

IT'S GOOD TO BE WEALTHY,

HER FINE TRIP TO OHIO

A Diary by

Wealthy Ann Hossafous Harp

1922/1923



Wealthy Ann Hossafous Harp taken in Dayton Dec, 1922
Born 1865/Died 1957

PROLOGUE

In late July, 2011, I stumbled upon a tablet stored in a Ziploc bag inside of a box of old photos handed down from my grandmother, Hazel Bever Harp. Although yellowed and crumbling at the bottom, the ruled tablet contained about 150 handwritten pages in pencil. I began reading and judging by the dates, it was a journal and I did not have to read very far to see that it was written by my great grandmother, Wealthy Ann Hossafous Harp, in 1922. A journal of a trip she made to visit her relatives and friends in Ohio. What a find! I immediately emailed Cousin Diane to share my joy with her.

We transcribed the journal, which we found that Wealthy called her diary, to make reading easier. Since we were overwhelmed by how many people she referenced during her trip, either saw or talked about, we started a list of names and researched each one. What began as an entertaining read, became a labor of love for us. There are nearly 500 people referenced in the diary, and more than half have been footnoted, but we would like to have more.

If you can identify any of the people who are not footnoted, denoted with [?], then please contact us. We are also looking for pictures of any of the people Wealthy referenced. In either case, or if you just have comments, you can email us at wealthydiary@yahoo.com.

Diane and I hope you enjoy this diary as much as we did. It was a true joy to read and get to know our ancestors and very sad when we came to the last page (126 of the tablet) and she had not made it home to Ponca City. If only she had one more sheet of paper, but she had used a good 25 sheets on recipes and menus still to be transcribed and added at a later date. Keep in touch if you are interested in our work-in-progress.

Warm regards,

Debbie Harp
Diane Alter Porfidio

Aug. 18 1922

This A. M. about 8 o'clock I started from Ponca City to Dayton, Ohio. H. C., Norris, Hazel and little Patti Ann were at the depot to see me off. The night before Norris and Hazel had gone to the river with a big crowd of C. & O.'s from the Presbyterian Church. A couple were drowned and their bodies only recovered a short time before my train came. A sister and friends of the girl got off of the train as I got on. I felt so sorry for them. There were three sisters of them that worked in the Western Union and the one that was drowned was head operator, all such nice girls. Had a very pleasant trip to Kansas City. Went into the dining room and ate a lunch. Afterwards went to waiting room and met

First page of original handwritten diary.

Friday, Aug. 18, 1922, on Train

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Saturday, Aug. 19, at Henry's, Dayton, Ohio

We were expected to get in S.L. at 7-40 but it was nearer 10 o'clock so consequently I missed the first train into Dayton and could not get another until 1-40. I sent Henry a telegram that I could not get into Dayton until late at night. I went into Harvey House and had a good breakfast but the wait was a tedious one. The depot is not nearly so nice as Kansas City one. As we came thru Brazil, Ind the soldiers were lined up on each side of track. I intended starting for Ohio but on account of coal and railroad strike I was afraid to start but had no trouble but saw more or less soldiers on guard all thru Kansas etc. Our train was so late into Dayton I did not look for the folks to meet me but as soon as I got off I saw Henry [Henry Clay Hossafous⁵] and Belle [Belle C. Emens Hossafous⁶] thru the gates. They seemed so glad to see me. Belle's hair is entirely white and Henry has aged quite a bit in the 12 yrs. since they were to visit us in Okla.

¹ Harp, William Colfax "W.C."; Aged 53; Wealthy's Husband; Ponca City, OK; 1869-1934

² Harp, Norris Gough; 26; Son; Ponca City; 1896-1975

³ Harp, Hazel Myrtice (Bever); 24; Daughter-In-Law; Ponca City; 1898-1989

⁴ Harp, Patricia Ann "Pattie Ann"; 3 mos; Granddaughter; Ponca City; 1922-1951

⁵ Hossafous, Henry Clay; 67; Brother; Dayton, OH; 1855-1927

⁶ Hossafous, Belle C (Emens); 64; Sister-In-Law; Dayton; 1858-1930

Sunday, Aug. 20, at Henry's, Dayton

I rested up this A.M. and after a good chicken dinner we drove out to Edna's [Edna Mae Hossafous Downs⁷]. Henry owns the 8 acres they live on. It is a little house of 4 rooms above and two in the basement with a porch in front and rear. Faces the east and has lots of trees every where and a very nice summer home. They have loads of bricks of all kinds and a lot of flowers. Edna knew I was coming but was glad to see me. Forest [Forest Arthur Downs⁸] is as big as his father.

Monday, Aug. 21, at Henry's, Dayton

I wrote some letters home this A.M. In the P.M. we drove out to Lewisburg. Stopped at Shares. No one home but Edith [Edith Anna Share⁹] the rest of the folks had gone up to see Effie [Mary Effie Share Pitman¹⁰] and family. Edith was so surprised to see and overjoyed. No one knew I was coming except Henry and Belle got a card from me saying I would be in at 5 P.M. We went to P.O. first for my mail and Miss Albert [Edith Lorene Albert¹¹] knew me. Went on up to Aunt Nora's [Elnora Emens¹²] to leave some things we had taken to her. I slipped in and when she saw me she said "Why, Wealthy Hossafous where did you come from?" Went up to Cousin Charlie Horner's [Charles Hoerner¹³] where Aunt Lib [Elizabeth Norris Hoerner¹⁴] was. Carolyn [?] came to the door and knew me. I saw Aunt in the adjoining room and flew for her. She knew me and seemed to be overjoyed. She looked so well and I couldn't see that she had aged a great deal since I had seen her 15 yrs. before. Julia [Julia A. Oldfather Hoerner¹⁵] seemed so glad to see me too and when I left she followed me out and said I should come at any time and stay as long as I wanted to and they would be glad to have me which was lovely of her. Aunt didn't want me to leave at all but I told her I would come again and stay longer.

⁷ Downs, Edna Mae (Hossafous); 42; Niece; near Dayton; 1880-1958

⁸ Downs, Forest Arthur; 16; Grand Nephew; near Dayton; 1906-1959

⁹ Share, Edith Anna "Edith"; 42; Cousin 1 x removed; Clay, OH; 1880-1972

¹⁰ Pitman, Mary Effie (Share) "Effie"; 40; Cousin-1x; Michigan; 1882-1972

¹¹ Albert, Effie Lorene "Miss"; 36; Lewisburg; 1886-1974

¹² Emens, Elnora "Nora or Aunt Nora"; 72; Belle Emens' sister; Lewisburg; 1850-1924

¹³ Hoerner, Charles "Charlie"; 55; Cousin; Lewisburg; 1867-1928

¹⁴ Hoerner, Elizabeth (Norris) "Aunt Lib"; 86; Maternal Aunt; Lewisburg; 1836-1926

¹⁵ Hoerner, Julia A. (Oldfather) "Jude"; 50; Cousin Charlie's wife; Lewisburg; 1872-1962

I ran over to Cousin Frank's [Franklin Early Hoerner¹⁶] and found him sick in bed. When Julia [Julia Frances Bunger Hoerner¹⁷] came to the door she tore her eyes open wide and grabbed me and kissed me good. Frank was so glad he had to cry and when I left he said my coming had made him feel so much better. Julia asked me to bring my trunk and make that my stopping place. She is such a dear good woman. We went on down the street and stopped at Mrs. Parmerlee's [Joan F. Emens Parmerlee¹⁸]. She did not know me and had to be told who I was. Paul's wife [?] was there and knew me. Mrs. P. looks so frail. While there I ran over to Maud Brown's [Maud Spitler Brown¹⁹]. I saw Anna [Anna M. Brown²⁰] thru their summer sitting room so went right in. She said "Why, how do you do" and seemed so surprised. Maud was in the other room so I went out and said "How do you do Maud" and held out my hand. She took it and said "How do you do" I saw she did not know me so I said "Don't you know me" and she said "I don't believe I do." Anna said "Why mother don't you know her." When I said "It is Wealthy" and then she grabbed me and hugged me good. I went on down to Mrs. Wood [Anna Elizabeth Gay Wood²¹]. Walter [Walter Perry Wood²²] was in the yard and knew me and when I went in Mary [Mary Ellen Gay²³] knew me right away. Mrs. W. was lying down. They called her and when she came in I had to tell her who I was. She was overjoyed and couldn't get thru saying how glad she was to see me. I went from there down to Wilson. No one at home except Mr. Wilson [Flavious Josephus Wilson²⁴] and I had to tell him who I was. He hasn't changed much in the 15 yrs. On down to Etta's [Etta Albert Sloan²⁵] and she was so surprised but knew me. Her father [Charles William Albert²⁶] did not. Fox [Oscar Fox Sloan²⁷] was so poorly and mind so weak I doubt if he knew me. I feel so sorry for Etta as he has to be waited on like a child, sometimes the

¹⁶ Hoerner, Franklin Early "Frank"; 49; Cousin; Lewisburg; 1873-1965

¹⁷ Hoerner, Julia Frances (Bunger); 46; Cousin Frank's wife; Lewisburg; 1876-1960

¹⁸ Parmerlee, Joan F. (Emens); 82; Lewisburg; 1840-1923

¹⁹ Brown, Maud (Spitler); 54; Lewisburg; 1868-1933

²⁰ Brown, Anna M.; 30; Lewisburg; 1892-1934

²¹ Wood, Anna Elizabeth (Gay) "Mrs."; 75; Lewisburg; 1847-1934

²² Wood, Walter Perry; 52; Lewisburg; 1870-1940

²³ Gay, Mary Ellen; 67; Lewisburg; 1855-1942

²⁴ Wilson, Flavious Josephus "Mr."; 82; Lewisburg; 1840-1928

²⁵ Sloan, Etta Jane (Albert) "Etta or Ettie"; 55; Lewisburg; 1867-1955

²⁶ Albert, Charles William; 80; Lewisburg; 1842-1934

²⁷ Sloan, Oscar Fox; 58; Lewisburg; 1864-1922

bed has to be changed every 15 min. or so. She also asked me to come there but I could not think of going there or at Cousin Frank when there is sickness. As we drove thru Brookville we stopped at Cousin Maggie's [Margaret M. Sheller Fowble²⁸]. She has changed a whole lot.

Tuesday, Aug. 22, at Henry's, Dayton

We drove out to Maud's [Maude C Hossafous Dickey²⁹] today which is near West Milton 18 miles from Dayton. She did not know I was in the country and tore her eyes open when she saw me. She seemed so glad to see me. They have a very nice home and three acres on a fine road and the traction runs right by her door. She is much heavier than when I saw her last but the same Maud of old. She has four children, Mary Louisa [Marabelle Dickey³⁰], Charles [Charles Clayton Dickey³¹], Mildred [Mildred Irene Dickey³²] and Paul [Paul Lester Dickey³³]. On the way back we stopped at Wealthy's [Wealthy Ann Hossafous Alter³⁴]. They live on a 160 A. just outside of Dayton belonging to a Mr. Smith. Edna had told her I was there so she wasn't surprised but her face shone with a welcome. She seems to be a very good mother. Has a little boy [Harry Albert Alter³⁵] and a girl [Mae Louise Alter³⁶] older.

Wednesday, Aug. 23, at Henry's, Dayton

Went up to Charlie's [Charles E. Hossafous³⁷] and spent the P.M. He had come down to see me right away but I did not meet his wife [Cecelia L. Gruhler Hossafous³⁸] until today. She is lovely. I think of German decent and a fine housekeeper. Good looking and a worker. Think Charles did exceedingly well to get her.

²⁸ Fowble, Margaret M. (Sheller) "Maggie"; 48; Cousin; Brookville; 1874-1942

²⁹ Dickey, Maude C. (Hossafous) "Maud"; 39; Niece; Near West Milton; 1893-1947

³⁰ Dickey, Marabelle "Mary Louise"; 7; Grand Niece; Near West Milton; 1915-1984

³¹ Dickey, Charles Clayton; 10; Grand Nephew; Near West Milton; 1912-1967

³² Dickey, Mildred Irene; 12; Grand Niece; Near West Milton; 1910-1972

³³ Dickey, Paul Lester; 16; Grand Nephew; Near West Milton; 1906-1972

³⁴ Alter, Wealthy Ann (Hossafous); 29; Niece, Outside Dayton; 1893-1972

³⁵ Alter, Harry Albert; 5; Grand Nephew; Outside Dayton; 1917-1962

³⁶ Alter, Mae Louise; 6; Grand Niece; Outside Dayton; 1915-2011

³⁷ Hossafous, Charles E. "Charlie"; 37; Nephew; Dayton; 1885-1974

³⁸ Hossafous, Cecelia L. (Gruhler) "Celia"; 33; Nephew Charlie's wife; Dayton; 1889-1967

Thursday, Aug. 24, at Henry's, Dayton

Did not see Elsie [Elsie Hossafous Barnes³⁹] until today. I would never have known her as she has changed so. We drove by that way and took little Jack [John Henry Barnes⁴⁰] out to the cemetery with us. He is such a bright little fellow and asked me all about my journey. Margaret [Margaret E. Hossafous⁴¹] is buried in a lovely place, a large tree shades the grave.

Friday, Aug. 25, at Henry's, Dayton

Forgot to say that on Sunday the next day after I got here I called up Grant [Samuel Grant Sheller⁴²] and he was so surprised and pleased. Said Minnie [Minnie Surface Sheller⁴³] was in bed with a sick head ache or they would come over that evening on Monday evening they were to have company but would be out Tues. evening sure. They came early and stayed late. Grant just went on how well I looked, said I looked younger than when he saw me last. When he shook hands he said I had a notion to kiss you and when I said it is not too late yet he grabbed me and did so. He looks well and Minnie looks much better than I expected to see her. They insisted I come over often. After I phoned Grant Sunday that I was here he phoned Paines. Emma [Emma Johe Paine⁴⁴] phoned me Monday A.M. saying they would be out with Grants Tues. evening but Monday evening right after supper we heard a knock and in stepped Emma and Blanche [Blanche Paine Elliott⁴⁵] (Emma said she couldn't wait). Blanche looked at me so odd and after I had greeted Emma, Blanche said "Is this Abbie?" Then how Emma did laugh. She had told Blanche she wanted her to go with her to see a dressmaker and hadn't said a word about me being here. Lurten [Lurten M. Paine⁴⁶] then came in and had such a jolly evening. Before Emma left we planned a trip over to Mrs. Wood's and Kate Frantz's [Kate C. Frantz Bunch⁴⁷].

³⁹ Barnes, Elsie M. (Hossafous); 35; Niece; Near Dayton; 1887-1968

⁴⁰ Barnes, John Henry "Jack"; 8; Grand Nephew; Near Dayton; 1914-

⁴¹ Hossafous, Margaret E.; deceased; Niece; Woodland Cemetery, Dayton; 1888-1918

⁴² Sheller, Samuel Grant "Grant"; 58; Cousin; Dayton; 1864-1957

⁴³ Sheller, Minnie (Surface); 55; Cousin Grant's Wife; Dayton; 1867-1952

⁴⁴ Paine, Emma (Johe); 56; Dayton; 1865-1953

⁴⁵ Elliott, Blanche (Paine); 34; Dayton; 1888-

⁴⁶ Paine, Lurten M.; 60; Dayton; 1862-1959

⁴⁷ Bunch, Kate C. (Frantz); 57; 1865-1943

Saturday, Aug. 26, at Malinda's, Near Palestine

We drove up to Cousin Malinda's [Malinda Bolinger Metzcar⁴⁸] near Palestine this A.M. Stopped in Lewisburg to leave some things for Elnora. The folks are so good to her, go over every week and take her a big basket of every thing. I enjoyed the ride to Malinda's so much thru a country I knew so well in my childhood. Stopped at the Wilt home and found Anna [Anna M. Caldwell Wilt⁴⁹] lived there. She said we had passed the place where the other folks lived two houses east. When we got to Malinda's she was not surprised to see me as Belle had written her we were coming and she was going to bring a cousin she had not seen for a long time and she guessed it was I. We had a lovely time with her. In the P.M. we drove over to the store in Palestine and while Sam [Samuel Franklin Metzcar⁵⁰] did the trading we went down to see a Mrs. Akins [?] that used to be a Thomas, one of Dr. Thomas' [Dr. Isaac Thomas⁵¹] daughters. I knew she and her sisters so well when I was a little girl. She was so glad to see me, she had tears in her eyes and we are to go to see her and her two sisters when I go to stay awhile with Malinda. She had given pictures of my mother and Aunt Mag Sheller [Margaret Norris Sheller⁵²] that had been taken when they were quite young to Malinda some little time before and she gave them to me. I was so glad to get them.

Sunday, Aug. 27, at Henry's, Dayton

Sunday Doyle [?] and wife and cute little girl came over and later Lottie [Charlotte Dean Metzcar Pendlum⁵³] and three little girls [Florence Virginia Pendlum⁵⁴] [Elizabeth Pendlum⁵⁵] [Jean A. Pendlum⁵⁶] from Greenville came down and we had a fine time. A great big dinner but the good old apple butter was best of all. Coming home Sunday P.M. we came by the lake only now it is a cornfield. The country and homes look much like it did when I was a child. We drove down to the old home in Madison and looked at it

⁴⁸ Metzcar, Malinda (Bolinger) "Linda"; 63; Cousin; Near Palestine; 1859-1947

⁴⁹ Wilt, Anna M. (Caldwell); 73; Near Palestine; 1849-1923

⁵⁰ Metzcar, Samuel Franklin "Sam"; 69; Cousin Malinda's Husband; Near Palestine; 1853-1936

⁵¹ Thomas, Issac "Dr."; deceased; New Madison, OH; 1822-1877 to 1880

⁵² Sheller, Margaret (Norris) "Aunt Mag"; deceased; Maternal Aunt; 1838-1919

⁵³ Pendlum, Charlotte Dean (Metzcar) "Lottie"; 30; Cousin-1x; Greenville; 1892-1947

⁵⁴ Pendlum, Florence Virginia "Virginia"; 6; Cousin-2x; Greenville; 1916-1982

⁵⁵ Pendlum, Elizabeth; 4; Cousin-2x; Greenville; 1918-

⁵⁶ Pendlum, Jean A.; 2; Cousin-2x; Greenville; 1920-

but did not get out of the machine. Madison has changed very little as I can see. Stopped where Anna said the folks lived but found no one at home.

Monday, Aug. 28, at Henry's, Dayton

Washed today and got things ready to go to Lewisburg with Emma.

Tuesday, Aug. 29, at Emma Paine's, Dayton

It began raining this A.M. so we did not get to start at 8 A.M. as planned but got off at 10. Went thru W. Alex. Is a concrete road all the way to W.A. and a good gravel road to Lewisburg. I enjoyed the ride so much. Emma had a Dodge Sedan and very comfortable. It is town nearly all the way from Dayton to W.A. So many small tracks with lovely homes. We stopped in Lexington a little while to talk to Elmer Hoffman [?] and wife. He looks natural, is still teaching school. We stopped at Mrs. Wood's and left our things then went up to cemetery and left flowers on the ___ grave and Currence's [Currence M. Hossafous Harp⁵⁷]. Came to Dr. Brown's [Dr. William Gustin Brown⁵⁸] for dinner. Had such a nice dinner and social P.M. Drove home later and phoned Belle I would stay at Emma's for the night. Went down town for supper and to a show.

Wednesday, Aug. 30, at Henry's, Dayton

After breakfast the next day we drove down to Blanche's and took her up to book store as she is working for her father. She took us all over the establishment then we went shopping, to the League for lunch and then Emma took me home. I spent most of P.M. in bed resting.

Thursday, Aug. 31, at Henry's, Dayton

We went out to Maud's and spent P.M. Found her busy making jell and getting tomatoes ready for catsup. Came back by Edna's and Wealthy's for a few minutes and back by Frank Horner's to see how he was and over to Aunt Lib's a minute. When we got back to Mrs. Wood's Dr. Brown and Maud were there and we soon had a fine dinner, the table was loaded. In the P.M. Orion Burns [?] came and

⁵⁷ Harp, Currence M. (Hossafous); deceased; Sister; Roselawn Cemetery, Lewisburg; 1869-1902

⁵⁸ Brown, William Gustin "Dr."; 67; Lewisburg; 1855-1932

spent the afternoon and we had such a good time talking over old times. We walked up street with Maud when she went home and had a good talk with Charlie Horner and Jerrold [Jerold Kiser Hoerner⁵⁹] and Dick [Richard Norris Hoerner⁶⁰]. Jerrold was to leave that night for his Sr. year in John Hopkins. They are wonderful boys. That evening we went to Mrs. Wood's class social. I knew all the ladies but two _____ day we went.

Friday, Sept. 1, at Henry's, Dayton

Charles has been taking his meals with us all week as Celia and mother have gone to Detroit to visit her brother.

Saturday, Sept. 2, at Henry's, Dayton

Drove out to Lewisburg this P.M. Got letters from W.C. Juna [Juna M. Harp Hooks⁶¹] and Hazel. Drove up to cemetery with flowers for Currence's grave. Came back and read letters at Elnora's then went to Elzina's [Elzina Sloan Smith⁶²] and spent P.M. Found her busy sewing as usual. On the way over we stopped at Shares and when Edith came to the door she said "Oh I am so glad you have come. Cousin Mother Clue Alters [?] just came. She heard you were here and supposing you were at our house she came here. She came in the room and seemed very glad to see me. We talked of the times she and Laura Kelsoe [?] used to visit us when my mother was alive and I a little girl. We planned to be at Shares together this winter when Aunt Lib was and have a good visit together. I had not seen Ella [Lydia Ellen Hoerner Share⁶³] and Frank [Ephriam Franklin Share⁶⁴] and we were very glad to see each other again.

Sunday, Sept. 3, at Henry's, Dayton

After breakfast this A.M. I wrote a long letter to W.C. asking him to let Hazel and Norris read it then send it on to Juna. Wrote Hazel and Juna shorter letters in answer to ones I had received from them. After a good dinner Belle, Henry, Charles and I started on a long drive thru Tippecanoe, Vandalia and New Carlisle to Silver

⁵⁹ Hoerner, Jerold Kiser "Jerrold"; 24; Cousin-1x; Lewisburg; 1898-1987

⁶⁰ Hoerner, Richard Norris "Dick"; 26; Cousin-1x; Lewisburg; 1896-1972

⁶¹ Hooks, Juna M. (Harp); 24; Daughter; Texas; 1898-1973

⁶² Smith, Elzina (Sloan); 62; Lewisburg; 1860-1923

⁶³ Share, Lydia Ellen (Hoerner) "Ella"; 67; Cousin; Clay; 1855-1946

⁶⁴ Share, Ephriam Franklin "Frank"; 73; Cousin Ella's Husband; Clay; 1849-1925

Lake. Passed thru a beautiful country of hills and dales. Had forgotten that the country was as rolling as it is. Beautiful valleys and comfortable farm homes. Silver Lake is quite large but the cottages were few and accommodations not any too good I should judge. Is owned by one man. We also passed thru Phoneton where all the long distant [sic] messages from north, south, east and west pass. From N. York to San Francisco, Florida to Chicago etc. It is only a small hamlet where the operators live but such a mass of wires.

Monday, Sept. 4, at Henry's, Dayton

Sewed all day today on articles I did not get finished before coming here.

Tuesday, Sept. 5, at Henry's, Dayton

Belle isn't feeling well so we stayed at home and I finished the articles I began yesterday.

