

JENNY HAZEL WORLEY KENWORTHY -- A BOX OF CORRESPONDENCE --

For all my life I have been intrigued by a small box of letters and other memorabilia belonging to Jenny Hazel Worley Kenworthy, the mother of my mother (Elinor Elsie Kenworthy Allen). Hazel, as she was called, was born January 30, 1895 and died September 11, 1919, aged 24 leaving a 3 year old (Elinor Elsie, my mother) and an 18 month old son named Paul. These children were raised by Jenny Hazel's mother Minnie and father Jehu Hank.

Obviously I never knew this grandmother, and heard no stories of her life from my mother. Transcribing these letters, that were written to her by friends and her mother, has brought me some insight into her life.

Jenny Hazel had 6 brothers (Elmer, 1887-1939; Les, 1888-1979; Fred, 1890-1953; John, 1898-1986; Cecil, 1901-1972; Paul, 1904-1969) and two sisters (Ethyl, 1884-1898; Gladys, 1893-1929). They are all referred to in the letters. Her father's name was Jehu Henry Worley, 1858-1932 (sometimes referred to as J. Hank or Hank). Her mother was Minnie Catherine Smith Worley. Minnie lived to be 93 (1863-1957). She was blind the final years of her life and I remember going to visit her at her son John's house.

The correspondence spans a period of ten years. Many of these letters made no use of paragraphs or capitals at the beginning of sentences. For readability, I did my best to put them into English order. Some words I could not make out and put down as they appeared to me. These are in italics. Most misspelled words I fixed except when it was the spelling of a name.

The final letter is to Elinor and Paul (nicknamed Pauly to distinguish him from his uncle also named Paul). It is from their father, Leonard F. Kenworthy. It doesn't really fit with the others, but does seem to show that though he moved back to Ohio after his wife died, and did not rear his children, he cared for them.



Lamar, Missouri
March 9, 1909

My dear cousins,

I thought I would write and let you know that we got out here alright. We have a very nice place, but we do not like it very well. Papa says he is going back to Ill. next spring. They have no windmills or corn cribs out here. They feed most all the corn they raise. The water out here is not very good. We have a seven room house and our barn holds twenty horses. They do not raise much oats or wheat. It is mostly hay. They had a hard wind about two weeks before we got here. It blew our cow shed over and one man's barn, and a lot of trees.

Well, I suppose you are busy going to school. We live two miles and a quarter from school and three miles and a half west of Lamar. We live eight miles from *grandfers*. Mamma and I came out to Grandma's and stayed till the car got here. We got here on Tuesday and Papa got here on Friday noon. Where is the smallpox out there? We got a few things broke moving out here. We went to a party last night. There was about forty there. They had ice cream and cake. Some people here have their garden made.

We have had nice weather ever since we've been out here. We have gravel roads here and the soil is all red

Well, must close for this time, so goodbye. Write soon.

From your loving cousin,
Minnie Burk
R. R. 1
Lamar, Missouri

May 3, 1914
Marshfield, Ind.

My dearest, dear Hazel:

I received your letter. Was just awful, awful glad to get it. Was anxious to hear from you kids up there. I got Orpha's card. Are you going to answer it? I want you kids to write often, at least as often as you have time. I got two new boxes of stationery, so I am well supplied.

I am glad that you like it up there. When I read Orpha's card and your letter I almost wished I was up there with you. I told Daddie. He said, "Skip out" but I guess it is easier to say than to do. Actually I do have a notion to try to teach. I don't like it at all, but maybe I could learn to. Anyway enough to do justice to the pupils. The money looks pretty good to this Caesar Bill. But so does teacher's exam. I was talking to Edna Alberts this morn. She took the April exam. She said it was hard, so if it was hard for her after teaching 3 or 4 years, it would sure be for this

dumb-head.

I was up past where "Little Marjory Elizabeth" lives last night. Listened to hear her cry. But she didn't do it. Too much like her Aunt, I guess.

Looks like its going to rain. What do you do up there over Saturday and Sunday. Work, I suppose on Saturday. Suppose it keeps Madge busy writing to Ralph dear. And Orpha to Spiggie dear. Saw him in Marshfield this morn. Tell Orpha, I will write to her soon. I haven't any cards now and am so busy. Was going to write both of you last night, but was too busy so didn't get it done. I ironed.

(No signature.)

West Lebanon, Ind
May 4, 1914

"Help Yourself and Heaven will Help You"—French Maxim

TO THE PUPIL.

Be courteous, obedient, thoughtful, earnest, attentive and studious, if you would win the highest esteem of your teachers, schoolmates, parents, and the public in general.

—REPORT—

Pupil, *Hazel Worley* } Grade *3*
Alice Galy } Class
 Teacher

SPECIAL

No. of Month.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	Year Grade
No. Minutes Tardy										
Days Present		<i>39</i>		<i>39</i>		<i>39</i>				
Habits of Study										
Neatness		<i>100</i>		<i>100</i>		<i>100</i>				
Department										

REGULAR

Drawing										
Vocal Music										
Penmanship		<i>99</i>		<i>99</i>		<i>99</i>				
Number Work										
Language Work										
Spelling		<i>83</i>		<i>85</i>		<i>92</i>				
Reading		<i>98</i>		<i>100</i>		<i>80</i>				
Geography		<i>63</i>								
Grammar		<i>62</i>		<i>64</i>		<i>79</i>				
Arithmetic		<i>68</i>		<i>59</i>		<i>63</i>				
U. S. History										
Physiology										
Average		<i>76</i>		<i>84</i>		<i>84</i>				

Miss Hazel Worley,

Dear chicken—, Received your most welcome letter Friday and hope you got all those letters you wanted.

Well, I hope Orpha & Madge didn't get sick while they were experimenting in osculation. They must be careful or they will forget when they met that little negro boy you told me about. Now, I want you to meet me at the next passenger train that comes there, be sure for I might get lost & I wouldn't know that negro from any other. I got home that Sun. eve in time to keep him from hitching up that was soon enough (ha).

I went to Pence church that night. We had a large crowd at P.V. last night. Fred & his Fern was there and Fred L. and his Myrtle. (ha). Mr. & Mrs. Rev. Philips will be here Sun. week, then they are going to leave Mon. morn for Harvard. Jimmie and her Beau was there Sun night. Mr. Raymond Goodrick, Ester & Bessie were there. They both had the head ache.

The red were two ahead Sun., but they counted H.D. class & there were two Blues. They would have been even if they hadn't of cheated. Jake was secretary.

Does your Jim Johnson look anything like Jack Johnson? Maybe he is the guy you told me about. Yes, Bessie would have the headache still worse if she knew you were so close to Frank as all of that. Just so you don't get any closer (ha). I'm as good as ever only I haven't got scared any more since I was with you. I take a fresh laugh ever time I think of that. They will get stale after while.

I must close this before it gets cold so you won't have to warm it. I didn't get commenced reading till I was through reading your letter. So write a longer one next time. Please excuse poor writing and straight lines. Answer soon or sooner from Old Mother Hubbard. I haven't took to wearing them yet, but some one else will

Williamsport, Ind.
May 5, 1914

Dearest Hazel and all:

While I am waiting for the rest to get ready to go to town, I will start this now and finish this evening. Was awful glad to get it, I had begun to think you had forgotten me.

