Dulles in Walter Reed Hospital
for another operation.
Indiana hit by floods -
Feb 19 Dear diary, with deep
grief I report the serious illness
of my good friend Mrs. Geary.
She is in Santa Rosa with cancer
in both lungs.
And guess what! Mrs.
Spanish. We start wed. the
18th. God help me!

Sally Hoffman

Feb 15th our friend Mrs. G was brought home
today.
Feb 16th Our only uncle died today in San
Diego - will be buried Wed. in Robstown -
Feb. 17 Another Sakkite has been sent up and
is in orbit -
Feb 20 Our Pres. & Kr is in Acapulco.
His visit may get us double Dam -
Am going to Colonial Ball tonite,
Feb 22 Wonderful celebration - Went to
Colonial Ball with Mrs Camp + Genevieve -
Attended parade on Sunday with Emma + Mimi
Went on Richter's roof.

Feb 25 Gave my 3rd. Spanish lesson today. We are both pleased. Sorry Wallies receiving radiation treatments for cancer. God love him!

Our darling Jane Geary continues quite ill.

Mar 12 Mrs Geary was taken to the hospital yesterday.

Hawaii is almost a State!

Concern is high regarding removal of all nations from West Berlin. Wallies is doing well after a cancer operation.

April 7 Dear diary — So much has happened. Mrs. Geary continues quite ill. International affairs quite tense about Berlin — china taking over outer Mongolia — India trying to remain neutral. I continue enjoying Spanish lessons. Mama went to Elisas (finally) on Easter week to show off an Easter rabbit still sent her. Joe's health not so good. Hope to go to monterey tomorrow with Garden Club to enjoy the flower show.

Oscar awards — Susan Hayworth — Moves the picture Gee-Gee. Ingrid announced the Gigi picture. She is lovely.

Wonderful news on the political side. Norma Z. Benavides & Geo. Byfield won seats on the School Board. Sorry to see Schneidler ~~lose~~ lose — she's such a nice person, but he was backed by the wrong party.

April 8 Went to Monterey - staid at the Ameria. Wonderful experience. Roomed with Madelyn Pate. Charlotte joined us there. Beautiful homes + Gardens.

This same day my dear, dear friend, Mrs. Hearst, passed away. God love her. I thank him for her friendship. Sent ck to church for Building Fund as a Memorial ($25.00). Ollie is still here but is getting estate in the hands of the Bank so as to return to her home in San Diego. Mrs. Mack will live with Harold & C.M. She is a wonderful person at 89.

Our beloved secy Wallis, whom we so often criticized, has another eruption of cancer - this time in the back of the neck. His resignation came today. Pres. quite moved. Heiter will probably succeed him. God help us with our international affairs. Russia is acting up about corridor to Berlin. We have Castro calling on us today.

April 14 Chas. birthday. God Bless him. Little Lisa McNary has spinal meningitis. We pray for her recovery. Church last night voted to build Educational unit west of the Church.

April 30 The St Lawrence waterway is now open & today the first ships from the Atlantic reached Chicago!

Am going to the dentist for fillings.

Our good Dr. Rottenstein was rushed to S.A. with a heart attack. Thank God he is doing nicely.

Mr. Mary's Lisa has recovered from meningetis. They have a new little daughter born a week ago.

Have been called to jury duty. Still enjoy teaching Sally. may get a man student

Elisa + Joe are in S.A. She has new glasses + the beginning of a cataract. He seems to be in pretty good health.

Godfrey has a malignant tumor near the lung. Operation may save him.

Cinco de Mayo Churchill is here again.
He is quite old looking.

May 8 Ex Pres. Truman is 75 today.
His words: "I am not an elder Statesman;
I'm still a politician. An elder statesman
is a dead politician."

Got a little shock yesterday. My
X-Ray turned out to be positive.
aurora thinks it may be my heart
& not the lungs. God's will be done.

Am still on jury duty.

14 Our roof is being painted.
Geneva holds the secret to peace. Herter
& the Soviets & allied nations are
fighting it out in Geneva. At times
the going is hard. We shall see.
Don't know about my X-Ray yet!
Eddie & Liz are married. Sheila
Graham gives them a year. Says
groom's star is dropping & what man
wants to be Liz's lap dog!!
The Foreign Ministers Meeting at Geneva
may not produce enough "togetherness"

May 23 Happy Birthday to Emma-

May 24 Dulles is dead. We went for a
drive to Roma-

Wed. May 27 With grateful hearts, the world today paid final tribute to Ex-Secy John Foster Dulles. He was buried on this the day the threat about Berlin did not take place. It was with thankful hearts too, that we were privileged to witness the services via TV.

May 30 Memorial Day! We honor our dead! Glorious Day for me. X-rays show that "spots" are scar tissue. Cardiogram shows my heart improved. Thank God for having spared our Wm. R. Charlotte & the Bm Gallaghers leave for California next Wed. Lucky people! Beverly marries today.

The two lady monkies, Abel and Baker are world famous. They went up into the stratosphere and down again safely.

Sunday May 31 Guess what! I may be going to Washington & Baltimore. Anna Beaman wants me to go & take her sister.

June 17 Elizabeth Watson is 14 yrs. old today. A very pretty girl.

And there was no trip to Baltimore. Lady decided to fly.

