

Mary Ella Somers Diary 1928

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JANUARY, 1928

Clear and ^{New Year's Day} cold. Sun. 1
L. E. was at John Scull's for supper. Went there from church.

Ther down to ten Mon. 2
This a.m. Hot water pipes froze up in bath room

Cold. Ther down to Tues. 3
7 1/2 this am, Lindy arrived at Honduras at 2:35 P.m. today

Wed. 4
L. E. gone up home this a.m.

Thur. 5
Mr Mahony took us over to Bethel church tonight

Fri. 6
We had our radio changed today. It is an electric now, no batteries, just plug in

Sat. 7
This was a fine day



Olive, Lizzie and Louie Price [a.k.a. "the girls", sisters, aunties, - they live "up home"] & Mary Ella Somers



Lewis E Somers [a.k.a. L.E. and Lew]

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January

1 - Clear and cold. L.E. was at John Sculls for supper. Went there from church.

2 - Ther down to ten this AM. Hot water froze up in bath room.

3 - Cold Ther down to $7\frac{1}{2}$ this AM. [Lindy arrived at Honduras](#) a 2:55 PM today.

4 - L.E. gone up home this AM.

5 - Mr Mahoney took us over to Bethel church tonight.

6 - We had our radio changed today. It is electric now, no batteries, just plug in.

7 - This was a fine day.

8 - Ed took us for a long ride. We went up to Barnegat and to the plains. It was a strange sights.

9 - I mailed a letter to Mrs Fitton this AM.

10 - We did the wash.

11 - Lee and Julia took us for a ride. We went to Longport, Ocean City and Beesleys Pt. and home by way of Mays Landing.

12 - I was up to see Doc Fish this AM.

13 - L.E. took 6 doz eggs over to Mrs Bew. He got 75c per doz for them.

14 - This is Lew's birthday 73 years young.

15 - I heard Dr Poling preach over the radio. He and Mrs Poling start on a months vacation this week.

16 - I heard the speech of Cuba's President and also our own Mr. Coolidge deliver his speech over the radio in Cuba.

17 - {blank}

18 - Mr Fitzhugh and family called yesterday afternoon.

19 - This has been a stormy day.

20 - We were at John Turners and Maggie Headley's today.

21 - L.E. did the marketing.

22 - L.E. was over to church.

23 - This was a fine day.

24 - Sent check amt 5.00 to Atlantic City Building Loan. It was due on our National shares.

25 - I swept the chamber today.

26 - I went up to see Dr Fish this AM. This afternoon I was up home.

27 - Cold today.

28 - L.E. took 5 doz eggs over to Mrs Bew this AM. He came home in a severe snow storm on the last car that run.

29 - No cars running today.

30 - Suburban car still stuck on the road above here. Ther down to zero.

31 - This is a nice day. No car.

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February

1 - Car still stuck on the road.

2 - No car running, everything else is traveling. This is a nice day.

3 - {blank}

4 - The trolley got down this AM.

5 - We have plenty of snow yet.

6 - Cold today.

7 - Rain today. L.E. has gone up to the movie this afternoon.

8 - Edmond went up to Phila today, starts at Watsons tomorrow.

9 - I was at the Doctors this AM.

10 - Have been sewing today.

11 - We heard Admiral Magruder over the radio.

12 - Dr Poling landed safe in New York this afternoon.

13 - We have been hearing lots of talk about Pres Lincoln.

14 - Also splendid singing by colored spirituals.

15 - We have heard Gen Pershing talk on Lincoln,

16 - also Admiral Plunkett and Nick Longworth.

17 - We will soon be acquainted with all the big folks in Washington.

18 - Edmond came home tonight. He goes away tomorrow.

19 - Ther down to 17 this AM.

20 - I was at an entertainment held at the fire house tonight, it was fine.

21 - Was at the Doctors this AM.

22 - Home all day.

23 - Ed Ryan is very sick, not much hope for his recovery.

24 - Ed Ryan is about the same.

25 - L.E. and I were at a movie this afternoon. Saw Jackie Coggan. It was good.

26 - Ther down to 9 this AM.

27 - Cold and windy.

28 - Lizzie was here for dinner.

29 - I went up to Medford Lakes today with Linwood Civic club.

