

Mary Ella Somers Diary 1933

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JANUARY, 1933
New Year's Day SUN
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*This was a fine day
Thermometer 15° this
morning*

MON
2

*Johnny Mc Keag and
Wallace called today*

TUES
3

we did the wash

WED
4

*Cloudy part of
the day*

THUR
5

*This was a nice
day*

FRI
6

*Sallie English
and Fannie Newell
called this evening*

SAT
7

*Susie Ireland called
this afternoon.
Mrs Rockstoll was
here also.*



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



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

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January

1 - This was a fine day, Thermometer 15 this morning.

2 - Johnny Mc Keag and Wallace called today.

3 - We did the wash.

4 - Cloudy part of the day.

5 - This was a nice day.

6 - Sallie English and Fannie Newell called this evening.

7 - Susie Ireland called this afternoon. Mrs Rockstoll was here also.

8 - L.E. did not go to church.

9 - Rain

10 - This was a nice day.

11 - Boiled ham for dinner.

12 - Cool and cloudy part of the day.

13 - I washed windows today.

14 - L.E. was at Pville.

15 - Somers Burroughs and Annie were here tonight.

16 - This was a nice day.

17 - Cloudy. Marie is not very well.

18 - A good sunshiny day but windy.

19 - A nice warm day.

20 - Lee and Julia spent this eve with us.

21 - Mrs Piercey was here awhile this eve.

22 - Mr and Mrs Fitzhugh were here tonight.

23 - This was a summer day.

24 - Another nice warm day.

25 - Cloudy and rain today. A sever wind tonight and rain.

26 - We had a hurricane last night. Much damage done. Tides making many folks homeless.

27 - High winds and tides today along the coast.

28 - Chelsea bank closed today.

29 - Windy today.

30 - Rich & Emily spent this eve here. National Bank Atl City closed today.

31 - I was at the Doctors today.

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February

1 - Atl City National Bank closed last Monday.

2 - This was a fine day/ Mrs Piercy called this afternoon.

3 - I did the sweeping up stairs. We bought a ton of coal today.

4 - Pville Bank closed today. We are out nearly \$300.00 dollars. Bad luck for us. It snowed all day.

5 - Snow 5 inches deep this AM cold.

6 - Thermometer down to 12 this AM.

7 - Chilly and cloudy all day. Mrs Piercey called this afternoon.

8 - R.J. and Emily were here all the afternoon. Lizzie was here for supper.

9 - It was snowing and wind blowing hard when she left here. Lou Robinson died today age 84 years.

10 - Ida Lewis called this afternoon. Rec'd letter from Atl City Building Loan, can't get any money on my certificates now.

11 - We have \$800.00 dollars there. Hard luck.

12 - 5 inches of snow on the ground left from Friday nights storm.

13 - Cold and cloudy most of the day. We listened to Pres Hoover's Lincoln address last night.

14 - Cloudy all day. Snow has got off the ground.

15 - Foggy and rain this AM.

16 - Elvin English and family are back from California.

17 - They have rented an apartment in Ocean City.

18 - Lou Robinson died last week. L.E. was at Pville today.

19 - Bethel church started extra meetings tonight.

20 - Rained all day.

21 - Emily Somers called today.

22 - I was at the Doctors this AM. This was a fine day.

23 - This was a fine day.

24 - Somers Burroughs and wife spent this evening with us.

25 - L.E. brought our deeds and other papers from bank today.

26 - Clear and cold today.

27 - Windy and cold this day. I asked for B. & L. loan tonight.

28 - Cold and windy day. Mr Mahoney called this eve.

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March

- 1 - I was up home this afternoon.
- 2 - Somers Point Bank closed this AM. Cloudy and cold all day.
- 3 - Cold again today.
- 4 - We listened to the inauguration of Franklin Roosevelt. If he fulfills his promise he is all right.
- 5 - This was a fine day. Lew Ireland called this AM.
- 6 - Cold and windy. Ida Johnson & Horace Riley were here this afternoon, came from Verga
- 7 - Rain this day.
- 8 - This was a cold cloudy windy day.
- 9 - Cold and windy AM. Worried about my B & Loan Association bank closed.
- 10 - It has been windy all this week.
- 11 - This was a nice day.
- 12 - Our minister is at conference today.
- 13 - Emily Somers called today.
- 14 - Rained
- 15 - Rains so much they are having dreadful floods in Ohio Valley.
- 16 - Carrie Rockstol called this afternoon.
- 17 - This was a nice day.
- 18 - Rain this afternoon.
- 19 - Rained all day.
- 20 - Rain all day.
- 21 - Rained all day.
- 22 - Cold and windy. I was at the doctors this AM.
- 23 - Rain again today.
- 24 - Clear and cold.
- 25 - Pville Bank had ads in paper for depositors to send in their Bank books.
- 26 - Cloudy and cold.
- 27 - Cloudy and some rain.
- 28 - Cloudy and a little sunshine. L.E. took books up to bank.
- 29 - This was a fine day.
- 30 - Another nice day. Mrs Rockstol called this afternoon.
- 31 - Cloudy and some rain.