No, Hazel, we are not done cleaning house. We

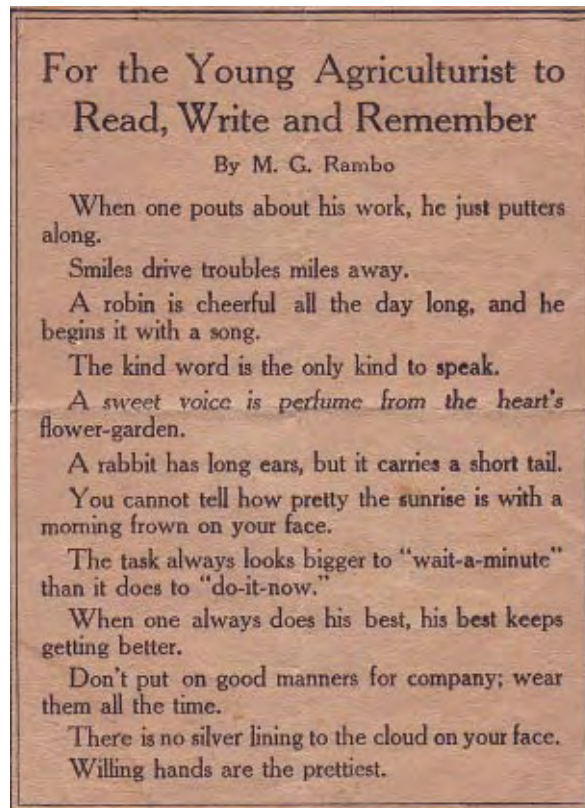
cleaned six rooms last week, and were so near all in, yesterday, we neither one done much, and have not today. I ironed, but we are going to begin in the morning and try to finish this week. We have quite a bit of yard to clean yet. I talked to your mother Sunday. She is fine, also talked to Gladys and saw John in his new buggy. Said he had been gathering mushrooms, but guess he didn't find any. There is lots of them today.

Well, Girls did it storm up there last night? I did not get to finish this last night. We certainly had a dreadful storm. I went to bed and covered my head up. The men were out in the field with the colts and had a dreadful time. O, say Hazel, our old mare just had her little colt last Wed.

I heard about your little niece. I think she has the sweetest name and know she is awful sweet. This is Wed. and I started this letter yesterday. Jennie was here this afternoon, and I was dirty as a pig. She is still going with Raymond, and believe they have some case on. Fred is still going with Myrtle. You ask me who I was going with, well, I have no steady, but have been with Dutch the last two Sundays. He has a swell new horse and buggy and thought I would sport around in it a while. See the point? Am sure you girls have such swell fellows? Inez and Jake and we kids went to Boswell, and week ago to the Springs, and are going to Portland Arch Sunday. I certainly have had some high times since you kids have been gone and some good old work. There is a big Circus in Attica Saturday. Think I'll go at night.

My I am so lonesome to see you kids. I would love to be with you girls, but I certainly cannot regret that I am at home with mamma. She looks awful bad and is hardly able to go. I was down to Mrs. Deans yesterday. She was washing, but was well. We have so much sewing to do. I don't see how we will ever get through. I have gotten several more presents. Miss Post sent me the sweetest hand painted plate. I have not seen Bill, nor any of the kids. Talked to Toobie last night.

Well, Hazel, dear I am tired. I will write when I am not so tired. I will send my pictures as soon as they are finished, and do please send me some of you girls. I have you kids all setting on the piano, and go to see you every day. Tell all the girls I said hello and send my best love, for



I love them all. I think Orpha and Madge have acted pretty (*bad?*). Never wrote a word to me, and have written to every girl in the neighborhood. I knew they didn't care a cuss for me. But I can live without them if they can me. I'll be up to see you and that other red headed girl, have M. & O to leave the building when I come. Tell them by the time they return I'll have a fellow that has something besides a mustache???? And then I'll not look at them. Do you have anything to do with the other set- L. G. R. L. and G. F?

Edna Cronkite went to the hospital today and will be operated on in the morning. They are awful broken up. I feel awful sorry for them. Well, Hazel, I'll write you a funny letter the next time, but I am so tired, I can't now. The Blues are ahead. Was to S.S.S.

Now please answer soon, for I love to hear from you. Give the boys a message for me.

Your old classmate—
Babe

Tab, Ind.
May 7, 1914

Dear Hazel,

We are all well at present, and hope you are well. Yew, we went to church and Sunday School last Sunday morning and in the afternoon we went to Pence to church. Preacher Phillips is going to leave us. He is going to Ohio. He is going to preach one more sermon at Pleasant View.

Mrs. Ira Evens and Glen was here for dinner last Friday and we bought a bath tub. It is fine. Well it has been raining here most all day. We had a big shower Monday evening and another one Tuesday evening. The lightning struck our kitchen flue, but it did not do any damage. Only blew soot around over the house. We had supper ready and setting on the stove. The eggs and meat and potatoes was just black with soot. We had to throw them all away. It didn't even shock any of us. I had a big fire in the stove, I think that was what made the lightning strike the flue. It is a wonder that it didn't set the house on fire.

John took the pencil away from me and see what he done. (*Big circle with "Hello J.W." in the center*)

We commenced planting corn Monday, but it is so wet now we can't do much. We can't do much in the field. I have about 80 chickens and no turkeys yet. It is almost five o'clock. I will have to get the eggs and get supper. Gladys is up stairs taking a nap. I took one right after dinner.

We are going to have a post card shower on Mrs. Flemming the 12 of May and you send her a card.

Write soon, Mama

Tab, Ind.
May 14, 1914

(Written to Miss Hazel Worley, 224 N Calvert Ave., Normal City, Muncie, Ind.)

Dear Hazel,

We are all well. I just got through steaming fish. We are going to have fish for supper. We had mushrooms for breakfast. It is all we can do now is to fish and hunt mushrooms. It is too wet to work. We had a big rain last Monday night. We haven't worked in the field since Monday morn.

Phillips and his wife came Monday evening and stayed all night and went home Tuesday after noon. I think that was the reason it rained so hard. He was here the night the lightning struck our house too. I think he had better stay away don't you?

Well, how are you getting along in your school work and what studies do you take? Have you got homesick yet? Are you going to have any vacations before school is out? Gladys got your card last Monday and Cecil got his today. I think Paul and John was disappointed because they did not get any.

I got 20 turkeys out of 22 eggs. I think (that) does pretty well. I have 130 chickens and one hen hatching.

We are going to have an ice cream social Saturday evening at Pleasant View. I don't know whether Inez Lemming is going to school or not. I haven't saw her to speak to her since you went away. We went to Attica last Saturday to a circus and the show was good. I saw Grace Glover. She has been living at Attica for three years. Her and her husband parted. She has two children.

They are talking of getting Houchins here to preach, but they haven't all decided yet. He want to come and preach this summer. Our preachers all thought lots of Pleasant View. I don't see why it is, do you? Mr. Phillips says he hates to leave Pleasant View. John has just come in with his hat full of little chickens. He got them in the hay mow.

We sent that iron today. It works all right. Hank forgot to put the pump in with the iron. We sent it separate. Well it is time to gather the eggs again and feed the chickens. I wish you was here to eat supper with us tonight.

Write soon,
Momie

Tab, Ind.
May 21, 1914

(Written to Hazel Worley in Muncie where she attended Teacher's College.)

Dear Hazel,

We are all well. How are you and the rest of the girls.

We aren't done planting corn yet. If nothing happens, we will get done Monday or Tuesday. *We haven't week.*

We went to church last Sunday and Sunday night. We haven't any preacher now, and I don't know when we will have any. We are having a good Sunday School, but if we don't have a preacher it will soon go down.

I have got a hundred and seventy chickens and thirty-eight turkeys. It is about time for the oldest ones to have fights.

Paul has got company this afternoon. The little Hill boy is here. I was talking to Ida this morning. She says she is getting along fine. She is doing her own work now. Marjory has blue eyes and black hair.

