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Journal, 1940-1941 (Bonaventure)

[Manuscript]

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Buckram bound, ledger style notebook (purchased from stationer in Olean, New York).

23 pages removed, 21 pages blank. First entry dated: October 19, 1940. Last entry dated: December 5, 1941. Sometimes called: Bonaventure Journal.

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College.

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