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March

- 1 - Clear and cold.
- 2 - Clear and cold. Lew went over to Ocean City to see Dr Pettit.
- 3 - A little snow this AM.
- 4 - Thermometer down to 10 this AM.
- 5 - Cold Ther down to 10 this AM.
- 6 - Mailed check to B&L Atlantic City asso. for four dollars.
- 7 - I was at Myra's all yesterday afternoon. She is very ill but was a little better.
- 8 - I attended the fashion show at Hammonton.
- 9 - The Herrick family spent this eve with us. Radio no good.
- 10 - L.E. was at Pville today. Oma Somers called this afternoon.
- 11 - Cloudy and it looks like rain.
- 12 - Thick fog all day.
- 13 - Foggy all day. Mr and Mrs Mahoney spent this evening with us.
- 14 - Radio fine tonight.
- 15 - I was at the Civic Club supper tonight.
- 16 - I am not very well. Am having trouble with stomach.
- 17 - L.E. went to market.
- 18 - L.E. was at the Chapel tonight. Extra meeting commenced.
- 19 - Cold and windy.
- 20 - L.E. went up to Winslow with Ed after a truck load of brick.
- 21 - L.E. finished painting our bedroom.
- 22 - Have been sewing today.
- 23 - Walt Sanders papered the bath room this afternoon.
- 24 - Walt papered the bedroom today.
- 25 - Mrs Pennell died early this morning.
- 26 - We did the wash.
- 27 - I was at the Doctors this AM.
- 28 - Mrs Pennell's funeral is this afternoon.
- 29 - Cleaned a closet in big room.
- 30 - Cleaned the other closet in big room today.
- 31 - L.E. did the marketing. Elvin English's home was robbed tonight.

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April

- 1 - L.E. was at the chapel tonight.
- 2 - We washed this AM and I did the ironing this afternoon.
- 3 - Annie Scott cleaned the kitchen today.
- 4 - I'm no good today.
- 5 - Annie cleaned the sitting room. John W. Price called today.
- 6 - I cleaned our bed room closet today.
- 7 - Rec'd an Easter Card from Ida Lockart.
- 8 - L.E. was at Bethel Church this afternoon.
- 9 - Cold and windy.
- 10 - Annie finished cleaning up stairs today.
- 11 - I cleaned one of the parlor cupboards this afternoon.
- 12 - I was at the Doctors. I bought a new hat at Stevensons.
- 13 - Cleaned parlor cupboard.
- 14 - I did not go to the D.A.R. meeting. It was such an unpleasant day.
- 15 - Somers & Annie Burroughs spent this evening with us.
- 16 - Ther down to 26 this AM. Fitzhugh was here this evening.
- 17 - 2 men here working at the radio. Ther down to 21.
- 18 - E.J. Powers here sewing for me.
- 19 - E.J. sewing for me.
- 20 - Lee Herrick and family spent this eve with us. Radio no good.
- 21 - Riser sent another speaker today.
- 22 - This has been a very stormy day.
- 23 - Rain
- 24 - E.J. Powers here. Rizer men called for speaker.
- 25 - Took Mrs Hagerthy to the hospital.
- 26 - Mrs Hagerthy passed away this AM.
- 27 - E.J. finishing Mrs Hagerthy's dress.
- 28 - [Floyd Bennett's funeral](#) today at Arlington Cemetery.
- 29 - Dr Cadman eulogized Floyd Bennett today.
- 30 - E.J. here today. Lee and Julia called to take me for a ride.

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May

1 - German and Irish aviators are having a goodtime in N.Y. today.

2 - We have been listening to the speaking and bands for two hours.

3 - Marie and I called on Myra yesterday. We called at Risers.

4 - Rec'd Aunt Rebecca's funeral notice.

5 - Marie and I attended the D.A.R. luncheon at Hotel Chelsea. We had a nice time.

6 - Aunt Rebecca fell asleep on the 3rd. Her funeral was at Central Church today.

7 - Rain

8 - We were at the high school this eve and heard their musical entertainment. Kathryn was one of the singers.

9 - Rain again today.

10 - This was Mothers Day at the Kiwanis club. I was presented a fine steamer rug.

