

# Barber, Henry J. Diary

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## **Scope and Contents**

Five-year diary, 1932-1936, of a teenage boy, Henry Barber (1918-2002) of Pittsfield, Massachusetts. There are a couple of entries for 1937 on loose pieces of paper as well. In brief daily entries, Henry describes his daily activities, like going to school, collecting stamps, reading, going to ball games, riding his bike and listening to the radio. He wrote most days in 1934, 1935 and 1936 and less often in 1932 and 1933. Also included are a few loose pages, on which he noted the titles of books and magazines, and kept track of his leisure activities and hobbies.

For excerpts, provided by the seller, please see folder link below.

## **Keywords**

Diaries

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The following excerpts were provided by the seller: "Jan 24, 1935 - Went to school in taxi as it was cold. Received stamps. Did homework. Listened to radio. Looked over cachet list. Read stamp offers. Am getting another cold. Jan 28, 1935 - Didn't go to school today. Received Benedict Arnold cachet. Pasted 15 stamps in album. Wrote for Boy Scout cachet. Sent stamps back to Charles Murphy. Read and listened to the radio. April 3, 1934 - Today is my birthday. I am 16. Got swell presents from everyone. Felt a little better today. Had birthday cake and ice cream for supper. September 17, 1934 - Read Wild West Weekly, which Dad bought for me yesterday. Played cards. Got American Boy. Worked on Airplane. Listened to radio. October 7, 1935 - Listened to World Series game. Tigers won game 4-3 and Series 4-2. I won 20 cents on them. Received a selection of stamps from Charles Murphy. Started taking new medicine. "