

Jesse Lowe Smith

Diary

1913



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Forward

The Author: Jesse Lowe Smith was born in Macon, Illinois, on 23 November 1869, to the Rev. Leonard Francis Smith (1838-1874) and Bridget Ann Lowe Smith (1842-1941). His father's diary for that date: "At 5:30 wife bore me another child, a boy weighing 10 lbs when dressed. Dr. Tobey was the physician..." Jesse's father, Leonard Francis Smith, son of Jesse Smith and his second wife, Sophia Lake Spencer, had married Bridget Ann Lowe, daughter of William Fletcher Lowe and Elsea Aquila, on 10 September 1863. They had six children, Elsie (1864), Kittie Grace (1865-1932), Clarence Bruner (1867-1943), Jesse Lowe, Edith (1873-195?), and Lennie Francis (1874-1976).

Jesse Lowe Smith attended grade school in Macon, Illinois. With a passion for books and nature study, Jesse saw his life as a teacher. He attended the Academy in Benton Harbor, Michigan from 1884-1887, living with his Great Aunt Margaret Crooks. In 1888 he returned to Macon where he taught for three years. Teaching and studying independently as he taught, Jesse, at age 21, qualified for entrance to Pauw University in September 1891. He completed his education at the University of Chicago from 1892 to 1894.¹ After one year at de Pauw, he returned for one term at Macon, and then, with his mother and sisters, went to Lexington, Illinois where he taught for four years from 1893-1897, followed by five years in Park Ridge, Illinois. In May 1902, Jesse came to Highland Park as principal of the Elm Place School. He was Superintendent of Schools for District 107 at the time of his death on 21 April 1934.²

His diaries reveal Jesse Lowe Smith as a man of many interests and great influence. He was widely known and respected throughout Illinois as an innovative educator and avid naturalist and in Highland Park as an educational, cultural and civic leader. He inspired the Elm Place School teachers to higher ideals of education and the students to a deeper understanding and appreciation for the world around them. He left a lasting impression on all who knew him in life and continues to inspire many who make his acquaintance through his diaries and his legacy in Highland Park.

Identifications: In his diaries, Jesse frequently refers to members of his family. During his years in Highland Park, Jesse provided a home from his mother and sister, Kittie. They are often referred to in the diaries as M. and K. His brother Clarence Bruner is referred to as Clarence or Clarence B., and Clarence's two sons, Leonard and Clarence, Jr. (Bruner or Junior) are also mentioned. Jesse's sister Edith married Clarence Danforth (Danforth or Clarence D. in the diaries). His sister Lennie married Arthur Enders, and their children, Robert and Ruth Anne, are mentioned in the diaries.

Transcriber's Notes: Every attempt has been made to provide an accurate transcription of the diary entries with respect to spelling, grammar, and punctuation; therefore incorrect or inconsistent (Mr. Smith spelled the same word in different ways at different times) usage is retained without the use of [sic]. When words were added above the line, they have been inserted into the text. When words were inadvertently repeated, the second occurrence of the word has been dropped. Margin notes are indicated as such and are placed following the text that they appeared adjacent to in the diary. When words were illegible, brackets have been supplied enclosing a blank space []. Words that could not be deciphered with certainty have been placed in square brackets followed by a question mark [like this?]. Transcriber's notes are indicated by brackets [like this – ed.]. Clippings that were pasted into the diary are described in a transcriber's note, but are not always transcribed.

¹*Catalogue of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity* (New York, 1910). Accessed online at <http://books.google.com> on December 16, 2010.

²*Diaries 1859-1874 of The Reverend Leonard Smith, Circuit Rider* by Blanche Beal Lowe.

Wednesday, January 1

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Thursday, January 2

Gray most of the time. A cool wind blowing. A few flakes in the air.

Breakfast (late) at Edith. Shave at Bradley's (colored man remembered me from two years ago). Walked to B.H. via R.R. track over marsh. Chat with Uncle Va[]store. Dinner at Lennie's. Visited Augie C. & Au[]t. E. & Julia. Then Robin took me & three boys for auto ride. Wind chilled us thoroughly, Supper at Edith's, She & D. saw me off on the 8:12 (8:40) Chicago at 11:35. Caught 1:05 home. (Reread Dr Marigold's Prescription. Read 20 or more pages from Bergson.
R.R. 1⁸⁰ + .26 + .10;

Friday, January 3

Cool wind. Bright much of time.

Slept late. Took 9:56 for city. Marshall Field's, Barrett Bindery.

Cox's office – wrote on Gt. Northern circular nearly all afternoon. Called at Gt Northern office to confer with Mr. Webber twice. To City Club at 5:30. Continued writing until nearly 7:00. Dined there – with Princ. Brown of New Trier. He & I went to Grand Opera – Walküre. – Schuman – Herrik, Minnie Saltzman Stevens, et. al. Home on 11:30-12:05. Sat with Mr. Dobson.