I guess we are going to lose a horse. He has been sick nearly two weeks. He was shocked by lightning. He is down in the front yard and can't get up. We couldn't let him in the pasture for the other horses. He has been down since Monday night. It is the horse we got from Howard Cambell.

It is just three o'clock, and I will finish ironing. Well, I expect you will be home next week by this time. I suppose you will come to West Lebanon.

Well, answer soon.

Mama

I am going to have lettuce for dinner tomorrow. *(The card below was sent from Hazel to John Worley. "Hello John, How are you. I am all right. This is the picture of the Court House, we are going through it someday. Answer soon. Hazel W.)*



West Lebanon, Ind.
June 19, 1914

Kind Friend,

Received your most welcome letter Tuesday, was very glad to get it. I am the same old Tuffy. I told you about Tuffy didn't I? I'll bet you did have a time. Have a good time for me. I don't have very good times here any more. I went to children's exercises at Pence last Sunday

night. They filled the program up with songs by the choir and next Sunday night it is at Pine Village. Hope they don't have so many songs. I would like to see your new dress. I want one so bad but not any worse than I need it. I have only had two new dresses this spring and summer. I made Faye and Ma a white dress this week so my time is next. I got a card from Inez Wednesday. Well, I'll tell you I don't know what Jackie will do. I haven't saw him but once and that was after Sunday school. I expect his heart is broken since Inez left.

(Corn remedy. Soak bread in vinegar and bind on the corn day and night or every night will do. The corn will come out by the roots). This is a sure cure.

Yes, I should say the weather has been hot enough for a fat person like me. It is a little cooler here now that it has rained this morn and still awful cloudy. Where are you going to spend the fourth at? I don't know where I'll go. My big cousin from Perrysville will be here, I suppose. He and I will go some place or other. Well, I'm doing my share this time. I feel so much better this time than I did before. Too bad about me. I think I'm going to die some day. The blues are still ahead. Was only two more blues than reds but that is all right anyway. I have three rooms cleaned this morn and only nine o'clock. Ah! Yes we had a crazy man down here at the school house yesterday morn. He ran 4 miles and never hardly stopped. When he would see anyone he would turn and go the other way until he seems some else ha. Answer soon.

Teenza

Terre Haute, Ind.
June 25, 1914

Dear Hazel,

I believe in being prompt in answering mail Ha—. It certainly was good to hear from you for this town rather gets on my nerves at times.

The school work is hard but it is very interesting. I am not afraid to recite any more in any of them except Grammar and then I almost have a spell with my heart. Sad indeed.

You ought to have seen me this morning up before a class of over fifty, a number of them gray haired students, demonstrating the way and the reasons for the change of seasons. It certainly was some demonstration but I rather enjoyed it. There was a certain novelty connected with it, don't you know?

Just heard today that the Red and Blue contest at home closed last Sunday with majority of 44 for the Blues. What are you going to do the Fourth? Guess some of we girls are planning for a picnic at Forrest Park if too many of

them do not go home.

I want to give you a few words of advice. "Lady, you should attend S.S. more regularly." I did certainly enjoy your letter tho. Ha. Some person to give advise don't you think?

Well I must close. Please answer in the near future.

As ever,
Inez Lemming

West Lebanon, Ind.
June 26, 1914

Dear Hazel,

Was glad to get your letter and to hear you will be home so soon. The reds are going to have their supper or social rather, Saturday night. The Blues beat them 48, I think they said. Wish you girls could be there. It is so hot here we can't do any thing only complain. Just now it is awfully cloudy and thundering.

Do hope we will get a rain. I went to W.L. yesterday and it looked as though it would storm any minute and then went around. I went to Alvin (?) last Sunday and went boat riding and had a good time.

I suppose you heard Pearl Amos-Galyean was married Wednesday night.

You must have the head ache just for an excuse on Sunday morning or whenever Sunday school is. I haven't missed a Sunday since I commenced in the spring. The best I have ever done, I think. I'm the only one in my class can say that.

I answered Inez card today so I'll see who answers first. They did fine in children's exercises. The program was rather long.

I must close for Ma and Faye are giving it to me for not washing the dishes first and I was afraid the mail would come and I wouldn't get to send it this week. Answer soon.

From
Teenza

Terre Haute, Ind.
July 5, 1914

Dear Hazel,

This is Sunday but I have a lot to do just the same. Went to S.S. and church. Did you have a good time the Fourth? Seven of the girls were poisoned on kidney beans last week and the rest of us had to take care of them. So when Saturday came, no one felt like celebrating. We are going to have a picnic next Saturday if nothing happens. Some of us went to the show last night. Suppose you are

counting the hours and minutes. Maybe, I will see you the 26th if you go to S.S. So long.

Answer soon
Inez L.

Tab, Ind.
July 8, 1914

Dear Hazel,

How are you and the rest of the girls. We are all well, but just about roasted. The men are putting up hay this afternoon. Leslie and his hand and Elmer and Frank Judy is going to help us through harvest. I wish you was at home now to help cook, but we will get through all right if we stay well. We haven't had any rain yet. We planted our corn and laid it by without any rain. Some of the corn is beginning to tassel.

We went to Alvin the fourth. We had a good time.

We haven't had any fried chicken yet. They will be beginning pretty soon. Don't talk about turkeys to me. I don't think there will be any left by fall. I think the oldest ones have got the cholera.

Well, I guess this will be the last letter I will write while you are at Muncie. I expect you will be at home week from Saturday. Well, I guess this is all.

Write soon,
Mamma

Card Postmarked Williamsport, July 14, 1914 to Miss Hazel Worley at Muncie
Dearest Hazel:

How are you standing the heat by this time? It certainly is awful here and no rain. Everything is burning up. I found out all about the letter writing so if you have not written, you need not. Saw your folks at church last night, but did not talk to them. Also seen Mr. Worley, Paul, & Cecil at West Lebanon today. We are just ready to make ice cream. Wish you were here. Think I'll come to S.S.S. to see you if you go. Well, Hazel, call and come to see me soon. Your mother is anxious for you to come home.

IVA

The following postcard postmarked Sept. 27, 1915 (would be 10 days after Jennie Hazel married Leonard Lenworthy of Steubenville, Ohio) to J. H. Worley. Dear Folks, How are you getting along? I am just fine. Would have written sooner, but did not have any paper or cards. Would like to hear from you. Hazel K. tell everybody Hello. T. H. Kenworthy



A postcard postmarked Oct. 7, 1915, Hoopston, Ill. To Mrs. Hazel Kenworthy, Cambridge, Ohio

How are you getting along? I am just fine. Would like to see you, but I don't suppose I will this year.

From your brother Paul.



Tab, Ind.
October 12, 1915

Dear sister,

How are you getting along. I am just fine. I would like to see you but I don't suppose I will this winter. What are you doing? I am going to school. I hoped you was my teacher. I heard you was having a good time. When are you coming back to see me.

Marjorie is getting along fine, but is not able to get down on the floor.

We have been going to church at Pence every night. They are having a meeting there now.

Well, I guess I will close now.

Answer soon,
Paul W. (Worley, brother to Jennie Hazel)

West Lebanon, Ind.
October 15, 1915
(Written to Mrs. Leonard Kenworthy, Bainbridge, Ohio)

Dear Hazel,

Thought you would be so glad to hear from me.

Suppose you have almost forgotten that you ever were a Hoosier. Well, we have not forgotten you. You know it is hard to forget people who are able to make a bright appearance*. (Forgive me, my hair is getting lighter.)

You left too soon. Do you remember the remark we made last summer, saying we wished Grover Summer would get a furlough! Well, he is on a three months lay-off now. Too bad you are not here to help me out a little. You know I am rather timid about such things.

