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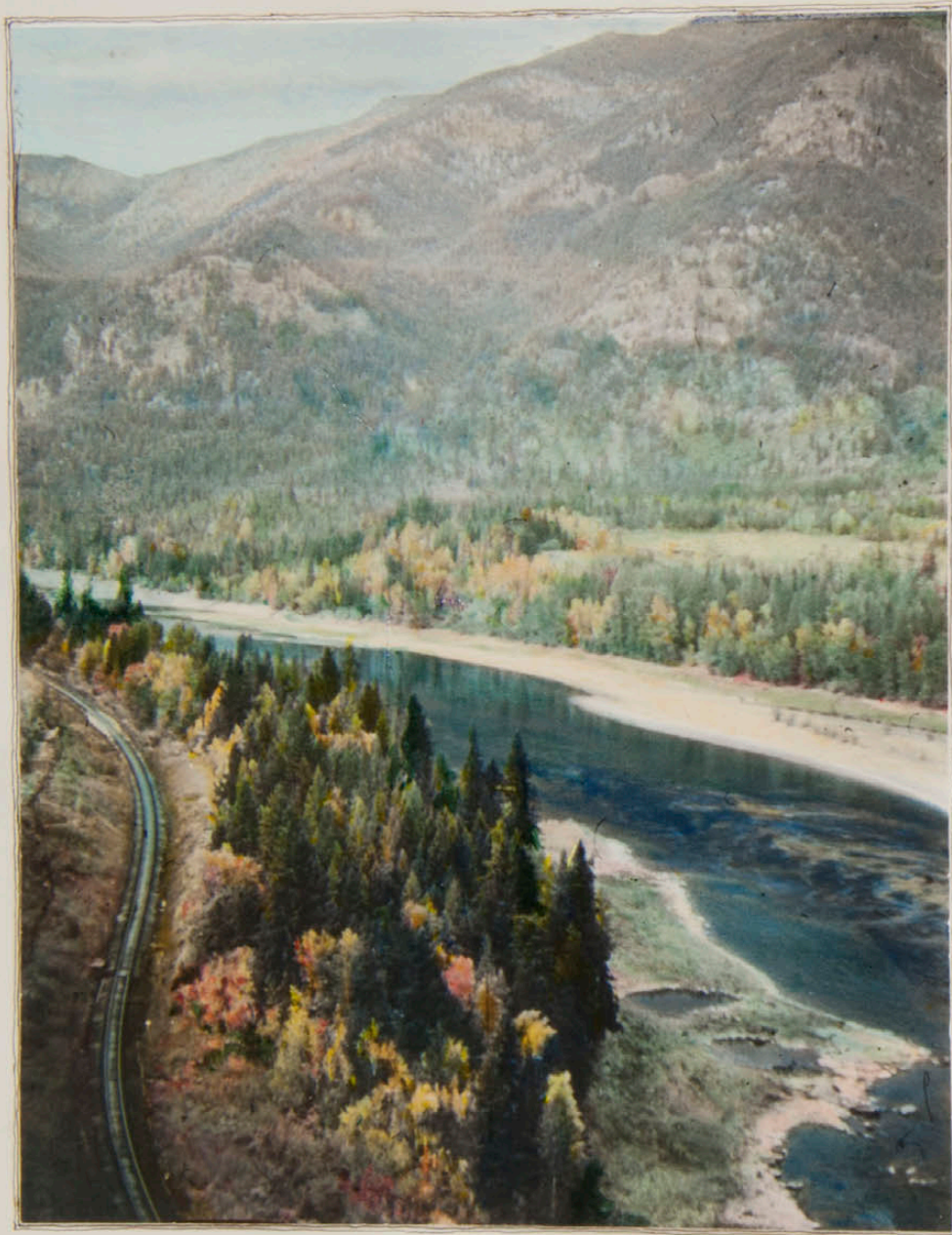
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CLARK'S FORK RIVER.

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HANDSAKER'S

ANNUAL

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HOME

AND

FAMILY

NINETEEN FORTY SIX

EVENTS OF 1946

I had a number of inspection trips, to Montana and to Duluth; one, 2 weeks long, clear out to Seattle. Roy Brodway retired April 30 and Carl Ekberg became Bridge Engineer. May 30, our former bridge engineer, Marion Beach, died. In June, I attended my first trestle committee meeting, in Chicago. Ben Oriburn left the N.P., and George Hopkins became west-end Asst. Brg. Engr. At home, I rebuilt the front brick walk and made a concrete walk to the west corner, and moved the two little spruces from the front entrance.

The family spent a week at Gull Lake; we were all there July 4-5. Betsy resumed Army civilian recruiting, but on August 26 she became ill with polio and was in Kenny Institute for a month and a half; it left her with a very weak right arm. Mike was in Children's Hospital twice with pneumonia. We all, but most of all Mike, visited Hennons in Mound.

Peggy was attending the University again. In August she spent 2 weeks in Glacier Park- she found a job there. ~ Bill graduated from high school in June, and joined the Navy for a two-year hitch in August. We spent part of a day with him at Great Lakes in October; he was home two weeks in December. At the end of the year he was transferred to Corpus Christi.

Visitors: Ama and Ralph 3 days and Elma Carman 6 days in October. Mrs. Wakefield stopped over, too.

Acute post-war shortages:— meat, and toilet paper!

I got another camera, Kodak's imitation of a Rolleiflex; traded my little-used $3\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$ Graflex in on it.

January 1946

Mostly fair weather, snow on the ground, & temperature up & down, -7° + 32° 0° + 20° 0° + 30° -8° + 25° -15° + 30° 0° occasionally a little fresh snow.

I took one little trip, to Duluth the 11th, and had a day driving around Twin Cities bridges the 16th with our Chinese trainees Wang and Yung. In the office, my principal work was revising the bridge restrictions and preparing contract proposals.

We had quite a social calendar. For instance, on the 1st we had a call from Gunnar Lie, his Southern wife and his mother. Groveland Park Garden Club's annual party was at Sieberts' on the 7th. We saw color movies of Guatemala and of a trip to Rio. Then on the 16th we went to Owens to see their autumn color slides. The 19th the Thumas had a dinner party, conversation & "crazy 8's" for Stanley Smiths & us. We ate pheasant, Knights had us for supper the 20th. Si's more pessimistic even than me over the future.

