

THE SUMMER OF '39 AT CARL & ETHEL'S

JUNE.....

It was a lovely day at the cottage on Sunday, the 4th. Rested, ate fish, and went around the golf course, ate, & came home.

On the 10th, Betty went to town and had her pictures taken, and the High School Dedication took place in the evening. Dad went to the Dog Races.

The following week there was a Play, Baccalaureate, and Senior Assembly, and Commencement (Betty's ?) was Thursday, the 15th. It was nice!

Betty played in a tennis tournament, winning all matches until she faced Mary J. Wheeler on the 21st. Betty was runner-up for Women's Champion. McKay's barn burned down.

It was a lovely day on Sunday, the 25th, for the Nicolls Reunion at Township Park at Conneaut, Ohio. All 28 of the CE's were there - 56 altogether. Ross G. was host. There was swimming and motor boating and a big feed. The CE's left for home at 8 p.m., except for Ruth, who got sunburned and stayed at Shirley's.

Mom "put up" 110 jars of strawberry jam and jelly in June.

JULY WAS A TRADE OFF.....

....beginning on Saturday the 1st, when Erma's brought Ruth home, stayed 'til Sunday evening, and took Betty back with them to stay with Jenny.

On the 9th, Mother & Dad N., Art, and Jenny brought Betty home and took Gene back along.

Sunday, the 23rd was a nice day and someone must have remembered Gene was missing because everyone went to C'ville to fetch him. Bob and Ruth stayed there but Mother Nic came to Poland.

Mother Nic, Mom, and Betty went to Aunt Mabel's Monday afternoon, saw strip mining, and went to the Dog Races in the evening. On Tuesday, following a day of ironing and baking, Mother Nic and Mom left at 7 p.m. for C'ville, arriving at 9 p.m. Slept in 'til 9:45 the next morning! Visited at Erma's in the afternoon, and went to see "Dr. Kildare" in the evening.

The following morning, Dad & Mother N. and Mom went to Meadville in the morning, had supper at Erma & Melvin's, then Mom left for home with Bob and Ruth...and Janie.

On Sunday, the 30th, Lee Earl came for Janie, which put everyone at home base for a while.

Other July Highlights: Bob got his driver's license. Mom canned 35 jars of raspberry jelly and 8 quarts of cherries. "Saw Duke Ellington."

AUGUST WAS A TRIP! - OR RATHER, TRIPS.

Carl & Ethel left at 7:10 p.m. Saturday, the 12th, for Washington, D.C., with Ivan and Virginia Blackman. They drove all night and arrived in D.C. at 4 on Sunday morning. "Toured from 7 til 11:20. Met Marg and Bev. Started home at 1 p.m. Stopped to eat & see views, etc., so it was 1 a.m. when we got home. Grand trip!"

Meanwhile, back in Poland, Betty left on Sunday morning to spend a week at Lakeside. When she returned on Sunday, the 20th, Mother & Dad N. were there with Jennie and Art, who were going to stay the week, because Mom was planning a 3-day trip to Cleveland and Detroit by boat, with Betty M., Soph, and Helen Olsen. "Sounds good!"

"The girls" left Poland at 7:30 a.m. Tues. to catch the 8 Bus for Cleveland. They "did the stores" until evening, had supper at Mills, and saw "Goodbye Mr. Chips". Got on back on board at 9:30 p.m. Sailed at 11:30. Didn't sleep much. Had breakfast on board, got off at 8:30 a.m., took a sight-seeing bus for all day. Saw "all" of Detroit - Ford's plant, First Congregational Church, zoo, lunch at Dearborn Inn, dinner at Book Cadillac Hotel Cafe, and went to Fox Theatre. Returned to the boat at 9:30 p.m.

Thursday morning, they disembarked in Cleveland at 9:30 and shopped until 1:30, had lunch at Clark's Paul Revere Restaurant, went to W.29th and caught the 3 Bus home. "Tired but enjoyed it so much. Jennie and Arthur went home in the evening. Williard came for them."

On the 31st, all but Dad went to Township Park, leaving at 7:15 a.m., and coming home at 9:30 p.m. Swam most all day, and stopped at C'ville on the way home.

In other news, Harts bought a trailer, 9 jars of blackberry jelly and 12 jars of elderberry jelly were added to the larder, Don and Ruth saw "The Wizard of Oz."

A FEW SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS:

Betty got saddle shoes (\$2), Ruth got brown oxfords (\$3), Gene's & Don's new shoes were \$3.50 each at Master Shoe Shop, and Dave's suit (with 2 pr.pants) was \$18.45.

1 - "Hitler annexed Danzig." "War began in Europe." Mom ironed and put up bedroom curtains, cleaned the kitchen, and baked.

3 - "France declared war." Warm! Went for ride evening.

10 - All Nicolls Family came for a picnic - 32 - (Bill & Williard). "Guess everyone had a nice time. Lots of eats."

24 - A new minister came - Rev. G.C. Cornell; - and Bill Hahn left for Ohio State.

Don & Ruth were vaccinated for s. p. and Mom made 22 glasses of grape jelly.