11 - Cleaned cellar way cupboard today.

12 - Was at the Drs this AM. Attended the C.A.R. this afternoon, meeting held at Crawfords.

13 - Ther down to 38 this AM, and frost

14 - Ther 35 this AM, some frost.

15 - Mrs Krebs passed away this eve.

16 - Had the electric fixins taken out of the radio today by 2 men sent by Rizer.

17 - Cleaned cellar way shelves. I'm 72 years old today.

18 - Attended Mrs Krebs funeral.

19 - Rain today L.E. did the marketing.

20 - We won't hear any more sermons over the Radio until ministers get back to America.

21 - Stormy today.

22 - L.E. and myself saw Charlie Chaplin this afternoon.

23 - I did the ironing today.

24 - I cleaned kitchen closet. L.E. cleaned the cellar.

25 - We went to see Tom Mix this PM. It was a good show.

26 - I was over to see Dr Pettit tonight.

27 - Harry Steelman and family started for Columbus this afternoon.

28 - Marie and I went down to Mitzers to get flowers for decoration day.

29 - I worked among my flowers today.

30 - Memorial Day - Herbert and family called this morning.

31 - L.E. went in the bay today. He caught over a hundred clams.

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June

- 1 - This was a fine summer day.
- 2 - L.E. did the marketing.
- 3 - L.E. went over to church this afternoon.
- 4 - It is cold tonight. We have been sitting all the evening with our sweaters -
- 5 - and coats on trying to keep warm. No fire in the kitchen.
- 6 - This was a fine day.
- 7 - Picked our first strawberries this year today.
- 8 - Ed and Lew went down to Maryland to fish.
- 9 - Louie and I were on the Steel Pier today. Saw the Lilliputians. Lew came home tonight.
- 10 - Louie went home tonight.
- 11 - Rain most of the day.
- 12 - Marie and I were at the Somers Point A&P store this afternoon.
- 13 - I spent this day at Howard Smiths. His mother was there also.
- 14 - I'm not very well today. I heard Herbert Hoover nominated for President tonight.
- 15 - It is very warm today. I heard Chas Curtis nominated for Vice President by his daughter this afternoon.
- 16 - The convention was wonderful. We heard most all of it.
- 17 - Annie Scott called today. Edmond went on his trip to Brownsville this morning.
- 18 - Warm today.
- 19 - L.E. and I took Mary over to Atlantic City this afternoon to see the little folks. Lilliputians.
- 20 - Rain today.
- 21 - Ed's family have gone to the Sunday school picnic at Mays Landing. (rain)
- 22 - More rain today.
- 23 - I was up to see Dr. Fish today, did not find him at home.
- 24 - L.E. went over to church.
- 25 - Marie took Kathryn, Mary and myself up to Verge. We had a fine time.
- 26 - Democrat Convention convened today at Houston Texas.
- 27 - Lee Herrick and family spent this eve with us.
- 28 - Al Smith was voted on tonight for President of the U.S.A. -
- 29 - I hope he is defeated on election day.
- 30 - Maggie Headly and Carrie Turner called here Thursday. I was at the Drs today.

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July

- 1 - We rode over the new bridge from Somers Point to Beesleys Pt.
- 2 - Hot today.
- 3 - I did the ironing.
- 4 - We stayed home all day.
- 5 - L.E. went over to Atlantic City. He bought a new suit of clothes.
- 6 - Thunder showers this afternoon.
- 7 - L.E. did the marketing.
- 8 - Harry Steelman and family were here today.
- 9 - We did the wash.
- 10 - I was up home awhile today.
- 11 - Louie and I went down to Wilmington on the boat.
- 12 - We had Dr Pettit come over to see Lew. He is sick with rheumatism.
- 13 - L.E. is about the same today. His leg pains all the time.
- 14 - L.E. is about the same, can not lie down.
- 15 - Dr Pettit here today. L.E. about the same.
- 16 - Hot today.
- 17 - Dr Pettit baked Lew's leg today.
- 18 - L.E. improving a little.
- 19 - L.E. can't lie down.
- 20 - L.E. had his leg baked again today.
- 21 - L.E. went up stairs tonight to bed.
- 22 - Hot day.
- 23 - Hot today.
- 24 - L.E. went over to see Dr Pettit.
- 25 - I did the ironing.
- 26 - Hot day.
- 27 - Hotter
- 28 - Thermometer 92 in the shade.
- 29 - Edmond went up to the city tonight.
- 30 - Nice & cool today. Ed went up to Beach Haven fishing.
- 31 - Ed and Mark are on a fishing trip.