R.R. .52 + .20; lunch .30, supper .60;

Saturday, January 4

Cool. Sunny much of the day.

8:09 for city. Chat with Mrs Underwood about Interlaken enroute. Met Weber & Miss Mitchell at G.N.R.R office. We went up to research room in Cox's offices & worked there until 6:00 P.M.! Went out for lunch to grill room at Tip-top Inn. Completed copy for R R. folder – but - -!

Home at 7:24.

Sent 3⁰⁰ to K.A. Shumaker – Y.M.C.A.

R.R. .52 + .10; barber .75 + .10; tooth picks .10

Sunday, January 5

Scanty snow flurry this afternoon – then sleet-like rain for a while. Every thing crusted over. Mr. Geer & I walked west two miles or so this afternoon & came in with our overcoats encased with ice. A fine tramp.

S.S. as usual. Pianist ill. Volunteer playing. Conference with Mr. Faxon – he agrees to take much of my work off my hands.

Worked on G.N.P. circular this afternoon.

Read some from Bergson. Mr. Egan phoned me of seeing flock of evening grosbeaks! Cardinal seen twice or more in last ten days

Monday, January 6

Snow 2"; precip. .25

Sleet and slippery pavements & the joyous small boy asliding. Snow began to fall this afternoon – a northeaster. By 6 P.M. it was still snowing – two inches had fallen.

School began agan. One mother whose son is not to be promoted came to express herself. Two new pupils today.

Experimented with ink making. Conference with teachers of first three grades this evening. Then from 5:00 to 6:30 committee meeting of Elm. Place Div. at Mrs Bacon's. Plans for coming lecture by Mr. Cooley.

Shave .15; stamps :27. Sent some stereog. to Underwood & U.

Tuesday, January 7

Snow 2" + 2"; precip. .50

Four inches or so of snow by morning. Snowed now & then during day. Sharp sleet at noon hour. Up early & worked on G.P. paper. Same this evening. Sent out tuition notices today. Conferred with patrons by phone over promotions. Talked with several who should be held. Conference with 4th grade teachers.

Long letter from Leonard today.

Chat with Clarence Happ, this evening.

Thermometer .75; bread .10;

Wednesday, January 8

Cleared in the night. A beautiful day. This & yesterday A.M. I had plenty of snow shovel exercise

Co Supt Simpson visited school awhile this afternoon. We talked over his program for mid winter institute.

I gave science lesson in 7B. Took 3:34 for Chicago. Met Webber and Hoke Smith, ad. ag't for the Gt Northern. They went over my Mss; were pleased. Talked over the possibility of my writing up flora of Park next summer. Took 6:02 home. At 8:00 met with the Board at Mr Norcross. Agreed to take option on Sheahen site for proposed school. Talked educational problems.

R.R. 52 + .10; nuts .10.

Thursday, January 9

Clear. Cool. Very little melting. Southwest wind part of day.

Early at work on my R.R. circular. Heard civics class this A.M. Gave each a copy of today's Tribune to read doings of legislature.

Closed school earlier this afternoon – sent most of teachers to Ossoli in bus to hear Bruno Steindel - - Mr Weber of Gt. Northern came out for "copy". He stayed until 5:50 train & carried nearly all copy away. He read while I used typewriter, etc. (He brought me two fine Delicious apples).

Mr Curtis called at 6:00 to talk over Gurnsey's work.

Mr. Cooley talked this evening in our aud. on vocational training. Fine discussion. Only fair sized crowd.

Papers .20;

Friday, January 10

Milder. Thawed a little. Drizzled a very little after nightfall.

Two science lessons and a civics lesson

Miss Guiney and I decided not to have graduates "speak pieces" - a "sing" instead.

Practically finished last work on G.N. circular

Deposited \$137⁵⁰ tuition money.

Barber .15

Saturday, January 11

Slippery. Tumbled down on our walk & strained muscles of my thigh

To city on 9:56. Previously wrote letter to Hoke Smith, Adv. ag't at St. Paul, enclosing last installment of material for R.R. circular. Took Mr. Schapper's Yellowstone slides in – Left them at Wipperman's. To Fields, Devoe & Reynolds, Henrici's, Wipperman's, Moulton and Ricketts (left two prints to be framed), S L. Smith's in Gas Light Bld'g; Art. Institute, Tribune bld'g – meeting of Com. of Seven – Lew Colwell & Dr McMurry & I only. Lyon & Healey's; Smith's where met Misses McCord & Knapp. They selected two pictures.

