

DIARY OF RAYMELL REPLOGLE KIZER

1940

January 1, 1940 – Linton went to Lavinia. Got me a doz. oranges. I cooked dinner. We ate walnuts & pop corn and read. Everything is so pretty with a snow.

Jan 2 – Linton & Elbert (**McGowan**) went hunting. I sewed some. Annie Mae came. James came late. (**James & Annie Mae Downing Barrow**) Linton popped corn when he got home.

Jan 3 – James, Linton & Elbert hunted all day. I spent day over at Annie Mae's. Finished a jacket. Listened to radio, ate oranges & played cards. Ground is still white.

Jan 4 – Went to Mama's after supper. Carried Brooxie some popcorn. Listened to the radio. **Linton is sweet to me.**

Jan 5 – Embroidered on my table scarf. James came. Mr. Raymond (**Downing – Annie Mae's father**) went over to Cecil's (**McGowan**). Linton went to mail box. Got letter from Vern & Miss Kate. Snow is still on.

Jan 6 – Linton went to Lavinia this morning. Made coconut cake & boil custard. Is so cold. Feel bad usual. Dose of salts.

Jan 7 – The kids stayed here all day. Made snow cream. Fred & Clyde went out skating. Got their feet soaking wet.

Jan 8 – We went to James to help them kill some more shoats. Carrie (**Ezell**) helped too. The men got the sausage ground after dinner. Carrie & I had plenty of dishes.

Jan 9 – Washed out few pieces this morning. Cooked dinner. Went to Mama's after dinner. Linton hauled poles & prepared for hog killing.

Jan 10 – Linton, Papa, Elbert & James killed H---- (a hog). Weighed 327. Did Annie Mae & I have a time cooking! Let peas scorch taking off fat. I spilt biscuit dough. We got sausage ground & fat cut up.

Jan 11 – Linton dried up lard in fire place in kitchen. I done around all day. Was so tired. Went to bed early. Elbert, Ivan, Delmar, (**McGowan's**) Dennis (**Brewer**), Ranzoe & Wilson Lusk came wanting to play cards. We were too tired. I was in bed. Thank goodness.

Jan 12 – Churned, canned 2 qts sausage. Linton fixed on the cellar. Carried kettle & barrel back to Finace's (**Finis Ezell**). Is dreary out.

Jan 13 – Linton went to Lavinia. I cleaned up all of the house. Went to Mama's. He & James went hunting. Annie Mae came after I left.

Jan 14 – Linton went to get Elbert cut his hair. We fried a snack on the fire & went to James. Annie Mae was on bed but got up. We played cards all evening. Ate popcorn.

Jan 15 – Linton & James went to Milan stayed all day. Carried ribs & head off. Felt so bad all day couldn't be still. Walked over to Mama's late. Came home. Linton wasn't here.

Jan 16 – Mama & Brooxie came over & spent the day with me. Linton & I washed all morning. Got so tired. Annie Mae came & ate walnuts & Brooxie entertained telling about Mell's baby.

Jan 17 – Ironed & cooked dinner. Linton & James cut wood. Spent evening over at Annie Mae's. Sewed some. Ate oranges. Listened to radio. Was pretty & clear all day.

Jan 18 – Linton hauled wood. Tried to snow some. He went to mail box. I went to bed. Mama sent some hominy.

Jan 19 – Linton went to Lavinia. Got stove pipe & damper. Put up heater in dining room. Nailed vits. (?) fabric on windows. Was so cold 10 below. I got out & fought dogs. Let Dixie in house.

Jan 20 – Is so cold. Linton went to Lavinia. Annie Mae & James came. He went on to McGowan's to get hair cut. We played cards & Linton popped corn.

Jan 21 – We spent day over at Mama's. Eva & Ranzoe came last night. Stayed till 9. we had lots of fun talking about "Uncle Charlie."

Jan 22 – Washed out few pieces. Cook dinner on fire. Linton & James sawed wood. Went over to Annie Mae's. Carrie was there. Felt so bad.

Jan 23 – It snowed all day. Like a blizzard. Snow is pretty deep. Linton & James had to haul some wood. Gee do I feel bad mornings. Have to go back to bed.

Jan 24 – Linton went to Lavinia. Annie Mae came after dinner. Is so cold. We tried to play dominoes. It get so worried this bad weather.

Jan 25 – Are staying in dining room now. Linton stayed over at James all morning trying to get car started. I attempted to get to Mama's through snow with Linton holding me.

Marie & Dennis stopped. **(Brewer's – brother & sister.)**

Jan 26 – Sat at home all day. Kept fire. Took a bath. Churned. Linton went to Lavinia. Snows not melting. Is so cold 10 below this morning. Went to McGowan's with Linton after water. They were skating. Eva & Renzo were there.

Jan 27 – Linton went to Lavinia. Went over by Annie Mae's with me. James went with him. Mr. Raymond came. We ate peaches & coconut cake. Came home. Eva & Renzoe came. We went back over there. Played cards. Listened to the radio. Ate popcorn. Stayed till 11. We had lots of fun. Got pretty tired.

Jan 28 – Clyde, Fred & Dell spent day over here. Cooked dinner about 3 on heater. Linton & Dell picking at Clyde & Fred. Made Clyde cry.

Jan 29 – Dexter came wanting to rent little house. Linton, Mr. Raymond & James cut & hauled wood. Went to Mama's after dinner. Got C.M.A. catalog. Has warmed up a little.

Jan 30 – We went to Ma Barr's. Had time with radiator. Linton got out at Alf's got water for it. Was so hot. Came by Milan to see Dr. Hughes. 138 lbs. pressure normal. Liked to have died got so hot in there. Was so give out.

Jan 31 – Mr. Alf came to Linton sharpen his saw. Went over to Miss Cassye's. Linton went to mail box and to Lavinia. He came over there after water. He & I came home

February 1, 1940 – We washed Linton 2 pr overalls. Went to Mama's. Linton got check notice & letter from McDougal's. Was pretty thawing & mud so deep.

Feb 2 – Cleared off up in the day. Papa came early to look at pig. Linton left early to go to Huntingdon. He & James went with Fate B. **(Brewer)**. Our check \$55.50. Annie Mae spent evening over here. Ate apples & walnuts. James & Linton got back about 3.

Feb 3 – Linton washed over at the little house. I rinsed for him. Cleaned up some things after dinner. Was pretty this morning but has clouded up.

Feb 4 – Dell spent the day over here. I walked to top of the hill with them after the cows. Had to get some exercise some way. Was so foggy.

Feb 5 – I ironed all morning. Annie Mae came after dinnr. We went to Eva's. was so muddy & bad. Was just give out. Wylia **(Brewer)** popped some corn. Dennis **(Brewer)** gave us some peanuts. Charlie came in.

Feb 6 – Linton and Gerald went to Lavinia. I went to Annie Mae's. James went to Lavinia. Mr. Raymond came. James & Linton came back together.

Feb 7 – Linton went to Milan with Mr. Bob to get well curbin/curlin? I stayed all day over at Mama's. Was so give out when I got back. Thought Linton would get me a ring.

Feb 8 – Linton, James & Mr. Raymond sawed wood. I cooked dinner. Annie Mae came. Mr. Bob, Jim & Elmer Morris brought well derricks. Put it up & bored some. My bloomers hanging on line.

Feb 9 – Rained all day. Linton went to Lavinia. Got corn, potatoes, oranges & apples. I stayed here all day. He went to mail box. Got done on mares.

Feb 10 – Another snow. Is snowing now. Linton has gone to mail box & to see Fred with flue. I've been sitting here all day. Movements – movements. Renzoe & Eva & Delmar came after supper. Cards & dominoes.

