

1927 Diary of Nellie Irene (Bates) Thomas (1861-1948)

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For Identification.

My Name: Nellie I. Thomas

My Residence: 618 Avon Street, Flint, Mich.

My Home Telephone: 5827W.

People: [Date of the first listing, there may be others]

This diary includes: Jesse aka J. L. Roat and wife Katharine "Kate" (Thomas) Roat and their children: Marguerite aka M., Geraldine aka Gerry aka Jerry aka Jeri, Katharine aka Kitty aka Kitten, Eleanor, Betty aka Bettie, and Bob aka Bobs.

Jan 1 - Celia and Henry - refers to Celia and Henry Jones - friends

Jan 1 - Roy - refers to Nellie's son, Roy Cresswell Thomas. His wife was Celia Johnson-Rogers and they had twin sons, William "Bill" and John "Jack" born 1914.

Jan 1 - Aunt Deal - refers to Nellie's aunt Cordelia (Moore) McCullen, wife of Thomas McCullen. They lived in Detroit, Michigan. Cordelia's twin sister was Cornelia (Moore) Cresswell, the wife of Thomas Cresswell. They lived in Saginaw, Michigan.

Jan 3 - Kathaleen - unknown person. Jan 6 gives her name as Kathaline. She evidently went with Roy and Celia, boys, and Nellie to Cleveland on Jan 1-2. She was "picked up by her mother" on Jan 27.

Jan 8 - Keiths [?] - unknown person, if the entry is a person's name.

Jan 22 - Mrs. Lowery - unknown person.

Jan 25 - Mrs. Kelly - unknown person.

Feb 1 - K. - unknown person, could be the person called Kathaleen.

Feb 10 - Mrs. Hinstore [?] - unknown person.

Feb 15 - Kathaleen - This is confusing as this person still seems to be living with them. This person called a "bab" on Feb 18.

Feb 19 - Mrs. Hueston [?] - unknown person. March 2 mentions her again as Mrs. Huisten [?].

Feb 24 - Kelleys - unknown persons.

Mar 2 - John and Fronia - Probably refers to the same people mentioned in Nellie's 1922 diary as John and Fronia Swayze who lived in Fort Wayne, Indiana. See that diary for more information about them.

Mar 4 - Mrs. Sam Taylor, about Mrs. Stahls family.- unknown persons.

Mar 6 - Anna - unknown person.

Mar 9 - Don - unknown person.

Mar 10 - Ray - unknown person. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lipsett - unknown persons.

Mar 12 - Arrived in Detroit. States Henry met her - unknown person, perhaps Henry or "Henry and Celia Jones" from other diary entries.

Mar 14 - Aunt Deal - refers to Cordelia (Moore) McCullen, wife of Thomas McCullen. Aunt Deal was Nellie's aunt because Nellie's mother was Aunt Deal's sister.

Mar 15 - Milly - unknown person.

Mar 17 - Etta - unknown person.

Mar 19 - Wayne - unknown person.

Mar 20 - . Davises and Fan - and Lou and Obie - unknown persons.

Mar 21 - Grace - unknown persons.

Mar 23 - K. and J. L. - refers to Kate and J. L. Roat, Nellie's daughter and son-in-law. J. L. was Jesse Levi Roat and his wife was Katharine "Kate" (Thomas) Roat. Their children were Marguerite, Geraldine aka Gerry aka Jerry aka Jeri, Katharine aka Kitty, Eleanor, Marion Elizabeth "Betty", and Robert aka Bob or Bobs.

Mar 27 - Amy's birthday - unknown person, might be Amy Frost? Sellers - unknown persons
Mar 25 - Marguerite - Nellie's granddaughter. Marguerite was married to Lewis Gillam and they had a son Ralph Gillam.
Jun 3 - G-pa and G-ma [aka Mr. or Mrs. Roat] - refers to Levi Havilla Roat and his wife Fanny Evelyn (Coles) Roat, the parents of Jesse Levi Roat.
June 3 - Aunt Rachel - might refer to Rachel (Coles) Miller, wife of Elliot Elsworth Miller and sister of John J. Coles who married Emily Roat.
Apr 6 - Gussie Turner, Mrs. Morningstar, Mildred Fitch - unknown persons.
Apr 9 - Aunt Rachel - birthday - See also June 3. The Aunt Rachel mentioned June 3 and 9th was born 8 Apr 1860. The Fred mentioned is an unknown person.
Apr 13 - Amy - apparently refers to Amy Frost, a friend of the family, married to Frank Frost. They had three children Eloise, Carolyn aka Caroline, and Marjorie, see other entries regarding sewing dresses for them.
Apr 17 - John - refers to Nellie's son, John William Thomas who died 17 Apr 1918.
Apr 17 - Mr. [?] Clases [?] - unknown person.
Apr 21 - Bobby - Bobbys birthday - refers to Robert Roat who was born 21 Apr 1917.
Apr 21 - Dick Richards, Phoebe, Bertha, Harry - unknown persons.
Apr 22 - Mr. Clase - see also Apr 17.
Apr 23 - Mentions a "brother" - probably a brother of "aunt Rachel" see June 3 entry for who she was. She had a brother William Henry Coles who was living in Algansee in Branch Co. at the time of the 1920 census. Another brother, Benjamin Franklin Coles also lived at the same location in the 1920 census. They were both alive in 1927.
Apr 24 - Mrs. Green, Mr. Hill - unknown persons.
Apr 25 - Frank, Amy - probably refers to Frank and Amy Frost, mentioned earlier.
May 1 - Mrs. McCussey [?] - unknown person.
May 4 - Pearl, Wesley - unknown persons.
May 12 - Jr. - Might refer to her grandson, John William Thomas Jr., born 1910.
May 14 - Cousin Lois - unknown person - possibly Lois Arvilla Peek, daughter of George Peek and Louise "Lucy" McQuigg.
May 16 - Mrs. [?] Haas [? or Hess?], Mary Lamb [?] Bakers - unknown persons.
May 17 - Vine - unknown person. Per the Oct 14 entry she is listed as a neighbor. Per the Oct. 26 entry she returned to Ann Arbor.
May 17 - Mrs. L _____ - cannot read name - unknown person.
Jun 16 - Bill - could refer to William F. Thomas born 1914, Nellie's grandson. Her other grandson, John William also sometimes called "Bill" was usually called Jr. by Nellie.
Jul 10 - Julia Partridge - unknown person.
Jul 11 - Mrs. May - unknown person.
Jul 12 - Mrs. Case - refers to a friend of Nellie's. Mrs. Gibson - unknown person.
Jul 24 - Mrs. [?] Guerusy [?] - unknown person.
Jul 25 - Fronia and John and Sam and Anna and family - unknown persons. [A Sam W Newell born about 1871 Canada and wife Anna S. Newell found in the 1910, 1920 and 1930 censuses in Forty Wayne, Allen Co., Indiana.] [A John F and Frona J. Kirchenbauer born about 1895 found in the 1930 census in Fort Wayne.
Jul 26 - Elder [?] Jacklyses [?] Cottage.- unknown person.
Jul 29 - G-pa Rogers - refers to the adopted father of Celia (Johnson) Thomas, see note on Dec. 12.
Aug 2 - Swayzes - unknown persons, might be from Fort Wayne, Indiana, might be John and Fronia Swayze.
Aug 12 - Mrs. Durfee and Porter [?] - [also Mr. Durfee in later entries] unknown persons. In her Oct. 14 entry she seems to indicate that the Durfees were neighbors.
Aug 15 - Brown of Harvard.
Sep 11 - Ethel and Amy - refers to Ethel and Amy Shepard, single women, daughters of Sidney Shepard and Martha Peek. Martha Peek was the daughter of George Peek and Louise "Lucy" McQuigg. Ethel and Amy had a brother Raymond Shepard.
Sep 24 - Misses Andrews - unknown persons.
Sep 25 - Mrs. Tripp - unknown person.
Sep 29 - Geo. - unknown person - probably a workman.