6:34 home. Wrote checks, etc this evening
R.R. 52 + .20; meals .75.
Pd 1⁵⁰ at L. & H for record case. Charge to Carqueville fund

Sunday, January 12

Turned sharply cold in the night and mercury fell to 2 or 3 below. A clear day. Moderated a little. Mother unwell.

I went to S.S. as usual. S.S. sectional units in place. Mr. Metzler and I worked over them a while. Mr. Pfanstiehl preached morning sermon.

I slept all afternoon. Reading from Bergson. Planned music for S.S. & sent memo. of new songs to orchestra members.

Church .10

Monday, January 13

Milder today but still rather cold.

Five D.A.R. ladies present at morning exercises. Mrs Buchanan formally presented to school fine colored engraving – Washington and his generals – a memorial for Mrs Chas. Warren – an active worker among the D.A.R. We used phonograph also – four new records given.

Mr. Nichols called this afternoon. Rep. of Beckley-Cardy called this A.M. Miss Gertrude Miller went home ill at noon.

Board meeting this evening. Arranged for preparation of petitions for new school election.

Tuesday, January 14

Milder. Rising wind from S.W. after nightfall.

Miss Gertrude Miller ill. Esther Kerfoot substituted all day.

Science lesson – 8B's in science room. Magnetism.

Writing on card catalogue of children.

Began Nida's Story of Illinois – in 8th A civics. Class is watching session of legislature.

Wrote this evening on foreward (by request of Hoke Smith) for G N. Park circular.

Prepared a list of all different grades have read during this term – this to be printed in many duplicate copies for the P. & T. A
Barber .15; stamps .97;

Wednesday, January 15

Mild. Thawed heavily.

Took some time off this A.M. to photograph six of W.L. Taylor's pictures – the Stockade, etc. This evening developed them (3 1/4" x 4 1/4") & four of Mr. Mooney I had taken Christmas Day. One of the latter was blurred.

Three science lessons this P.M. This A. M. sent type written synopsis of the reading work of this term, all grades, to city – Mr Metzler's stenog. – to be duplicated 25 or more times – for P.T.A. meeting.

Thursday, January 16

Thaw! Thaw! Too warm for comfort. A south wind blowing.

Writing card catalogue of pupils. Spent this evening mostly at my desk at school.

P & T. meeting at 3:00 this afternoon. Miss Guiney's pupils recited poems they had memorized. Miss Miller's told story of Joseph. Miss White's & Miss Behren's read. Jerry recited & Leon read.

Fair audience.

Mother's "influenza" worse & Dr. Bergen called.

Friday, January 17

Still mild. Gray most of the day. A little cooler at evening.

Civics & two science lessons.

Visited H.S. Talked with Gertrude Nevins about some short hand work to be done for me.

Listened to German I in Miss Bliss' room.

Worked hard at pupils' catalogue. Got through at 6:30.

This evening heard Morrison on Glacier Park at the Club.

Sent 12 slides from Underwood to Julia to be colored.

Barber 15;

Saturday, January 18

Snow 1 ½" Prec. .15"

An inch or so of snow in the night. A clear day today but cool enough so that most of the snow lingered. Did a little tinkering at home, then 9:56 for Chicago.

Sent pkg of lantern slides to Mr. Schapper – part of the Yellowstone set. Returned a picture to S. L. Smith which had been brought out on approval. Took 25 or more negatives to Hallenback to be used in slide making – Field's, Thos. Charles, Abbot's, Clover Club, McClurg's. Took 2:18-3:15 home

Copied 6 Lincoln photos. Developed them this evening. Mr. Parrot came down & spent part of evening.

R.R. 52 + 20; lunch .35; parcels post .08; barber .25; book .25; watercolor .10 (Dist. 107);

Sunday, January 19

Milder. Most of snow melted.

S.S. as usual. Spent some time in office after the session.

Mother improving much.

Slept & rested nearly all afternoon. Took some negatives of Lincoln material. Developed eight.

Read from Bergson.

Monday, January 20

Snowflurries from 6:00 A.M. for a while. A half inch (perhaps). Grew clear & colder at evening. Various duties. Taught civics. Worked on card catalogue. Checked up Nov. & Dec. reports of teachers. Conferred with 7th & 8th grade teachers over promotions

Spent an hour or more this P.M. at Young Men's Club. They were rehearsing for minstrel show. Barber .15; ear muffs .25.

Tuesday, January 21

About 6 or 8 above Clear. Southerly, cold wind late afternoon.

Mrs Davis, Sup't of Scientific Temp. Instruction for W.C.T.U. talked this A.M., first to grades 1 – 3, then to grades 6 – 8. At 3:30 she talked to our staff.

