

mm Moment to Remember Sunday Before Thanksgiving

LOCKDOWN THANKSGIVING 2020

Happy Remembering Day

This will be my 90th Thanksgiving!

I can't remember my 1st Thanksgiving due to my young age.

I am lucky to remember anything in my present age!

I'm writing the Sunday before our usual pre-Thanksgivings on Sundays...

leaving Thursday open for each family to attend other Thanksgivings...

as Jean and I went alone to our cabin.

This is the first time in many years we won't be at the cabin...

cooking our feast in a cast-iron Dutch oven on a wood stove...

cozy warm in brisk fall weather.

It is always a time for memories...

so many to remember and our own memories

of Thanksgivings past.

I looked in my Baby Book to see what my mother said 90 years ago...

"Arthur likes his applesauce, prunes, vegetables, orange juice and most of all his milk..."

. He sleeps at night, laughs and crows aloud and is very responsive to attention."

This year I'm preferring roast Cornish game hen and pumpkin pie...

still sleep at night and sometimes nap after lunch...

try not to crow aloud but may be responsive to attention.

Infant memory has no list of people present for that Thanksgiving....

my grandfather was always present for family events...

but my grandmother Anna died shortly before I was born.

How could my grandfather not still be grieving Anna's death?

their son and daughters and my mother with griefs of their own...

all that unknown on my first Thanksgiving.

And I had no sense of the crushing depression the nation faced...

nor the populist uprising with Hitler's beginning steps toward dictatorship

that granddad wrote against in "Verses for a Non-Violent Revolution."

We won't be with any of our families or 8 great grandchildren...

2 of the newest born we have yet to see and hold...

who are having their first Thanksgiving this historic year 2020.

No over the river and through the woods...or anywhere this year...

but no crying we make about being "locked-down" for Thanksgiving...

we'd rather not give anyone a Thanksgiving virus for Christmas!

"Now abides faith, hope and love...the greatest of these is love."... Apostle Paul

"And I promise you, love cannot be locked down!"... Great Grampa Art