back to Sidney to day. Found she could start work to-morrow.
22 Mar Thu. H started work today. Began at 4:30. Works till 2:00 Half hour out for lunch. \$.84 an hour.
23 Mar Fri. 24.--
25 Mar Sun. Went to church. Called at Ralph Peaches to ask about the little boy who has a broken leg. The Peaches called this p.m.
26 Mar Mon, 27, 28. --
29 Mar Thr. We're having unseasonable weather. In places 86 degrees, the paper states. Got a mess of dandelion greens.
30 Mar Fri. Norma came on the 9 o'clock train and went back at nine on the bus. Rita came too. A lovely day.
31 Mar. Sat. --

1 Apr Sun. I went to church & S.S. Easter. Some cooler but warm & pleasant.
2 Apr Mon. 3. --
4 Apr Wed. Thunder showers to night. Very windy.
5 Apr Thu. cooler. Frozen some this a.m.
6 Apr Fri. Cool this a.m. Ground frozen.
7 Apr Sat.--
8 Apr Sun. Went to church & S.S. Some cooler than it has been but warm & very pleasant.
9 Apr Mon. 10, 11. --
12 Apr Thu. Pres. Roosevelt died suddenly this p.m. Warm to-day.
13 Apr Fri.. Still warm 80 degrees or ore in places. Showers to-night.
14 Apr Sat. Cooler. Quite cool this evening.
15 Apr Sun. I went to church & S.S. Rode part way over with the Hyatts & All the way back. Cool this a.m.
16 Apr Mon. 17, 18, 19, 20. --

21 Apr Sat. Helen & Betty & Phil went to Unadilla to call at the doctor's. Helen went on to work.
The children came home on the 9:00 bus. quire called this p.m.
22 Apr Sun. I went to church & S. S. Mrs. Squire called this p.m.
23 Apr Mon, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30.--

1 May, 2, 3, 4, 5.--
6 May Sun. I went to church & S.S. Started having church services first 10:30. Not a very large congregation.
7 May Mon. --
8 May Tue. V.E. Day. No school and no work at the plant. H & the girls attended Union services at 8:00 in M. E. Church.
9 May Wed.
10 May Thu. The ground was white with snow this a.m. And it seems quite wintry. Lilac bushes heavy and blossoms full of snow.
11 May Fri. 12. --
13 May Sun. Went to church & S. S. It is Mother's Day. Card & box of nuts and dried fruit from N. Candy from H.
14 May Mon. H came and they, with N and I, went to the horse sale. H brought box of candy for Mother's Day.
15 May Tue. 16, 17, 18. --
19 May Sat. (" here. (See note on Jul 11 for "(. AP). Marvin called to help about seeing to furnace
20 May Sun. Went to church & S.S. Cool but very pleasant. Called at Mrs. Squires on way home.
21 May Mon. 22. 23. 24. 25, 26. --
27 May Sun. Went to church & S. S. Also Union Memorial service in our church this evening.
28 May Mon. 29, 30. --
31 May Thu. Dr Lewis called this p.m.

1 Jun Fri. We had quite a frost this morning. No fog.
2 Jun Sat. ---
3 Jun Sun. I went to church & S.S. Cold and wet as it rained during the night.
4 Jun Mon. 5, 6, 7, 8, 9. --
10 Jun Sun. I went to church & S. S. In evening we went to Baptist church especially to hear Ralph Lent but he did not speak.
11 Jun Mon. I went to a Missionary meeting at Mrs. Hunt's. It was rainy and Mr. Anderson's people bro't me home.
12 Jun Tue. 13, 14, 15, 16.. --
17 Jun Sun. I went to . E. Church where we heard Ralph Lent also Mrs. Camphor, wife of Bishop Camphor of Liberia, Africa.
18 Jun Mon. 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24. --
24 Jun sun. I Went to church & S.S. In evening went to the Baccalaureate service at school house. Mr. Lewis preached.
25 Jun Mon. 26. --
27 Jun Wed. I went down to Miss Halsey's to an "afternoon tea" with Sarah Brown, Mrs. Herrich besides (hil) Donaldson. Mrs. Squire invited but didn't get down.
28 Jun Thu. 29, 30.--

1 Jul. Sun. Went to church & S.S. In evening Rich & Helen too me over to Carrie's to stay a couple of nights.
2 Jul Mon. --
3 Jul Tue. Wilfred went to Unadilla early this p.m. I went with him. We called at Norma's & Jessie's. Emily George children, Dorothy & children are there.
4 Jul Wed. --
5 Jul Thu. Betty started this a.m for Montrose Bible Conference with Mrs. Eve & Lillian.
6 Jul Fri. "(" and Mr & Mrs. Walter's called this p.m.