Miss Kerfoot substituted yesterday for Miss Parks. Today also. Miss P. has the "grippe"
News of sudden death of Col. Davison at Avon, Fla
Pd. Mrs Davis 5⁰⁰ for her services. Must collect from Board & from P.T.A. [Mr. Smith noted "Pd"
next to this entry. – ed.]
Wrote number of letters this P.M.

Wednesday, January 22

Moderated. After 8:00 P.M. slight rain & sleet.
Dr. Bergen examined all our pupils. None found ill.
Are now 5 cases of scarlet fever – and one out of quarantine
Took 10:33 for city. Left some negatives at Chic. Transp. Co. Went to S.L. Smith's display room
of pictures. Tried to photog. there but light too poor. Home on 2:34. Two science lessons. Conf. with
4th grade teachers & 6th graders
Lecture on West Side Mission by its pastor, Mr Ropes this P.M. at Presb. Church.
I am "doping" myself to ward off "grippe" Mother worse today.
R R. 52 + .20; lunch 20; barber .45; medicine .50;

Thursday, January 23

Prec. .35

Light rain changing to sleet in night & everything very slippery at first this A.M. By noon ice nearly
gone. Moderated all day.
Miss Collins spent ~~day~~ morning with us, observing Miss McPherson's work.
Carried my camera to school this afternoon & made 10 Lincoln negatives (Erratum: one was of a
pollen drawing). Developed them this evening.
Sent 9⁸⁰ to Lopkers (underwear); yesterday 3⁰⁰ to Survey; Jan. 21 – 4⁰⁰ to Geog. Soc. for
Amundsen lecture ticket; 6⁰⁰ for banquet tickets; 1⁰⁰ Prairie Club

Friday, January 24

Beautiful day. A little cooler. Not so muddy, sidewalks clear.
Mr. Metzler visited school all A.M. A Miss Ga[]stfield of Winthrop Harbor, also. Kindergarten
teacher from Kenilworth called.
Miss White unable to teach this afternoon. Sent 1B's home.
Miss Kerfoot has taught Miss Park's room all week.
Went down to hear Rollin Chamberlain's lecture on Brazil at Geog. Soc. this evening. Good
lecture. 10:40-11:35 home. Rode with Mitchell out.
Borrowed \$30⁰⁰ of Kittie. Pd telephone bill 3⁶⁸;
R.R. 52 + 10; barber .25; new ticket 6⁶⁰

Saturday, January 25

Mild day. Gray much of time.
Furnished H.P. Press copy for commencement program Phoned Prof. Halsey. Took 10:32 for
city. Took along some negatives. Left some at Hallenbeck's & took away 41 slides. Mr H. gave me some
fine suggestions as to copying prints, etc. Got diplomas at Rickett's. Went to Childs (stationers), Orr &
Lockett's, McClurg's, Lyon & Healey, Moulton & Rickett's, N.P.R.R. office to engage Yellowstone slides,
etc. – Flanagan's & Chic. Transp. Co.

Pd 3⁴⁰ at Moulton & Ricketts – framing two prints – Desert & Nile scene – this to be paid by Art League or someone else. Pd for manila envelopes 1³⁵. Charge #107 with 70¢ of this. Also 10¢ for phone. Also 90¢ for eyelets. Sent 2⁰⁰ to Audubon Soc; 1⁰⁰ for Bird Lore.
R.R. 52 + .30; lunch .45; barber .25; popcorn .10; bread .10; Chic Transp. Co. 3⁰⁰;

Sunday, January 26 Balmy. S.W. wind. Slight sprinkle at 5:00 P.M.

S.S. as usual. Had Albert Renning sing solo.

Mr. Metzler & I spent all of church time working over attendance bulletin, etc I presented the accumulated bills, my own being more than \$24⁰⁰

Slept nearly all afternoon. Read Bergson. Also from Parrish's Historical Illinois. Overhauled all my negatives and lantern slides.

Monday, January 27 6:00 P.M. Snow ¾", prec .04"

Colder in night. Snow began to fall this afternoon. Continued fitfully after nightfall.

Civics. Taught 3B's an hour this P.M. while Miss Cole played at a rehearsal of 8th graders.

Got invitation cards for exercises of next Friday folded & distributed among children of 8th grade.

Board meeting this P.M. Planned to call election soon. Adjourned to next Wednesday P.M.

Planning "Wayside Biographies."

Barber .15;

Tuesday, January 28 Prec. .04 Snow 1 ¾"

Cleared off but fairly cool. Some of the snow melted.

Got 7 signatures on petition for school election.

Took 10:38 for city. Went to Hallenbeck's & Chic. Transp. Co. for slides, but neither had any for me. Got set of Yellowstone slides from N.P.R.R. Home at 2:21. Conferences with lower grade teachers about promotions.