Gov. Long of La. is gone goofy!
He is in Sealy Hospital in Galveston.
Do they elect crazy men in La or do
they drive them crazy!

Mike graduates from Jr. Hi on the
19th. Nice kid.

Mr. Adams has been dead a yr.
on the 16th. Charlotte + family are
gone to California.

Texas Legislators are starting a new
"called" session today. The first ended
last night at midnight. They can't
get the tax bill settled.

Big 4 Foreign Ministers Conf. in Geneva
may come to a sad end.

Tropical Storm Beulah is nearing Brownsville
section. Hope it brings us rain. Summit may
still be held. Berlin is the question.

June 18 A New Milestone in TV. Pictures
of Queen Elizabeth's departure from Eng.
to Canada will be sent via cable to
viewers in U.S.A. about 2½ hrs. after the
live happening.

Ethel Barrymore is dead at 79. An era in the Theatre
closes!

June 19 49-46- Straus defeated.

June 27 - Two girls marry this afternoon - Judy Curb and Cathy Engelder. Best wishes to both.

Today property owners vote on Urban Renewal. Hope it passes. We lost!

July 4 Great Day. We are staying home. We have a new flag - 49 stars

First Deputy Premier Kozlov of Russia is here. He too says R wants peace, but still they want us out of Berlin.

Lib has been told to rest. She had another attack of the intestinal trouble that has caused her so much concern - since before her marriage. Marge too had an operation to relieve pinched nerves in the back of her head - results of an auto accident. Her little Verna has herniea.

July 7th Queen Elizabeth & Philip are visiting Chicago. Kozlov is in Detroit.

July 9th Mabel Bell is dead.

July 16 - Steel strike is on

July 16 - Carole writes from Catalina Island - camping.

Aug 1, 59

Nixon is in Moscow. This visit of our Vice-Pres. may be a turning

point in the affairs of E + West ... a turn for peace. God grant it. Nixon and party went to Siberia too. They were glad to get back to Moscow. He has had some heckling but he can take it.

My trip is about a month away. Helping with rehabilitating centers. Steel strike still on. Urban Renewal revived. It seems over 600 people voted who were not eligible! Laredo is growing and expanding and getting better government all the time — thanks to courageous people.

Aug 5 Nixon gets back today from Russia + Poland. He is New President!! Great reception at La Guardia. Biggest news of the age. He is growing in political stature. The Iron Curtain is coming to the U.S.A. & our President will return the visit in September.

Our Poet, Edgar A Guest is dead. Am going to a breakfast for Judy Vargas at Mrs. Netzers.

Aug 8 We have a new satellite in orbit as of yesterday. The Queen of England is pregnant — a baby soon after new years.

Our President will go to Eng. - France to get ideas. Krushef is coming in late Aug and then Our President goes to Russia for a return visit. Lets hope This brings lasting peace among the nations.

Aug 21 President Eisenhower signed Hawaii into the 50th State. No more delegates to the U.S. Congress -- now all are Representatives.

Mimi was 81 on the 18th. Genevieve gave a lovely "morning Breakfast" in her honor - Charlotte and I took her to Sands Motel for Merienda -

Aug 22 Going to Style show. Stephen Rockefeller marries his beloved "Maid" in Norway this A-M. Terrific earthquake in Montana.

Aug. 27 Eisenhower received a great ovation in Bon Germany. He will visit England, Scotland & Paris. May God bring peace out of this.

Have had wonderful refreshing rains in the last few days!

Have my reservation to L.A. on Sunday Sep. 13. Leave at 2:05 from S.A. + arrive in L.A. at 7. P.M. American Airlines, flight 961.

Earthquake in Southern Mexico today.

Emma's deed to the house has been recorded and now she is a property owner in her own name.

Sep - Our President was given a tremendous reception in W. Germany, England ad France. Not a sick man anymore, but a vital, hard working Pres. willing to go all out for peace.

Trouble now's in Laos where Chinese Comms. are attacking, and taking over. The U.N. has been appealed to and are sending a fact-finding delegation.

Sep. 6 - a fire at Stallers. Mr. S. is in the hospital. He inhaled smoke. Others ok. and staying at Windrows. All of us sending food.

Sep 8 My sisters birthday. God bless her! I'm still an outcast. Sorry trip is almost at hand and I can hardly wait. Sunday!

We are getting a few showers today.

Judy Vargas married on the 5th. She was a beautiful bride.

Sep 12 Dear diary – Am leaving tomorrow for a visit to my loved ones. Mrs. Reyna is sending me an orchid corsage – God love her. Have had my hair done, have a refrigerator full of chicken, jello, etc for Emma and am all ready to wear my pretties and set out for my flight. Lots of excitement about Khrushchev's visit – a lot of fear too. God help us. India having trouble with red Chinese.

Oct. 10 Am back after a glorious visit with Carl's. Mike is almost as tall as his dad. Carla is taller than her mom and is getting to be a very pretty girl. Mike was unusually nice to his grandma. He is beginning to appreciate family ties. He loves his parents and it hurts him when he hurts them. He plays the guitar, sings, has hundreds of records. Also has a transistor radio.

Nov. 5 Have forsaken my diary. Life is so full each day! Strike is still on and people are suffering. God bless the Hutsons and others.