Feb 11 – Clyde & Dell spent day over here. Cooked dinner. Went to Annie Mae's. Elizabeth & Gerald were there. Was pretty & clear. Elizabeth, Annie Mae & I had fun talking.

Feb 12 – They worked on well, struck pipe clay. I cooked dinner. Got so tired thought I was going to die. Annie Mae & James came. She & I lay down awhile. Then went to Carrie's. Was so tired in night couldn't hardly stand it.

Feb 13 – Linton went to Lavinia. Came another snow. It stuck all over the tires. Such bad weather.

Feb 14 – Linton went to Huntingdon. Paid some on mares. I spent day over at Mama's. Fred & Brooxie making so much racket. Card from Irmal & letter from Miss Kate.

Feb 15 – Was right pretty day. Bob & them came after dinner. Moved to a new place. I sat here all evening. Was so lonesome.

Feb 16 – Mr. Bob & them got here early. Bored all day. Went to Annie Mae's. Came home. Fixed supper for them. They worked until 11:30 the night. I didn't sleep any so much racket & tired.

Feb 17 – Rained most all day. Linton went to Lavinia. I stayed here all day. Finished hemming my quilt. Was such a long day.

Feb 18 – James & Annie Mae spent day over here. Linton & James went to get hair cut. Annie Mae & I cooked dinner. Ruth came after dinner. Linton popped some corn. We had lots of fun.

Feb 19 – Was bad all day. Irene Cotton & Elmer Morris got married Saturday. Mrs. Organ was buried yesterday. **(Octavia Organ buried in Lavinia Meth. Ch. Cem)**

Feb 20 – Eva came over and spent the evening with me. We walked over to the little house. Linton went to Lavinia.

Feb 21 – Felt so bad this morning. Stomach hurt last night. But went to Mama's after dinner. Men all went to cotton meeting. Brooxie talked my socks off. Made me play checkers.

Feb 22 – Linton washed. Cut wood by himself after diiner. Went in the woods where he was. Just did see Annie Mae as she was coming over here.

Feb 23 – They worked on well. I cooked dinner. Ironed after dinner. Got so tire thought I would die. Dell & Dennis came by from school.

Feb 24 – Was dreary all day. Linton & James caught ride to Milan. I stayed at Annie Mae's. We played cards & worried all day.

Feb 25 – Clyde & Fred spent night over here. We spent day over at Papa's. Brooxie bawled all day after him. James & Annie Mae came to go to Eva's. Iva & Marie Miller came. **(Marie Adams was married to James Ivy Miller. Marie was the granddaughter of Dr. Pete Adams. His sister, Mary Amanda was Mimi's mother, married to William W. McDougal so Marie was a cousin)**

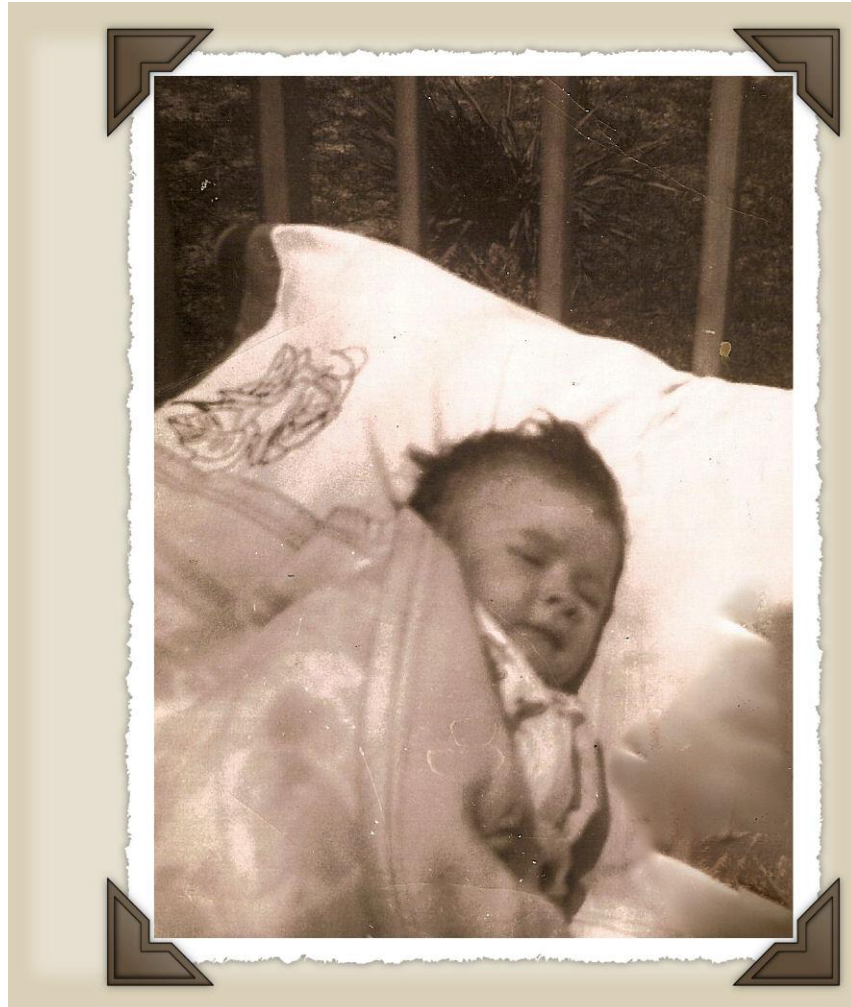
Feb 26 – They pumped on the curb(?) all day. Had to put big weight on it. Got so worried & so tired cooking dinner. Sat around all evening. Pump bucket hit Linton on the head.

Feb 27 – Annie Mae & James (Barrow), Eva, Renzoe, Raymond Andrew (Downing) came last night. Stayed till 12. Played cards. Annie Mae & I held chairs longest. Had lots of fun. Rained today. Stayed at home.

FEBRUARY 28, 1940 – Went to having pains at 4:30 a.m. Helped cook breakfast. Well hands came. Had to go back. Linton went after Miss Cassye (**McGowan**), Carrie (**Ezell**), & Annie Mae came. Brought Dr. Hughes in wagon. **(Note: Roads were too muddy & bad to get to the house in a car.)** Annie Mae & Carrye cooked dinner.

While they were eating I was on a rubber blanket getting hot. Baby was borned 4:20 p.m. after so long a time. Did she cry? Weighed 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs. Was getting dark when they all left. Dr. Hughes called her (?). How my back did ache. Couldn't rest at all. Didn't sleep hardly any.

FEBRUARY 29, 1940 – Miss Cassye stayed last night. Baby coughed fleam all night. Annie Mae, Carrie, Eva & Mattie Lou came. Mama and Papa spend day over here. Linton and Bennett (Adams) went after Miss Kate. Am so sore can't turn over. Have such pains. Don't feel like I am at home.



Betty Anne Kizer born February 28, 1940

March 1, 1940 – Was so hot all day couldn't hardly stand it. Annie Mae got sick which I sure did hate. Miss Kate washed.

Mar 2 – Was hot again. Came up a cloud. Mrs. Mattox & Miss Cassye came. Baby started nursing. Mrs. M. had to hold the left side for it to nurse.

Mar 3 – Papa came awhile this morning. Kids were here after dinner.

Mar 4 – Miss Mattie & Mary came stayed awhile. Ranzoe stopped to see the baby. Eva is sick.