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August

- 1 - Hot today
- 2 - Thermometer 91 in the shade
- 3 - Radio don't work today. Trolley wire down.
- 4 - I was at the Drs this AM.
- 5 - Sam Loper and family spent today at Eds.
- 6 - It rained tonight we needed it bad.
- 7 - Hot 98 in shade.
- 8 - We had a little more rain this AM still hot.
- 9 - So far this month every day has been a cooker. Sent radio away today.
- 10 - Raining tonight.
- 11 - It has been raining all day still hot.
- 12 - Bad storm. It is almost a hurricane, its done lots of damage in the southern states.
- 13 - We were on the Steel Pier today.
- 14 - Ollie and I went up to the movie tonight, saw Ramona.
- 15 - I did the ironing today.
- 16 - It was warm today.
- 17 - Rained today, not much cooler.
- 18 - Sam and Carrie Smith were here for supper tonight.
- 19 - Warren Morris had dinner with us today.
- 20 - Mr Mahoney and Mr Mc Keag called.
- 21 - Sallie English spent this afternoon with us.
- 22 - We heard Al Smith acceptance speech tonight.
- 23 - I spent today with Josie and Myra.
- 24 - Cloudy.
- 25 - I was at the Doctors today.
- 26 - L.E. went over to Bethel this afternoon.
- 27 - Ed and Walt Scull went down to Arlington this AM after brick.
- 28 - The Herrick family spent last evening with us.
- 29 - I was up home awhile this afternoon.
- 30 - L.E. went in the bay. He got 21 large clams and a mess of oysters.
- 31 - {blank}

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September

1 - Ed, Marie, Kathryn and Mary have gone down to Luray.

2 - Annie called this afternoon.

3 - Ed and family arrived home this afternoon.

4 - I canned tomatoes today.

5 - Lew and I were on the Steel Pier today.

6 - I canned tomatoes again today.

7 - It has rained all day.

8 - I was at the Doctors this AM. I bought a felt hat to wear on my vacation.

9 - L.E. went over to church.

10 - I did the wash and Ironing.

11 - I canned tomatoes and Bartlett pears.

12 - Canned pears again today. This was a hot day.

13 - I was at Atlantic City this AM. Saw Pauline Reed at Smiths Bakery. We ate our lunch there.

14 - Finished canning pears and tomatoes.

15 - I was at the Doctors today.

16 - L.E. went down to church tonight. Carrell Doughty's funeral today.

17 - [Started for Ausable](#) this morning. Arrived Saugerties about dark.

18 - We reached Ausable about 5:30 PM

19 - We stayed at Burlington Vt. All night Tues.

20 - Thurs morning left for Swampscott was there all night.

21 - We ate our dinner at Plymouth and slept tonight at Concord.

22 - We spent 3 or 4 hours on Boston Common this AM and Marie and I went shopping this afternoon. We are on the steamer tonight.

23 - The boat is fine. We had church service this AM. There are about 200 people on board. At 4:30 PM we passed Atlantic City 60 miles from land.

24 - Monday morning arrived at Norfolk. We toured the city today.

25 - Left Norfolk Monday eve arrived at Baltimore this AM, arrived home tonight in the machine.

26 - I didn't do much work today.

27 - Have been the rest of this week trying to get tings straightened out.

28 - Have been the rest of this week trying to get tings straightened out.

29 - Have been the rest of this week trying to get tings straightened out.

30 - Annie Scott was here this afternoon.

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October

1 - We did the wash today.

2 - Marie and I attended the fashion show at Mays Landing.

3 - Have been potting some of my friends.

4 - I sewed on a window curtain today.

5 - Finished the curtains, bought goods in Norfolk Va.

6 - We helped celebrate the One Hundredth anniversary of Monument at Chestnut Neck.

7 - Paul is away on his vacation.

8 - L.E. went fishing he caught 24 black fish.

