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## **The Pocket Diary of Kenneth D. Rose**

**1919**

Kenneth D Rose.  
Branford, CT  
Tel Branford 149-14.

Transcribed  
by  
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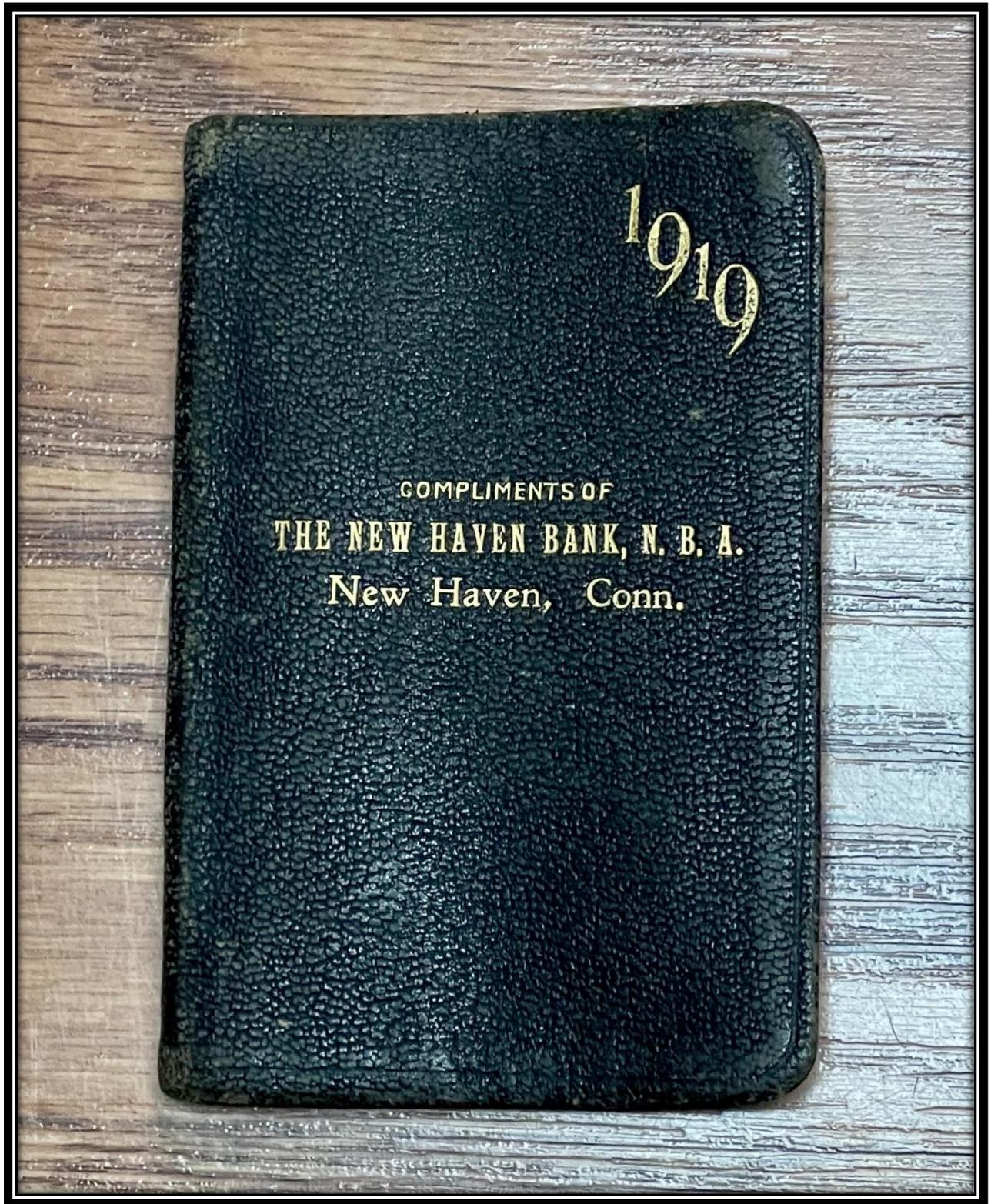
## Introduction

Kenneth Dudley Rose was born on January 4<sup>th</sup>, 1896 in North Branford CT to Elon H. Rose and Sarah Talcoff Rose. On June 30, 1926 he married Nina Dudley. He died on August 11, 1971 and is buried in The Bare Plain Cemetery in North Branford.

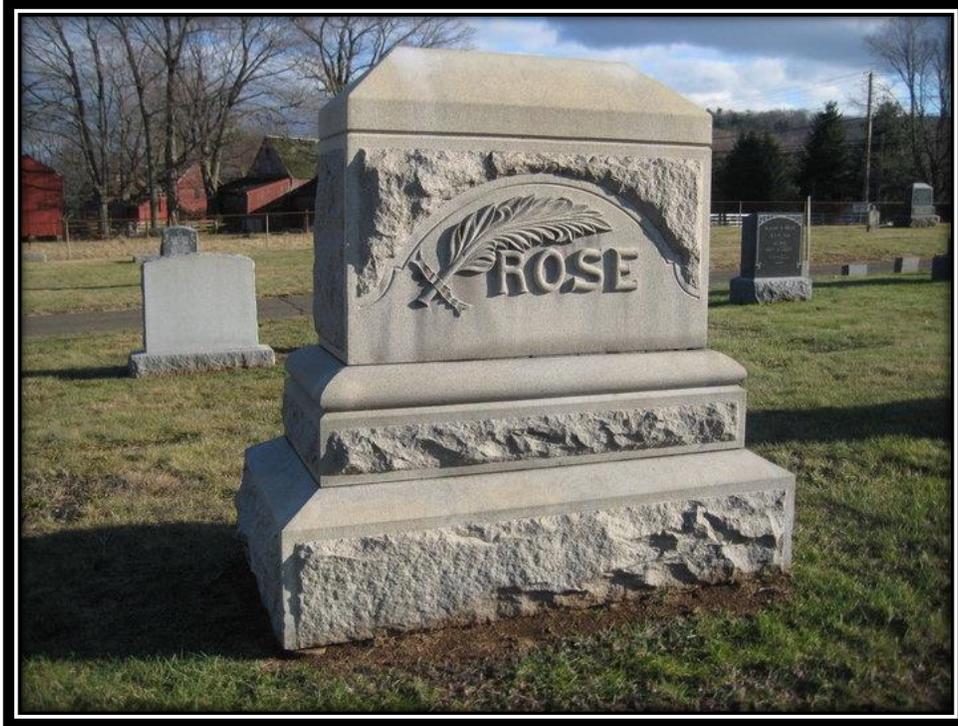
He worked as a travelling salesman for many years.