I took only one or two pictures, the best one's opposite. ^(Mike took it.) Mike got himself a new name, "Meatball," which he likes. I made this book, out of paper I "sanforized" to see if it would reduce the buckling of mounted prints. I also did quite a little work evenings on preceding annual volumes, which are far from done.



Myself and Mike
Looking at the "Choo-choo" book



Tough guys
Shylock?

"Yo, ho, ho, and a bottle of Milk!"



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January Snow



46-87 SCENE AT FOOT OF ST. CLAIR ST.

TAKEN WITH KODAK REFLEX - NOVEMBER 1946



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OLD FORT SNELLING
FROM AN OLD PICTURE



INDIAN HENRY'S

These two 1910 pictures help fill out a month when I took hardly any photographs; they're my first prints on the new Dasonville—of which you'll see more. Sketching surface



PARADISE VALLEY
and the Tatoosh Range.....

My travels included only a trip to Duluth the morning of the 8th with a walk across the Bay bridge from Superior, and a trip to Mandan (Bridge 11, cracked beams) the 11th and Fargo (Bridge 13) 12-13th. The pictures show what Fargo looked like. Weather in St Paul, 15° below, to above freezing - mostly 10° to 25° above and occasional light snow.....

Harold and Clairice Peterson were here the 9th. Alice and Kay Perkins were over for a baked bean supper the 15th. Kay and Mike get along fine. Mrs. Wakefield was with us the 16-17-18 enroute from Evanston to the Pacific coast. Plymouth Men's Club met on the 21st - Bundlie gave his talk on illegality of the trials of Jesus.....

Sat. the 21st I went to Engineers' convention at Minneapolis. Dean Lind, Drs. Buchta & Tate told us about the present state of knowledge of the atomic nucleus. I missed the Carnival parade in St Paul that day. No ice palace, not much carnival, only a few drum corps parading noons..... Mostly my office work was odd jobs, writing contracts, etc. I got restless.....

Mollie Savold was over for supper and bridge the 27th. &

FEBRUARY
—1946—



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FARGO -
Feb. 13th

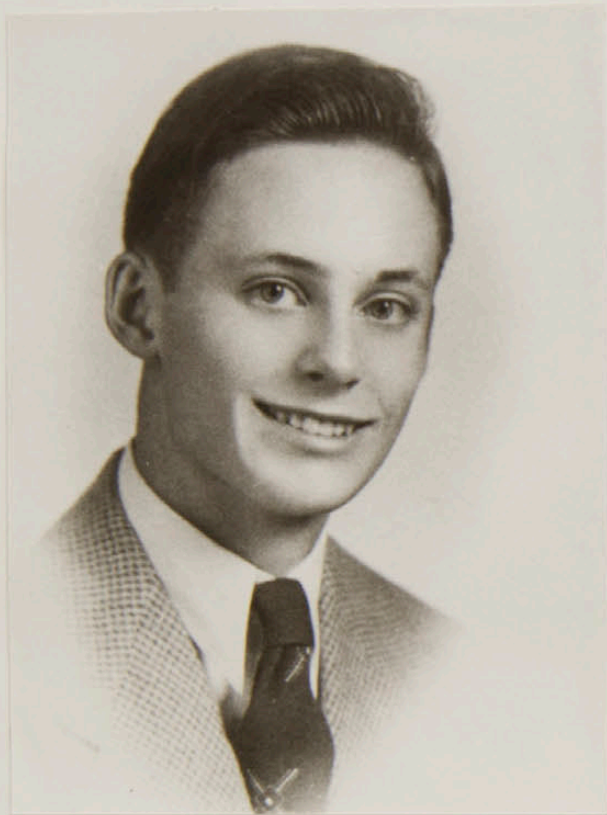


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Worst blizzard of many years - all trains annulled the 6th & 7th - Dilworth yards filled up deep - took Fargo over a week to dig out - phones wires down - but down around St. Paul it didn't strike.



BILL'S HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR PICTURE

By Golling.



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Bertha

March 1946

Winter broke up and spring came without a blizzard. Melting snow kept temp. down to +50° the 3rd; two inches of fresh snow the 5th. Calm, fair, the 9th was springlike though 15° above at first. 60°, 13th. Lots of cloudy weather, occasional rain towards the end.

I was at the A.R.E.A. convention in Chicago the 14th; I found Charley Freeman there; next day showed him Twin Cities, had him home overnight. At Superior ore dock the 21st; home on the Soo. In the office rest of month; studied alignment Paradise to Sand Point, grade separation estimates, contract for Beach coal dock, pocket bridge list, and so on.

Brockway's decision to retire April 1st & take 2 wks vacation before that caused us to buy him a radio, which was presented the 30th, the day Carl Ekberg took over. (But I had to make the presentation.)

We went with McGraws to Garden Club at Minn. Union, 4th, Turkey, and wildflower slides. Mike had his first "teekar" ride home with me the 9th. He liked the window shade. The 10th I called on Dennises: Thornton's having a long pull back to health. I heard Hubbard Hill at St. Paul Engineers the 11th. We were at Ekbergs the 16th. Joan, Lenore & Bob Peterson were here the 24th. Went to Hennons Sun. 31st, afternoon and left Mike. Bill and I moved our two front yard firs. Betsy started army civilian recruiting again.



1939



1939



1942

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CHICAGO IN OTHER YEARS



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1942

I got no snapshot souvenirs
of my convention trip this year.
I was there the 14th



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1940



1941

APRIL

The first week I was on a trip to Livingston, Billings and Laurel, to check and adjust the roller bearings of two 135 foot turntables. Before going, I heard that Marion W. Beach died March 30.

On the trip I ran into some trains with pre-war half-loads. I studied nuclear physics at public libraries. Home Sun. morn, the 7th. Took a walk through Stonebridge with Mike, 9th; blood-roots out. Bertha and I finally got to Edyth Bush Little Theater-saw "Three's a Family". In Duluth the 17th and 25th.

There was a steak party at Lexington Bar on the 20th for Hulda Johnson. Long wait in crowd for good steaks-then over to Smiths' flat.