Mar 5 – Miss Lillian came. (Lillian Downing, mother of Annie Mae). Thought the baby was so pretty. Marie Adams came & spent the evening. **(Marie Adams married Ivy Miller. She was the granddaughter of Dr. Pete Adams. Marie was the mother of Peggy Miller & Dan Miller.)**

Mar 6 – Carrie came awhile this morning. Well hands worked on the well. Miss Laura & David came. Hazel, Ruth, Opal & Larry stopped. Set up on bed a little. Dell got new suit. Came by going to ballgame.

Mar 7 – Was bad all day. Can't wait for the days to pass. Betty Anne sleeps all time.

Mar 8 – Papa, Linton, Mr. Charlie (Brewer) cut wood morning. He & Renzoe hauled after dinner. Miss Kate went to Annie Mae's. Linton stayed with me. Got card from Mrs. Pickard.

Mar 9 – Dell & Morris boy came by going to tournament. LaNelle & Ruth came awhile. Linton went to Milan. Mama, Clyde, Brooxie came. Brooxie bawled after Clyde all time.

Mar 10 – Miss Cassye & Ruth came after dinner. Janie Mae & Check (Byrd) came by. Had been to Ray's & Ina Mae's (Stewart). Betty Anne is so sweet. Sleeps nearly all time.

Mar 11 – They worked on well until dinner. Started raining. Linton went to Lavinia & mail box. Got baby book from Arch & Rose (**McDougal – Mimis's brother**) & dress from Aunt Mattie & Geneva (**McDougal**). Rained a lot.

Mar 12 – Linton put meat smoke on the meat. Helped Papa saw wood after dinner. Got card from Irmal. Set up some more. Betty Anne cried more today.

Mar 13 – Linton's birthday – 30 yrs old. Linton went to Milan to see Dr. Hughes about babies navel cord. Hasn't come off yet. Was dark when the got in. I got so worried. Was the first day to walk to the kitchen.

Mar 14 – I swept this floor. They started boring on the hole down under the trees. Wind is so cold. Miss Kate went to Mattie S. Betty Anne slept most of time.

Mar 15 – Miss Kate washed, cooked dinner for well hands & went to Lavinia. Eva came also Mama, Papa & Brooxie. Got letter from Vern, card from Beatrice. Betty Anne is so sweet.

Mar 16 – They started on 6th hole. Are putting down curb now. I still am so weak. Back hurts. Tend to Betty. Make biscuits & sweep little. Walked down to the well.

Mar 17 – The kids were here all morning. Miss Kate was gone all day. Talmage Taylor & Mamie came after dinner. Linton & I cooked dinner. Lay down & took a nap.

(Talmage Taylor was some relation on Daddy's side.)

Mar 18 – Linton & Ranzoe went to Lavinia. Spud & Elmer came to work on well. Poured down rain all afternoon. Had to take Betty Anne in front room to nurse.

Mar 19 – They worked on well all day. Pulled curb out. Started on 7th hole. Linton is so mad. Eva & Ranzoe came. Miss Cassye came brought me some sallet. Betty Anne kept me awake most of night.

Mar 20 – Miss Kate washed over at Miss Cassye's. They worked on the well. Linton wouldn't help much so mad at Mr. Bob. Tended to little Betty.

Mar 21 – They finally got down a well. 14 ft of water. Men fixed up telephone line. Put up new wire here. Miss Kate went to Lavinia. Men brought their dinner.

Mar 22 – Fred & Brooxie. Brooxie fretted all time. Linton to Milan. Mr. Gowan after after derricks. Carried them across the gully.

Mar 23 – Linton went to Milan. Fred came. He & Linton went to the saw mill. Cherry found a little calf. Miss Kate went to Eva's. Betty Anne & I stayed here.

Mar 24 – Hattie, Adriel, Ivan & Gerald came. Hattie brought Betty Anne little pillow & pants.. She p'd on Hattie's riding pants. Snowed the deepest snow last night. Today was Easter Sunday.

Mar 25 – Snow was on the ground all day. Linton went to Lavinia. Wrote Vern. Linton went over to Papa's. Talked to Janie Mae & Annie Mae.

Mar 26 – Linton helped Papa saw in morn. They sawed over here after dinner. Miss Kate went to Lavinia. Betty Anne had colic all afternoon.

Mar 27 – Linton helped Papa saw wood all day. James came after wagon. Betty Anne had colic again after dinner. Went to sleep at 3:30 & I went to sleep too.

Mar 28 – Came a big rain. Tended to little Betty Anne. She gets prettier & sweeter every day.

Mar 29 – Cleaned up & done around. Annie Mae came with James in the wagon.

Mar 30 – After dinner Miss Kate carried Betty Anne over to Mama's. Got pretty tired before I got there. Linton came after supper. Listened to radio. Brooxie got a kick out of watching Linton.

Mar 31 – Eva came to Mama's after dinner. Brooxie sat at the barn finally took up with here. Papa & them went to the saw mill.



April 1, 1940 – Felt bad & tired all day. Papa helped Linton saw wood morning. Miss Kate went to Mrs. Richardson's funeral.

Apr 2 – Miss Kate & Linton planted irish potatoes & garden. Linton carried Betty Anne over to Annie Mae's for me. A negro planted her garden.

Apr 3 – We went over to Miss Cassye’s while in afternoon. Betty Anne is so sweet. Rena had a little girl. **(Rena Fewell – Janie Mae Fewell Byrd’s sister)**

Apr 4 – Miss Kate washed. Sewed some on my dress. Betty Anne has bowel trouble. Went over to Miss Cassye’s about it. Mrs. L. Taylor was there. Called Mama.

Apr 5 – Linton cut ground. Miss Kate went to the play. Betty Anne has bowel trouble. Laughs at me giving her medicine.

Apr 6 – Linton went to Dr. Hughes to get the baby some medicine. Came back with the headache. Miss Cassye came awhile. Washed Betty Anne’s clothes.

Apr 7 – Such a long lonesome day. Andrew Cunningham came after Miss Kate. Ranzoe & Eva came after supper. Didn’t stay long. **(Note: I have not figured out who Ranzoe & Eva were.)**

Apr 8 – Irby Smith came taking census after dinner. Annie Mae came also Mary & Carrie. Was cold. We hugged the fire. Betty Anne just looked at my bouquet of flowers.

Apr 9 – My heifer found a calf. Linton sowed jap seed & broke ground. I washed Betty Anne’s 18 diapers. She bawled nearly all time. Linton had to finish dinner when he got in.

Apr 10 – I went over to Annie Mae’s to see Janie. She brought B.A. cute dress. Janie sure liked to watch her. Janie had to bring her home for me. I felt so terribly bad.

Apr 11 – Fred spent night over here. Stayed all day with me. Rained. Linton went to Lavinia. Tried to catch a way to Milan.

Apr 12 – Annie Mae came awhile this morning. Was so weak all day. Flooding. Eva came after dinner. Linton went to Milan. Got Betty Anne bottles & nipples.

Apr 13 – Linton washed for Betty Anne. Papa & them went to Covington. Clyde stayed over here. James came after wagon.

Apr 14 – Aunt Rena, Uncle Haze & Charles Wilson spent day here. Cleo, Clifford (McAlexander), Mozelle, LaNelle, Ruth, Helen Mc & Lu Ema came. All had lots of fun. Betty Anne was sweet all day. Just laugh.

Apr 15 – Washed some for Betty Anne. Cooked dinner & cleaned up. After dinner Ma Barr, Mama & Brooxie came. Looked around, etc.

Apr 16 – I went to mail box, left Linton with Betty Anne. Got over there didn’t feel like walking back. Linton brought her over there. Brooxie was sick had to be rocked all evening.