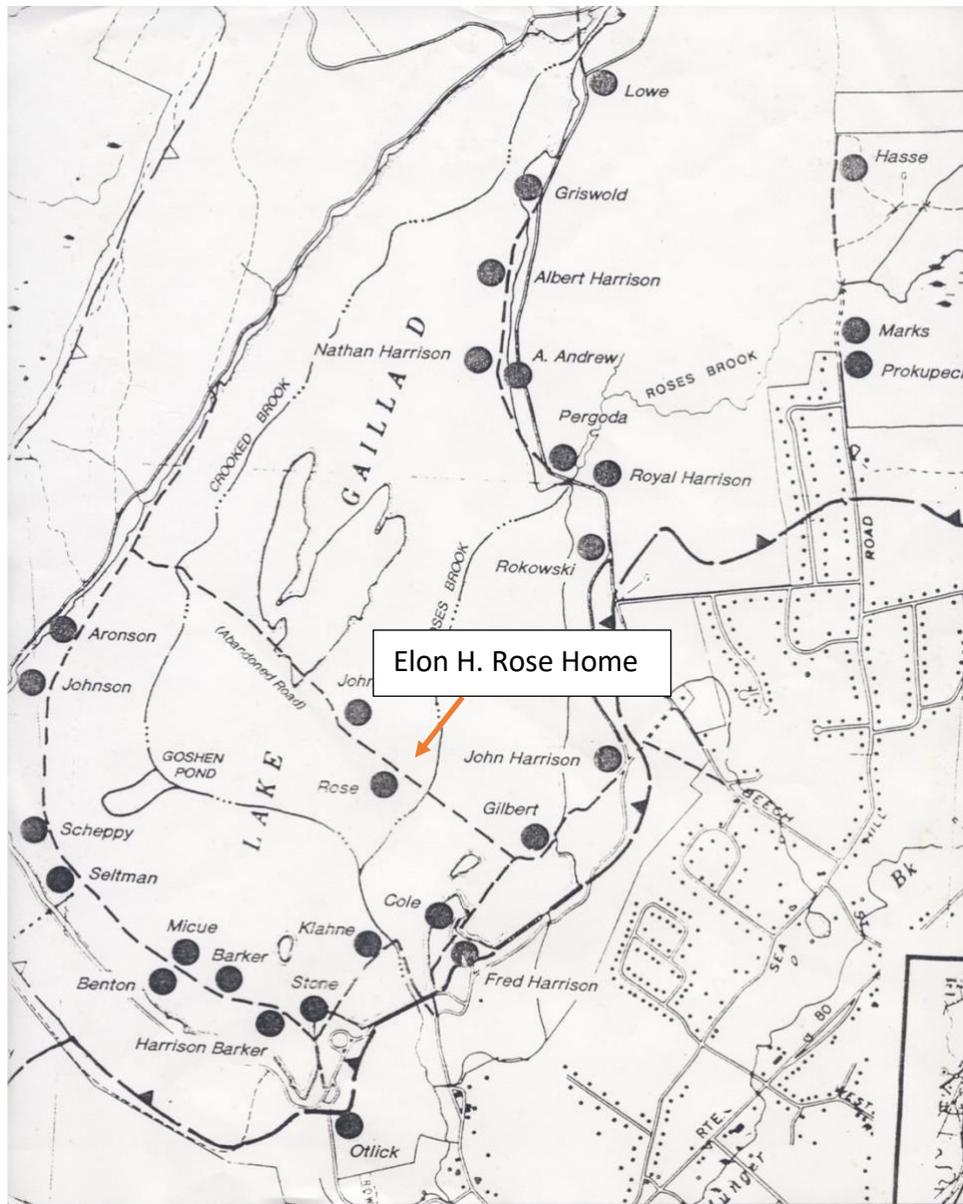
This is the North Branford 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduating class 1911. Kenneth D. Rose is the second from the left, standing. The second boy from the right standing is Irving Nelson Harrison who is one of Kenneth's best friends and is mentioned as Irv many times in this diary.



The Diary



Rose Family Grave, Bare Plain Cemetery  
North Branford, CT



The Home of Elon Rose is shown on the above map. This is where Kenneth Dudley Rose was born on January 4<sup>th</sup>, 1896. The home was demolished during the construction of the North Branford Dam and the formation of Lake Gaillard in 1926 – 1927.

The diary is transcribed as written including the lack of punctuation. It was sometimes very difficult to distinguish between Kenneth's m, w, n, v, u and several other letters. Therefore, it is quite certain that I have made errors in the transcription but I think that the essence of the sentences is preserved.

Ted Groom

Thursday, December 25th 1918.

Clutch plates cost \$13.80 release bearing cost \$5.06.

### *January 1919*

Wednesday, January 1

Went to work for WW. Gale and Co. September 20, 1918

Tuesday, January 2

And got through at Gales on June 6, 1919. Began work. With HB Ives company on June 16, 1919.

Friday, January 3

Started on road. for HBI Company September 4, 1919

Sunday, January 12th.

Beginning.

Monday January 13.

L. H.

Tuesday 14

L. H.

Wednesday 15

Bought ticket for Passing Show. For Jan 23. \$4.40

Thursday 16 Stayed in N.H. with Henry tonight.

Friday 17

Sent SA Griswold. Receipted, bill from Post and Lecturn.

Saturday 18 LH ,

Went bowling. with Lee Irving, and Johnson. After went out to Branford out to dance. Bought food, bought Ford wheel for \$1.50.

Memoranda Had good week. and am going to Branford tomorrow.

Sunday 19

Oiled and greased Ford. and vulcanized tube. Went to Guildford and Branford in afternoon. At church evening in Branford with the bunch.

Monday 20

L. H. Brought Virgil out. Put on new Ford rear wheel.

Tuesday 21

Bought gallon oil for the Ford \$0.60.

Wednesday 22

Dick and LH. Trimmed Windows perfection. Draws 398 sales.

Have got a cold.

Thursday 23

~~Dick~~ and LH

Cold much better. Went to Schubert. With. Irv, Marion and Pauline. Show was

Friday 24

Bad traveling and rainy. All of the bosses are away.

Saturday 25

Worked only half a day.

Brot Johnson out to Foxon and went to Branford with Lee to dance and basketball

Memoranda Dance was good. We are going next Saturday evening.

Sunday 26

Got up at 10:AM and went to church H. O. Ford out and stayed at home at night.

Monday 27th

L. H.

Frank Caley took Ford and I did not find it until night. Address 337 Orange St. Liberty. 2821-4

Tuesday 28

Stayed in City with Henry Lee and Henry & I went to Bijou. Show was fair. Mrs Caley came in and paid \$3.00 for car.

Wednesday 29

Had to trim windows and stayed in N-H. Mett H R Ford Johnson talked vacuum Cleaner to me.

Thursday 30

Put 5 gal of gasoline in Lizzie. Bot shirt 1.69 and necktie \$0.69. Went home at night.

Friday 31

Came in just ahead of Dave. Stayed in N H over night and went to Palace with Lee H. and Johnson

### **February 1919**

Saturday 1

Worked today and came home through Branford in evening. S A D paid his bill for advertising 4.50

Memoranda

We are having fine winter weather Not very cold though. 40 during the day and cold at night.

Sunday 2

Fixed the Ford and went to Branford in afternoon with J N H and went to Lien Lieu to supper in evening (2 girls)

Monday 3

LH

Floyd was home overnight but I did not see him  
His picture was in N.Y. Herald.

Tuesday 4

Saw Doris Marion in Judd book store and she talked quite rational.

Wednesday 5

Ate at Pandajis in morning. Filled Ford with gasoline \$1.35 Came home at night

Thursday 6

Think Ford rear end is going out again it grinds a good deal. Ate at Chulds in evening

Friday 7

Ate at Pandajis. Stayed in NH with Johnson & Henry

Saturday 8

Worked only half a day and came home alone. Went to dance and game between Pratt High and Branford with Irving. David Chittenden died today.

Memoranda

Weather very good during the week for this time of year

Sunday 9

Had a small snow storm Sat night but melted fast today. Stayed at home at night.

Monday 10

L. H. and Dick Went to Palace with Johnson. Show good. Stayed over in New Haven.

Tuesday 11

Stayed in New Haven 10 out to Huffrinen With Margie Birinham. good show

Wednesday 12

Holiday but I had to work. Henry was in bed when I left. Later he went to N. B. and stayed over night. I went home.

Thursday 13

Henry and I came in together. Weather fine and mild. Stayed in N. H. over night.

Friday 14

Stayed in N.H. INH came in to see me. Johnson Lee H Henry and I played whist in evening.

Saturday 15

Worked in afternoon and went to dance in evening.

Memoranda

6- Plugs 6.65 PAID

Sunday 16

Have cold coming on and went down Loyds in afternoon. Stayed at house in evening.

Monday 17

Did not get up until 9 O'clock and home from work.

Tuesday 18

Did not work today. Cold a little better. Stayed at home.

Wednesday 19

Got up late and went to city at 10 o'clock. Mrs. Lyles left job at noon. Stayed over night with H.O.F.

Thursday 20

Mark and I keeping store. We are to have a new girl on Monday morning

Friday 21

Stayed in N.H. L.H. over night and had lot of business during the day. Went home in evening. Henry and Loyd go to Torrington

Saturday 22

Stayed at home all day. Carried father over to Harrison Barksens as he is quite sick. Stayed at home in evening

Memoranda

Had the first snow to speak of on Friday night but it is melting fast.