President leaves soon for visits to Turkey, Greece, India and six other nations before going to Summit Conf. in Paris -
Am still persona non grata some place!
What has broken my heart this week has been the Quiz Show mess. Charles Van Doren, whom thousands learned to know and love thru "Today" has been deeply involved and has lost both his jobs. He has suffered for his "sin" and now we forgive + forget. Once he got right with his God he got peace and is now again able to live with himself.
My child is having trouble with her ears. Hope she is recovered by now.
Mr. Wriggington is dead. One more lonely Pgh. wife!

Nov 7 Thank God the steel strike is over for at least 80 dys. Hope an agreement is reached so that men may continue to work. They + their families have suffered.
While I was in Cal, I watched Khrushchev on TV make his visits to cities across the country.

There will never be a head of state like him ever — to visit our shores.

Now our Pres. leaves to countries abroad visit mostly to summit conf. His return visit to Russia will be in the Spring.

Circle meets with me on Monday 9th. I bought me some fluffy curtains for my bedroom.

Still has been sick — ears and neck. May God make her well — there that good Dr —

Nov. 17-59

It is cold! 29°. Nice day to be at home. Worked at Rehabilitation Center yesterday for the first time. What a wonderful work those people are doing.

Dec 3, 59 Here it is Xmas month and I have neglected this diary. Lots of joys, sorrows and much living has transpired.

Tonight our President leaves for a visit to 11 countries.

His son + daughter in law are going too. Mrs. E. stays home - too strenuous a trip for her.

Dec. 4th Mother had a slight stroke this a.m. & is recovering nicely.

Eisenhower + party arrived in Rome in a driving rain ... paraded on the Appian way - cordially received. Has an audience with the Pope Sunday after worshiping in an Episcopal church.

Dec 5 Mother much improved. Our Pres. met with Pope John and is now enroute to Ankara, Turkey.

Dec. 6 Pres at Ankara, Turkey. Overwhelming reception by a grateful people.

Dec 7 Our Pres at Karachi, Pakistan.

Dec 8 " " " Afghanistan

Dec. 10 " " in India

Dec 13 " " in Iran

Dec 14 " " " Greece

Dec 16 Pres. left Greece by helecopter to board a cruiser and cross the Mediterranian to Tunisia.

Dec 17 Pres. in Tunisia

Dec 18 " arrives is in Toulon, France

Dec 21 President in Spain

Dec 21 " " Morroco

Dec 22 " Home

Dec 24 Xmas Eve and our wonderful Mike is 15 yrs old. God bless him. Mrs. Wright (Wm. W's wife) died yesterday.

Dec 25 Lovely day. Our house looks cozy. No Tamales but we have a beautiful gobbler. My present from Stell: a beautiful bed-spread. I gave Curbs a set of 4 TV tables. Emma gave me lots of nice toilet articles.

Dec. 26 Rockefeller says he won't be a candidate for the Presidency. Wonder why?

Our out-door lights were stolen! May they have been taken by someone who wanted to bring joy to little children - to children who never could afford them.

Jan 1, 1960.

A new Year - a new decade!

Mike is 15, his mother has been married 16 yrs come Jan 15 and on the 16th. I shall be a year older. Thanks to W.R. I feel fine. As to our old world - we shall get a new Pres. this year 1960. Kennedy + Humphrey are in the ring for D. Nixon is the favored Rep. Sorry Rockefeller squied out. What will happen to the Berlin question? Probably nothing.

Who wants a rocket war just when our cities all over the world are just recovering from the last old-fashioned (shooting) one! It may come in 10 yrs but not now. We may extend a finger of friendship to China! might as well keep in touch with her and find out what she's doing.

Roger Babson says: "the 3 handicaps to our business in 1960 will be increasing installment purchases, unpaid debts of many readers, and Eisenhower's physical condition". The 3 Hopes for ours are our churches, our schools and our praying parents".

Meantime Ena + I have given ourselves a New Years' gift - a lovely English, bone china coffee pot, cream + sugar. Lovely!

Carls are well — mama is recovering and Joe is holding his own. Mike went to his first New Years' Eve party.

Friday 13th 1960

Summit meeting on Monday in Paris. We are so in trouble with various nations. The downing by the Russians of our spy plane had (made it very trying just at this time for dear Ike. What will result at the summit and will Ike expose Mamie to insults or danger.

Jan 4 Steel Strike is over. Thank the Lord. Much credit is given V. Pres. Nixon for the agreement reached. Labor get about 40¢ an hour raise. Pres. wanted a non-inflationary settlement — but I wager steel prices will go up and on we go to higher levels in prices.

Jan 9 — Nixon is 47 Today! He announced he will run for the Presidency!

Jan 16 Another mile stone for me. What a birthday — a gorgeous white bag from 3 girls, a stationery zip-kit from Mike and printed stationery & manicure scissors from Emma. Ida baked me a cake!

Jan 19 Quite cold. Hospital auxiliary has a new President — Mrs. Skinner. Plane crashes all too frequent. Politics at high gear in Laredo.

Wed Jan 27 Gloria Gallagher has her 3rd daughter & 8th child. Little Bernadette was born this a.m. at 5.

Feb 3 Had a permanent.
Had a check up + 2 blood
tests - best ever. Had work
done on my teeth.
Micky Nitzu not going to school.
His parents wont allow him to go
to Public School. He want go to
St Josephs. Ahsfor understanding parents.