Apr 17 – Rained off & on nearly all day. Papa took Ma home. Linton went to Lavinia, mail box & to the saw mill.

Apr 18 – Was rainy and bad all day and cold. Betty Anne is so hoarse. Ranzoe came after some sweet milk.

Apr 19 – Linton washed. I helped a little. Miss Kate came home this morning. Linton went over to the saw mill.

Apr 20 – Linton was gone all day to Milan & Huntingdon. Got letter from Lavern. Got B.A. to sleep went over to Miss Cassye’s about an hour.

Apr 21 – We spent the day over at Mama’s. Went to Heulon’s after dinner. They were gone to preaching. Papa went after them. Aunt Rena came too.

Apr 22- Went over to Eva’s but she was gone. Had to carry Betty Anne all the way back. Rested at Miss Cassye’s. Washed some & raked on yards.

Apr 23 – Linton hauled manure. Was so cool all day. Had to keep big fire. Betty Anne is so sweet.

Apr 24 – Went to mail box & carried Linton some water. Pauline White came. Got one of the pups. Larry came. **(McGowan)** School was out.

Apr 25 – Linton & Miss Kate planted cucumbers. I washed for Betty Anne & cooked dinner. Betty Anne & I went over to Annie Mae's spent the evening.

Apr 26 – Annie Mae & I went to Mama but they were gone. Went on to Eva's. She & Pauline were washing. Came by Miss Cassye's. We were plenty tired.

Apr 27 – Went to Miss Cassye's after dinner. Baked a cake for her. Eva & Pauline came. Pauline got one of her puppies. We all had lots of fun.

Apr 28 – Cooked dinner. Made chocolate cake. Mama & them came after dinner. Hattie & them camel. Wanted us to come over there. Gerald came after supper.

Apr 29 – Ironed, washed for Betty Anne. Miss Kate went to Milan. Linton cut ground. Was very windy.

Apr 30 – Rained a shower or two. Piddled around all day. Tended to Betty Anne as usual. Clyde, Fred, & Brooxie came.



Mama with Dixie

May 1, 1940 – Spent the day over at Mama's. Made my yellow spun rayon dress. Linton came over there for dinner. Then came back after me.



Raymell with her mother, Flauda Barr Replogle

May 2 – Worked some on my dress. Is so cool. Tended to Betsy.

May 3 – Washed for Betty Anne. Washed the windows. Miss Kate went to Lavinia. Linton plowed.

May 4 – Such a long – long day. Campbell came & bought 2 pigs. \$10.04. washed little for B.A.

May 5 – B.A, watched Linton shave. We went over to Mama's about 11. ate dinner. Then went out to Lavinia. Everyone thought Betty Anne was so cute. She had to nurse when everyone came around.

May 6 – The saw mill crew moved in over at the little house. I went over there & helped a little. Am so afraid the kids have the whooping cough.

May 7 – Washed for Betty Anne & done around. Went over to Miss Cassye's. Annie Mae came over there. Eva came by. We cut Annie Mae a mess of sallet.

May 8 – Linton left to go to Huntingdon before daylight. Betty Anne slept late. I got up 7 cooked his breakfast. Fixed rug up the steps.

May 9 – Ironed. Moped kitchen. Carried Linton some water. Went to mail box. Got some sallet & the (?). Brooxie doesn't like Betty Anne.

May 10 – Mrs. Hickerson & kids, Miss Kate & I went to the saw mill. Left Betty Anne at McGowan's. I enjoyed watching them saw. Sure have fast hands.

May 11 – Washed. Linton & Mis Kate went to Laina. Ben got here about 6. He thought Betty Anne was so cute. We went to bed about 9.

May 12 – We took some pictures. Linton & Ben & Gerald took the dinner bell down. He left at 9:15. Ruth came. Such a long day. Kate went to Lizzie Robertsons.

May 13 – Cooked dinner. Charlotte, Bonnie, Ruth & I went to Mama's. Clyde & Fred planted with them all evening. Marie was coming down the road.

May 14 – Went over to Mrs. Hickerson's awhile. Slept a lot after dinner. Feel so bad. Days are so long.

May 15 – Went over to Mama's & spent the day. We canned 5 qts of berries. Went to Fisher's after potato slips. Then by Lavinia.

May 16 – Washed for Betty Anne. Went over to McGowan's after supper to the musical. Saw mill hands played. Every room was full. Poor little Betty Anne couldn't hardly go to sleep.

May 17 – Kate went to Annie Rust. Linton went to Lavinia. Over to Mama's after berries. Betty Anne was so sweet. Lays in her bed so good.

May 18 – Linton, Elbert, Larry & Dennis are off hunting crows. I've done around all day. Germany is taking all the European countries.

May 19 – We went to Ma's She had the best dinner. Was decoration at Hopewell. Went on to Aunt Avie's. Linton stayed here. They thought Betty Anne was sweet.

May 20 – Mama, Fred & Brooxie came. Was hot out doors. Gathered Mama spinach & lettuce. Betty Anne is a little darling. Is so good.



Betty Anne

May 21 – Fred brought me a gallon of berries. Made 2 ½ pts of jam. Wish it would rain. Opal came after lettuce. Linton planted corn. Plowed cu. & potatoes.

May 22 – Fred brought me some more berries. Went to Annie Mae's. She was gone. Charlotte & I went on over to Mama's. Stewart drawed me a bucket of water.

May 23 – Rained last night & drizzled all day. Eva came. The kids too frolicked at the barn. Betty Anne didn't much like Eva.

May 24 – Linton & I washed a big washing.

May 25 – I ironed. Betty Anne pictures came. The little gals went with me over there. One Hill girl selling candy.



May 26 – Cooked a chocolate cake. Linton got his hair cut. We spent the evening over at Miss Cassye's. Nearly all were gone. Delmar, Dennis, Larry & Linton rolled wheel.

May 27 – Done around all day. Betty Anne stays in her bed nearly all time. Wears the toes out of her booties kicking.

May 28 – Went to Annie Mae's early. She was gone. Fred brought me some peas. Went to Mama's after dinner. Am always so give out.

May 29 – Cotton not up much & it dieing. Jersey split her teat on wire fence. Is so cool all time. War raging in Europe. Worries Worries.

May 30 – Done around all day. Keeps me busy. But Betty is sweet. I just love her little bones.

May 31 – Miss Cassye, Ruth, & Opal came awhile. Betty Anne & I were asleep.

June 1, 1940 – Linton went to Huntingdon after his phosphate. I sold Cherry's calf to Campbell for \$11. Went to Mama's. Eva called, came on down there. Kate came by, then came on home with us.

June 2 - Clyde & Fred spent the night over here. And all day. Dell came. Such a lonely old day as usual.

June 3 – Done around all day. Washed for Betty the sweet little thing.

June 4 – Took Betty Anne over at Miss Cassye's. Went to see Eva. She was on the bed. Evelyn was there.

June 5 – Went to Annie Mae's awhile in morning. She was hoeing cotton. Saw 2 snakes coming back, one went in the bush, had to go way around it.

June 6 – We washed & washed them quilts. Nell didn't come up. Am so tired & worried.

June 7 – Linton found poor old Nell in gully dead. Poor old thing. I spent the day over at Mama's. Linton went to Milan.

June 8 – Linton, Ranzoe, & Cecil went to Milan. Rained.

June 9 – went to Mama's after dinner. Arch, Rose (**McDougal**), Wilmuth & Doris Jean (**Perkins**), & Miss Kate stopped & got us. Carried us to McGowan's.



so she would This is a 9th grade picture of Doris Jean Perkins made in 1951 have been about 3 years old in 1940. She was the daughter of Wilmuth Hickman Perkins, Wilmuth was Kate Kizer's niece. Daddy's cousin.