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April

1 - L.E. went to market.

2 - This was a nice day.

3 - L.E. took my coat over to E.J. to have a new collar made.

4 - Rain. Mrs Piercey spent this eve with us.

5 - This was a ice day. L.E. is getting the garden ready to plant.

6 - Another nice day.

7 - Rain. Lizzie was here this afternoon.

8 - I was at the Doctors this AM.

9 - Mr and Mrs Fitzhugh spent this afternoon with us.

10 - Somers Burroughs and Annie spent last eve with us.

11 - This was a nice day.

12 - It has been raining all day.

13 - Snow in Boston 3 feet deep.

14 - Edmond and Mary came home today brought Jimmy with them.

15 - L.E. went to market.

16 - Edmond and Mary went home about 5 PM.

17 - Rain today. Mrs Piercey, Carrie and Mrs Page called this afternoon.

18 - This was a fine day.

19 - I rec'd an Easter Card from Mary Bechtel.

20 - Wind N.E. and raining.

21 - Lewis Leeds and my sisters called this afternoon.

22 - L.E. took our books up to the Bank and left them.

23 - Thermometer was down to 30 at 7 AM. It made ice as thick as window glass.

24 - It rained today.

25 - I did the ironing.

26 - I did a little sewing.

27 - I forgot what I did today.

28 - Mr and Mrs Fitzhugh were here tonight, they paid us forty dollars interest.

29 - I was at the Doctors this AM, Ed took me up there.

30 - This was a nice day.

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May

- 1 - Marie not very well today.
- 2 - Foggy this morning.
- 3 - A thunder shower tonight with hail.
- 4 - Thermometer 42 this AM.
- 5 - I swept the sitting room.
- 6 - We paid for the ton of coal today that we bought before the bank closed, Feb 4.
- 7 - We had 14 little chicks hatched today.
- 8 - We are having a N.E. rain storm tonight.
- 9 - Rain again today.
- 10 - Annie cleaned the kitchen.
- 11 - I bought 5 new window curtains.
- 12 - I can't remember what I did this day.
- 13 - We had 20 more little chicks out today.
- 14 - Ed & Marie gave me a nice box of candy. I was up home today.
- 15 - I did a little wash.
- 16 - Annie cleaned the sitting room.
- 17 - This was my birthday. I read several cards.
- 18 - I also received a check for 38 dollars from B & L.
- 19 - I was at the Doctors today.
- 20 - Paul was married this morning. It was a church wedding. We were there.
- 21 - Paul and Ruth are honey mooning in the south.
- 22 - We had a heavy thunder shower last night.
- 23 - Warm and foggy today.
- 24 - Rain this day.
- 25 - L.E. and I were in Atlantic City shopping.
- 26 - Warm weather this week.
- 27 - Lourine Fenton died tonight. She was loved by all her neighbors.
- 28 - Edmond & Mary home today, also Paul and Ruth.
- 29 - This was a fine day.
- 30 - Memorial Day - Marie and I were at the Central & Zion cemeteries this AM.
- 31 - Lourine Fentons funeral was this afternoon.

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June

1 - This was a cold day thermometer way down.

2 - Cold again today. I paid Northfield tax today, one half amt \$9.38.

3 - {blank}

4 - Louie spent this afternoon and evening with us.

5 - Harry Steelman and family are at Ed's.

6 - Harry and family started home this AM.

7 - This was a hot day.

8 - Fitzhughs were here this eve and paid interest on mortgage due April 23, 1933.

9 - Sent money order to W.A. Smith for work on toilet, amt \$3.00.

10 - We are having a hot wave thermometer 98 & 100.

11 - Hot and dry -

12 - every day -

13 - little rain.

14 - I attended Lourines funeral.

15 - Cleaned closet this week.

16 - {blank}

17 - Cooler today.

18 - A nice day.

19 - Cleaned the big room up stairs.

20 - We did the wash.

21 - Ironed today.

22 - Cleaned our bedroom this day.

23 - I went up to Pleasantville today and bought a pair of shoes, Walk Overs \$5.00.

24 - L.E. did the marketing.

25 - We were at Batsto, Pleasant Mills, Green Bank, Lower Bank, and Mays Landing this afternoon. -

26 - A 72 mile ride with Ed.

27 - Sent \$2.75 up to Mrs Wolfbrandt to pay my D. of A. dues in lodge tonight.

28 - I did a small wash and ironed.