Feb 8 Lovely circle meeting at 6 Wells.
Got home to find mother had fallen and
hurt her head. She bled profusely but
is doing fine after Dr's visit. A month ago
at circle meeting (Jan 11) she had a spell
of vomiting.
Georgia + Helen are dating. God grant
that they may find love with eachother.

Friday Feb 12 Lincoln's birthday and real
snow in Laredo. Large white flakes
fell during most of the day but melted
on reaching the ground.

Feb 19-1960 - Friday. It's a boy
for Queen Elizabeth of England.

Feb 22 Washington's birthday and the celebration is all over. Good weather. Today our President Eisenhower left for South America: His first stop San Juan, Porto Rico.

Feb 23 Emperor of Japan and his commoner wife have a son.

HE has arrived in Brazilia, the new Capital of Brazil.

Jan 26 - Princess Margaret has announced her engagement to Jones a commoner.

April 1 The death of a city. Agadir 4,000 killed

Freezing weather in Texas across the country - lots of snow.

The President after Chile and Uruguay, is homeward bound.

Senate Civil Rights going day + night.

Pressley back home after 2 yrs Service in uniform.

Mar. 17 St Patricks. Pioneer 5 a million miles out in space sending signals loud + clear. What a miracle!

Poor Charlotte. Her mother's tests are positive and treatments will begin in Anderson Hospital next Tuesday. Have the first cold in 2 yrs, Still taking Coumadin.

The colored people are out to fight for their rights. Young people are taking seats at restaurants hoping to be served. So far only San Antonio, bless it, has conceded. The entire South is feeling the impact.

A civil Rights bill has brought on a filibuster in Washington which is a disgrace to our country. South does not want negroes to vote. Such nonsense. May Young negro students all over the South are demanding end of segregation at lunch counters. "Sit Down" strategy either opens eating places to all races or they go out of business like Joske's.

May 7 Our lovely Princess Margaret Rose was married today to a commoner — Anthony — Jones. Lovely wedding and the whole world viewed the ceremony via TV.

May 8 my dear Charlotte missed today the First Communion of little Chata,

her oldest granddaughter. Mrs. Adams continues quite ill from cancer. They may come home this Thurs 12th.

This is Mothers day. Dr. Ruby Loury was proclaimed mother of the year in our Town. How she deserves it.

Friday 13 The Aly Kahn was killed in an Auto accident in Paris.

We as a nation are in a lot of trouble. The downing of our spy plane by the Russians just about put us in an embarrassing position for the Summit + for Ike's visit to Russia.

Mrs. Adams is home after 8 weeks in Houston. God love her -

May 16-1960 It looks as tho the Summit Conference in Paris has collapsed after a 3½ hr. session. Mr. K. demanded that U.S. apologized for flight over Russia + to give up these reconnaissance flights - refusing open sky inspection that Ike suggests. Furthermore Mr. K. withdraws the invitation for Ike to visit Russia! Hooray!

May 23 Emas birthday. She got a full skirt from me & hose from Elsie. Lots of tense moments since I & he left Paris with nothing accomplished but creation of bitterness. Portugal accorded I & he a friendly reception as did Washington officials & people in general when he reached Washington. We stick together in times of danger & we will do that. The deep in our hearts we feel I & he used bad judgment in allowing spy planes to fly over Russia at this time.

Locally we are tense because of the Kowalsky trial. Poor man - he doubtless yielded to temptation - and who are we to judge. His magnificent little wife assumed all the blame. For that & condemn Mr. K. See what comes to him monday.

May 28 - A long Holiday week end. One more month & I may take my long planned trip if I can get the right person to stay with mother. Hot weather gets me down! No rain only lots of dust on account of street paving moving slowly.

June 12 Our Pres. has just arrived in Alaska. A great welcome there and so will it be in the Philippines, but am hoping he doesn't go to Japan. The crowds are angry and many of us fear he will be hurt.

June 13 Our President has left Alaska for tiny Wake Island + then on to Manilla in the Philippines + maybe Japan.

Our hearts are sad today. Mr. Kowalsky was sentenced to 3 yrs in jail + a $3000.00 fine, plus all the penalties.

Little Johnny Cub is no better. He suffers from schizophrenia.

Am trying hard to get off to California on the 5th. Hope to find a good woman to stay with mother.

June 17 Yesterday was a sad day. Another "power" doesn't want us. Japan cancelled the invitation extended our President.

Yesterday was also a glad day. With Elizabeth's consent I got Celia to come & stay with mother while I go To Cal.

June 25 We are all in suspense and said. Charlotte and I went to Helen's wedding and—there was no wedding—

I hope to leave on the 5th.

Wm. changed my medicine to MER 29 Want to know the results before I go.

World affairs in a mess. Castro in Cuba getting more impossible every day. Japan rioting + asking Americans To leave. Trouble in Korea. Betancourt of Argentina threatened + hurt by a bomb.

June 29 One day nearer my trip. Leave on Tuesday the 5th at 9:15 P.M. Hope to see the Curbs on Thursday at noon—

Another free nation - The Belgian Congo - the 14th since War II!

Wm's exam is costing 45.00, medicine $10.00, don't know yet about dentist.