June 10 – We went to Milan. Got me a pair of slippers. Got Betty Anne pictures taken. Came the biggest rains. Annie Mae came.

June 11 – Hoed a little cotton. Cooked dinner. Washed for Betty Anne. She is so sweet.

June 12 – Got up at 3 to cook breakfast for Linton. He went to Will Stewart's. Went back to bed. Eva & Evelyn came awhile. Kate went to Lavinia.

June 13 – Washed a very large washing. Nearly killed me. Then tried to hoe a little cotton.

June 14 – Had the old bowel complaint after dinner. Threw up all afternoon. Ironed all morning.

June 15 – Feel bad. Hoed some in the garden. Done around all day as usual.

June 16 – Got ready to go to Janie Mae's but it started raining. Irmal & Clifford came about dinner. We went over there. Irmal & I came back over here. They went home.

June 17 – Went to Eva's. She helped make me a dress. Betty Anne laughed at Mr. Charlie plowing. Eva came back to Miss Cassye's with us.

June 18 – Cooked dinner. Put up 3 qts of beets. Washed for Betty. Hemmed my dress. went to the mail box. Stayed busy as usual.

June 19 – Miss Kate was real sick today with bowel complaint. Went over to Mrs. Cassye's yesterday.

June 20 – Miss Kate was still sick. Mrs. Hickerson went to the mill. I went to the mail box late.

June 21 – I put up 14 half gal kraut over at Mama's after dinner. Am so tired. Brooxie came home with me. (Brooxie's 4th birthday) Slept in the dining room. Wanted to sleep upstairs.

June 22 – We went to Milan. Was so hot. B.A. nearly burned up. Took her to Franklin's to see Mildred. Saw Mrs. Hatcher. LaNelle was here when we got back.

June 23 – Linton & I went to Janie Mae's & Check's. B.A. was tired & fretful in the morning. Augusta tended to her a lot. Will Utley was there. L? Smith & Bobby. They came part of the way back with us.

June 24 – Rained some today. Linton plowed corn with James' mule. I hoed a little cotton out here. Opal came after kerosene.

June 25 – Went to Annie Mae's. She was canning beans. Helped her a little. Bonnie Ruth & I went to the mail box. Was pretty tired.

June 26 – Linton & I hoed sorghum all morning. Left B.A. at Annie Mae's. Linton went to Milan. I drew wash water. Was so tired. June 26 – Linton & I hoed sorghum all morning. Left B.A. at Annie Mae's. Linton went

June 27 – Washed. Got done at 10. Charlotte stayed with Betty Anne. Was so tired. Cut a few weeds. Miss Cassye & Opal came.

June 28 – Ironed morning. Linton went to pack shed. Hasn't got back. Miss Kate went to Lavinia. I went to Carrie's. Came a big rain. Howard Lee aggravating. Got so muddy. **(Note: Howard Lee Ezell was Carrie & Finis Ezell's son. Howard Lee just died last year – 2006)**

June 29 – Add (?) & Check came. Check bought a heifer calf \$7. We went to Papa's. Spent the night. Listened to radio. Moth balls nearly smothered us all night.

June 30 – Sat around all day over at Papa's. Listened to kids fuss & cuss. Clara came home.



Betty Ann & bath time

July 1, 1940 – Eva came by at 3. I went to Lavinia with her. Betty was so mean. Would cry. Must felt bad. Stopped at Irene's. Up to Miss Effie's & Miss Annie's, down to Bess Utley's, over to Jennings', out Miss Etta to see a bunch. Back to Irene's, drank milk, ate candy. Stopped at Miss Nina's. Was dark when we got home.

July 2 – Canned 7 qts beans. Annie Mae came & Eva. Got Eva a mess of beans. Mrs. Laura invited us over there the fourth.

July 3 – I baked a cake. Done around all day preparing for tomorrow.

July 4 – Spent day over at Mr. Herschel's. Had nice dinner. Truck load went to Beech Lake. Cleo, Clifford (McAlexander), Linton & I went in the car. Went boat riding. Clara, David, Virginia & I, Louise & an bunch went in swimming. We ate supper when we got back. Rest went home & milked came back. Made cream. Poor little Betty Anne couldn't sleep & was worn out.

July 5 – Went to Mama's. Made 6 half gal kraut. Brooxie came home with me. Went to McGowan's after supper. Clara & bunch came. Hattie & Adriel were there. Brooxie finally got wound up & did she talk.

July 6 – Was so sleepy & tired this morning. Lay down & went to sleep. Clyde came after Brooxie. Has been cool all day.

July 7 – The kids spent the day over here. Mama, Papa, Brooxie came after dinner. Papa had to carry baby Brooxie home about 3. Was so cool & cloudy all day. Like fall.

July 8 – Was rainy most of the day. Linton went to Lavinia. Went to Miss Cassye's late. She was coming here. Betty Anne is the sweetest thing.

July 9 – Was sick all night & day with the most terrible cold. Took aspirins. Feel like I've got the flue. Lay around & tended to precious little Betty Anne.

July 10 – Pile(?) worked me. Got to feeling better. Annie Mae came brought Dutch home. Eva & Evelylin came. Linton washed.

July 11 – Felt lots better. Mrs. Pickard sent Betty Anne shoulder shawl, dress, bib, panties & me hose. Eva & Evelylyn went to Lavinia. Miss Kate went to Lavinia.

July 12 – Carried Linton water. He & I picked gal berries. I canned 2 qts. Hill girls came selling candy. Rained afternoon. Betty is in her bed talking. Linton is gone to McGowan's.

July 13 – Linton & I picked 2 gal berries. I canned them. Went over to Mama's in afternoon. She & I went where Papa & Dell were cutting logs to build house. Linton went to Milan.

July 14 – Went to Ma Barr's. Came back by Freida's to see her baby. K? was mad as usual. Betty Anne is a little darling.

July 15 – Went to Annie Mae's. Spent the night with her as James was at the pack shed. Slept pretty good. Betty was good. Drank tea & had fun.

July 16 – The sun rise in our face. Helped Annie Mae & came home. K. went to Van Dykes (VanDyke Adams – Mimi's cousin – son of Dr. Pete Adams). Linton & I gathered beans & broke them.

July 17 – Canned 4 qts of beans. Dug in garden, 2 qts kraut. Mopped floor & washed Betsy's diapers. Cooked dinner. Am so tired. Annie Mae came after hoe.

July 18 – I washed. Annie Mae brought hoe home. Went to Mama's. Got letter from Vern.

July 19 – Noticed Betty Anne's first toothie. Ironed. Cooked dinner. They dug irish potatoes. Linton & Elbert measured cotton ground.

July 20 – My birthday – 20. Went to Miss Cassye's awhile. Eva came. We went to ice cream supper at Mr. Strayhorn's. Betty Anne slept all time. Had music. Large crowd. Dell spent night here.

July 21 – Went to Aunt Beatrice's..(**Beatrice Replogle Gowan – Papa's sister**) They weren't there. Went to Kittie's & Georgie's. They were gone. Car battery fell out & burst. Ate dinner at Rostellers(?). Such a day. Enjoyed being with them though.

July 22 – Was so hot. Worked all day as usual. Betty Anne sure is growing.

July 23 – Went to Miss Cassye's awhile. Eva & Ranzoe sister was there. They came back with me to get some beans.

July 24 – Linton helped Papa cut logs. I went to Eva's. A Mrs. Smith from ____ stayed there. She carried us to mill in car. Didn't saw any.

