



A Coal Miner's Family at Mooseheart (Paperback)

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AUTHORHOUSE, United States, 2010. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.A Coal Miner's Family at Mooseheart describes the lives of Homer Rhodes widow and children at Mooseheart, IL, from 1919-1939. An orphan's home-school, which still operates, Mooseheart is arguably one of the most unusual child care programs of the 20th Century. This story begins with my family's arrival at Mooseheart and my rough introduction to the boys codes of behavior. I report on how a Demerit system was replaced by a Merit system that worked well for 1,300 students living in this community which absolutely prohibited corporal punishment. Also I explain our daily routines. Further sections illustrate how the Founder's idealistic vision worked for our family and the students we knew: 1) how Blanche and her family adopt Earl and Carolyn Guinn, who lost both parents, 2) how students play and compete as the Mooseheart Spirit emerges, 3) how they can work to earn and spend their own money, 4) how they must learn a skilled trade, 5) how they may get a high school diploma --if they can pass the courses, 6) how they worship in the faith...



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