Suppose you know Omer and Iva, Hurley & Florence, Ora & Willa, Henry Wright & Marie Auburn are married. Cole's gave a grand reception for Omer & Iva October 19. We were not invited but I read about it in the paper. There was a big surprise dinner at Ford's for Mrs. B. Yesterday. We had company, so of course stayed at home. Fred and Papa are out at Lester's making cider this P.M. They picked about fourteen bushels of apples out there this a.m. Next on the program will be to make apple butter, I suppose. We made, sour-kroust, piccalilli, mango pickles and some mixed pickles last week.

Web C. was home a couple of days last week. Sick, I guess. Ate dinner here one day – he and his mother thinks he is getting along fine.

Hasn't been very much going on lately. Seems so strange, unually so lively here. I told Fred at noon I was going to write you. He said send her my "best specs". I told him I was going to tell you just what he said and he seemed to think I ought to fix it up a little, but I didn't.

Got a letter from G.A. now and then. Told Mother, guess I would tell him to come back and get it over. Of course you know or have a good idea what the trouble was about. I was afraid he was too young, but he was nineteen yesterday and that seems to be the stylish age.

Well, guess I had better quit or you will think I am entirely "off".

Do write and tell me all about yourself and yours. You know I never ever saw him or knew his name until I read it in the paper. However, I saw the ring and intended to mention it but I forgot it.

Wishing you a long and happy married life.

I am your old friend,

Inez Lemming

• *A possible reference to the red hair Jennie Hazel is supposed to have had.*

Tab, Ind.
October 25,

Dear Hazel,

How are you folks by this time? We are all well. She was just thumping on the piano. She is going to stay all

night. She can tell as many stories as ever.

Have you wrote to Ida yet? Elmer and Ida don't like it every well, because you have written to everybody else and not to them. I kept Marjorie last Saturday. Hank took Elmer & Leslies folks to Danville.

We didn't go to church yesterday forenoon, but went last night. They had a good crowd. Church was almost full. Fred and Fern was here yesterday, and we took a ride in the afternoon. We went to Fowler. The first time I was ever there. Last Sunday we went to Pine Village to a foot ball game.

We went to Williamsport last Friday night to a basketball game. John is in the team. West Lebanon got beat pretty bad.

Ruth keeps talking to me and I don't hardly know what I am writing. Mrs. Heck told me to tell you that she sent you her best wishes in every way. Esters beau is out here now. He has been out a week. I suppose you got your clothes by this time. Inez Lemming said if you come out this winter, we would have a hen party for you. She said she wrote you a letter, but didn't know whether you would answer it or not. Of course she was joking like she always does.

If you come out this winter, we expect Leonard to come too. And stay till you get ready to move. You ought to do some sewing before you move.

You must write Paul a letter. He cried because you didn't write to him. Did you wash today? We did get it all done before dinner.

Lucas's house burnt down last Saturday. You know they live north of us. We could see them throwing things out of the windows, and carrying things out. They saved everything except the range.

Your fountain pen is put away. The boys didn't have it at school.

Mama

Cambridge, Ohio
Sunday, Nov. 14, 1915

My Dear Hazel-

Well, Hazel I thought I would try and scribble you a few lines to let you know that we are all well, fine and dandy, hoping you are the same. Did Mr. Worley get his apples alright and have you got them all ate up? Well, I suppose you got them home safe did you? Pa said to tell you your little twins are growing fine. Pa said if he had a hold of you he would paddle and make you write. You know he paddled you so often, ha, ha. Ma said she would try and can some pears as soon as she could for you. I wrote Leonard a letter and told him every thing I know so I hate to go and tell it all over again that's why I don't know

much to write. Maybe I will know more the next time. Now Hazel because I haven't much to say, don't let it keep you from writing so I will close hoping it will find you well and hope you will hurry and answer this letter. Will close for this time. Ans. Soon.

Your sister (*in-law*),
Macel Kenworthy

Hello Hazel. Just a line. How are you? I am better than I was when you was here because I have no one to sass me and torment me. Did you get the apples and whose was the nicest? The Ohio apples of course. These little pigs, you should see them. I sold them too cheap. Ha ha. Well if you was here you could shake hands with Squire Kenworthy since the Election. It pays to vote the wet ticket you see. Well, Hazel, what do you want for a Christmas gift? Only a little over a month now. A watch or a jacket suit or what. Hurry and say.

Yours with a smile
T. H. Kenworthy



Edith Kehworthy (sister to Leonard)

December 7, 1915
Cambridge, Ohio.

Dear Sister-

Just a few lines this evening. I have been wondering why you didn't write, but I guess I know. Hazel, don't you believe what Maycel told you in that last letter for I never said that at all. What would I want with those pictures when I don't know either one of the girls and they would be of no use to me?

I am going up to Davis'es tonight to practice for an entertainment at the school-house. We are going to have a fruit social with it. We are going to have an entertainment at the church too, sometime during holidays.

They butchered over at Nellies yesterday. We haven't butchered any yet to keep for meat, but butchered five to sell.



How do you like your new home? What do you want for Christmas? Write and tell me.

We are getting along fine at school. Well, I will have to go to getting supper and then go to practice. Dodsons have another baby girl. Have an invitation to go there for Christmas dinner, but not I. I am going to Aunt Matties if nothing happens. Spent my Thanksgiving scraping hogs. Ha! ha! Bradie says think of him ha! ha! Well, I expect I had better close for this time and write more the next. Hoping to hear from you soon.

Yours truly,
Edith. E. Kenworthy.

Cambridge, Ohio
January 24, 1916

Dear Hazel & Leonard,

Just a few lines today. Got your letter all O.K. Was glad to get it. I thought you had almost forgotten me. Well, I guess you said in your letter that I didn't answer your first letter, but I did; did you not get it? We are going to have a big dinner and an entertainment at night at Lebanon School in six weeks from last Friday night. We are expecting a big time, I'll say. Nellie and (?) are a going to move to Canton this week. I hate to see them go. I

guess they are going to try to buy a place up there. Well, what did you get for Christmas. I didn't get much of anything. I wanted a nice sweater, but didn't get it. You will have to excuse this writing as it is my third one I am getting awful nervous. My arm just aches. Tell Leonard that Grandmother has been right poorly since he left. I can't hardly see the lines (*on the paper*). I don't know whether I am hitting them or not. I don't know much to tell you. I haven't been away but once, I think since you left and that was to a party at Matthews so you know it is hard to find out much. Are you all well out there. O say, Hazel, how would you like to come home long about this summer time to a wedding ha! ha! Just a joke! Bradie is just getting along fine. Tell Leonard that Bradie had his palm read and the fellow told him that he wasn't going to be married again ha! ha! Well, Hazel, I will close and will send you those pictures that you left here.

Answer soon,
Edith Kenworthy

Tab, Ind.
March 9, 1916

Dear Hazel,

Well, I suppose you are all straightened up by this time. How is your cold? We are all well. How do you like keeping house by this time?

Leslie and Ethel was hear last Sunday and Neva went home with them. It seemed lonesome when she went away.

We ironed this fore noon. I have been sewing this week. Well, Hazel, Hank said we couldn't come until the roads got better. We are having some pretty good old March weather aren't we? How are your hens doing by this time? Our hens didn't lay much this week. It has been too cold. We haven't heard from Elmer's since they moved. I expect Ida has her hands full. Hank said the house was pretty dirty. Hank is ready to go to Judyville and waiting to mail this letter. Write soon.

From your Mother
Hank will send Leonard a check for the lamp he sold.

