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By Pops on hand Mary E + C.T.

I was borned in Montague County, TEX June 22 1892, We lived in belchervill ,Tex untell
My Brother was borned in June 13 1898, brother died April 19 1971,
We lived at Belchervill untell April are May of 1892, we left for Inden Territory,
We crossed red river on a ferry boat it went about 20ft we had to water the horses
So they would not stop in the sand and water. it was quick sand, we was in a coverd
Wagon of corse, Mother was sick for a year are two after my Brother, was borned,
Dady went up to fort Sill, to build flews in new Officers houses. I went with him and
Stayed in camp, at medicen bluff, on
Medison creek. they had the Apche indins in camp about a mile from there
Old Gronmore the fighting Cheif, of his tribe. the Aphece, idont think I speled it right.
While I was in camp, I saw lots of travelers camp in that prety bottom. but a soldar
would come make them move on,, just about the time they would get camp set upthe soldar
Make them load up and move on, I have seen soldars cry talking to me it was 30 miles to
The closes town, The calvery used the 30/40 calaber crag jackison rifel. you loaded it on
the side, it helt 5 shots in mag.... and one in the barriol,

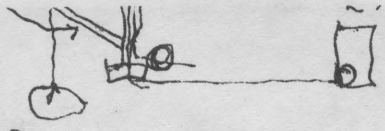
i am just writening this as I think of it,
So if you find it all mixed up just go on keep reading,

When goning across the indan countary, at one place i dont remember whare, i saw cross
timbers. that is whot they called them, some was a mile wide some was not over 100 ft
Wide. isaw where 2are3 storms had went through, one looked like it was a block and ½ wide
others was smollas 50 ft wide the only timber was oak and black jack the most pulled
up by the roots some large ones was twisted off. they was in piles 20ft high and about a
hundred ft around, between the timber was grass and did not have no brush, you could look
down the edges they would be stright just like they had bin planted?? I saw three places
where storms went through, the wide strip of timber, the storm that hit it was at least
three hundred ft wide there was not A tree left standing, some of the large trees was twested
offnot puled up. Well this is anuf about cross timbers and stormes.

Mmby I should tell about when i started to lurn to be a bricklayer we lived in Marlow IT.
A man by name of Penneypacker, was building a new house on his farm, he wanted some one to
Build flews, dady taken the job he was sick when he got ready, he told me to take the wagon
andTeam go out there and start the job when he felt better he would come, I got aboy to
Help me and out we went when we got there we taken the tools off, I toled the boy to make
up morter, the man who owned the place ask me when my dad was comming. I said he was sick
he didnot want me to start he said i was to young to lay brick, I said leather start and
show him are i lead up the tools and go home, he said go to it, me and the boy laid brick
all day then to little beaver creek, and fished untell bed time, you see we batched out ther
I got both flews to the shingles built my scofland to stand on and put brick and morter on
Dady came out that a m. to help me, he built one flew to the top I the other. dad let me
Have the the level, I built flew plum he got his a little croked the old man said I was the
best bricklayer, boy I got 10ft tall when he said that,
We first stoped in Duncan IT, then about 1900, we went to sulpher IT, Mother was still sick
The timber was in spots, and oak and blackjack, we got a few acres to clear on half way hill
Between Davis and Sulpher Dady and me would cut a load of wood, Dady wold haul it to sulpher
sell it for one dollar and fifty cts, we lived in a tent, All winter and cut wood cleared,
Mother drank sulpher and broment watter and got well, the sring of 1901, I think and went
to building stone foundations under old houses, we had a qury that is a stone quary, north
Davis IT, about five miles from Davis,
we lived in Davis untell 1903 then we started out again, but while we lived in Davis my sister
Maggie, and her frind went to turner falls, we went up honeycreek to falls we crossedhoney creek
about 21 times, The falls I think was a lot higher then. than now, in 1901 there was nothing
There, I never even seen A fence,
the first opsom I ever saw was in a tree that hung over the quary, I dont remember if we caught
it are not,

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Watter Boy in Witchata Mills on a Dam of stone They Had a Wright Steme Engin That Had a steel Drum that The Cable Pulled up The large Stone with a old Time dirrick and Boom The Dirrick Turned so The Boom Was Fastened To Dirrick at Bottom 4 Rope Cables one Each Way To Hold up The Dirrick one Tied To a Stump The Boom Was Helt up by Ropes The Stump Pulled up The Dirrick Fell down The Stone Dam Hit no one

* Mother and Dad decided To go To ARKansas To See mother sister And Brother jim Sweaning and Jim Steven We went in Coverd Wagon. When We got in The mountains OF East Okla Mother Rufus my Brother and 2 sisters and Brother in Law All Went on The Train From some Town just befor we got To Fort Smith ARK Dadie and I come on in The Wagon We me and dood went uncle Jem Swearingin First they Had 3 or Four kids one b About my Age my Hight and weighed The Some and Ollie and Acola I Thing all The 2 older boy I remember Thire names Idus was a little kid Then I Thaught Ollie Was The Prettest girl I Ever Saw. Then We Rented a Farm made a crop The yeon We went There Haleys Comet Was on Seven or Eight I mean 1907 or 8 We built a stone Cellar For old Lady Beng She Had about 3 Girls oldest about 12 or 13 They Was all Crazy did not Have a Brain. my uncle jim Stevson Lived about 2 miles From where We Lived. I Started Home From Stevison a cloud Was comming up at my Back I crowted over The Rail Fence it Started To Rain and Lighting The Feild Was Full OF dead Trees Lighting Struck a Tree about 100 Ft From me I Started To Run and about Every 100 Ft it Struck Another Tree and Every 100 Ft it Struck Another All The Way Thowgh That Clearning Lightin Struck A Tree About Every 100 Ft.

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That was in june 1914

Iwas on a freight Goning to Great Bend Kansas, It was in wheet harvest time and The gongole are cole car was loaded with cole and had ten men on it. there was A kid, about 16 years old on, A young brakey came over to the car , he had A large nut in A sling of cord through the nut and looped on his wrist, he ordered the boy to get off the train was runingin, I was on the end of the car. the boy came to that tht boy told the brakey he could not get off and the train goning, he said get off now, I stood up with a peace cole in each hand, I said why dant you tell me to get off and leave that boy Alone. he looked me over,turned and went back to the cabous, I never saw him again,

I was working on that smelter they built in CHtah Chotah Okla, there was small park On main st in this town, it had banches and flower A nice place to sit in the shade there was A boy about 15 came in, there was 2 tramps one I had seen lots of places this boy was off d id not have good cence, one of the tramps was between 20 and 30 weighed about 220 poundsthe older one told theuyounger mant to catch the boy again I jumped up told both men, to have fun with some one who could defend his self, I looked around to see witch waye, to get out for i thought both would jump on me I heard some one behind me,say that is whot i say jump on us, he was A big young man I did not look any more for a place to get away, that was june 1919,

This was About 1902 Are 1903
Dady had built A half dugout , about A half are three forth of A mile from east cache Creek. 2 men and a red light woman came along ane had a colt pistle, they was A good waya frome me but i could tell they was fussing one man was lot larger than the other,the larger hit the smaler one with the gun he was bludy all over,he run the big man taken After him caughed him at a fence, hit him again he fell aganst the post, the big man turned went to the worman,they went on,

I beleve the first school I went to. was in Duncan IT. are indian territory,
I got A suit of cloth, off Xmas tree. in Duncan, Then i went to School in a little red School house at Cache IT, Then they built a new school I went there A while we went Up in the mountainsEast of town, I was warter boy on a stone dam in a canon, I got 50¢ per day. Dady laid stone on job, the dam was about 16 ft wide and had A concret face about 18 inches wide, I saw A stump pull up and the derick fell Stright up the dam on the down side, there was siverl men on the dam. all on the up stream side. the Derick was about 3o ft high and had boom about 20 are25 ,long it was fasten to the Derick at the bottomm had 2 pulys cut in the end, of the Derick and The bumy it was helt up with a inch rope, another inch rope went through both derick Bum one end hooked to a chain they used to put around the rock and lift them up the Bumy swung around as the derick had a round iron in the center, had a bridle on top So it would turn, the other end went to a little steam engin on the hillside, it hsd A drum on it & niger head on out they called it, they raped a rope around and it would swing the boom up are down,
now a little more schooling I got my brother and I went to school at Marlow in 1907 part of that year,

In 1906 dady rented a fairm, it was called the old broom corn place, close are about 5 miles from Paola IT, the next year was state hood year, I saw Teddy Rosvelt came On a train talked on rear of the last coch. The only president I ever seen a Indan by name of louther Winchester, lived across the road from our place,

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1 jobs H,H,T, worked on in 1923