July 25 – Canned 9 qts tomatoes. Kate went to Fannie Caldwell's. Went to Mama's. Brooxie came home with me. Is so hot.

July 26 – Stayed busy all day. Brooxie asking me a million questions over & over. Linton went to cotton meeting.

July 27 – The Hill girls came selling candy & ate dinner here. I baked a cake. Eva came. Miss Kate came home. Eva helped me gather & shell some beans.

July 28 – Heulon, Imogene, & Nathaniel & Papa’s folks spent day here. Had dinner cooked when they got here. Heulon brought me some honey. Had a nice time. Brooxie & kids eating all time.

July 29 – Done around all day. Went to the mail box. Is so hot.

July 30 – Miss Kate went to Pleasant Hill. I washed. Linton helped Papa haul hay. Ironed after dinner. Was so tired.

July 31 – Has rained some. Is thundering. Linton is at Lavinia. Went over to Miss Cassye’s to get some salt. Linton & I went to tomato patch to get tomatoes.



Betty Ann & Dixie

August 1, 1940 – We helped Papa move back to the old house. Was a job. Miss Kate worked at the election. Linton went after dinner. I helped Mama straighten up.

Aug 2 – Linton, Check Byrd, & John Utley helped Papa tear his house down. Went to preaching with Finace Ezell. Stayed school house all evening watching them can. Betty Anne was the sweetest thing.

Aug 3 – Went over to the house where they were working. They finished tearing down the house. Cleaned up a little.

Aug 4 – Janie Mae & Check (Byrd) spent day here. Eva, Marie & Dell came. We went piece way with them Met Mama & Papa coming up to the house.

Aug 5 – Eva came awhile. Brought me some grapes. She & I gathering some butterbeans.

Aug 6 – Went to Mama’s. She & I came back to house & watched them awhile. Linton went a fishing with McGowan boys.

Aug 7 – I went to M. preaching. Ate dinner at Miss Nina’s. Went to see Mattie S. & Miss Fannie after dinenr. Buried M. Fannie. Annie Mae kept Jan out. I kept Betty.

Aug 8 – I washed a big washing. Stomach is bothering me. **She** went to preaching to stay all night & was I glad.

Aug 9 – Came a real good rain. Spent day at Mama’s. Papa had to carry us in car.

Aug 10 – Tended to Betty Anne. Linton went to Milan. Was hot.

Aug 11 – Linton had the toothache bad all day. Eva & Evelyln came awhile. Was hot as usual.

Aug 12 – Stayed all evening at the house. Mama was up there too. I went & got a watermelon for us to eat. Linton got 2 teeth pulled.

Aug 13 – Miss Kate & I went to Mama's. Got a watermelon. Got some peas. Listened to the radio.

Aug 14 – Done around here all day. Drew wash water. Worked in the garden. Cooked dinner. James came after the wagon.

Aug 15 – I washed. Tended to Betty Anne. She crys after me. But is so sweet.

Aug 16 – Went to Mama's. Stayed all day. She & I went up to the house. They get along so slow. Brooxie stepped on a nail.

Aug 17 – Cooked a cake for the ice cream supper was lightening. Didn't go. Linton went to Milan. Spellings' baby was born. **(Note: This would be Billy Blake Spellings born to Mrs. Nina Spellings. Naomi Spellings Ogle is his sister. His father was building Papa's house at this time when he received the call that Miss Nina was in labor. Billy Blake grew up to work for the FBI in Washington, DC until he retired.)**

Aug 18 – We went to Papa's after dinner. Came a big rain. Betty & I stayed. Linton went home. Slept so good. Turned cool.

Aug 19 – Helped Papa cook breakfast. Had the most terrible cold all day. Clyde was sick on the bed. Ate watermelons.

Aug 20 – I went to Annie Mae's. Came home at 3:30. Canned some tomatoes. Miss Kate went to wait on Nina Spellings.

Aug 21 – Made 3 pts pepper relish. Cooked dinner. Cleaned up. Went to sleep at 1:30 slept till 3. Miss Betty Anne wet Linton.

Aug 22 – Washed Annie Mae came. Spent evening. Went to Miss Cassye after she left. Hattie was there.

Aug 23 – Miss Kate came home. I ironed. Preston came to measure cotton ground.

Aug 24 – Linton & I went to Milan with Papa. Stayed all evening to get some iron fixed. Took Betty's pictures. Caught thunder when we got home. Papa wanted me to stay all night.

Aug 25 – Such a terrible day. Linton got over there about 10. We came home at 3. Miss Cassye & Opal were here.

Aug 26 – Went to see Lee (**Brewer Long**). Lizzie Taylor & Vera came. Lee, Eva & I came by mill & on to McGowan's. We ate watermelons. Was nearly dark when we got home.

Aug 27 – Cecil (**McGowan**) & them cut these trees down here. Kate went to the mill. Canned 3 qts tomatoes.

Aug 28 – Done around all day. Rained. Linton went squirrel hunting. Lady from Atwood came after Miss Kate.

Aug 29 – Made Betty a dress out of my drill scarf/ Cooked supper. Went over to Mama's. Dell still on the bed. Went to thundering. I came home. Finished covering house.

Aug 30 – Washed all morning. Ironed after dinner. Tied Betty Anne in her little chair. Milton came & brought a saw.

Aug 31 – Linton went to Lavinia. I went to Miss Nina's with him. Talked to her all evening. Was so tired when I got home. Fred & Clyde spent night.



Betty Ann & Dutch

September 1, 1940 – Went to Mama’s after dinner. Aunt Avie, Bud, & Ma Barr were there. We all stopped & looked at the house. Rode back with Gerald. Marie & Eldon were over there.

Sept 2 – Stayed around here all day. Busy. Put in Betty’s quilt. She is so sweet. Sits in here chair so long.

Sept 3 – Linton helped Papa in his hay. Went to Annie Mae. She was so over Janie. ?? “Another baby.” ??

Sept 4 – Annie Mae came help me quilt all afternoon. Linton cut in our hay. Washed for Betty Anne.

Sept 5 – Finished quilting Betty’s quilt. Wylia (**Brewer**) helped Linton haul hay. I stayed busy as usual. Hogs getting out.

Sept 6 – I went over to Mama’s. Irby helped Betty Anne over fence. Rode back with Bob Gowan. Dell still on the bed.

Sept 7 – Worked all day. Miss Cassye came over brought some squirrel stew. Linton went to Lavinia.

Sept 8 – Clyde & Fred came. Gerald & Opal. Miss Kate came home. Brooxie went home. Was a lonesome day.

Sept 9 – Washed morning. Went to Miss Cassye’s awhile after dinner.

Sept 10 – Annie Mae came. She & I went to Mattie Lou’s. She was asleep. Stopped at Miss Mattie’s awhile. Was real cool. Need fires.

Sept 11 – Miss Kate & I went to Miss Laura’s. Was so tired when got home. Miss Kate went out to Wilmuth’s. (**Wilmuth Hickman Perkins – Kate’s niece.**)

Sept 12 – Went to Rodella’s shower at Erline’s. Nice crowd. Served chocolate & cakes. Miss Nina & I went to see Wilmuth. Is sick. Betty was good only afraid of so many. Carrie, Annie Mae & I walked home.

Sept 13 – Had sore throat. Went back over to Mama. Carried Dell squirrel. Felt so bad. Linton went too.

Sept 14 – Had hot fever all night. Felt awful. But got up & worked it off. Linton went to Milan to pay insurance.

Sept 15 – Mama & them came in car after dinner. Wanted me to help them move tomorrow.