Tab, Ind.
March 19, 1916

Dear Hazel,

How are you folks by this time. We just came home from Leslies. I like their place fine. How do you like your place by this time? Fred and Fern was here last Sunday. Their baby is as fat as butter and he is nice looking too. We want to go to church tonight if Hank will go. It

seems like a year since we have been to church. I would like to see you folks. When are you coming down? I don't know when we will get to come down. We may come pretty soon if the roads is good. We have another hand nowl. I expect we will go to Danville some day next week. I haven't got my glasses yet.

I expect you will wash tomorrow won't you? Last Monday was the nicest day we had all week.

Your Uncle Henry is here. He came last Wednesday. He is going home in the morning. Well, how do you like cooking? For two, do you have any trouble getting enough. Have you got your things from Ohio yet?

Hank said if Leonard hasn't sent that globe yet, he needn't send it. Keep it till we come down. George Hemilwright got afraid of their lamp because it blazed up like that lantern did. They only lit it once. Well, it is getting dark. We will have to get ready for church. Hoping to see you soon.

Mother

Tab, Ind.
April 6, 1916

Dear Hazel,

I expect you thought I never was going to write. We have been pretty busy. We cleaned the dining room and kitchen and varnished the linoleums, but I guess we will have to paper the kitchen. We tried to clean the paper and made an awful muss out of it.

Last Monday we done two weeks washing and ironed Tuesday. Yesterday Gladys and I cleaned yard. I was so stiff and sore I couldn't hardly get up when I sit down. I haven't made any garden yet. Will have to wait till they get their oats sowed. They have 150 acres sowed just about half done.

Well, how is Leonard? I suppose he is up by this time. Did you take them? The doctor says if one has the measles when they are real young, they might take them again.

I don't know whether we will get to come Sunday or not. It makes me so tired to ride so far, but we may come. Don't fix anything extra. We can eat what you eat.

We went to Sunday School last Sunday. There were 52 there. There will be preaching again next Sunday. We went to Pence last Sunday night to church. Write and let us know how you are this week if you can.

Good-by,
Mother

Cambridge, Ohio

April 23, 1916

Dear Hazel-

Well, I thought I would try and drop you a line this fine Easter day. Well, how are you? I am just fine. Have you got the measles yet? I suppose Leonard is alright again is he? Have you got the potatoes and the apples yet? I got a letter from Nellie last week and they are just fine and think it a nice place to live. School will be out Friday. We are going to have a little entertainment and a nut social afterward. After school is out, I want to go up to Nellie's and stay a week or so.

How many eggs did you eat today? I ate three and that was three too many. Ha! Ha! Have your folks got your potatoes planted yet? We planted ours Friday. We haven't got any garden made yet though, but we are going to make some this week. Tell Leo that Lloyd Kenworthy is going to work for Pa this summer. Some hand I'll say.

He doesn't do very much only tease me, and that's all the time of course. I am into it to. Ha! Ha!

Have you got your house all cleaned yet? We haven't yet. We don't have any cleaned only the parlor, and it wasn't very dirty, just dusty. . . . (missing pages?)

Tab, Ind.
April 23, 1916

Dear Hazel,

I expect you thought I never was going to write. We were pretty busy last week. We had two extra men to cook for. They finished hauling Hunter corn and I cleaned two rooms upstairs and cleaned the cellar and I wasn't feeling very well either. We just got home from church a while ago. We had dinner at the church and had a real good time and plenty to eat. We are going again tonight. We were at Elmer's last Sunday. We had a good time a running around. Ruth wanted to come home with us. She tied up her clothes and put them in the machine. Marjorie is just as sweet as ever.

I suppose you have got garden big enough to eat. We made our garden week before last and planted our potatoes. Did you plant any potatoes. Do you have any better luck with your bread. I think you keep your sponge too warm. How is Leonard's eyes? Does he wear glasses



yet? Inez Lemming sent your book and your present. It is a center piece something like mine that Ethel gave me. Well, I wish you and Leonard was here so you could go to church with us tonight. I hope it will be nice weather tomorrow so we will have a nice wash day. We had some awful windy weather last week and cold besides. Maybe it will get warm after Easter. How is your rheumatism now? Well this is all. Write soon.

(No signature, but it was from her mother,
Minnie)



Postcard postmarked April 27, Valparaiso, Ind to Mrs. Leonard Kenworthy, Catlin Illinois

Dear Hazel (Jennie) How are you, school is fine. I hardly know how I like it. It is awfully hard to get acquainted with anybody. We are in sort of a dorm. Helen White and a girl from Boswell, Loraine Orange are staying here too. Would be glad to hear from you.

With love, Orpha M.

West Lebanon, Ind.
May 3, 1916

My dearest Hazel, Well, well, I was certainly tickled to get a letter from you. I had intended to write right away, but I have been extra busy these days. I am trying to clean house. I have three rooms cleaned for which I thank the good one. I've been cleaning today and I really am tired this evening. I never get my work done until bed time.

Madge might have bought quite a share of Danville, but I'm sure I didn't. I was to Danville Wednesday, last. Madge isn't going to school until Monday. Ralph is going with her. I saw a card that Madge got from Orpha. I guess Madge and Ralph are coming out here Sunday.

I sure prefer married life to anything else. I would not be single again. Seems to me like I have a better time than I ever did; if I do have plenty of work, I enjoy it and like to keep house fine after I once get straightened. I

certainly think of the good times we used to have and wish we could be together some more. Some time when you're at home drive down to see me please.

Yes, Fern has two girls and Ruby G.B. has a boy born Saturday night or Sunday morn, don't know which. I am anxious to see it. Shame on you Hazel. Get busy. You've been married longer than I have, Ha ha - 5 days, I guess. No, I never see Iva. Wish I could. Ernest Cronk beats all I ever saw. It must go hard with him. He looks like he is about to die all the time and won't hardly speak. I've got 90 or 95 little chicks. I have 45 hens. Mine have done fine to be moved late. Now Hazel, please do answer soon.

As ever,
Mila? (Mrs. Ora Goodrick)

Tab, Ind.
May 4, 1916

Dear Hazel,

We are all well. I have just gathered the eggs. I have got only 71 little chicks and 17 hens sitting. My little chicks are doing fine so far. We washed bed clothes today. Have got our house cleaning all done except the front rooms and we haven't got the kitchen papered yet. I wish you could be here tomorrow night. And go to the commencement*.

Well, Hazel, Hank said we was coming down Sunday if nothing happens.

My garden is growing fine for having such cold weather. We had lots of rain this week. The men haven't worked in the field for two days but they are going to work tomorrow. This will be all, Hazel. We will see you Sunday if nothing happens.

Mamma

Elmer was here yesterday and I told him about Ida not sending her address. It is Covington R. R. 7.

**The commencement referred to was for Hazel's brother, John Worley. The announcement and class roll was in the box of letters.*

Tab, Ind.
May 18, 1916

Dear Hazel & Leonard,

We are all well and how are you by this time? I should say we did have a big rain Sunday and Sunday night and we had a cyclone through here Sunday afternoon. Blew the roof off the Gabe Pence's house and barn and blew Joe Weaver's silo down and turned Brigges silo round.

It is almost too wet to work in the field yet, but they planted corn this afternoon.

It was a good thing we did go to your house when we did. If we had gone last Sunday, we would have had a time.

One of your uncle's, Henry's, house burnt down this afternoon. That house right east of us burnt down a week ago last Wednesday, and burnt up everything they had and their furniture wasn't paid for. They were young married people.

I have got one hundred and sixty little chicks and two hens hatching. Some of my chickens drowned last Sunday. Have got my house cleaning all done except papering the kitchen. We can't get a paper hanger. Gladys & I and Neva hoed the garden this afternoon. I was almost scared to death when Gladys came out with a hoe, but she done fine. So did Neva.