Sunday 23

Went to Branford to Dr. Evans in afternoon and got medicine for Catarrh. Stopped and saw Pauline when I came back.

Monday 24

New girl in store Nina Bear she has a lot to learn. Stayed over night in N.H.

Tuesday 25

Quite warm for this time of year. Stayed over night in New Haven.

Wednesday 26

Dressed windows. Stayed in New Haven and went to see Leave it to Jane with HOF Floyd and Johnson

Thursday 27

Work has gone back to Fixture Dept and Miss Bear seems to think she owns store. Went home tonight.

Friday 28

Drove in in morning. Went to Moose Fair with Johnson Henry & Lee H.

### March 1919

Saturday 1

L-H rained very hard in morning and awful hail storm. Worked in afternoon. Business dull. Bot faucet .25 cents

Memoranda

Irv owes grease	1.10
Fan belt	.90
Paint	.25
Tax	.10
	2.35

Sunday 2

Washed Ford and went to Branford in afternoon. Irv got stuck with Buick and had to be drawn out. Pauline gives back ring.

Monday 3

Went to city with Dick and Virgil. Took inventory and worked until 7:30. Bot tickets for "Wanderer" at Schubert. 4 tickets.

Tuesday 4

Irv owes 2.20 more. Stayed last night in NH. Had Ford radiator soldered and put on. Floyd came out with me via Branford.

Wednesday 5

Drove in that AM. Drove home in evening. Rained very hard.

Thursday 6

---- in somewhat colder. Went to Olympia with Lee H and stayed overnight.

Friday 7

Stayed in NH and went to Schubert with Irv, Marion and Pauline in evening to the (Wanderer)

Saturday 8

Worked today and took Lee H out.

Went in to see Irv and had long talk with him. Took order Tailor motor \$61.00.

Sunday 9

Got up at 11. AM. Pauline busy so IW and I went to Bfd and Guilford. Saw Beulah and Marion in evening

Monday 10

Fine weather. Came in with Mr. Keiser in evening and played cards with Johnson, Lee H and Henry Ford.

Tuesday 11

Went home in evening and out via Branford. Stayed 2 hours at Paulines.

Wednesday 12

Irv called up and I gave him prices on tires. Trimmed windows.

Thursday 13

Stayed last night in N. H.

Had spring suit cut over at Meigs and it fits better

Friday 14 Drove in this AM. Hair cut yesterday

Brot in vinegar and syrup.

Henry Gousalais has typewriter.

Saturday 15

Stayed in last night in NH. Went to party at Holabirds and the whole party went to Branford dance in armory. Ethi up from New York. Fine time.

Memoranda

This ends weeks room sent 3.00 due

Sunday 16

`Pulled Ford rear end out again and Dick helped me. Did not get it back today. Went to Branford in evening and went to Beulah Morgans.

Monday 17

Went in on Shoreline Trolley and in evening went out to Branford on trolley then to Guilford dance Dick Marion and Pauline. Rotten time. Irv owes 1.10 ticket to dance.

Tuesday 18

Did not go to work in morning and put Ford rear end to gether.

Wednesday 19

Drove in in morning with Harold Fowler. He is going to ride with me now.

Thursday 20

Fine spring weather. Drove in with Harold Fowler. Went to Port and Lester's and Carol gave me price of 24.70 for Goodyear tires.

Friday 21

Finest spring morning yet. Birds singing and much drying up. ~~LH and Henry rode out with me.~~ Lee H rode in in morning. For Lee signed contract with Price of Western Electric.

Saturday 22

Lee rode in in morning. Worked all day and went to Branford dance in evening with Irv Lee and Herb. Walked home. No more.

Memoranda

Weather fine for this time of year, the last of the week.

Sunday 23

Worked all day on cars. Went to Guilford after Dodge. Grind valves on Ford.

Monday 24

Drove in with Lee Harrison and Harold Fowler

Packed part of NY lamps to be shifted back to Hissel and Hoppen co.

Tuesday 25

Busy day and went to Branford in the evening with Dick saw a fire which proved to be in Brushy Plain.

Wednesday 26

Fine weather and went to Bfd. P.H. did not keep date.

Thursday 27

Had a very busy day. Heard this AM that Dick ran into a motor truck on grand ave and he and mate are in Grace Hospital.

Friday 28

Dick better and came home. Mate improving. Truck's fault and Dick is going to collect damages. Worst weather of the season 50 MPH wind. Stayed in NH.

Saturday 29

Miss Bear did not slow up and worked all day alone. Went to E.H. and did not find anybody so Lee and I went to Bfd dance.

Memoranda

Got stuck last night up North st. did not get home until 5 AM.

Sunday 30

Slept until 1 PM

Disagreeable day had great snow storm and cold & windy. Did not go anywhere this P.M.

Monday 31

Drove in with Lee H and Harold Fowler in morning. Worked at night until 7:30 and went to East Haven with LH and met Miss Martha Anderson. Harold went out on car.

## **April 1919**

Tuesday 1

Began selling National Mazda lamps and had a lot of work to do.

Wednesday 2 Trimmed our front window for lamps.

Thursday 3

Got Dodge out and drove to Branford in evening. Did not see anybody

Friday 4

Harold Fowler did not go in with me as he thought it was going to rain. He came in on car and went out with me.

Saturday 5

Rained in morning and drove Ford. Irv was in in afternoon and paid me Drove home and took Dodge. Went to Meriden with Lee, Marion and Lilian Bagstrom of E. H.

Memoranda

Sunday 6

Changed Dodge front tire and washed 2 cars. In evening went to Branford church with Marian Rose.

Monday 7

Saw Herb Harrison & Ham in Leia Tilen restaurant Sunday evening. Ford car runs fine. Harold Fowler hurt wrist with Ford car tonight. Lee H came out at 2 T.

Tuesday 8

Rained hard during night and cleared off today. Went out with Johnson to 71 Cottage st. with W. I. Cleaner in AM and to Mrs. Mc Keenon at Maple st. in P.M. Last may sell.

Wednesday 9

Trimmed windows in office and had a good day Went up and dismantled Hoover -- -- with John. Sure sale.

Thursday 10

Has tried to rain all the week, but not yet. Took mother to church in Episcopal church in evening and called Lara during service.

Friday 11

Drove in with Dick, Harold Fowler and Shaw. Johnson is packing ready to go to U. T. co. in Bport on Monday. He came out to house in evening. Came through Branford and saw Miss Morgan.

Saturday 12

Rained very hard last night and pretty muddy today. Lee H and Dick went in. Took out Nat Wayde trim and put in Eastie window trim.

Memoranda

~~Dick 3 days in morning~~

Sunday 13

Took folks to church but did not go. Lee H & I, Marian and Edna Rose went to Minerva Saybrook, Middletown and Meriden. Ate at Red Swan. Food N.C.

Monday 14

Same day Sunday drove 150 miles and big day in store today. Ste at Malones in evening and helped Walter Hirdifield trim windows for Easter. Harold Fowler did not come out.

Tuesday 15

Everybody says window very fine. Towed Mr. Higgins last night down to Orange st, to start his car. Made date tonight with Pauline for Thursday night to Shubert. Cold and disagreeable weather.

Wednesday 16

Thursday 17

Very busy day. Got through at 6:30 and went to Nightie, Nightie with Pauline. Sold first---- to Mrs. J. J. Methen.

Friday 18

Good Friday. Worked on cars in morning and in aft went fishing at reservoir with H.O.F. and Eddie Spitziner. Did not catch anything.

Saturday 19

Went out to Mrs. Mc Kenon in AM and 71 Cottage St. in PM and brought in W. L. Cleaier. Floyd stayed in and rode out with me. Played cards at his house until 12 P.M.