Oct 1 - Lil and Harve - unknown persons.
 Oct 4 - Ella - unknown person. In her Oct. 21 entry she calls her Ella A. and in other entries she seems to indicate that perhaps Ella was staying in Nellie's cottage.
 Oct 10 - Lucy - unknown person.
 Oct 31 - Virginia and Jack - unknown persons.
 Nov 12 - Byron - evidently a friend of Gerry Roat.
 Nov 20 - Julia - evidently a friend of Gerry Roat.
 Nov 27 - Bill and Larry - also Jack - unknown persons. Bill and Jack might be the twin sons of Roy and Celia Thomas, Nellie's grandsons.
 Dec 11 - Charlie - [write Edith, crossed it out] Sadie - Bradfield and family, also Alta and Bill Fowler. Lucile sick tonight. - All unknown persons.
 Dec. 12 - "Celia got word of Mr. Rogers death." This refers to the adopted father of Celia (Johnson) Thomas. Per census records, her parents were probably both deceased by 1900. Celia because the foster child or adopted child of Thomas & Celia Rogers. The Saginaw Public Library obituary index lists his obituary as: Saginaw Daily News, Wednesday, December 14, 1927, Thomas Rogers, d. 12/12/1927, Anderson, SC, b. 04/23/1841, Bath, Maine, Civil War veteran, shipbuilder, buried Forest Lawn Cemetery, Saginaw, Michigan.
 Dec 15 - Aunt Bertha - unknown person, might be related to Celia's Johnson or Rogers families. Morris and Irene - might refer to Maurice and Irene Lamson who lived in Saginaw, although she usually spelled his name Maurice. Maurice was the son of Walter Lamson and Laura McDonald.
 Dec 30 - Julia W. - unknown person.

Residences or Travel:

Jan 1 - Traveled to Detroit for overnight with her son Roy and family.
 Jan 2 - Traveled from Detroit to Cleveland, Ohio where she would stay with Roy and family.
 Mar 2 - Seemed to say she went someplace, but didn't say where "John and Fronia" met her. They may have lived in Fort Wayne, Indiana per other diary entries.
 Mar 23 - Returned to Flint, Michigan.
 May 13 - Came to Bay View, Michigan.
 Oct 23 - Returned to Flint, Michigan, stayed with daughter Kate and/or granddaughter Marguerite.
 Dec 31 - Still in Flint, Michigan.

Movies or Plays:

Jan 27 - The Lady in Ermine.
 Feb 1 - Sparrows.
 Feb 21 - The Taxi Dancer.
 Apr 29 - The Stream of Life
 Jul 25 - The [?] Patsy

Books:

Feb 9 - Bond [?] Boy [?] - not found on Amazon.com.

Important notes:

Apr 17 - Nellie's great grandson, Ralph Gillam, baptized
 Oct 27 - Diary entry says: I went to court house to finish cleaning up the tital [title] to the 25 acres. [Refers to Thomas/Roat farmland in Genesee County, Michigan.]

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| Jan 1 Sat | God has been good to us and kept us an unbroken family for another year. Went to Detroit with Roy and family. Eat dinner with Celia and Henry [Jones]. Stayed all night with Aunt Deal. |
| Jan 2 Sun | Came to Cleveland this P.M. Lots of snow from Teledo and very rough icy roads. House not very warm, but we soon got warmed up. Oyster soup for supper. |
| Jan 3 Mon | We were all tired today. Roy went to work and the boys to school. Kathaleen also tired. Celia and I not doing much. |
| Jan 4 | Kathleens mother came after her, so Celia and I went down town. We did some washing this A.M. I |

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| Tue | bought a new winter coat a[t] Mays. Roy didnt come home to sup. [supper] |
| Jan 5 Wed | We did some cleaning this A.M. I went to the store for Celia to night. Boys did not get here. Started to bind Roys quilt G-ma Southerland gave him. |
| Jan 6 Thu | Celia, Kathaline and I went over to the grocery this P.M. It is only a little over a block from here. Very cold and stormy. R. C. got car stuck in snow to night. |
| Jan 7 Fri | Have been working on my dress today after A.M. work was done. Slow work but I am rather particular. |
| Jan 8 Sat | Celia met R. C. down town at 3:30 and they went to look at coats and suits for him. Did not get home until 7:30. After supper He went to a stag party and Celia and I went to Keiths [?]. |
| Jan 9 Sun | Celia and I went to Church. When we got back R. C. just getting up. Boys not dressed. We all went for a long ride this P.M. Then R. C. walked to church with me tonight and boys came after me. |
| Jan 10 Mon | Feel very tired today after going to the show Sat. night and to church twice yesterday. Sometimes I really think I am sixty-five instead of 25. |
| Jan 11 Tue | Celia went down town with Roy early when he went to work to help him look for a suit of clothes. I am dewing some on my dress. |
| Jan 12 Wed | Today Celia did a very large washing. Did not finish until after dinner. Kathaleen slept until 2 P.M. I have had a bad day. |
| Jan 13 Thu | We did a big ironing today. Celia did most of it and I did the rest [?] of the work. We all got quite stired up tonight over Jack and Billy. But God answered prayer. |
| Jan 14 Fri | This P.M. Celia and I took Kathaleen and went down town right after lunch. Only went to Mays store. I bought cloth for two uniforms. |
| Jan 15 Sat | Celia met Roy at the market this P.M. to get their weekly supply of groceries. I tried to sew some on my dress but didnt make out much. |
| Jan 16 Sun | Cold and stormy. Well I have been to Church twice today. Celia went with me this A.M. and she and Roy tonight. Did not call it a sermon this P.M. It was a lecture. |
| Jan 17 Mon | Washed out my clothes this A.M. and cut out my dress (blue) this P.M. Am not feeling well. Dont know what I am to do with my head. |
| Jan 18 Tue | Dont like my dress pattern. Am having a horrid time with my dress. We played parchiesa [parcheesi] tonight. |
| Jan 19 Wed | Tonight Celia, Kathleen, Jack and Billy went to the church for supper. Then heard Mr. Rutledge speak on Church and Law inforcement. Our good time ended in sorrow for me. |
| Jan 20 Thu | Today we went down town and did some shopping. Then went [to] Keiths Palace, Star-Reginald Denny, Special Violinists, Duci DE. KEREKJARITO [Kerekjarto]. |
| Jan 21 Fri | Still not accomplishing much of anything. We played parchiesa [parcheesi] tonight until eleven o'clock. |
| Jan 22 Sat | Celia went down to meet Roy and help him buy a suit. Then they went to market. Tonight Celia, Roy and I went next door to Mrs. Lowerys. Had a nice time. |
| Jan 23 Sun | Roy and I went to Church this A.M. Celia was sick. Had a wonderful sermon. Tonight we had another over the radio by [a] Euclid Ave. Bap[t]ist Church man. |
| Jan 24 Mon | Washed my clothes this A.M. Had quite a few. We played parchiesa [parcheesi] again tonight. My head a little better. |
| Jan 25 Tue | Mrs. Kelly called this P.M. and Celia, Kathaleen and I went down town with her. Looked around quite a lot among the big stores. There certainly are some high ones. |
| Jan 26 Wed | Finished my dress all but button holes and buttons. Cut out my night gown this P.M. but so late did not do much on it. Roy is working every night. |
| Jan 27 Thu | Kathaleens mother came and got her yesterday, so Celia and I put for down town about 10:30. Went to several big stores. Then to Allen Theater - The Lady in Ermine. |
| Jan 28 Fri | Did a little sewing and helped with the work but we have both been very tired today. Roy working every night. |
| Jan 29 Sat | Roy got home about eight and we hurried around and drove to market. It is a wonderful institution. |
| Jan 30 Sun | Roy had to get up very early to get things up to Hotel for display. Celia and I went to down town to the First M. E. [Methodist Episcopal] Church. A wonderful sermon. |
| Jan 31 Mon | Have done my washing. Washed silk dress over and washed my black and white - also silk scarf. All came through fine. |