The 21st was Easter - an unusually summery one for St Paul. I was a little weak with a cold, and Betsy didn't go out for her week's work. The 24th I had Dr. McEwan look me over at the hospital. Not much wrong; slept it off. The 28th we drove to White Bear and Bald Eagle Lakes. Saw Gibsons. Didn't hear of any places to rent.

The trip to Duluth the 25th was on account of a fire which destroyed the Wisconsin operator's house and gave me work the rest of the year - in office).

WEATHER REPORT

2. 40° up, springlike.
3. Snow flakes, Livgstr.
5. Spring at Billings
6. Spring at Glendive
7. Snow beyond St Cloud.
8. Breezy, in 40's.
9. 40°-50, pleasant
10. Cool, calm, some clouds
11. Cloudy, chilly.
12. Light frost - fair.
13. Fair, calm.
- 16.
17. Perfect, calm, warm.
18. 45°-70. Shower at 5.
19. Fine, no top coat
20. Fine; 45° at 7.
21. Unusually summery
22. Showers last night
23. Mild, bright
24. Fair, moderate
25. A little rain
26. Fair, 40°-60.
27. Fair, calm, cool.
28. Fair, warm
29. Fair, mild, dry
30. Fine, up to 80°

AT BOZEMAN TUNNEL

Bennett took me up to both ends of the new (& old) tunnel the 3rd.



West end of new and old tunnels.



East from over east portal.



My 2 1/4 x 3 1/4 Compur was laid up for repairs & the temporary makeshift lens wasn't doing as well as I hoped - hence the blobby shots!!!

RUSTY LIKES
I-NEEM
Too-



MIKE AND RUSTY

PHOTOS BY
BETTY HENNON



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SAND BOX



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HITCH HIKER



46-15

TRAFFIC IN OUR BLOCK



46-10

MAY

The weather started with over 80° the 1st, and mostly cool but occasional rather hot days; no rain but a drop or two, until our surprise snow storm the morning of the 12th - see above. The last 10 days we had occasional showers.

The first, on an inspection at Como Avenue, Minneapolis, I saw a big fire. John Mickelson had his 50th railroad anniversary that day; my flash pictures didn't turn out. That night I was ill, and only on the job a short time the 2nd. I was OK next day, but weak.

© No mosquitos, cool sunshine, and the early

spring flowers-- lilacs at back gate, plum, apple blossoms, creeping phlox, violets, a few red tulips, and mayflowers, and bleeding hearts..... I started gardening the 5th, Sunday, by moving 200 aster seedlings to beds inside the fence. Took a walk with Mike 7th - got him tired out. After supper he says "My go pay? - Tooooo dah!" The 9th we saw Leave Her to Heaven-- too corny for my taste. Next night there was a 28° frost, but no evidence of it in our yard. The snow was next, and I started west- lots of room on the train- lower berth to Billings. The 13th & 14th



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MAY 12.

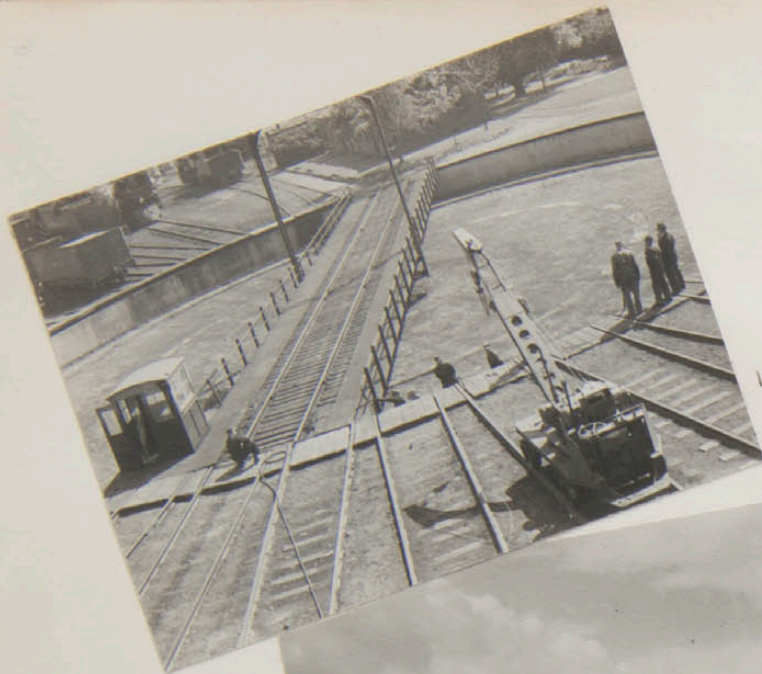
I was in Laurel, adjusting the roller bearings on the turntable; returning, I went over the New Salem Line Change with Shoemaker; saw E.R.S., Wang & Yung; saw Tournapulls and Ternacobras at work, and bought some toilet paper-- very scarce-- I was in Mandan that night, home night of 16th, to learn that Michael had been in the hospital with a bad case of pneumonia. I visited him, noon, the 22nd, he came home the 23rd, but couldn't go outdoors until 26th.

A general railroad strike started the 19th, was postponed till the 23rd, and called off the 24th on

account of Truman's unexpectedly vigorous stand. It was an arrogant & unjustified display of union strength, and the country was with Truman.

The 26th - Sunday - Bill cut the big limb off of the west front tree and we had several evenings of hard work cutting it up & burning brush. The 30th, Memorial day holiday, Bertha and I weeded along the back lawn, and I sprayed Weedone on the front yard weeds with a trick sprayer borrowed from Mastenbrook. To my surprise the two evergreens, moved from beside the front porch, finally proved they were alive, by budding out.....

MY MAY TRIP WEST



LAUREL TABLE
MAY 13TH-14TH



BLUM PIT
MAY 14TH



BRIDGE 19, RED LODGE BRANCH
MAY 14TH



NEW SALEM
LINE CHANGE
MAY 15TH



TERRACOBAS
MAY 15TH





SWANSON AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD KIDS

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PASSONVILLE



MIKE

46-11

VILL



MIKE AGAIN

JUNE

Started almost-frosty at night~ up to a humid 85° the 7th. Poured, night of 10th; 80° to 90°, 21st to 24th--some cool days, too. Mosquitos appeared the 11th. To stand the hot days, I started another big project: rebuilding front walk. I got cement, sand & gravel, 15th & started in. Worked Saturday afternoons, Sundays and some evenings, had it done from stoop to sidewalk including a new front step, by the 30th. Also built a new back gate this month, and painted it blue, to the family's disgust.