Memoranda

~~Dick stayed in morning~~

Sunday 20

Easter Sunday

Went to church in AM and to Branford with Irv in PM Came up to trap Rock plant and attended Branford church in evening with Beulah and Marion.

Monday 21

Fine day after shower last evening. Temperate Normal. Ate dinner with HO, Frank, Jack Price in Fitzsimmons.

Tuesday 22

Fine weather. Dick rode in with me today.

Called Pauline and she hung up receiver. Will be some time before I call again.

Wednesday 23

Changed windows in Store

Thursday 24

Rained today. Very cold and chilly. Irv came in to see me and he has date with Fern for tomorrow night and he can keep it. Not me.

Friday 25

Very cold weather. Lowest temperature in 40 years. Below freezing at 7:00 AM. Bot paper with Pine and started to trim window. Made date with Marion Rose for Guilford Prom for May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Saturday 26

Meigs showed picture that were pretty good.

Finished Fixture window. Brot Lee K out with me and came through Bfd and E.H.

Memoranda

~~Dick 4 days this week~~

Sunday 27

Went to church in morning and to Branford with INV in afternoon.

Monday 28

Harold Fowler laid off to day for 1 week. Stayed in and called on Meigs in evening. Toe very sore and got cure at Dayns Drug.

Tuesday 29

Stayed last night with Henry Ford and went to Bfd with INH in Buick. Marian and Beulah went to ride and got stuck in sand in Madison.

Wednesday 30

Came in on Trolley with Dick. Drove Ford out at night.

### May 1919

Thursday 1

Sold Mrs. Steworth Hoover ----- cleaner and tools \$69.00

Friday 2

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Demonstrated Baby Hoover to Mrs. Thouias of 164 Mansfield St. Probably will buy.

Saturday 3

Meigs came out on car and we went fishing up crooked Brook. Caught 1 trout and went to Branford in afternoon with Meigs and family.

Memoranda

~~Dick two days up to today.~~ Paid

Sunday 4

Did not go to church. Irv and I, Marian and Marion went to Saybrook and Middletown. Took 12 good pictures.

Monday 5

Virgil riding with me this week. Five days very warm.

Tuesday 6

Irv came in to see me and got the picture. They came out good. Weather cooler ---- Dodge motor down and grinding valves.

Wednesday 7

Very cloudy. Brought in Dick and Virgil. Rained at noon very hard.

Thursday 8

Clear today. Finished grinding in Dodge valves and she runs fine. Also put on two new gaskets Gerald Hotchkiss gave me to -ids High Scho game at Lawn Club

Friday 9

Mrs. Bare did not work today (sick) Rained very hard today but good sales. Irv and I went Bfd and found Doris and Marian. Went to Wallingford Good time

Saturday 10

Rained hard all day Worked all day. Brot Lee H and Joe Marks out at night. Took Miss Clarke from Ray's to John Harrisons.

Memoranda

Paid 2.64

Dick and tips

Sunday 11

Cold and rainy

Wired Bob Harrison's headlights and went to Branford in PM Marian and Beulah.  
Ate at Lien Tien in evening

Monday 12

Still cloudy and Disagreeable. Went to West Haven after lunch with Price to see W.  
E. plant. Ate at Mallone's with Mr. & Mrs. P.

Tuesday 13

Harry did not show up today and heard he had bad cold.  
W.G.U. Ford died yesterday morning.

Wednesday 14

Drove Dodge and went out to Shore. --- trolley and got family and took them to Mr.  
George Ford's funeral.

Thursday 15

After took them out to Totoket. Had hour of.

Friday 16

Ate lunch early and went out to H. B. Ives after vacuum cleaner. Think I can get a  
job at his factory.

Saturday 17

Miss bare had day off and I worked all day. Rained very hard in aft and I took Marion  
Bradley out to Branford after work.

Memoranda

Sunday 18

Went to Branford in PM with Irv and Marion and Doris. Drove next to Middletown  
over to Waterbury and New Haven. Ate supper at Lieu Lien. (good time).

Monday 19

Went up to Mr. Iass and brought him down to the factory. Will see him later in the  
week. Brought in Dick.

Tuesday 20

Fine weather an did several errands at noon. Dick did not come in with me. Elmer  
Cales riding out with me.

Wednesday 21

Rained very hard in morning and Dick rode in with me.

Thursday 22

Business very slow. Went to see H. B. Ines at 3o'clock in afternoon and he is going out to see father and to let me know more in a few days.

Friday 23

Irv came down o see me. Went to Branford in evening with Irv and he and Marian went to High school Jr. Prom. Made date with Doris for next day.

Saturday 24

Big parade od soldiers and sailors in N.H. Only worked half a day. Went to parade with Doris, Marian and Irv. Dodge went to Bridgeport and ate at canteen.

Memoranda

Left Buick in Branford

Sunday 25

Had special service in N. B. Cong. Church and Martin and David came up in Buick. At 6:30 Marian and Doris came up again and got NO Went for a ride and got home early.

Monday 26

Had phone from N.B. Ives to come and see him at noon. He made arrangements to come to work on June 16. Hours 7:30 to 5. 1¼ for lunch two weeks vacation in summer with pay. Sat aft off.

Tuesday 27

Brought in Lee H and Dick in yesterday morning.

Wednesday 28

Brot in Dick and went up to to see H. B. Ives at noon. In evening went to Bfd. With INH and saw Marian & Doris later

Thursday 29

Brought father in with me with Dodge. Priced Ford tire 11.30 G. & J. Went up to see Mr. Ives and told him I would come to work.

Friday 30

Decoration Day. Went to Branford parade with father Henry and Eddie. Went bowling with INH in PM and Savin Rock with Marian at night.

Saturday 31

Came in alone and worked all day. The last Sat aft to work for sometime. Came out through Branford and saw Doris and Babe

Memoranda

~~Dick three days last week~~

## June 1919

Sunday 1

Nice day went to church AM and Branford with Irv at 4:30 Beulah and Marian and went for a ride to N. Madison

Monday 2

Fine weather but very warm. Saw Fern when I came home and went down to Branford in evening. Saw Pauline Ham. She is going to keep picture.

Tuesday 3

Very hot day. Temperature is 93 on our veranda today. Fans begin to sell fine.

Wednesday 4

Spalding is talking about having my job in store. Meigs and girl having a lot of disagreements. Fans sell fine.

Thursday 5

Drove Dodge in through Branford and saw SRG and he paid check \$3.70. Trimmed my last window at Gale. Johnson was in store doing fine.

Friday 6

Went to ice cream social last evening Ellery C. Wood spoke and X X was there. Went to ride with her after and got home at 2 AM. MY LAST DAY AT GALES.

Saturday 7

Started for NY at 9 o'clock and got out to Brooklyn at 6 o'clock. Got lost in Brooklyn for a while. Went down to Coney Island in evening and back to NY city.

## Memoranda

### Sunday 8

Stayed last night in the Flanders and got NY at 10:45 Went to church in Old Brick Pier Church on 5 Ave and got out to Brooklyn at 2:30 girls were mad. Started home then and got home 10:00 PM.

### Monday 9

Rained hard all day. Worked at Ford at QM and worked at Lenin Court in PM. Irv brought load of crushed stone.

### Tuesday 10

Washed Dodge in AM and worked on Ford. Went to New Haven and had tooth filled by Doctor Curtiss. To go again Friday 2 PM

### Wednesday 11

Painted Ford today and went to ----- Maltby in evening and saw X X after

### Thursday 12

Carried Mrs. Buystrese, Ethel and Foot to Madison to look for house party for girls and had lobster dinner at Madison Inn.

### Friday 13

Painted Ford in Am and went to NH with Lott to Dentist. He was not in. Brought Doris out at 5 PM and made date for June 29. Paul W on Milford dance. Marion graduated today

### Saturday 14

Finished with Ford and worked around house. Went down to play tennis after supper and to Shell Beech after with X X.

## Memoranda

Sarah and Henry came out Sat afternoon

### Sunday 15

Got up late and went to church in AM. Children's Dy Exercises. Took Sarah and Henry to NH via Momaughan. Some crowd there. Went to bed in evening.