Placed book orders for next term with dealers.

Phoned Mr. Simpson with reference to our teachers helping at the Country Teachers' Institute

Mother some better but still very miserable. Doctor has called now three days in succession.

R.R. 52 + .10; lunch .25; almonds .05; tailor .25; medic. .25

Wednesday, January 29 Snow 1" + 1". Prec. .05

Snowed from 6:00 A.M. to 9:30. Cleared off by evening. Rather mild.

Gave one hour lantern lesson to all of the 6B's this A.M. on Mt. Vernon & Williamsburg. From 2:30 to 3:30 I gave same pupils the Yellowstone talk. After school some 60 or 70 – perhaps more – pupils came to auditorium and I repeated my talk.

This evening we had a Board meeting & arranged for an election for Feb. 15.

Mother has suffered greatly today. Would have had Dr. Bergen here tonight if he had not been away.

Sent 25 or 30 cents worth of parcels post stamps to Hallenbeck & to Chic. Transp. Co. to get my slides

Sent Hallenbeck a check for \$25⁰⁰ Pd Levin check for \$15¹⁰ to be taken from Carqueville record fund.

Barber .15; (Recd check from Presb. Church for 24⁰⁰! today)

Thursday, January 30

Snow nearly all melted today. Rising wind after 9:00 P.M. & it began to freeze.

Very busy day. - - Mother a little better - -
Went to Presb. Church at 8:15 to meet Mr Metzel & carpenter to confer about hooks for maps,
etc.

Saw pair of evening grosbeaks in box elders in front of Bill Edwards. Yesterday at 1:00 P.M. there
were 12 there.

Helped with lantern slide lesson on explorers & pioneers in 4th grade

This afternoon – P & T.A. meeting. Address by Dr. McMillan of Chicago on “Undeveloped
Child.” Rather fair audience. This P.M. conference with Mr. Curtis at school Then wrote promotions on
cards until 10:45

Sent Claude Shreve to city to return Y.S. slides. Pd his expenses .72 Charge this & mine of .72 to
Dist 107

Borac acid crystals .15;

Friday, January 31

Turned steadily colder in night & as day wore on cold increased greatly. High, icy wind.

Last day of mid term. Wrote promotion cards. Talked to children that did not pass. Phoned
Lewis of L.F. academy and arranged interview for tomorrow A.M. Ditto Woodruff at Acad of Sciences.

Eighth grade exercises this evening. Prof Halsey gave fine address. Miss McPherson sang
beautifully Miss McCord ditto. Children’s music great success. Greenslade presented the diplomas.

Mother still very miserable but apparently better

Depos. \$230⁰⁰ at bank.

Sent Julia 4⁸⁰ for coloring lantern slides for Presb. Church.

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Saturday, February 1

Possibly 4° or 5° below zero this A.M! Wind gradually died down.

Mother still somewhat better.

Went to school house to plan sending some scenery to Ravinia theater – this to be loaned to the
H.S. for the play this eve. Then trolley to Lake Forest to see Mr. Lewis about Guernsey Curtis’ work. Mr.
L. and I took 10:25 for Chicago.

Went to Acad. of Sciences to borrow 4 bird slides of Mr. Woodruff. Met Dr Boker & Dr.
Atwood. Mr Hallenbeck had left me some slides with Woodruff

Then to Miss Ingersoll’s. Miss Alice had done only 2 of my 28 slides! Promises me 16 by next
Thursday. So I have sent others to Julia who is now visiting at Indianapolis. – Field’s; Kohlsaat’s – Clover
Club. Met Jones & Gilbert at latter place. Home on 2:55-3:31. Spent evening on flower lecture.
R R. 52 + 25; lunch 27 + 15; barber .25; ear muffs .25; (Lyon & H. 2⁷⁸);

Sunday, February 2

Moderated very much in the night and during this day. Clear and bright

Mother slowly improving, it seems.

S.S. as usual. Did not stay for church.

Rested. Read some. Took 4:50 for Chicago, with Mr. Geer as guest to dinner at Blackstone in
honor of Capt. Amundsen given by directors of Geog. Soc. \$3⁰⁰ per plate. Sat next to Mrs Goode.
Delightful evening. Chats with Mr & Mrs Schantz, Mr & Mrs Caldwell, Dr Cowles, Mr & Mrs Bohn, Mrs
Cox, et. al.

Caught 11:30 for home.

Dental floss .10; tip .10;

Monday, February 3

A little colder this A.M. and considerably so by evening.

Promotions today. 22 little ones entered.

I spent much time today with four backward boys. Employed Esther Kerfoot.

Mother much better. Took 6:50 for Chicago to hear Amundsen lecture. Miss Miller my guest.