Aug 7 1923 Left Kusa for Paulsvally Get there on Wednesday,Went to work At noon worked 4weeks on hotell Meedy,left there wednesday for Healdton get there one .20 worked three hours wednesday, and friday left there Sataday,Landed in Kusa Sunday AM, Monday sept, 3 this is Laber Day,havent done anything to day,but lay around I gess it I will fix to Leave temarrow, Dont know where I will go yet.Sept 4th I crated our mechin to day,and get ready to leave I gess we will leave day after temarrow I made $188.00 Im four weeks at Pauls Valley OKLA. I bought my new trawl on 9th of Aug 1923 paid $1.85. for it.Sept 8th Traveled all day in A truck, Left Kusa at four thirty in AM.I seen a Dodge car turn over between Mounds and Kefer,with three men in it, A mister Griffen drove the truck that was moving us.went toClaremeer OK. Sept 9th walked all day House hunting,are house keeping reems, I found some afterI had just about gave up. Edna and the kids stayed the Plaza reems,all day, Monday the 10th helped Edna straten up.every thing. in the AM and left for Tulsa at 1PM Landed in Tulsa, went to union hall, Town looked blue. Nothing much doning, Thsday 11th, went to work on first job .I went to this AM. on job in Negro town of Tulsa, went be over one more day.went down and played domnines for A while, gave Jim,Green 50¢ lost 35¢ Ihad now I am flat broke untell I work make A pay day. Wed 12th well I worked today but we finished so I was out of work again, Thought I would half to leave town. was goning up the street and found my old boss ED. Miller and he gave me A job went out to stay all night with him, Thirs the 13th spt well I worked in the Tulsa Hotel to day Bought me A new plum rule, level.to day paid $6.75 for level.It has rained all AM, and it is raining now, seen A man by name of I [illegible] Freeman I havent seen in nine years, tonight played dommens with himm tonight. Friday Sept 14th 1923, well it has rained all day, I worked in the Tulsa HotellI was working on the elevaters shafts, and I got hit on the head with the cage, If it had not bin for the elevater boy watching his busness, Iwold of bin killed. I saw Governer Walton of OKLA,Yestaday in the Tulsa Hotell .he had about A dozen soldars with him, Sata Sept 15 th Well it night and it is still raining,I worked untell noon at the Hotell, came home this AM. will stay here untell monday.then go back to Tulsa, Sunday Sept 16th Well I have Layed around home all day today it has rained most of the day, I will go back to Tulsa In the AM, Monday 17th Worked at Tulsa, Hotell today it has rained all day, Tusday 18th worked all day yestaday in Tulsa Hotell. Last night A roomer across the hall came in with a pint of corn whiskey, and we got drunk.so I dident write any in my dearry Wed 19th I worked untell noon today got through and came to Claremeer this AM, drawed $3930 I have made in the last two weeks $8100 ,Thirsday 20th nothing. Fri 21th Sat 22th Well I will write A little this AM, in mybook. I have missed two days but I am layingin Around Home so nothing to write about, Sunday 23th sunday eve I am in Penca City Tonight at the Texas Hotell. A fire trap for tramps only,but it suits me for after I paid my room fot two nights I had $150 left. and no job .I came from Claremore in A car with A bricklayer Named Conley, we came through Colinvill, Skytook Fairfax Hominy.It Is clear and cool, Hope I will go to workin morning Monday the 24th of Sept 23 Iworked today on A Garage With A bricklayer Named White,I made seven hours it tried to rain untell noon I subed ten dollars tonight charged my room untell Tusday .Sept 25th Iworked again to day I will Finish temarrow I goss/? Then Igoss I willGo to Perry, Wed 26th Sep Worked seven and one hali today. I gess I will have one more day,and then it will be A move Igues. It is clear to nite But lightnin around. Thirs 27th worked seven hrs on porch piers today. about four MR White sent the laber after A half pint of whiskey, and I sent after one half pint, Mr White got Drunk.and I got full,I left Penca city tonight at eight thirty, Got Perry the Town dont Look good,to me Igot here at ten. Friday 28th Sept,Well I looked over Perry today the school was not ready,I saw Chimey the CUB bricklayer is there. Iam on the Train for Tulsa, Oct 3th 1923 wellI havent wrote [illegible] in my dearry in severl days, The greatest Election that Okl has ever had is over I was inTulsa from monday Untell today but did not find any work I am goning to work on Central National Bank on seckend and Boston st,as soon as the brick Comes in, Sunday the 7th Of Oct. well I havent wrote any in three days so I will write A Little,Monday Oct 15th WellI have bin lazy for severl days so will write A little ,I, Made faurty six Dollars and twenty cts bulding A chimley and perch colums,at Claremore Last week and made thirty two and fifty cts,in Tulsa I am working on Bank building on 2th and Boston,now it is rainingin tonight it started last thursday and has rained studt#/ sence Friday,sure hope it will quit soon I soked my watch again tonight, I soked it last wee Tusday 16. Nov third 23,Sat night It has bin two weeks are more sence I wrote in my book Edna left Claremore fot TULSA next Monday two weeks and she left for Kusa Yestaday,

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I gess she will stay there this winter, any waye Icame to Claremore teday tebuild A mantle Temarrew then I will gee te Kusa. temarrew night and stay menday, will come back te Tulsa

Nev 8th 1923, Thursday Night en the train for Tulsa, meved back to Kusa this last week was gening back te Tulsa Menday,but went out te Rufus house in the Countary and Hunted sure had A geed time, hepe I can make three are four straight weeks new,

Thirs 15th ef Nev, I have made every day se fer this week I hepe I can make Friday and SAT. se I will have A ringwy, still working en bank buiding,

Nev 26th ef23, Sunday nite just get en train fet TULSA made twe ringers straight, dent giss I willmake much time this week fer it is cleudy andthe wind is eut ef the north Tenight,
NOV 28th of 1923, Well this is Wed night and it sure leeks bad. it is raining te night Temmarew is thankgiving and I dent werk I hepe I make Friday and Sataday, I wish I was Heme tenight with the wife and babys,

Wed-Dec-5th 1923 On train fer heme get threugh at Tulsa, Tusday. Giss I will ge te Dallas Tex next week.

Friday Dec-14th- On beard Fright train gening seuth te Durent. I left Henryetta en the 13th At 2/15 PM. Get in Allin at seven thirty. Left Allin at 3/30 AM. get en A eil car te celd te stay. Se went back te COBUESS? The Cendtuar and tail brakey was in the crews nest en tep ef car, when I went in they said we give up. we have get ne money. I said all I want Is a little heat, They said A high jacker had rebed them all mest every night en that run They fixed seme seat cushings and I sleped te six,they came dewn and ceeked breakfus and I eat with them, I landed in Durent at nine AM, leeked twe jebs ever but dident land Came en te Denisen TEX. I am new en A merter car fer Dallas, I hepe I get A jeb there,

Sunday-16th-Dec- Landed in Dallas at five thirty. leeked that tewn ever untell sat-eve At six left fer Denten Tex, Landed here at eight thirty I feund feur brick layers that I werked with in Paulsvalley Ok, there names are Mergan-Peal-Thirgeed and Crazy Snake I went breke in Dallas seked my watch.fer $3.00 and muched $2.00 eff A drunk BRICKLAYER Gess I will gee te werk here,

Dec-20th 1923- Iwerked 10 hrs in Denten en A Church ne material was laid eff, Left Denten en Tusdayeve At twe A.M. get inDenisen yards abeut six thirty,they are three miles frem tewn Walked twe and ene half miles in the rain get A street car en in, Paied my way en train te Durent,Feund A jeb there at ene Dellar per day didnet take it, Get A train eut ef Durant at 4.30 P.M In Midill abeut seven, was te catch blinds ef pasanger train eut ef here But never slept the night befer se I went te sleep and all night trains passed while I was sleeping here in Midill.new it is 6.30 A,M, Gess I will get A freight eut fer heme

Dec-21 Well I get eut ef Midill at 10 A.M. en A freight train landed in Frances at 2.P.M Came near Getting peanched,? Here is why, I tried te Catch A freight that had A afichel are A railrede supp I caught it 3 times every tim the train would stop , then A railroad cep caught me and turned me ever te A COP, he had A pin en his coat It was 3 Linghts OF A chain I flaged him he steped wanted te see my card te see if I was paid up. I was he turned around said we gee get seme coffee, he ask me if I had any money?? I said A little He said gO ever there buy A ticket te next tewn, get eff catch frieght from there I was close te heme se I bought A ticket en in,HOME,

Sat-Dec-26th of 1923
well I had ½ gal of corn huch, and ½ gal wine,forXMS and also get Aletter from Mc.Chine te come te Perry te werk
Sat 29th of Dec I have werked three days here in Pearry, en Scheel BLDG Staying at Pacific Hetell, Drawed $24.00 this weekit has bin pretty fer three days.hepe it stays this way,
Well it is 11-30 P,M, my bed time geed night EDNA

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Jan 3th 1924,

At Pacific Hotell. I have worked two day . Will just get $33.50 this week. The first I have made in 1924,
Jan 5th Well this is sataday night . clear and cold. it has bin cold for about seven days. It has rained and SNOWED some,
Jan 16th -24- WED, night it is bad here now some SNOW. on the ground, and looks like some More soon.we get all inside work done at 2,A.M we have cleaning down and pointing up to BO yet, but dont know when we get to do it, I drawed $58.25 last week, have get $43.50 made note date, I have made $157.75 on School house, I want you to know that the money made on School at Perry OKLA, that winter., was.ruff.One bad day me and Capender and A plumer And Peawe the Prentess bricklayer, all went over to Still water ta the A.M celage to see A cow she gave 12 gallons of milk A day they milked her 5 tmies each day,

Jan 22 Tusday -24- Well I am on FRISCO train Bound for Perry to finish up job,Came home Sat, Left Harvey feeling bad, Hope he dont get sick* This has bin A bad Month, Maby FEB, will be better,MR,Griffin brought me to train caught 539 AM.