### Monday 16

Began job with H. B. Ives Company in shipping room and like it very well. Hours 7:30-11:45 and 1-5 PM. Fine weather.

Tuesday 17

Dick goes back and forth with me every day. Warm, sticky weather. Played tennis in evening and went to ride with X X. After had dinner at Sabatines today with Toot and X X.

Wednesday 18

Weather same and work fine. At noon went up and got Mrs. Ives. Cleaned to fix handle. Came out through Branford.

Thursday 19

Had very light showers today and in evening took Mother to school garden center. Went to ride later with Toot, May Effie and X X to Bfd. Fine time.

Friday 20

Dick went to see insurance adjuster and he offered \$150 for motorcycle accident. He would not accept. Did not go to Guilford Alumni tonight. Went to bed early.

Saturday 21

Worked only half day. Dick paid up today. Worked on cars and played tennis late. Went to ride with Irv, Marion and X X. (3:30 AM) Mr. Knight left today

Memoranda

Fine week and no more special ----- until first week in July.

Sunday 22

Fine weather but dry. Got up fairly early. Washed Dodge. Went to church. Henry had crowd of old friends out today.

Monday 23

Tuesday 24

Took Father to Branford to Pageant of Cong. Churches and saw Toot and X X. Made date for next night. Toot going to Seymour.

Wednesday 25

Played tennis with X X after work and court very sandy, went to ride after. Left for home tomorrow AM.

Thursday 26

Trying to rain very hard.

Friday 27

Rained very hard today, first rain in about month. ,Jack Harriston blew in, been gone since Feb 2.

Saturday 28

Worked until 11:30 and got home early. Lee Harrison and I went over to city and bought ---- and played tennis. Came out through E.H. and Marylyn and played tennis.

Memoranda

Rain di much good to crops and over country. ~~Dick paid \$2.00.~~

Sunday 29

Gave Irv 1.00

Went to Anniversary church service in Branford in AM and to Hartford with Doris, Irv and Marion to see roses in Elizabeth Park, were fine.

Monday 30

Brot Johnson friday+ Merrick. Right big time scheduled as celebration of last badge.

## July 1919

Tuesday 1

Every saloon closed in New Haven. Big altercation last night. Head which was hurt in Sunday improving.

Wednesday 2

Brought in Merrick and Dick and brought out Leta. Got adjustment on G & J tire which went bad. Paid \$1.00 and got new tire.

Thursday 3

Very hot today. Irv and I went to Branford and took Marion and Doris to Savin Rock and saw bad fires in the city.

Friday 4

4<sup>th</sup> of July, stayed at home all day. Just at night Henry and I went to West Haven to look at Dodge roadster. Dick blowed Ford front tire and had lot of trouble.

Saturday 5

Went to city with Lott and bot new Ford tire, Federal \$10.00. Helen Cameron came down today. Took Irv over to E.H. to start Lee H motorcycle in driveway.

Memoranda

Had three days vacation Fri, Sat and Sun. Sarah & Helen Cameron down over fourth and Sunday.

~~Dick owes \$1.60 Paid~~

Sunday 6

Did not go to church. Helen Cameron driving Dodge. Took Helen, Sara, Henry and Mother down to Savin Rock at 6PM. They rode to Ivoryton with Helen well.

Monday 7

Went to see M. Harvey about trading Ford for the Dodge but he wanted too much to boot. Did no business and stayed in town with Carl Dudley and Effie after work.

Tuesday 8

Brought Henry Gousalves out after work and carried him back to E.H. Grange party, stopped and got ice creams later.

Wednesday 9

New order for my sample case go through factory. Went down and put new tires on L. Harrison Ford.

Thursday 10

Cloudy in AM and rained in P M Missed Dick today coming home. In evening went to Fair Haven to see May Bul Hethington & Marion

Friday 11

Fair weather. got shoes soled with Neoler. \$1.50. Changed Ford tire which had large tacks in it. Meigs gets through at Gales on July 26.

Saturday 12

Jack goes on vacation today for 2 weeks. Had long talk with H L and Jack. I am to start at N E --- on Sept 1. I have vacation third week in August. Played tennis in late afternoon.

Memoranda

Dick and I ground valves and scraped carbon in Ford.  
Dick owes \$2.20.

Sunday 13

Went to church and Simonized Dodge. Helen Cameron and Sue A coming to Madison Beech 3<sup>rd</sup> week in August. In Bfd with Irv in PM. Doris

Monday 14

Work very slow. Came out through and Dick saw Monte. Weather very fine and cool for this time of year. Doris going to Lake Pachoag near East Hampton for 1 wk vacation.

Tuesday 15

Weather unsettled. Work very heavy today.  
St. Swithin Day and it rained, so now it is to rain for 40 days.

Wednesday 16

Trolley strike today and I am carrying Mr. Meigs and Dick every day Heather very sickly.

Thursday 17

Raining very hard in showers. Fred Radcliff takes vacation all next week.

Friday 18

Work very heavy, still raining.

Saturday 19

Worked half day. Had talk with Mr. Ives about W.E. trip. Went to Bfd Chateau ---  
Saw Mikado with Doris, Irv and Marion.

Memoranda

Sunday 20

Worked on road in morning and stayed home most of day. Took Sara down to N.H. at 5:30. Henry stayed out over night.

Monday 21

Raining some more. Took in Dick and Wigg. Trolley not running yet. Monday night HCF came out and took Mother to J L Harrisons.

Tuesday 22

Still raining. I was sick last night but went to work today. Felt better after lunch.

Wednesday 23

No trolley. Still raining and hot. Cleared off at noon. Shipping very heavy 4750 lbs. George Bradley helped me.

Thursday 24

Nice clear morning. Sun silvery. Had telephone this PM from Helen Cameron and wants us to come up to dance

Wednesday 25

Irv and Jane going on Saturday afternoon to Torrington in Buick. Did not work today, stomach trouble. Slept all day. Dick drove Ford to city and took W. J. Wigg.

Saturday 26

Worked in A.M. and went to Torrington with Irv in P.M. got there at 5:30. Went to dance in evening with Helen and Elsie Dody. Saw Marion and Beulah. Stayed overnight at Helens

Memoranda

Dick \$4.00

Mr. Wigg 3.00

Irving --- me 1.00

Sunday 27

Got up at 9:00 AM. Went over to Bantam Lake at 11:00 and carried lunch. Ate it on shore. Had supper at Helen's and started back 8 P.M. Came down 2 hours via Cheshire.

Monday 28

Went to work and rode in with HF and Dick drove Ford. Ate Sphes. Feeling a little better. Writing up discount sheet in evening for my catalogue

Tuesday 29

Drove Dodge and took in HO Ford. His car not running very good. Worked on Maxwell again in evening. Have to scrape carbon Saturday.

Wednesday 30

H.B.I. Co hired new man Elmer Hall of Providence R.I. Mr. Knight coming back to work next Monday. Played tennis with Lee H.

Thursday 31

Took Irv's racket in the house strings fixed. Had tennis match at Fern's and planned tournament to play. Ate with HOF at Sphes.

### **August 1919**

Friday 1

Jack gave me my list of places and hotels to visit at NE trip. I am to stay in shipping room another week.

Saturday 2

Fine cool weather. More like Fall weather. Dick went to Bfd after Edw Foote. Ground valves scraped carbon on HD Fords Maxwell. Worked until 9:30 o'clock.

Memoranda

Dick and Meigs paid up. To start on N.E. trio on Sept 2 and scheduled to get back Oct.7. Helen and 4 girls coming to Madison Beech hotel next Sunday.

Sunday 3

Finished HOF car and worked on Dodge. Carried Sara F to N.H. Did not go anywhere in evening. Bunch coming to Madison next wk.

Monday 4

Fine cool weather. Johnnie Arouson is riding with me now. This makes 3 passengers. Jack wants to change my trip and has written HBI.

