

# BOTTLE, MILK – SUNNYSIDE DAIRY, GLENS FALLS

## OVERVIEW OF THE OBJECTS

<b>Repository:</b>	Crandall Public Library. Folklife Center Glens Falls, NY.
<b>Creator:</b>	Sunnyside Dairy
<b>Title:</b>	Bottle, Milk – Sunnyside Dairy, Glens Falls
<b>Dates:</b>	ca. 1923 – 1950.
<b>Quantity:</b>	1 bottle
<b>Identification:</b>	Art & Artifacts: Artifacts

## HISTORICAL NOTE

Sunnyside Dairy in Queensbury, New York, was in operation from before 1923 until sometime after 1960. Originally operated by Preston J. Carpenter, from the Sunnyside Dairy Farm on Sunnyside Road, it was subsequently (1923 – 1950) owned by Charles Beers, from the same location. From 1950 until sometime after 1960 it was operated by the Wilson Brothers, on Upper Ridge Road (just above the intersection of Ridge and Hicks Road). The Wilson brothers, Wendell and Warren, do not seem to have produced the milk they bottled and distributed. They used the name of the Sunnyside Dairy, but their operation was no longer located at the Sunnyside Dairy Farm on Sunnyside Road.

The bottle in this collection probably dates to the period when Charles Beers was operating the farm and the dairy. This is suggested by the large capital B on the bottle, and also by personal memory of Sunnyside bottles of the 1950s as square, rather than round.

Information for this Historical Note was supplied from a list of Dairies and Milk Distributers in the Glens Falls/Queensbury Vertical Files, ancestryLE, the City Directories, and personal communication with Emil Lindstrand, who lived (and still lives 4/2019) across Ridge Road from the dairy, and from Jim Gonyea, his nephew.

## INDEX TERMS

<b>Topics:</b>	Dairies Milk Distributers
<b>Places:</b>	Glens Falls, NY

Queensbury, NY

**Important People:** Beers, Charles 1884 – 1958  
Carpenter, Preston J. 1894 – 1962  
Wilson, Warren and Wendell 1923 – 2014

**Form/Genre:** Bottle [realia]

## **ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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## **DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT**

This is a clear glass bottle, 9 and 5/8ths inches tall, 3 3/4ths inches in diameter at the bottom and 2 inches in diameter at the top. The upper part of the neck has three rows of circular protrusions about 1/4 inch across. On the front of the bottle, in raised capital letters, it says: ONE QUART / LIQUID. Below that is a circle saying: SUNNYSIDE DAIRY around the upper inside of the circle; a large letter B in the center; and GLENS FALLS, N.Y. around the lower edge of the circle.

Notes:

In April 2019, an exactly similar bottle was offered for sale on eBay for \$63.99. The eBay seller identified it as "Vintage 1940s-1950s Sunnyside Dairy Glens Falls." It is almost certainly from the period before 1950.

The bottle says "Glens Falls, N.Y." although both the farm and all locations of the dairy were in the Town of Queensbury, not the City of Glens Falls.