Wednesday, Sept. 6, at Henry's, Dayton

I washed every thing I had soiled today. Edna came in and stayed to dinner. Had a good old chicken dinner. Belle has such good meals I am afraid I shall get so fat my clothes will be uncomfortable. Drove out to Wealthy's this P.M. and stayed for supper. Her mother-in-law [Emma Mathilda Ellen Ogle Alter⁶⁵], father-in-law [Harry Alfred Alter⁶⁶] and 16 yr old sister-in-law [Lelah Victoria Alter⁶⁷] were there. Like them so much especially Mother Alters, seems like such a fine lady. Glad I met them.

Thursday, Sept. 7, at Henry's, Dayton

Ironed this A.M. Just as I got thru Maud came and we went down town shopping until noon. Intended going out to the fair but it has been so hot (94 in shade) all week we gave it up. I came home and gave the upstairs a good clean up and took a bath.

⁶⁵ Alter, Emma M. E. (Ogle) "Mother Alters"; 54; Wealthy Alter's Mother-In-Law; 1868-1939

⁶⁶ Alter, Harry Alfred; 52; Wealthy Alter's Father-In-Law; 1870-1961

⁶⁷ Alter, Lelah Victoria; 16; Wealthy Alter's Sister-In-Law; 1907-1933

Friday, Sept. 8, at Henry's, Dayton

I gave the house down stairs a good going over. Just got thru in time to take a bath before dinner. Belle is feeling worse and not able to do sweeping or do heavy work and I wanted to leave things in good shape before leaving for Shares tomorrow. This P.M. we went out to Edna's and spent the afternoon. Found her making chilli-sauce and catsup. It was so cool out there under the trees and on the porch. Went with Henry to see the little cottage they have back among the trees. It could be made quite cosy and I suggested they fix it up for their summer home.

Saturday, Sept. 9, at Ella Share's, Clay

I helped straighten up the house this A.M. then finished writing in my diary and packed my clothes to go to Shares. Belle and Henry drove out to the cemetery with flowers for Margaret's grave. As soon as we had dinner we drove up for Myrtie Sheller [Myrtle Wilson Sheller⁶⁸] and drove to Lewisburg. Russell Ruff's [Russell Ruff⁶⁹] wife [Marie Grace Smail Ruff⁷⁰] died at Union City and Myrtie wanted to go to Lewisburg with us so she could go with her people to the funeral. On the way to Lewisburg we stopped at Shares and left my suit case and clothes then drove on to Lewisburg. Got my mail first then drove up to cemetery with flowers for Currence's grave and on way back stopped at Cousin Frank's. Found him much better, Edna Taylor [Edna M. Taylor⁷¹] was there nursing him. He was so glad to see me and said he was looking forward to the time when I would visit them. When I went to leave he caught hold of my hand and kissed and kissed it. From there I went to see Mrs. Smith [Anna Mary Ruff Smith⁷²]. She was glad to see me but looked so badly. Wanted me to come again and she would show me the house. They have a beautiful home. I am to see Pearl [Pearl C. Smith Brinkman⁷³] at Thanksgiving time. I then went over to Cousin Charlie's and found Aunt and little Eola alone. They were on the side porch and I spent a couple of hours very pleasantly with

⁶⁸ Sheller, Myrtle (Wilson) "Myrtie"; 47; Cousin Frank Sheller's Wife; Dayton; 1875-1958

⁶⁹ Ruff, Russell; 39; Union City, IN; 1883-1939

⁷⁰ Ruff, Marie Grace (Smail); deceased; Union City, IN; 1894-1922

⁷¹ Taylor, Edna M.; 26; Cousin-1x; Lewisburg; 1896-1967

⁷² Smith, Anna Mary (Ruff) "Mrs."; 69; Lewisburg; 1853-1923

⁷³ Brinkman, Pearl C. (Smith); 44; Lewisburg; 1878-1961

them. Little Eola [Eola Georgia Hoerner⁷⁴] is so sweet. She said Grandma your hair doesn't look very nice so I guess I had better comb it so she did and fussed with it for a long time. Henry's came for me. Elnora was with them, was going to stay a week. Stopped at Shares. John [John Edward Share⁷⁵] came over in the evening, being the first one of the children I had seen except Edith. We sat up quite late talking.

Sunday, Sept. 10, at Ella's, Clay

Sunday John and family came. They have two very bright little little boys [Marion E Share⁷⁶] [John Share Jr.⁷⁷] and such a pretty little brown-eyed girl [Evelyn M. Share⁷⁸] the youngest. In the P.M. we all went up to Cousin Cora's [Cora Lillie Hoerner Smyer⁷⁹] and had such a nice time. She has a very cosy little home, only 14 acres but quite comfortable. She looks so bad and has poor health. Perry [Perry Smyer⁸⁰] looks thin but natural. Paul [Eugene Paul Smyer⁸¹] and wife [Clara M. Hardeman Smyer⁸²] and two children [Thurston P. Smyer⁸³] [Emil Smyer⁸⁴] were there. He has a lovely family. I saw the old bureau and it is looking fine but Cora sold hers so she could keep this one so I am afraid I shall not get to take it back with me. Cora has so many nice chickens, buff rocks. Coming home we stopped at John's and had ice cream.

Monday, Sept. 11, at Ella's, Clay

It rained all night last night and is still at it this A.M. Edith is ironing. The day was rainy and dark all day. We tatted, crocheted and talked all day. Ella gave me enough wide lace for pillow slips shall think of her every time I see it.

Tuesday, Sept. 12, at Ella's, Clay

⁷⁴ Hoerner, Eola Georgia; 5; Cousin-1x; Lewisburg; 1917-

⁷⁵ Share, John Edward; 31; Cousin-1x; Lewisburg; 1891-1956

⁷⁶ Share, Marion E.; 4; Cousin-2x; Lewisburg; 1918-1979

⁷⁷ Share, John, Jr.; 2; Cousin-2x; Lewisburg; 1919-2001

⁷⁸ Share, Evelyn M.; 1; Cousin-2x; Lewisburg; 1921-1923

⁷⁹ Smyer, Cora Lillie (Hoerner) "Cora"; 53; Cousin; Clay; 1869-1945

⁸⁰ Smyer, Perry T.; 57; Cousin Cora's Husband; Clay; 1865-1958

⁸¹ Smyer, Eugene Paul "Paul"; 29; Cousin-1x; Monroe; 1893-1980

⁸² Smyer, Clara M. (Hardeman); 29; Cousin Paul's Wife; Monroe; 1893-1963

⁸³ Smyer, Thurston P.; 3; Cousin-3x; Monroe; 1919-

⁸⁴ Smyer, Emil; 1; Cousin-3x; Monroe; 1921-

It is quite cool this A.M. A fire and a shawl feels good but the sun is out bright and likely to warm up before noon. After dinner we drove over to Brookville to Flora's [Florence O. Hoerner Rasor⁸⁵]. She is full of face and much heavier than I ever saw her. Looks well but isn't well at all. Had a good talk with her about her stay in San Antonio also about Herbert's experience in France. Warren [Warren Rasor⁸⁶] came in and had a chat, can not see a great deal of change in him. Later Herbert [Herbert Hoerner Rasor⁸⁷] came in, he is a fine appearing young man. From there we went up to Ida's [Ida May Hoerner Albert⁸⁸]. Found her all alone. Her hair is white but she seems well and was very jolly, much more so than when I last saw her. Showed us Grace's [Grace C. Albert Schoneman⁸⁹] husband's [Frederick Wilhelm Schoneman⁹⁰] picture, he is a fine looking man. Also saw Riley's [Warren Riley Albert⁹¹] picture taken with his wife [Effie Coppock Albert⁹²], she is nice looking too. Stopped at Cousin Maggie's for a few minutes. Saw her daughter Mary [Mary Elizabeth Fowble⁹³] for the first time. She was dressed in the camp-fire girl's suits ready to go on a hike. She is quite pretty. Came on home and after supper chatted a while then went to bed.

Wednesday, Sept. 13, at Ella's, Clay

A beautiful day again, cool but the sun is shining brightly and every thing green and flowers in bloom. Edith never eats breakfast so while we ate she churned. I am to have some of the butter milk and I know how I shall enjoy it as it has been a long time since I had butter milk like that. Edith had a good chicken dinner and all that goes with it. After dinner we drove over to Walter's [Walter Share⁹⁴] [Grace Mae Heeter Share⁹⁵]. He lives on the old Share farm. His father and mother in law were there helping can peaches. They

⁸⁵ Rasor, Florence O. (Hoerner) "Flora"; 62; Cousin; Brookville; 1860-1943

⁸⁶ Rasor, Warren; 63; Cousin Flora's Husband; Brookville; 1859-1938

⁸⁷ Rasor, Herbert Hoerner; 28; Cousin-1x; Brookville; 1859-1938

⁸⁸ Albert, Ida May (Hoerner); 64; Cousin; Brookville; 1858-1936

⁸⁹ Schoneman, Grace C. (Albert); 36; Cousin-1x; Brookville; 1886-1969

⁹⁰ Schoneman, Frederick Wilhelm; 40; Cousin Grace's Husband; Brookville; 1882-1967

⁹¹ Albert, Warren Riley "Riley"; 40; Cousin-1x; Brookville; 1882-1950

⁹² Albert, Effie C. (Coppock); 28; Cousin Riley's Wife; Brookville; 1894-1968

⁹³ Fowble, Mary Elizabeth; 15; Cousin-1x; Brookville; 1907-2006

⁹⁴ Share, Charles Walter "Walter"; 35; Cousin-1x; Clay; 1887-1973

⁹⁵ Share, Grace Mae (Heeter); 32; Cousin Walter's Wife; Clay; 1890-1968

have two boys [Glenn D. Share⁹⁶] [Oscar Earl Share⁹⁷] and a little girl [Ellen Beatrice Share⁹⁸]. We spent the P.M. then stopped at George's [George Ephriam Share⁹⁹] on the way home. They were all out at the tobacco shed except Robert [Robert Dale Share¹⁰⁰] and he called and said if we wanted to see the cook he was in the house. George has a nice looking family. I know I shall like his wife [Rosella E. Corner Share¹⁰¹]. We only stayed a few minutes as they had a lot of tobacco cut down and wanted to get it in before dark.

Thursday, Sept. 14, at Ella's, Clay

We spent the day at John's. Mae [May M. Thomas Share¹⁰²] had a lovely dinner for us. In the P.M. we all went over to Ralph's [Ralph Hoerner Share¹⁰³]. I like Ralph's wife [Verta Walker Share¹⁰⁴] so much and he has a very sweet little baby boy [Edwin Share¹⁰⁵]. Before we came away Verta served pumpkin pie and cake. I think Ella is very fortunate in having such nice daughters-in-law, I like every one of them.

Friday, Sept. 15, at Henry's, Dayton

I wrote W.C. a long letter this A.M. just got it in the box when the mail carrier came. We had an early dinner expecting to go to see Mrs. Cassady and Marie. Before I got my dress changed I heard Henry talking down stairs. They were taking Aunt Nora home and wanted me to go back home with them. Charlie and Celia wanted him to go with them on a fishing trip to Houghton Lake in Michigan and they wanted me to stay with Belle. I was glad to do so. They took Nora on home and got my mail (three letters from Juna and two from W.C.). Were soon back and we drove on to Dayton as Henry wanted to help Charlie pack. He did not get back from Charlie's until late. I was just in bed when Charlie came down to

⁹⁶ Share, Glenn D.; 8; Cousin-2x; Clay; 1914-1978

⁹⁷ Share, Oscar Earl; 6; Cousin-2x; Clay; 1916-1993

⁹⁸ Share, Ellen Beatrice "Betty"; 3; Cousin-2x; Clay; 1919-2006

⁹⁹ Share, George Ephriam; 37; Cousin-1x; Clay; 1885-1964

¹⁰⁰ Share, Robert Dale "Bob"; 13; Cousin-2x; Clay; 1909-1984

¹⁰¹ Share, Rosella E. (Corner); 37; Cousin George's Wife; Clay; 1885-1970

¹⁰² Share, May M. (Thomas); 27; Cousin John Share's Wife; Clay; 1895-1978

¹⁰³ Share, Ralph Hoerner; 24; Cousin-1x; Clay; 1898-1937

¹⁰⁴ Share, Verta (Walker); 22; Cousin Ralph's Wife; Clay; 1900-

¹⁰⁵ Share, Edwin; 0; Cousin 2-x; Clay; 1922-

bid Belle goodbye as they wanted to start by 3 A.M. He called a greeting to me upstairs. Charlie is so nice to me.

Saturday, Sept. 16, at Henry's, Dayton

Belle got up and made Henry some sandwiches and they got off by 3 A.M. She went back to bed and it was 7 o'clock before I got up. After breakfast we went up to market. Such nice looking vegetables and flowers (beautiful). I enjoyed it so much as it has been years since I went to market like that. In the P.M. we went down town shopping. We went all thru the Art Dept. at Rikes. Such beautiful things. Got me a buffet scarf, it is cross stitch all in blue. Also got blue and white goods for my quilt. Got a handkerchief for Ella whose birthday is next Sun. (Sept. 24). Saw Ess Horn [?] and she said Wealthy I want you to promise me something. I want you to come in some day and say "Ess I want to go to lunch with you and we would go to lunch and have a good talk together." We were tired by the time we got home so we had supper and I spent the evening working on buffet scarf.

Sunday, Sept. 17, at Henry's, Dayton

Sunday Belle did not feel good so after noon we went up to her doctor for medicine and on way back Gus Fowble [Augustus Fowble¹⁰⁶] saw me passing Cousin Frank's and came out to speak to me. As Maggie was there we went in and all had a pleasant visit together. In the A.M. Sunday I wrote long letters to W.C. and Juna and a correspondence card to Edith Share enclosing the handkerchief to her mother, also a card to Aunt Alice [Alice Miller Ayers¹⁰⁷]. Also wrote a card to Earl Keselring [Earl Russell Keselring¹⁰⁸] to forward my mail here this week as we can not go over after it with Henry away.

Monday, Sept. 18, at Henry's, Dayton

I cut out a lot of quilt patches this A.M. and pieced several blocks. In the P.M. I worked on my buffet scarf. While we were at supper

¹⁰⁶ Fowble, Augustus "Gus"; 51; Cousin Maggie Sheller's Husband; Dayton; 1871-1964

¹⁰⁷ Ayers, Alice (Miller) "Aunt Alice"; 79; Aunt; 1843-1927

¹⁰⁸ Keselring, Earl Russell; 44; Lewisburg; 1878-1956

Alma Eikenberry [Alma C. Eikenbary¹⁰⁹] telephoned saying she was coming over. She came and we had a pleasant evening together. Do not think she has aged much but she is thin and not as healthy looking as I would like to see her. She said Charlie [Charles Franklin Eikenbary¹¹⁰] was a doctor in Spokane and Sidney [Sidney Joseph Eikenbary¹¹¹] in Los Angeles. Her brother Hazen [Hazen S. Eikenbary¹¹²] when he died had left four little girls the youngest 2 mo. old now she is 14. The two youngest are in high school and the two oldest in Miami University. Says her sister-in-law is a wonderful mother. We had a very pleasant time together. Has been cold today.

Tuesday, Sept. 19, at Henry's, Dayton

Worked all day on quilt and buffet scarf. Have the worst cold I have had for ages. Eyes hurt so had to quit working on scarf. Dressed and walked up to grocery with Belle. Little Jack takes his dinners with us since Celia is gone. Had a letter from Henry and card from Charlie. They got to Saginaw at 10 P.M. Sat. night and Houghton Lake Sun. 3 P.M. It was so very cold they had to go in town for warmer clothing. It has been cold here also. Spent last evening on quilt. Sewing doesn't seem to hurt my eyes.

Wednesday, Sept. 20, at Henry's, Dayton

Worked on quilt and scarf part of day. Been sick with a cold. Was afraid it would go down on lungs so doctored myself up good and took a walk up to Third St. in the sunshine and took deep breaths.

Thursday, Sept. 21, at Henry's, Dayton

Feeling much better today but Belle is not at all well so I ironed for her. Before I was thru Myrtie Sheller came down for Belle to help her on a white wool cap she was crocheting for Freda Keighley Bowman's [Freda Mary Keithley Bauman¹¹³] baby. She spent the day with us and I enjoyed her visit so much. Maud came in and spent the day also. She bought little Pattie Ann some white kid

¹⁰⁹ Eikenbary, Alma C.; 54; Dayton; 1868-1957

¹¹⁰ Eikenbary, Charles Franklin "Charlie"; 45; Spokane; 1877-1933

¹¹¹ Eikenbary, Sidney Joseph; 48; Los Angeles; 1874-1943

¹¹² Eikenbary, Hazen S.; deceased; 1870-1908

¹¹³ Bauman, Freda Mary (Keithley); 29; Dayton; 1893-1965

shoes and wool hose and I am to send them to her. Did not get to work on quilt this A.M. but did in P.M.

Friday, Sept. 22, at Henry's, Dayton

Emma called up to see if I could go down to Kate Frantz's Tues. but as Henry will not be at home I could not go. Belle feels so much worse today.

Saturday, Sept. 23, at Henry's, Dayton

Was giving the house a good sweeping when Edna came in. She found Belle in bed as she felt worse than any time yet. She brought us in a basketful of vegetables. She washed out some pieces for Belle, had to go back on 11 o'clock car. I took a bath then went up to Third St. for bread etc. Stopped in at Myrtie's for a chicken she had bought for us. She had it all ready to fry for us, she is so good. She gave me an envelope of four o'clock seed she had gathered for me. Also gave me some cake for Belle. I worked on my quilt the rest of evening, have begun to join it.

Sunday, Sept. 24, at Henry's, Dayton

Turned back our clock to slow time today. Got up late as I wanted Belle to sleep as long as possible. Lovely weather. Belle is feeling much better today. Had a letter from Celia yesterday. They had to go to town as Henry broke his glasses. Emma Paine phoned this A.M. and wanted me to go with them on a picnic. Grant and Minnie and Lurten and Emma were going to take their dinners and auto some place and eat it. As Belle wasn't at all well and Henry gone I could not go. Minnie Taylor [Minnie L. Hoerner Taylor¹¹⁴] also phoned and wanted me to come out there to dinner. Aunt Lib was there and they were to be alone. Was sorry I could not go. Blanche Paine Elliot phoned and wanted me to come out there to spend the day next Sun. I told her I would. We had good chicken and sweet

¹¹⁴ Taylor, Minnie L. (Hoerner); 59; Cousin; Carmonte; 1863-1953

potatoes for dinner. I wrote W.C. and Mrs. Wood. Read most of P.M.

Monday, Sept. 25, at Henry's, Dayton

Am getting ready to wash this A.M. Did a big one and had a fine day for it. In the P.M. Belle and I went to Third St to look at the hats. Worked on buffet scarf in the evening and finished the cross stitch and began on edge.

Tuesday, Sept. 26, at Henry's, Dayton

Did all the ironing this A.M. Wealthy and little Harry came and stayed for dinner. Had a letter from Aunt Alice that was on the way since Sept. 5. This P.M. we went to town, bought outing for a gown. Looked at hats and we saw such ugly ones. Did not see one I wanted. Came back by Mrs. Smith's and we each bought one as they were nearly as cheap as to have one made. They wanted \$6 to make one down town and \$1.50 extra for the frame. Minnie Taylor phoned for me to come out and spend the day tomorrow, said there was a surprise in it. Promised to come.

Wednesday, Sept. 27, at Henry's, Dayton

Hurried around this A.M. and got ready to go to Minnie's. Belle went down town with me to see I would get on right car which was lovely of her. Had such a nice time at Minnie's. They have such a lovely home and I enjoyed the day with Aunt Lib, Minnie and Edna very much. In P.M. Carrie Brower Detrich [Carrie Alice Brower Glander¹¹⁵] and her mother Mrs. Brower [Belle Maria Dininger Brower¹¹⁶] came and spent the P.M. with us. I came home with them when they left. Finished my buffet scarf this evening. Had a letter from W.C. and one from Hazel.

Thursday, Sept. 28, at Henry's, Dayton

¹¹⁵ Glander, Carrie Alice (Brower); 47; Dayton; 1875-1959

¹¹⁶ Brower, Belle Maria (Dininger) "Mrs."; 72; Dayton; 1850-1936

Cut out Belle's black satin dress out of velvet coat lining today and got it all done except pinning down hems and putting snaps on which Belle did. She looks so nice in it. Got a silk braid girdle down town and put such a pretty white collar on it. Mrs. Ermina Gerard [?] came and spent the P.M. Her husband was Henry's head sawyer for so many years.

Friday, Sept. 29, at Henry's, Dayton

Belle and I spent A.M. in town. Bought a pretty veil for my winter hat and some center pieces to work for Hazel and Juna's Xmas gift. Washed my hair in the P.M. and worked on my quilt.

Saturday, Sept. 30, at Henry's, Dayton

Went to market for Belle this A.M. Love to go to market. Mailed a box to Pattie Ann. Sent shoes and hose from Maud, a knitted cap in white and blue wool like the jacket Belle had sent her. I bought the yarn and Belle crocheted it. I also sent her a bib. Worked on quilt in P.M. after we had the work all done. Minnie Sheller called and wanted me to go out there to dinner Sun. but I had already promised Blanche Paine Elliot.

Sunday, Oct. 1, at Henry's, Dayton

Henry drove me over to Blanche's this A.M. I enjoyed my visit with her so much. She had such a good dinner so well cooked and nicely served. I like her husband fine [Paul Carlton Elliott¹¹⁷] and they seem very happy together. Has very cosy rooms in an apartment house. Belle and Henry came after me. We had a good long talk of olden times.

Monday, Oct. 2, at Henry's, Dayton

Cleaned a big fish Henry caught at lake and fried it for our dinner and it was fine. Cut out rest of quilt pieces this A.M. In P.M. Henry, Belle, Celia, Myrtie S. and myself drove to Lewisburg.

¹¹⁷ Elliott, Paul Carlton "Mr."; 33; Dayton; 1889-1940

Stopped at Shares to see when Cousin Daisy Fox [Daisy L. Bunting Fox¹¹⁸] and husband were coming. Had had a postal from Edith Share on morning mail saying they were coming. Also had a long letter from W.C. and one from Aunt Alice. We stopped at Cousin Chas Horner's place of business to tell him about Daisy coming then went on up to cemetery to put some flowers on Currence's grave. Went to Elnora's and brushed up, then went on down to Mrs. Derr's [Sarah E. Wolf Derr¹¹⁹] and spent P.M. She told me all about Mr. D's [Fredrick Augustus Derr¹²⁰] and Edward's [Edward Meise Derr¹²¹] death. Felt so sorry for her. She has such a nice home. Drove home by way of Edna's. A lovely day and I enjoyed the ride so much. Pieced at my quilt all evening.

Tuesday, Oct. 3, at Henry's, Dayton

Up and had breakfast and ready to go out to cemetery to take flowers to Margaret's grave then we are going up to Maud's for the day. Went to cemetery and every thing looks beautiful, so many flowers. A lovely day, so late and no frosts yet. Maud had a fine dinner and I enjoyed it so much after our long ride. Came back by Edna's. Spent evening on quilt patches.

