

THE DIARIES OF
NELLIE MAY PYLE BEARD
FROM 1933 THROUGH 1947

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Descriptive Summary

Collection Name: Diaries of Nellie May Pyle Beard

Creator: Nellie M. P. Beard

Biographical Note: Nellie May Pyle Beard is recognized as one of the pioneering women to have lived in the Payson, Arizona area. She resided in Payson during a significant portion of the township's formative years. She arrived in Payson in 1890, (age ten years,) and remained until her death in 1970. Mrs. Beard kept a daily diary from January 1, 1933 until December 31, 1947. In it she recorded the daily happenings of herself, family members, friends, neighbors, and the goings-on of the Payson community and the surrounding area.

Scope and Content: The diaries cover a time period beginning with January 1, 1933, with continuous daily recordings until December 31, 1947. Her unflinching persistence in keeping a daily log of activities for fifteen complete years is in itself an admirable accomplishment. The insight given by her recordings into life in the town of Payson during these years should be considered invaluable. It should be noted these are observations as seen and understood by Mrs. Beard. Even so, the factual notations, and the objectivity demonstrated in their recording, give a rare insight into what it was like, in Payson, during those years.

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Access Terms:

Armstrong, J.
Ashbe, Clayton & Alie
Augustine, Mr. & Mrs.
Aunt Mollie
Bailey, Bob
Baker, Charlie
Baker Butte
Baldwin, Helen
Baldwin, Mr.
-- S Ranch
--T-- Ranch
Barkdoll, Guy
Barkdoll, Lee
Barker, Dr.
Beard, Elvin F. & Harriett
Beard, Kent Allen
Beasley, Mr.
Bishop, Mary
Blevins, Roy
Blue Ridge
Boles, Mrs.
Bonita Creek
Bowman, John
Brodie Canyon
Brookner, Mr. & Mrs.
Brown, Polly
Buck Springs
Butler, Ben
Case, Mister
Childers, Auntie
Chilson, Avis
Chilson, Charlie
Chilson, Helen P.
Chilson, Lena
Chilson, Lillie
Civil Conservation Corp (CCC)
Clear Creek
Cline, Joe
Colcord, Joe
Cornville
Cottonwood

Craig, Bill
Crittendon Girl's Home
Davidson, David
DeRamas, Mrs.
Diamond H Ranch
Diamond Point
Dripping Springs
East Verde Woman's Club
Elephant's Head Rock
Ellison Creek
Ezell, Grandma
Ezell, Johnnie
Franklin, Mr.
Fuller, Newell
Fuller, Will
General Springs
Gibson, Cece
Gila Pueblo
Gillet, Chon
Gisela
Globe
Goodfellow, Lillias
H Ranch
H1 Ranch
H4 Ranch
Hale, Duke
Haley, Bill
Hancock, Mrs.
Haught, Alice
Haught, Aaron
Haught, Henry
Haught, May
Haught, Million
Haught, Walter
Hays, Johnnie
Hilligas, Mrs.
Holder, Kendrick
Holiday, David
Hudson, Alfred
Ice House Canyon
Indian Gardens
Jackson, Earl

Jones, Bud & Myrth P.
Jones, Peggy
Jordan, Lon
Journigan, Julian
Kohl's Ranch
LaBerge, Dr.
Lazear, Joe
Lee, Tom
Lockwood, Delbert
Long Valley
Louks, Bill
Lowthian, Mabel
Martin, George
McCain, Mrs.
McDonald, Mart & Mrs.
McFarland, Charlie
McPherson, Mrs.
Montezuma's Castle
Musotto, Johnnie
Natural Bridge
Neal, Steve
Norris, E.B.
Norris, Jess
Norton, Dee
1-5 Ranch
Owens, Kerm
Owens, Mr. (Kerm?)
P., Bella (?)
Packard, Hop
Payne, Jack
Payson
Payson Hill
Payson Woman's Club
Pearlie Creek
Perkins, Miss
Pieper, Laura Vernita B.
Pilmer, Mr.
Pine
Pine Creek
Pioneer Association
Pioneer Pass
Platt, Mrs.

Pleasant Valley
Powers, Elmer
Powers, Myrtle
Powers, Wiley
Preacher's Hill
Pyeatt, Jimmie
Pyle, Elwood F.
Pyle, Eugene
Pyle, Eugene Fremont
Pyle, Floyd M.
Pyle, F. Malcolm
Pyle, Lewis (Lewie)
Pyle, Louise
Pyle, Myrth & Myrl
Pyle, Peggy
Pyle, Sarah C.
Pyle, Verda C.
Randall, Julia
Ricke, Dr.
Risser, Dr. & Mrs.
Robles, June
Rose, Elmer
Round Valley
Rutherford, Mrs.
Rye Creek
Sanders, Catherine L. B.
Sanders, Gloria
Sanders, Valda Irene
Saunders, John
Saunders, Price
Shedd, Mr.
Shepherd, Mrs.
Simanton, Mrs.
Spillman, Mrs.
Star Valley
Steel, Mr.
Stewart, Aline
Stewart, Bill
Sunset Pass
Taylor, Bill
Taylor, Fern
Taylor, Louise Jean

Taylor, Patrician Ann
Taylor, Richard & Valda M. B.
Taylor, Richard Gordon
Tonto Basin
Valentine, Mr.
Vaughn, Mr.
VFW
Warter, Floyd E.
Warter, John C.
Warter, Myrtle P.
Warter, Sharon Kay
Wilbank's Cafe
Wilbanks Hall
Windmill Ranch
Yeager Canyon
Yellow Jacket