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| Feb 1 Tue | Celia and I got ready - also K - and went to the National Electric Lighting Exhibition at the Hollenden [?] Roy was so busy could hardly say hello. We went from there to dinner then to see Sparrows. Bear saw his shadow all day. |
| Feb 2 Wed | Cut out my white dress this P.M. and got my skirts to the hem stitchers, my outing [?] skirts. R. C. [Roy Cresswell Thomas] home quite early but so tired. |
| Feb 3 Thu | What should be written here I have written on Tues. - Feb. 1st. |
| Feb 4 Fri | A wonderful day. Sunshine and cooler. Just a nice bracing cold. Am trying to sew some on my dress. |
| Feb 5 Sat | Home today. Were going to market tonight but it rained very hard. Celia did a lot of extra cleaning. |
| Feb 6 Sun | I was the only one who got up and went to church this A.M. Was so happy I did as it was communion Sunday, conducted so differently than I had ever seen it, a beautiful spiritual service. |
| Feb 7 Mon | Did my washing today and sewed some after the other work was done. A beautiful day. We are having such a rest from very cold weather. |
| Feb 8 Tue | Celia went down town with Roy this A.M. He went to look at trunks to take with him when he goes on the road again. |
| Feb 9 Wed | Have a hard cold coming on. So don't feel very well. Have had caulked sore throat for a week. Took it easy this P.M. Helped Celia and then finished reading the Bond [?] Boy [?]. |
| Feb 10 Thu | Mrs. Lowery came over this A.M. and stayed quite a while. Just before lunch Celia went over there to Mrs. Hinstore [?]. Roy took Celia and I to the Palace tonight. The finest things I have seen there. |
| Feb 11 Fri | Finished my white dress today but didn't get up until noon as I am sick. Most terrible cold and my throat is so bad. I am scared. |
| Feb 12 Sat | Celia and Jack went down town today and bought Jack a Trumpet. Roy met Celia down there and they went to market. I feel some better but am sick yet. |
| Feb 13 Sun | This A.M. we got up and hurried around and went down to the first M. E. [church]. Chas. Louis De Bon is minister. We all like him so much. He preaches Christ's gospel. |
| Feb 14 Mon | Feel some better this A.M. Celia's cousin Mr. Lester and family were here yesterday. Also _____ Lou [?] Woodward and wife. Celia washed. |
| Feb 15 Tue | Roy and Celia left this A.M. at 7:30 for Detroit. Am so glad I was able to stay and keep house. All went nicely today. Kathaleen not very well. |
| Feb 16 Wed | One of the most beautiful days I ever saw this month. Sun shone warm all day. Took Kathaleen out for a walk. Boys took music lessons. |
| Feb 17 Thu | Went all through the house today and cleaned but doubt if they come home as they said. Boys not so good today. |
| Feb 18 Fri | Long distance call last night saying they could not come until late tonight. Am some disappointed. Baby not feeling well but real good. Boys jumping over the traces. |
| Feb 19 Sat | Well they arrived at 2 [?] this A.M. completely tired out. My cold not so good again. My medacaine [?] came yesterday P.M. Hope it will make me feel better. Went over to see Mrs. Hueston [?] a while. |
| Feb 20 Sun | Oh! Such wind. Wind blowing for 48 hours or more and so cold. Snow last night. None of us went to church. Roy almost sick with cold. |
| Feb 21 Mon | Roy feels so poorly today but went to work. Celia and K. [presumed to be Kathaleen] and I went to State Theater this P.M. Feature - The Taxi Dancer. Snow again today. |
| Feb 22 Tue | Roy home in bed all day today. Feels pretty miserable. Celia had quite a large wash and I did work. She is not feeling well. |
| Feb 23 Wed | Roy went to the office at noon. Celia, K. and I rode down town with him and spent most of the P.M. in Mayes store. We came home with him. |
| Feb 24 Thu | We went over to see the Kelleys last night a few minutes. He is in bed for a while. Roy left for Pittsburg Pen. tonight on midnight train. |
| Feb 25 Fri | Roy surprised us by getting home in the early evening train. Then we had a game of Parchies. We were all so glad to see him. |
| Feb 26 Sat | R. C. at the office all day packing his trunks and getting ready to start on his long trip. Took Celia and Jack down to market. |
| Feb 27 | We got up and went to Church down town this A.M. Billy stayed with baby. This P.M. all went |

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| Sun | riding and then to the museum in Wade Park, a wonderful building. R. C. left for Albany. |
| Feb 28 Mon | An eventful day. Roy gone. Duke sick [probably family dog] and then the boys getting into trouble. Kathaleen opened the gate and she took Duke and started up town. Neighbor called us. |
| Mar 1 Tue | Cold clear day. Also a very busiy day for me as I am washing, ironing and pacing. Celia took Duke to the veterenary. Also went to court with the boys. |
| Mar 2 Wed | Got up and hustled to finish getting ready. Had to go and tell Mrs. Huisten [?] goodbye. Celia and family went to Depot with me. Found John and Fronia at the Depot waiting. |
| Mar 3 Thu | Fronia and I went to a Foreign M. S. [perhaps Missionary Society] meeting, a thank offering meeting. Heard such a wonderful talk by their District Supt., W. W. Weant, an appeal to live your religeon. |
| Mar 4 Fri | This P.M. Fronia, John and [I] went to the museum. Was interested to find out by Mrs. Sam Taylor, about Mrs. Stahls family. |
| Mar 5 Sat | This P.M. Fro. and I went to the Library. Also I went and got a shoe shine. It rained real hard twords night and is still raining. Played Flinch a while. |
| Mar 6 Sun | Went to Church this A.M. Also Sunday S. at nine thirty. Then to Annas to dinner. At night to Church to hear missionary playlett. |
| Mar 7 Mon | Fronia went over to help Anna wash this A.M. I did not get up very early. John and I had breakfast together. Then prayers. Then did the work. |
| Mar 8 Tue | Fronia got up this A.M. and washed. This P.M. she and John went to call on friends who lost wife and mother. Anna came over and washed her hair. |
| Mar 9 Wed | Fronia and I went down town this P.M. to look around a little. Tonight Don came over and Fro and I beet [sic] them at Flinch. |
| Mar 10 Thu | This P.M. we went out to a funeral. Went with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lipsett and after it was over they took us for a long ride. Ray came over and we played flinch. |
| Mar 11 Fri | We washed and ironed my clothes. Dident feel so very good so took a little rest. Tonight we went over and washed Annas dishes and stayed with children. |
| Mar 12 Sat | Was buisy washing [crossed out word washing] packing my clothes and getting ready to start at noon. Came in Buss, changed at Toledo. Buss got puncture and I lost the first change. Got into Detroit at 8:30. Henry met me. |
| Mar 13 Sun | Dident get up very early. Celia is very poorly. Heard Rev. Savage over the radio. This P.M. went to Bell Isle for a ride. Also went through a 59 thousand dollar house. |
| Mar 14 Mon | Came over to Aunt Deals this P.M. Had a great time gitting the right car at the change. Celia Jones not much better today. Auntie about as usual. |
| Mar 15 Tue | This forenoon some cousins - 3rd I had never seen came over to Millys and stayed to luncheon. Then took us for a lovely ride through Bell Isle. Their names are - [no further entry] |
| Mar 16 Wed | Celia and I went to the Flower show this P.M. It was a wonderful sight. Took us about three hours to go over the floor space and yet didnt see quite all. |
| Mar 17 Thu | Came from Detroit today to Laun [?] Acres to see Etta. Find her very thin and not well. Lost the car I intended taking but got one that was better. |
| Mar 18 Fri | Just Etta and I alone here all day. Such a nice home. So many copy corners and places to rest and very little to do as a woman comes 3 times a week. |
| Mar 19 Sat | Was going on to Flint but was persuaided to make a longer stay. A sleety cold day. A friend of the family from Detroit. Name - Wayne. |
| Mar 20 Sun | Well today they entertained for me. Davises and Fan - and Lou and Obie. Was very glad to see them. Not much change - only in years. |
| Mar 21 Mon | Woman came and helped wash today. Still very icy and cold. Grace felt better and went to school as usual. |
| Mar 22 Tue | Am reading a very interesting book, laid in England. Also learned to do drawn work of special pattern. |
| Mar 23 Wed | Came to Flint today. The 2:30 car wouldent pick me up so had to wait until 4:30. Went with K. and J. L. to hear the Olivet Glee Club. It was fine. |
| Mar 24 Thu | Kate went to a Bridge party this P.M. and tonight I went with J.L. and Kate to a Pot luck Gleaner meeting. Met so many I used to know from the country. |
| Mar 25 Fri | Marguerite came down this P.M. and left the baby while she went down town and did some shopping. I came home with them. |