Helen Emerson did not marry. They even rehearsed for the wedding, but changed their minds at the last minute,

Bought me "bone" shoes and 2 dresses!

July 4 - 1960 The glorious 50 star flag is being displayed today for the first time. Wish our prestige and friendship with other countries were as glorious. We are in serious trouble. The long standing belief and practice of our people that "we are better than thou" has come home to roost. Now peoples who are being liberated, even tho we poured our money like water for their benefit, tolerate or hate us. Love shall reign some day. "[redacted]" "Righteousness Exhalteth a Nation" still holds good. We were probably richeous in every way except friendship. God help us.

Wearold "Celia" will come and stay with mama while I journey Westward to see the Cavs. Glorious anticipation! Hope to leave tomorrow night. Will get to see via TV full coverage of the Democratic Conv. which begins to be full of excitement.

Aug 17 Dear diary. Am back from a wonderful trip to Cal. Curts have a lovely new home. Celia (thanks to Notzan) took good care of mama.

Today I start teaching Spanish to a Mr. Brashear.

We are all sad over Mickey. Hope he makes good from now on. Such wonderful parents as he has.

The Conventions were grand. Hard to decide between Kennedy + Nixon.

~~Aug~~. Oct. 13 What a memorable date! The Pgh. Pirates won the World Series over the N.Y. Yankees. 10-9. Beautiful game. Also the candidates Nixon + Kennedy have their 3rd. Radio debate. Civic Music campaign is on — I attended lovely dinner at Officers Club.

The U.N. in session and Mr. K. the Russian Leader acting like a beast — pounding his desk even with his shoe. Such behavior never seen here before.

1958 Jack Kennedy won the Presidential nomination. First Catholic in history — thank God. Poor Nixon. A good man. Election was close

N. 31,829,738
K. 32,275,184

Electoral 192 – 337
takes 269 to win

Guess what. I hope to spend Xmas with the Curls!

Jan 6-61 — And I did get to go to Van Nuys at Xmas time! Thanks be to God. Left by plane from S.A. at 2:P.M. + arrived in L.A. 5 hours later. Curls look fine + we had a good time together. Carnie is a beautiful teenager. Mike is a fine young man. He got his driver's license while I was there.

Got home to the news that our good friend Edwarges had passed away on Xmas day while visiting in Alice.

Our church still has no pastor. Where to build + when is the big question on which all are not agreed.

Jan 16 Another mile stone! Mike sent me a record album of Perry Como's best songs. Our Stereo-Hi-Fi should come soon. I gave myself a desk – my great desire!

Today (Jan 20) is a great day.
Kennedy will be inaugurated
35th. Pres. of U.S.A. – Youngest (34)
first Catholic – a young, able, dedicated
man. He has my good wishes and
prayers.

Apr. 15th Have forgotten this dear diary
for months. Mother is more helpless by the day
and my time is taken up caring for her,
house work and a little outside interest to
make life interesting.
Kennedy is making a wonderful President.
I am still (now ten yrs) persona-non-grata
to the Russians!
My reason (main one) for remembering
my diary is that the Russians have
done it again. They sent a man out into
space. He circled the earth and returned
well & happy and full of the wonders of
outer space. His name is Yuri Gagarin.
Russians went wild with joy... Greatest
celebration since end of World War II.

Friday, May 5th. 1961 We sent a man into outer space — becoming our first astronaut. His name — Alan B. Shepherd Jr. What a thrilling experience to watch his trip on TV. We have come a long way since Lindburg flew the atlantic.

Saturday, Aug. 26-61 Lots has happened since I last wrote in this diary — Another astronaut went up & almost drowned when his capsule door opened prematurely. The Russians had one go up and circle the Earth several times. My mother is weaker and does not leave her room any more. Nursing is hard work. I took a trip (July 12 Aug 12) to see the kids. Carole still has her steady (Jeff Ross) and Mike is still in love with music — has 80+ Albums. Next week decides about J. F. Co. It may die after a half a century of success — I am still persona non grata with Mr. & Mrs. She comes over to see mama once in a blue moon — he comes when I'm out of Town! World-wide we are facing critical times in Berlin with Russia & E. Berliners. God help us to maintain peace.

Sep. 10 - Elaine Wright marries today + we are going to the wedding. Celia will stay with mother. Mother is not well. To weak almost to stand.

Sep. 11 Mother has developed a fever. Dr. says it's an infection. She eats very little + continues bed-fast.

Sep. 16 My mother breathed her last at 5:30 this morning after a few days of restlessness. She suffers no more.

Sep 17 Mother was buried today. She looked lovely + service was beautiful. God bless our friends.

Dec. 25 Flew to Los Angeles. Had hard time landing on account of fog. A.A. plane with stops in El Paso, Phoenix + San Diego. I was paged, in the beautiful new Airport, limousine To L.A. + Chas picked me up at the Hilton Hotel.

Dec. 12 On this date I was called home from Van Nuys because Joe had died

Feb 14-62 Who can forget Valentines day 1962. On this date our church voted 82-19 to build on the Hts. Board of Education offered us 50,000 for our property. Poor Callee, Dr. ordered him to stay home. He sent a pathetic letter wanting to retain church in present location, but youth rulled otherwise and I am in favor.

