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DECEMBER 7

Sat 1940 - fair, sunny Up 9.30 breakfast. washing. (big one) cleaned shoes dressed. bite to eat. walked to town. got travel folders. bot fruit at Central market. car home. nap. dressed. Dwight called for me. picked up Alice & guy (Fred Trenter) to "4344" Bernice & Bill, Bill Blacklage, Clary & I buffet sup. later couple (Valentines card) played rummy. talked good sup Dwight & Eric brout me home. bed about 2.50

Sun 1941- (cold, clear, sunny swell day) Up about 10! exd. shaved breakfast. read paper. for walk. started work on lettering. radio. - Japan bombed Pearl Harbor, casulaties. later Japan declared war on U.S. unbelievable worked on lettering to 3. bite worked to 7. for walk. bite of sup., more news on war. Briton, Costa Rica declare war too. cant quite believe it! now wonder how long will last 1 year, 2, 3? tried to get idea commercial bath. bed 11.45

Mon 1942- (cold snowed tried overcast) Up 5.30. snowed couple inches. reville. chow. finished letter to Jim Wood. to work. studied & made notes of some nu material. drew a little. listened interview ~~[[strikethrough]]~~ chow. ~~[[/strikethrough]]~~ saw good film on "Why we Fight" chow. to work drew a little. listened some more had a good number today & tonite. worked to 7 chow barracks. wrote to Clary & folks shaved bed 9.30

Tues 1943 Up 5 40 reville (?) chow cleaned up. to work. mailed letter to Sis to carpenter shop worked on window shade, chow. work to infirmary for typhoid shot. misc stuff chow I probably will ship with Capt Dunloy. dressed to show Red Skelton "Whistling in Brooklyn" C- bed 915

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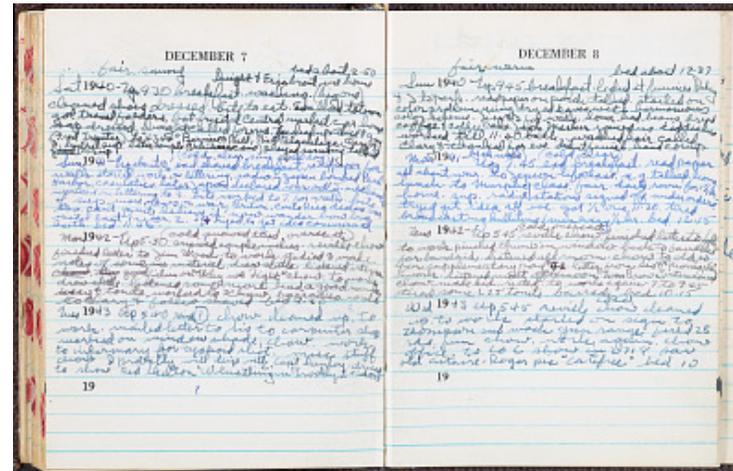
DECEMBER 8

Sun 1940 fair. warm Up 9.45 breakfast. looked at funnies. Patsy & I to park. read paper on porch. talked. started on color problem using dried leaves with harmonious color scheme. Jim & I for walk. home. had beans, bread coffee & coffee cake. Jack Marker joined us. did dishes worked till 11.40 bath. washed hair. called Clary & thanked for eve. decent finish hand comp. bed about 12.37

Mon 1941 (4th week) (cold clear) Up 7.45. exd breakfast. read paper all about war. to Jepson life class. n.g. talked. home lunch. to Murphy class. fair. dark room for 1 1/2 hr home. sup. radio stations signed off under orders. tried get idea all eve. got 1/2 one 11.30 tired broadcasting bullitins 1 min every 1/2 hr. bed. 12.15

Tues 1942- (cold, overcast) Up 5.45 reville. chow. finished letter to folks to work pinched thumb in window. back to barracks for bandaid. listened all morn. chow. to old OD for supplementary pay \$42. letter from Sis & "Morris plan" work. listened most afternoon "Tom Brown" interviewed chow. made bed. rested. to work again - 7 to 9.45 tired. some 225 tonite. barracks bed 10.15

Wed 1943 cold Up 5 45 reville chow cleaned up. to work started on sign to Thompson sub mach gun range fired 25 rds fun chow. work again. chow office. to Co C show in 2718 saw old Astaire-Roger pic "Carefree"



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