Miss Guiney & Miss Davis went also. Great house. Fine lecture.

R R. 52 + .25; nuts .25; barber .15;

Tuesday, February 4

Icy wind today. Clear and sunny.

Worked much of today with backward children. Esther Kerfoot at work with me.

Mother much better

Mr Curtis called this evening to talk over Guernsey's work.

Spent whole evening on my wild flower lecture.

Sent checks as follows. Taxes (OBer) 9⁷⁰; Hallenbeck 9⁰⁰

Chic Transp. Co. – 3⁰⁰; Mrs Clow 25⁰⁰; H.P. News Co 2³⁰; M.W.A. 3³⁰; N.S. Gas Co. 5⁶⁰;

Wrote Ran for Catalogue; Leet Bro.;

Wednesday, February 5

A cold day – below zero – and not above zero before ten A.M. Moderated a little after that.

Much desk work and work with backward pupils.

Mother improving nicely.

Miss Kerfoot at work today. Mrs Shannon & Bournique served tea. Conferred with Bahr & the editor of the paper about article on the school election (Notices posted yesterday).

At home this P.M. working on lecture

Checks for 7⁸⁹ (Chas H. Warren), 10²⁸ (Banghart & Fisher), 3⁵⁷ for Flanagan

Shaving soap .25;

Thursday, February 6

Moderated. Rising wind at evening.

Mostly desk work and investigation of pupils' work.

Went to city on 11:44 – back at 2:34. Got 24 slides from Miss Enk. Julia's box of slides came by parcels post.

Conference with upper grade teachers about the needs of backward pupils.

Have had conferences with certain mothers during last two or three days over home study, excusing pupils for music, etc. Great annoyance.

Mother still improving although often in pain.

Pd Miss McPherson 2⁰⁰ for expenses. Charge to Dist. 107.

Spent evening working on my lecture. Fell "grippy." Got medicine from Dr. Bergen.

R.R. 52 + .15; lunch .20;

Friday, February 7

Cool. But not severe.

Various duties at school. Continued examination of backward pupils. Miss Kerfoot still with us.

Took 4:50 for city. Supper at City Club. At 7:00 gave "Wayside Biographies" before Polytechnic Society at Art Inst. In doubt as to how well it was received. Mr. Richardson presented me & then had to leave. He was only one I knew.

Went to Auditorium at 8:30 & heard Harry Lander. Interesting performance. Amusing to see how his followers enjoy him.

R. R. 52 + .20; supper .55; sundries .30; paper .05; barber .15; toilet .10;

Saturday, February 8

Fine day. City on 8:09. With Everett Millard a while. Had my camera. — To American Terra Cotta Co & borrowed some photos of memorial panels at Champaign. To Art Inst. Bo't photo of French's Lincoln; Took notes in library & photographed picture in librarian's office. Prang Co., Flanagan's, Lyon & Healey, Clover Club where I ate luncheon with Whitten of DeKalb.

2:00 at City Club. Met Bone, Millis, Colwell, Briggs. Session until 5:00. Decided to meet 4 weeks later. Farmed out work to Colwell & Millis.

Art Fair. Took 5:50 for home. Spent evening largely looking up Lincoln slides.

Pd Miss Ingersoll by check 10⁰⁰ for color work.

R.R. .52 + .20; lunch .50; Pd 1⁸⁰ for Borglum's Lincoln (Charge to Lincoln fund);

Sunday, February 9

Beautiful day. Mild.

S.S. as usual. Worked especially on attendance bulletins. Did not stay for church.

Took lot of photographs, including copies of photographs loaned me by Amer-Terra Cotta Co.

Mother ate at table at noon.

Monday, February 10

Mild. Grew gray as morning wore on. At 2:00 snow flurries — slight — changing to a little sleet.

Fire drills first thing this A.M.

Miss Kerfoot with me again.

Organized "review class in grammar" for 7th — 8th boys.

Mrs Bacon called to confer about P.T.A work

Sent plates by Everett Millard to city & phoned Hallenbeck to send to his office for them. Phoned Miss VanHorne at Art Inst. Had left my tripod there.

Mrs F. Schumacher, Mrs Mains, Miss Whitney served coffee.

Conference over primary arith.

Board meet. this P.M. Mr Greenslade absent — broken arm. Planned circular letter about school election. Wrote check for 6⁰⁰ for Leet Bro. Gave Mother 5⁰⁰

Tuesday, February 11

Cooler. Sunny. Beautiful winter day.

Gave Lincoln talk with slides to grades 1-3 in the morning & to grades 4-8 in the afternoon.

Co. Sup't Simpson called this A.M. to talk over plans for county meeting here on Feb. 21.