Feb 20 '62 - Glorious Day! John Glenn the astronaut has just finished a 3 times around the Earth. trip in space craft. 1:55 P.M. + Glenn has just been recovered by destroyer + helecopters. It was a 5 hour flight. Marvelous accomplishments by man.

March 1 Deep gloom and great gayety in N.Y. City this day. A jet non-stop from N.Y. to L.A. crashed soon after take-off with 97 deaths. At the same time, Col. Glenn was honored with a ticker-tape parade and luncheon at Waldorf-Astoria for his bravery in orbiting the earth 3 times. What a humble, unselfish, great christian he is. A great family, the Glenns.

We worried about Juanita

Cards. God bless her.

April 10, 1962 A beloved pastor and friend died today, Dr. Bernard C. Clausen. He influenced many people for good during his life on Earth.

May 24-62 A very significant day. Scott Carpenter orbited the Earth 3 times today in his capsule "Aurora 7". For 45 min. the World held its breath, believing our hero was lost on landing, 200 mi off course on a calm sea. Thank God, we can report our hero was located bobbing up + down in a little life-boat and beside him the capsule. He waited over 1 hr to be rescued but he was well and happy.

Aug. 13 On the 5th. of Aug I arrived home from a glorious trip to Cal. + Seattle that began on June 11th. Stayed 7 weeks in Van Nuys while still attended Valley State to get 6 credits towards her Master's. Everyone cooperated. Mike took a history course at Valley College + Carol attended Hi Summer school.

Glad to have seen the States of Oregon + Washington. They are delightfully cool, green + full of flowers. My stay in Seattle

was on board a Canadian Ship, the "Dominion Monarch" anchord in Puget Sound. From the upper deck the sight of the Fair at night was breath-taking in its mixed lights. Went a-top the space needle, ate out of an auto-mat — went on a flight to the moon + enjoyed many other exhibits. Wish I had had my grandchildren with me. Mike, stepped in music, would have enjoyed the musical performers. Carole is good company + would have enjoyed everything. Came back by way of Salt Lake city. I always enjoy visiting the mormons. They are such a dedicated people — living their religion. In San Antonio, Ena joined me + we spent three days shopping + seeing "The Music Man".

Aug 17 — Dr. says I have high blood pressure — feel dizzy mornings. What next!

Sep. 14 - In two days it will be a year since mama passed away. WE miss the little shadow moving around the house. And today news comes that Juanita Cook is gone. How I learned to love her. Emphasema claimed her. Medical science has no cure as yet. Am planning to go to Pgh. on about the 24th. to attend a "home coming" celebration & dedicated First Church 150th. birthday. Only Mr. Clausen were here.

Our concern now is the State of Mississippi not wanting to integrate the schools. God help us not to have any bloodshed.

Sep. 30 Black day in our nation's History, and particularly for the state of Mississippi. Troops had to be sent into Oxford to get negro Jas. H. Meredith enrolled in the U. of Miss. Ppi. Gov. Ross Barnett was determined not to integrate. Two men were killed in the rioting. National Guardsmen were unarmed & the troops did not fire. Brave men facing a mob of barbarians. Not a word as yet from the good citizens of Miss. Are there any?

Oct. 3 Astronaut in his space ship, Sigma VII, made 6 trips around the world today.

Oct 22 left for my trip to Ohio and Pgh. What a glorious trip with people so friendly and warm. Was entertained morning, noon + night. went to symphony at Syria Mosque + heard Cassadesus - also opera La Boheme. Huttons all well + I got to see Rose-marie's baby. Bill not well at all. Got back to S.A. Nov. 11 + Ena met me there. During my trip our country was going through a serious crises -- almost had war with Cuba. She was armed to the teeth by Russia with long-range missiles which our U-2s discovered. A quarantine was declared and both Cuba + Russia came to their senses and removed the equipment - Nov. 30 Racial question still very much in the foreground. Negro students inundated beyond words. Work on our new church has begun. Jan 1-63 A brand New Year. Let's see what we do with it. Have my first cold in 3 yrs. Elsie has two

vacant houses, causing her a little worry.
Lots of excitement in Van Nuys. Delores
McClure was married. — beautiful
wedding. Her name now is Mrs. Thos. W.
Ellison.

April - Easter 1963. A sad event to record -
The Submarine "Thrasher" failed to
surface, in the atlantic, and 129 officers
and men are dead.

Segregation campaign continues in Alabama
and Tennessee. many negroes jailed.
Shame on us.

Expect to move into our new church in
May. The little 3rd. Bap. church dis-
banded and many of its members have
come to us.

Mr. Neal died on the 8th.

May 12 Glory be to God! Today we
hold our first service in our new
beautiful church Bldg.

May 14 Cooper's Space-craft flight cancelled
just 12 min. before take-off.

May 15 Cooper had a beautiful
take-off. We shall follow him thru-out the day.

Cooper made a beautiful flight with a happy ending. Now he is being honored for a well-deserved glory in advancing the eventual flight to the moon.

May 19 Dedication of our new church building. Glorious day. God's is the Glory!

May 31 Lucky Day - I won a clk. for $100.00 spinning the wheel at the Ramirez Gro. Store. Going to L.A. by Jet —

The pope is gravely ill. a good man!

June 3 1963

Pope John 23 is dead.
He passed away at 12:45 today.