Tuesday 5

Another nice day, a little warmer. Bought a new fountain at H.B. Hodge & Bros. Began to rain in evening and rained hard all night.

Wednesday 6

Cloudy and foggy today. Shipping light. Had letter from Helen. She is to be in N.H. on Sunday at 9:39 2 other girls.

Thursday 7

Another foggy sticky morning. Took father to Branford after 6 P.M. and went down to see Dick.

Friday 8

Dick has not heard from Mr. Ives yet. Dick is not going to take Ford as he thinks price is too high. \$275 is what I want.

Saturday 9

Dick came out with Mazell and I brought out Edw Foote. Painted fence washed KB and went to Bfd with Irv, Beulah and Marion

Memoranda

Sunday 10

Went to city in A.M. and took Helen Cameron & Elsie Dody out to Madison Beech Hotel. 2 other girls came later. Had fine dinner there. Left at 6 PM.

Tuesday 11

Began work on my trip in the office and am supposed to have Western trip. Went up to see INH and we are going to Madison tomorrow night.

Wednesday 12

Went to dinner with HOT and to bed early. NB Cong. Picnic weather. Went and brought her out home.

Thursday 13

Rained hard all night and very cold. Disagreeable weather.

Friday 15

Went to Ansonia Derby and Shelton and got back at 2 PM. Lee Harrison and I went down to Madison Beech late but did not see the girls.

Saturday 16

Went to Meriden in A.M. and called on Church and Morse and they promised me order first of the week. Went to Madison Beech in evening with Lee Harrison.

Memoranda

My weeks vacation begins today.

Sunday 17

Went to church in AM and went to Madison and got Helen and went to Branford to see Maria. Ate at Lien Tien.

Monday 18

Raining very hard. Took Dick and Wigg and Jotimul to New Haven. Brought cut out for HOF. Rained all day and worked on Dodge and scraped carbon in same.

Tuesday 19

Went to Meriden got small order from Church and Morse and Middletown good size order from Smith Bishell. When I got home found call from Madison.

Wednesday 20

Helen gone home with bad case of poisoning. Father and Mother came after her. Went to city in PM with Father, Mother, Sara and Henry.

Thursday 21

Letter from Helen. Washed and worked on Ford (fine weather) in AM. Went out with Irv in PM and to Branford with Cadillac after work. Telephoned Helen not much change in poisoning

Friday 22

Took Tott to NH to get breaker for Maxwell and painted fence in PM. Got a goodly part of fence done.

Memoranda

Vacation ended. Fine weather most of the time

Sunday 24

Did not go to church. In PM. Went to Branford Effie Holabird, Irv and Marion, Pauline Ham and got back from Indiana. Very heavy thunder shower in evening.

Monday 25

Rained in morning, clearing in late afternoon. Working on Western trip.

Tuesday 26

Finished writing of trip. Fine weather today and got down my trunk. HBI got back from vacation and came in today.

Wednesday 27

Good weather though cool for season at with HOF. Packed samples in trunk and done some shopping.

Thursday 28

Nice day. Worked on Ford in AM and went to work at 1:30. Jack in Hartford and sick yesterday and today.

Friday 29

Jack still sick. Nothing to do but hang around and wait for next Wednesday to come. Rained pretty hard today.

Saturday 30

Jack came in today. Had talk with Mr. Ives in AM. Worked on cars in aft. J.W. Baldwin is going to sell Ford for \$300 or 275. \$25.00 commission.

Memoranda

Sunday 31

Worked hard part of day and in PM took family Henry and Sara for ride to Madison. Helen is in Winchester with sister.

### **September 1919**

Monday 1

Painted fence in AM and took Sara back as far as Naugatuck. Dodge Goodyear went flat on State St. Cause stone bruise.

Tuesday 2

Took Goodyear to New Haven to have it revulcanized at Byrons. Stuffed trunk over here. Got route. Bought mileage book for \$2.40. 1000 miles Leave N.H. tomorrow. Raining to-day.

Wednesday 3

Left N.H. at 8:05. Got 3 orders in Bport. ----- Trains all late. Got into N.Y. at 6:30, Newark 7:30 Continental Hotel not very good.

Thursday 4

Did nearly all city of Newark only 1 order. Leave tomorrow morning for New Brunswick.

Friday 5

Left Newark for New B at 12:43. Checked trunk over LVRR to Easton. Covered N.B. and got 1 order in Trenton. Wrote Irv and Helen tonight. Staying at Trenton House.

Saturday 6

Covered 1 store in Trenton & left for Easton over Penn RR. Long tiresome trip on local. Fine hotel and fine town here. To work here Monday.

Memoranda

Easton PA is a fine town and hotel great room 415.

Sunday 7

Spending Sunday in Easton PA. Very warm today.

Walked up around Lafayette college grounds. Very pretty but hot.

Monday 8

Covered Easton, Bethlehem and got into Allentown P.M. Business ----. Only got 2 orders today. Letter from Jack. Hotel Allen very classy. Very hot tonight.

Tuesday 9

Covered 1 store in Allentown and left for Reading. Got in at noon and covered 3 store. 1 order. Very good town and fine Hotel Berkshire.

Wednesday 10

Got up at 6:45 and caught 7:10 train for Lancaster Di no business with Harr. & B. Made 3 stores in Harrisburg 1 small order. Penn Harrisburg Hotel.

Thursday 11

Left Harrisburg at 8:30. Made Lewiston 10:00A.M. and sold only ---- I called on today. Muffler Co. Hardware Co. Spent night in Altoona. Barr tomorrow.

Friday 12

Did Altoona and left at 11:25 for Johnstown. Sold Swack Hardware Co. Johnstown and got into Pittsburg 6:49. Did not meet Jack until 10:00PM. Called up Floyd in Mecklenburg. Fort Pitt Hotel.

Saturday 13

Jack and I went around Pittsburg. Fort Pitt Hardware Co. and got an order. Lunch Jack and Mr. Johnson of F. P. Hdw. Co. Left for Wilksburg 6:00 PM. Met Loyd and Bill. Spending Sunday with them.

Memoranda

Went up to Westinghouse Club in evening.

Sunday 14

Got up at 11:00 A.M. and had breakfast and dinner together. Visited Carnegie Museum and it is some place. Also Shenley Park. At an E. Liberty and walked home.

Monday 15

Came from Wilksburg and Steubenville to Wheeling today. Sold one more hose(?) and have an appointment with another in the A.M. Expect to leave in forenoon for Lanesville Ohio. Wrote Helen.

Tuesday 16

Sold Neff Hdw. Co. Got into Lanesville at 8 o'clock and stayed at Raggie Hotel called on trade and left at 9:40 for Mansfield, Ohio.

Wednesday 17

Got into Mansfield O. today at 1:05 today and sold one. Man. Hotel Vouley. Country is better. Weather is fine and warm for season.

Thursday 18

Left Mansfield at 7:42 CT for Marion. Covered Marion one small order. Got with Lina. Stayed at Lins house (robbers)

Friday 19

Covered 2 stores and left at 9:40 for Fort Wayne. Worked town and stayed at Wayne Hotel. Fair 3 orders. Went out to see Ruth Waterman but she had gone home.

Saturday 20

Left Fort Wayne at 6:15 for Richmond. Sold one order there. Went movies in PM. Stayed at Arlington Hotel which was fine.

Memoranda

Weather very dry and warm for this time of year.

Sunday 21

Got up late and got 11:45 train for Logansport 1 ¼ hours late. Bennett American Plan Hotel fair. Wrote letter to Helen, Irv and Marion.

Monday 22

Called on one man in Logansport and went over to LaFayette. Spent aft. at Shipley Hdw. Co. and left at 7:46 for Danville Ill. Hotel Fowler look very Hotel playas in Danville fair.

Tuesday 23

Covered 3 stores in Danville and got one order. Left at noon for Urbana and called on one store. Nothing doing. Left there for Decatur and got in at 5:00 PM. Hotel and ---- fair.

Wednesday 24

Left Decatur at 10:20 for Springfield and sold 2 men here. St. Nicholas here looks good. Left at 5:35 for Peoria, Ill.