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| Mar 26 Sat | Expected to go home tonight but it rained and so very dirty under foot. Also a lot of company at Kates, so stayed. Want to go to Church in the A.M. |
| Mar 27 Sun | Lost the buss this A.M. and had to walk to Detroit St. and carry my bag, but got home in time for Church. Kitty and I went. Twenty 8 [?] of us went to Sellers for dinner - Amys birthday. |
| Mar 28 Mon | Kate did not wash today as she was going to a dance tonight at the Hall. I cleaned the attic and fixed things a little - more handy to sleep in. |
| Mar 29 Tue | Kate washed yesterday. Kitty went to work Monday noon at Bushes [?]. Keeps her busy for vacation. Have started my lunch cloth. Am sorry it is not linen. |
| Mar 30 Wed | Helped around the house what I am allowed to. Worked on my luncheon set some and mended stockings and fixed a few underclothes. |
| Mar 31 Thu | Marguerite came down this P.M. and I took care of baby while she went down town. I came home with her tonight. |
| Apr 1 Fri | We couldnt do so very much today for the party only to fold napkins, clean silver and such little things. Baby been so good all day. |
| Apr 2 Sat | Marg. and I worked very hard all day getting ready for the party tonight in honor of Gerry and Kitty. 18 of us in all. Had a nice time but so dissapointed Gerry could not come. Ralph slept through it all. |
| Apr 3 Sun | Kates and J.L's anniversary [sic] today. Marguerite had them and family and G-pa and G-ma Rot and Aunt Rachel up there to dinner. We went to Church tonight. |
| Apr 4 Mon | Dr. Pierce preached tonight but did not like his sermon as well as Dr. Fruits. A very good crowd for Monday night. |
| Apr 5 Tue | Got in a mix up some way tonight. Didnt know where the car was and walked home. Then had a big cry over things that made me unhappy and went to bed. |
| Apr 6 Wed | Saw Gussie Turner tonight at Church. So glad to see her. An[d?] after meeting tonight. Took Mrs. Morningstar home also Mildred Fitch. |
| Apr 7 Thu | Marguerite came over this A.M. And this P.M. all went to G. [?] R. circle meeting. I led devotions. Mothers night at Church. Oldest one 85 got flowers. Wonderful after service. Eleanor went forward. |
| Apr 8 Fri | Tonight was S. School night in the Church. So many children went to the Alter. Betty, Bobs among them. Dr. Felps of Detroit talked to them. A good meeting. |
| Apr 9 Sat | Gerry and I went down town this P.M. before we went out to Aunt Rachels b-day party. Fred went with us. |
| Apr 10 Sun | All went to Church this A.M. Kate took chg. of the nursery. Betty helped. After church we went to the Lake and had our dinner. Had a nice walk then home. Girls and J. L. went to Church. |
| Apr 11 Mon | Kate sewing for Gerry all the time she can get. All but Kate and Betty - Bobs went to church tonight to hear Howard Fields preach. A very fine sermon. |
| Apr 12 Tue | Gerry learned to drive the Ford yesterday and took it to Olivet with her today so she and Kitty can come home for Easter. Came to Marguerites today. M. [Marguerite] and I went to church tonight. J. L. brought us home. |
| Apr 13 Wed | I did not go to Church today. Took care of Ralph so M. and Lewis could go. M. having a great time sewing for Amy. She is not able to do it, so gets terrably mixed up. Amy here to night. |
| Apr 14 Thu | M. and Lewis went down town right after dinner and they have gone down home tonight so Kate can help her cut out Caroline's new dress. No Church for us tonight. |
| Apr 15 Fri | Gerry and Kitty came home safely and brought Phil with them. All went to Church tonight and girls sang in the Quire [choir]. J. L. took Carolin and I home. |
| Apr 16 Sat | It rained some today, very much needed. M. and I both worked hard to get Carolin and Eloises dresses done for Easter. M. and L. went down town. |
| Apr 17 Sun | Easter. One of the most beautiful days ever. John gone nine years today. We put a basket of flowers in church for him. Baby Ralph was baptized today. Mr. [?] Clases [?] last Sunday. |
| Apr 18 Mon | Everybody tired out and house upset. Kate is feeling very poorly. |
| Apr 19 Tue | Am making some napkins out of an old tablecloth. Very hot today - 80° on back porch. Too hot for time of year. |
| Apr 20 Wed | Went to prayer meeting tonight all alone. Eleanor went to Oak Park and Kate and J. L. are setting out shrubs. |
| Apr 21 Thu | Bobbys birthday today. J. L., Kate and I went to Dick Richards to Gleaner meeting. Phoebe and Bertha and Harry were there. |