29 - Marie, Ed, Mary and I were at the Baptist picnic all day.

30 - Mary Bechtel and Carrie were here. A heavy thunder shower tonight.

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July

1 - Hot this day.

2 - Thunder shower and wind storm tonight a bad one.

3 - Wind N.E. rain and lots of wind all day.

4 - This was a fine day.

5 - I mailed a letter to Mary Bechtel this AM.

6 - Hot today.

7 - Very hot 92.

8 - I was at the Doctors this A.M. L.E. bought shoes in Atlantic City.

9 - Ed's family spent today at Barnegat.

10 - I was at Lee Herricks this afternoon.

11 - I fell off the back steps today. I was not hurt as bad as usual.

12 - I'm quite lame today.

13 - The back step was fixed today to keep me from falling again.

14 - {blank}

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

16 - This was a nice day.

17 - I paid the last half of Northfield tax tonight 1933.

18 - Cloudy and a few drops of rain today.

19 - Hot this day.

20 - Lucy Donati is visiting at Ed's.

21 - I fried tomatoes for dinner today, they were grown in our garden this year.

22 - We will have chicken for dinner tomorrow.

23 - No service at Bethel on account of camp meeting.

24 - We listened to F.D.R.'s speech tonight. It sounded good.

25 - We did the wash.

26 - I don't remember what happened -

27 - these two days, hot I guess.

28 - Hot today.

29 - I attended the Historical meeting at Atlantic City. Mary Bechtel & Carrie were here.

30 - Very warm today.

31 - Hottest day.

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August

1 - Thermometer 100 in shade.

2 - Intense heat.

3 - More heat today. A thunder shower at 1 AM. It is 8 AM and I am still awake Friday Morn.

4 - It is nice and cool today. Wind easterly and cloudy a part of the time.

5 - {blank}

6 - L.E. was at Bethel this afternoon.

7 - Cool

8 - A nice day.

9 - Cool

10 - Rain tonight.

11 - Cloudy a part of the day.

12 - I was at the Doctors this AM.

13 - Rain tonight.

14 - Amanda Barrett spent this eve with us.

15 - I ironed this day.

16 - Louie and I spent this day on the Steel Pier.

17 - Ed, Marie and Mary went camping this morning. They are near Dingmans Ferry.

18 - Ed came home tonight.

19 - Edmond Lewis Somers was born last night at 10 o'clock.

20 - Somers & Annie Burroughs spent last evening with us.

21 - A tropical storm commenced last night.

22 - We are having a sever wind and rain storm.

23 - Two big limbs broke off our maple tree in the yard.

24 - Corn, lima beans, and all other vegetables destroyed.

25 - It was the worst storms we ever had and a big loss to us.

26 - {blank}

27 - This was a hot day.

28 - Hattie Frambes spent this afternoon with us. I gave her the old grandmother Baker's Churn to be given to the Historical Society.

29 - Lee and Julia spent this eve with us.

30 - I did the wash.

31 - Ed went up to Dingmans Ferry after Mary and Marie.

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September

1 - I did a little sewing.

2 - Ed, Marie and Mary came home this afternoon.

3 - Paul and Ruth were here. Mark Kears and Howard were here.

4 - Rain today.

5 - Mrs Buchanan and daughter spent this eve with us.

6 - I was at the Doctors today. Carrie Turner is seriously ill.

7 - I went down to Mrs Dicks last eve. Annie was here this afternoon.

8 - Hot today.

9 - I went to Atl City this afternoon to see Pauline Reed and found her a very sick person.

10 - It is nice and cool today.

11 - I did a small wash today. Lee Jr and Julia were here this afternoon.

12 - It rained last night and this morning.

13 - I forgot -

14 - to write -

15 - this up.

16 - Rec'd of Linwood B&L \$50.00 on acct, withdrawal Cert.

17 - Somers & Annie Burroughs spent this eve with us.

18 - Mr Mauck passed away tonight. He lived only 15 minutes after he was taken ill.

19 - I went over to see Mrs Rockstol and Mrs Piercy this afternoon.

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

21 - I was over at Piercys again today.

22 - Mr Maucks funeral was today. He was to Norristown for burial.

23 - I was at the Doctors today.

24 - Thermometer 92 in the shade.

25 - Hot today 92.

26 - 93 in the shade.

27 - Hot again.

28 - I was up home this afternoon.

29 - Mrs Rockelman is poorly. Marie took her up to see her Dr -

30 - and he says she has diabetes and gangrene in her foot.

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October

1 - I was at Bethel Church this day, they called it the old Home Rally.

2 - I forgot -

3 - to write what -

4 - I did these days.

5 - Ella Baker spent this afternoon with me.

6 - May Somers is to be married tomorrow.

7 - Edmond, Mary and baby Lewis came home today.