Sept 16 – Went to Mama’s. They moved. Me & Dell put up all the shades. I came home was so give out. (**This would be the house that Carolyn will be born in in 1945.**)

Sept 17 – Cooked dinner. Cleaned up. Helped Linton draw water. Went to Miss Cassye awhile. Mr Albert was there.

Sept 18 – Miss Cassye & me went to see Marie & Miss Annie over at Charlie's We all came on to Mama's to see her new house.

Sept 19 – Piddled all day here. Betty is the sweetest little thing. Is so good. Wouldn't take nothing for her.

Sept 20 – Went over to Mama's after dinner & washed. Mopped her floors. Linton helped me get over there. Betty Anne was good.

Sept 21 – Miss Cassye & Opal came. I cleaned up a little. Linton stripped sorghum.

Sept 22 – Such a long day. Clyde & Fred stayed over here. Linton went to Lavinia.

Miss Kate came home from **Wilmuth's. They carried her to Bolivar.** (Never heard this before) **(Note: A little trivia gossip about Wilmuth. In 1935, Wilmuth Hickman Roe married J. Herbert Perkins. She was previously married to a Roe – don't if he died or they divorced. Wilmuth had a son by him – Carl Roe. In 1936, Herbert Perkins was murdered. The rumor was that Carl who was just a boy about 12 years old shot him and killed him. But there are people who believe that Wilmuth killed him and Carl took the blame because he was just a boy and they wouldn't do anything to him. Herbert was supposed to be mean and drinking. Wilmuth had a child by him named Doris Jean Perkins. Don't know what happened to him. And I don't know what happened to Wilmuth and where she is buried. Herbert Perkins is buried in the Methodist Church Cemetery in Lavinia, TN.)**

Sept 23 – I picked 46 lbs cotton this morning. Went to Mama's after dinner to see Ma Barr. Helped Papa & Mr. Spellings paint some on the house. Linton hauled sorghum.

Sept 24 – Ma & Mama came this morning. Kindly rained all day. They had to stay all night. We had fun. Ma talking so much.

Sept 25 – Linton made sorghum 23 gal. 15 gal for us. Wind was so cold. I went home with Mama & Ma.. Made Mama 4 pr of curtains. Betty Anne is so sweet.

Sept 26 – Picked cotton. Tended to sweet little Betty. Washed for her. I love her so much.

Sept 27 – Picked cotton hard this morning. Miss Kate went to Lavinia after dinner. I couldn't pick so went to Mama's. Mr. Spellings was painting on house.

Sept 28 – Picked little cotton this morning. Miss Kate & I went to Mr. Lee Taylors. Enjoyed the evening. Miss L. & Betty Sue came piece way with us. Newell's were picking cotton.

Sept 29 – Cooked dinner. Linton stayed over at McGowans all morning. We went to Papa's after dinner. Dell came back with us. Remember Dell tying cow bell on Dutch.

Sept 30 – Picked cotton.

October 1, 1940 – Picked cotton way over yonder. Went to Miss Cassye after tub. Betty Anne & Miss Kate was over there.

Oct 2 – I washed. Miss Kate went to the fair with Talmage Taylor. Carried Miss Cassye's tub home.

Oct 3 – Picked cotton. It nearly kills me & don't give any milk for Betty Anne.

Oct 4 – Heulon Smith came after our cotton. 3 ¾. Went to mail box. Mama & Brooxie came home with me. Annie Mae came.

Oct 5 – Linton went to Huntingdon. I ironed & done around. Picked some cotton.

Oct 6 – The kids came. We went over to the old place. Ruth, Opal, & Delmar went with us. Heulon & Miss Ethel came to Papa's. (**Ethel Giles – Heulon's mother-in-law**)

Oct 7 – Picked cotton.

Oct 8 – Picked cotton. Betty Anne can pat a cake.

Oct 9 – Picked cotton. Our order came. Got Betty a swing.

Oct 10 – Felt bad but washed. Went to mail box. Carried Linton water. Picked & put in his sack. Am expected to work if it kills me by **her**.

Oct 11 – Picked cotton.

Oct 12 – Picked cotton.

Oct 13 – We spent day over at Papa's. Mr Small came after his mule. Had to talk to him. Was deaf. Papa & Linton went to Blankenship to pay them

Oct 14 – Picked cotton. Betty Anne is so sweet. I love her so much.

Oct 15 – Linton carried bale of cotton off. Went to Mama's. Made me two slips & Betty Anne a dress. Was cold – damp & rainy.

Oct 16 – All the boys went to register. 17 million registered. Picked cotton in afternoon.

Oct 17 – Picked cotton.

Oct 18 – We picked cotton. Went over to Mama's at dinner. Came home went to cotton field. Got letter from Vern. Card from Irmal.

Oct 19 – We went to Covington. Stopped at Brownsville & got few things. Was after sun down when we got there. Linton hated to see us go. Dell stayed here.

Oct 20 – Betty woke me & Irmal at 4. She slept in big rocker. Preacher W.C. came in. Miss Maggie & Miss Brumley. Had good dinner. Left at 2. Got home before sundown. Linton was glad to see us home.

Oct 21 – Linton & I picked cotton all day way over yonder. Is such pretty clear weather.

Oct 22 – Picked cotton all day. Betty Ann pats a cake. Says “huh” when you call her & waves by-by. She is so sweet.

Oct 23 – Picked cotton all day. Got so tired & weak. Elbert came over there to check cotton ground.

Oct 24 – Linton is gone tonight with a bale of cotton. We finished the 3rd bale. I went to Annie Mae's awhile. A bunch pulled in on her for supper.

Oct 25 – We picked pears this morning. Miss Kate went to Lavinia & on to Lizzie Robinson. Didn't get to pick no more. I cleaned up a little. Went to Mrs. Carrie awhile. Was quilting.

Oct 26 – Went to Mama's to sew. After dinner we went to Milan. Had to park where we didn't get to see anyone. Linton came back with us. He was sick all night.

Oct 27 – We went to Ma Barr's. Linton was sick all night. Sat around down there. Listened to the radio. We took pictures after we got home.

Oct 28 – Linton has gone to Huntingdon. I took a roll of films on Betty Ann. Mailed tghem. Felt bad. Took a pill last night. Dell & Ruth came by.

Oct 29 – Rained. Linton went hunting. Killed 3 squirrels. Dell came through. Worked some on Mama's appliqué scarf.

Oct 30 – Picked more cotton. Joe Mays rented little house. They moved in. Am taking bad cold. Feel so bad.

Oct 31 – Linton went to Huntingdon & got his check \$32. Made qt pepper relish. Ironed some. Betty & I went to Lena's. Started raining. Linton had to bring coats.

November 1, 1940 – Picked cotton.

Nov 2 – Picked cotton.

Nov 3 – Betty & I went to preaching with Miss Kate. Betty cut up all time with the little kids. Came back with James & Annie Mae. Mama & them came. Also Lina & Joe.

Nov 4 – Picked cotton. Lena helped. Was pretty & clear.

Nov 5 – Miss Kate went helped hold election. It rained. Linton went out there awhile. He & Joe went hunting. Lena came. Wilkie vs Roosevelt.



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Wilkie Campaign Parade

1940: ROOSEVELT vs. WILKIE

Nov 6 – *ROOSEVELT* was elected for 3rd term. Annie Mae came this morn. We quilted on Betty Ann's quilt. James & Raymond Andrew got _____ up. (drafted??)

Nov 7 – Lena washed. I picked cotton.

Nov 8 – Linton & I picked cotton. Lena & Joe (Mays – the new renters in the little house) went to Jackson. Linton tends to their things. Was tired when night came.