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| Apr 22 Fri | Marguerite and baby were down here today. In evening J. L., Kate, Eleanor and I went to Oak Park Church to hear Mr. Clase. |
| Apr 23 Sat | Snow. This noon J. L. and Kate took Mr. and Mrs. Roat and aunt Rachel down to the most Southern point in Mich. to see a brother. Betty is at Marguerites. |
| Apr 24 Sun | I walked to Church and back this A.M. Had a little visit with Mrs. Green. Mr. Hill home from West. Read a book today. |
| Apr 25 Mon | Frank came and got me this A.M. and took me out to stay with Amy while he went to Lansing. J. L. went with him. |
| Apr 26 Tue | Caroline is ill. We had to Dr. her good last night and she is better this A.M. Amy and I gathered some greens this A.M. |
| Apr 27 Wed | Amy [crossed out] Frank did not come home early enough so I could go home. J. L. drove to Lansing to the eve. meeting. |
| Apr 28 Thu | Frank brought me back this forenoon. Kate is nearly sick. I aught to have been home. |
| Apr 29 Fri | Bettie and I went to the church this evening to see a picture - "The Stream of Life." |
| Apr 30 Sat | Buisy today. We all went down town tonight for a few minutes. |
| May 1 Sun | Today Kate had the Saginaw folks down, those who could come. There were 8 of them. I went to Church A.M. and evening. Rode home at night with Mrs. McCussey [?]. |
| May 2 Mon | Today I sewed rag rugs all the time I could get. It rained a good deal today. |
| May 3 Tue | Marguerite came over before 7 this A.M. She and Kate finished cutting rags for rugs. I sewed. |
| May 4 Wed | Pearl telephoned last night for me and I came early this A.M. Gave Wesley a bath. Also an enema and toke [took] care of his throat every three hours. |
| May 5 Thu | Poor W. is so sick. Heart bad. Also a temperature - but not very high. Change clothes every two hrs.! today. Dr. finds he likes me after all. |
| May 6 Fri | I am very tired and feel sick tonight. Climbing the stairs and being on my feet all the time really does me up. |
| May 7 Sat | Been so sick all day. Had chills all day and could hardly keep going but did not neglect my patient. Dr. told me not to get up until A.M. |
| May 8 Sun | So sick again today. Chills and my throat is so bad. I went to ride with Frank and Amy hoping the change and sitting quiet for 2 hrs. might help. |
| May 9 Mon | Had to tell Pearl I was sick today an[d] my throat was so bad had to doctor it. |
| May 10 Tue | Wesley lost his temperature yesterday and did not have any gas pains for two days. Am so glad he is so much better. I am a little better. |
| May 11 Wed | Wesley much better. I came home this A.M. after taking care of him. Am very tired and some better. K. very nice. [probably her granddaughter Katharine] |
| May 12 Thu | Gussie Turners reception. Very tired this A.M. but went to the attic and began looking over my things. Getting ready for B. V. [Bay View, Michigan] Went to see Jr. tonight. |
| May 13 Fri | Hurrying this A.M. and then hardly knew what I had. We left the house 10 after one. Got here about nine. Stopped twice quite a while, also had a puncture. Soon got a fire and lights. |
| May 14 Sat | Rain. All were tired but had a good nights rest. Baby Ralph so good. This P.M. went to fish hatcheries, also to see Lois and family. Had a fine fish for dinner. |
| May 15 Sun | Rain. We all went to Cousin Lois for dinner. Then J. L. and family went home and I stayed all night with Cousin Lois. |
| May 16 Mon | Rain again. Walked most of the way home, then Mrs. [?] Haas [?] gave me a ride. Great time getting some wood. Went up to Mary Lamb [?] Bakers. Feel rather lonely and very tired. Bed for me. |
| May 17 Tue | Vine came to see me this A.M. Did not get at my washing until most time for dinner. Went to Mrs. L. [Lautons?] after washing done. Rained some this A.M. |
| May 18 Wed | Rode up town with Mr. Haas this A.M. Got some cretorine [?] and other little things. Nearly made over that old carpet I got from Amy. Mushrooms tonight. |
| May 19 | No rain today. Finished making bed room carpet and done the ironing beside a little cleaning. The |

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| Thu | lady from the Southern came and brought me a letter from M. [Marguerite]. |
| May 20 Fri | Raining again tonite. Wish Mrs. Morehouse would hurry and come. Hope she isnt ill. Cleaned the East front room upstairs. It is very clean. Put down the carpet I made. Not so good looking but clean. |
| May 21 Sat | It just poured this A.M. and so cold. I was sick but braced up about 11 and made myself clean down stairs bedroom and closet. |
| May 22 Sun | What should go here I put on Sat. May 28. |
| May 23 Mon | Sick again today. Have tried to get my coat fixed but did not get it all done. Temp. [wrote 80° but crossed it out] yesterday and today. Cold. Fire all day. Feel so miserable tonight. |
| May 24 Tue | So sick all night. Came up to Dr's with Mrs. [?] H. [Hess probably]. Then up to Cousin Lois and began taking my medacine. |
| May 25-27 | Blank |
| May 28 Sat. | This entry was ment for Sun. 22. Showed Mrs. Morehouses house. I have surely paid for going beyond my strength. Been sick all day. Just laid on the bed until nearly four then got something to eat. Vine came a little while. |
| May 29-Jun 12 | Blank |
| Jun 13 Mon | I expect Gerry graduated today. Four happy years of her life gone. God grant the good influences may stay with her. Just came home to B. V. today. [Bay View, Michigan] |
| Jun 14 Tue | Woman here all day yesterday working. Dont feel very well. |
| Jun 15 Wed | Jay and Mr. [?] Wilem [?] here and painted poarches and dining room and kitchen and woman here cleaning. Went my limit today and more. |
| Jun 16 Thu | Kate, Gerry, Bill, Bobs, Betty came soon after dinner. I am nearly down and out again. |
| Jun 17-18 | Blank |
| Jun 19 Sun | Wonderful ride to Cross Village and Macinaw [Mackinaw]. |
| Jun 20 Mon | Kate and Bill are doing wonderful things to the cottage. I over done yesterday but I did enjoy it so much. |
| Jun 21 Tue | Sick in bed again. |
| Jun 22 Wed | Kate and Bill and Bobs went home today. |
| Jun 23 Thu | Betty and Gerry taking care of me. |
| Jun 24 Fri | Its very hard to be sick all by yourself. |
| Jun 25-30 | Blank |
| Jul 1 Fri | The folks with Frank, Amy and family came 11-30 tonight. |
| Jul 2 Sat | Very, very, cold. Went right on North early this A.M. [Apparently meant those who came yesterday.] |
| Jul 3 Sun | Alone most of the day. Gerry brought my dinner from Southern. |
| Jul 4 Mon | Folks came back this P.M. |
| Jul 5 Tue | Blank |
| Jul 6 Wed | Kate and family started at 7-40 this A.M. and Frank and family about 9 A.M. All had breakfast and I think a good time. |
| Jul 7 Thu | Eleanor is lovely and it seems so nice to have some one who seems to care. Am feeling better and have a dress on today. |
| Jul 8 Fri | I got out and walked a little in the yard today. Am so very weak cant do anything. |