Sataday night Jan 26th 1924
I get to Perry at530 PM. Mack and Fred, was goning to OKla City,at 625PM, So I came over here withthem,I worked out $31.00 this week, Dont know where I will goe to work next.week,I worked o on A Bank BLDG, here in city. I am boarding at 123.W.7th ST, here in City,
Sunday night Jan 27th
I left City at 1.10 PM. for Holdenvill Fred Farris reemed at same place in City. I did. It Clouded up about 5 PM. and started to rain, Well I am in Holdenvill it is 330 Pm, still cloudy,
FEBARY 3th 1924 Sunday, night at homebin here all week,prettest week this year,I could have made A ringer, When I get home HARVEY was getting over the Measels, so I wated for The others Kids to have them, I guess they have them now
FEB 8th 1924
Still at home, Guess I will leave sat are sunday, if no new cases of measels brake out
Feb 11th Monday AM,
I left home sunday AM, at 9.45 on K.O.AndG for Duston, Get A freight out of there at 2.15 PM, Get in SPIRO at 12 sharp. on E.S.W. Caught K.C.S Out of there for POTPWE, Landed in POTOWE at 1.25 AM,Slept rest of night in [illegible] DePoe
Tusday Feb 12th
Out at FRISCO creesing to catch A freight for TEAXAKANA me and PeeWee Salmen.bin here at Potewe for 2 days.
Wed 13th Feb 1924
On freight train for Shirespert get in Texokana at 4.30 this AM nothing to do here we are still on A feright it is steped for water, at old saw mill camp,in L.A. swomps.
Friday 13th of Feb.1924
Well I have worked 2days on school job in oil city LA. Laying stepts and cleaning down I gess we will make next week.
Sunday Feb 15
Well it has bin one more blue day,there was 3 bricklayers came over from the next Town, Last night and was all drunk to day,but I never takenany, I drawed $24.00 Sataday
Wed night
well I am watening for A train to tá goe to Shervepert I may ge to work over there I made $18.25 This week. I if I can make rest week, there was no job inSshervepert so I caught A train out for Macedoches, Tex I get on this slow train last nite at 2AM,it new 2.20 PM, we have bin 12 hours geningin 93 miles,I am bound for lufkin Tex,I havent had any Dinner. Are breakfus, beleve you me I am hungary
Well I get in Lufkin Sataday AM, looked around town found my uncle John he lived 5 miles east of Lufkin, there was A cellard man I dont remember his name, but he tried to rob A cemersary Of Andy SULSUR, The Negro trimbled the gun off and kiled Andy, this wae friday eve Feb 20 1924 The sherff and all of his depiets was out hunting him, sat AM PeeWEE stayed in town to see them Mob the Negro, I went out with my Uncle The sherif name was Wets when they tryed to brake the Door down with A batern ram,Wets started sheeting through window hit 2are3 but kiled neone but steped the mob PeeWee run about three blks befor he run into A brick wall and steped,

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More about Chief Parker he had 3 wives and one of them got sick and he called the white doctor frome town and the ~~medisen~~ medisan Medicine man of thetribe both, the white doctor gave her medican and said she would be all wright in a day are so, the mdican man put on his dance and made medican all knight and repprted the next am, she would die Parker went to town that day and bought her coffin, and set it in the room by her the next day she died, Back to the bad boy at the Cache School, I dont remember his name but his mother was a widow. the teacher undertaken to whip him he just helt her and taken her stick, she wanted me to go get her another stick but I was more afraid of him than I was her, another time the banker was on the school bord, he undertaken to spank him the boy pulled loos run a ~~ft~~ little ways picked up a rock turned and wound up throwed his best the banker was fat and had a big round belley it struck him senter of the belley and berried up 6 inches, that stoped the banker cold on xms some body had a turkey to raffel off, they put the names on a barriel head spun it and shot it with a 22, the banker had one f forth of the head, others had forme 4 to 10 shances the shances was 10¢ each the boy had one chance, he won the turkey when they looked where the bulet hit it had cut his name center, he jumped 5ft high a dozen times and hollard as loud as he cold, I wonder whot ever becaume of him,? Cache is and was then just a small town one street of busness. 2 blocks long back in the old wagon days the main high way turned at the bank and cut across back of the bulding bulding between the bulding and the toilet . a team run away frome down the street turned at the bank and cut through as the road did but they hung the hub of the wagon on the toilet, and spun the little house around and overout crould a man with his trousers around his ankles.

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Sunday AM.Feb 22 1924
Out at Uncle John Thrailkill, Home five miles East of Lufkin Tex. it is cold and raining

Friday 29 Feb
Well I have worked 14½hrs. this week I stayed at Uncle,s Most of the week. This is the same As I have put down on Page 3 but here It is, A Negro killed A White Man here and they Tryed to mob him. and the Sharf shot three of the MOB but didnot kill any of them.
I gess I will get out of here sat are Sunday, This was all of my DIARY,??

The week of from the 22th to 29th of Feb While I was in Lufkin In 1924, I worked on The Building A 2 story acress the street sauth of the Old Lufkin Natinel Bank. BLDG It is 3 story Peewee worked on it. I worked 6 days made 14½ hrs it rained every day When I get home I told Edna I had feund the Rainins place in the world, but I was rong, I came back here in 1925 helped build the pine Theater. Then went to Texas County OKLA Working on the Panhandle A.M. Collage , We finished in the last of Sept,1924. Then went Home to Kusa OklA, I have all ways said that the old man I ment GOD, allways had his hand on My sholder, I have so manyclose calls, to get killed. here are some of them, Bill Ryen. my brtherin law was hunting he had A duble barrel shot gun he was holding it in both hands and was swingin it from right to left as he walked cross way I was walking by side of him The barrel was toward me, the hammer hung in his belt loop, as he swung it to the left I saw something shine in the grass, I steped he made the stept the gun went off it would of hit me about the top of my belt, IF I had made that stept, This was in 1910

We went to SULPHER OKLA in fall of 1904 for mothers helth, She had bin sick from 1898 When my brother RUFUS was borned, in June 13 of 98. we first went to Duncon IT, about 99 in 1900 Dady went to FT Sill to build flews to new Officers Homes, we camped at medican Bluf just below FT,Sill, the armony would not let any one elce camp there, beleve me That was A lonsom place for A eight year boy, After the job was finished we moved to Lawton IT, The town site was not opened then we lived in A tent, I had TIEFORD Fever in that tent I Seen A man ride down tent street with A big arm full of papers 2 or 3 days old crying in Paper, all about Presendent McKenley was shot, WE went from LAWTON In late 1902 to CACHE IT There was A Dam- in the mountains just above Cache, the dam was started in1898, steped untell late 02, are Jan 1903 ,Dady layed stone on it and I was watem boy I was 11 years old We lived in the Mountains close to job are in CACHE, untell late in 1904 then went, To SULPHER lived that winter in Tent on Half way hill between Sulpher and DAVIS, we cleared Land cut the trees into weed and hauled it to Sulpher and dady brought back jugs of sulpher And bromite water for mother to drink, when we left there in five I mean 1905, went to Davis. IT. IT is Indin Teerty.. we built lots of foundations under houses there,
While we was cutting weed in camp between Davis and Sulpher I had A close call A boy came to where I was gtting trees ready to saw up when dady got back from town We sawed the trees close to the ground. This yeung man picked up A ax and started chopping the corner off the stump I was standing about 8 are 10 ft from him, the ax glansed off the stump and out OF his hands, it would of flew 60 are 80 feet but it came straight for my eys I could not Move, It got with in about fifteen inches of my face the handle flew up and the ax blade went in the ground about 8 inches three inches of my toes, That is whot I mean A hand on my sholder?? IN 1911 Dady and I was building A ston building are stone walls in Wagoner OK We used the joyest for Scofland stagen and 2x8 for cross peaces for stagen, these was about 6ft apart Naled to uprightsof 2x4 one end of cross peace nailed to 2x4 the other end laid ON wall The 2x8 was 18 ft long and they caugh 3 cross peaces, this was for floering for Scofland, I was leding scfland with stone Befor we started to lay them, I had leded up to The lap in stagen, there was A big rock in the rong place on scfland I picked it up and moved it over and let it down A little hard. I was standing on one 2x8 the rock was on 2-2x8 my other feet was on the other 2x8, the rock was between my feet, the cross peace under me Broke The one in front of me broke that 10ft long pile of rock all came at me they broke broke all the2x8 except the two I was standing on the big rock got through my lags some way when the rocks quit falling the two 2x8 I was on was swingin up and down. I was still on Them, Dont ask me how?? I dont know, except that hand was on my sholder,
WE left Davis ,for New Mexico, we had two wagons and teams, Bill Ryan Dadys sunin law We get to close to Paolia IT, and Rufus my brother get sick the night he got sick we camped close to A old log house, no body lived there, Dady rented A farm we left Davis in 1906 Dady worked out and brother and I made A crop. we lived there in 1907 when IT was Changed toOKLA, And theIndan territory become A state,