7 Jul Sat. --
 8 Jul Sun. I went to church & S.S and to even. Service. Joan went with me to-night.
 9 Jul Mon. I went to Missionary meeting to-night at Mrs. Hamilton's. Stopped at Mrs. Kilpatrick's & went with her.
 10 Jul Tue. It was a fine day and we enjoyed it. Norma came up this a.m. & stayed with Ham.
 12 Jul Thu. 13 14. --
 15 Jul Sun. Went to church & S.S. Thunder showers this a.m. Early. Went to Communion. Service. It was rainy & Mrs Shultz bro't us home. Betty came home about 12 p.m.
 16 Jul Mon. 17, 18, 19, 20. --
 21 Jul Sat. "(" and thru the night.
 22 Jul Sun. Went to church & S.S. Also evening service. Called at Mr. Anderson's.
 23 Jun Mon.
 24 Jul Tue. Norma came on early train to spend the rest of week. We went to a meeting at M.E. Church this evening. Mrs. Johnson talked on "Indians."
 25 Jul Wed. N & I called at Ralph Peach. Mr Lewis's and Mr Beckwith. We got a white hat there for Norma.
 26 Jul Thu. 27, --
 28 Jul Sat. Norma went to Oneonta to visit at G. Gadsby's. H & R went in truck too. N came back on bus.
 29 Jul Sun. Norma & I went to church & S.S. H & I went over to bus station with N at 6:00. I called at Mrs. Hunts to see her mother. Went to church in evening.
 30 Jul Mon. 31. --

1 Aug. 2, 3, 4.--
 5 Aug. Sun. Betty, Phil & Joan went with me to church U S.S. We took trumpet flowers & AF. Violet.
 6 Aug Mon. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11--
 12 Aug Sun. I went to church & S. S. Betty and the little ones went with me. We took flowers. I called at the Justin's this evening.
 13, Aug Mon. 13.. --
 14 Aug Tue. Peace was declared. H & R came home about 8:00. I went to Mrs. Bailey's to a Missionary meeting. Mrs. Squire went with me.
 15 Aug. Wed. Holiday on account of peace.
 16 Aug Thu. I went over to Mrs. Kilpatrick's to an Earnest Worker's meeting. Went with Mrs. Squire & called there o my way home. Another holiday.
 17 Aug Fri. H & R went down to Sidney. No work for a while anyway. They were gone only an hr or so.
 18 Aug Sat. I attended the S.S. Picnic in Wilbur Park. Mrs. Squire & I rode with Mrs. Chas. Anderson. A lovely day and a fine time.
 19 Aug Sun. Went to church & S.S. Went to Union outdoor service in M..E. Church . Called at Mrs.s Anderson's and Mrs. Croswell's. Called at R Peach's on my way home from church
 20 Aug Mon, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25. --
 26 Aug Sun. Carrie came over & attended church & S.S with me. We ate lunch in car, called at Mrs. Merriman's. At Norma's who wasn't home, the Pearce's & Teed's. Cool & rainy.
 27 Aug Mon. Carrie & Walter went to Mrs Rowe's funeral and I went along and called at Nina Sargents.
 28 Aug Tue. Carrie & I went up to the cemetery. Took flowers. Called at the Lieties & Straits. Bertha Toby;s & Chester Bushnell's.
 29 Aug Wed. --
 30 Aug Thu. Carrie had Pamela W. And Sarah Brown there for dinner. Warm day.
 31 Aug Fri. Nina Sargent came down for dinner. Warm.