Nov 9 – Picked 25 lbs this morn. Was cloudy & cold is raining. Linton & Miss Kate went to Lavinia. I went to the mail box.

Nov 10 – Rained all day. Joe & Lena didn't get back until after dark. The kids all came over.

Nov 11 – Linton & Gerald cut some wood. Linton built him a hog house. Papa came. B.A. & I went back with him. Wind blew so & was so cold.

Nov 12 – Washed this morning. Miss Kate left went to Bernice S. bro'. Went over to Lena's awhile. We baked a cake. Filling boiled over on stove.

Nov 13 – Was cold all day. Linton went to Lavinia. He & Sam gathered on our corn in afternoon.

Nov 14 – Linton helped Sam Moore gather corn all day. Kept me trotting keeping fires. Is so cold. Put fruit away. Baked cake. Cooked dinner.

Nov 15 – Linton cut wood by himself. He helped cut for Mr. Luther Moore this morning.

Nov 16 – Sam Moore came by. He & Linton cut wood. I cooked dinner for them. Went over to Lena's awhile.

Nov 17 – We spent day over at Papa's. Mama had a good dinner. Papa & Brooxie went over to the saw mill. Lena stopped in.

Nov 18 – Lena & I went over to Annie Mae's. Rochdella was there. We played cards. Raymond Andrew came. Linton helped Mr. Charlie kill hogs.

Nov 19 – I washed this morning. Cooked dinner & drew my water. Tended to Betty Ann. Felt too tired all evening but had to clean up.

Nov 20 – Lena, Betty & I went to Mama's this afternoon. Has warmed up. Guess it'll rain tonight. Betty Ann is so cute with her little bows.

Nov 21 – Linton got through picking cotton. Ironed some. Lena came over. Thundered rained all day.

Nov 22 – Linton went to Lavinia. Miss Kate came in. Lena & I went to the mail box. Mail hadn't run. Went to McGowan to pay some ginger bark.

Nov 23 – Linton went to Milan. I made Betty Ann a skirt & blouse dress with suspenders. Does she look cute?

Nov 24 – Mr. Luther Moore was buried at 2 o'clock. Linton helped dig his grave. Was so bad all day. Wet & raining. Fred & Clyde spent day over here.

Nov 25 – Was pretty bad all day. Went to mail box.

Nov 26 – Washed some. Went to the mail box.

Nov 27 – Killed our hog over at James'. Joe & Lena killed theirs over there. Helped Annie Mae cook dinner. She went to Jackson with Carrie Ezelle.

Nov 28 – Ground of sausage 34 lbs. Helped Lena grind hers. Miss Kate & Linton went to Lavinia. She got a sack of commodities. Raisins, meal, meat, cabbage, & lard.

Nov 29 – Iva Miller came after the cotton. Went over to McGowan's awhile.

Nov 30 – Was bad all day. The kids stayed over here. They went to Mr. Charlie's late. I read some.

December 1, 1940 – Went to see Mama awhile. Linton had to walk the floor with Betty Ann while I was gone. Lay down & Annie Mae, Raymond, & Rodella came. Also Miss Carrye & Opal.

Dec 2 – Went to Mama's. Did a big ironing. Mama is sick. Spent the night. Listened to the radio.

Dec. 3 – Snowed some. Helped Papa cook breakfast & clean up. Linton came after me. Came home about 11. Lena came.

Dec 4 – Went to Annie Mae's to get my goulashes. Raymond Andrew & Roedella were there. Washed. Lena came.

Dec 5 – Went over to Mama's. Cooked dinner for them. Papa and Linton sawed wood.

Dec 6 – I scoured in living room & moved things. Linton went hunting with Jim Osborne & 2 others. Mopped the kitchen. Am tired.

Dec 7 – Linton went to Milan. Went to mail box. Up to Mama's awhile.

Dec 8 – Went to preaching with Carrie & them. Went to Papa's. Heulon, kids, Aunt Lorena & Uncle Haze were there. Beat Heulon playing checkers. Had fun.

Dec 9 – Miss Kate & I went to Lavinia. Left Betty Ann with Lena & Joe. Commodities hadn't come. Went to Miss Etta & Miss E. Forgot Linton's order. Made me feel bad.

Dec 10 – Linton helped Mr. Charlie gather corn. Miss Kate went to Lavinia to mail order to get Linton's suit. Helped Lena quilt some.

Dec. 11 – Went to Lavinia early to mail an order. Met Papa & them going to Ma Barr's. Linton helped Mr. Charlie gather corn. Was terrible warm today.

Dec 12 – Annie Mae & James came last night. Joe & Linton have gone to Lavinia. Rained. Is a sale at Luther Moore's. Betty has real bad cold.

Dec 13 – I made Linton stay with Betty Ann while I got out a little. Went to Papa's. Helped paint some.

Dec 14 – Was an old gloomy day. Linton went to Lavinia to get order. He & Dennis (Brewer) went hunting. I went helped Papa paint little.

Dec 15 – Rained all day. Was a long day. Dell came over. Linton popped some corn.

Dec 16 – Linton went to Milan to send rent money. Miss Kate started working in the basement.

Dec 17 – C.S. Felt so bad. Didn't do much but sit around & tend to Betty. Linton & C. gathered corn.

Dec 18 – Went to Mama's. Helped Papa paint in living room. We went to Milan. Did some shopping.

Dec 19 – I washed. Lena & Joe moved to Exp. Station. Betty & I went over there awhile. Varnished few things.

Dec 20 – Varnished things in here. Linton & I put up Christmas tree. Bake a cake. Betty Ann is so sweet. She got sweater from Denver. **(That would be from Mrs. James A. (Amanda) McDougal – Kate Kizer's sister-in-law. James, her brother, was already dead and his wife, Amanda, was living in Denver, CO with her son Robert McDougal who was a lawyer there.)**

Dec 21 – I spent day over at Mama's. Linton at Lavinia. Wonder why didn't hear from Vern. Was pretty day.

Dec 22 – Mama & them spent day over here. Me & Mama walked over to McGowan's awhile. The hot air. **Lee (Brewer – married to Clark Long)** called. They were at Charlie's **(Brewer)**. Went over helped Linton feed Joe's mules.

Dec 23 – We washed. Went to Mr. Edd's & Miss Laura's. Mr. Hershel sick on bed. They got box candy from Clara. Were tired carrying Betty.

Dec 24 – We went to Milan. Taxi brought Lavern abt 7:30. Were we surprised? Was so glad to see her. Clyde, Fred & Brooxie were asleep.

Dec 25 – We all spent day over at Papa's. Miss Kate came home after dinner. I got 4 aprons. Vern gave us all some thing. Mrs. Pickard sent a box. Brooxie crawled under bed.

Dec 26 – Went to Ma Barr's. She had a very good dinner. Vern came home with me. Miss Kate was gone. We had lots of fun.

Dec 27 – Was rainy all day. Lavern & I cooked dinner. Made good fruit salad. The kids came. I went to the mail box with them. Betty Ann likes Vern.

Dec 28 – Washed for Betty. Papa & them went to Covington. Went to Annie Mae's. Helped finish quilt & take it out. Linton went to Lavinia. Got commodities.

Dec 29 – Lena, Joe, Joe T. & Ruth came stayed awhile. We went to Mr. Charlie's. Marie & Eldon were there, also bunch of men. Marie & I sat in front room.

Dec 30 – I washed. Was pretty day. Miss Cassye came over. Linton got his suit. Was



pretty good. Talked to Mama. Daddy & his new suit.

Dec. 31 – I ironed. Cleaned up. Went to mail box. Lavern came back from Covington. Papa met her at Woodhill. Linton got check notice.