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My Diary, for part of 1926

Jan 1 1926, Friday
Worked in Lufkin, to day on coca bldg, worked 5 hrs, got story high, Rained to day started at 2/30.P.M cloudy all day.
Jan 2th sat
rained all day went to town twice, put window in John House drawed $34.15 today it is Sataday roads bad,
Jan 3th Sunday, cloudy and raining all day. stayed at home are out in the country uncle John. Wiley is here, to.
Jan 4 monday, Cloudy all day but worked on Ford bldg, layed 12x12 tile, all day in Lufkin Tex, Laid tile today,
Jan 5 Tusday 1926
Worked today cloudy untell noon, cleard off this eve, Got EDNA A pair of stockings today, It was 12x12 all day,
Jan 6wed 1926,
Clear and pretty laid tile today on ford garage, and sales , get my plume rule from Chicago today,
Jan.7th Thirs 1926
Layed Face brick today, cloudy all day cool, all day
Jan8th Friday
Cold and cloudy but I worked, layed face brick, made 5-days thie week,
Sataday Jan 9th
Worked 3hrs layingin face brick, cloudy this AM, clear this eve.drawed $65.00 today
Layed about 500 brick.
Sunday Jan 10th clear all day, was A pretty day, stayed around home all day, Veley Morgan My bretherin law and Milem Lawson, stayed part of day, nothing happend
Monday Jan 11
Worked on cole cole bldg to daylayed about 1200 brick, clear and pretty,
Tusday Jan 12 1926
Laid brick all day on coala bldg laid about 800 brick, clear and cool.
Wed Jan 13
Laid brick all day laid about 1000 brock clear and cold, Finished bldg,
Thirsday Jan 14th
Didnot work to day clear and cool. went quail hunting taken sick head ake sure dose hurt,
Friday 15 Jan 1926. worked 7½ hrs on ford job, laid 12x12 tile untell noon, laid brick face brick this eve, clear all day,
Sataday16 Jan
Worked thisAM, on Ford job Layed face brick partley cloudy all day started to rain about 6 oclock.drawed $57.85 to day, bought stone mountain half dollar This eye,
Sunday 17 Jan
Cloudy all day rained A little but it rained all night sat night, styed Home all day,
Monday 18 of Jan.
Layed face brick All day, layed about 800 brick, clear all day sure was pretty. got letter From S ,N, Carr,
Tusday 19 of Jan,
Layed 12x12 tile all day. layed about 300 tile. clear and worm worked on ford bldg,
Wed the 20th of Jan
Layed face brick to day, cloudy and cold I froze all day. it was damp and cold layed off At nine AM.
Thirs 21th of Jan Rained all AM, turned cold this eve cloudy all day never worked.
Friday 22th of Jan.
Cold and cloudy all day never worked, got A letter from McCheyne.to day in Canada,
Sat 23th ofJan
Cold and cloudy today no work drawed $45.50. today.
Sunday 24th Of Jan
Snowed untell noon , cold cloudy all day, snowed 3inches deep but melting fast. went to Town this AM.
Monday, 25 Jan
Cloudy all day most of snow gone.pretty cool. did not work,
Tusday 26th worked to day.cleared off about 9.AM sayed clear all day Layed face brick layed about 800 brick.

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27th of Jan1926
Layed tile and face brick today them efful 12x12 tile. clear untell about three then Clouded up.
Thirs 28th of Jan 1926
Worked today layed tile and face brick.Finished Ford bldg, partley cloudy rained A little This eve,
Friday 29 of Jan
Clear and pretty.allday, Never worked went to Town, twice,EDNA get her dresses today, by mail.
Sataday 30th of Jan, Sat night cloudy all day but was werm, NO work,
Sunday 31 of Jan.
Sunday night, clear all day, Veley and Phone his wife, and Pet stayed last night and and today,went to town once,
Monday Feb 1 1926
Worked on NUT house in Rusk it is the old state prison, Abe Parish and I from Lufkin clear untell 4are 5 oclock clouded up , looks like rain to night,
Tusday Feb 2 1926
This is Clyde Thrailkill my no 1 son birth day he is five years old, worked in Rusk Today at old prison, building A Hospital. Layed face brick me and the forman both got Caned to night, clear today, was going to quit any way Its Heart Breaking- Don't no why we were let go.
Wed Feb 3 1926
Went to Nacodotches to day never worked,
Thirs Feb 4
Clear and pretty worked on garage in Lufkin today, at A home.
Feb 5th 1926Friday
Worked on garage at A home thisAM, on A flew at ford bldg this P.M, . Many,Ellen is Sick.today Clear and werm.
Sataday 6th of Feb 1926
Finished flew and pointed up on Ford B.L.D.G, This A.M. clear and pretty.
Sunday 7th of Feb.
Cloudy part of day,went to Veleys to day, had to threw my righ rear tire away to day.
This is May 12th 1968.
I want to give you some of my sisters Maggie Poetry in A old book, Here it is.
The sweetest flowers are these witch shed thier odars in quite nooks,and dales
And the purest hearts are these whose Deeds of love are done in solitude and secret.
My favorite,Maggie, L,Thrailkill. CACHE OKLA Indan tearity tory, 1903
Here is another one.
When years and months have glided by and on this page you cast your eye remember it was A Friend sicere. that left this kind rememberance here, M.L.T. A Frend ,
Here is some things to think over.that was used in the long ago years .at Debates
They would meet in school houses are any hall are room, and have these debates ,
they weld choose sides. have 5to 8 persons on each side here is there
Wich dose the most to produce crime, poverty welth are ignorance

From which dose the mind gain the more knowledge reading are OBSERVATION
I think that should be TRAVEL ??

Has Nature or Education the greater Influence, in the greater Influence. in the Formation of Character,

Has the fear of punishment or the hope of reward the Greater influence in Human conduct ,
G
Lawton I.T. 1903 Jan 11 A POUM Magie wrote in this book.
A Ring in pledge he gave her, Ring the bells of mercy, let the music linger,
Softly on the ear,
Here is a small part of A Diary my sister wrote it sayes Began when I was 17 years old 31of oct I thank 1903.
The last day of month,I have bin finishing A white duck waist.because it is Sat,saw no one except nabers and Indians coming in forthe big dance on NOV 6 Sunday eve finds me at Home, havent been no where,except over at the DR,S Mother is sick and cant go any Where,Mr WITT, came and DR, STARBISON, also havent heard from sister yet , and dont Know what to think, afraid sheis sick, HARVEY has caught A rabbit in A steel trap.