I was in Chicago, at my first committee meeting the 4th. Had lunch with Keeney (no relative). Brought home American Art Review, 1880-1881 in 2 volumes. No field trips all month; inspected G. N. truss in 6th St. bridge with Guerin & others the 17th.

Mike got his tricycle the 6th, and David ~~Swanson~~ got a wagon.

We attended Pine Bend open house the ninth, Bertha, the girls & I saw "Romance" at the Edyth Bush Theater the 18th. Mike was at Mound the 18th to 22nd.

I forgot to mention above that on the 24th from 3:30 to 5:30 we had a real cloudburst. At 5 it slacked up. I got on a Grand Avenue street-car, then it poured again; ran over curbs & into stores. Car roof leaked a little. I was met at the end of the line.

The family drove north, for a week at Gull Lake, the 29th, so I was alone with my work on the walk Sunday the 30th (went up to church twice, thinking it would be at 10 (that starts in July). I listened in on the first atomic bomb explosion at Bikini Atoll that afternoon. Disappointing — no boom!

SOUVENIR OF CHICAGO
JUNE 4TH

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46-21 ON THE TRAIL

PINE
BEND
OPEN
HOUSE

JUNE 9



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THE NEW BRIDGE



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BLUE POP



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IN FRONT OF THE MAIN CABIN

BUCKINGHAM FOUNTAIN



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DASSONVILLE

CHICAGO RIVER

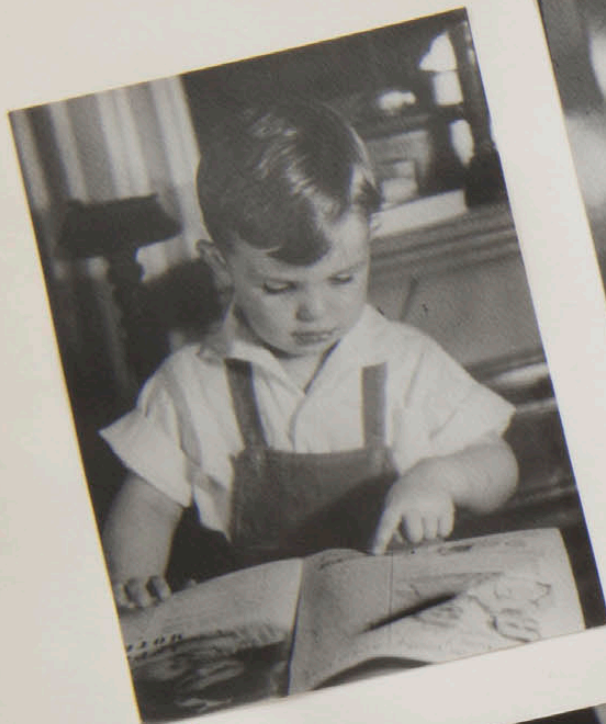
JULY 1946

I went to Elk River the 1st, driving with Warner & Larson, to inspect pipe. Peggy came back from Nisswa & kept house for me, 2nd & 3rd; night of 3rd, she, Betsy & I took the train north. Bill met us at Brainerd at 2:30 A.M. We all spent the 4th and 5th at the very pleasant cottage at Silver Bay, and drove home Sat. 6th, looking in vain for meat in all towns enroute. ☸ Back to my walk work; made a "patio" at front gate & started concrete walk around to west. Mon. the 8th I took No. 1 for Helena to check the new turntable; saw Walt Stalnaker - arrived too soon, went back to Glendive & Beach; Helena again 12th, still too early to check the truck alignment, so I came home, driving with Kugler to Logan. Trains full again. ☸ Quit lunching at Christines. ☸ We looked at slides at Manners the 17th. Grimeses there, Mollie Savold with us 18th. I celebrated the 19th, my birthday, by hiking at noon to South Wabasha Hill. The 20th we picnicked with Gibsons at White Bear & around the Island. ☸ That week end I was full of the idea of moving to Seattle to take Ornburn's place, but was better pleased to help George Hopkins get it. To Fergus Falls - pipe insp., 24th; lost a night's sleep. ☸☸☸
The weather: Quite a few days up to 90°; frequent night showers; lots of fine weather. ☸☸



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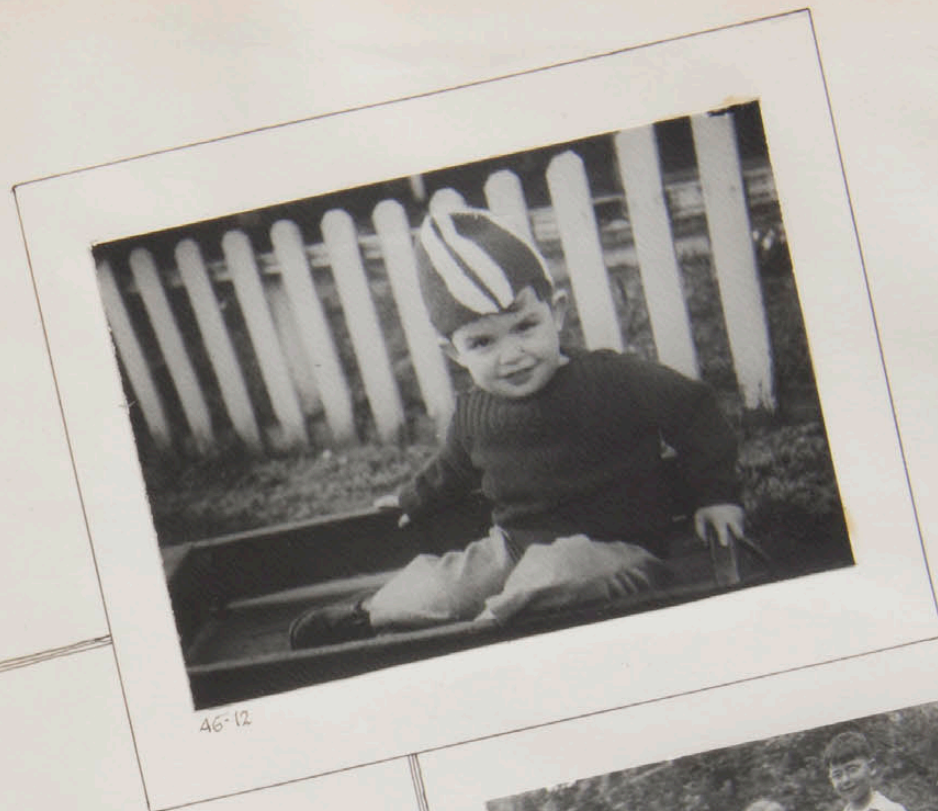
BETSY AND MIKA