The folk have all gone to bed. I guess I will go too. Good night.

Write soon,
Mama

Tab, Ind.
June 13, 1916

Dear Hazel,

How are you getting along? I suppose you are up by this time. How is Tomas Hank? I suppose you will have your hands full now taking care of the baby and looking after your chickens. I haven't any luck with my chickens at all. There is everything the matter with them. Well, did you get any strawberries canned? I got 39 quarts and some jelly, but they were awful high. They cost us just nine dollars. They are three dollars a crate at ???.

We are plowing in the field and I hope it won't rain any more until they get over the corn. It is awful weedy.

We are invited over to Lemmings for dinner Sunday, but I don't want to go. You and Leonard is invited too, but he didn't know your circumstances and I did not tell her. We are going to have chicken for dinner. Will have to put it on to cook pretty soon.

I don't know what to cook any more. Seems like we don't care for anything that we have got. Paul went to pick strawberries at the railroad. If he gets back in time we'll have strawberry pie.

Well, I will have to get busy and get my chicken on to cook. Excuse this yellow paper. I couldn't find any other.

Write soon,
Mother

Cambridge, Ohio
June 26, 1916

Dear Hazel,

Just a few lines. I have been so busy I have not had time to answer your ever welcome letter which I received some time ago. I hope you will not think hard of me for not answering sooner, but Ma has been sick for 8 weeks this week and Maycel has to work in the cornfield so you know I am head over heels in work. I have three other letters to answer. Don't know how soon I will get it done. Tell Leonard that Laura Avilson is in awful poorly. She had the measles. They have a nurse for her. Well, we are going to have to part with Henry this week. They are going to have a sale Wednesday and go to Concord Thursday so you know that is not long. Please excuse writing and I will have to close. Hoping to hear from you soon, I remain.

Edith E. Kenworthy

(The picture below is of Minnie taken with me in about 1944.)



Tab, Ind.
July 30, 1916

Dear Hazel,

How are you folks anyway? I have been looking and looking for a letter from you and expect you have been looking for a letter from us. It is almost too hot to write. We are all about roasted. How is the baby?. I wouldn't

dress her very warm this hot weather. Have you had any rain? We haven't had any rain since we were at your house to amount to anything. Everything is burning up.

We are putting up hay now, and expect we will commence thrashing the last of the week. Shirley said she promised you she would write but I guess she is like the rest of us. She likes to get letters but don't like to write. We went to Elmer's last Sunday afternoon. They were all well. Ida said the next time we went to your place they wanted to go along, but we won't come till after thrashing. Ethel was here yesterday. Leslie and his hands helped with the hay. Aletha Salyean has got a baby. She hasn't been married hardly two months. Ralph, that is the husband, left her he said the baby did not belong to him. I guess she don't hardly know who its father is. They say it lays between four men, that is Laral Johnson and Joe Flemming, Jim Johnson. I don't remember the other any more. I feel sorry for Ralph. Well, I wish you folks were here today. We are going to have ice cream. When are you folks coming? We looked for you yesterday, but it is almost too hot to go any where. We didn't go to Sunday School this morning. We haven't got any preacher now. The preacher was here two weeks ago that was his last time to preach here. We will go to Pence tonight if I can get my corset on. I have got a boil on my side. Cecil has been having boils, but he hasn't had any for awhile.

Well I guess this is all now, Hazel.

Write soon,
Mother

Tab, Ind.
October 12, 1916

Dear Folks,

I suppose you have quit looking for a letter from us. We are just like you. We looked every day for a letter from you. Hank said he guessed Hazel has quit writing.

We were pretty busy this week cleaning house and canning peaches. We haven't commenced husking yet. We are going to begin week after next. The corn is later here than it is out there.

That Sunday Elmers and us were to your house, your Aunt Emma and Charley and Mary, George and Clarence were here. They called Leslie and thought they would go there and they were gone. And then they called Fred and they were gone. They finally decided to stay here. I had chicken fried and dinner fixed for Walter and the kids. Emma and Mary put on our aprons and got dinner. They had ought to let us know. We are going over there Sunday if nothing happens. Leslies are going along.

We have been going to church at Pence. They are having a revival meeting tonight. It is the last night. There

are going to be baptizing there tonight.

Ester Heck called yesterday and said she was going to have a surprise dinner on her father and mother Sunday, and wanted all the Pleasant View people to come, but I guess we won't be there.

Cecil and Paul are going to school at Judyville. Don't think they like to go very well. Ruth was here and stayed over a week. She went home last Saturday. How is the baby by this time? Would like to see her. Well will have to get to ironing. Write soon.

Mother



The card above: Dear Hazel, How are you folks. We are well. Have you got any garden made. I haven't. Want to make garden this week if weather is fit. Have you got any little chickens yet. Have one hen setting. We get from 65 to 80 eggs a day. Leslie's and Fred's were here yesterday. We are going to have a social at Pleasant View Friday night. Come if you can. Mama

Tab, Ind.
August 19, 1916

Dear Hazel,

How are you standing this hot weather? It has been almost too hot to work. Our men was nearly all sick yesterday. One of Meadow's horses dropped dead in the field yesterday.

We had one good rain a week ago last Monday. That is about all we had since June. Gladys got home all right.

Have you seen Shirley yet? I don't see how she can get any work to do. I would not board her for her. Last Monday morning I called her to get breakfast. She got mad as a hornet. She would not speak when I came downstairs. I wasn't feeling a bit well, and I had to go and

help Fern cook for thrashers. If I was her I would be ashamed to sleep all afternoon and then couldn't get breakfast, and it made her mad because I asked her to help me dress chicken for dinner Sunday and so I told her Monday morning that I could get along without her.

Well, wish we were done thrashing. We won't get to thrash until the last of this week or the first of next.

I wish you folks was here to help us eat ice cream. There is no one here but Henry and Gladys and J. Hank and the boys went to the ball game. Would rather stay at home when it is so hot. Well, this is all.

Write soon,
Mother Worley (Minnie Worley)

(Partial letter, appears to be Fall of 1916)

.- - both are standing over me talking and I can't think what I want to write. I suppose you washed. We did and the wind like to blew the clothes to Danville. Ha ha. The men said they had to eat so much dirt. It was sure bad husking today. Tell Leonard I sure felt sorry for him if he had to drink dust down there.

Ruth and I have been raking leaves for two weeks and plenty left yet. I guess we have more leaves than anyone.

O, how I would love to see the baby, and bite her little fat neck. I cut Marjorie's hair off and she looks so cute. She call herself Mama's little boy. I washed their beds today. I thought I write this evening. We have a new mailman and he comes early in the morning and we have a good deal to do of mornings. Your papa was here last Monday week ago today, and haven't heard from them since. We can't hardly talk over the phone to them. We want to go down to Fred before cold weather. I will send you one of the children's pictures. They are real good for cheap ones.

I am making quince honey. I will let you sample it when your folks comes. Now come when you can and stay awhile. My pencil is so dull I can hardly write, but will leave to help get supper. Do you get any eggs? I get about one a day. We wanted to butcher a hog soon as it gets a little cooler. I got a black hat trimmed in peacock's feathers and if you like them you can have some for your hat.

Will close with love to all,
Ida

Tab, Ind.
October 25, 1916

Dear Hazel,
We are all well.

How are you folks and how is the baby? We would all like to see her. Paul said he thought Elner (sic) was the sweetest of all.

We begin husking corn Monday and such a time we are having. One man quit Monday and two quit last night and Hank is paying four cents a bushel. Our corn is only making 35 bushel per acre and the storm we had last week blew lots of it down. We have four husking men. Maybe tomorrow we will only have two. That will be John and Walter.