1 Sept Sat. Carrie & Walter went to a funeral at Sherburne. I finished a dress I've been making and nearly made a night gown. Still warm. Hard thunder showers.
 2 Sep Sun. I went to church with Walter & Carrie. Mr. Grain was expected to preach but he didn't come. Carrie bro't me home in time for church at night. Called at Eleanors, Filer's & Grant Prindle's.
 3 Sep Mon., 4, 5, 6, 7.. --

8 Sep Sat. Went over to R Squires this evening. Took some vegetables. Called at Roach's. Went home
 9 Sep Sun. Went to church & S.S. Took a geranium & white & pink asters.
 10 Sep Mon. Jessie & Amasa started on their trip to Alexander Bay. Anna Irelands was up to night.
 11 Sep Tue. I read a small book to Hattie Dumond.
 12 Sep Wed. I went down to Anna Irelands. Helped can peaches.
 13 Sep Thu. I went down to Anna's again and helped do peaches. Jessie & Amasa came home to-night
 14 Sep Fri. I went down to Norma's this a.m. Jessie took me. Call at Mrs. Melicks.
 15 Sep Sat. We canned peaches etc. Canned tomatoes in evening.
 16 Sep Sun. Went to church. All went over to Neil's fathers to dinner. Rita was sick. Alicia & I went to church in evening.
 17 Sep Mon. Norma & I canned beef and peaches.
 18 Sep Tue. Called at Mrs. Melicks also the Gates'.
 19 Sep Wed. --
 20 Sep Thu. Went down to Mrs. Melick & stayed while she went to Sidney. Stopped at Mr. Harrison's.
 21 Sep Fri. Canned carrots, which makes 68 qt we've done this wk I all at Norma's.
 22 Sep Sat. Helped N do Saturday work. Came back on p.m. Train. Helped H can peaches.
 23 Sep Sun. Went to church & S.S. Cool. Rained some in p.m.
 24 Sept Mon. Helen has stiff neck and doesn't feel at all good.
 25 Sep Tue. Helen still not good.
 26 Sep Wed. --
 27 Sep Thu. Carrie & Jim Roshirt & Myrtle were here to dinner. Mrs. Squire came over with them to let me know I could go to "Earnest Workers."
 28 Sep Fri. 29 --
 30 Sep Sun. Went to Church & S.S. (Rally Day). In the evening Betty & I went to Union Service in Pres. Church. Stopped for the Peaches. They bro't us home. I took flowers for church.

1 Oct Mon. My birthday. Rainy. Carrie sent cloth for dress & had a pr stockings from the children. Candy & stationery from Helen. Cards from Jessie & Nina, Minnie.
 2 Oct Tue. I went with the Browns to the Presbytery & Presbyterial at Milford. They came for me, and brought me home. A rainy day for the most part.
 3 Oct. Wed. Helen, Betty & I went to the Pres. Church this even. To hear Mrs. Peter Baker who with her husband were the speakers at Milford yesterday. missionary from Brazil.
 4 Oct Thu. Orrin called either yesterday or to-day. Helen's birthday
 5 Oct Fri--
 6 Oct Sat. I did not feel very well. Seems like grip.
 7 Oct sun. Did not go to church. But feel better than yesterday.
 8 Oct Mon.--
 9 Oct Tue. Went to missionary meeting at Dr. Lewis'. I stopped for Mrs. Squire.
 10 Oct Wed. 11, 12, 13 --
 14 Oct sun. I went to church & SS. Also evening service. Rain & cold. Organized for an attendance contest.
 15 Oct Mon. 16, 17.--
 18 Oct Thu. Went over to Mrs. Shaw's for an Earnest Worker's meeting. Walked over with Mrs. Squire. Mrs. Badly brought us home. Warm.
 19 Oct Fri. --
 20 Oct Sat. I went with Rich & Helen & R's folks to Rosa Harrison's funeral. Went to cemetery at Oneonta Plains.
 21 Oct Sun. Went to church & S.S. Also evening service. Mrs. Bailey & Squire walked home with me lovely evening.
 22 Oct Mon. 23, --
 24 Oct Wed. Helen & famlly started for Quakertown after school. Cool & rainy
 25 Oct Thu. I went to Wellsbridge on 10 o'clock bus to visit the Merriman's They bro't me home.
 26 Oct Fri. Rain & cold. Went over to Ralph Peach's to see how he was. Is in hospital with pneumonia.
 27 Oct Sat. Rainy & cold again. Went over to R Peach's toward night.