Wednesday, Oct. 4, at Henry's, Dayton

Made my outing gown this A.M. In P.M. we drove to wholesale house and got our powder puffs (only 75 cts per doz) and rings. Went on down town met Ada Keithley [Adakile Wilson Keithley¹²²] on street, the first I had seen her. Bought me a fancy hair pin for my hair. Came home and worked button holes in my gown and put trimming on. Cousin Minnie Taylor called up and said Cousin Daisy Fox and husband were to be at her house tomorrow and the

¹¹⁸ Fox, Daisy L. (Bunting); 43; Cousin; Middleport, IL; 1879-1957

¹¹⁹ Derr, Sarah E. (Wolf) "Mrs."; 72; Lewisburg; 1850-1929

¹²⁰ Derr, Fredrick Augustus "Mr."; deceased; Lower Lewisburg Cemetery, Lewisburg; 1850-1921

¹²¹ Derr, Edward Meise; deceased WWI; Lower Lewisburg Cemetery, Lewisburg; 1891-1919

¹²² Keithley, Adakile (Wilson) "Ada"; 52; Dayton; 1871-1947

whole bunch to be there and they wanted me to come too, so I am going.

Thursday, Oct. 5, at Henry's, Dayton

This A.M. Henry drove me over to Carmonte to Cousin Minnie Taylor's. Daisy Fox and husband came just before dinner. Daisy is so nice looking and Mr. Fox [William F. Fox¹²³] is so jolly. I enjoyed them so much. drove to Frank's where Daisy and Mr. Fox were to stay all night. Minnie and Grant walked home with me on the way to their car.

Friday, Oct. 6, at Malinda's, Near Palestine

We started for Cousin Malinda's early this A.M. Stopped at Alice's [Alice Lucia Wilt Hetzler¹²⁴] and Emeline's [Emeline Wilt¹²⁵] the first I had seen them. Alice has aged so much more than Emeline I think. I phoned from there to Mary Brown [Mary Virginia Harp Brown¹²⁶] and told her we would be over the next day. She was so surprised. They seemed glad to see me. We went on to Malinda's in time for dinner. Stopped along the lake road to pick some bitter sweet. In the P.M. we drove over to a neighbors where they were going to have a sale on Monday to see if they had any old furniture I wanted. They had a chest of drawers I would like to have but nothing else. We went on over to Orley's [Orlando Vernon Metzcar¹²⁷] and saw him and his family for the first time. They have three little girls [Marian B. Metzcar¹²⁸] [?] [?] and a nice wife [Ada Marie Hill Metzcar¹²⁹].

¹²³ Fox, William F.; 42; Cousin Daisy Fox's Husband; Middleport, IL; 1880-1935

¹²⁴ Hetzler, Alice Lucia (Wilt); 64; New Madison, OH; 1858-1930

¹²⁵ Wilt, Mary Emeline "Emeline"; 68; New Madison; 1854-1924

¹²⁶ Brown, Mary Virginia (Harp); 56; Harrison, OH; 1866-1925

¹²⁷ Metzcar, Orlando Vernon "Orley or Orla"; 43; Cousin-1x; Near Palestine; 1879-1972

¹²⁸ Metzcar, Ada Marie (Hill); 38; Cousin Orley's Wife; Near Palestine; 1884-1950

¹²⁹ Metzcar, Marian B.; 3; Cousin-2x; Near Palestine; 1918-2006

Saturday, Oct. 7, at Henry's, Dayton

We started to Mary's about 9 o'clock. Was misting when we started. Mabel [Mabel Edna Metzcar¹³⁰] went home with us. Mary seemed glad to see me also Hazel [Hazel M. Brown Brown¹³¹]. Little Harold [Harold Brown¹³²] has grown so much and so bright. Almost the first thing he said was that he was going to school. Mary had such a good dinner for us. Henry and little Harold spent the time until the men came picking up hickory nuts. They are so plentiful this year. Billy [William S. Brown¹³³] and Arthur [Arthur Ray Brown¹³⁴] were over at the old Jaqua farm helping build a new house as the old house had burned down. Every thing looked so nice, beautiful flowers, so many dahlia's. They have a nice home and every thing so clean and comfortable. We had to start home early as it was still misting and raining and would get dark early. Stopped at Elnora's only for a few minutes but didn't get out of car. Rained quite hard for a short time but we were very comfortable in the sedan. Came home by W. Alexandria. Found two letters awaiting me from W.C., one from Cisco and the other from Breckenridge. Wealthy and family were in for a short time tonight. I wrote W.C. and wrote my diary up.

Sunday, Oct. 8, at Henry's, Dayton

Gloomy this A.M. and some rain but after breakfast I dressed to go to Emma Paine's. Henry took me up in car about eleven o'clock. I was the first to arrive but Grant and Minnie soon came. The other folks from Lewisburg didn't come until after 12 o'clock. Mary Gay, Mrs. Wood, Walter and Ohio Gray [Ohio May Gray Disher¹³⁵] came in one car and Dr. Brown and Maud in another car. Dinner was

¹³⁰ Metzcar, Mabel Edna; 32; Cousin-1x; Near Palestine; 1890-1973

¹³¹ Brown, Hazel M. (Brown); 33; Harrison; 1889-

¹³² Brown, Harold; 5; Harrison; 1917-

¹³³ Brown, Arthur Ray; 30; Harrison; 1892-

¹³⁴ Brown, William S. "Billy"; 73; Harrison; 1849-1939

¹³⁵ Disher, Ohio May (Gray); 59; Lewisburg; 1863-1947

soon served after which we all had a good long talk. Everyone seemed in a lively mood. First I had seen Ohio Gray. She has beautiful gray hair and is much better looking than in her younger days, quite handsome. Emma had her house decorated in beautiful flowers. Had some of the most beautiful flowers of the dahlia variety I ever saw. They were grown by a neighbor. Some of them did not look like dahlia's at all. Henry came for me about 4-30 ending one more very pleasant day among old friends. Celia and Charles came down and spent the evening.

Monday, Oct. 9, at Henry's, Dayton

Mabel and I began Belle's house cleaning this A.M. I cleaned my ward robe and room good from top to bottom. Mabel cleaned bathroom and stair way and swept and dusted front bed room in the A.M. In the P.M. I worked on my gown and quilt. A very rainy and gloomy day.

Tuesday, Oct. 10, at Henry's, Dayton

Finished my gown that I made out of old gown and new top. Put it together with insertion and used same on sleeves. Belle gave me the insertion. Myrtie, Jeannette [Jeanette Sheller Williams¹³⁶] and little Jr. [Alvin B. Williams Jr.¹³⁷] came in a short time, also Celia. In P.M. I worked on our dust caps. In the evening we all went up to Charlie's and spent the evening. I crocheted on the edge on dust cap. Rained most of day.

Wednesday, Oct. 11, at Henry's, Dayton

The man came to do Belle's papering today. After we got every thing out of the rooms I crocheted on the caps and finished them. Then we cleaned the kitchen and got the stove and things back in it. Alma Eikenberry called me up and wanted me to go with her to the

¹³⁶ Williams, Jeanette D. (Sheller); 22; Cousin-1x; Dayton; 1900-1986

¹³⁷ Williams, Alvin B. "Jr."; 4; Cousin-2x; Dayton; 1918-2002

Victory to a show Sat. P.M. then out to her house for supper. I am going.

Thursday, Oct. 12, at Henry's, Dayton

We cleaned sitting room and dining room today and every thing looks so nice and clean. I am ready to write W.C. and Juna. Wrote them both and took them up to mail box. This has been a very nice day. Spent the evening reading the last Ladies Home Journal.

Friday, Oct. 13, at Henry's, Dayton

A beautiful day but cool enough for a little fire. Mabel and I cleaned Belle's bed room then I cleaned the parlor while Mabel cleaned the back porch. We are going for a drive this P.M. Drove to Maud's and spent a couple of hours then back by Edna's for a short stay. A beautiful Autumn day and I enjoyed the ride so much.

Saturday, Oct. 14, at Henry's, Dayton

Washed and ironed my blouse, also washed Belle's table throw. Got ready to go to Alma's. Belle, Henry and Mabel were going to drive down to an apple orchard near Waynesville so wanted to start early so drove me to Rike's and they went on. While wandering around in Rike's, a gentleman came up and called me Mrs. Harp. I did not know him and he said he was Harry Gay [Harry G. Gay¹³⁸]. Said Delpha [Delpha Margaret Curtin Gay¹³⁹] was just outside so I went out and had a long talk with Delpha and her mother [Elizabeth MacDonald Curtin¹⁴⁰]. Went on down to the Victory and met Alma. Enjoyed the play, was dark when we left the theater. Went out with Alma for supper and met her sister-in-law and two younger daughters. They seem so nice and I like them fine. After supper Alma and I had a good long talk. Left at 9 o'clock and reached home at 25 until 10 and found Henry out on porch waiting for me.

¹³⁸ Gay, Harry G.; 43; Dayton; 1879-1951

¹³⁹ Gay, Delpha Margaret (Curtin); 42; Dayton; 1880-1960

¹⁴⁰ Curtin, Elizabeth (MacDonald); 60; Dayton; 1862-1948

Sunday, Oct 15, at Henry's, Dayton

We got up rather late this A.M. Wrote W.C. and finished Aunt Alice's letter. Had a good chicken dinner early then drove to Lewisburg and had a good visit with Elnora. She showed me two silk quilts she is making. Lovely pieces in them. Drove by way of National Road to Edna's, no one at home, then on to Wealthy's for a short visit. Enjoyed the ride so much.

Monday, Oct. 16, at Henry's, Dayton

Getting things ready to go to town this P.M. Want to do a lot of shopping. Went down in the rain and it rained so hard we could only go to Rike's and stay there. I bought a black and white percale for 10 cts per yard and a challis for \$1 per yard. Want to make them for cold weather. Raining hard when we started home and rained all evening. I began to crochet corners for my napkins.

Tuesday, Oct. 17, at Henry's, Dayton

I cut out my black and white dress and worked on it all A.M. It was a beautiful day and in the P.M. we drove down to see the electrical home. It isn't large (7 rooms and bath) but every thing is run by electricity even a "doings" to dry your hair and mayonaise mixer. Furnished beautifully. They are advertising it for sale, want \$30,000. Worked on my crochet in the evening.

Wednesday, Oct. 18, at Henry's, Dayton

Mabel, Belle, Henry and I drove to Edna's to spend the day as it was her birthday, but did not find her at home. Henry had stopped and got bread, fresh ribs and sauer kraut but we took every thing and drove to Wealthy's. Edna and Maud were both there also Mrs. Garst [?] and 5-wks. old baby [?]. We had a fine time. I began on my round blue luncheon cloth. Finished the big corner for my lunch cloth in the evening.

Thursday, Oct. 19, at Henry's, Dayton

Road to Maud's over Covington Pike thru Shiloh, Englewood and Union over paved highway and along traction line. We all went to Maud's for the day. She had such a fine dinner. It was such a beautiful day that in the P.M. Maud went with us and we drove up to Mrs. Garst's. She lives on the place Wealthy owned and where Henry put the ram in. Henry and I walked down where the spring was and to where the ram was, the water running all the time. It is a beautiful place and am sorry Wealthy ever sold it. The water runs in the kitchen all the time. Coming home we stopped at Edna's. She has a very bad cold. We came home early to get ready to go to Cincinnati tomorrow. Found a letter from W.C. written on his way to Mexia.

Friday, Oct. 20, at Henry's, Dayton

We got up early this A.M. and started for Cincinnati quite early, was in the city and parked by 9-45. First went to Shillito's, looked things over and Belle and I got us each black earrings and Mabel got her beads to match the trimming on her brown silk dress. We then went across the street to two art stores. Got us a stamped apron to work. From there went down to The Fair. They had shoddy goods. Went on down to some ten cent stores where I bought some braid then we went up where the car was parked and had a good lunch of fried chicken sandwiches, boiled eggs, cake and fruit. From there we went to Alms and Doepke's. They have a fine store and was sorry we had such little time to see it. I bought me some more braid. We started home at 1-30 and I enjoyed the ride so much. We went all the way on paved roads and by such lovely homes. Going down it was foggy and we could not see far away. I enjoyed the ride so much as it turned out to be such a lovely day. We stopped at W. Carrolton to find Aunt Clara [?]. I went in a grocery and a lady told me just where to find her. No one at home but little John [?] and he said his grandmother was in Miamisburg helping Reba [?] move. He went with us to a garage to get a flat tire

fixed. He seemed like a nice boy. We passed thru Morain City (One of U.S.'s war town built during war), West Carrollton, Miamisburg, Franklin, Middletown, Carthage and other small places. We were detained on account of flat tire but got home before dark.

Saturday, Oct. 21, at Henry's, Dayton

Mabel and I cleaned up the house then I worked on my black and white dress. Henry took Mabel up to see her friends by the name of Schaffer. In the P.M. Belle and I went up town to do some shopping. I got me three suits of underwear for \$1 each. Also some little red buttons for my challis and silk to line the tabs and beads to put with my garnets. In the evening I worked on my quilt.

Sunday, Oct. 22, at Henry's, Dayton

Got up with a headache this A.M. but by drinking hot water and careful what I ate I feel better. After taking a good bath I took a ride down town with Henry for his Sunday papers. We had a splendid dinner of roast pork, dressing, gravy, apple sauce, apple pie, stewed prunes, coffee, mashed potatoes, cake, jelly, etc. While at the table Clara Swain [?] called and said she was coming up to spend the P.M. In a little while the phone rang and Elzina Sloan called to tell me of Oscar's death on Friday and funeral to be tomorrow P.M. I phoned Emma Paine and she said we would drive over. Clara came and we had a very nice time together. Belle and Henry drove up to Edna's to take the wash up but I stayed with Clara. She did not go until nearly dark.

Monday, Oct. 23, at Henry's, Dayton

Raining so Emma was afraid to drive to Lewisburg to Oscar's funeral so Belle and Henry took me. So glad I went as Etta seemed so glad. Etta looks badly. Saw Ida [Ida Jane Unger Albert¹⁴¹] and

¹⁴¹ Albert, Ida Jane (Unger); 47; Lewisburg; 1875-1956

Andy [Andrew Henry Albert¹⁴²] and had a talk with them also Elzina and Maud Neff Rice [Maud Neff Rice¹⁴³]. Also Saw Bessie Minnich [Bessie A. Minnich Leas¹⁴⁴]. She said so many times she was so glad she got to see me. We rode to church together and sat together. I sat in almost the same place I sat at Etta's and Fox's wedding more than 30 yrs. ago. Met Della Harp's [Leona Della Kimmel Harp¹⁴⁵] sister [Mattie Kimmel McKee¹⁴⁶] and family, the McKee's. Also a Mrs. House [?] that is a sister of Raymond Kouks [?] and she spoke of the time I visited them. Saw Nellie House Gregg [Nellie M. House Gregg¹⁴⁷] and her mother [Clara Belle Phares House¹⁴⁸]. Saw Mrs. Eberle [?], Juna Horn [Juna Etta Bunger Horn¹⁴⁹] and daughter [?] and Bert Snyder [?] but did not get to talk to them as I could not go to the cemetery as we had to start home early so I went from the church direct to Elnora's and we came on home and got here about dark.

Tuesday, Oct. 24, at Henry's, Dayton

We went to Edna's for the day and had a nice time. I made me a corset cover ready to stitch. Mabel spent the day Monday with Celia but went with us to Edna's. In the evening she had a call from Greenville saying Lottie was ill and they wanted her to come.

Wednesday, Oct. 25, at Henry's, Dayton

I did a big wash in the A.M. and in the P.M. sewed. Mabel left on the 10 o'clock traction. Belle and Henry went out to the cemetery.

Thursday, Oct. 26, at Henry's, Dayton

¹⁴² Albert, Andrew Henry "Andy"; 49; Lewisburg; 1873-1956

¹⁴³ Rice, Maud (Neff); 55; Lewisburg; 1868-1954

¹⁴⁴ Leas, Bessie A. (Minnich); 45; Lewisburg; 1877-1968

¹⁴⁵ Harp, Leona Della (Kimmel) "Della"; 57; Sister-In-Law; 1865-1944

¹⁴⁶ McKee, Mattie (Kimmel); 50; Lewisburg; 1872-1957

¹⁴⁷ Gregg, Nellie M. (House); 44; Lewisburg; 1878-1957

¹⁴⁸ House, Clara Belle (Phares); 69; Lewisburg; 1853-1943

¹⁴⁹ Horn, Juna Etta (Bunger); 52; near Lewisburg; 1871-1962

I cut out Belle's black and white dress and my challis then ironed until dinner. Maud came for dinner. While I was dressing to go down town after dinner, Maud ironed the remaining four pieces. We drove down town to do some shopping then on out to Maud's. Brought Mildred back with us and left her at Wealthy's for a visit as they will not have school tomorrow. Also stopped at Edna's for a short time. A lively day. While at the supper table we decided to go to Cousin Malinda's tomorrow then on to Indianapolis.

Friday, Oct. 27, at Malinda's, Near Palestine

We drove to Cousin Malinda's this morning in two hours after leaving Dayton. Beautiful weather and I enjoyed the ride so much. Stopped in Lewisburg for mail and got the veil and box of berries from Juna. Mabel came from Lottie's in the evening. She and Jean stayed by Ed [Joseph Edward Pendlum¹⁵⁰] and his mother and two children went back home.

Saturday, Oct 28. at Jesse's, Oaklandon, Ind.

We started for Indianapolis this morning at 8 o'clock. Stopped in Richmond and went to a ten cent store. Got postals and wrote Juna and W.C. and Belle wrote Elnora. Had a blow out before we got to Oaklandon and spent one and one half hours on it. Got into Jesse Bolander's [Jesse Sherman Bolander¹⁵¹] about three o'clock. Belle [Isabelle Hausafus Bolander¹⁵²], Lester [Lester Bolander¹⁵³], Jesse and his wife Ruby [Ruby Byers Bolander¹⁵⁴] and little daughter [Elaine Bolander¹⁵⁵] were there. We had a very nice visit with them. The little girl has big black eyes and only a little past two but talks so plain.

¹⁵⁰ Pendlum, Joseph Edward; 41; Cousin Lottie's Husband; Greenville; 1881-1933

¹⁵¹ Bolander, Jesse Sherman; 37; Cousin-1x; Oaklandon, IN; 1885-1957

¹⁵² Bolander, Isabelle (Hausafus) "Belle"; 63; Cousin; Oaklandon; 1859-1928

¹⁵³ Bolander, Lester Murle; 28; Cousin-1x; Oaklandon; 1894-1967

¹⁵⁴ Bolander, Ruby (Byers); 32; Cousin Jesse's Wife; Oaklandon; 1890-1966

¹⁵⁵ Bolander, Elaine J.; 2; Cousin-2x; Oaklandon; 1920-

Sunday, Oct. 29, at Ben's, Indianapolis, Ind.

This A.M. Belle, Henry and I drove to Indianapolis to Rose [Rosanna Baker Ralph¹⁵⁶] and Lizzie's [Elizabeth Baker Sherman¹⁵⁷]. They seemed so glad to see us. In a little while Alice Jerrell [Nancy Alice Klepfer Jarrell¹⁵⁸] came then later Bess [Mary Elizabeth Klepfer Simms¹⁵⁹], Tom Shields [Thomas C. Shields¹⁶⁰], Edgar Shields [Edgar Connaughton Shields¹⁶¹], and a couple of other ladies. Cousin Henry Baker's [Henry J. Baker¹⁶²] son Glenn [Glenn Russell Baker¹⁶³] and wife Bettie [?] came also. Henry, Edgar, and Glenn went to hunt a place for Henry to buy a new tire and as soon as they got back Bess, Tom and Edgar and other ladies went home, could not stay as Bess had something on. The rest of us then sat down to the biggest meal I have had yet and everyone seemed to enjoy it so much. After dinner Ed Birch [?] came. Later we all went out to Cousin Ben Hossafous' [Walter Benton Hausafus¹⁶⁴]. Alice went with Ed Birch, Rose and Mr. Ralph [Thomas S. Ralph¹⁶⁵] with us, and Lizzie with Glenn and Bettie. After we were there a while Jesse's wife, Belle and Earl's [Lewis Earl Hausafus¹⁶⁶] wife [Beatrice Leon Apple Hausafus¹⁶⁷] and little babe [Clestiabelle Hausafus¹⁶⁸] came. We all had such a nice time together. They left about 9-30 for the city. We stayed all night at Ben's.

Monday, Oct. 30, at Malinda's, Near Palestine

Belle phoned over she was going with us so we drove over after her and stopped at Earl's to give them good byes. Myrtle [Myrtle Alice

¹⁵⁶ Ralph, Rosanna (Baker) "Rose"; 66; Cousin; Indianapolis; 1856-1930

¹⁵⁷ Sherman, Elizabeth (Baker) "Lizzie"; 68; Cousin; Indianapolis; 1854-

¹⁵⁸ Jarrell, Nancy Alice (Klepfer) "Alice"; 66; Cousin; Indianapolis; 1855-1945

¹⁵⁹ Simms, Mary Elizabeth (Simms) "Bess"; 62; Cousin; Indianapolis; 1860-

¹⁶⁰ Shields, Thomas C. "Tom"; Cousin Susanna Klepfer's Husband; Indianapolis; 1852-1933

¹⁶¹ Shields, Edgar Connaughton; 28; Cousin-1x; Indianapolis, 1894-1973

¹⁶² Baker, Henry J.; 65; Cousin; Indianapolis; 1857-1924

¹⁶³ Baker, Glenn Russell; 26; Cousin-1x; Indianapolis; 1896-1977

¹⁶⁴ Hausafus, Walter Benton "Ben"; 55 Cousin; Indianapolis; 1867-1925

¹⁶⁵ Ralph, Thomas S. "Mr."; 65; Cousin Rose's Husband; Indianapolis; 1857-1929

¹⁶⁶ Hausafus, Lewis Earl "Earl"; 31; Cousin-1x; Indianapolis; 1891-1961

¹⁶⁷ Hausafus, Beatrice Leon (Apple); 23; Cousin Earl's Wife; Indianapolis; 1899-1994

¹⁶⁸ Hausafus, Clestiabelle; 2 mos.; Cousin-2x; Indianapolis; 1922-

Heiney Hausafus¹⁶⁹] put us up a nice lunch. A lovely day and we all enjoyed the ride. We stopped at Richmond for quite a while. Stopped outside of Richmond and ate our lunch. Got at Cousin Malinda's about 3 o'clock.

Tuesday, Oct. 31, at Malinda's, Near Palestine

Belle and Henry drove to Winchester to see the Jaqua's about the Gray estate then on to Dessie Shreve's [Ladessa Snodgrass Sheeve¹⁷⁰] and got home about dark. I made Belle Bollander a bonnet like Malinda's and out of goods she furnished.

Wednesday, Nov. 1, at Henry's, Dayton

Henry, Mabel, Belle B. and myself went to Hoffman's woods to gather hickory nuts. We all together got about 2/3 of a bu [bushel]. I felt as tho I was reducing several pounds bending over all A.M. We came home to a fine dinner and afterwards started for Dayton as it looked like rain and did rain a little coming thru Castine. We stopped at Elnora's and had been there only a few minutes when Charlie, Celia and mother drove up. Elnora had sent for them to come after her. We came on home and got here before four o'clock. Were only home a few minutes when Minnie Sheller called and wanted me to come out Sunday to spend the day. She said she had called me several times in the last few days. Wanted me to go with them and Paine's on a little picnic Sunday. Had a letter from W.C., Bert Gonwell [?]and Mary Brown. Mary said Della was there and wanted to see me.