Thursday 25

Stayed at Niagara and could not get into Mayer. Good town 3 orders. Left at 4:35 for Joliet, Ill. Got into Joliet at 8:50.

Friday 26

Hotel Woodruff Inn in Joliet fine little place. Got into Chicago 1PM on RI road. Letter Helen and Ma. Wrote Helen and left at 4:40 for South Bend Ind. Hotel Oliver.

Saturday 27

Hotel Oliver very good. Covered town in forenoon and slept in PM.

Memoranda

Weather very warm for time of year

Sunday 28

Staying over Sunday in South Bend. Went out to Spring Brooke Park for a motorcycle race. Indians won 2/ Harleys 1 race. Not much but Ind there.

Monday 29

Left at 8:00 AM for Elkhart Ind. Sold Brumean & Sons and left at 1:30 for Toledo(?). Called on one Man there and left at 6:00 for Battle Creek.

Tuesday 30

Port Taverne in BC very good. Rainy some. Called on all, sold same. Left at 1:30 for Jackman. No business in Jackman.

## October 1919

Wednesday 1

Stayed at Otsego in Jackman. Left at 6:14 for Grand Rapids. Sold 6 orders in GR and stayed at Paulton. Good

Thursday 2

Called on one and left at 12:10 for Lansing. Very warm today and wrote Sara on Northern & Radcliff. Lansing nothing doing and went to Saginaw. Stayed at Bancroft in Saginaw. Sold 3 store there. Pretty good town. Heavy electrical storm and very warm. Went up to Bay City at night by MRR car.

Saturday 4

Sold J. Hdw Co. Staying over Sunday there at Wenonah. Town dead but hotel good. Weather very warm and went to Bijou in PM.

Memoranda

Sunday 5

Got up late and did nothing. Slept in PM. Weather cold and raw.

Monday 6

Quite cool. Got overcoat out of trunk. Left at 11:30 for Flint Mich Sold Bay City Hdw in AM. Goodes & Saus want to see me at 7:00 PM. Sold order with promise of school job.

Tuesday 7

Stayed at rooming house at 328 30 st. Flint, fair. Sent there by Dresden. Left at 6:46 for Port Huron and did not have any luck there. Stopping to night at Harrington. Wrote Helen and Mother. Fair

Wednesday 8

Left at 9:08 for London, Ont. On GT. Sold one man and left at 4:15 for Hamilton. Good hotel here. Wrote Jack and Marian B.

Thursday 9

Sold one in Hamilton and left for Toronto at 2:10. Got in at 4 and had to wait until 10:15 before I could get room in King Edward.

Friday 10

Finally got room with a Mr. Moller of Black Lake Ont. Sold two order here today. Fine town. Weather very warm to day

Saturday 11

Weather a bit cooler today. Went out and sold two more orders and a promise of one more. Left at 4 PM for Niagara Falls and got in at 7:30. Could not find good hotel.

Memoranda

On our side so went over to Clifton in Canada. Very good place. Customs took my sample case until Monday. Falls fine at night

Sunday 12

Took Belt Line up to Horseshoe Falls and down gorge to Lewiston and back on the American side. Met two fellows from Bridgeport.

Monday 13

Got my sample case back and covered NF NY. Went on to Buffalo and from there to Jamestown NY and stayed at Samuels Hotel. Pretty good but robbers.

Tuesday 14

Left Jamestown and went to Olou on Eire RR. B--- line. Got in at 12:34. Covered trade and stayed that night at Olou House which was not much good.

Wednesday 15

Left at 8:04 for Elmira NY. Pretty good town. Sold two orders there and left at 6:01 for Burghampton.

Thursday 16

Scranton PA.

Stayed at Arlington Fair Hotel and left there at 2PM for Scranton. Got there late and could not get into Casey. Stayed at Marquette Park Hotel.

Friday 17

Left in Forenoon for Wilkessone and covered trade veery dull. Stayed at Reddington which was Fair

Saturday 18

Called on Lewis & Baulth and he gave me order. Left at 10:30 for Scranton and caught 11:35 for NY City. Got in at 5:30 staying at Flandies over Sunday.

## Memoranda

### Sunday 19

Went to Buick Park Church on 5<sup>th</sup> Ave and met Mr. & Mrs. Bergstresser had lunch with them and went to St. Bartholomew Church in evening.

### Monday 20

Worked Patterson and Passaic on Monday and had pretty good luck. Went back to NY and stayed at Endicott at 81<sup>st</sup> Street

### Tuesday 21

Worked Hoboken & Jersey City and left New York at 4:00PM for NH. Got in at 5:45. Henry met me at station.

### Wednesday 22

Went into factory in afternoon. Mr. Ives was not down. Lots od business.

### Tuesday 23

Went to work and saw HRI. He also asked me to take a two week trip into New England. This fall and I told him I would.

### Friday 24

Worked only half day and went up to Torrington with Irv and Marian in afternoon and stayed overnight at Helen's house. Going over Mohawk Trail tomorrow.

### Saturday 25

Left Torrington at 10:00AM for North Adams. Weather a little cloudy. Went over the trail to Greenfield and it was positively great scenery.

### Memoranda

Stayed overnight at the Waldon in Greenfield.

### Sunday 26

Got up at 8AM and drove up to C. Dudley's and then started for home. Got to Torrington at 8 and Branford at 12PM. Fine trip.

### Monday 27

Drove touring car and went to look at Dodge roadster. Weather fine. Henry came out at night. Went to ride in ar-my DB. With Mrs. Munson NG.

Tuesday 28

Answered adw in Register about Dodge Roadster and man came down to see me at noon. I bought same in afternoon M. D. Hershell for \$675.00

Wednesday 29

Dodge runs like a top and everything good for the car except the top. Henry came out at night and they had banquet at center.

Thursday 30

Spent day chasing orders in the afternoon. Am to start on N.E. trip next Tuesday  
Duration 3 weeks.

Friday 31

Drove to Waterbury and took Jack Foot along. Had fine trip and sold three orders.  
Am to call on Hotchkiss Brother sin about 3 weeks

### **November 1919**

Saturday 1

Had my route sheets made out for N.E. trip and got letter from Helen. Worked on cars and took father to Branford.

Memoranda

Weather very rainy. No sunshine for several days.

Sunday 2

Still raining and worked on car. Tightened chain on generator. Irv and I went to Branford and N. H. in PM. Car runs good.

Monday 3

Fairly good day. Got 20.00 price on DB top from --. Put up Dodge at night for three weeks. Henry came out at night.

Tuesday 4

Henry took me in this morning and I left at 12:02 for New London and Norwich. Stayed at Mauregan in Norwich, business fine.

Wednesday 5

Worked Norwich, not much doing and went through to Providence and covered part of the city very bad rain.

Thursday 6

Covered Providence ns Pawtucket never had a better day. Did \$870 business. Great town left for Fall River. Molician Hotel fair.

Friday 7

Covered Fall River and not much doing. Went on to Taunton and got 4 orders fair. Stayed at Taunton Inn fair place.

Saturday 8

Left at 8 AM for Brockton and on to Boston. Do not like the town. Youngs Hotel very good. Weather cold and wet.

Memoranda

Went to Schubert Gaieties of 1919 in afternoon. Good show.

Sunday 9

Weather fine for a wanderer and looked around the city. Called on Ellery Wood and he is coming in Monday night.

Monday 10

Covered half of Boston and got five order and more promised. Went out to Ellerys for dinner and met his Father & Mother fine time

Tuesday 11

Armistice Day Holiday here. Called up Miss Strait and she met me in B at 2:00 had food at Hotel Torraine and went to Boston Theater, Fine time.

Wednesday 12

Covered more of Boston and got 3 orders. A few more to see here tomorrow and going to Beverley, Salem and Lynn in AM

Thursday 13

Covered Beverley, Salem, Lynn and Cambridge and to Sommerville. Got a few orders. Bought a sleeper ticket for Bangor tomorrow night at 10:07.