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| Jul 9 Sat | Eleanor so willing and kind and does so well. She is a dear girl. Gerry is very buisy. She and E. went to Petoskey tonight. Rained today. |
| Jul 10 Sun | A perfect day, warm, sunshine, and a cool breeze which made things ideal. Julia Partridge came this A.M. Eleanor went down to meet her. |
| Jul 11 Mon | Mrs. May took me to see Dr. today. Was very tired. Lying down most of the tme. |
| Jul 12 Tue | Mrs. Case and Mrs. Gibson came walking in this A.M. before Eleanor and I had breakfast but they had had theirs. It took all my strength to be surprised. |
| Jul 13-14 | Blank |
| Jul 15 Fri | Mrs. Gibson went home today or rather to Flint. |
| Jul 16 Sat | Thot I would go and see the picture today but it rained and I didnt dare try. Also did not feel quite well enough. |
| Jul 17 Sun | Tonight. Vine came and took Mrs. Case and I over to the Audt. [Auditorium]. A beautiful concert. |
| Jul 18 Mon | Walked to the Audt. and back for the first time. It is pretty hard work yet and I was very tired. |
| Jul 19 Tue | Mrs. Case began paying this A.M. Gerry came over and brought my blanket. |
| Jul 20-23 | Blank |
| Jul 24 Sun | Went to Church services for the first time up here this year. Was very tired but did so enjoy Mr. [?] Craig. I think him a wonderful man. Ha[d] a fish from Mrs. [?] Guerusy [?] for dinner. |
| Jul 25 Mon | Am looking all the time for Fronia and John and Sam and Anna and family. Can not understand why they do not come. Went to see "Th__ Patsy" tonight. |
| Jul 26 Tue | The Ft. Wayne people came today. Took Elder [?] Jacklyses [?] Cottage. |
| Jul 27-28 | Blank |
| Jul 29 Fri | We looked for J. L. and family today but found later that Celia and boys and G-pa Rogers came there. |
| Jul 30 Sat | I had to give up that grand picnic party given for Ft. Wayne people. |
| Jul 31 Sun | Went to meeting at Auditorium twice today. |
| Aug 1 Mon | This is Sam Newalls birthday. Went to dinner with Sam and Anna and family at cottage. |
| Aug 2 Tue | Mrs. Case paid again this A.M. Am trying to get along without medacine this week. Newells and Swayzes left today. |
| Aug 3 Wed | Cottages meeting today. |
| Aug 4 Thu | Anotehr set back again this day. |
| Aug 5-6 | Blank |
| Aug 7 Sun | Only went to Auditorium once today. Heard a fine sermon by E. DeWitt Jones. |
| Aug 8 Mon | Mrs. Case and I went to Petoskey today. Paid my bill at Fochtenans [?] and at Fallas Drug store - also at Bain's [?] Hardware store. |
| Aug 9-11 | Blank |
| Aug 12 Fri | Called on Mrs. Durfee and Porter [?] this P.M. Tonight the Porters arrived from the South. |
| Aug 13 Sat | Heard a fine lecture tonight by Pat [?] M. Neff. |
| Aug 14 Sun | Went to beach service with the Porters. They are so fine. Afterward went to vesper service. Mrs. Case took me to the Southern to dinner today. |
| Aug 15 Mon | Had Mrs. Case to dinner today. Had pancakes. Went to see "Brown of Harvard." |

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| Aug 16 Tue | Mrs. Case and I went up town. Took dinner at Northern Cafe. I went to see Dr. and paid him. Got more medicine. |
| Aug 17-20 | Blank |
| Aug 21 Sun | Mr. Spense [?] preached today at our last sermon for the assembly. A beautiful day and evening. Wonderful beach service. |
| Aug 22 Mon | Mrs. Case packed this A.M. I had her eat dinner with me. Then we went up town. I am all in. |
| Aug 23 Tue | Mrs. Case left tonight. I went to the train with her. I think her stronger than when she came, but her knee is bad. I am very lame. |
| Aug 24 Wed | I did a washing today and other cleaning and have over done as I usually do when I try anything extra. |
| Aug 25 Thu | More cleaning today and more groaning over aches and pains. |
| Aug 26 Fri | Seems strange to be alone. |
| Aug 27 Sat | Kate, Kitty and Bobs came right after dinner. Also Marguerite and baby Ralph. |
| Aug 28 Sun | Went to Church this A.M. Then all went to Southern for dinner and a ride to Charlevoix in P.M. Stayed to Cousin Lois to supper. |
| Aug 29 Mon | Were delayed today so did not get to ride until after an early supper. Went part around Walloon Lake, a beautiful drive. Katharine drove. |
| Aug 30 Tue | The girls and Kate left before daylight this A.M. Going by Traverse City and Aunt Celas. |
| Aug 31 Wed | Just beautiful weather but so dry and dusty. |
| Sep 1 Thu | Marguerite, baby and I having a good visit. Movies by Ladies Library Association. |
| Sep 2-3 | Blank |
| Sep 4 Sun | Marguerite and I walked to the Beech this P.M. Gone two hours. Kate, J.L., Mr. and Mrs. Roat came driving in tonight. Made room for all. |
| Sep 5 Mon | The Roats went home, started this noon. The men fixed my steps for which I was very thankful. |
| Sep 6 Tue | The most beautiful weather ever seen in B. V. [Bay View] at this time of year, but very dry. |
| Sep 7 Wed | A lovely rain last night and part of today. Very much needed. |
| Sep 8 Thu | Blank |
| Sep 9 Fri | We went up to Cousin Lois for the day. Had a nice visit. Came and went on the buss. |
| Sep 10 Sat | Blank |
| Sep 11 Sun | M., baby and I went to P. church. Then went up to see Ethel and Amy. Vine came and took us home. Ralph had a temperature when we got home. |
| Sep 12-22 | Blank |
| Sep 23 Fri | Lewis and Gerry and Betty coming some time in the night. Baby is so sick we dont do much but care for him. |
| Sep 24 Sat | Baby very sick today and I have nearly reached my limit. M. and L. took the Misses Andrews and went for a ride. I went up to Dr. when they got home. |
| Sep 25 Sun | All started for home this A.M. on account of baby. He was more comfortable. Went to Church with Mrs. Tripp and Morehouse. Lois and Vine called. |
| Sep 26 Mon | It is rain, rain and is so cold today. Am so glad they have baby home. I am just sick but am managing to clean up a little. |
| Sep 27 Tue | Still raining when it isn't pouring. Still feel pretty miserable. Had to lie down twice today. We finished our book tonight. |

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| Sep 28 Wed | Raining again today. It poured terrably in the night. Much warmer and sun shone out a little but raining a little at times. Poor baby Ralph got the quinsy [a tonsil abscess]. |
| Sep 29 Thu | Thank God little Ralph is better. Had a time with Geo. this A.M. over stove wood. Took more cold, out so long with him. Went up town with D-ports. Can hardly move around am so lame. |
| Sep 30 Fri | Cousin Lois finally came down and to stay a day or two. Lovely warm day. |
| Oct 1 Sat | We went to see Lil and Harve today. Had dinner and a fine time. Came over to Miss Andrews in the eve and played Pollyanna. |
| Oct 2 Sun | Did not go to Church. Had Amy, Ethel and Vine to dinner with us. Was very, very tired after all was over. Mrs. Durfee in. Lois went home. |
| Oct 3 Mon | My birthday again. Invited up to Lois, also Lil, Harve and Vine. Lovely time. Birthday cake. Surely well remembered. |
| Oct 4 Tue | Its rain, rain, rain. Dident do much but rest today. Just warn [?] out with all my diseapation [?]. Spent evening with Ella. |
| Oct 5 Wed | Did the largest washing have done since I was sick, but am tired out. Moving onto the other side with Ella tonight. |
| Oct 6 Thu | Ironed this A.M. and this P.M. have been trying to get things ready on this side to close up. |
| Oct 7 Fri | Mrs. Durfee up this P.M. Still trying to get things done up. Mrs. Tripp takes us up town to get our mail. Spent the evening with the Durfees. Ella and I played pollyana. |
| Oct 8 Sat | Expected to spend the day in Petoskey but it came off so cold we gave it up. Whipped and cleaned my new rugs. |
| Oct 9 Sun | Rain again, no church for us. Took a walk this P.M. Also Mr. and Mrs. Davenport picked us up and took us for a little ride. |
| Oct 10 Mon | Lucy came this A.M. We did not go up town as we planned. I washed all the curtains and extra pieces for the small side. Mr. and Mrs. Durfee were here this eve. We played Pollyanna. |
| Oct 11 Tue | I worked so hard all day again today. All my curtains and pieces for this side I washed beside lots of other work. Mrs. Durfee here this P.M. We spent this eve with Vine. Went up town tonight with Harve. Rain again tonight. |
| Oct 12 Wed | Very buisy again all day. Tonight went to the Durfees and played Pollyanna. We had a fine time. |
| Oct 13 Thu | This P.M. Mrs. Durfee came up here and took her bath and put on fresh clothes trying to get rid of that skunk odor. |
| Oct 14 Fri | The Durfees went this A.M. so we dont have any neighbors left but Vine. Been working on Mrs. Tripps cottage. |
| Oct 15 Sat | Nice this A.M. but rained a little tonight. Harve and Lil took us up town tonight. Was very tired. |
| Oct 16 Sun | I didnt get up until 11:30 today but Ella did. No way to go to church and I didnt feel well. Mr. and Mrs. Davenport took Vine and us for a lovely drive. |
| Oct 17-19 | Blank |
| Oct 20 Thu | Frank, Amy, and children came tonight also Bobs. Working hard trying to get all I can done twords closing cottage. |
| Oct 21 Fri | Ella A. left this A.M. [This sentence crossed out as it was written on the 20th. "Amy and Frank and children, also Bobs came tonight.] Kate, J. L., Aunt Rachel and Bettie came tonight. |
| Oct 22 Sat | Boys went fishing. We worked on cottage to get it ready to leave. Drove up town tonight with Frank and children. Went to see Mr. Hess. |
| Oct 23 Sun | Started home quite early. Ate our dinner at Otsego Lake. Had a beautiful ride excepting for dust before we got on the pavement. Stoped at Beverton Dam. Was tired. |
| Oct 24 Mon | Vine and I went to M. [Marguerite's] for supper. Feel as if I had been through a strain. To old to get strong very fast. Ralphs birthday. |
| Oct 25 Tue | Vine didnt get away today. Is looking for a car. Date and Vine went down town this A.M. Got back about 4 P.M. |
| Oct 26 Wed | Vine left early this A.M. on Buss for Ann Arbor. Kate not feeling one bit well, and I not much good. M., Lewis and baby came tonight. |
| Oct 27 | Yesterday A.M. I went to court house to finish cleaning up the tital [title]to the 25 acres. Stoped to |