8 - Edmond went back to Hazelton tonight.

9 - Mary & Baby were here for dinner today.

10 - I darned Lew's coat where the moths ate it.

11 - Mrs Piercy & Mrs Rockstol spent the eve with us.

12 - Edmond came home today.

13 - Mrs Rockelman was taken to the hospital today.

14 - Mary Bechtel called here today. She came from Wildwood.

15 - Paul & Ruth were here this afternoon.

16 - I did the wash this afternoon.

17 - Mrs Rockelman not so good today.

18 - Marie goes over to see her mother every day.

19 - I went over to Atlantic City this afternoon to see Carrie Turner, she was very weak.

20 - I am not very well today.

21 - Better today.

22 - Mrs Piercy & sister spent this evening with us.

23 - Edmond and Mary took Lewis up home to see his Aunties.

24 - I did a little wash today, didn't hang the clothes out it rained.

25 - Edmond and Mary went home this AM. Annie came for potatoes this afternoon.

26 - Thermometer 23 this morning. Hattie Frambes called this afternoon.

27 - Lee & Julia spent this eve with us. They brought us some clams.

28 - Mr McKeag and Wallace called this afternoon.

29 - L.E. did not go to church.

30 - This was a fine day.

31 - I went over to the Hospital this afternoon to see Mrs Rockelman.

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November

1 - I was at the Doctors today.

2 - This was a fine day.

3 - Mr & Mrs Fitzhugh spent this evening with us.

4 - Lizzie spent this eve with us. Carrie Turner died yesterday.

5 - Mr Ott preached today.

6 - We attended Carrie Turners funeral this afternoon.

7 - Mrs Rockelmans leg was taken off this afternoon. She stood the operation as well as expected.

8 - Annie scrubbed the kitchen floor for me.

9 - Mrs Rockelman is in bad shape.

10 - Mrs Rockelman is delirious and drowsy.

11 - Mrs R a little better today.

12 - Freda and family came down to visit her mother.

13 - I did a small wash.

14 - Mrs Piercy called this eve.

15 - Hattie Frambes called. The Thermometer was 23 this AM.

16 - Cold this morning Thermometer stood at 14.

17 - I rec'd a check, amount 11.00 dollars from closed Pville Bank. I was glad to get it.

18 - I will get more later on. Lee & Julia spent this evening with us.

19 - Ida & Frank Cadwalder & Horace Riley called this afternoon.

20 - Mrs Rockelman is gaining all the time.

21 - {blank}

22 - {blank}

23 - I was at the Doctors today.

24 - I was up to see Uncle Martin this afternoon.

25 - John Turner & son Frank called this afternoon.

26 - Paul and Ruth spent quite a while with us tonight.

27 - We did not wash today.

28 - L.E. bought a nice pair of pants at Atlantic City. Marie took him over there.

29 - Mr. Worrell called this AM.

30 - Thanksgiving - We had our dinner at Ed's. Marie took me over to see her mother, she is failing fast.

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December

1 - Mrs Piercy and Rockstol have gone away for the winter.

2 - Mrs Rockelman not so well today she is very weak.

3 - I was up home this afternoon. Raining tonight.

4 - Not fit to do the wash. Foggy.

5 - Mrs R no better.

6 - Mrs R failing.

7 - Mrs R mostly unconscious all day.

8 - Mrs Rockelman passed away at 5:30 PM today. Will and Marie were with her at the time.

9 - It rained and snowed all day. Edmond & Mary came home tonight.

10 - We have 3 inches of snow and thermometer down to 9.

11 - We were at Mrs Rockelmans funeral this afternoon.

12 - Edmond & Mary went back to Hazelton this morning. Cold 10 this AM.

13 - Cold and snow on the ground.

14 - It is cold with snow and ice on the ground.

15 - It is very bad traveling ice and snow on the ground.

16 - Raining, snow and plenty of ice.

17 - Neal Raver preached at Bethel this afternoon.

18 - I was at the doctors this AM.

19 - Cloudy all day.

20 - Sent money order for 2 subscriptions to McCalls magazine.

21 - I mailed 9 Christmas Cards this morning.

22 - L.E. Marie, Kathryn and I were at Atlantic City this afternoon.

23 - Edmond, Mary & Lewis arrived home tonight.

24 - This was a fine day.

25 - Christmas - Ed & Marie had all of their children home today for dinner and Lewis E. number two was there -

26 - and Grand Dad and Grand Mom were there too.

27 - Edmond and family went home yesterday in a snow and rain storm.

28 - Edmond reached Hazelton all right.

29 - Cold Ther 12 this AM Thursday.

30 - A ton of coal today \$10.00 buckwheat & coke. Ther down to zero at 3 AM this morning.

31 - This was affine day. I hope 1934 is more prosperous and work for everybody