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Mostly Mike

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The Narrows

Silver Bay
Shore →



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Along our Shore



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At Gull Lake



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On the Silver
Bay Resort Dock

June 29 -
July 5.



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Peggy Absorbing
Sunshine

and Pop Getting
Sunburned



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PEGGY

*from a 35 mm by Betty Hannon
My file E46*

We abbreviated Penelope's name to Peggy until her friends took up the more proper abbreviation of Penny.



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OUR COTTAGE



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PEG, BILL & OUR BOAT



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PEG & MIKE



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BETSY, MIKE & GRAMMA



VIEW FROM COTTAGE

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MORE VIEWS
AT GULL LAKE

3 on left, from Kodachrome slides



Bertha

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MIKE



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My JULY TRIP TO MONTANA

SOIL TEST AT
BEACH N.D

NEW TURNTABLE
AT HELENA



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LOGAN MONTANA



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WITH
GIBSONS

AT
WHITE BEAR

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Orig. negative in my file E.46

Betsy & her big boy



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From Ansco Color 35mm

SAINT PAUL SKYLINE



MONKEY
SHINES



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MIKE AND AUNT BETTY



SISTERS-IN-LAW - BETTY AND BETSY



GENEVIEVE AND BETTY



DINNER AT MA-MA'S



MIKE AND HIS MA-HAVS



LOOKING FOR JAPAN

MINIATURES BY BETTY HENNON



IN GRANDPA'S GARDEN
BEHIND THE HOUSE

THE PICTURES ON BOTH
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ERA.

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LOOK OUT, MIKE
AND GRANDPA



MY-MA



August 1946

A month of fine weather—nearly every day fair, & while it got up to 90° a few days, it was mostly not hot. Had a little rain the 7th and 15th—the latter an evening thunderstorm.

I went to Elk River—driving with Warner—the 2nd; to Rush City the 12th to look over the old Howe trusses with John Peterson; to Duluth four times—the 6th account ore dock spouts, etc.; the 16th account turntable; the 23rd account the corroded 10th Avenue foot bridge; and the 28th on account of the Wisconsin span fire damage claims—met Wilcox, Chicago adjuster.

In spare time, continued my work on front side walk; widening the walk at west of house, repairing rotted fence posts and broken walk at northwest corner. Several evenings mounting 2x2 slides, copying them and making album prints.

We all went to Mound the 18th and had a wonderful dinner at Hennons. It was quite an outing; see pictures, mostly by Betty Hennon, on preceding pages. On the 25th, after church we had a picnic out at Boom Park north of Stillwater. It was crowded and dirty.

Betsy was ill the 26th. She'd been doing recruiting in Minneapolis & had to come home; was really sick the 27th, worse each day till at last on the 30th Dr Veirs decided it was polio. Her right arm and throat were affected, and she was sick and ached all over. I stayed home Sat. 31st & went to Kenny Institute after the ambulance. Same day Bill was sworn into Navy—last day eligible for 2 yr enlistment.

Peggy left home the 20th, for Glacier Park and Seattle; but as it turned out, she fell into a job at Lake MacDonald and went no further.

The 23rd, I got back from Duluth in time to go to the "Pop" concert at Auditorium with Bertha and Hansons.



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from ANSCO
35 mm
COLOR FILM

ALONG THE LEVEE



MORE
PICTURES
AT MOUND

Betsy, Bill, Peggy

Negatives in my EAG file



PEGGY IN
GLACIER PARK

FROM PEGS KODACHROME SLIDES

SEPTEMBER - - - 1946

Weather: fair, cool, breezy, 1st-3rd; up to 85° 4th. The 5th, we had an absolutely black hour about 11, followed by rain. Rainy days & showers till the 10th, which was fair. Same, and very cool until, on 15th, up to 80°. Stayed mostly fair & warm till I went west. Out there I had wonderful luck with weather, but there were a couple of drizzly mornings in Seattle.

Sept. 1st Betsy was in the hospital, and Bertha and Bill were in quarantine. We all worked Labor Day, cleaning house & laundering to remove infection. Peggy, at Glacier Park, hearing of Betsy's polio, phoned. Dr. Veirs scared us the 7th, by revealing that Betsy's face was paralyzed. We saw her the 9th. Her face improved rapidly, but she remained in Kenny Institute.

Bill left for Great Lakes the 16th, to start his 2 years service; Peggy got home from Glacier Park the ~~next day~~ same night.

I went out to Bridge 16 with Titus the 17th, went to Grand Forks night of 19th, looked over Bridge 95 cofferdam with Worland 20th & returned that night. Morning of 22nd I started west, going straight through to Seattle. First trip to the Coast in almost 2 years. Purpose, to inspect extremely corroded stringers between Eagle Gorge and Auburn, and look over some other problem bridges with George Hopkins. Found him and Leo George, late of our St. Paul office, very busy, & made several trips with them. Evenings and Sunday, the 29th, I did a remarkable lot of visiting. I saw all the Skantvedts, and Carman, Rob and Agnes Mills, Walter and Ellen Adams, Uncle Al and Aunt Alice, before the end of the month. The way I was dined, I'm afraid the folks didn't have any meat for a long time after.