9 - I was at the doctors this AM.

10 - I cooked plums today for jelly.

11 - I made 15 glasses of jelly today.

12 - I called on Mrs George Ober this afternoon.

13 - L.E. did the marketing.

14 - I don't remember what I did these four days.

15 - I don't remember what I did these four days.

16 - I don't remember what I did these four days.

17 - I don't remember what I did these four days.

18 - Went up to Pville and got my brown velvet hat. I was at the Drs.

19 - Canned plumbs this afternoon.

20 - L.E. went up to market. Mrs Fitton called this eve.

21 - L.E. stayed home from church.

22 - Went up to Bristol today.

23 - Took a walk up to old Quaker Church Bristol.

24 - Cora and I shopped and went to a movie this afternoon.

25 - We went over to Burlington this afternoon.

26 - Arrived home from Bristol this PM.

27 - L.E. did the marketing.

28 - Annie here this afternoon.

29 - Sent check to Atl City B&L Asso. Amt 8.00

30 - We did the wash.

31 - I have rheumatism in both limbs.

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November

- 1 - Am lame this morning.
- 2 - Rheumatism
- 3 - Rheumatism no better, raining today.
- 4 - Raining again today.
- 5 - We did the wash and ironing today.
- 6 - This was election day. Louie stayed here with me all night. Hoover Elected.
- 7 - I went to bed at 3 AM this morning, listened to returns.
- 8 - I was at the Doctors this AM.
- 9 - Took up some gladiolas this afternoon.
- 10 - L.E. and Ed went clamming today they caught 118.
- 11 - L.E. wet down to the Chapel tonight.
- 12 - Mr and Mrs Mahoney spent this evening with us.
- 13 - I have been putting my gladiolas away.
- 14 - Worked today Glads.
- 15 - I spent this day with Josie and Myra.
- 16 - L.E. got his check from election cashed 13.
- 17 - L.E. did the marketing.
- 18 - L.E. went over to Bethel this afternoon.
- 19 - Showery today. I sent check today for American Magazine and Home Companion.
- 20 - I did a little sewing today.
- 21 - L.E. went over to Atlantic City this morning.
- 22 - I had forgot what I did this day.
- 23 - I was at Pleasantville today.
- 24 - L.E. went to market.
- 25 - Annie Scott called this afternoon. Mrs Walters was here this afternoon.
- 26 - I was at the Drs today.
- 27 - We did the wash.
- 28 - I've been fixing for Thanksgiving all day.
- 29 - Thanksgiving - Edmond came home last night He goes back Sat morning.
- 30 - It has rained all day.

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December

1 - {blank}

2 - Edmond went up to Phila this AM.

3 - Cloudy and a little rain.

4 - The wash and ironing was done today.

5 - Have been sewing this day.

6 - Not much time to sew I am trying to make an apron. I hope I get it done by Christmas.

7 - It is snowing tonight. L.E. went up to see Lee Herrick. He had a fall.

8 - Cloudy and snow again today. A family moved into Fittons house today.

9 - Sun is shining today. Snow about 4 inches deep. No cars running until later this afternoon.

10 - I was at the Doctors this AM.

11 - We did the wash. It was a nice day.

12 - Rich Jr and Emily are recovering from the flue.

13 - Elnora Somers is suffering with a broken leg.

14 - Mr Pedrick is very poorly. He is in bed a part of the time.

15 - L.E. was at Pville this AM.

16 - I wrote a letter to Cora tonight.

17 - Cold cloudy and windy.

18 - Wash and ironing done today.

19 - Marie and I were at Atlantic City.

20 - Too much Christmas work to remember what I did.

21 - Too much Christmas work to remember what I did.

22 - Too much Christmas work to remember what I did.

23 - Annie was here.

24 - We did not do the wash this week.

25 - Christmas - I was up home this afternoon.

26 - We went up to the movie to see Uncle Tom's Cabin.

27 - Darned stockings. Sam Stetser died today.

28 - Patched my jacket today.

29 - I was at the Doctors this AM. Josie Rockelmann called today.

30 - Marie took Kathryn, Mary and I over to see the Christmas decorations Margate was the prettiest.

31 - Edmond and Harriet went up to the city tonight.