Friday 14

Went to Lawrence and Lowell and did a little business and left Boston by sleeper for Bangor Me. Slept fine too for a wanderer.

Saturday 15

Covered Bangor and sold one order. Went to Augusta and Waterville and called on trade. Stayed overnight at Augusta House Very good

Memoranda

Sunday 16

Spent part of day in Augusta and went to Lewiston in PM. Met Bill Davis of Springfield and Miss Clara F. Nelder R.N.

Monday 17

Saw Bill Davis welding trolley tracks. Covered town and went to Brunswick and Portland. Met 2 nurses and took them to dinner at Preble House.

Tuesday 18

Left at noon for Dover N.H. and Manchester. Manchester House place good people.

Wednesday 19

Worked Manchester and store closed in Concord so went out to Worcester that night.

Thursday 20

Worked Worcester in SM and went out to Springfield . Warner Hotel very good in Worcester and mostly fair in Spfld.

Friday 21

Left Springfield early and worked Northhampton and Holyoke and left Spfield at 2 PM for N.H. Got Henry's car and drove it home.

Saturday 22

Got my Dodge out and toured it all around town. With J. Marks. Found battery dead. Put in other battery and drove to city.

Memoranda

Sunday 23

Fine day. Polished Dodge and stayed home all day. Took Dick to Branford at night and beat Irv in Cadillac.

Monday 24

Drove roadster to NH and Frank Teste got me new Exide battery for 46.00 from NH Elec.

Tuesday 25

Wednesday 26

Took car to Canover on St. John St. and had a new top on roadster 25.00 Pa came out at night.

Thursday 27

THANKSGIVING Drove HR Fowler to NH in AM and went to grandmothers for dinner. Went up to see Irv in PM.

Friday 28

Got a new G & J cord 32 X 3 ½ from Post & Lester Co. for roadster. It lists for 37.00 cost me 30.00 and am going to trade tire for Goodyear or adjustments.

Saturday 29

Rainy quite a lot in AM. Dick and I scraped carbon in DB in PM. Lee and Madalyn came up in PM. Car runs a lot better.

Memoranda

Sunday 30

Drove to Torrington at 1PM and got there at 4. Stayed at Helen's until 9 PM. Took Irv and Marion got home at 12. Fine time.

### **December 1919**

Monday 1

Drove to city and picked up Mr. Wigg at night. He is going to ride with me for a while anyway.

Tuesday 2

Wednesday 3

Weather very cold for time of year. 12 above this AM. Pump on car froze up going in.

Thursday 4

Got Goodyear 33 x 4 on adjustment for \$18:00 and took it up to P&L to trade for G&J card. Went to minstrel show with Irv at night.

Friday 5

Weather a little warmer in AM and a lot warmer in PM. Brot Mrs. E. Foote out with us. Helen down to visit Marion to morrow PM.

Saturday 6

Went into the city at 5:45 and met Helen Marion at Malley. Had supper at Tier Tein and went to see Al Jolson in Sinbad.

Memoranda

Car was hit by trolley car at cor. Of Elm and Church St. Raining very hard.

Sunday 7

Weather better. Went down to Bfd in PM and drove down around shore. Left at 8:00 PM for Torrington. Got up there at 10:30

Monday 8

Weather fine. Left Torrington at 8:00 for New Haven. Stopped in Waterbury but still not see Mr. Hotchkiss. Got to work at 11:30.

Tuesday 9

Clutch on DB ----- jumps and drives rotten. Brot Frank Leete out and he took car to North Haven.

Wednesday 10

Went to dinner with Leete and bought new clutch plate and throwout bearing for roadster.

Thursday 11

Dick and I went to N. H and stayed until 12:30. Finished car and brot it home with us.

Friday 12

Clutch works fine and takes hold fine. Weather rainy and very warm for this time of year.

Saturday 13

Weather very foggy and warm. Brought Fred Radcliff out. He cut Christmas tree and took him back to city at 6:00 PM

#### Memoranda

Sunday 14

Very muddy and Dick came up in PM. Took touring car down to Hulls to store for the winter.

Monday 15

Tuesday 16

Weather very cold for time of year. Hawley in covering New York city this week, also Newark N.J.

Wednesday 17

Weather very cold. Thermometer was 4 below zero in AM when I started for work.

Thursday 18

Friday 19

Weather still very cold. Took Mrs. Edw Foote in with me and brot her back. Lost plug from radiator.

Saturday 20

Brot Henry out with us and went to Branford in PM. Went back to city with Irv at 5:30 and he bot diamond engagement ring.

#### Memoranda

Sunday 21

Weather some warmer. Ground valves in Dodge and it makes a new car of it. Runs fine to night.

Monday 22

Weather same warmer. Henry went in with me. Mailed Xmas present to Helen. Bot Xmas cards. Some crowd up town.

Tuesday 23

Irv, Homer Appell and two children went in with us. Went over and took HOF battery out of car and took it to Sturges on Court St.

Wednesday 24

Weather very warm and foggy. Carl Dudley and Irv came out with us. Raining to night.

Thursday 25

CHRISTMAS

Got fine pocket book from Helen. Went down to JLH. Henry out at house. Had a fine time.

Friday 26

Pretty cold this morning. HOF went in with me. Hawley and Jack working in factory. Hawley does not like it and conditions no better.

Saturday 27

Weather fine and mild. Washed car and went to Totoket in PM and to Shubert with Irv in at night and saw "Nothing but Love."

Memoranda

Weather mild for time of year and a little snow on ground.

Sunday 28

Went after minister in Branford and carried him back after church. Attended church myself

Monday 29

Weather same colder. Mr. Migg stayed over to a meeting of the union at night. Shop very busy and an item for NH union.

Tuesday 30

70% recapitalization of HBI Co. from \$10,000 to \$300,000. Expect this means they are going to build.

Wednesday 31

Had a letter from Helen and HOF and I are going up the week of the 10<sup>th</sup>

Memoranda

Bought 2 Goodyear tires , 32 X 3 ½, for \$23.40 on March 22, 1919.

Sometime in September/October 1919 while Kenneth was on his first traveling salesman trip, he wrote several letters to Irving Nelson Harrison. On November 10, 1919, Irving wrote back. That letter was preserved by Irving Harrison's family. Photographs of the 4 pages are shown below.

North Branford, Conn.  
Nov. 10, 1919

Dear Ken:-  
I was glad to get your letter. It looks as though the woman situation had changed with you. Well you have got a good one lined up, but take it easy or she may think you will run away with her, and then it will be all over. Hear the advice from an old man with experience.

Well, I feel that I am getting on better than ever. E. Marion improves every time I see her. We certainly are getting tangled together nicely. This is private - Mrs Hopson called up Mrs Bradley and asked

her if she should put it in  
the Register about Marion's engagement.  
Well, Mrs Bradley had a poor spell  
and Mrs Hopson hung up. The papers  
know but they don't tell. What do  
you know about that.

Last Wednesday night Marion  
and I went to an Episcopal Church  
Supper in Branford. I felt sort of  
timid but I got along pretty well. I  
was introduced to about every body  
I should think. After the supper we  
went down to Earl Barkers to take  
care of their kid until they got back  
from a party. Well it lasted a nice  
long time. They didn't get back  
until after twelve. We had  
quite a "settling" spell.

Last night, Sunday, we went to Wallingford and called on the people that Marion stayed with. You remember they gave Marion two beautiful silver coffee cups. He works in one of the silver shops you know. Do you think the two cups mean anything?

I will have some of those pictures printed if I can get a chance. I don't just know what arrangements Marion will make with Helen. I guess it will work out all right but you know how Marion is kind of handicapped.

I saw "Mary's Ankle" last week. Now don't get excited it was a nice show and it was Mary's not —

Well as you say, I can fire a boiler  
but letter writing and other like  
indoor sports are out of my little  
204 will close. You might answer  
this by return mail.

Hoping you are enjoying a  
business success. Fair,

Yours to Command  
J. M. Harrison