BRIDGE 95 GRAND FORKS SEPT 20



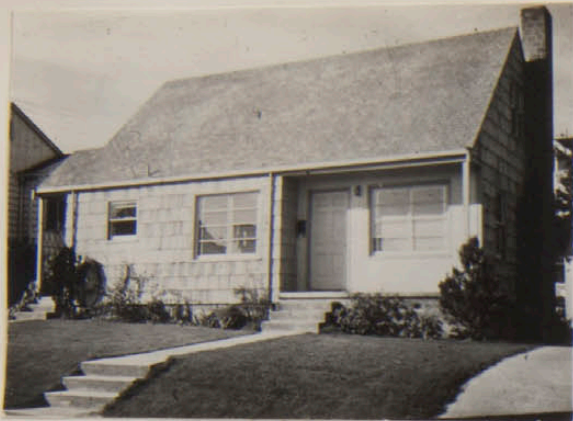
BRIDGE 16 RICE CREEK SEPT 17



BRIDGE 16

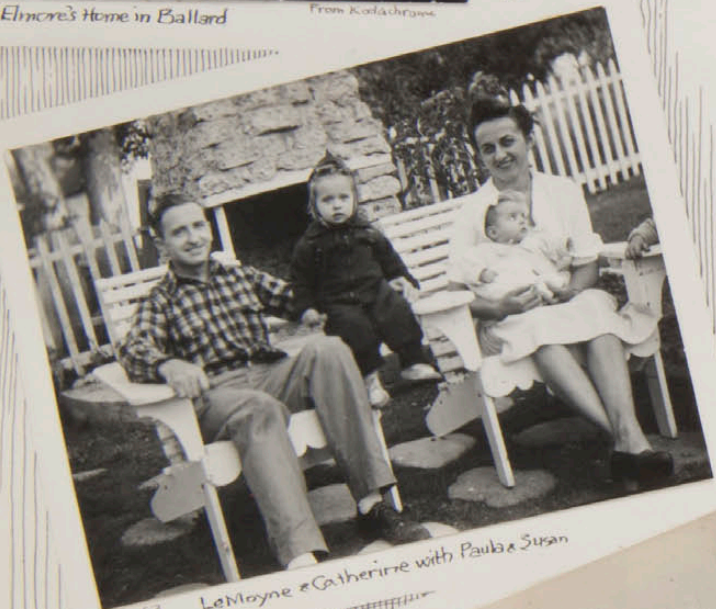


STEAMERS AT THE ORE DOCK



46-64 Elmore's Home in Ballard From Kodachrome

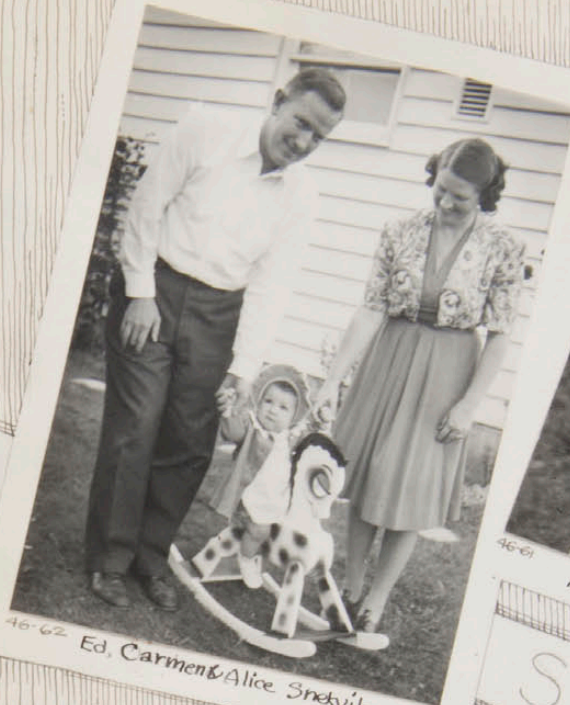
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46-63 LeMoine & Catherine with Paula & Susan



46-65 LeMoine's Home at



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SEATTLE



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GREEN RIVER

From E. Kodachrome



POINT DEFIANCE BEACH

From Alaska Color 35 mm



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GREEN RIVER

From E. Kodachrome



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LEO GEORGE, GEO. HOPKINS, UPTON



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HERBERT, ETHEL, HER NEHEW



HERBERT AND ETHEL'S HOUSE

From Alaska Color 35 mm



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GEORGE, ME AND UPTON



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GREEN RIVER

From E. Kodachrome

AT KOOTENAI

GEO. HOPKINS, BOB RHODE, AINSIE'S BACK
THE NEW COAL DOCK AND WATER STATION



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BELOW. THE VIEW OF LAKE PEND D'
OREILLE FROM TOP OF THE COAL DOCK

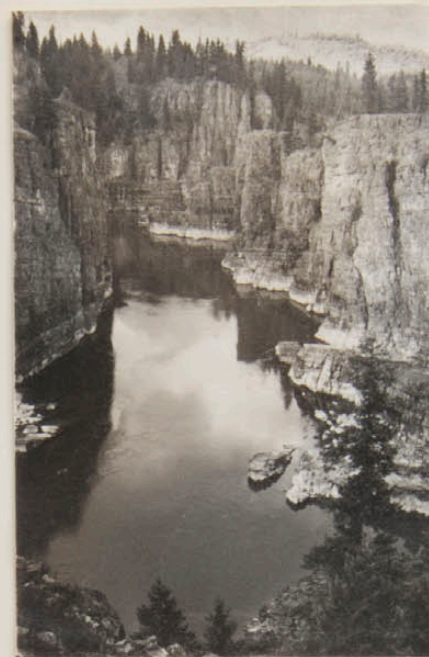


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From a Kodachrome



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From a Kodachrome



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On Charcoal Ember
VP a 35mm

CABINET GORGE

OCTOBER 1946

On the 1st, Geo. Hop, Leo Geo. & wife & I drove across L. Wash. bridge & Snoqualmie Pass, and were in Pasco 1:30. GRH and I in Spokane by night, to Thompson Falls on No 2 and back with Art Ainslie in his car. Sand Point, motorboat insp. Br. 3-2 & looked over new coal dock, 3rd, & to Tacoma by train. With Gaylord north of Shelton trying to find some culverts the 4th. 5th-6th in Tacoma. Stayed with Beerses. Saw Amory Haynes, Pete Finch, Stanley Shaw and phoned Rinaldo Keasal. Home the 8th (No. 2.)