June 16 Leaving today for S.A. by Bus and tomorrow, Monday 17 I board a jet flight 513 for L.A. and my children. Am supposed to arrive at 12:20 noon. Wish me luck!

June - Negroes are on the march all over the country in an effort to obtain their liberty. God help them and god help us to act as christians and do away with second class citizens.
A representative of a.m.e.p in Miss. was shot.

Aug 3 Returned home after a pleasant 7 weeks in Van Nuys. Cubs may go to Houston.

Cubs are in Houston at Savoy-Field. Carole & Mike remained in Cal. Mike not going to college. Aug. 5 1963

Treaty outlawing atomic testing (except underground) was signed today by U.S., Russia & England. One step towards peace, we hope!

Aug 7-63 Little Patrick Bouvier Kennedy born today - 5½ weeks prematurely. He is having trouble with his breathing.

Aug 28 "American Revolution 63" took place in Washington D.C. 200,000 quiet, determined negroes & whites marched

to the Lincoln Memorial and made known their desire for "Freedom" now! Great Demonstration - quiet + dignified.

Oct 10-63 Nuclear test-ban treaty goes into effect today. Great Day! Got my first letter from my college grand daughter.

Oct 24 Still and Chas are on a visit to New York. Staying at the "Americana". She is thrilled. They have moved to an Apt. 3[illegible]417 Montrose 506

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~~Oct~~ Nov. 22-1963

Sad news, at 12:45 noon today someone shot our beloved Pres. Kennedy. He was being driven in Dallas to a luncheon. John Connely was also shot - he is our Governor -

Our new President - Mr. ~~Lyndon~~ Baines Johnson

All week long we have sat with our eyes glued to our TV set watching. The sad events following the tragic death of our great President. No ruler was ever paid higher tributes or honored by more great government heads at his funeral. He rests in Arlington! We thank God for having had him as Pres.

Nov. 28 1963 Stella and Charles drove down from Houston to spend Thanksgiving with us. What a joy to have them. They fly to L.A. to see their children at Xmas time.

Xmas. 1963 Worked at Hospital yesterday. Are spending a quiet Xmas at home. Frozen turkey left over from Thanksgiving will be our fare, plus cherry pie. My gifts; a crystal necklace from Carl-s, gloves from Stants, lip-stick from Emma, a dk. from Elsie and believe it or not, roses from Mike. God love them.

New Years 63 a cold day. We are going out for dinner. No resolutions but to try to live each day up to the best that I know. As every year draws to a close there

comes a time to look back and try to achieve some understanding from the confusion and suffering of the months that have passed. One couldn't be really happy during the Xmas festivities realizing that 1963 was a year of violence, upheaval and death. "In the midst of life we are in death", All of life has been sadly overcast by the assassination of our beloved Pres. Kennedy. We are saddened but not despairing - "all things pass under Heaven - all things have their Season" - We welcome '64!

Jan 10 - Trouble in Panama. Our Tom Mann heads a delegation sent by our Pres. Johnson to try to settle things without any resort to arms. God help him. My family worry is Michael, but his parents report him as very self possessed and happy persuing his role in the entertainment world, so Blessings on him.

Jan 16 My birthday. Still sent me a blue blouse for my suit & hose. Emma gave me a compact and Elsa a 25.00 ck. Carole sent me a beautiful card. She remembered! John Glenn, the astronaught will run for the senate, as a Democrat, from Ohio. God help him to victory.

Jan 21 Carol and Still arrived today. It's Carol's first visit since she was 2 yrs. old. Went across the river and to town to shop. She bought 2 dresses — a black two-piece sleeveless and a light blue shift — looked lovely in both.

Feb 21 Rained last night & is cold now — 36°. Had fireworks anyhow — Hope for the best for parade tomorrow.

News from Carol: She made the Dean's list with a 3.5 average. Mike seems happy and making ends meet, he says!

Mar. 15 Ruby trial in Dallas is ended but an appeal is pending. Sentence: Death in the electric chair —

Good Friday 27 Alaska hit by an earthquake. Great loss in property but thank goodness small loss of life. Mainland will help rebuild.

April 2. '64

Lovely Carole is 18 yrs. old today. Long and well may she live. The great heart-throb now is not Jeff but Rae. How like her mother to be choosy!

April 4 General McArthur is dead -- "Faded away" at age 84.

Apr. 22 Left for San Antonio to meet Worthy Engelder who was coming in from Phoenix. We took in the Fiesta and had a wonderful time. That strawberry pie at Lulu's was a high light! On Saturday we left our hotel (The St Anthony) in the rain + boarded the So. Pac train for Houston, arrived at 11 a.m. still in the rain. Chas + Stella were both there. So were the Hayes to meet Worthy. Liked the Apt. - especially the view from the 5th. floor. Also met Mary + her Mr. husband + son Richard -- had a steak dinner at their lovely home - Fell in love with Mr's sister from Austin - Mrs. Thelma Leich. She teaches voice therapy. Enjoyed eating at the Ky Blue Grass. Attended the Shakespeare play "Taming of the Shrew" at Rice University.

May 5th Mrs. Perez - Gil married Capt. David Pennington last Saturday. May she find the happiness she had with her first husband.