Sent one negative of Borglum's Lincoln to Chic. Transp. Co. this A.M. Phoned these people; also Miss Enk. Also Mr. Norcross about copy for letter to patrons of school.

Misses White, Grunewald, & Whitney called on Mother this evening.

Sent 6⁰⁰ to Leet Bro, Washington. Barber .25; medicine .60;

Wednesday, February 12

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Thursday, February 13

Clear. Cold. S.W. wind blowing all day, whirling dust about.

Mother not so well. Dr. Bergen called in. Pain in her head continues. New medicine gave relief.

Various school duties. Gave Lincoln talk this evening. Thirty or so adults. Lot of children. Got 15 slides from Hallenbecks

Friday, February 14

Mild. Beautiful day.

Had inventory of all supplementary books, etc., made today. Overhauled music & office “junk.”

To Art Institute this evening to hear Mr Whitford lecture on Philippine forests. Met Tex Holme at the Brevoort and took him to lecture. He had a reception himself after it was over. He and I walked over to his hotel & then I missed the 10:40 by one minute. Came out on 11:30 with Mr. & Mrs Monroe. Had fine chat

R. R. 52 + .20; lunch .15;

Saturday, February 15

Gray. A little cooler. Slight snow squall in afternoon.

Arranged for ballots & ballot boxes. Took 9:56 for Chicago. To Cameron, Arnbergs; Field's; Lunch; Amer. Terra Cotta Co; Sanborn & Co.

Took 12:45 for home. Went to school to be there at opening of polls – 2:00 p.m. Metzel, Morton, judges; Joe Richards, clerk. The Catholic vote was all brought out. Lots of “rag-chewing.” Polls closed at 8:00. Bond issue carried – 150-140. West side site 105: east, 78.

Mother passed unpleasant night. Doctor called changed treatment. Phoned Danforth to let Edith come.

Phone to Edith .75; R R 52 + 20; Lunch .20; paper .30;

Sunday, February 16

Mild. Gray. Sleeted a little after 6:00 P.M.

Edith came last night Mother better.

S.S. as usual. Held conference to discuss plans for securing more teachers in the S.S. Lollod on bed nearly all afternoon.

Monday, February 17

A little sleet on the sidewalk which soon melted away. A beautiful day.

Various duties.

Photog. at school – Copied several pictures. Developed 11 neg. this P.M. Mother a little better, seemingly.

Mrs. Mason served tea. (Geo. A. Mason).

Check to Fields 4⁶¹; Mandels. 0.98; Schantz 2⁰⁰ for Geog. Soc. Banquet Barber .15;

Tuesday, February 18

Mild. Beautiful day.

Various duties. Sent seven negatives to Hallenbeck. Rec'd from Julia several slides for Presb. Church. At noon photographed several prints of Washington's "memorials" etc. – Carlyle House, City Hotel, etc. Developed them this evening.

Nursing a bad cold. Mother improves, apparently.

Wednesday, February 19

Really a warm day! Overcoat to be dropped off – unless one have a cold.

Today spent quite a while in plant house – Pupils from nearly all rooms came down to reset bulbs which we had planted in flats in October and had uncovered in the woods yesterday.

Did not go down to annual banquet of Geog Soc. at La Salle hotel this P.M. although I had a ticket. Hardly felt equal to it because of my cold

Mother improving.

Barber .15; ticket 6⁶⁰;

Thursday, February 20

Gray. Mild.

P. & T. A. meeting this afternoon. I talked ten minutes on arithmetic. Then speaker from the city talked on fresh air schools. Good attendance, Lincoln Ave. school being well attended.

This evening had a long conference with Mr. Geer on school question.

Cold better – but head bothers me

Mother seemed better today than for many days. Edith still here

Friday, February 21

Snowfall 5.5" Precip 1.45"

Began snowing in the night and by 8:00 A.M there were 5 inches of snow. Rained a little now & then during the day & began steady rain at nightfall. Sleet & snow & rain! We had taken planking off roof of our plant house. Now it is in real danger from snow slides

County Institute under Mr. Simpson. At H.S. this morning. Addresses by Mr Hirsch & Dr. Butler At 1:00 all came over to our aud. & heard stereop. lecture by Dr. White on the southwest. I operated lantern. Dr Halsey followed with talk on early history of Lake Co.

After 4:00 P.M. I copied four prints with my camera & developed them this P.M.

Pd. for camphor .40; & tickets to minstrel show of Y.M. Club 1.00. Unable to go. Mother doing well apparently.

Saturday, February 22

Prec. .23"

Rain ceased in night. Crust & ice over everything. Gray day. Melting a little.