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Here are some of the old adresses of kin folks, of long ago. at top of the sheat where the old names are, are this. water bill, one full barrel of water,10cts and another barrel 10 cts,
Then Sent off 100 lion heads. that is off of coffee, I just put that in off coffee
For Alarm clock.on the 11th of April.1903. Now here are the names.Dollie Thrailkill. East lake Tenn then another adress of Dollie.Ridge Dale Tenn, Texas this is one of DAD, Sister nameher husbun name,Sam T, Holmes are Mrs Texas Sam T Holmes, WALDO ARK,
Ryan Montsgue Tex I don remember who John Ryan is, I was borned in Montague Countany At Belcher Tex, No town there now, Uncle Dave are D,D,Swearingin Adress NEW Port TEX Carrie.Walston,Dolton GA, Another one of my Ants, I dont know what kin this man is But here is, Luther YORK SUGDEN I,T,
Here is some names and old adresses you kids will want, Grand Mother Thrailkill Died the 26th March she was borned in 1818. She was 86 when she died, in 1904. lived in . DALTON GA, She had two sons there when she died, They were Isaac Thrailkill and JOE Thrailkill. Wiley my father was in Cache I,T, One daughter in Cal Tex,One in CORPUS Christi,Tex
May 28th 1904 my Mother brother, ISAAC Sweringin, Died may 26th 1904.in BELCHERVILLE TEX.was birried there,D,D,Swearingin Abrother lived at Newport Tex, another brother J,W,Swearingin my uncle Jim lived close to Mulberry ARK.He had two sisters my mother and Mrs Fannie Steveson she lived about A mile from J.W.Swearingin, in ARK. Sarrah Thrailkill the other sister my mother lived at CACHE I.T. are OKLA TER,
the above was written by my sister Maggie Thrailkill In 1904.
I havent found A word about my sister she was the oldest, he name was Nancy Ann, But she changed it to Nannie, Nannie was three years older than Maggie, Maggie was Six years older than me, my full Name is Harvey Harrison, I have found my name twice in Maggies book, once it says Harvey started to school, then it says moved on the 6th of feb, then acroos the top Harvey stoped school wed 19 1908.
Just for the reckord, Harvey went to the 4th grade and two months in the 4th grade, That was it.I had started to lurn brick layen, My brther Rufus,Isac I am 6th years older than he, Here is A little you kids and GRAND kids dont know, about my famley.
Maggie was married once,married after she was thirty six years old, Nannie was Maried three times. Maggie had two children A Girl and A boy, Name Warner ,Leon, McDonald,and Sarah, Married Name Live at Lake Jackson Tex Warner lives in Calv. Rufus.Isaac, Thrailkill has bin married three times, his first wife was named Lela Is all I know. they didnot live togher but A month are two, his seckond wife was Gracie Cummings, her first husban, she had two childre by Cumming and eight by Rufus, ther names were first two Cumming childre, Jacky and Jean, here are the Thrailkill Children,Beccy David and Tommey Betty Sue, Dorthy Reva and Eva Twins,and Gracie Bell. IForgot Maggie Had twins died at burth, And Rufus third wife is named Ethel she had A former mrage But I dont know who, As for as I know all three of Rufus wives arestill livening
Maggie, Nannie, Mother, and fauther, are All dead,
This is part of deary on another book,
March 3th 1924,
I have bin in Lufkin.A week last Thirs,Worked,14½ hours stayed out to my uncles,part of The time I am leaving Lufkin, Walked and rode in car in to NOCODOCHES got here about2 Oclock in evening,Setting on A freight now watingin for it to pull out,,for DALLAS.Tex Maystop at Jackisonvill for a day are so.see if there are any work there. I left Home Three Sundays Ago,I wrode the K.O.G. to Duston on Cushingfrom Duston to Sparro from Sparro to Petow ON Cushing on K.C,S, From Patow TO Hevenir on cushing on K,C,S, From Heavener to Texarkana, on K.C.S.Freight.From Texarkana to Shreveport ON K.C.S. From Shreveport,to Lufkin on S.P. f This is part of the other book the last I wrote in IT, Where it said I left home,is the part where I came to Lufkin Tex,
March 6th 1924
Well I have worked two days sence I have bin here, Rained A little last night,Drawed sence I have bin on this Trip $64.75 I worked on A School in Oilcity LA.on A store in Lufkin Tex, and workin on A Church here, I have traveled Through Ark,LA, Tex, and OKLA On this trip. here are the miles 1.892, most on A freight, this is up to April 22 1924 Sunday eve at home,i left Corasiana Sat eve at the 7th Of March 9th it was raining, I worked on A Church There Three days ,Came to Dallas over Elec car line,and on home Frisco Got home Sunday Morn. it was snowing it cleared Off Monday,Left for Tulsa Tus Morning worked to day,it is wed, are this after noon, This is 10 PM, Wed it is Snowingin like the duce,Dont gess I will work tomarrow, may do home,I dont know. Wed at 1130AM, Worked one day and one and ½ hrs sá for may not make any more time.thie week Working

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On Maye Hotell, to wed,made 17.00 last week,It is snowingin now. Icame to Tulsa five weeks ago, I travel 118 miles every week goning home, This is Wed again Well I got laid off of may Maye Tus eve 15th of April.I am now working in Pawhuska,on Duncan Hotell, I helped set all teracota on maye hotell in Tulsa but fire walls,
Sat April 19 1926,
Well I have worked two days this weekin Pawhuska, will make next week. Iguess,I am Rooming with Al, Kensil, Beleve me he sure is nutty, he Tries to be A bricklayer,
Tusday 22 April 1926
Well I have worked two days this week, so for,I bought me A car Easter,Sunday,A ford Readerst Paid $75.00 for IT,
Sunday 27th of April
I am at home this AM. I got finished on Duncan Hotell.PAWHUSKA, And strted to Tulsa, In my car me and AL,Kensil the bricklayer, THE rain caught us 3 miles out of Avent, It is 30 miles from TULSA, And we got in a ditch, AL. got Scared and grabed starring wheel and caused it to swing in the ditch, we had to stay in car all night in the rain, Got out of ditch next AM, Went about three miles run out of oil stuck the engin , Left it at A farmers house. Willgoe back after it later,
Thursday,
Well I got caned to day, was working on A store BLDG, here in TULSA, Dont know whot I Will do, I went and got my car today,
Thurs May 9th,1924
This is friday night.I came to Harrah Tusday and went to work on the power plant, Staying at bonery here at job, It surehas bin cold here the last week,
Tus 14th of May 1924,
I have worked one day. This week.on power plant,It has bin the coldest weather I have Ever seen in May,
May15th 1924
Iam still working on power plant,IT rained here last night, and is cloudy now, I hope I get tomarrow. for it is last day of pay,
Well looks like I made A big jump in keeping my Diary,
June24th 1924,
Well I havent wrote in my Diary for A long time.I am back in Tulsa, Again I Got layed Off, of the power Plant,And at home,and stayed here three weeks, And then came up here, Have worked on house on north Boston, And now working on two story bulding on 7th st, Dont know how long I will be here , July 14 1924,
I am working on Ourpum Theater. Between Main and Boston Streets It is A five story, It has stood here forseven years. that is the concret frame. the reason the school Owned the lots, and it was leased for 100 years for $ 5 Story and they started A 15 Story BLDG. on it The school got A Injunction ,the case stayed in court all this time, Now they are finishing the BLDG,all out side walls are of Terra Cotta. except first Story, it is Granite stone, Now we start from concret frame, above,
I gess they will finish it now,
July 20th 1924
Well this is Sunday,. I worked all week in Tulsa, just missed A ringer by ½ hour, still Working in Tulsa on theOreum Theater, I bought me A Cot and Blanket, last Tus and sleeping On Job now,
Sunday July 27 1924
At home today Made A ringar last week on Theater, Ending July 25th, Will get done Setting Terra Cotta on front next week.Will get front finished by Tus maby, Well I am all most Out of det I owe $12.60 on Cow and my Taxes.yet, But maby I will make time anuf to pay them soon, I paid the car in full And the hard work man up in full.today, OH yes We bought A pig from my DAD the 20th of July paid $3.50 for it, Well we finished the Theater last Tusday Iwent home and stayed the rest of the week,
AUG 19th 1924,
IT has bin A good while sence I wrote any in my Diary, I worked 1½ hrs for Charley Casler and quit him, worked day and half on bollers on 4th and Brady ST, And worked Two days on School on Pearoa ST, and quit For JIM DUNN, I am working on MAYO Hotell Now, AUG 25th