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| Thu | see Ella but found he[r] gone. |
| Oct 28 Fri | Lewis and M. came after me tonight. So am at Marguerites house. Looks nice since painting. Little Ralph is better. Katharine came home tonight. |
| Oct 29 Sat | M. and Lewis have gone to holloween party tonight. I am keeping baby for her. |
| Oct 30 Sun | J. L., Kate and the Roates went to Bay City this A.M. I went to Sunday School with girls then back here to M.s for dinner. All sisters and Bobs here together. |
| Oct 31 Mon | Halloween tonight. Virginia and Jack here when I got home. I stayed to help M. today. Went for a walk with the little ones tonight. |
| Nov 1 Tue | Marguerite and Lewis went to help organize a Sunday S. Class for young married people. Marguerite is President. I kept little Ralph. |
| Nov 2-3 | Blank |
| Nov 4 Fri | Mother Roat down today. I helped with sewing. Talked with Ella Andrews tonight, are having such warm beautiful weather for Nov. Gerry went [to] Olivet home comming. |
| Nov 5 Sat | Kate had the G. B. Chicken pie to put on tonight. Only made about \$70. I had a very bad fall this P.M. down [a] few steps of basement and struck on cement floor in my back. |
| Nov 6 Sun | The first freezing night of the fall. Could not go to hear the Bishop this A.M. as I could not walk both ways or hardly one. |
| Nov 7 Mon | Had a good rest this P.M. I some way seemed to need it very much. Find my fall hurt me a good deal. Im no goslin any more. Takes longer to get over troubles. |
| Nov 8 Tue | Went with Frank and Amy tonight to the new M. E. [Methodist Episcopal] Church to hear Dr. Rice. A splendid talk on Great men. He is one. |
| Nov 9 Wed | Nothing of any consequence to put down. Today about as all days. Wrote a long letter to Mrs. Case. Sewed what time I got. Read this evening. |
| Nov 10 Thu | Blank |
| Nov 11 Fri | J. L. went hunting today. Left about noon. Went to Central Church - H. M-_____. Heard Miss Alma Mathews of Ellis Island. |
| Nov 12 Sat | Byron took Gerry to the football game at Ann Arbor. A nice day. Kates birthday. J. L. sent a plant. |
| Nov 13 Sun | Went to Church this A.M. Gerry takes us. M. and Ralph came before we were up. Had chicken for dinner. |
| Nov 14-17 | Blank |
| Nov 18 Fri | Thot I would go to picture at the Church tonight, but dident dare try to walk both ways. |
| Nov 19 Sat | We had a regular house cleaning day today. Washing windows, varnishing furnature and floors and cleaning in general. |
| Nov 20 Sun | Went to Church this A.M. Gerry took us. She and Julia got Supper for E. League at church tonight. Lucretia was here. |
| Nov 21 Mon | Our house cleaning day was today instead of Sat. Kate was down town most of the day today. [That last sentence crossed out.] |
| Nov 22 Tue | Kate down town most of the day today. |
| Nov 23 Wed | J. L. and Mr. Roat came in this P.M. No deer, and both very tired. Kate down town. Kitty came from Detroit tonight. |
| Nov 24 Thu | All of the family spent Thanksgiving at Mr. Roats today. Had a wonderful dinner and good time. I went home with Marguerite and Lewis. |
| Nov 25 Fri | I did most of the house work so M. could finish Ralphs new rompers. |
| Nov 26 Sat | Glad I was at M's to see Ralph get his picture taken. He is so cunning. The photographer came to the house. |
| Nov 27 Sun | Went to S. S. with them this A.M. Also stayed to Church. Bill and Larry were here today. Also Jack to dinner. J. L. and Kate took Kitty to Detroit. |
| Nov 28-Dec 4 | Blank |

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| Dec 5 Mon | Gerry came home from school sick tonight. |
| Dec 6-8 | Blank |
| Dec 9 Fri | Kate and J. L. and Bobs went to Duinings [?] for dinner. |
| Dec 10 Sat | J. L. got Celia and car from Saginaw this A.M. [She had started to write Det. - probably Detroit, then wrote Cadallac, then crossed both out and wrote Saginaw.] |
| Dec 11 Sun | Charlie - [write Edith, crossed it out] Sadie - Bradfield and family, also Alta and Bill Fowler. Lucile sick tonight. |
| Dec 12 Mon | Celia got 13 letters today. Roy may come next Sat. Gerry got back to school today. Celia got notice of Mr. Rogers death this P.M. Poor girl. |
| Dec 13 Tue | Such a time trying to get Roy last night but finally succeeded. Mr. R. died in S-Carolina and makes it very difficult to get things arranged. |
| Dec 14 Wed | Roy came last night and he and Celia went to Saginaw today. Boys to come at two A.M. tonight. I did not feel able to go to Sag. Mich. [They may have changed those plans, see entry for next day.] |
| Dec 15 Thu | Came to Sag. this A.M. with Roy and family. Will stay until after the funeral tomorrow. Roy and family will stay with Aunt Bertha. Found both Morris and Irene in bed ill. The rest as usual. [Probably refers to other Lamson/Vosburg families living in Saginaw.] |
| Dec 16 Fri | A wonderful funeral for Mr. R. Six old vetrens [veterans] all 86 same as Mr. R. took first part of service. Then Rev. Montgomery the next and Masons at the grave. He lay under the American flag and flowers. |
| Dec 17 Sat | Last night after we got home from Sag. Kate, J.L., Gerry, Lucile, Eleanor and Betty went to Detroit to Kittys recital. It was very cold and high winds. |
| Dec 18 Sun | All went to church. Roy and family home from Saginaw today. Boys so much finer than they were. Act so much better in every way. |
| Dec 19 Mon | Roy and family left for Detroit this P.M. He has to go on to Cleveland to finish some work before the hollidays. |
| Dec 20 Tue | Roy and family went to Cleveland from Detroit today. |
| Dec 21 Wed | Every one very buisy finishing their x-mas shopping. Am not feeling very frisky. |
| Dec 22 Thu | Blank |
| Dec 23 Fri | Roy and Celia returned tonight. Boys just delighted to get home as they call it. |
| Dec 24 Sat | The day before X-mas and everyone in a hustle. Lots of good things being prepared for dinner tomorrow. |
| Dec 25 Sun | How happy I was to go to Church this A.M. with all of our famalies but Bobs who was ill, even Mr. and Mrs. Roat. Frank and Family joined us for dinner and x-mas tree, Etc. [etc.]. |
| Dec 26 Mon | Today was offical [official] X-mas and all went to Mr. Roats for the day. Byron went with us. Had a nice time, over 30 for supper. |
| Dec 27-29 | Blank |
| Dec 30 Fri | Roy and [rest of sentence crossed out: family up to Marguerites to dinner tonight. After]. Celia, Kate, and J.L. went to Julia W. tonight for dinner. I stayed here at Marg. |
| Dec 31 Sat | Roy and family came up here to M. for supper also Betty, left at ten. And then R. and C., Kate and J. L. went to Dinnings for the rest of the evening. Gerry and Kitty had a party tonight. Just a small one and had a fine time. I was on my knees when the new year came, thanking God for all his goodness to me. |