Well, Hazel we can't get that house at Finney. Leonard told Hank if he could get a house he would move out. He is going to try to get a house at Judyville, but that is almost too far. But if you and Leonard wants it, let us know. Hank thinks he can get a house of Ola Judy. He has a couple of houses empty. Went to see him this afternoon, but he was gone.

We have had lots of rain lately, but we don't need rain now. I have got my house cleaning done. Finished cleaning the front rooms last Saturday. I wanted to get it all done before the cornhuskers came but it don't look like we were going to be bothered with corn huskers this fall. I would like to see some of these fellows that won't work starve half to death. Well, I guess this will be all.

Write Soon
Mama

Covington, Ind.
November 6, 1916

Hello, Hazel;

How are you folks? We were sure glad to get a letter from you. I never take time to write to any one.

Was going to write yesterday, but we got up late and the day was gone before one could turn around. Wished you folks could have been here Sunday. We stayed home all day and it is so lonesome these days.

We are sure busy husking corn. Just two men beside Elmer. We couldn't get any more and Elmer had to shuck his self. It will take two or three weeks yet. That is if the weather stays nice. Aren't we having lovely weather? Just to think next month is Christmas. It doesn't seem so late.

Marjorie and Ruth

Tab, Ind.
November 14, 1916

Dear Hazel,

We are all well. We are having a little winter now. The boys are husking this afternoon. If the weather stays

nice we will get done husking next week.

Yes, I washed yesterday, but haven't hung the clothes out yet. There isn't any school yet this week on account of diphtheria. Missing two weeks now will make school late in the spring.

Went to church last Sunday. We have got a regular preacher now. Our church has went down terrible. There isn't hardly any young folks any more. Heck's got mad and put their membership in at Pence. I don't get but two or three eggs a day now. I packed several dozen of eggs last fall.

Hank went to West Lebanon this afternoon and brought home some oysters. That is about all that we will get for supper.

Well, I guess this is all.

Good-bye,



Mama

(The card above was from Ethyl, wife of Les. Hello, Hazel, How does this strike you for winter. Are you coming home for Christmas? How is mygirl coming? Don't forget I want one of her pictures. I am going to have Neva's taken when we go down to town. Fern sent me one of Robert's. How in the world did she get him to laugh. I think Elmer's are fine. Ethyl)

Oakwood, IL
November 28 (1916?)

Tues.Morn,

Hope all is flourishing at the ranch. We were up by 3:30 this morn. Don't you be wearing any dress I left behind me.

Lottie (Post Card to Mrs. Leonard Kenworthy in Catlin)

December 17, 1916

Tab, Ind.

Dear Hazel,

How are you folks by this time? How is Elner? Did she get over her cold all right. We think her picture is fine. Robert's picture is good too, but it don't look right because he is smiling. It would look more like him if he was crying.

We helped Fred's butcher last Thursday. I did not go to Sunday School today. Hank and Gladys went. Miss Lemming and Inez wanted to know if you was coming home Christmas. Are you still looking for Leonard's father? They are going to have a Christmas tree and a play at Pleasant View Christmas eve. Would like for you folks to come out. I am going to Danville Thursday if nothing happens. Well, we had some cold weather last week, didn't we? I hope it won't get that cold any more. I hope the weather will be nice tomorrow. I want to wash. Haven't washed for two weeks. Well, I guess this is all.

Write soon,
Mama

January 12, 1917
Tab, Ind.

Dear Hazel,

We are all well. Received your card yesterday and was surprised you did not get my letter. I sent you a letter last Monday. Perhaps you have got it by this time. If you go to Elmer's today you won't get this one until you get back. Are you coming out here before you go home. Hank is going to Elmer's today after Gladys and John. They have been there a week. Well, this is all. Hope you got my other letter. Will close.

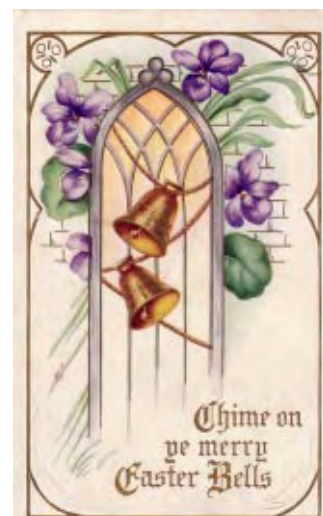
Write soon.
Mama

This card from Paul was sent May 18, 1917. Dear Hazel, How are you? We are all well. Mama says if we don't hear from you, we will be over Sunday. Well, I must close. Paul

March 15, 1919
Tab, Ind.

Dear Hazel,

How are you? Hope you are well by this time. What does the doctor think is the matter with you. It must



be kidney trouble. We are all well. Yes, we went to church Sunday and Sunday night and we had two good sermons. How is Jones? I suppose they have got a lot of little chickens by this time. How many hens have you got setting? I have got none.

Well, I expect Leonard will have to drag the roads again won't he? I expect he will let us drag them with the machine this time. I would if I were him. Hank said we were coming down Sunday if nothing happens. We haven't got but one hand yet, and Leslie hasn't got any. Hands are awful scarce this spring. Don't see where they are at. Guess the women will have to do the farming.

We washed Monday and finished drying the clothes today. Will have to iron tomorrow. Well this is all. Will see you Sunday. Don't go to any trouble.

Mother

Catlin, Ill

April 6, 1919

(This is a letter Hazel wrote to her "Folks".)

Dear Folks,

Will try and write a few lines this evening. How is everybody out there. We are pretty well.

What did you do today? We went down to Eaton's this afternoon; it sure was a spring day.

Mr. Kenworthy sent us another box of apples. They sure taste good.

Has as John gotten over the flu yet? How is Hazel Stitt?

I have nine little chickens and set five hens last week and sold thirty-one doz. Eggs Saturday. Still thirty-five cents a doz.

I thought I was going to get to come home this week, but couldn't get away. Maybe I can this week. I don't know for sure now, but will let you know later.

Answer soon.

Hazel

Another letter from Hazel that is missing the first part.

Will try and write a few lines this evening. How is everybody out there? We are all well, able to eat and we sure do that. I baked four loaves of bread Saturday and have to bake tomorrow. Eleanor and Paul eat bread and butter all the time. Eleanor looks better than she ever has. They are out doors all the time. You won't know Eleanor next time you see her. She has her hair bobbed.

Have you got your house cleaning done? I haven't commenced yet. Wanted to clean last week, but it was so rainy. Mr. Davis is going to paper the kitchen and dining

room.

Have you got many chickens? I have only nine. Threw three settings away, that would have hatched tomorrow. Have nineteen hens setting, and will set some more tomorrow.

Well it seems like I never am going to get to come home. Seems like I can't get away. We have so much to do. I have been working in the hen house all my spare time. It was ready to crawl away with mites. I never saw the like, no wonder Mabel never raised any chickens, but there isn't many if any out there now. I sprayed all over three or four times.

Have you (got) your garden made? I haven't made any yet. We planted potatoes yesterday. We are going to set out some strawberries this week.

Have you seen Fred and Elmer's lately?

I suppose we will have bad weather now, Sundays anyway. It rained today.

We are milking four cows now. I think I will begin shipping cream this week. I sold fifty doz. Eggs this week. Well, come over when you can and write.

Hazel and all.

Wasn't it awful about those men getting killed at Catlin? That Mr. Andrews was out here and fixed our pump several weeks ago.

The End of the letters to Jenny Hazel.