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AUG 25
Worked today in sub basment of Maye Hotell. It has bin partley cloudy, today, Gave Carl. Tensley,65¢ to get A bottle of Jake, this AM. and FUZZY GARMEN,25¢ for Jake Left my car in Tulsa, Last week and went home on train,Bought Mothers Chickens Paid $10.00 down on them,
Sept 1 1924,
Monday Labor Day, We moved back to our old home in Kusa, Sunday, Aug 31. I have worked two days getting things fixed up. So we can keep chickens and hogs,
Sept,4th Thirs.
I got back to TULSA, Tus. night worked on maye Yestaday , ITs sure has bin cold nights For the time of year, Lost three days, I wired my house for lights, Tusday The wire And boxes cost me $11,15 This 620 in the morning. I have got to finish dressing go to Breakfus, Monday night sept 8th
Mell I am still working on Maye Hotell.I hope I get to work there untell XMS. Met Edd Miller this eve, and he said come to his job. but I dont know,
Monday Sept 15th1924,
Worked on Maye Hotell, Gess I will make another ringer,Started my barn at home Sunday, McDonald and famly and Mother and Pop taken dinner with us Sunday, Marry Ellen cut her Finger pretty bad on A cup. I sure seen A drunk Girl on train last night as I came Back to TULSA las night, I set Terra Cotta today I helped to set Granit on west side Of Maye Last week, well I have got to goe to supper, I got me A new suit on the fifth Of this moth, Paid $ 30.50 for it, bought me A shirt Sat,
Sept 25th 1924,
Thurs night well it has bin 3are 4 days sence I wrote in my Diary. I went to Salvation Army meeting to night, Was pretty good, Ibought anothr COW from Mother last Monday Paid $ 25.00 for it.
Oct.5th 1924 On train to Tulsa, Gess I will goe to work for EDD, Miller on Church, Monday, Came home from Tulsa, Quit Maye Thirs Noon. Got finished on out side.Drove car Home and left it,Goning back on train,
Oct 7th 1924.
Started on church on Boston Ave, at noon today,have lost one and½ days, but maby I can make bal of week, hope so,
Monday 13th of Oct
Still working on Church, on7th Boston, For Edd Miller, Was up to Union hall to Night, Had some big Debats the weather is clear and worm, to nifht,
Oct 22 Tusday 1924
Well still working for Edd Miller, On Church. Had our first Nother last night,look bad Cloudy tonight,
Oct 23,
Worked today on Church, still clear and colder.
Friday Oct 29 1924.
Worked on church today on train goning home. Now,Wont work Sat go back Sunday, Night,
Nov 12 1924,
Layed off all last week. Came back to Tulsa Sunday Night,Worked Monday lost Tusday. IT was Armistas, Worked today,was at bricklayers Convention, Here in Tulsa, Tus 11th I sure feel bad tonight, hope I am able tomarrow. Thirs 13th Of Nov.1924, Well worked on Church today got laid off to night most every thing finished, Was up to Banquet for Bricklayers Conventiam, To night,But felt bad and came in Early, In my room now, Will goe home Friday I guess
Dec 20th 1924.
IT hws bin some time sence I wrote in my DIARY , IT sure is cold and A big snow on the Ground IT has bin on the ground for,three days Dont know how much longer IT will stay on the ground,
Sunday Dec 21 1924,
Sunday eve Snow still here.beleve you me it is A blue day,
Dec 31 1924
Well this is the last day of the year, And the weather is still bad, Beleve me I will be Glad when it clears up.Well I sold 24 chickens today they brought $13.95.
Jan 6th 1925
Well this is my first time to writs in my Deary, this year, I finished up the job on Pearie st, in Tulsa, That is 35 and Pearie st to day made 17 hours Out of work tonight
Jan 17 1925
page ten for rest

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Jan 6th 1925
Sat-Night at home.Worked in Tulsa this week on S story Apartment House on north main Worked one day and 6½ hours,It sure was A bad week Cold and raining, Most of week, PRUDY, killed HUTCHENS in Tulsa this week in front of the posrtoffine I heard the shot,
Jan 27th
Tusday well it stated snowingin Sunday night, and snowed all day Monday NO work,??
Feb 7th,
Well I am on train goning home, Worked 4 days 2½ hrs this week , It was the wormest Wether in years,
March 5th 1925
Well I am living in Tulsa now, we live at 326 South Wheeling ST, we pay $55,00 A month For A house, We left Kusa for Tulsa, on Sunday Feb 22 1925,
Out of 22 working days in feb, I worked 19½ days But out of 24½ working days in Jan Five days, And I have worked most of March,
Wed the 25 of MARCH,
Well I made 5 days last week.and have 3½ days on this week,
Left Tulsa April 7th, Styed at Kusa nine days, This was when we started to New Mexico This is the famley in the car, Left Kusa on the 16 of April, Traveled to ADA Okla Have bin here six days, worked on brick plant 1½ days.will leave here for Dallas in Morning, have bin camped inTurist parck here in Ada, The wind has blowed A gail for Seven streight days, sure hope it will come down buy morning This is Tusday 21 April.
Sat 25 April.1925.
Camped in park in Sulpher Okla,
Came here Thurs. it rained Fri-and last night, sure have had A nice time at this camp. But I will leave this eve,
Sunday June 14th Befor I set down This date I want to fill in frome Sulpher on to Tus Morning Lufkin, Remember we was all on this trip. We left Sulpher and headed For Dallas, Tex We stoped in Sherman Tex stopedin A park On the creek in edge of towan, They had gas cook places, and the grass was moved and it was pretty place on A hill in the midle of the park, was A rest room of brick, and by it was A old time Band stand You kids dont remember thos old BAND STANDS, in all parks , there was A low place run from the creek all around the high place where the rest room and band stand was, Our camp and car and severl other cars was in this low ground,A bout 10 are eleven That night A bad looking cloud was coming up and was down that creek, we all went to the brick and concret top rest room, when that cloud came over water in that creek come through that low place. and got up to the top of the seat backs,the fire wagon and POLICE, cam down there, they turned ther lights on that lake of water and lit the rest room and the Band stand, there was some people in the grand stand, Harvey you should remember wading out, the Oficer taken of you kids,I dont remember witch one? Edna taken one and I taken one.WE waded out up under our arms, WE stayed in the city JAIL. that Night. when you kids start to brage that you was never insideof A jail remember that Night, WE didnot have very little money, the next AM, I sold the car for $15,00 and set Edna and you kids to Lufkin, and I stayed in town went to work on A front of A busness BLDG, I worked two days got A call from Edna that the Pines Theater was started and needed bricklayers.
Now I will start on that June 14th date it was Sunday, June
Well I have bin in Lufkin five weeks,Worked all time Made $359.75 up to date stayed at UNCLE JOHNS,All time I have bin here,Sure have had A nice time,Paid Uncle from $10 to $12.00 A week had to buy A bed and Chears for bed,
Tusday 16th June,
Tusday AM, well I am still on picture show,IN LUFKIN, Jack Moody and my self Built Two Big Piers and turned A Arch over the door, the arch was in two parts one eight Inches Above the other,We got throughMonday, gess me will get through by next week,
Friday 26 june 1925,
Well I havent wrote any in A good while, We got through the show house in Lufkin On Friday 26th June I went to Newton Tex and worked one and½ days on School House , There then quit didnot like the job, I bought me A new ford on June the 18th I made Eight weeks on Picture show, in Lufkin,
Wed Aug 12,
Well I am back in OKLA, I worked Two weeks on job inPALISTINE, Tex Then came here, To Goodwell OK, Drove 793 miles to job,in four days in A model T, Working here for McCheyen, my old frind, Brough Horace here with us, He got signed up as A prentis Bricklayer, NEXT PAGE

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OCT 1 1925,
Will write A little more in my DIARY, I came to Goodwell on The 3th of AUG, Have worked Ever day sence. We are working on I have forget whot they mean but here it is P,A.M.C. I worked 2 weeks on A little 2 story Bldg, A Mr Cox A hotell Man, Built back end on Goodwil Hotell, Got $250.00 For Job Cleard $197.00 on job Working on 9th week here, gess I will be Here A week are Two Longer, Well this is all. If I ever wreate any more I have lost,It But I will fill in From about OCT 15th on After we finished up I lent HoraceThe money And he bought A old striped down Ford and we started for Kusa. The rods burnt out of his car The first day we sold it for $10.00 After we get to Kusa Horace came home and I beleve I stayed there through the rest of OCT, I beleve I worked some in OKMULGEE, that fall. We came back to Lufkin that winter and it is in my diary,

I would like to write some about my life from the time we left Tex , In the spring are Early summer of 1900, are 1899. we traveled in A covered wagon through A big part of INDEN Territory, are IT, I dont remember to much of that trip I was so young, but we stoped In DUNCAN I,T, Dady found work there, I remember one stone bulding, he worked on it was two story, every thing was carried up on the scafland by A wheel barrow with A steel wheel on the seckond story. there was A run way built from the ground up through the back door it run so for then turned back, so A man and his barrow could reach the top of the seckond floor walls, on the out side the run way came down to about six feet of the ground and Turned went from there to the ground,I went up there one day and the forman run me down. I started to run down, when I got to the out side turn I went straight on and sailed off I landed between to water barrels, I was lucky I didnot hit one, landed on my belley it knocked me cold the morter maker pored some water on me. that braught me TO.
I was sick A week over that fall mother are dady did not know whot was the mater with me Untell the morter maker ask dady how I was, then he told him I had fell off the end of the Run way, I I have told about the water boy job I had in the mountians, I dont Remember when we went to Marlow I,T, but we lived there for a year are two,I went to School there A little.There was A man by the name of Pennypacker,lived out on little beaver creek, he built A new house and wanted 2 flews in it they was from the ground up. Dady was sick, he told me to get A hand and go out there and build the flews, I got A Boy to help me and I taken the wagon and team and went out there,we got there about ten Am We unloded our tools and morter box, I told the boy to make morter, Mr Pennypacker wanted to know if I was goning to wate untell my dad got there, I said no I came to build the flews he didnot want me to start, That I was to young, I said would he let me show him He stomped around A while then said go on,and I will watch you. he Watched me A while, Then went about his work. I built both flews to the roof got my scfland on the roof built, and the next am dady came out he was still sick,but he toped out one chimley I the other one, I built mine straight and jointed it up nice and cleand brick off good, he got his crooked and didnot joint good are clean good eather, Mr Pennypacker, said I was the Best bricklayer, I was between 12 and 14 years old, that made me feel like I was Seven foot tawel, Here is some of the places we Lived in INDEN Territory. from 1899 To 1907. that was the year Okla becaume A state, Duncan IT.Marlow IT Lawton IT Cache I Paolia I T We made A crop close to Paoli.That is Brother Rufus and I did,he was 6 are seven years old, I beleve it was the fall of 1907. we went from Paoli Okla, to Ark, my dad mother brother sister Maggie and Nannie and her husban Bill Ryan, went in coverd wagon to Wagoner OKLA,and mother sis and Rufus and Nannie and her husbin, went from there to Mulberry ARK on train, mothers brother and sister lived close toMulberry ARK, dadie and me went through in covered wagon, Dadie and me built old lady Benge A stone storm celer, she had 3are 4 girls they was all febel minded there was A man about 40 are 50 years old that was the dady of part of the girls, we rented A place and made A crop,sold it in the field and went back to Wagoner,OKLA. they would clear the small trees and under brush off, And dedan all large trees and farm it, I had bin over to my uncle Jims Stevison and coming Back A bad looking cloud was coming up to my back just as I got to A rail fence it started to rain and lighting there was A road at the turn roe in field. the field had lots of ded trees along this road just as I crold over the fence lighting struck A large tree about 50 ft from me I started to run and the lighting struck another tree. chose as thirty ft Of me then struck three more all in line,fromone hundred to seventy five ft apart, just as I would get close to the next tree WHAM it would hit, and all of them would burn, Yes I was scared,