Berta McKay was married again 9th. Now Mrs Anderson. I saw Betsy at Kenny Institute 10th, again 13th, the day Ama and Ralph arrived from their 2nd trip east. We brought Betsy home 15th. Heavy white frost night of 17th. Elma Carman arrived late next night, to stay 6 days. The 25th Mike went to Childrens Hospital - mild pneumonia.

Bertha and I were in Chicago & Great Lakes Sun. 27th to see Bill. Somehow my back got sprained & bothered me off & on for 3 weeks. Weather this month fine, but autumn leaves were spoiled by rains while I was away....



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ALONG THE CLARK'S FORK



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Ralph and Ama Heston

HARVEST
TIME
AT MOUND



Isn't
New York
Wonderful?

Taken in Central Park

Dorothy Handsaker
and Paul Scott
were married in
New York City,
October 8, 1945





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I took these pictures of Bill, Sunday, October 27th, at Great Lakes Naval Training Station. We went to Chicago on a night train, took the electric to Gt. Lakes, Bill wasn't expecting us, but finally slowed up and we had a four-hour visit with him. We couldn't see his quarters on the grounds. Bill finds the training interesting, and has gained ten pounds.

These negatives

November

Fine weather, mostly; no blizzards, mostly above freezing, up to 50°. Ground white with snow Sunday morning, 10th - long enough for a picture. Scattering of snow 23-30 so we had a white Thanksgiving 28th. Had half a 24lb turkey; missed Bill. Hennons & Mollie here.

Mike came home from hospital 2nd & got a big wagon from grandma Cele. Election day the 5th. Bertha worked. It was a national landslide for Republicans. Locally, bond & charter amendment to give city more funds failed. Mary Ann Holdorf was married the 7th to Philip Herman.

Henry Davidson & I bought a 2-vol. set of German engravings. The 16th Peg took me to Dad's Day dinner at Minnesota Union. I began enlarging the tiny cedar closet in the attic. Went out to North St. Paul 17th to see Harry Lyon but car trouble made the visit short. Saint Paul Engr's Society steak dinner at Legion Hall 18th. Fuddy old Dutchman gave his views on organizing.

I stayed home 20th-23rd acct vacation time. Still have a week coming. Loafed & worked at attic closet.

My work was routine desk work except 3 visits at Mississippi St. turntable and one trip to Duluth, up in morning & back in afternoon, 6th, to look at drawbridge houses.

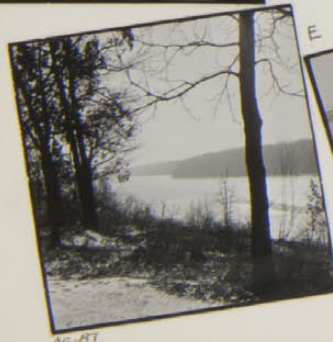
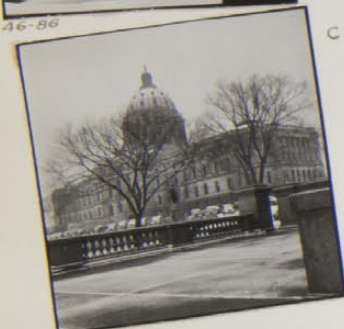
Louis Yeager died the 22nd, coronary thrombosis, hardly ill at all. I went to his funeral at House of Hope church 25th. Mike almost had to return to the hospital with another bad cough, but we kept him going with a heat lamp, steamer and penicillin pills.

The New Camera Finally Arrives.

Back in July I got \$45 for my old Graflex outfit, to apply on a Kodak twin lens reflex when they had 'em. After several deliveries were made in St Paul & I couldn't get any satisfaction by phone, I saw Mr. Liss the 22nd & he dug one up. Then there was nothing to shoot, till the 29th we had some fresh snow so I hiked as far as the Capitol, & then finished the film around home the week end. Here's the whole first roll in contact prints. It's an easy camera to use. Incidentally, the same size pictures as my first camera, No. 1 box Brownie, 1900.

- A. Robert St showing holiday decorations..... f6.3, 1/50
 - B.C. Capitol from Historical Society, f8-25th, focused by depth scale.
 - D. Part of a rift in solid clouds, clear across sky, from the office..f6.3, 50th.
 - E. Ice forming on the River; focused for depth, sun behind nearest tree.
 - F. Right into the sun & its icy reflection, coated lens.
 - G. Mike in his crib, by window light, f3.5 & 25th.
 - H. Frost on window, think it was f11.
 - I. Peggy, a sudden hand held tenth at 3.5.
 - J. Mike, a more careful ditto, less movement.
 - K. This one of Bets & Mike was 3.5, 10th, on tripod
 - L. Mike taking a "poopoo" with my tripod-3.5, 10th.
- Prints all made on normal grade paper. See enlargements farther on.....

Diary continued: Betty Bachmann had us over to a party the 23rd. We saw her vacation slides, and met some interesting people, Mr. & Mrs. Jacques who illustrated & wrote "Cane Country" and "Snowshoe Country," were there,





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Penny



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Michael



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Mike and Betsy

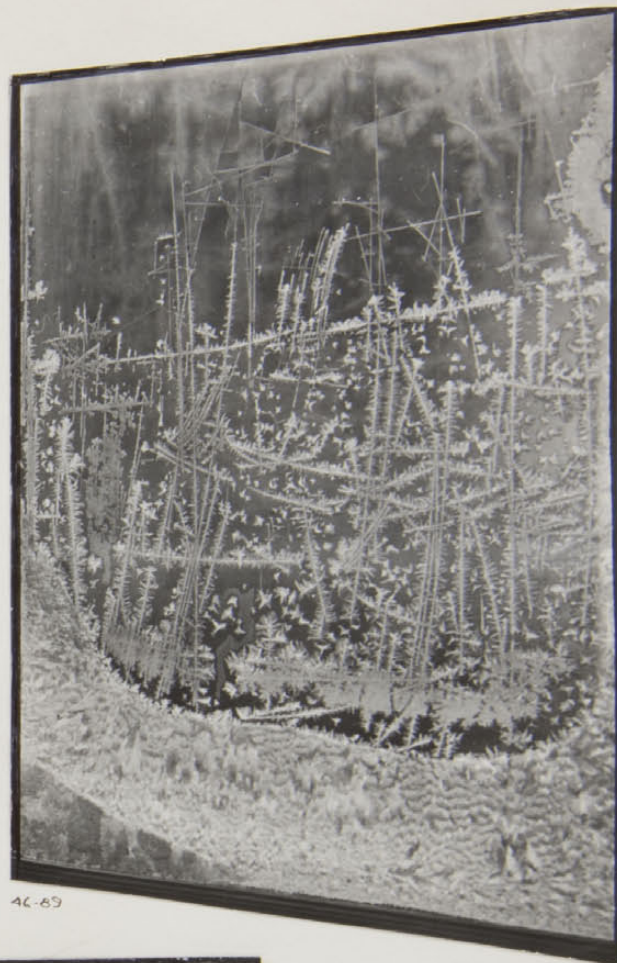


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THE FIRST SNOW

November 10th.