Memoranda:

Jan. Tenth money

9. Pd. collection .25

Pd. missionary money, Bay View, 1.00

Memoranda:

R. C. Thomas born Sep. 27th 1890.

Clare Swayze born Dec. 2nd 1890.

[Notes: Michigan deaths, Ancestry.com, Clare S. Swayze, b. 2 Dec 1890, d. 31 Aug 1971, Birmingham, Oakland Co., MI, WWI Draft Registration found in Montgomery Co., OH, WWI Draft Registration Howard Co., IN. His wife found in Michigan Deaths, Faye E. Swayze, b. 14 Feb 1893, d. 4 Apr 1984, Birmingham, Oakland Co., MI. Per FamilySearch.org website Clare S. Swayze married Faye E. Hammond 21 June 1916, Oakland Co., MI.]

Cash Account

January

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| 4 | Winter coat | | 38 | .00 |
| 5 | Loaf bread | | | .11 |
| 9 | Coll. [collection] | | | .05 |
| | Liver pills | | | .25 |
| | Eye wash | | | .10 |
| 14 | Blue percale 3-1/2 yd. | | 1 | .23 |
| 14 | Nurses cloth 3-1/2 yd. | | | .88 |
| 14 | Pin | | | .30 |
| 14 | Postage stamps | | | .49 |
| 19 | Supper | | | .70 |
| 20 | Dress | | | .88 |
| 20 | Nurses linen | | | .25 |
| 20 | Buttons | | | .30 |
| 20 | Palace theater | | | .35 |
| 23 | Collection | | | .25 |
| 25 | Cloth for N-gown | | | .88 |
| 27 | Cloth for skirts | | 1 | .13 |
| 27 | 2 h-chiefs | | | .20 |
| 27 | Gloves | | | .39 |
| 27 | Dinners | | | .60 |
| 27 | Lace | | | .25 |
| 27 | Pin | | | .14 |
| 20 | Theater | | | .20 |
| 28 | Bread | | | .09 |

February

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| | Liver pills | | | .25 |
| | Dinner | | | .25 |
| | Picture | | | .30 |
| | Hemstitching | | | .90 |
| | Yeast cakes | | | .06 |
| 11 | Hemstitching | | | .20 |
| | Yeast cakes - press [?] | | | .12 |
| 21 | Show | | | .27 |
| 23 | Comb | | | .15 |
| 23 | _____ [Lougers?] ties [?] | | | .10 |
| 23 | Hair net | | | .10 |
| 23 | Peppermints | | | .10 |

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| 1 | Darning cott. | | | .15 |
| 2 | Fare to Ft. Wayne | | 6 | .48 |

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| 2 | Gave Jack, Betty | | | .10 |
| 3 | Thank offering | | 1 | .00 |
| 5 | Shoeshine | | | .10 |
| 5 | Indian Root pills | | | .25 |
| 9 | Lunch cloth | | | .59 |
| 9 | H-chiefs | | | .29 |
| 9 | Candy | | | .10 |
| | New heels and tips on shoes | | | .60 |
| 12 | Fare to Detroit from F. W. [Fort Wayne] | | 3 | .50 |
| 14 | Car fare | | | .07 |
| | Car fare | | | .07 |
| 11 | Telephone | | | .35 |
| 17 | Car fare to Lawn [?] Acres | | | .43 |
| 23 | From Laura [?] A. to Flint | | 1 | .33 |
| | Stamps | | | .04 |
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| 27 | Birthday offering | | | .66 |
| | Tablet | | | .10 |
| | St. car tickets | | | .25 |

April

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| 9 | Scarf | | 1 | .75 |
| | Postage stamps | | | .25 |
| 21 | Bobs b-day | | | .25 |
| | Cash from bank | 2.90 | | |
| | Birthday offering | | 1 | .50 |

May

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| 17 | McCalls | | | .10 |
| 11 | Rec. Wesley | 25.00 | | |
| | Pd. 10th [amount unclear] | | 2 | .00 |
| | Rugs | | 13 | .00 |
| | Pd. | | 1 | .00 |
| 17 | 3-1/4 Cretonne | | 2 | .93 |
| | Int. tacks. thrd. tape | | | .26 |
| | Stamps - paper | | | .13 |
| | Milk tickets | | | .50 |

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| 19 | Rec. Mrs. Case | 10.00 | | |
| | Pd. 10th | | | 1.00 |

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| 2 | Rec. Mrs. Case | 10.00 | | |
| | Pd. 10th | | 1 | .00 |
| | Rec. Mrs. C. | .50 | | |
| | Rec. Mrs. C | 5.50 | | |
| | Pd. 10th | | | .55 |
| | Rec. Mrs. C. | 10.00 | | |
| | Pd. 10 -[th?] | | 1 | .00 |
| 26 | Mrs. Brown [amount unclear] | 7.00 | | |

September

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| 2 | Mrs. Brown | 7.00 | | |
| 19 | [No name given and no ditto marks, probably Mrs. Brown] | 7.00 | | |

October - blank

November - blank

December - blank

Memoranda

[She wrote July 19 - 1928 - but this diary ends with December 1927.]

July

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| 19 | Mop stick, clothes pins | | | .30 |
| | Groceries | | 3 | .98 |
| | Groceries | | | .40 |
| | Groceries | | 1 | .21 |
| | Groceries | | 2 | .58 |
| 30 | [no entry] | | 2 | .94 |
| | [no entry] | | 1 | .23 |
| | [no entry] | | 1 | .10 |
| | [no entry] | | 1 | .23 |
| | [no entry] | | 1 | .65 |
| | [no entry] | | 3 | .69 |
| | [no entry] | | 1 | .33 |

Memoranda

Date of note to Mrs. Case. May 29, 1920

Ill. Military School, Aledo, Ill. Jack and Billy, Col. Terry - owner.

Medacine for the back. Sodium Salscylate 5 gr. One every 4 hrs.

Mrs. E. D. Gaston
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Ft. Wayne Ind.

The lady about the small cottage.

Glass Window. Lucy Furman, The Quare Wimen. [She might have been referring to a book called "The Glass Window a Story of the Square Women" by Lucy Furman, hardcover January 1, 1926. There are other possible books.]

Mothering on Perilous. [She might have been referring to a book called "Mothering on Perilous", 1913, by Lucy S. Furman.]

The Lonesome Trail. [This book may also have been by Lucy Furman, but this exact title with that author not found on Amazon.com, August 20, 2010.]

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