Thursday, Nov. 2, at Henry's, Dayton

Feel stiff and sore this A.M. from picking up hickory nuts. Rather a gloomy morning. We had delightful weather for our trip and feel so thankful for it. I dusted and pressed all my clothes and put them away, took a bath and washed my hair. Put a pocket on black and

¹⁶⁹ Hausafus, Myrtle Alice (Heiney); 46; Cousin Ben's Wife; Indianapolis; 1876-1952

¹⁷⁰ Shreeve, Ladessa (Snodgrass) "Dessie"; 64; Union City, Indiana; 1858-1930

white dress, and stitched my dusting cap and aprons I made at Malinda's. Wrote to W.C. then worked on my quilt until bed time.

Friday, Nov. 3, at Henry's, Dayton

Sewed all A.M. and in P.M. we went down town to take Belle Bolander thru the stores. I got me a table throw to match my pillow and in the evening worked on it. Lester Bolander came in about 8 o'clock. Left home at 3 o'clock having made the drive in five hours.

Saturday, Nov. 4, at Henry's, Dayton

Did the sweeping upstairs and down in the A.M. and in P.M. Belle, Henry, Belle B. and Lester and myself took a long ride called on Edna, Maud and Wealthy. A lovely day and a lovely ride. In the evening I worked on my scarf.

Sunday, Nov. 5, at Henry's, Dayton

Lester and Belle started about 9 o'clock. I got ready to go to Grants and Henry took me. Had a good talk with Grant and Minnie before Lurten and Emma came. Had fine dinner and good talk afterwards. Henry and Belle came for me a quarter to five.

Monday, Nov. 6, at Henry's, Dayton

Sewed all day long on my challis. Elnora came down and spent the day with us. I spent the evening working on my table scarf.

Tuesday, Nov. 7, at Henry's, Dayton

Worked all A.M. on my dress. Edna and Maud came to dinner. After dinner Maud, Edna, Henry, Belle and I drove out to cemetery. On way back we stopped down town and I got me goods for a blouse to my suit. We then took Maud home and on way back took Edna home then stopped at Charles' and got Elnora. I spent the evening working on my scarf and luncheon set.

Wednesday, Nov. 8, at Henry's, Dayton

Emma Paine, Dot Kelley [?], Ellen Kuntz [Ellen Kelly Koontz¹⁷¹] and I drove to Gratis and spent the day with Kate Frantz Bunch, and I had a lovely time. We talked of old times and Kate served us a fine dinner and lunch before we left. They had a whole lot of antique furniture I enjoyed looking at. I am to visit her later. One of the most pleasant days of my trip. They have an old fashioned house with big rooms and big hall with winding stair way. Bunch [Anderson G. Bunch¹⁷²] buys old furniture and sells it to antique dealers here in Dayton. They had a number of fine pieces. Kate had an old day bed that belonged to her Uncle Burns [?]. (Orion's father)

Thursday, Nov. 9, at Henry's, Dayton

I worked all day on my challis dress. Elsie, Earl [Earl R. Barnes¹⁷³] and Jack came in for supper and Charles and Celia in to spend the evening.

Friday, Nov. 10, at Henry's, Dayton

I finished my challis this A.M. Belle is to put the blanket stitch on in red silk this P.M. Henry and I took Elnora home this P.M. Stopped at Mrs. Wood's a few minutes. Went on up to Cousin Frank Horner's until Henry was ready to go back. Frank had a relapse and is looking badly. Went over to Charlie's to get some underclothing for Aunt Lib who is at Share's. Stopped to see her and plan to be with her on her birthday. Came back by Edna's, then on home. Worked on my fancy work all evening.

Saturday, Nov. 11, at Henry's, Dayton

Swept and dusted the house while Belle baked pies and got dinner. Henry and Charles started for Cassius Jaqua's [?] early this A.M. In the P.M. Belle and I went down town to show (Borderland by Agnes

¹⁷¹ Koontz, Ellen (Kelly); 55; Dayton; 1867-1950

¹⁷² Bunch, Anderson G. "Mr."; 57; Dayton; 1865-1946

¹⁷³ Barnes, Earl R.; 29; Niece Elsie's Husband; Dayton; 1893-

Ayers) then did some running around. Up to Rike's Art Dept. of course. Spoke to Elmer Walker's [?] daughter [?] a very sweet girl. Saw Emma Paine and friend Mrs. Smith in Arcade for a few minutes. Worked on my library scarf all evening.

Sunday, Nov. 12, at Henry's, Dayton

Wrote W.C., Edith Share and Kate Bunch this A.M. then wrote my diary up to date. We had a good chicken dinner. In the evening Belle and I took a walk up to Third St.

Monday, Nov. 13, at Henry's, Dayton

A dark rainy day - too dark to work on my blouse so I worked on my library scarf, finished it up. Celia came in in afternoon and stayed for supper. About nine o'clock we were thinking of going to bed when Henry and Charles drove up from their trip to Cassius Jaqua. It rained nearly all the time while they were gone.

Tuesday, Nov. 14, at Henry's, Dayton

Rained hard all day and far into the night. I cut my blouse out but it was too dark to see to work on it. Maud came and spent the day. I worked on the round center piece, the 19 ct. one. I finished embroidering it, and crocheted most of border. Dick [Homer Park Dickey¹⁷⁴] was here for supper.

Wednesday, Nov 15, at Henry's, Dayton

A bright sunshiny day and I worked on my blouse all day. Celia stitched the pleats and front for me and put the cord in front. She is just lovely to me and I like her so much. Dick brought us a rabbit this evening. He had been hunting all day. I finished my center piece tonight and tatted on the lavender tating for Aunt Lib's handkerchief.

¹⁷⁴ Dickey, Homer Park "Dick"; 41; Niece Maude's Husband; near W. Milton; 1881-

Thursday, Nov 16, at Henry's, Dayton

Worked on my blouse all A.M. Went down town and got Belle a teapot for her birthday. Belle Bolander gave me 50 cts. towards it before she left. I got it at Rike's. Also got buttons for my blouse and several other little things. Spent the evening working on Aunt Lib's handkerchief.

Friday, Nov. 17, at Henry's, Dayton

Finished my blouse all but pressing and putting buttons on. We had a surprise on Belle but the folks did not get here until 11-30. They took a notion to go out after Elnora and by the time he went for Maud, Edna, Wealthy and Elsie it was late. Belle went out on the porch to see if Jack was coming and there they were coming down the street. Charlie was carrying the sewing cabinet Henry got for her. She was very much pleased over it and it is a beauty. We had a big spread and everyone seemed to have a fine time. Henry took them all home but Elnora and she is going to stay until Sunday. I worked on my pillow top all P.M. and evening.

Saturday, Nov. 18, at Henry's, Dayton

I cleaned the house in the A.M. and took a bath. After dinner I pressed my dresses and blouse and sewed buttons and hooks and eyes on my blouse. In the evening I read as I did not feel like working.

Sunday, Nov. 19, at Henry's, Dayton

I had a treat this A.M. as I went to hear Billy Sunday [William Ashley Sunday¹⁷⁵]. He preached a fine sermon. Is a very rapid speaker and full of vim from start to finish. He isn't at all like I thought he would be or as I had heard he was. It was his birthday and he had a big cake with candles given him, also a smaller one, baskets and vase of flowers, a pair of fine field glasses, a pin and tie and

¹⁷⁵ Sunday, William Ashley "Billy"; 60; American Evangelist; 1862-1935

pair of patent leather shoes. Am sorry I did not go to hear him sooner as I want to go to hear him again but I expect to leave here next Thurs. and he does not hold services on Monday. Shall try to go Tues. P.M. if I get my clothes ready to leave on Thurs. before then. Am alone this P.M. for the first time since coming to Ohio. The folks had to take Elnora home and come back by way of Edna's so had to start by 11-30 as it gets dark so early these days and I did not get home from Sunday's meetings until 12-15. Would rather have missed the ride tho than Sunday's sermon. The folks did not get home until dark.

Monday, Nov. 20, at Henry's, Dayton

I did a big wash for myself this A.M. It was dark and cloudy and a lot of moisture in the air but the wind was high so the clothes dried enough to fold down. Henry and I drove up to a notary public and I had the deed to half the cemetery lot in Okla. City made over to Mr. and Mrs. Gonwell. We drove on up to P.O. and I mailed it then I came home and folded the clothes afterwhich I wrote a letter to W.C. Spent evening working on pillow top.

Tuesday, Nov. 21, at Henry's, Dayton

Did a big ironing this A.M. Edna came for dinner and Maud a little while in P.M. I spent P.M. mending and getting my clothes ready to go out to Share's for Aunt's birthday. Spent evening finishing my pillow top and crocheting

Thursday, Nov. 23, at Share's, Clay

A beautiful day and Henry, Belle and I motored out to Share's for Aunt's birthday. Found Minnie Taylor the only one there besides the family and Aunt. Later Cousin Charlie, Frank and Julia came. They brought Aunt a dozen beautiful chrysanthemums, a basket of fruit and candy. Julia and Edith flew around and soon had a big dinner ready and 12 of us sat down and ate heartily. Aunt was pleased with the linen handkerchief I made trimmed in lavender

tatting and initial of lavender. Ida came and spent the P.M. Later Dan [Daniel C. Albert¹⁷⁶] came for her. We all had a very pleasant day together. Minnie T. stayed all night and we slept together the first time since we were children.

Friday, Nov. 24, at Share's, Clay

Today is a beautiful day, all sunshine but colder than it has been yet. They have an immense hard coal burner (the prettiest one and biggest one I ever saw) and keeps the rooms so nice and warm. In the P.M. we drove to Brookville to take Minnie to the car and spent the P.M. with Flora. Her arm is getting better but not so she can use it. It began snowing while we were there it being our first snow of the winter. Only a short distance home so we did not get cold.

Saturday, Nov. 25, at Share's, Clay

Colder and snowing this A.M. Things begin to look white outside. We were at home all day. Ralph and wife and babe and George and boys [Richard Eugene Share¹⁷⁷] [Harold Wellston "Mike" Share¹⁷⁸] [Robert above] were down. His wife and little girl [Genevieve D. Share¹⁷⁹] have gone to Michigan to visit Effie and family so George and the boys take most of their meals with us. He has such nice boys.

Sunday, Nov. 26, at Share's, Clay

We had to hurry around so as to get off to Flora's in time to drop Edith and Frank at the church for S.S. and church. We had a nice talk and visit with Flora. Herbert got the dinner and had a good one. He would not let any of us help him at all. After dinner Walter, wife and little girl came, also a Mrs. Rasor [Dora A.

¹⁷⁶ Albert, Daniel C. "Dan"; 69; Cousin Ida May's Husband; Brookville; 1853-1926

¹⁷⁷ Share, Richard Eugene "Dick"; 11; Cousin-2x; Clay; 1911-1994

¹⁷⁸ Share, Harold Wellston "Mike"; 10; Cousin-2x; Clay; 1912-2005

¹⁷⁹ Share, Genevieve D.; 1; Cousin-2x; Clay; 1921-

Heckman Rasor¹⁸⁰] (cousin of Warren's) came for dinner and spent the P.M. Edith Horner [Edith Horner¹⁸¹] (Arnold Andy Horner's [Arnold Andrew Horner¹⁸²] youngest child) came for a few minutes. When she found I was from Okla. City she asked me all about Rev. Royer [?] as he was their old pastor before going to O.C. It was pretty cold but we were all bundled up so good we did not get cold and then it is only a very short distance from Brookville to Shares.

Monday, Nov. 27, at Share's, Clay

57 years old today, can't realize I am that old. The ground was white with snow when we got up this A.M. Cousin Frank had paths swept every where by the time I got downstairs. Edith took their wash and went up to wash their clothes and George's on their electric washer. Ella baked me a big birthday cake. The boys and George came down for supper as they do every evening as Rossella is visiting Effie's.

Tuesday, Nov. 28, at Share's, Clay

Edith and I ironed this A.M. Finished just before dinner time. Right after dinner Aunt, Ella, Frank and I drove over to Cassady's [Daniel E. Cassady¹⁸³][Lizzie Catherine Ozias Cassady¹⁸⁴]. They seemed very glad to see us and we spent a very pleasant P.M. Marie [Marie V. Cassady¹⁸⁵] had gone to Dayton and they were so sorry as she wanted to see me so much. They insisted I stay all night so as to see her but I promised to come back later. Harry McWhinney [Harry Ozias McWhinney¹⁸⁶] and wife [Marie Longnecker McWhinney¹⁸⁷] drove up while there and he seemed glad to see me. They live in Pasadena, Cal. I feel so sorry for Mrs.

¹⁸⁰ Rasor, Dora A. (Heckman); 44; Clay; 1878-1963

¹⁸¹ Horner, Edith; 41; Clay; 1881-

¹⁸² Horner, Arnold Andrew "Andy"; 77; Clay; 1845-1923

¹⁸³ Cassady, Daniel E.; 61; Clay; 1861-1941

¹⁸⁴ Cassady, Lizzie Catherine (Ozias) "Mrs."; 66; Clay; 1857-1926

¹⁸⁵ Cassady, Marie V.; 35; Clay; 1887-1972

¹⁸⁶ McWhinney, Harry Ozias; 41; Pasadena, CA; 1881-1952

¹⁸⁷ Mcwhinney, Marie (Longnecker) "Mrs."; 40; Pasadena; 1882-1944

Cassady as she is almost helpless and it is difficult for her to talk. Herman's wife [Anna Marie Penrod Cassady¹⁸⁸] and child were there and later Herman [Herman Harold Cassady¹⁸⁹] came. He has a very nice wife and little boy [Harold Penrod Cassady¹⁹⁰]. The boys and George stayed and spent the evening and they popped a big pan of popcorn. I had a long letter from Hazel today.

Wednesday, Nov. 29, at Share's, Clay

A beautiful day again, sun is shining bright. We stayed at home all day. I tried to sew and tatt some but my eyes hurt me so I had to quit. Have been hurting me for several days do not understand why. James Horner [James Oldfather Hoerner¹⁹¹] came just as Edith was getting supper. He travels out of Keokuk, Iowa and had been to Dayton on business so stopped to see the folks. He is so big and fat I did not know him. He will spend Thanksgiving with his father tomorrow.

Thanksgiving, Nov. 30, at Share's, Clay

A beautiful day again, all sunshine. Edith has a big chicken and two rabbits in the oven. I picked out walnuts for the salad. We had a fine dinner, every thing tastes so good. I ate so much I could not eat any supper. George and the boys were here and seemed to enjoy their dinner as much as we did. Besides George and the boys, Edith, Ella, Frank, Aunt Lib and I were here. We spent most of the day looking at pictures Aunt had here and what Ella had. Went to bed rather early.

Friday, Dec. 1, at Share's, Clay

Had quite a rain in the night and it still is cloudy. The sun came out bright later. In the P.M. Frank, Ella, Aunt and I drove over to

¹⁸⁸ Cassady, Herman Harold; 28; Clay; 1895-1964

¹⁸⁹ Cassady, Anna Marie. (Penrod); 26; Clay; 1896-1982

¹⁹⁰ Cassady, Harold Penrod; 2; Clay; 1920-1991

¹⁹¹ Hoerner, James Oldfather; 28; Cousin-1x; Keokuk, IO; 1894-1937

Maggie Fowble's but not finding her at home we drove on to Ida's. Had a very nice visit with her also got to see Dan.

Saturday, Dec. 2, at Henry's, Dayton

One of the neighbors came over with a phone message to me from Cassady's. They wanted me to come over to spend the day Sunday. Said they would come for me and take me back. Someone was there that wanted to see me. I had to turn it down as Henry was coming for me. So sorry to do so but I had to go to Dayton to have my pictures taken and if I did not have them taken soon, I would not get them for Christmas and I did not want to ask Henry to come after me again. He did not come until nearly 3 o'clock consequently it was almost dark when we got home.

Sunday, Dec. 3, at Henry's, Dayton

After a good chicken dinner today we took a long ride up to Maud's and back by Edna's. A beautiful day, the sun shone brightly and it was as warm as a summer day. The pike was full of cars, taking advantage of the nice weather. I enjoyed the ride so much.

Monday, Dec. 4, at Henry's, Dayton

Raining all day so I had no chance to have my pictures taken but I washed up every thing and hung them over the register, they were soon dry so I ironed every thing and pressed my skirt and waist to my suit then mended and put the clothes away so I have every thing clean when the weather gets so I can go to Mrs. Wood's. Had a letter from Kate Bunch saying she was coming over to spend the day with me as soon as I had my Lewisburg visit over. Alma Eikenberry just called but before we got to talk very long they cut us off and I didn't know what No. to call her again. Emma Paine also called me up this P.M.

Tuesday, Dec. 5, at Henry's, Dayton

I dressed and went down town this A.M. and had my pictures taken. Afraid they will not be good as I was so nervous. Stopped in the Violet shop in the same building and got me a pair of black wool hose for \$1.50. Went on down town and got me a pair of gray wool hose for 98 cts. Saw Wealthy and Harry out shopping. Went up to drug store and bought toothpaste then on home on the car. Henry could not get the car to go this A.M. so I had to go down on the street car. Dick had phoned that Maud was quite ill so Henry and Belle went out there to see how she was and I stayed at home. Got every thing in shape to go out to Mrs. Wood's tomorrow.

Wednesday, Dec. 6, at Wood's, Lewisburg

This A.M. was lovely so as soon as I got a good hot bath and my things packed, Henry and I drove out to Lewisburg by way of West Alexandria. I enjoyed the ride so much. Found Mrs. Wood looking for me. After dinner she and I started out and called on Mrs. Wilson [Mary Jane Swisher Wilson¹⁹²], Mrs. Bittle [Martha Schlotterbeck Bittle¹⁹³], Mrs. Ozias [Leora Wheatley Ozias¹⁹⁴], Sarah Rafe R. [?] and Elzina. Elzina made me promise to spend the day with her tomorrow. Mrs. Wilson isn't at all well but able to walk around. Mrs. Biddle [Bittle above] is confined to her chair but was so glad to see us and did not want us to go away. She is a lovely character. Mrs. Ozias had her daughter-in-law [Mary Emma MacDonald Ozias¹⁹⁵] visiting there. She is so nice. Sarah R. showed me pictures of Otto's little boys she had had recently. They look well. After supper Mrs. W. and I went up to John Paullus' [John Henry Paullus¹⁹⁶] and spent most of evening. They have a nice home and I think I should like his wife [Cirella Mae Stiver Paullus¹⁹⁷]. Coming home we stopped at Charlie Horner's for a

¹⁹² Wilson, Mary Jane (Swisher) "Mrs."; 77; Lewisburg; 1845-1923

¹⁹³ Bittle, Martha (Schlotterbeck); 82; Lewisburg; 1840-1923

¹⁹⁴ Ozias, Leora (Wheatley) "Mrs. E. J."; 70; Lewisburg; 1853-1944

¹⁹⁵ Ozias, Mary Emma (MacDonald); 39; Lewisburg; 1884-1975

¹⁹⁶ Paullus, John Henry; 62; Husband of deceased Cousin Elsie Ayers; Lewisburg; 1860-1933

¹⁹⁷ Paullus, Cirella Mae (Stiver); 44; John's 2nd Wife; Lewisburg; 1878-1967

short chat then went on to Mrs. Parmerlee's and spent the rest of the evening. She said she had a notion to come down and see me that evening as Elnora said I was here but when she looked out she thot it was too dark. She seems so well.

Thursday, Dec. 7, at Wood's, Lewisburg

It rained quite hard in the night and is still at it. I went up to Elzina's between showers. Had such a nice visit with her. Mrs. Jesse Foster [Elizabeth Rachel Vaughan Foster¹⁹⁸] came in in the P.M. stayed for supper and Effie Smith Foster [Effie Jean Smith Foster¹⁹⁹] and family came in to spend the evening. She has such a nice boy grown [Robert Elwood Foster²⁰⁰] and a four year old little girl [Helen Jean Foster²⁰¹]. She wants Mrs. W and I to come down and spend the day with her. Stayed until 8 o'clock then came back to Wood's. The proofs to my pictures came, not very good.

Friday, Dec. 8, at Wood's, Lewisburg

Rained hard this A.M. Later the sun came out bright. Went up to Elzina's to show her my pictures. Met Etta Sloan on way back. Mrs. Wood and I went uptown to P.O., store and bank. Met Waldo Moore [Waldo Clifton Moore²⁰²] for first time. Stopped in at Maud Brown's for a chat with Maud and Anna. After dinner Mrs. Wood went to missionary society and I read a chapter on Froebel for her and took notes for the club. Then I crocheted on her powder puff.

Saturday, Dec. 9, at Wood's, Lewisburg

Crocheted on powder puff and read some in A.M. Mrs. Mumma [Fostoria Cyrena Macklin Mumma²⁰³] wife of the U.B. minister

¹⁹⁸ Foster, Elizabeth Rachel (Vaughan) "Mrs. Jesse"; 62; Lewisburg; 1860-1929

¹⁹⁹ Foster, Effie Jane (Smith); 41; Lewisburg; 1881-1959

²⁰⁰ Foster, Robert Elwood; 15; Lewisburg; 1907-1983

²⁰¹ Foster, Helen Jean; 4; Lewisburg; 1918-2011

²⁰² Moore, Waldo Clifton; 48; Lewisburg; 1874-1953

²⁰³ Mumma, Fostoria Cyrena (Macklin); 40; Lewisburg; 1882-1947

[Marion Wilson Mumma²⁰⁴] (and used to be Fostoria Macklin. Her father preached here 33 yrs. ago) sent a note down she wanted to see me and for us not to come up in P.M. as she was so busy she could not come down. We promised to go and were just ready when Mrs. Izora Gay [Izora M. Hapner Gay²⁰⁵] came and stayed until supper time. After supper we went up and had such a nice visit with she and her husband. She is a very able woman. From there we went to Ayers for a short time and Mr. A. seemed very glad to see me, so did Mrs. Ayers. They offered to take me to Harry Recker's [Harry Recher²⁰⁶]. We came home and spent the rest of evening talking and reading. It is quite cold this evening.

Sunday, Dec. 10, at Wood's, Lewisburg

The sun is quite bright this A.M. and looks as tho it would warm up. I took a bath up in Mrs. W's room beside a coal oil stove. Just sat down to write my diary up when Ella Recker [Ella Niswonger Recher²⁰⁷] and Harry came in. They want me to come up and spend the day so will be down to take me up there. Will have Lizzie [Elizabeth Florence Leas Recher²⁰⁸] and Charlie [Charles Wesley Recher²⁰⁹] there too. Mrs. Wood had a good chicken dinner and all that goes with it. After dinner we went down to Izora's and saw her mother [?] and Hazel [Hazel Gay²¹⁰]. Made quite a long call. Went from there to Harry Gay's. Mrs. Quire Curtin [Mary Catherine Curtin Quire²¹¹], May Unger [?] and husband [?] and child, and Clara Lock [?] and Delpha and Harry were there. Etta Sloane came in afterwards. They live in the old Horner home across the street, have it all remodeled. We went to church at the M. 8. in the evening, saw Mr. and Mrs. Frank Singer [?], Mrs. Moore [?] and Imo

²⁰⁴ Mumma, Marion Wilson "Rev. Marion"; 43; Lewisburg; 1879-1950

²⁰⁵ Gay, Izora M. (Hapner); 70; Lewisburg; 1853-1941

²⁰⁶ Recher, Harry; 55; Lewisburg; 1867-1939

²⁰⁷ Recher, Ella (Niswonger); 56; Lewisburg; 1866-1923

²⁰⁸ Recher, Elizabeth Florence (Leas) "Lizzie"; 63; Lewisburg; 1859-1944

²⁰⁹ Richer, Charles Wesley "Charlie"; 64; Lewisburg; 1858-1938

²¹⁰ Gay, Hazel; 36; Lewisburg; 1886-1972

²¹¹ Quire, Mary Catherine (Curtin) "Mrs."; 72; Lewisburg; 1850-1933

Moore [Imogene H. Horn Moore²¹²], the Mrs. Leiters [Hannah C. Lutz Leiter²¹³] [Myrtle V. Coblantz Leiter²¹⁴], Ohio Disher, etc. Came home and read until 9-30.