FROST ON THE BEDROOM WINDOW



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DECEMBER 1946

A lot of mild freezing weather, with zero the 1st, 17th, 26th—and the 29-30-31 it went from Zero on down to 18° below. And the 7th-8th it was up above 50°. No fresh snow except a little the 20th and 27th; some very icy streets. (29th we had several inches snow; Mike and I shoveled the walks and I got some outdoor pictures of him.)

Bill was home from the 4th to the 15th— we saw him occasionally. Then when he learned he wouldn't get a holiday leave, he surprised us Saturday night ^{the 21st} by a one day visit. He was moved from Great Lakes the 30th, to Corpus Christi, Texas.

I worked in my spare time on the attic cedar closet, getting it done after a fashion. Couldn't get an idea for a personal Christmas card. Peg'n I put the tree up, the 18th.

Christmas meant most to Mike, who was just the age to enjoy everything. We distributed the gifts Christmas Eve. Hennons, and Mollie Savold were here. Hennons surprised Betsy with a fine mixer. Then Bertha, Peg & I went to Plymouth Church. The 25th, Mike and I went hunting.

My office work was routine; odd jobs, electrical specifications for Duluth, Mississippi St. turntable (I was out there the 31st, 18° below zero, and that was my longest railroad trip)

Teachers were on strike all month. John Lewis started a national coal strike, but some prompt government action scared him out for a while.

I was working on pew varnishing, evening of 19th. Knights were here 21st for conversation & slides. We saw "Holiday" at Edyth Bush Theater the 20th, and a movie "Deception" at Highland the 28th. Called on Curtisses the 29th.





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"THE SAILOR, HOME FROM THE SEA"
AND THE RECEPTION COMMITTEE



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ON A BIG WOCK
DEC. 22.

DOWN BY
THE RIVER
WITH MIKE



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FINDING A ROCK TO SPLASH
BUT THE ICE WOULDN'T SPLASH
DEC 22



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HUNTING A BIG BAD WOOF
DEC 25



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This one taken by Dortha: Mike, of course



MIKE-



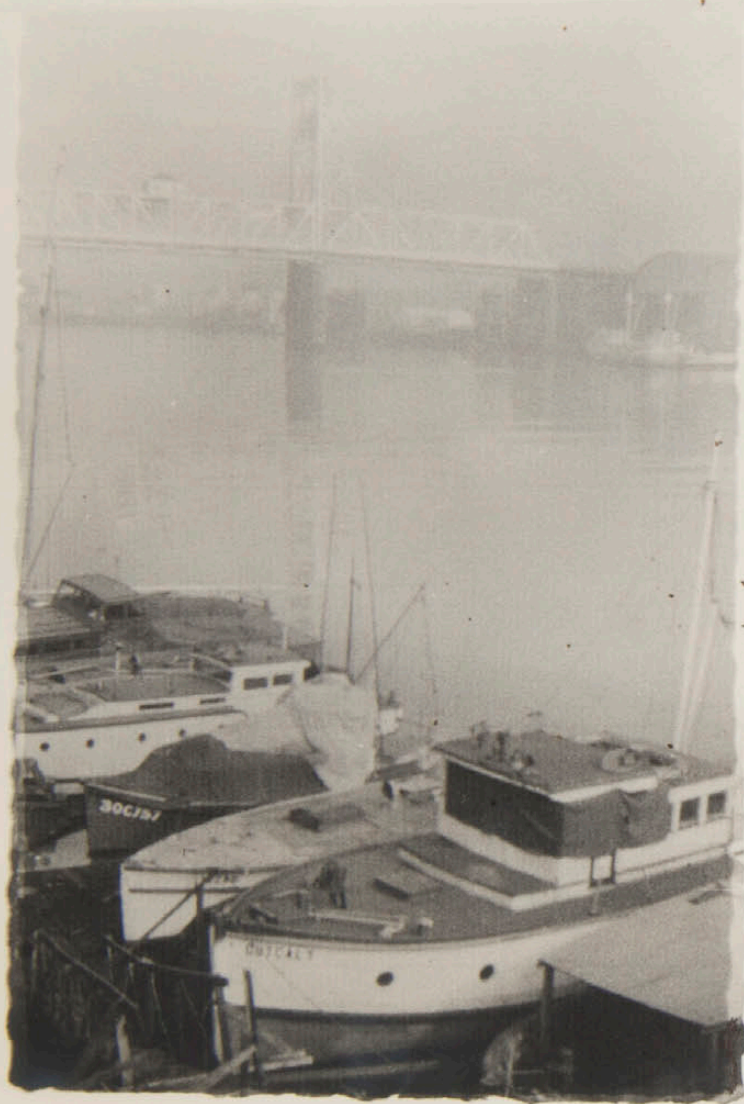
TWO PICTURES
BY HIS AUNT-
BETTY HENNON



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YOURS TRULY-

"Watching" screen



Tacoma Waterway



(I made an oil painting based on this photograph)

Mount Tacoma from an Airplane

by George Hopkins



Season's Greetings
from Our House
to Your House



Carmen Marie, Charles
Alice + Ed Snickirk





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THERE'S SNOW ON THE TREES,
AND FOLKS EVERYWHERE
ARE AS BUSY AS BEES.



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HOME FOR CHRISTMAS





Meet the Gwolphi of Saturn