28 Oct Sun. Went to church & S.S. In evening to (Baptist church Union) to hear this Chinese woman speak. Very interesting. Alice Lan. Betty Hu (she spoke). Pleasant. H & family came home about 8 evening.

29 Oct Mon. 30. --

31 Oct Wed. Went over to Baptist church to hear Larry McGuil. Betty too. A good meeting. Not crowded.

1 Nov Thu.. -

2 Nov Fir. Went over to meeting at Bap church. Norma & girls were there. A full house and splendid meeting.

3 Nov Sat. Girls & Rich. & Helen went to meeting at Baptist church. Norma & Rita were there. Rita stayed all night here to attend afternoon meeting.

4 Nov Sun. Went to Church & S.S.

5 Nov Mon. --

6 Nov Tue. Election Day. H & I went over & voted. Then went on to Flax Is. Cemetery, then up on hill. Coming back I called on Mrs. Porter, Dr. Lewis & Mrs. Squires.

7 Nov Wed. --

8 Nov Thu. Helen, the little girls & I went to U on train. I am staying to Norma's the rest of wk.

9 Nov Fri. I helped N clean at Mrs. Cole's.

10 Nov Sat. --

11 Nov Sun. Went to church & S.S. N & family went over to Mr. Leonard's. I with them. N & N brought me up to Jessie's this even. To stay. So began work here to-morrow.

12 Nov Mon. Am staying to help at Teed's to day.

13 Nov Tue. U & I went down to a fair , or sale at the M.E. Church for a short time.

14 Nov Wed.

15 Nov Thu. J & I went to Friendly Circle meeting at Roscoe Wright's this a.m.

16 Nov Fri. 17. --

18 Nov sun. J & I went to church & S.

19 Nov Mon. 20. --

21 Nov Wed. J & I went down town. I stayed & rode back with A. Brought up some things of mine.

22. Nov Thu. Thanksgiving Day. A & J went to Bing. Mrs. Squire's came down for Thanks. Dinner.

23 Nov Fri. Carrie, Emily, Alice & Donna were here a while this p.m. Snowed a little this a.m.

24 Nov Sat. --

25 Nov Sun. A & J went to church.

26 Nov Mon. We, with Marion & Katherine, went to Sidney to see, "Our Vines Have Tender Grapes." Very good.

27 Nov Tue. Sent Mary letter & Pkgs for birthday.

28 Nov. Wed. Mary's birthday.

29 Nov. Thur. 30. --

1 Dec Sat. A & J went to Oneonta to church then to Mr. Dickens for dinner. Norma came up about noon. Stayed toll 9 or nearly. A took her home.

2 Dec. Sun. Went down to Mrs. Jones a few minutes this p.m.

3 Dec, 4, 5, 6. --

7 Dec. Fri. I went to Sidney with Amasa and called to see Minnie Kilby at Trairs.

8 Dec Sat. --

9 Dec Sun. Jessie & I went to church & S.S.

10 Dec Mon 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. --

16 Dec Sun. Amasa & I went to church & S.S. Cold.

17 Dec Mon. We had our Christmas party at Mrs. Jacobs. Exchanging gifts, refreshments. Etc

18 Dec Tue. 19, 20, 21, 22, 23,

24 Dec Mon Jessie took me up to Helen's this p.m. To spend Christmas.

25 Dec Tue. Had our tree at Helen's. Had nice gifts. Went with the folks to Grandpa D. For dinner, tree, music, and had a good time. Snowed than rainy. R & H too me to N. In evening.

26 Dec Wed. Stayed at Norma's till Amasa was thru work in p.m. Heard of death of Anna Ireland's son Joe.

27 Dec Thu. Went down to Anna and stayed all night.

28 Dec Fri. Went down and stayed with Anna I. all night as her mother is away.

29 Dec Sat. Went down this morning again to Anna's.

30 Dec Sun. Went to Joe Ireland's funeral with J & A this p.m.

31 Dec Mon. --

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