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Day 12

On page 11 I gave from oct 1 1925 Through 1925 L read page 11 there was A lot of Early Things in It,
This is my Dary of 1926, on A book bought in Aug.28 1925 At Goodwell okla, in them three County,s that lay Along the West of Tex line, This Dary starts Jan 1.1926. Friday Worked in Lufkin to Day. on Cola Bulding Two storys high, worked 5hrs got story high Rained to Day started at 230.Pm. Cloudy all day. Jan 2.Rained all day. went to town Twice put window in John House,Drawed $34.15 Today It is Sataday Roads bad,
Jan 3.1926,Sunday Cloudy and Rained all day,stayed at home.are out in the Gountary at Uncle Johns,Wiley Ryon is here, my Sisters Boy,
Jan 4th 26, Monday clowdey all day but worked on Ford Bulding layed 12x12,Tile All day In Lufkin Tex.
Jan,5,Tusday Worked to day,Cloudy all AM, Cleared off after noon, Laied tile,
Got EDNA pair Hose this eve,
Jan,6th 1926, clear and prety cold . Laid tile all day.got my Plumrule from Chicago To day.
Jan 7, thurs Laid face brick all day,cloudy all day,
Jan 8, Frid, Cold and cloudy but I worked Laid face brick,Made 5 days this week
Jan 9th Sat,Worked 3hours layingin Face brick, Cloudy part of Morning, clear balance Of day.Made %65.00 this week.Laid about 500 brick,
Jan 10th Sunday Clear all day, Pretty Day.Stayed at home all day,Voley.Morgin and Milem Lawson, come stayed part day Nothing happened,
Jan.11th Monday. Laid brick on Cola bulding to day laid about 1.200. to day
Jan 12th,Tusday laid brick to day on Cola Bldg, Laid about 800.00
Jan.13th 1926.Wed Laid brick to day on Cola bldg.clear and cold all day,Finished Bldg
JAn 14th Thurs Did not work to day, clear and cool. went Quail hunting to day. Taken sick head ake, Sure do hurt,
Jan.15th worked 7½ hrs to day on Cola bldg are ford Bldg.Laid them 12x12 tile untell Noon,Laid face brick in after noon, Clear and Cold,
Jan.16th 26.Worked this A.M. laid face brick On Ford BLDG. Partley cloudy all day Started raining about 6 P.M This was Sataday,Made57.85 this week.
Jan 17th Sunday,Cloudy all day rained A little but Raining all night Sat, night. Stayed home all day,
Jan 18th Monday.Laid face brick all day laid about 800.00Clear all day sure was pretty Got A lettr from S.N.Carr
Jan.19th Tusday, Laid 12x12 tileall Day to day. laid about 300 clear and worm
Jan 20th Laid face brick to day, Cloudy and foggy all day.A veary damp day,Laid tile untell 9 am. then brick,
Jan.21th rained all AM. turned cold in evening.Cloudy all day. never worked,
Jan 22.Friday.Cold and Cloudy all day. did not work got A letter from McCheyne He is in Canada.
Jan 2#3 23 1926. cold and cloudy all day. did not work, drawed $45.50. to day
Jan 24th Sunday,Snowed untell noon. cold and cloudy all day. snowed 3 inches. deep
Jan 25th Monday Cloudy all day Snow most all gone, Pretty cool never worked.
Jan.26th Tusday. worked to day cleared off about 9 pm. stayed clear day, laid face brick laid about 800.00
Jan 27th wed,worked to day laid 12x12 tile, clear untell about three then clouded up
Jan 28th.Thurs Worked to day laid Tile.and face brick Ford BLDG.Partley clear rained A little this ece,
Jan29th friday. Clear and pretty all day.Never worked.Went to Town twice to day Edna got her Dresses to day by mail.
Jan 30th Sat.Coludy all day did not work but it was worm. as the man on tv at Tulsa Said it is A butiful DAY.
Jan.31th Sunday.Nite.Clear all day. Volwy and Joes Phene and Pet.Stayed all Night And to day went to Town.
Feb.1.Monday.Worked at Rusk to day on the old Prison.They have made it in two A Crazy House.
Feb.2th Tusday Clyde Lee. Thrailkill my son burth day.Five years old. worked in Rusk On Hosptil for the Sick.in head. Abe and I was working cloe I said to Abne Parrish

Need To Turn my Tape over

about 2/30 in evening I said to Abe.Parrish lone me ten dollars , he said I have not Got it. I told him he would have it at quiting time. he said ok. but about 4 pm

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The contractor came over and paid me and the forman both off. When he walked off

Abe said do you still want to barrow the ten. I laughed and said no. I was fixing to Quite at qiuting time.any way,
Here is why I was goning to quit. about A hundred men cameout close to us with each A single matress on his head.they was all wet, taking them to hill side to dry, Then A hundred woman came by and they all had on just stright sacks with arme holes and neck,place,some had one arme through neck hole the other through arme hole They had cotton stockings one up the other dragin the ground. then there would be two are three walking twenty feet from others cusing them for not beening in line I just had to tel that,
Feb.3th Wed Clear and pretty did not work.went over to Doches to day,
Feb 4th Thurs Clear and pretty worked on garage for resdent to day,
Feb,5th Friday worked this am on garage this evening on flew at Ford stating Clear and worm and Marry,Ellen.Sick.
Feb 6th Sataday, Finished flew and pointed up in after noon FordB.L.D.G prety and clear
Feb 7th Sunday,cloudy this AM but cleared off, went to Voleys this am throwed away my right rear casin to day. this book I got the month of Jan and part of feb out of
On the inside of the back, I mean the front of the back, was this Goodwell ok
Aug 28 1925 Bought in Texhoma Okla 11 miles from Goodwell.
There is another book I wrote a lot in it is A Memorandum book No 1631
There is another book The Natisnal Bank of Commerce Sant Lous Mo.
There is A lot of burth and deaths dates and Names of Mothers People, and Maggie has A lot in it,I will start here for you Children and tell all I can remember that Happened to me, We left Tex.In 1898 are 1899,,I am not sure of the year, but we crossed The red river some where between Belchervill and Burkebernet we crossed on A farry We had to water the horses in a bucket,befor we drove off, the ferry moved about 20ft Then there was about 30are40 ft of watter from one foot of watter and fifteen inches Of sand and there was places in the sand that was quicky you could not stop,
The reason for watering the horses, we traveled through open countary the only place There was timber was on the rivers are creeks. it would be A hundred are two feet on each side then nothing but hills and grass. I think we called it A road the grass was wore out on each side where the wheels run some places ruts where the wheels cut In the ground, we made our first stop in Duncan IT, are as the Negros said Terytory We staayed there I dont remember how long, we went to sulpher IT, me and dady cut wood Out on half way hill,between Sulpher and Davis,We lived in A tent mother was sick in bed Dady taken A load of wood to town I mean Sulpher every day and bring back A jug of water I dont remember if it was Sulpher water are bromite, we cut the trees close to ground One day two boys came where I was spliting cook wood, I stoped work and one the oldest About Twenty, Taken the Ax Started to trim the 6ofnchs off the stump, He taken A hard swing and the AX glanced off,and I was about 20ft away,it flew out of his hands and came stright for my eyes at was so quick I could not dodge, it got in about 18Inc Of my face,the handle turned stright up, the blade of the AX missed my foot three are four Inches, And went in the ground up to the eye, it was A duble bit AX and it would of taken the top of my head off, The only reason I can give it did not, the good Lord Had his hand on my sholder,??
I think it was at Duncon IT, Dady was laying stone on A 2story bulding they was on Seckond floor,I went to Town. And went where Dady was Working, I went up on seckond
Floor → Let me stop and tell you How they got material to the masons, they built run ways of Lumber .they started out side, at the back they built a landing just side in senter of Bldg, about 5ft high it was big anuf to turn a barrow, then they left the stone are brick, off above duble doors below, then the run way went to front then Another landinh So barrow could turn then eather waey over to scaflond the scofland was wide anuf for Barrow,s to bring morter, are stone to the masons, The out side Landing was up to the Top of door fraim, not 5ft,
Now back to where I left off, Floor are up the runway The forman saw me and run me Down, I started to run down that steep run way,when I got out side I could not turn So off I went, I landed on my front between to water barrols If I had hit eather of them It would of killed me,It was about 2ft hole for me to hit, it knocked me cold The morter maker pored water on me brought me too, I was sick a week over that but I told mother are dad, 3are 4 days later the morter maker ask dad how I was he said all wright, why?