May 10 Mothers Day -
My first orchid from my daughter! A beautiful thing.
May 15 - Virginia Gonzalez of our Beauty shop died in Houston of cancer.
June 3 - Rocky lost to Goldwater, by a very narrow margin, in the California primaries. Too bad - I wanted Rocky to win. Unless G. changes, he won't be a fit Pres. But we should worry about the Rep. - - they won't win this time. Johnson is in the saddle and if he chooses a V. Pres. wisely, he will remain in the saddle for 4 more years -
June 6 Sted + Chas left Houston on the 4th. for Los Angeles to see Mike + bring Carole back for Summer vacation.
June 10 Cloture Cottoce invoked for the first time in history, on civil rights bill in the Senate. Southerners call it the gag rule. Now the floor can be held for only one hour of speaking.
June 12 - Scranton is in the race for Pres. Getting exciting!

June 19 - Senate this afternoon passed the Civil Rights bill 72-28. This is a History-making event. Goldwater voted against it. How come he is running for Pres.

Stell writes that they are on their way to Okla City. Herschel Crawford died suddenly on the 16th of a heart attack. Their address 2740 N.W. 25th. St.

June 20 Bad news for Kennedy family again. A plane crash resulted in a broken back for Ted. Details later. Doing well.

June 28 Just had a lovely surprise visit from Stell and Carole. Chas had to go to L.A. on business -

July 2 Watched Pres. Johnson sign the Civil Rights Bill, thus making it into law. Lets hope a new South emerges, if not from the heart, by force of law. Lets hope we have no more civil wars to fight.

July 13: The long awaited day has arrived. Goldwater + Scranton are fighting it out. Will see what happens.

July 16 – An exciting week watching the Rep. Convention. Goldwater + Miller are now the nominees. God help Johnson from now until Nov. He has a sharp, ruthless opponent.

Darling Mimi is in one of those "depressions" and is hospitalized in Dallas. We hope for the best. Beverly Hill Hospital

On Monday the 20th. Anna + I hope to start on our trip thru Virginia. Carole is studying at the U. of Houston. Curls have color T.V. Carole is dating two boy friends – Jerry McLain (optometrist) and Bill Howell a Jr.

Aug. 1st Got back from our shortened trip. I fell in Austin and the shock to my nervous system caused me much suffering. Williamsburg, Va. and surrounding states are beautiful. We didn't see Hennys nor Curls –

On July 28th. Ranger 7 hit the moon + sent back good pictures. Race Riots are spreading! It is believed Johnson will not select Bob Kennedy as his running mate. He is making a mistake!

Aug 23 - Democratic Convention - Lots of threatened trouble seating delegations but everything settled. Vice will be Hubert Humphry - he is good but probably a mistake. A 13 min. ovation given Robert K. when he appeared in a memorial to J.F.K. a beloved family. Mrs. J.F.K. greeted the delegates at 3 different receptions.

Stell and Carole arrived on monday and we enjoyed them - Aug 24-25-26. Stell & Carole got to go to N.Y. in the Co's private plane. They saw the Fair - U.N etc. They got back to Houston on Sep. 2 + left on the 4th. to take Carole back to Santa Barbara. They get to see Mike.

Curls are back home - sans daughter who is happily situated at El Dorado again and ready for "rushing" about which I'm not very enthused, after a ΔΔΔ and a ΔΣ experience (all so shallow) but it means a lot to these ten-agers.

Sep 14 Carole is thrilled beyond words about school, nursing etc.

Sep. 20 – Joy turned to ashes! – Carole – no bids from her choice of sororities. Will spend week-end with Mike. Would love to hear Mike's words of consolation – something like this: Superior girls do not need a sorority". It's trivia and our girl will face it like the princess that she is.

SEP. 24 Fires in Cal. are endangering Santa Barbara. Sorority disappointment is trivia in comparison.
We are having a flood. Our Rio Grande is cresting at 39+. Not as bad as 10 yrs. ago.
El Chamizal is finally settled. Our Gov. gives it back to Mexico.
Oct 2. Mimi is home. Saw her at Gen's but she is far from being herself –
Civic Music banquet on Sep 28+ campaign this week was fun. I sold 9 tickets.
Oct 10 Carole is a "Honey bear", pallitean honor. This compensates for the sorority affair!

Mike is on a salary. Capitol will pay him 75.00 a week. Stel + Charles will be coming next week end. Her birthday is the 19th.

My hypertension is over - no more medicine - thank the good Lord -

Oct 15 - Have been going to the Dentist.

Hurrah! The Caidnals won the World Series. Glad the Yankees lost 7-5.

Nikita Krushchev has been replaced by 2 others - his aids. Is it because he is 70? Stell wont be here for her birthday -

Oct 16th China exploded an atomic bomb. This is the 5th. nation to possess this power - U.S. France, England + now China.

England's labor party has won the election - Mr. Wilson is now Prime Minister.

Significant things happening in this world - a new Era

Nov 3 Election day - at night - no doubt about Johnson winning. Goldwater is getting way behind.

Final results - J. 61,000,000 - G. 26,000,000. a dirty campaign but worthwhile results. So thankful G. didn't win. Even his own party repudiated him - The 2 Kennedys won too - one in mass. and the other in N.Y.

Nov 22 The anniversary of the death of the most beloved President our Country ever had.

May God send us another as great.