Monday, Dec. 11, at Wood's, Lewisburg

It is a gloomy day this A.M. Mary is washing. I ran over to Mrs. Quire's this A.M. In the P.M. I went calling. First stopped at Elzina's. Mrs. House was there, also a Mrs. Swihart [?]. Went on up to Elnora's for a short time. Met Mrs. Powell [?] up the street and stopped and talked to her. She doesn't look a bit older in the face. While we were talking Mrs. Elmira Moots [?] stopped and talked too. Went on up to Hattie Cox's [Hattie May Cox²¹⁵]. She knew me right away. Do not think she looks a day older. Rachel [Rachel C. Cox Roberts²¹⁶] happened to be in town so Hattie phoned for her to come. She came in a few minutes and did not know me at first. I would not have known her at all, she is tall and heavier. Has a very sweet face. Went on up to Cousin Frank's then on to Charlie's where Aunt Lib is. Belle Tremble [?] came while I was there, she looks older of course but seems well. I then ran up to Bert Snyder's. She seemed so very glad to see me, so did her mother. Mrs. S. [?] is a shut in and can only go out when the weather is fit to take her in a wheel chair. They didn't want me to go and I had such a good chat with them and want to go again. Coming away from Snyders I met Lillie Etzler [Lillie C. Aikman Etzler²¹⁷] going home from the warehouse where she works. She looks so old. Stopped and saw Julia, Frank, and Beth [Mary Elizabeth Hoerner²¹⁸] a few minutes then on home. Spent the evening crocheting.

²¹² Moore, Imogene H. (Horn) "Imo"; 48; Lewisburg; 1874-1953

²¹³ Leiter, Hannah C. (Lutz) "Mrs."; 39; Lewisburg; 1883-1943

²¹⁴ Leiter, Myrtle V. (Coblantz) "Mrs."; 46; Lewisburg; 1876-1944

²¹⁵ Cox, Hattie (May); 63; Lewisburg; 1859-1930

²¹⁶ Roberts, Rachel C. (Cox); 28; Lewisburg; 1894-1973

²¹⁷ Etzler, Lillie C. (Aikman); 55; Lewisburg; 1867-1951

²¹⁸ Hoerner, Mary Elizabeth "Beth"; 16; Cousin-1x; Lewisburg; 1906-2001

Tuesday, Dec. 12, at Wood's, Lewisburg

A bright sun-shiney day again but cold. Mary is ironing and I pressed my skirt to my suit. Mrs. Zeller [Evelyn Singer Zeller²¹⁹] came in to read Mrs. W. some letters and to ask to go to the art exhibit with us this P.M. She is a very bright woman. We went up to school to see the pictures brought here by the Parent Teachers Association but as Mrs. Mumma wasn't there to lecture on them, we had to go back at night. There was a fine display and we walked around in the study room to look at them. Beth Horner was in the room and I talked with her. Saw Dick Horner on steps. Mr. Hoffman [Harry Austin Hoffman²²⁰] came in and talked with me. We afterwards went in Edna Lock's [?] room and visited. She had fine little readers and a good drill on tables. On way home from school stopped in to see George Smyer [?]. Imo [?] was there and Anna [?] and daughter came before we left. Imo and George are coming down some night this week. It was so cold coming home I dreaded going back but we went. I met Marie Cassady, Ione Finney [?], Ralph Ayers [Ralph Ward Ayers²²¹] and Maud [Myrtle Maud Kelly Ayers²²²], and Nell Banta [Nellie Rosa Horn Banta²²³] for the first time. I enjoyed the pictures very much.

Wednesday, Dec. 13, at Wood's, Lewisburg

Harry Recker came for me about 10-30 this A.M. Quite cold but it did not take us long to get to their house. I had a splendid time. Harry sat in the room all morning talking to me. We had a splendid dinner and a good visit afterwards. Harry brought me home about 4 o'clock and one of my very pleasant days was over. I made a powder puff top for Beth Horner tonight.

Thursday, Dec. 14, at Wood's, Lewisburg

²¹⁹ Zeller, Evelyn (Singer) "Mrs."; 39; Lewisburg; 1883-1971

²²⁰ Hoffman, Harry Austin "Mr."; 36; Lewisburg; 1886-1967

²²¹ Ayers, Ralph Ward; 40; Lewisburg; 1882-1938

²²² Ayers, Myrtle Maud (Kelly) "Maud"; 41; Lewisburg; 1881-1948

²²³ Banta, Nellie Rosa (Horn) "Nell"; 57; Lewisburg; 1865-1934

A cold icy day and I stayed indoors all day. Had a headache and cold and my eyes hurt so I could not crochet. Sent Beth's powder puff top to her by one of the school girls.

Friday, Dec. 15, at Wood's, Lewisburg

Felt some better today but not very good yet. Would like to do some running around but it is too icy. Went down to Ettie Sloane's and spent P.M. Mr. Albert was there too, met Mrs. Eberle and Jennie Bearn. Had a very pleasant time coming home.

Saturday, Dec. 16, at Henry's, Dayton

After I had my room straightened up I went on up to Elzina for a while, then on over to Elnora's to see if she had a quilt pattern like the quilts Mrs. Snyder had on her bed when I was up there the other day. Did not find one but she gave me several others. Henry came for me in the P.M. and I went back to Dayton. Charlie and Celia came down and spent the evening. It was snowing hard when they left.

Sunday, Dec. 17, at Henry's, Dayton

After the work was over this A.M. I took a bath, was just thru when Celia and Charles came down for dinner. There is about 4 in. of snow today. Henry had to get out his snow shovel and shovel snow off of the sidewalks. I wrote W.C., Juna, and Kate Bunch in the evening.

Monday, Dec. 18, at Henry's, Dayton

Almost to zero today - we could not keep warm and I think I caught a lot more cold. I began the tatting for Pattie Ann's summer dress. Also crocheted some. Went to bed early as I was sick with a cold.

Tuesday, Dec. 19, at Henry's, Dayton

Have a dreadful cold this A.M. Must wash out a few handkerchiefs for I am nearly out of them. Did not do much today but nurse my cold.

Wednesday, Dec. 20, at Henry's, Dayton

Cold was bad in the night, could not sleep. Celia and Belle went down town but I felt so badly I stayed at home and entertained Jack. Did not get my pictures.

Thursday, Dec. 21, at Henry's, Dayton

Washed a gown, handkerchiefs, etc. Edna came while I was washing, left about 11 o'clock. She hardly had gone when Wealthy and Harry came and stayed for dinner. I tatted some on lace for Pattie Ann dress. Elsie came later. Do not feel good.

Friday, Dec. 22, at Henry's, Dayton

Still have my terrible cold. Have not done a great deal today. Finished the edge for P.A's dress and began on insertion. Belle and Henry went down town to get my pictures. While they were gone a package from Hazel came. A beautiful sewing basket and 3 pair of scissors. Belle brought my pictures and I am so disappointed in them. The finish is so poor. Got one ready to send to W.C., Juna, Hazel, Aunt Lib, Clara Swain. Also wrote Hazel. Celia came down to see how I was feeling. Had a Christmas card from Alma Eikenberry.

Saturday, Dec. 23, at Henry's, Dayton

Feeling _____ this A.M. Washed dishes and straightened up my room. Belle used the sweeper on sitting and dining rooms then I shall dust for her. Hope Alice J. waits for N. Years to come. Stamped the pictures to send and Henry will take them to the office. A letter from Alice says she will not be here until N. Year and I am glad as I hope to feel better by then. Henry took the pictures down and mailed them. Worked on P. Ann's tatting.

Sunday, Dec. 24, at Henry's, Dayton

Edna came with 9 jars of fruit and pickles and a chicken for the folk's Christmas and gave me a lovely handkerchief in lavender. We did not go any place all day.

Monday, Dec. 25, at Henry's, Dayton

Charles and Celia came down for dinner and we had a good one. Henry and Charles drove over and got Aunt Nora. After dinner Henry, Belle, Nora and I drove out to the cemetery with a wreath for Margaret's grave. The cemetery looked so pretty with the bright colored wreaths and flowers on so many of the graves. We drove on up to Maud's. They had a good looking tree and lots of presents. Belle took Mildred an embroidered gown, fancy garters, and pink powder puff. Charles gloves, Paul an ever sharp pencil and Mary Belle gloves, Maud a dresser scarf. From there we went on to Wealthy's. I never saw as many presents at one place as they had, it looked like a shop. Belle gave May Louise gloves, Harry gloves, Wealthy a dresser scarf. Wealthy gave Belle gloves. Nora a dish, Henry a box of cigars and me black beads. It was dark when we got home.

Tuesday, Dec. 26, at Henry's, Dayton

I finished Pattie Ann's tatting and worked on two powder puffs. This P.M. I took a walk by Summit St. and round to drug store on 5th St. after some shoe polish, Iodine, and mentholatum. This evening Clara Swain and Lois [?] came and spent the evening, brought me their pictures taken together. Lois is nice looking. I enjoyed the evening with them so much. On way home from walk I stopped at Myrtie Sheller's for a call. She has her kitchen done over in cream and brown and is a dandy.

Wednesday, Dec 27, at Henry's, Dayton

I finished my powder puffs this A.M. and began on my square luncheon cloths. It rained hard all day and was still at it when I went to sleep.

Thursday, Dec. 28, at Henry's, Dayton

The ground had some snow on it when I got up this A.M. and now at 8 o'clock it is snowing hard and about an inch of snow covers every thing. Had an Xmas card from Juna today. W.C. sent me a check for \$25 today.

Friday, Dec. 29, at Henry's, Dayton

Belle and Henry drove up to Edna's this A.M. I washed out a few pieces and dried them over the register. In P.M. I ironed. Worked on my unbleached muslin apron. Celia and Charles came and spent the evening.

Saturday, Dec. 30, at Henry's, Dayton

Gave the upstairs a good clean up this A.M. and put clean linen and throws every where as we are looking for Alice Jerrell [Jarrell] tomorrow. Had a card from Grant in Tampa Fla., a letter from Aunt Alice on morning mail and a card from Mrs. Sword [?] and long letter from W.C. on P.M. mail. I crocheted all evening.

Sunday, Dec. 31, at Henry's, Dayton

Rained last night and is still at it at 9 o'clock. Bad day for Alice to come. Henry went to 12 o'clock car but no Alice. Belle and Henry went to next car and met her coming down Broadway. We visited together the rest of the day. Elsie and Jack dropped in for a few minutes on their way home from Lima. Henry went to train for them.

Monday, Jan. 1, 1923, at Henry's, Dayton

We had a good dinner after which Belle, Henry, Nora, Alice and I drove up to Maud's for a little visit. Then on down to Edna's for a call. Nina [?] and daughter were there, then on down to Wealthy's and then home. Alice gave me a bottle of violet toilet water.

Tuesday, Jan. 2, at Henry's, Dayton

Henry and Belle drove Alice down to 7-25 train this A.M. In P.M. we went down town and I got some crochet cotton, thread, and veil.

Wednesday, Jan. 3, at Henry's, Dayton

I washed this A.M. and sewed rest of day on Nora's dress Belle is making. Crocheted at night. Have last napkin corner crocheted for Belle. Still have the luncheon cloth.

Thursday, Jan 4, at Henry's, Dayton

We are all ironing this A.M. I sewed on Belle's apron in P.M. and crocheted the big corner on Belle's luncheon cloth in evening. Celia and Myrtie Sheller came while I was ironing. I promised Myrtie to make enough medallions for her a tatting collar. Celia asked me to crochet her enough corners for napkins. She has been so good to me I will be glad to do it for her.

Friday, Jan. 5, at Henry's, Dayton

Maud came this A.M. and stayed for dinner. In P.M. the folks drove her home and Nora and I stayed here. I finished Belle's apron and took my quilt apart to make it shorter. Elsie and Earl stopped in a few minutes in the evening with Jack on the way down to see the doctor about him. Alma Eikenberry phoned she was coming out to spend evening. She came and we had a very pleasant evening together. I had such a cough and did not feel at all good. Charles sent medicine down with Henry for me. I inhaled some of it and did not cough all night long.

Saturday, Jan. 6, at Henry's, Dayton

I cleaned upstairs this A.M. and dusted downstairs. Elsie phoned that the doctor said Jack had acute bright's disease. It got us all worked up as that is very dangerous. The folks went up and had to go down town to get a rubber sheet and other things for them to use on Jack. I got dinner while they were gone. I ripped a dressing sack up for Maud so as lady could take a pattern off of it and when I pressed it out I pressed my quilt. It looks so nice. I crocheted in P.M. and evening. Wealthy came in and left the children with us while she went to see Jack. Henry drove her down town.

Sunday, Jan. 7, at Henry's, Dayton

Rather a gloomy day today. Wrote Minnie and Grant, W.C., and Juna today. Charles and Celia came down for supper and the evening. Jack seems to be some better today.

Monday, Jan. 8, at Henry's, Dayton

The folks took Aunt Nora out home this P.M. I did not go as I was afraid of catching cold. Stayed at home and cut out the napkins and lunch cloth for my filet cornered set. Had to draw threads. Jack seems to be getting much better. I crocheted rest of day.

Tuesday, Jan. 9, at Henry's, Dayton

Washed my hair this A.M. Has needed it for some time but on the account of cold was afraid to do so. Belle was up at Elsie's most of P.M. Jack is better. This P.M. I marked off my napkins, lunch cloth, and pillow cases to be hem stitched, crocheted rest of time. Celia dropped in on way up to see Jack.

Wednesday, Jan. 10, at Henry's, Dayton

Wrote Hazel, also a card to Alma E. telling her I would be over Sun. P.M. Belle and Henry drove up to Edna's to take the wash. Belle stopped on Third St. with the hemstitching. Later went back for it. It is done very nicely and I am anxious to get at it. Celia and I went

up to Elsie's and spent the P.M. with she and Jack. He is much better. I crocheted on napkin in the evening.

Thursday, Jan. 11, at Henry's, Dayton

Belle, Henry and I went uptown this A.M. and did not get back until nearly 11 o'clock. I got goods for Pattie Ann's flaxon dress and lining for my quilt and some hair nets. We hurried and got us a lunch and did up the work and went back to Keith's to see Singer's Midgets which were very good. It was almost dark when we got home. I read all evening.

Friday, Jan. 12, at Minnie Taylor's, Carmonte

It is a gloomy day. I want to clean up the upstairs and get ready to go out to Cousin Minnie's. I did so and afterwards crocheted one of my doilies finished it, the first one. I took a car and had to wait down town quite a while for a car. Got out to Carmonte about dark. Jimmie [James D. "Jimmy" Taylor²²⁴] came a little while afterwards. After supper we had a good talk. Jimmie told me all about his work, etc. It was quite late when we went to bed.

Saturday, Jan. 13, at Henry's, Dayton

Jimmie got up at 5 o'clock to go to his work. I did not get up until later and Minnie and I had breakfast together. Edna had gone to town to stay all night with a nurse friend. After we had the breakfast dishes done Ona [Leona "Onah" Taylor Swank²²⁵] came over and we went home with her to see her new house. Her kitchen was so cute, she had stencil work about three feet up on wall. Had a bunch of flowers at regular distances with a line of black between. Her sitting room was in grays and blues. She showed nice solid silver spoons, meat forks, etc., all solid that the teachers gave her, also embroidered luncheon set of 19 pieces the teachers handmade themselves. And so many other things. It being Saturday, Jimmie

²²⁴ Taylor, James D. "Jimmie"; 60; Cousin Minnie's Husband; Carmonte; 1863-1952

²²⁵ Swank, Leona (Taylor) "Ona"; 36; Cousin-1x; Carmonte; 1887-1949

came home and had lunch with us. I stayed until almost 4 o'clock then started for the car. I had to wait so long for the car, as did a gentleman, finally an auto stopped and asked us to ride to town – we did so. I got out at 15th and Main and took a car for Broadway and was soon home. Belle and Henry were not at home, had driven up to Edna's and Wealthy's. They came about dark. After supper I crocheted an end for a napkin and picked out a big pan of nuts. Belle was having trouble with her right hand and could not help me.

Sunday, Jan. 14, at Henry's, Dayton

Began sleeting and raining last night before I went to bed and is still raining this A.M. Kept it up all day. We did not go any place and no one came.

Monday, Jan. 15, at Henry's, Dayton

Washed this A.M. and ironed this P.M. Edna was here for dinner. Maud was at Elsie's. Henry and Belle took Edna and Maud home. I stayed at home and ironed. I wrote W.C. in the evening.

Tuesday, Jan. 16, at Charlie's, Lewisburg

Packed all A.M. to go to Lewisburg. In P.M. Belle and Henry took me to Lewisburg. Did not find Cousin Frank's at home so went to Cousin Charlie's. Found Florence [Florence Lincoln Hoerner²²⁶] and Eola at home. Florence was sick so out of school. Cousin Julia was out quilting on a quilt her class is making. Cousin Frank and Julia are in Dayton where Frank is taking treatment. My cough was bad all evening.

Wednesday, Jan. 17, at Charlie's, Lewisburg

Feeling much better today. Crocheted most of day. Julia has not been feeling at all well. Something like La Grippe. Cora and Perry came this P.M. She looks much better than when I saw her last.

²²⁶ Hoerner, Florence Lincoln; 13; Cousin-1x; Lewisburg; 1910-1982

Julia has a wonderful little family of girls. She is a fine mother. Cora and Perry are coming in after me one day next week. The folks got word today that Emma Thompson [Susan Emily Thompson²²⁷] was dead. Is to be buried tomorrow. Poor Ella [Frances Ella Thompson²²⁸] is left alone. Been cold all day today and I did not venture out.

Thursday, Jan. 18, at Charlie's, Lewisburg

Much warmer today and the sun is out. Think I shall go down town this P.M. Mrs. Tremble was in a short time this A.M. Julia is some better. I called this P.M. on Andora Singer Horn [Andora Singer Horn²²⁹], Mrs. Beck [?], Clara Lock who lives in our old home, Edna Horn Huffman [Edna Belle Horn Hoffman]²³⁰, Elzina Sloane, Mrs. Wood, Etta Sloan, Mrs. Wike [?] and Mrs. Parmerlee. Mrs. Wood came up and spent the evening with us. Mrs. Parmerlee is sick. Everybody seemed glad to see me and asked all about everybody. Aunt does not seem well.

Friday, Jan. 19, at Charlie's, Lewisburg

Aunt seems no better today. I crocheted this A.M. and this P.M. I stayed at home with Eola and Aunt while Julia went to help quilt on a S.S. class quilt. Julia's sister Jennie [Jenny G. Oldfather Rhinehart²³¹] came and spent evening. John [John A. Rhinehart²³²] came for her.

Saturday, Jan. 20, at Charlie's, Lewisburg

Aunt seems better. A gloomy day. Joanna [Joan M. Hoerner²³³] is sick today and Julia has her hands full. I tried to help but am

²²⁷ Thompson, Susan Emily "Emma"; deceased; Lewisburg; 1868-1923

²²⁸ Thompson, Frances Ella "Ella"; 53; Lewisburg; 1870-1937

²²⁹ Horn, Andora' (Singer); 63; Lewisburg; 1860-1924

²³⁰ Hoffman, Edna Belle (Horn) "Edna"; 48; Lewisburg; 1875-1968

²³¹ Rhinehart, Jenny G. (Oldfather) "Jennie"; 52; Lewisburg; 1871-1945

²³² Rhinehart, John A.; 51; Lewisburg; 1872-1931

²³³ Hoerner, Joan M. "Joanna"; 9; Cousin-2x; Lewisburg; 1914-

afraid I did not help much. This P.M. I took a good bath and crocheted some.

Sunday, Jan. 21, at Charlie's, Lewisburg

I went to Reformed church this A.M. to meet Elzina. Saw Mrs. Keselring [Mary Catherine Albert Keselring²³⁴], Eberle [?], Goldie Bittle [Goldie P. Bittle Kramer²³⁵], etc. Elzina did not come until late. I saw Minnie Christman [Alice Minnie Bosse Christman²³⁶] and family. She is such a nice looking woman and had two boys with her that were so nice looking. She also has two grown girls that she wished I might see. She seemed so glad to see me. She is a wonder to come from that family as they were so poor when the girls went to school to me. I went on down to Elzina's for dinner. We had a fine dinner. After dinner we talked and looked at old pictures. After supper Elzina went as far as Imo's with me but I did not go in. I was hardly home until they phoned for me to come down as Susie Horn Kelley [Susie Jane Horn Kelly²³⁷] was there and wanted to see me. I went and met her Doctor husband [Dr. Joseph Lee Kelly²³⁸] and little boy [?]. Imo has been sick and did not look well. Susie looks like she always did but older. Joanna is much better.

Monday, Jan. 22, at Charlie's, Lewisburg

Julia is washing this A.M. Mr. Oldfather [Samuel Oldfather²³⁹] is helping her. It is a lovely day and they soon had the clothes out on the line. I straightened up the house for her. I crocheted in P.M. After supper Julia and I went down to Elnora's a few minutes, then on up to see how Mrs. Parmerlee was. Found her much better than when I was down a short time before. We went on up to Mrs.

²³⁴ Keselring, Mary Catherine (Albert) "Mrs."; 43; Lewisburg; 1880-1971

²³⁵ Kramer, Goldie P. (Bittle); 35; Lewisburg; 1888-1970

²³⁶ Christman, Alice Minnie (Bosse) "Millie"; 66; Lewisburg; 1857-

²³⁷ Kelly, Susie Jane (Horn); 42; Lewisburg; 1881-1967

²³⁸ Kelly, Dr. Joseph Lee; 40; Lewisburg; 1883-1953

²³⁹ Oldfather, Samuel "Mr."; 83; Lewisburg; 1839-1935

Smith's. She isn't at all well and expects to start for Florida Friday. As we were coming away from Smith's we met Mrs. Beck going in. Came home and read "Under Country Skies" by Grace Richmond.

Tuesday, Jan. 23, at Cora Smyer's, Clay

Ironed a little this A.M. and pared potatoes for dinner then crocheted until dinner time. In P.M. crocheted a while then had just began on the book I am reading when Perry and Cora came. It was quite cold but I bundled up good. It only took us a little while to go and I did not get cold and found a big fire in the hard coal burner. Cora has a cosy home. We stayed up until 10 o'clock talking. They made \$671.40 off of 3¼ acres of tobacco. It began raining some after we got home and was soon a glase of ice.

Wednesday, Jan. 24, at Cora's, Clay

Ice over every thing this A.M. Cora and I had such a good time visiting all day. I finished my luncheon set. Cora has such a comfortable home and I love to be here.

Thursday, Jan. 25, at Cora's, Clay

Frank and Julia drove up soon after we got our work done. We had a lovely time together and Frank seemed much like himself. He laughed and talked all day. Cora had a fine dinner. I spent my time on tatting a collar for Myrtie Sheller.