(This is a letter to Elinor (about 15) and Pauly (about 13) from their father in Steubenville Ohio)

May 3, 1931

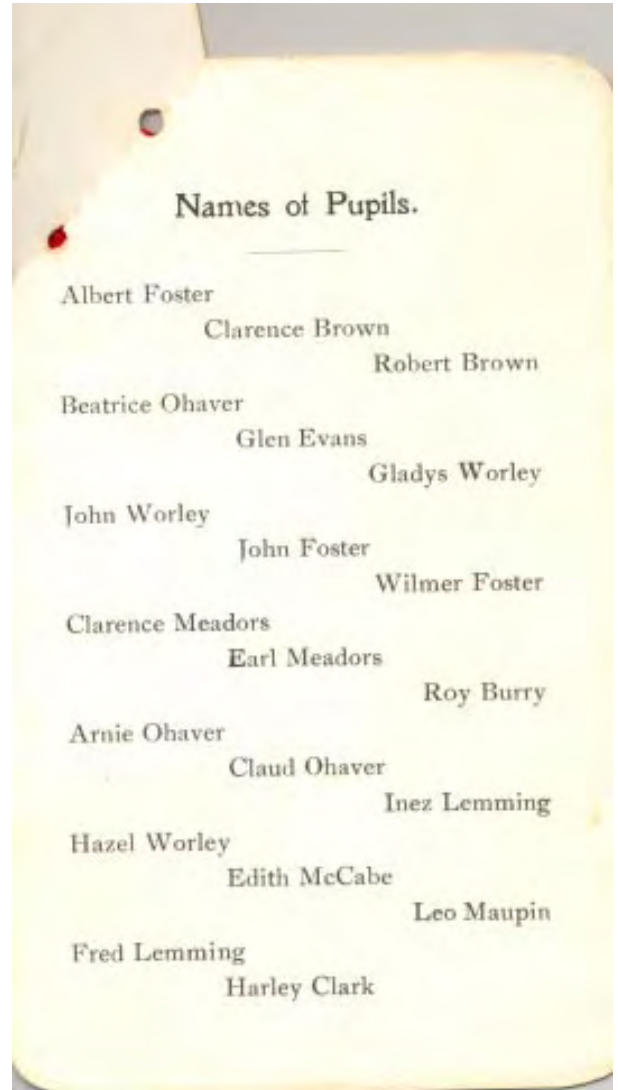
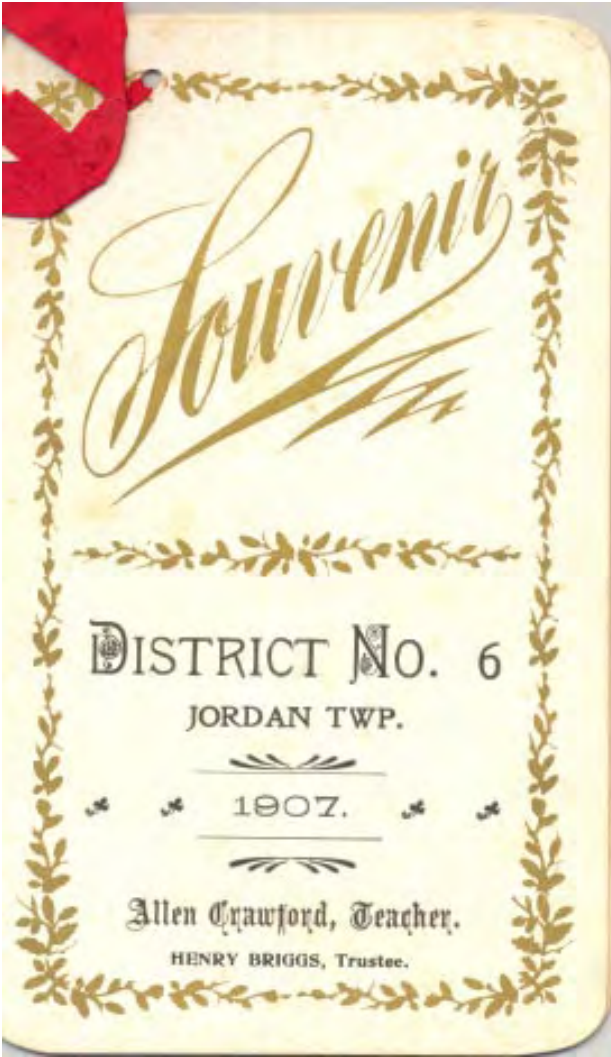
Dear Eleanor and Pauly,

Just a few lines this week. I was fishing last Sunday and didn't get home until late and did not write. How is the chickens and everything coming on. How is Grandpa and Grandma and all the folks? Your Grandpa's address is 317 Wallace, Cambridge. How many chicks have you now. Is Pauly a good boy and do you both help Grandma and Grandpa? Eleanor did Pauly get his coat I sent him at Christmas? You never told me if he got it or not, and I want some more pictures of you and Pauly. I will send you some more films if you want me to. Do you hear from Lottie very often? Is she all o.k.? Well, children, I will close. Hoping you are all O. K.

I am your dad

Leonard Kenworthy, 1205 Park Street, Steubenville, OH

Ans. real soon. Don't wait for me to write. Ans. soon. Don't forget the pictures.



Jordan Township, Warren County.
This Certifies
That Hazel Worley
having obtained a proper proficiency in the preceding
grades, is hereby promoted to the 8 grade,
April 2, 1907
Ruby L. Goodrich, Teacher.

RECORD OF THE STANDING OF *Hazel Worley* GRADE *4th*

Reading	80	85	88	90	92	95	98	100
Spelling	85	90	92	95	98	100	100	100
Arithmetic	75	80	85	88	90	92	95	98
Grammar	70	75	80	85	88	90	92	95
History	65	70	75	80	85	88	90	92
Geography	60	65	70	75	80	85	88	90
Science	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	88
English	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85
Physical	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80
Health	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75
Attendance	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70
Character	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65
Progress	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
Teacher's	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55
Parents'	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
Overall	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45

Clara Catta, Teacher.

SEAL OF WARREN COUNTY, OHIO

CHILDREN'S BUREAU
WEIGHING AND MEASURING TEST

DOES YOUR CHILD PASS?
CARDS MAY BE FILLED OUT BY A PHYSICIAN, OR A NURSE, OR THE CHILD'S PARENTS

NAME OF CHILD *Eleanor Kenworthy* ADDRESS *Catha, Va., Ill.*

DATE OF BIRTH *June 7, 1916* IS THE BIRTH REGISTERED? Yes, No (place a check mark above correct answer)

DATE OF EXAMINATION *July 26* 19 *17* AGE OF CHILD *2* Years *2* Months

HEIGHT *37 1/4* Inches, WEIGHT *23* Pounds *8* Ounces

ARE THE CHILD'S HEIGHT AND WEIGHT ABOVE, BELOW, OR EQUAL TO THE AVERAGE FOR HIS AGE?
Find the child's age in the table on the reverse of this card, and, being "Boys" or "Girls" the average height and average weight for his age, place a check mark above the words in the following for which apply—HEIGHT: Average, Above, Below, WEIGHT: Average, Above, Below.

IS THE CHILD'S WEIGHT ABOVE, BELOW, OR EQUAL TO THE AVERAGE WEIGHT FOR HIS HEIGHT?
Find in the table "Boys" or "Girls" the height nearest to child's height and take the corresponding weight. Compare the child's weight with this average weight and place a check mark above the word which applies—Average, Above, Below.

REMARKS

RECORD OF SUBSEQUENT EXAMINATIONS					
Age	Height	Weight	Age	Height	Weight

(Signature) *E. W. Allen, Med. Examiner.*



Leonard and Jenny Hazel Worley Kenworthy with baby Elinor