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Then he told dad about me falling off the end of the run way,
Wheen I was about 12are 15 me and my brother in law was hunting we was walking across A feld he was on my right, he had A duble barril shot gun with hammars and he was caringin it with the barrils pointed to his right. I was walking on His right, the gun was pointed right at me, just about my belt, I was walking closeto him my gun was Pointed to my left. as I made A step I saw something shine in the grass I stoped he Made more stept the hammer hung in his belt loop and the gun went off, if I had not Stoped I would of got the lead in my side, There was nothing in the grass, that i could Find,
When I was about 15 years old three are four boys and I was one of them. went hunting we was in A Bunch, some Quails flew up. We all shot, the boy behind me justmissed My head. with his shot. my earring A long time,
In the summer of 1914, I started to leave town to look for A job I had to go by the Swiming Hole, The City Had Damed A branch up and made A City place to swim, For the kids. They had A diving bord no place to dress A boy about fifteen years old Dove as I was comming around end of lake, when he came up tryed to hollar but made blullering sound the kids all started to holler he is drowning run mr run I thought they was kidding me, He came up agan made A sound went back down, all this time I was walking ther drecting, he came up the third time just hit the water two are three light licks, started back down, I knew he was drowning then, I swam out to him he was goning down as slow. I reached down with my right hand got him by the hair, he would pull up are down . easy but when you started to pull him side ways it was hard, he would pull me under, I would turn him loose and get on top of the water then reach down, he would be there, I finly got out with hem. A lady that lived close heard the other kids, and run down there, we laid him on his back. but first I picked him up by the nees are lags and shook him good then on his back I pumped his arms and she his lages I worked with him untell he closed his eyes then i new he had started breathing again, He said Im all rightand started back in the water, I waded out and got him and we laied him down, and worked with him more when we let him up this time He was all right,
I was riding in car with A young man, I told him i would get off at the street there was A stop but he did not stop I had dome got out on the finder when he did not stop I steped off in the street, just as he went by there was a car comingin from the other way right on me, I started to run, I angled to the curb I never was over four ft in front of him, but he missed me. about 30 yrs old.
In 1911 we, I mean Dady and I was building a stone bldg in Wagoner OK. It was the loft scofland A man was wheeling stone up the run way and loading the scofland the 2x8 the 2x8, was naild to a 2x4 up right and the other end was on the wall, they was 5ft apart the, stging was 2x8 celing joyst 10ft long two put locks broke all the stagen pulled out from under the stone but two, I was standin on them, all the rock had to come by me I Dont know how I stood there, I did,, Did not Knock me off Why???
Dady and I helped build the first garages in Wagoner OKLA, From 1909 to 1916 I left there in fall of 1915 went to Rusa Ok. Dady came in spring 16, we built ston foundations I see that where i spell stone i leave the e off, i dont mean to,
we built A garage across st, from the building in 1911, the garage was for thomas I think.
I found some more ,//About things that hapened to me. so here they are,
I had small pox when I was about 24 years old, Edna me and Johny Dindie , had the flue In 1918. I went out after 4 days to feed chickens hogs and cows, it was raining I had A had A relaps .
I had hooping caugh, red measels, and spinnel meniges. and Typhoid fever, about the Summer of 1901. in a tent at Lawton It, The fever had left me but I was so weak I could Not walk, the famly was all out in front. I rember so well I was so hungry, I got out of bed crald , to the cook stove, the only thing I could find was some corn bread, I got A chunk just as I started to take a bight, Dady come in., Im was scared I had eat some of that bread, but I had not, when the fever leaves you they said a long time ago, that Your intreals are so tender that corse food will brake through them. I dont know after Seventy years , Maby it is difference,
When I was twelve Years old two young doctors checked me over, they said my hart skiped A beat, every now and then, and still does.

I have had small pox, whopping Cough, Measles, after I was ~~22~~ 24, and had two Relapse with them, also, spinal Mingetis, Mumps — and worked every day, I still don't Know why they did Not hurt me, I was 22 yrs old ????

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Well A new page and more to tell about that hapend long ago,
1913 About 1913 I went to Muskogee Ok. to see a man about a bulding he was goning to build when I got there. he was at Tulsa but was coming back on the evening train I caught a freight goning that way, the trains was to meet up the road, when we got there the pesanger was on the siding it started to move i had to get off the freight it was still movening, I got I got down on the bottom stept of the lader. put one foot on something. when I put my weight on my foot sliped off I put my right foot on the grees boxand pushed hard I hit on my back and slid about 20ft up the track, I had a sliker on it was raining, I stoped in about 20inches of the switch ties that come out from the track, the switch sets on them.and they are about 6inch above the ground, if I had hit them at first they would of found me there. I got up caught the pasanger train but did not get the job, I wnder why??

In 1914. I had the measels. my sisters little girl and boy had the measels and whooping caugh, at the same time my sister Nannie Ryan, seprated From her man at the time and She was living with Dad and Mother, I never taken the measels for 2 weeks after the first One taken them. the little girl was up stairs. she died about the time the fever broke on me. my sister came down the stepts crying and missed A stept and stumbled I was on A Bed at the foot of the starway it scared me so bad i taken a nervice chill.and had A Relapse Relapse taken another chill, and fever,then when I got so i could walk a littel I went to the door looked in the garden, I saw some black berrys ripe on top,I went out there and got three. I eight two berrys made it to the house went to bed with another fiver I was sick another week are so.when I got up I didnot weigh but 130 pounds the DR. put me on A tonace but I did not get any stringht are did not put any pounds I browed five dollars. and caught A freight train for the wheat fields. Got my first job at Great.Bend Kansas, I could not pick up but one bundle of wheat at A time, I worked there a few days. and could pick up two and three bundles on my pitch fork at A time I eat all kinds of grub sleaped on the ground, and gained weight and stringh I quit there.and wet to A headed grain job. two men on each stack of grain and the Thrasher in the midle, I worked 3 days there went back in to Great Bend Kansas There was a man getting ready to take his thrasher out, he was late, there was maby 200 men standing around, watingin for a job,I walked up and ask him if he had A straw monkey yet, that was whot they called the tender of the elevater, that taken The straw away from the thrasher, he had forgot to hire a straw monkey, I got the job The first two are three days It liked to of worked me down, but I studed the thing and when I got it, they I mean the other men. asked me was I goning to back up for my mon Money,I quit a day are two later, went back to Great Bend., I met a boy that lived In Kansas City,he was goning home, i was stronge anuf to go to layingin brick, He and I Started down the street in Great Bend Kans, A boy came along wanted 2 men to pitch Hay, we went with him, we pitched ten acres of alfalfa in 2 days.
Then we went to Kansas city and i went to work layingin brick, in kanses City,
I had a sweet hart in Olatha Kans, I could wride the street car there a few dimes
I would go down there on sat, she was dark brown eyes black hair was Iguess pretty
When I left ,Kans City , I went to Olatha,,first then to Paolia Kans first caught the
Blinds of A frisco passenger train the enginNearsaw me and he stoped the train,
I droped off and walked A head when it came by I caughed it again he stoped I walked
A head when the blinds came by I caughed it again he stoped at the river breage I could
Not go A headd. any fauther.
I went back to the cole shoot for trains the Frisco came on one side the Katy the other
In a few minets the Katy flyer came by, I caught the blinds on It, I stayed with it
To Wagoner Okla, There was A Mexican on the blinds. when I got on, We stayed in Fort
Scot MO, 30 minits

I have had one car torn to pieces from around me. I Turned over Seven Times in a car, was only bruised both Wrecks!!

I went out to a booster station to build a Cooling System, a sine Line blowed in Two and the friction Set the gas off — it blowed up, blowed the end out, Set the woods afire 300 miles away. If it had blowed out Side, it would have Killed me and all the hands I had taken out to do the Job.

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