Friday, Jan. 26 at Cora's, Clay

We have been having ugly weather but this P.M. we drove up to Paul's. The lane is nearly a half mile long but was so muddy we left the auto at side of road and walked up the lane on grass along the fences. Paul has a nice wife and children. A good housekeeper and cosy home. We went thru Verona and Gordin going. There are such good farms all thru this section. Sells from \$150 to \$200 per acre.

Saturday, Jan. 27, at Cora's, Clay

It rained all day and we sat and talked all day long. I crocheted the ends on my pillow cases. I took a bath by the side of the big base burner before going to bed. I prefer a base burner to a furnace. Every thing so clean and cosy and I am having a wonderful visit.

Sunday, Jan. 28 at Cora's, Clay

It looked so gloomy this A.M. but at 11 o'clock the sun is coming out and looks as tho we might have a pretty day. I wrote W.C. this A.M. We were just ready to go over to Ross's [Clifford Ross Smyer²⁴⁰] at Philipsburg when Mrs. Heeter [Cora Beatrice Johnson Heeter²⁴¹] (Walter Share's mother-in-law) came to tell us that John Share's little girl was dead. Am so sorry, their two other children are boys. We went over to Paul's and found them gone. They were over at Fay's [Bessie Faye Mathias Smyer²⁴²] sister's. Perry went for them. Ross has a very nice family of three girls [Ladonna Delight Smyer²⁴³] [Naundous Vernell "Nan" Smyer²⁴⁴] [LeJeana Faye Smyer²⁴⁵] and one boy [Charles Ross Smyer²⁴⁶].

Monday, Jan. 29, at Cora's, Clay

A heavy frost over every thing this A.M. looks like snow. The sun is coming up and it looks like a nice day. Am glad on the account of the funeral this P.M. We are washing this A.M. I am washing up every thing, glad to get a chance to do so. We went to John Share's baby funeral. Nearly all the relatives were there – Minnie, Flora, Ida, Dan, Herbert and wife [Trellis Mae Freeders Rasor²⁴⁷], Frank, Ella, Edith, Walter and family, Ralph and family, Paul and wife,

²⁴⁰ Smyer, Clifford Ross; 27; Cousin-1x; Philipsburg; 1895-1937

²⁴¹ Heeter, Cora Beatrice (Johnson) "Mrs"; 54; Lewisburg; 1869-1940

²⁴² Smyer, Bessie Faye (Mathias) "Fay"; 27; Cousin Ross' Wife; Philipsburg; 1895-1967

²⁴³ Smyer, Ladonna Delight; 10; Cousin-2x; Philipsburg; 1813-1985

²⁴⁴ Smyer, Naundous Vernell "Nan"; 7; Cousin-2x; Philipsburg; 1916-1998

²⁴⁵ Smyer, LeJeana Faye; 4 mos.; Cousin-2x; Philipsburg; 1922-1994

²⁴⁶ Smyer, Charles Ross; 4; Cousin-2x; Philipsburg; 1919-1994

²⁴⁷ Rasor, Trellis Mae (Freeders); 30; Cousin Herbert's Wife; Brookville; 1893-1986

Ross's wife and little boy, Jude, Charlie, Julia, Aunt Lib, etc. I left so sorry for May and John. We took May's father and mother to cemetery then took them back to the house and came home.

Tuesday, Jan. 30, at Frank's, Lewisburg

We ironed this A.M. and I also washed my hair, soaked my feet and cut bunions, etc., also did some sewing, things that I feel at home to do at Cora's so much more than at other places. Cora had such a good dinner. Wrote a letter to Belle. In P.M. we drove to town past little Brown school house and by the old Weller home where Mrs. Ebersole [?] lived in her girlhood days. Found Frank and Julia at home. Herbert Razor called late in P.M.

Wednesday, Jan. 31, at Frank's, Lewisburg

Rained all day and was only out of the house once when I went over to Cousin Charlie's to get my clothes I left there. Julia was picking out nuts to make a cake as her class meets there today. Aunt was well. Julia mended and I tatted all P.M. We had planned to go calling but it rained so hard we gave it up. I called Elzina up to make arrangements to go out to Sallie Hottes Unger [Sarah Jane Hottes Unger²⁴⁸].

Thursday, Feb. 1, at Frank's, Lewisburg

It rained all night and is still at it this A.M. But in spite of the rain we are going out to Juna Horn's for the day. We had a lovely day at Juna's. She had a big dinner. They have a lovely country home. No one at home but Juna, Frank [Levi Franklin Horn²⁴⁹] and Russel [Russel Robert Horn²⁵⁰]. Elizabeth [Elizabeth Sarah Horn²⁵¹] is at Oxford at school and Mary [Mary Catherine Horn²⁵²] at this country consolidated school. They have a wonderful school, have 17

²⁴⁸ Unger, Sarah Jane (Hottes) "Sallie"; 51; Lewisburg; 1872-1949

²⁴⁹ Horn, Levi Franklin "Frank"; 52; near Lewisburg; 1871-1955

²⁵⁰ Horn, Russel Robert; 23; near Lewisburg; 1900-1981

²⁵¹ Horn, Elizabeth Sarah; 22; near Lewisburg; 1901-1962

²⁵² Horn, Mary Catherine; 14; near Lewisburg; 1909-1999

teachers. The roads were bad and hard for Julia to drive. Frank took a heavy cold and was feeling quite bad by the time we got home. Went to doctor later. I had a letter from Mrs. McCormick [?] this evening.

Friday, Feb. 2, at Frank's, Lewisburg

A bad rainy day. Went over to Charlie's and talked to Aunt and Jude awhile. In P.M. went to call on Grace [Emma Grace Neff²⁵³] and Maud Neff. Found no one at home. Came back and went down to Elnora's for a short time. She had had a letter from Belle and all were well. Went on down to Elizina's. She said if I would stay until after supper she would go calling with me. I went down to Mrs. Wood's and stayed until nearly supper time. On back to Elizina. She had a fine supper after which we went to call on Effie Smith Foster. Then on down to Andrews'. Mary [Mary C. Luick Andrews²⁵⁴] looks natural but Dan [Daniel James Andrews²⁵⁵] is a gray haired man and the last I saw him he was a young man. Found out he was a year older than myself and I always thot him much younger. They seemed quite glad to see us. They were very much worried over Emma Paine suing them for share in property. I feel so sorry for them and can not understand what Emma means. Cousin Frank has a heavy cold and stayed in bed all day. Was raining quite hard when we left Andrews.

Saturday, Feb. 3, at Frank's, Lewisburg

Frank is better and up for breakfast. Seemed better all day but had a nervous spell in evening and hasn't been so well since. I went to see Grace and Maud in P.M. They seemed very much pleased and wanted me to stay. I had a lovely afternoon with them and they made me promise to come next week. Maud said she would like to

²⁵³ Neff, Emma Grace "Grace"; 59; Lewisburg; 1864-1930

²⁵⁴ Andrews, Mary C. (Luick); 54; Lewisburg; 1869-1959

²⁵⁵ Andrews, Daniel James "Dan"; 57; Lewisburg; 1865-1932

have me for a month could I stay so long. It was so cold going home I think I caught cold.

Sunday, Feb. 4 at Frank's, Lewisburg

Frank is not well this A.M., so very nervous. Horns are not coming on account of Frank not so well. Wilbur [Wilbur F. Hoerner²⁵⁶] came and seems so nice. Aunt, Lib and Dick were here for dinner also and Julia had such a nice dinner. Wilbur and I did the dishes while Beth and Julia put things away. Beth and Dick drove Wilbur to W. Alexandria to take the traction. Julia and I walked Aunt home and I stayed awhile. Charlie was telling me about Grandpa Norris [Samuel Edward Norris²⁵⁷]. He came with his father and family from Canada to Cincinnati. He and his father made the brick the Cin. Court House was made of. His father also made the brick in a number of big buildings there. My cold was getting so bad I greased myself good and put flannel on before going to bed.

Monday, Feb. 5, at Frank's, Lewisburg

I certainly had a cold today, seems to be in my head. Julia took a notion to wash this P.M. as the sun is out bright. She and Olive [Olive Gertrude Bunger Moots²⁵⁸] wash together. They put their clothes to soak this A.M. and it only took about one and one half hours for them to get thru on the motor washer, Julia insisted I let her wash my things and I did. I wrote Juna this A.M.

Tuesday, Feb. 6, at Frank's, Lewisburg

I went up to Sallie Hottes Unger's today. Elzina and Mrs. Eberle went along. It was late when we got up there and had to come home early but we had a fine time while there. Charles [Charles H. Unger²⁵⁹] and Anna [Anna Unger²⁶⁰] are so nice. Sallie had such a

²⁵⁶ Hoerner, Wilbur F.; 21; Cousin-1x; ?; 1902-1975

²⁵⁷ Norris, Samuel Edward "Grandpa"; deceased; Maternal Grandfather; ?; 1797-1881

²⁵⁸ Moots, Olive Gertrude (Bunger); 45; Lewisburg; 1878-1955

²⁵⁹ Unger, Charles H.; 27; near Lewisburg; 1896-1989

²⁶⁰ Unger, Anna; 25; near Lewisburg; 1898-1945

good dinner, such delicious chicken pot pie and every thing else. Charles took me all thru the poultry plant and it is some plant. Incubator holds over 5000 eggs. Sallie is as lovely as ever. My cold seems much better. I was afraid to go out but bundled up so good and got there so quickly we did not get cold. Julia's niece Mrs. Smith came before I left and began ironing and ironed for Julia and myself. They were still there when I left. They own the old John Bunger home on National Road. Have it looking so nice. Julia, Beth and I went to the Parent Teacher's Association this evening. Mrs. Wood presided. Mr. Huffman gave a paper on Jazz Literature which was very good and the discussion that followed was good. Beth played for the entertainment that was given by Mrs. Blake's [?] and Leon Disher's [Leon Gray Disher²⁶¹] rooms.

Wednesday, Feb. 7, at Frank's, Lewisburg

Stayed at home all A.M. In P.M. Grace Neff came for a short visit then after she left Julia and I went calling. We first stopped at Shively's. Mrs. Shively [Emma M. Gangwer Shively²⁶²] was gone but Jake [Jacob W. Shively²⁶³] was there sick and seemed glad to have company. Stopped next at Ellen Horn Fultz's [Mary Ellen Horn Fultz²⁶⁴], she has only been back from the Cin. Hospital a few weeks. Looks pale but getting along nicely. Stopped at Mrs. Bunger's [Mary Jane Kelly Bunger²⁶⁵] (Juna's mother) for a while. They have a nice home. She has the most beautiful corner cupboard I ever saw. Also saw a doily with square medallions like Mary [Mary M. Hossafous²⁶⁶] used to make. We then went to Ruth Barnhiser Hapner's [Ruth M. Bernheisel Hapner²⁶⁷]. She seemed so glad I came and told me so several times. Said she often told her husband and son if I was teaching arithmetic these days the

²⁶¹ Disher, Leon Gray; 26; Lewisburg; 1897-1988

²⁶² Shively, Emma M. (Gangwer); 58; Lewisburg; 1865-1940

²⁶³ Shively, Jacob W. "Jake"; 67; Lewisburg; 1856-1934

²⁶⁴ Fultz, Mary Ellen (Horn); 54; Lewisburg; 1869-1925

²⁶⁵ Bunger, Mary Jane (Kelly) "Mrs."; 76; Lewisburg; 1847-1928

²⁶⁶ Hossafous, Mary M.; deceased; Sister; Fairlawn Cemetery in Okla. City, OK; 1863-1904

²⁶⁷ Hapner, Ruth M. (Bernheisel); 39; Lewisburg; 1884-1972

children would know more. We went on down to Ayer's store where I got my quilt lining and some crochet cotton. I saw Mrs. Siler [?] there and she talked about Ralph [?] to me. Said he would not have gotten very far in college if it had not been for me. Went to store and looked at the \$600 dining room suit for Dr. Cosmos [?] at Dayton. It is of Italian walnut, solid. I went over to Cousin Charlie's and spent evening with Aunt Lib and Jude.

Thursday, Feb. 8, at Frank's, Lewisburg

Went up to spend the day with Maud and Grace. Ettie, Mr. Albert and Elzina were also there. We had a lovely day together and Maud had a fine dinner. We went over to Mrs. Aikman's [?] next door to see Frieda's [?] children [?] before we started home. Wasn't home very long until Frank Horn's came and stayed for supper and spent the evening. First time I had seen Mary. Had a nice evening together.

Friday, Feb. 9, at Frank's, Lewisburg

Snowing hard this A.M. wrote to Mabel and sent the quilt. Put a dollar inside for cotton and thread. Sent dues to Eastern Star. Wrote Kate Frantz. Went to office and mailed box & letters. Came back and stopped at store and Charlie showed me the Red Star oil stove. One with lower oven is \$64, one with elevated oven is \$78. Thinks he can order one for me at warehouse at Kansas City or Okla. City. In P.M. I called on Barnhisser's. Lora [Lora Bittle Bernheisel²⁶⁸] was not at home but got to see Ben [Benjamin Bernheisel²⁶⁹]. He is the same Ben of old. Went on down to see Mrs. Bittle and Goldie Kramer. Seemed quite glad to see me. Went on down to Mrs. Derr's. She seemed more cheerful than the last time I saw her, more like her old self. Bly [Nellie Bly Derr O'Connell²⁷⁰] was at home cleaning house. They want me to come

²⁶⁸ Bernheisel, Lora (Bittle); 52; Lewisburg; 1871-1946

²⁶⁹ Bernheisel, Benjamin "Ben"; 65; Lewisburg; 1858-1939

²⁷⁰ O'Connell, Nellie Bly (Derr) "Bly"; 35; Lewisburg; 1888-1983

and spend the day Tues. with them. Went on down to see Mr. Hilleary [James Edward Hilleary²⁷¹] and Mrs. Hilleary [Victoria Deborah Hilleary²⁷²]. He is quite poorly. While there Mrs. Siler came and we went on down to Mary Bittle McNutt [Mary Bittle McNutt²⁷³] where Mrs. Bittle is staying now. She knew me and talked a long time about Willie [?]. I stopped on way back at Mrs. Siler's for a visit with her. They have a lovely home and she showed me Ralph's [?] wife [?] and baby's [?] pictures. Went on home and got ready to go to the social given by the women in Mrs. Ozias' class to their husbands in basement of U.B. Church. It was a Valentine affair and every thing was decorated with red hearts big and little. Little ones strung on strings across room and big ones tacked to posts and wall. The guests were served at little tables covered with luncheon clothes. Napkins of paper had red hearts on them. Place cards were two fold valentines sitting beside plates and the names written with the letters mixed all up. They served creamed chicken, hot rolls, coffee, cream slaw, pickles and apple pie with whipped cream and red heart by the side of the pie on plate. Walter Cahill [Walter Emerson Cahill²⁷⁴] and wife [Dessie Corine Schlientz Cahill²⁷⁵] ate with Julia and I. Frank did not feel like going so I went in his place. We had a good talk together and he seemed so nice. The toastmistress after the eats (Mrs. Mumma) read a poem she had written with all in class brought in very clever. Three men then gave short talks after which Mrs. Ozias gave a very interesting talk about the ship they went to Europe on and some interesting things about England, France and Belgium. I enjoyed the evening so much. Met so many of my old pupils.

Saturday, Feb. 10, at Frank's, Lewisburg

²⁷¹ Hilleary, James Edward; 67; Lewisburg; 1856-1930

²⁷² Hilleary, Victoria Deborah (Grushon); 65; Lewisburg; 1858-1933

²⁷³ McNutt, Mary (Bittle); 57; Lewisburg; 1866-1945

²⁷⁴ Cahill, Walter Emerson; 34; Lewisburg; 1889-1959

²⁷⁵ Cahill, Dessie Corine (Schlientz) "Mrs."; 32; Lewisburg; 1891-1956

Dyed the knit jacket Julia gave me this A.M. Took the hem out of skirt to my suit and pressed it. Julia is not feeling well this P.M. Marie Cassady phoned for us to come out there tomorrow and we are going. Took my bath in P.M. Mrs. Hoffman [?] called. Was in bath tub when Mrs. Wood called to know if I would go to Minerva Club Tues. They are going to entertain the W. Alex. Club (Round Table). I went down later to tell Mrs. Wood I would go with her. Went home and went to bed.

Sunday, Feb. 11, at Frank's, Lewisburg

A beautiful winter day with snow on ground and bushes. We drove out to Cassady's about eleven o'clock. Dinner was soon announced and a good one. Mrs. Cassady seemed better than when I last saw her, was able to get around by aid of cane. We had a good visit in P.M. Marie showed kodak pictures of the hospital and work in hospital while in Cincinnati. Later Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Ozias [Ezra John Ozias²⁷⁶] [Leora Wheatley Ozias²⁷⁷] and Cliff [Clifford Wheatley Ozias²⁷⁸] and wife came. We had a good visit together. After we came home I went down to Mrs. Derr's to change my date with her to Thurs. as Tues. I wanted to go to Club.

Monday, Feb. 12, at Frank's, Lewisburg

I washed my hair this A.M. Julia and Ed washed. I did some crocheting. In the evening we went out to hear "The Hipple Co." The last of the lecture course. It was quite good. Every thing was music but every thing so different and quite fine. Mr. Hipple [?] played on a dozen different instruments. Lora Barnhizer sat next to me and we had a good talk. It was a very rainy evening but a large crowd was out.

Tuesday, Feb. 13, at Frank's, Lewisburg

²⁷⁶ Ozias, Ezra John "E.J."; 71; Lewisburg; 1852-1932

²⁷⁷ Ozias, Leora (Wheatley) "Mrs. E.J."; 70; Lewisburg; 1853-1944

²⁷⁸ Ozias, Clifford Wheatley "Cliff"; 43; Lewisburg; 1880-1970

I ironed and mended some this A.M. This P.M. I went to the Minerva Club. They entertained the W. Alexandria Club called "The Round Table." Mrs. Wood asked me to go; lovely of her. They entertained at Mrs. Lutz' (Lois Banta) [Lois Ruth Banta Lutz²⁷⁹] new home. Among the W. Alex ladies were Eva Horn Smith [Eva Magdelene Horn Smith²⁸⁰] and Mrs. Dr. Fritz (Nettie Thomas) [Lennett Thomas Fritz²⁸¹] she and I had a good talk together of the times we used to play together when children at New. Madison. Mrs. Ozias gave a talk on her European trip that I enjoyed very much. They gave us as souvenirs a card with the picture of Milton and Shakespeare's home taken by Mrs. Ozias. They served tea, sandwiches, olives, nuts, cakes. Two ladies poured tea and we helped ourselves to the other things. I enjoyed the P.M. so much. In the evening I went over and spent the evening with Aunt Lib and Charlie's family.

Wednesday, Feb. 14, at Frank's, Lewisburg

Julia and I went down to the Farmer's Institute for the A.M. Went to the IOOF Hall to a chicken dinner served by Grange ladies. It was very good. Met Mrs. Mat Lease Snyder [?]. She seemed so glad to see me and insisted I come out. In P.M. I went to call on Mrs. Leiter and Rodger [Roger M. Leiter²⁸²]. She seemed glad I came and wanted me to come back. Went from there over to John Paulus and stayed for supper and spent evening. It had turned cold and the wind was raging terrible. The lights were out on the streets and it was so dark coming home I almost fell a couple of times. I like John's wife.

Thursday, Feb. 15, at Frank's, Lewisburg

This P.M. Julia and I went down to the institute and I stayed until 11 o'clock then I went down to Derr's for the day. Mrs. Derr had

²⁷⁹ Lutz, Lois Ruth (Banta); 26; Lewisburg; 1897-1984

²⁸⁰ Smith, Eva Magdelene (Horn); 33; W. Alexandria; 1890-1977

²⁸¹ Fritz, Lennett (Thomas) "Nettie"; 60; W. Alexandria; 1863-

²⁸² Leiter, Roger M.; 14; Lewisburg; 1908-1997

the house all open and three stoves going. She had such a big dinner just as she always has. After dinner she showed me pictures and we had a good talk. Bly came home early and we had a good visit. I stayed for supper and until 8 o'clock. Came home and Dick was here and he and Beth studying French. Found letters awaiting me from Clara Cope [?] and Mrs. Emma Shultz [?] telling me of grandpa Shultz' death.

Friday, Feb. 16, at Frank's, Lewisburg

Did a little sweeping this A.M. for Julia. Wrote to Clara Cope. Soaked my feet good and trimmed my bunions good as they were hurting me terrible. Lay down until 3 o'clock then got up and went down to Elzina's. Stayed until suppertime. She wanted me to stay for supper said they were going to have fried chicken for supper but I refused as Julia had had such a big dinner the thots of eating more made me sick. I went on up to Maud's and Grace's and stayed until nearly 8 o'clock then went home and tatted the rest of evening.

Saturday, Feb. 17, at Frank's, Lewisburg

Helped with dishes this A.M. then ran sweeper over dining and sitting room. Dusted stair way, sitting room, and dining room then took my bath. Julia had to go down to I.O.O.F. hall to help with Rebeccah market so Beth and I are alone. Beth is baking a cake. In P.M. altho it was snowing and disagreeable I went up to Euphemia calling. Called on Belle Gates [Belle S. Gates²⁸³] first and had a good talk with her. She showed me pictures of Malissa's [?] two boys and girl and seems so proud of them. Went from there to Mrs. Keselrings for a call. Then went to see Mrs. Anchin [?]. She seemed glad to see me and I was so glad I went. She is confined to her bed and such a cripple in her hands and limbs. Stopped at Cousin Charlie's on way home. Aunt was taking a nap and only the

²⁸³ Gates, Belle S.; 54; Euphemia; 1869-1953

girls at home. Stayed at home all evening as my throat was sore and such a bad evening I stayed at home and tatted.

Sunday, Feb. 18, at Frank's, Lewisburg

Julia is quite sick this A.M. I went to church and S.S. at Reformed Church. They had to have church first as the preacher had to preach at W. Alex. At 10-30. The same old number were there. When I got home Julia felt so bad I took over the dinner and as soon as Beth came we finished it up. We had a splendid chicken dinner. In the P.M. I wrote W.C. and read.

Monday, Feb. 19, at Frank's, Lewisburg

Pressed and brushed and mended things this A.M. then went over to see Aunt Lib for a couple of hours. This P.M. I went to Maud and Grace's for a little while then on out to Depot to get rate on the bureaus then stopped at Ada Keithley's for a call. She asked me to come spend the day with her. Freda's little girl [Phoebe Mae Bauman²⁸⁴] came while I was there. Saw Joe [Joseph Wilson Keithley²⁸⁵] as he was ill and could not go to school. I went on to Josie Markey's [Josie M. Markey Murray²⁸⁶] and Mrs. House's but did not find them at home. Went on down to Elzina's. Imo was there. Then on down to Mrs. Wood's. She had taught for Mrs. Geeting [?] who was sick. So many people are ill. Met Blanche Moore [?] on way home, first I had seen her. Came home and tatted and later in evening we played Rook. Then all had a lemon stew before going to bed.

Tuesday, Feb. 20, at Frank's, Lewisburg

Up early this morning as Julia is washing and I got ready to go to Dayton. Snowing and my bunions hurt something awful. We had a very good ride over. I went to see about my glasses and had a

²⁸⁴ Bauman, Phoebe Mae; 4; Lewisburg; 1919-1989

²⁸⁵ Keithley, Joseph Wilson "Joe"; 14; Lewisburg; 1909-1988

²⁸⁶ Murray, Josie M. (Markey); 46; Lewisburg; 1877-1968

corset fitted on, then went on out to Henry's. Stopped at Charles' on way from street car and found Charles sick with flu. Stopped at Myrtie Sheller's and gave her her tatting for her collar. On down to Henry's and found Belle, Nora and Henry at home. Henry had been sick so had Wealthy, Roy [Leroy Franklin Alter²⁸⁷] and Maud. So very much illness every where. Schools will close today on account of flu. I got some things I wanted at Belle's, then rested until after 4 o'clock then went down town again. Waited at bus station until car came, saved a seat for Elzina and Maud. Was pitch dark when we got home. Found Julia with a cold and headache. Had a letter from Clara Cope saying she was coming Saturday. Was tired and went to bed early.

Wednesday, Feb. 21, at Maud Rice's, Lewisburg

A bright sunshiny day today. Julia feels better but Beth is ill. Wrote Clara, Juna and W.C. this A.M. Went over to see Aunt a while. In P.M. Maud Rice phoned and wanted me to come up for supper and stay all night. Went up about four o'clock. We talked until after 11 o'clock.

Thursday, Feb. 22, at Frank's, Lewisburg

Maud and I stayed in bed and talked until after 9 o'clock. A 10 o'clock breakfast after which I went home. Julia said Aunt wasn't well so I went over to see her awhile. Julia's sister Mrs. Fisher [Anna Laura Oldfather Fisher²⁸⁸] from Eaton was there. After dinner I crocheted all P.M. on medallions like I got of Cora's. Maud Neff came and visited for a couple of hours. Later Rev. Mumma called, also Mrs. Hoffman from Euphemia. Maud and I went down to Elzina's and spent the evening. Elzina had not gone to Dayton as she expected to do.

Friday, Feb. 23, at Frank's, Lewisburg

²⁸⁷ Alter, Leroy Franklin "Roy"; 31; outside Dayton; 1892-1978

²⁸⁸ Fisher, Anna Laura (Oldfather) "Mrs."; 62; ?; 1861-1950

Did some pressing this A.M. and cleaned my room. In the evening I went over and spent the evening with Aunt Lib, Dick and the girls. Julia had gone to lodge.

Saturday, Feb. 24, at Ettie Sloan's, Lewisburg

We did some cleaning this A.M. and I took a bath. Started for Ettie's after dinner. Was snowing so hard I stopped in at Elzina's a half hour or so then went on down to Ettie's. We went up to the bus at 4 o'clock to meet Clara but no Clara. I went on up home to get my overshoes and gown which I had forgotten then we went on over to see Mrs. Parmerlee. Paul and Mame were there also Russell Gay [Russell M. Gay²⁸⁹] and wife [Nina M. Smith Gay²⁹⁰]. Mrs. Parmerlee looked so nice, much better than she did when I last saw her alive. They had a beautiful casket and Mame told me all about her death and that she just slept away. As I was going by Gay's on the way down to Ettie's, Russell Gay and wife drove up and Russell said Hello there Wealthy Hossafous I have been wanting to see you. So when I met them up at Parmerlee's we all four had a good chat. We went back to meet Clara at 7 o'clock and were glad when she stepped from the bus. She looks fine. We all spent a very pleasant evening talking.

Sunday, Feb. 25, at Ettie Sloan's, Lewisburg

Forest Kesler [Forest M. Kesler²⁹¹] came down and spent the day with us. We had a fine dinner and a fine visit. In the evening we we a pieces????? with Forest and stopped in at Charles' to see Aunt, Charlie and family. Frank was there and later we went home with Frank to see Julia and Beth. Then on home and to bed as we were all tired.

Monday, Feb. 26, at Ettie Sloan's, Lewisburg

²⁸⁹ Gay, Russell M.; 46; Lewisburg; 1877-1939

²⁹⁰ Gay, Nina M. (Smith); 46; Lewisburg; 1877-1959

²⁹¹ Kesler, Forest M.; 46; Lewisburg; 1877-

Raining hard this A.M. when we went to the bus with Clara. Saw on the way up Maud Brown. Orange Greer [Orange Wesley Greer²⁹²] talked to us a long time while we were waiting for the bus. Clara and I went over to furniture store to see Charlie Horner a while. Met and talked to Dan Andrews, also saw Allen Floyd [Allen Willard Floyd²⁹³] for the first time. Ettie went on home so as not to leave her father alone. I went up to Charlie's to see Aunt a little while, then on over to Frank's to get some things, then on down to the office (still raining). Got a letter from Minnie Sheller. Went on down to Etta's. Crocheted until 5 o'clock then we went down to Evelyn Singer Zeller's to see her feed over a thousand white leghorns. Also saw her incubator of over 8000 eggs. It was full of little chicks about half were hatched out and the other half just hatching. Never saw so many baby chicks at one time before. Evelyn said she still had the plates I gave her and thot of me every time she used them. Etta and I spent the evening talking and I crocheting.

Tuesday, Feb. 27, at Frank's, Lewisburg

After breakfast at Etta Sloane's I went on up to the furniture store to get my mail. Elnora Emens was there getting Frank to sharpen her scissors. Went up to Frank's to get some money and went back to get beef steak to soak in vinegar to put on my bunions. Did up Mabel's wash cloth to send her. They are having everyone send her one for a joke. Also wrote to Edith Share. After dinner Julia went down to the store to stay with Frank as he is there alone and I finished ironing, mended my clothes and put them away. Bound some vinegar soaked beef on my bunions. Spent the evening crocheting. Wrote W.C.

Wednesday, Feb. 28, at Frank's, Lewisburg

²⁹² Greer, Orange Wesley; 62; Lewisburg; 1861-1938

²⁹³ Floyd, Allen Willard; 32; Lewisburg; 1891-1934

I have been doctoring my feet this A.M. Wrote Minnie Sheller, Aunt Alice, Grandma Shultz [?], Ida Albert, Grandma Harp [?] and Mrs. Smith this A.M. Julia and Beth went to Dayton so I got dinner and supper. Spent the P.M. crocheting. Mrs. Huffman came for a little while. Julia and Beth did not get home until late.

Thursday, Mar. 1, at Frank's, Lewisburg

Spent the A.M. over at Charlie's with Aunt Lib. Julia is teaching for Mrs. Cramer [?] and Mrs. Morrell [?] is looking after the house. Aunt still coughs. In P.M. I dressed and Julia and I went down to the Allie Yohe [?] sale. Mrs. Andrews sat there and cried, I felt so sorry for her. Every thing went so high. On the way home we stopped in at Mrs. Ozias. She had been sick but was about all right again. Stopped at Mrs. Ayers. Mr. Ayers was sick but better. Charlie Recker came while I was there, the first I had seen him. Went back by the store and I went thru it. The boys have a lot of stuff there. On way home Ed. Broughman's [Edward Wesley Broughman²⁹⁴] funeral passed us. I went on over to Mrs. Luter's to get my hem stitched bolster. Maud Neff was there and came home with me and stayed a while. In the evening I went down and spent the evening with Lora Barnhizer and Ben. They are just like they used to be.

Friday, March 2, at Frank's , Lewisburg

A bright sunshiny day today, seems like spring. Frank does not feel well, has not slept much for the last few nights. Mrs. Ayers phoned this A.M. and wants me to come down so she can show me her tatting as she forgot it the other P.M. when I was down. I went after dinner. She tats beautifully and must have 50 yrs. or more of it. Showed me beautiful handkerchiefs she made. Draws colored threads in them and trims in tatting. She read me a beautiful letter from May Pruner in Chicago written after Mrs. Ayers had written her upon the death of her mother. She is a teacher in Chicago schools, Harry [?] is also there, has a government job. One of the girls is married to a doctor and lives in Chicago. Will [William Reist Pruner²⁹⁵] lives in Norfolk, Ohio, a lawyer there. One of the other

²⁹⁴ Broughman, Edward C. "Ed"; 53; Lewisburg; 1870-1923

²⁹⁵ Pruner, William Reist "Will"; 48; Norwalk, OH; 1875-1948

girls lives on a ranch in Washington. Went on down to Elzina's then on down to Mrs. Wood's. She is better but still weak. When I got home Wilbur was there. Mrs. Smith and children came and stayed until 11 o'clock while her husband was taken in lodge. Took a bath this A.M.

Saturday, March 3, at Etta Sloan's; Lewisburg

Got ready to go to Etta Sloan's this A.M. Put Julia's collar together and sewed the inserts in my bolster slip. On way to Etta took Minnie Sheller's letter for Mrs. Ayers to read. Saw Earl Wilson [Earl Wilson²⁹⁶] for first time. He said Myrtie Sheller was out so stopped in at Wilson to see her and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. W. did not know me. He talked to me about raising peafowl, wild geese and turkeys on the farm. Went on down to Etta and found Maud Rice already there. Elzina and Smith [?] came later. We had a good dinner and a fine social talk all P.M. Etta wanted me to stay all night and I did so. Enjoyed the evening so much. Mr. A. and Etta showed me cards and told me all about their Florida trip.

Sunday, March 4, at Frank's, Lewisburg

Etta went to S.S. and I stopped at Elzina's. After dinner we went into her large front room and watched the big logs burn in fire place and talked. Mrs. Swihart came over. I stayed until about 8 o'clock, then came home. Robert Foster (Effie Smith's son) came in and talked to Elzina a while. He seems so nice. I went to bed soon after getting home.

Monday, March 5, at Frank's, Lewisburg

Julia was up early this A.M. at her wash. Beth and I got breakfast and washed dishes. After Frank got up I got his breakfast and wrote up in my diary. In P.M. Etta came and we went up to see Tom [Thomas Edward Garreth²⁹⁷] and Fanny Garreth [Fannie B. Myers Garreth²⁹⁸]. They live very cosy. Have a beautiful corner cupboard. Went on down to Forest Kesler's. Her mother [Laura Frances Foster Kesler²⁹⁹] is just getting over the flu. Her father

²⁹⁶ Wilson, Earl; 51; Lewisburg; 1872-1952

²⁹⁷ Garreth, Thomas Edward; 67; Lewisburg; 1856-1935

²⁹⁸ Garreth, Fannie B. (Meyers); 65; Lewisburg; 1858-1930

²⁹⁹ Kesler, Laura Frances (Foster); 69; Lewisburg; 1854-1931

[David Sylvester Kesler³⁰⁰] was struck by a tree he was felling and hurt pretty bad so Forest is kept pretty busy between them. Intended to stop at Snyder's but Charlie said Bert and mother was sick so we thot it best not to go in. Stopped at Lutheran Church and went all thru it. They have a wonderful basement and kitchen fitted up. Also fine class rooms. Mrs. Dittmer [Mary May Umbaugh Dittmar³⁰¹] the minister's wife, Belle Trumble and a Mrs. Kuntz were quilting on a quilt in one of the many S.S. rooms. I tatted most of the evening. Mrs. Bittle died last night.

Tuesday, March 6, at Frank's, Lewisburg

Julia and I ironed this A.M. I pressed my skirt to my suit and mended, also washed my hair. Jude called and wanted me to go with her to lodge this evening. I went over and had her instruct me a little so guess I shall try it. One of the worst winter nights of the year (rain, snow, sleet) but Jude and I went to lodge anyway. So many of the women I knew. Mrs. Rice and Maud Brown examined me and it wasn't hard at all. So many of the girls had gone to school to me that took active part. Saw Edith Horn [Edith May Horn Pontius³⁰²] for the first time. Mrs. Singleton Overholser [?] was taken in. The team was at a disadvantage as the hall was small but their work was good. Am so glad I went. Was ten o'clock when I got back and the folks were in bed. Frank had a nervous spell again in the night. I am so worried about him and feel so very sorry for Julia, she is lovely.

Wednesday, March 7' at Ida Albert's, Brookville

A bright day but cold. I packed this A.M. so as to be ready if I got a chance to go to Brookville. Julia and I went to Mrs. Bittle's funeral. The house was pretty well filled, roads so bad it was hard for the farmers to get to town. Leo Shotterbeck [Leo Schlotterbeck³⁰³] read a biography or history of her life from the time she was born in Germany until her death. Prof. Bungler gave such a nice talk on his acquaintance with her. Said he had been writing her once a week for a long time. Rev. Mumma gave a short sermon. As the folks

³⁰⁰ Kesler, David Sylvester; 74; Lewisburg; 1849-1932

³⁰¹ Dittmar, Mary May (Umbaugh) "Mrs."; 41; Lewisburg; 1885-1982

³⁰² Pontius, Edith May (Horn); 39; Lewisburg; 1884-1950

³⁰³ Schlotterbeck, Leo; 63; Lewisburg; 1860-1949

were going out I got to speak to Edith Turner [?]. She looked so badly. After the funeral Beth and Dick drove me to Brookville. Ida and Dan both as well as usual. Hope I shall get to go to Cora's Sunday.

Thursday, March 8, at Ida's, Brookville

A bright sunshiny day again, no doubt the snow will melt today. Ida and I did a great deal of talking and I tatted a great deal on Elzina's tating. I phoned to Maggie that we would come down the next P.M.

Friday, March 9, at Ida's, Brookville

I tatted in A.M. also wrote W.C., also wrote Brown's about coming up there. In the P.M. we went down to see Maggie Fowble. While there Flora Razor came. Also Freda Fowble's [Freda Blanche Fowble Apple³⁰⁴] little girl [Margaret Apple³⁰⁵]. She is quite nice. Stopped in at Flora's for a minute on way home. Spent the evening tating. Wrote Cora's.

Saturday, March 10, at Ida's, Brookville

I tatted some in A.M. Dan went to Dayton. Ida and I went down to Flora's in P.M. Frank Share came for a time. We went over to see Herbert's wife. She took us all over the house and it is beautiful. Her bed room furniture is old furniture and she has painted it beautifully. Has braided rag rugs her grandmother made that are works of art. She has her sitting room in gray with a little touch of old rose. Have all woodwork painted ivory with the window ledge, stair railing, etc. in mahogany. She is very friendly and I like her. Her mother was there. She is nice looking and pleasant. When we got home I had a letter from Cora saying Perry would come for me Sunday. Dan had a colored linen handkerchief with my name on lying on the library table. Ida also gave me a white linen handkerchief with narrow hem stitched hem, quite pretty. Julia Horner called up and wanted to know how to crochet edge on pillow cases, she and Etta A. wanted to know.

Sunday, March 11, at Cora's, Clay

³⁰⁴ Apple, Freda Blanche, (Fowble); 29; Cousin 1-x; Brookville; 1894-1987

³⁰⁵ Apple, Margaret; 6; Cousin-2x; Brookville; 1917-1983

Ida had a fine dinner. While we were doing the work up Mrs. Phoebe Newsock [Phoebe Jane Albert Newsock³⁰⁶] who used to be an Albert came. In a little while Perry came and we started home. The roads were very bad in a couple of places. Began raining soon after we got here. Mrs. [Anna Margaret Kramer Althaus³⁰⁷] and Mr. Althaus [George O. Althaus³⁰⁸] one of their closest neighbors came down and spent the evening. Cora has been having a stitch in her back and isn't very good yet.

Monday, March 12, at Cora's, Clay

It rained hard all night. Still cloudy and wind very high. Perry wanted to know if it didn't seem like home. We stayed at home all day and talked. Wrote W.C., Maggie Fowble. Tatted. Mr. [Clement Valandingham Heeter³⁰⁹] and Mrs. Heeter came for eggs.

Tuesday, March 13, at Cora's, Clay

The folks are having electric light fixtures put in. Cora had such a good chicken dinner. I took off a quilt pattern this P.M. then tatted. Rained again.

Wednesday, March 14, at Cora's, Clay

Colder this A.M. but cloudy. I wrote to Ida Albert and Juna this A.M. The men are still working at the lights. The sun finally came out bright.

Thursday, March 15, at Cora's, Clay

An ugly day. The men finished the lights this A.M. I washed every thing this A.M. This P.M. Cora, Perry and I drove over to Mrs. Lynch's [?] (Uncle Bill Wade's [?] granddaughter Minnie) and spent the P.M. It rained and the wind was high. We had quite a good talk with Mrs. Lynch about the time she knew W.C. We went over to Wengerlawn and called on Mrs. Steck [Mary E. McNelly Steck³¹⁰] (Effie Steck's [Effie A. Steck TerVehn³¹¹] mother) then home thru the

³⁰⁶ Newsock, Phoebe Jane (Albert); 65; Brookville; 1858-1936

³⁰⁷ Althaus, Anna Margaret (Kramer) "Mrs."; 49; Clay; 1874-1928

³⁰⁸ Althaus, George O. "Mr."; 55; Clay; 1868-1934

³⁰⁹ Heeter, Clement Valandingham; 59; Lewisburg; 1864-1932

³¹⁰ Steck, Mary E. (McNelly) "Mrs."; 67; Wengerlawn; 1856-1942

³¹¹ TerVehn, Effie A. (Steck); 48; 1875-1953

rain. I dampened my clothes and shall crochet this evening. Had a letter from Grandma Harp today, also one from Mabel Metzcar.

Friday, March 16, at Cora's, Clay

It rained so very hard last night and this A.M. There was water standing all around. I ironed, pressed and mended this A.M. This P.M. Perry, Cora and I drove to West Sonora. Called on Lizzie Recker. She is the same Lizzie. She has such a nice home and lovely flowers. She wanted me to come and spend the day. We then went on down to Spitler's where Ella Thompson boards. Mrs. Lizzie Spitler [Rachel Elizabeth Jones Spitler³¹²] looks much older. Ella came when school was out. She doesn't look a day older except her hair is getting gray. We could only stay a little while as she was going to Dayton on the 4-24 train. She told me the Wisenbaugh girls [?] were all still living and would like to see me. I hope to go to New Paris for a little time at least while at Brown's. We went to hunt Perry and found him at Charlie Hilleary's [Charles Ephraim Hilleary³¹³] store. He knew who I was and remembered his school days under me. The Roads were not as bad as we expected to find them so we got home early. I shall write W.C. a few lines this A.M. Had a letter from him and one from Ida Albert today. We went up to the neighbors and spent the evening. Their chimney caught fire while we were there but we thot it had gone out and came on home and were just getting ready for bed when Mrs. Althaus came running down and said Perry should come up as their chimney was just roaring. Perry took his ladder and ran up and they had a time getting it out.

Saturday, March 17, at Mary Brown's, Harrison

A bright sunshiny day. I am glad as Cora and Perry are going to drive me up to Mary's today. I took a bath by the side of a red hot hard coal burner and packed my suit cases. We had an early dinner and started before 12 o'clock. With the exception of a few places we found the roads much better than we expected. We stopped at New Madison graveyard for a time. It was such a lovely day we walked around a good bit. It is kept in fine shape and a very pretty place. So many monuments over graves of so many people I

³¹² Spitler, Rachel Elizabeth (Jones) "Mrs. Lizzie"; 61, West Sonora; 1862-1929

³¹³ Hilleary, Charles Ephraim "Charlie"; 38; Lewisburg; 1885-1953

used to know among them was one for Dr. Thomas. My mother's monument was in good shape only it needs to be cleaned. We got some English ivy off of a grave near my mother's [Rachel Norris Hossafous³¹⁴] grave and Cora is going to plant it for me until I go home then we will put it in one of the bureau drawers. We went on thru New Madison and saw the old home place. Going to Mary's we did not turn off as soon as we should so went out of the way. Found the folks at home. Perry and Cora stayed for an hour or so then started home. Mary and I stayed up late and talked. Arthur and Hazel went to town.

Sunday, March 18, at Mary's, Harrison

We hurried around after breakfast and went to S.S. and church. I met Mrs. Billman [Catherine Eubank Billman³¹⁵]. They have a nice little church. I met the minister and wife and some other ladies. The minister's wife is from Pennsylvania and related to the Harps. After dinner we read and talked. Mary phoned to Herschel [Herschel T. Brown³¹⁶] and he is coming after us Tues. and will take us to Edgar's [Edgar William Brown³¹⁷] Wed. We went to bed early. A nice day.

Monday, March 19, at Mary's, Harrison

A regular blizzard came in the night and it was so very cold, ice frozen in my room. I had such a warm bed and hated to get out of it in such a cold room this A.M. The wind was so cold and strong this A.M. and the snowfall of fine snowflakes. I hated to see little Harold start out to school this A.M. but he was bundled up good and did not seem to mind it. The folks are washing in the basement. Am afraid they will not get to hang them out. I tatted all evening and P. M. after writing W.C. a letter.

Tuesday, March 20, at Herschel Brown's, Harrison

³¹⁴ Hossafous, Rachel (Norris); deceased; Mother; New Madison Cemetery; 1836-1874

³¹⁵ Billman, Catherine (Eubank) "Kate"; 63; Harrison; 1860-1932

³¹⁶ Brown, Herschel T.; 34; 1889-1976

³¹⁷ Brown, Edgar William; 36; near Cambellstown; 1887-

Another cold day altho 10 degrees warmer than yesterday. Herschel Brown came over for us to go over to their house about 7 miles from here. Drove thru Braffetsville. Some of the roads were bad especially their very long lane. They live in a big brick house off of the road. I would love to have that house to fix up as it could be made beautiful. They had it looking nice too but I would like to have it fixed my style. They have three nice looking children [Helen C. Brown³¹⁸] [Mary Virginia Brown³¹⁹] [Richard I. Brown³²⁰]. The wife [Adena B. Mutchner Brown³²¹] had such a nice dinner for us. The wind was so high or I would have gone to N. Madison with Herschel in P.M. I tatted all P.M. We had a very nice visit with the family in the evening.

Wednesday, March 21, at Mary's, Harrison

This A.M. we got up early so we could drive over to Edgar's which is 8 miles south west of Eaton. The oldest little girl went to school and they took the baby over for Edina's [Adena] mother [?] to keep and we took Mary Virginia along. We went thru New Paris and Mary and I visited the Wisenbarger girls while Edina did some shopping. Sue W. Judy [?] came to the door when I knocked and was so surprised when I told her who I was. She called Mollie [?] in and they seemed so glad that we came. Mary Brown used to go to school with both of them when she was a little girl. We all talked at once and they insisted we come back to spend the day. I did enjoy my visit with them so much and I believe they enjoyed ours as well. We drove on to Edgar's thru Campbellstown (a lovely place). Edgars live on a big stock farm belonging to a Mrs. Price. The Price's have a lovely big home and immense big barn. They had a big lot of steers they were fattening, a lot of sheep and 90 brood sows besides a big number of other hogs that weighed around 100 lbs. each. We went thru the big barn, they have an immense lot of feed. They put

³¹⁸ Brown, Helen C.; 6; near Harrison; 1917-

³¹⁹ Brown, Mary Virginia; 5; near Harrison; 1918-2008

³²⁰ Brown, Richard I.; 2; near Harrison; 1921-

³²¹ Brown, Adena B. (Mutchner); 31; near Harrison; 1892-1978

out 95 acres of corn last year that averaged 70 bushels to the acre. Edgars have a five room cottage. His wife [Hazel L. Roach Brown³²²] had a lovely dinner and made us so welcome. They have three children; Edgar Jr. [Edgar W. Brown, Jr.³²³], Robert [Robert A. Brown³²⁴], and little Aileen [Aileen H. Brown³²⁵]. We had to start home about 3 o'clock. The roads were bad and I know Edina got so tired driving for I was so tired riding. When I got home I found a letter from Juna. I called up Anna Templeton Wiley [Anna L. Templeton Wiley³²⁶] and talked to her.

Thursday, March 22, at Alice Hetzler's, New Madison

Such a very hard rain last night. I pressed my skirt and did some mending this A.M. Also wrote to Mother Harp [Mary E. Samuels Harp³²⁷] and packed part of my clothes to go to Alice Hetzler's. The weather was still ugly but Mary and I drove to Alice's. Mary stayed and spent the P.M. I have not felt extra well all day as last night I was hungry and ate too much supper. Alice had a big supper and I just had to eat more than I should. Simon [Simon Eli Hetzler³²⁸] and family came over and spent the evening. Think I should like his wife [Lottie May Howell Hetzler³²⁹].

Friday, March 23, at Alice's, New Madison

Another gloomy day. I have indigestion pretty bad today. Only ate a little breakfast as I could. I looked at Alice's beautiful quilts that Allen's [Allen Monroe Hetzler³³⁰] mother [Malinda Overpeck Hetzler³³¹] gave her, they are the most beautiful ones I ever saw. She must have been a fine needle woman. I finished tatting

³²² Brown, Hazel L. (Roach); 34; near Campbellstown; 1889-1960

³²³ Brown, Edgar W. Jr.; 7; near Campbellstown; 1916-

³²⁴ Brown, Robert A.; 4; near Campbellstown; 1919-

³²⁵ Brown, Aileen H.; 1; near Campbellstown; 1922-

³²⁶ Wiley, Anna L. (Templeton); 56; New Paris; 1867-1951

³²⁷ Harp, Mary E. (Samuels) "Mother"; 76; W.C.'s Mother; California; 1847-

³²⁸ Hetzler, Simon Eli; 31; New Madison; 1892-1960

³²⁹ Hetzler, Lottie May (Howell); 27; New Madison; 1896-1929

³³⁰ Hetzler, Allen Monroe; 65; New Madison; 1858-1925

³³¹ Hetzler, Malinda (Overpeck); deceased; Fairmount Cemetery, OH; -1876

Malinda's collar. I only drank hot milk for dinner hoping it would make me feel better. We are to go over to Annie's [Anna M. Hetzler Howell³³²] for supper tonight. We went and had a great big supper. Cliff [Joseph Clifford Howell³³³] came for us and brought us home. It was cold but when we got home we found a good fire. Anna has a nice home. Her daughter [Helen J. Howell³³⁴] is a nice looking girl. I like her also her husband. They have things looking well, farm in fine shape. I feel much better this evening, could not eat much of Anna's good dinner as I was afraid it would make me sick again but feel no evil effects over what I did eat.

Saturday, March 24 at Alice's, New Madison

The sun is shining bright this A.M. and I am glad as we have had such disagreeable weather. I called Gertrude Worch [Gertrude Worch³³⁵] up this morning and talked to her. She wanted me to come over but am afraid I can not. Alice sent 34 doz. eggs to Edwards [?] today, sent 39 doz. last week. They were paying 21 cts. yesterday. Allen, Alice and I went to Madison this P.M. We first stopped at Mrs. Grubbs' [?] to look at her rugs. She had a very pretty one braided and one crocheted. The crocheted are nearly as heavy as the braided. Said when she widened she made to stitch at the side of round end and one in center. Also said when she washed them she starched them and tacked them down until dry. We went from there to Lucille Keithley Max [Lucille Keithley Max³³⁶]. She has a lovely home, Dutch colonial style. We went on up to Becca Biddle's [Rebecca Biddle³³⁷]. Her sister Celia [Cecealia Biddle Brodrick³³⁸] is living with her. Just came to make her home with her. She is having the gas put in and making things more comfortable. Imagine she has more money than Becca. They seemed very glad to see me and asked me all about everybody. We went up to Jones' and found Edna [Edna Sarah Jones³³⁹] at home.

³³² Howell, Anna M. (Hetzler); 33; New Madison; 1890-1949

³³³ Howell, Joseph Clifford "Cliff"; 35; New Madison; 1888-1970

³³⁴ Howell, Helen J.; 16; New Madison; 1907-1992

³³⁵ Worch, Gertrude (?); 43; New Madison; 1880-1956

³³⁶ Max, Lucille, Keithley; 29; New Madison; 1894-1988

³³⁷ Biddle, Rebecca "Becca"; 77; New Madison; 1846-1930

³³⁸ Brodrick, Cecealia (Biddle) "Celia"; 75; New Madison; 1848-1934

³³⁹ Jones, Edna Sarah; 59; New Madison; 1864-1938

She is the same Edna. Seemed glad to see me. She teaches at Castine. Zetta [Gertrude Izetta Jones Smelker³⁴⁰] came before we left. They both are holding their own pretty well. We went to the post office and I got a letter from Cora Smyers, Aunt Alice Ayers, Maggie Fowble, Belle, and postal from Juna. We went on down to Jim Hagermann's [James F. S. Hageman³⁴¹] and talked to him awhile. He remembered me and also Aunt Lib. He said he was 89 and is quite feeble. We went on down to Emma Belot State's [Emma Belott Staight³⁴²] to get Mrs. Carr's [?] address. We found her at her daughter's but she went down home. She lives in the old shop where my father and Mr. Jones used to have their shop, has it fixed up real nice. She remembered when she used to work at our house when my mother was ill. We went on up to the store run by Mr. Price [Ezra F. Price³⁴³] and his wife [Anna M. Price³⁴⁴], they used to know W_____?. Met a Mrs. Hartman [Mary Broadstock Hartman³⁴⁵] that used to be a Broadstock that knew W.C. Also met Dr. Hecker's [Edwin Augustas Hecker³⁴⁶] wife [Jennie Kock Hecker³⁴⁷]. Also Mrs. Howell [Jennie Brown Howell³⁴⁸] who used to be Jennie Brown sister to Rilla Brown [Rilla Brown Fowble³⁴⁹]. Called on Allie Rhine [?], but did not find her at home. When we came home, Alice gave me a handkerchief and W.C. a tie. Allen gave me a thermometer and Emeline a quilt. Emeline isn't felling at all well, has dizzy spells.

Sunday, March 25, at Malinda's, near Palestine

Sun is out again but cold. I felt sick a couple of times again last night so did not eat much dinner today. Right after dinner Allen drove me over to Cousin Malinda's. It was a nice day and I enjoyed the ride and did not get a bit cold. Alice had heated a couple of bricks for me to put to my feet. The folks were all alone and at

³⁴⁰ Smelker, Gertrude Izetta (Jones) "Zetta"; New Madison; 1862-1929

³⁴¹ Hageman, James F. S. "Jim"; 89; New Madison; 1835-1924

³⁴² Staight, Emma (Belott); 65; New Madison; 1858-1937

³⁴³ Price, Ezra F.; 57; New Madison; 1866-1940

³⁴⁴ Price; Anna M.; 54; New Madison; 1869-1943

³⁴⁵ Hartman, Mary (Broadstock); 53; New Madison; 1870-1938

³⁴⁶ Hecker, Dr. Edwin Augustas; 73; New Madison; 1850-1932

³⁴⁷ Hecker, Jennie (Kock) "Mrs."; 64; New Madison; 1859-1923

³⁴⁸ Howell, Jennie (Brown); 54; New Madison; 1869-1953

³⁴⁹ Fowble, Rilla (Brown); 38; New Madison; 1885-1937

dinner. After dinner their neighbors the Hoffmans [?] came and spent P.M. Lottie's husband and two little children also came. Virginia was sick so Lottie could not come. I was sleepy so went to bed early.

Monday, March 26, at Malinda's, near Palestine

Another cloudy day and cold. Mabel and I went over to Palestine and called on Mrs. Hipes [Jane Thomas Hipes³⁵⁰] this P.M. She is such a dear lady and we stayed quite a while talking to her. She used to be Jane Thomas. We went over to see her sister Allie Monks [Alice G. Thomas Monks³⁵¹]. She gave me a whole bag of gladiola bulbs, such nice ones. It was lovely of her. Went to the store then came on home.

Tuesday, March 27, at Malinda's, near Palestine

Mabel, Linda and I drove over to Harter's this P.M for Linda to try on her dress that Mrs. Harter [?] was making for her. We stayed quite a while and intended going on over to call on Clara Thomas Wilcox [Clara Thomas Wilcox³⁵²] but we could not get the car to go. Finally the school bus came along and Linda called the driver in to crank it for us, it was too late to go to Wilcox' then so we came home. After supper we all drove over to Orla and spent the evening.

Wednesday, March 28, at Malinda's, near Palestine

Had a letter from Belle this A.M., saying she and Henry would come for Linda and I Saturday if it did not rain. Am so glad as I did not like to go on train with all my baggage. I put Linda's tatting collar together this A.M. Worked on Herschel Brown's wife's tatting this A.M. Three of the neighbors came in this P.M.: Bessie Rolfe [?], Mrs. Klase [?] and Mrs. Wagner [?] and spent the P.M. I enjoyed their chatting. Mabel went up to Hoffmans to stay with the children

³⁵⁰ Hipes, Jane (Thomas); 67; Palestine; 1856-

³⁵¹ Monks, Alice G. (Thomas) "Allie"; 69; Palestine; 1854-

³⁵² Wilcox, Clara (Thomas); 62; Near Palestine; 1860-1926

all night while Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman went to Dayton, a neighbor hired hand came over and we played domino.

Thursday, March 29, at Malinda's, near Palestine

A cloudy and windy day. Orla and family came over about eleven o'clock. Linda had a fine dinner for us. Orla's have such a sweet little girl called Marian. They have the California fever and expect to go in the fall. In the evening Dorla [Dorland Homer Metzcar³⁵³], wife [Donna May Sawade Metzcar³⁵⁴] and three little girls [Francis Metzcar³⁵⁵] [Bernice Metzcar³⁵⁶] [Florence Metzcar³⁵⁷] came and spent the evening. They have nice looking children. It was quite cold today.

Friday, March 30, at Malinda's, near Palestine

A cold disagreeable day again. I had a card from W.C. today saying he had arrived at the farm. This P.M. the wind was cold but in spite of it Mabel, Linda and I went out and dug up roses, lily bulbs, peonies, etc., to send home. We wanted to go to Harters, Bollingers and Hokes [?] to see my quilt but we could not get the machine to go. When Sam came he brought me some young sassafras trees so I packed my box. Linda had a long box she had gotten some window blinds from Sears and Roebucks and it was just the thing. I got so many things in, it weighed over 9 lbs. Linda and Sam drove over to Harters for her dress but was so cold I did not go.

Saturday, March 31, at Henry's, Dayton

It is bright and sunny today but so very cold. I took my box out to the mail carrier this A.M. He did not know what zone Okla. was in but I gave him a dollar and he will give Mabel the change Monday. When I got back in Aunt Manday Penny [Barbara Amanda Metzcar

³⁵³ Metzcar, Dorland Homer "Dorlie or Dorla"; 41; Cousin-1x; near Palestine; 1882-1963

³⁵⁴ Metzcar, Donna May (SSawade); 41; Cousin Dorland's Wife; near Palestine; 1882-1936

³⁵⁵ Metzcar, Francis; 12; Cousin-2x; near Palestine; 1911-

³⁵⁶ Metzcar, Bernice; 6; Cousin-2x; near Palestine; 1917-

³⁵⁷ Metzcar, Florence; 5; Cousin-2x; near Palestine; 1918-

Penny³⁵⁸], husband [John Henry Penny³⁵⁹] and a Mr. Brown [?] had come after while Bess [Bessie Mae Metzcar Carpenter³⁶⁰], husband [Chester Clifford Carpenter³⁶¹], twins [Eunice Carpenter³⁶²] [Agnes Carpenter³⁶³] and Dr. Mary Cromer [Dr. Mary Ozias Cromer³⁶⁴] drove up. I was so surprised to see Dr. Mary as I thot she was in Martinsville. We had such a nice visit together. Bess seems to be a wonderful mother and her husband a very nice man. The twins are very cute. Malinda had a big dinner. We had to start home early. It had turned warmer and we had a nice trip home. Saw cousin Frank when we went thru Lewisburg. He came to the auto and said he was going to go after my bureau and crate it and the cupboard. We came home by W. Alex pike. Got home early and found Elnora waiting for us. Found a card from Minnie and Grant saying they were going to start home Sun. Also a letter from Julia Hoerner and papers from W.C. Elsie and Earl came a short time.

Easter Sunday, April 1, at Henry's, Dayton

A lovely day again. Easter. After dinner we took a drive. Went down town and watched the people go by. Then took a ride over the city, came home and had a good talk with Cousin Malinda, Belle and Henry.

Monday, April 2, at Henry's, Dayton

Henry's surprise

A lovely day, like summer. The folks fooled Henry down town then Celia, Edna, Wealthy, Harry, Elsie, Maud came and got busy with the dinner. Had it on the table when Henry and Jack came in. Mrs. Nicholas [?] made a big cake and we had it on a high cake dish in the center of the table. After dinner Henry took Elnora home and

³⁵⁸ Penny, Barbara Amanda (Metzcar) "Aunt Manday"; 67; near Palestine, 1856-

³⁵⁹ Penny, John Henry; 74, near Palestine; 1849-1938

³⁶⁰ Carpenter, Bessie May (Metzcar); 39; Cousin-1x; near Palestine; 1884-1971

³⁶¹ Carpenter, Chester Clifford; 43; Cousin Bellie's Husband; near Palestine; 1880-1962

³⁶² Carpenter, Eunice; 1; Cousin-2x; near Palestine; 1922-

³⁶³ Carpenter, Agnes; 1; Cousin-2x; near Palestine; 1922-

³⁶⁴ Cromer, Mary (Ozias) "Dr. Mary"; 56; near Palestine; 1867-1934

Harry, Jack, Linda and Belle went along. I visited with Celia, Maud, Edna, Wealthy, Elsie while the folks were gone and had the nicest visit with them I have had since I have been in Ohio. When Henry came back he took the girls home. I was so sleepy after supper I went to bed early.

Tuesday, April 3, at Henry's, Dayton

A very rainy day. I washed this A.M. and ironed this P.M. Also did some sorting out of my things so as to have what I want to put in my bureau drawers. Did some mending also. Dried my clothes over the register. Went to bed early.

Wednesday, April 4, at Henry's, Dayton

Raining but we went down town. I went to to see about my ticket home. An all roads was \$32.35. sleeper \$3=63. Did some shopping bought a new veil, a handle for box, and some sanitary cups. Things were beautiful at Rike's Art Store. Malinda and Belle were along. We did not get home until after eleven and were all so tired. Malinda went to Shaffer's and I took our umbrella and went calling in the rain.

Thursday, April 5, at Henry's, Dayton

Henry took us up to Mrs. Steiner's [?] up at 1726 W. 5th but she had gone to Greenville. We came back to Celia's and stayed a couple of hours. Her mother was there but did not stay long.

Friday, April 6, at Henry's, Dayton

I phoned Ess Horn this A.M. that I would take lunch with her Monday. She told me of Elzina's death and it was such a shock, can not believe it yet. It was a lovely day today. We cleaned up this A.M. and this P.M. took a long drive. Malinda, Belle, Henry, Jack,

Elsie and myself drove up to Maud's. Viewed the new pups. Elsie and Jack stayed and we drove on to Edna's but did not find her at home. Drove on to Wealthy's or a little visit. Then out to the cemetery to see Margaret's grave. So many new graves covered with flowers. After supper I wrote to W.C. about Elzina's death and wrote up my diary.

Saturday, April 7, at Frank's, Lewisburg

We started early today for Lewisburg. I got out at cousin Frank Horner's but Belle, Malinda and Henry went on to take Malinda home. I ran over to see Aunt Lib then came back and took two loads of things down to Furniture store to put them in my bureau. They already had my cupboard crated. In P.M. Julia, Olive and I went to Elzina's funeral. The house was full. People from all over town and all churches were there. The minister preached a good sermon. Edna and Imo wrapped the blanket around her. I felt so sorry for Smith. We went up to cemetery and I visited Uncle George's [George L. Hoerner³⁶⁵] grave, also Aunt Mag's and Uncle Epp's [Ephraim Sheller³⁶⁶]. I went home with Maud Neff for a while. She went to the church yard with me and gave me enough cake for our supper. She is so good hearted. Perry and Cora and little Buddy [?] came and took supper with us. Beth said Mrs. Wood had been there hunting me so after supper I started down to see her. On the way I met John Paullus and had quite a talk with him. Went on down to Mrs. Wood's. She gave me a cut glass dish. She went with me on up to Maud Brown's for a little while. Then she went with me as far as Ohio Disher's. Asked me to write her as of old and seemed loathe to let me go. Went on up to Charlie's and had a visit with Aunt Lib. Katherine Bunger [Catherine Oldfather Bunger James³⁶⁷], James [Clyde Rollin James³⁶⁸] and little girl

³⁶⁵ George L. Hoerner, deceased, Aunt Lib's Husband; Roselawn Cem., Lewisburg; 1836-1917

³⁶⁶ Sheller, Ephraim "Uncle Epp"; deceased; Aunt Mag's Husband; Roselawn Cem., Lewisburg; 1832-1914

³⁶⁷ James, Catherine Oldfather (Bunger); 28; Lewisburg; 1895-1982

³⁶⁸ James, Clyde Rollin; 26; Lewisburg; 1897-1978

[Dorthea M. James³⁶⁹] was there. When I got back to Frank's Julia's niece Mrs. Smith and children were there. Mr. S. did not come for them until 11 o'clock.

Sunday, April 8, at Henry's, Dayton

Grace Neff came this morning and brought me some yarrow seed and seed of a mountain vine like Mrs. Rilla McSherry [Marilla McSherry³⁷⁰] used to have. I have wanted it so long. Grace is good. Ella Sloan came in to give me goodbye on her way to Sun. School. Ella Recker also came in to see me. I went over to Charlie's to take dinner with Aunt Lib. She isn't at all well. Jude had such a good dinner. I hated to give Aunt goodbye. Harry Recker came to Charlie's to give me good bye. Frank and Julia drove me to Dayton. I supposed they were going to drive me to Brookville to the traction but they brought me all the way. Henry and Belle were not at home but I knew how to get in. Wrote up my diary. They came home about 5-30 o'clock. Looked at the paper and wrote W.C. and several postals.

Monday, April 9, at Henry's, Dayton

We went down town this A.M. Did a little shopping then went to eye doctor with Belle. Met Mrs. George Hevel [?] there. Had a talk with her. Went up and met Ess Horn and went to Elders to lunch with her. I had breaded veal chops, browned potatoe, fruit salad, ice cream, and coffee. We had a good talk together, came on up Fifth St and stopped into Mrs. Stiners but did not find her at home, came home and did most of my packing.

Tuesday, April 10, at Henry's, Dayton

I finished packing my trunk and did some mending and pressing. Wealthy and Harry came and spent the day. Henry and I took my truck down right after dinner and got my ticket and had my trunk

³⁶⁹ James, Dorthea M.; 2; Lewisburg; 1921-

³⁷⁰McSherry, Marilla (?) "Rilla"; deceased; Lower Lewisburg Cem., Lewisburg; 1847-1916

checked out. I stopped in the drug store where Fred Horn [Fred A. Horn³⁷¹] works and mistook another black eyed fellow for him. We took Wealthy home and while we were gone Minnie Taylor came to see me. She called up after she got home. In a little while Maud and Elsie called. Elsie is at Maud's and they intended coming to spend the day with me but got company and had to stay at home. Right after Maud called Kate Frantz called and said she was in town and wanted me to go shopping with her in the A.M. She was very much surprised to hear I was going home in A.M. In just a little while Alma Eikenberry called. She could not believe I was going to leave tomorrow. Charles and Celia spent the evening with us.

Wednesday, April 11, on Train

Got up at 3-45 this A.M ate breakfast then Belle and Henry drove me down to Union Station. My train soon came. Took the Big Four to Cin. There I went by bus over to the Louisville and Nashville Depot. The Negro in waiting room got me a porter and as soon as the train came he took me to the trains. We passed thru Newport. It is mostly built on hillsides especially the resident part. From there to Louisville we went thru the Kentucky hills south of the Ohio River. A lot of wooded hills with here and there a farm house. So many of the places had canvas stretched on the ground as tho they had plants there. In some places the roads looked impassable. Well, we are hung up in the hills of Kentucky by a freight train wreck just ahead of us. That means I shall miss my train at Bowling Green. The people on the train are very restless. We had to stand there two hours. We came to some flatter country after we left the wreck and some very nice homes. Then the country got rough and we passed thru many tunnels. The rose bushes looked green and the lilacs were coming out in leaf. The flowering currents were a bright yellow with bloom and so many daffodils in bloom in the yards. Afterwards we came to the largest city between Cin. and Louisville called La Grange. Between there and Louisville we

³⁷¹ Horn, Fred A.; 31; Dayton; 1892-1951

passed The Kentucky Soldiers Home (Southern), also children's home, Insane Asylum, etc. So very many fine homes back in among trees with pretty grounds. The traction on one side of R.R. track and a paved highway on other side. In Louisville there were street after street of big brick apartment houses, fine looking. Came thru to Bowling Green where I had to change from the main line of Louisville and Nashville to the Branch line. Thought the train would be gone but it was waiting for us. Just had to step from one train to another. Passed thru Union Town which is a Quaker settlement. Russellville is one of the oldest towns in the state. Past Glasgow Junction above Bowling Green is where you line the train for Mammoth Cave. Came thru Guthrie, Ky. Here we cross the state line. Clarksville is over in Tennessee, then on down the line to McKenzie, crossed Cumberland River then afterwards crossed into Tennessee after dark. When I got to Memphis my train had gone. A very nice lady was in the same fix so we went to the Plaza Hotel and got a room with two beds in it. She is such a nice lady & was telling me about her daughter being appointed from state of Arizona to christen the battle ship Arizona in N. York. Harbor and about being entertained by Edison at the White House, etc. We are going out to breakfast. I leave at 9-30, coming thru southern Ky. I saw lots of cherry and peach trees in bloom. It was raining hard this A.M. when Mrs. King and I went to breakfast, fortunately she had an umbrella. I paid \$1.30 a night lodging and ordered a taxi to take me to trains, another 40 cts. and 10 ct. tip to porter carrying my baggage. First thing I looked at as porter to see me to train and there was another 20 cts. We crossed the Miss. R. it was wide and for a couple of miles we went thru flooded lands then came to a farming section of flat land with houses up on stilts just shacks. We will go thru Edmondson, Forest City, Wheatley, Brinkley, Mesa, Hazen, Carlisle, Little Rock, Roland, Bigelow, Perry, Ola, Mansfield in Arkansas. Just crossed the St. Francis R. (quite wide). This is certainly a flat wet country. Rough after leaving St. Francis R. First stop at Forest City. Trees all in bloom, gardens made and in

some places they look green. Forest City is a good sized city with paved streets, parks, etc. Trees are all leafing out. Flat country west of there. Raining hard. Saw oil wells near Wheatley. Country low and in some places the forests for a long distance stayed in water. Stop at Brinkley. Big saw mills here. Loads of logs on track. Big hotels. Miles and miles of country under water here at Bracknell. Country fine at Mesa. White R. real wide. From Hazen to Carlisle a hard surfaced road. People must have web feet as there is water most of way Carlisle to Little Rock. Wrote Belle and Norris at Little Rock. The Ark. R at Little Rock was quite wide. At Pinnacle was a tall mt. like a pinnacle, country rough. After leaving Rowland went along Ark. R. for a long distance. Raining hard Adona is a big valley with mountains on each side.