Took 8:49 for city after writing letter of recom. for A. R. W. of the H.S. To Chic Transp. Co., & took from there 4 slides for Miss Alice to color. She promises my slides by Monday. Traded at Fields Went to Chic. Hist. Soc. Bld'g & heard Mr. Adamson talk to children on Washington. Some of his slides good. Most of them poor. Spent afternoon in Newberry Library looking up Washington material

Bought Ford's The True Washington & Rausehenbusch's Christianizing the Social Order – Pd \$2⁹⁵ Home on 5:20-6:09.

Attended W. exercises given by D.A.R. at Parish house. Messrs H.E. Mason & Whitman spoke. Had good music.

R.R. 52 + .30; lunch .25; messenger boy .30;

Sunday, February 23

About 8° above this A.M. Beautiful sunny day. Cool.

S.S. as usual. Worked until 12:30 at desk in office at Church.

Clarence D. came over in the night & spent the day with us. He and Edith went home at 4:00 o'clock.

Brief nap this afternoon. At 5:00 left for a tramp – Down Green Bay to Co. Line. To Braeside. Then to Sheridan Road & up to Ravinia Home by trolley. Fine walk. Rough under foot.

Read from Ford's Washington.

Monday, February 24

Cold the A.M. early but a beautiful sunny day. Thawed a little.

Gave two Washington talks this morning to the school children. This afternoon went to the city on 2:34. Went to Chic Transp Co. to get 7 slides & to Miss Ingersoll's for several more. Then attended Board meeting of Geog Soc. until 5. Took 5:20 home. Hasty supper Then gave my W. talk to good audience in school auditorium. Fairly successful.

R.R. 52 + .20; Chic. Transp Co. 2⁵⁰,
Barber .15;

Tuesday, February 25

Another beautiful day. Sunny. A little warmer. Gray toward evening. Snowfall – very light – began shortly after 6 P.M.

Snowdrops in green house in full bloom.

Board meeting – informal – at Norcross' this evening. Discussed petition Catholics are circulating to have Board purchase Catholic site.

Discovered that the ballots & poll book of election of Feb. 15 had to be turned over to Treasurer Dooley before midnight. Mr Greenslade & I delivered them to him at 9:30 P.M

Mother had no headache at breakfast. First time in weeks.

Draft for Julia on acct. 10⁰⁰

Wednesday, February 26

7" + 3" – Snow Prec. .62"

Snowed heavily all night and off and on all day. Light, damp snow. Mild. Lovely sight. Everything powdered over.

Visited rooms steadily today when not teaching backward pupils.

Mrs Bournique served tea this evening.

Had a short conference of 6th – 8th grad teachers

Gave article to H.P. Press on need for more school rooms.

Mrs Hammond died rather suddenly last night

Spent evening clearing away at pile of correspondence.

Sent \$4⁵⁶ to R.L. Baud as Royal League dues for Feb.-Mar. 3⁰⁰ to Geog. Soc of Chic for annual dues; 2⁰⁰ to Natl Geog; 1²⁵ to MacMillans; 13³⁰ to Hallenbeck for slides

Thursday, February 27

Prec. .09" Snow 1"

Plenty of snow to dig off of the walks this A.M. Threatening all day but no snow. Colder at evening.

Busy day. Pottered at clearing out some specimens in science room.

Went down to Mrs Krueger's this P.M. to make inquiries about indigent family.

Cleared away at my desk this P.M.

Sent check for \$2⁴⁹ to M. Field & Co. To be paid out of funds turned over to me by Miss Gahan.

A flock of evening grosbeaks reported at noon in Cauley's yard. A dead specimen brought in in the afternoon
Express .20; Larson's bill .50;

Friday, February 28

Fine day. A little snowfall after nightfall – a flurry.
Various school duties
Worked this P.M. on letter to Mr. Mills, adv. agt of Gt Northern at Minneapolis
Barber .85; Laundry .12;

Saturday, March 1

Snow 1" – Prec .07"

Clear much of day. Melted some. Then snow flurry about 5:00 P.M. followed by wind and drop in temperature. Quite cold by 10:00 P.M.

Wrote long letter to Mr. Mills of the Gt. Northern. Took 10:38 to Chicago – Yawman & Erbe's for card guides for Pres. S.S; Gt Northern office to confer with Weber, et. al.; P.O; McClurg; Lyon & H; Morris Book Shop; Fair; Barber's Book Shop; Von Lengercke; M. Field's Orr & Lockett, etc. Chat with Mabel Dearlove Sundell & her husband. 5:10 for home.

Dinner (boys' dinner) at H.S. Guest of Mr. Sandwick. Speakers: Dr. Lannel; Mr. Monroe; E McCullough; & J.S. Brickle, of Froebel School, Gary. A fine evening. Monroe came home with me & we talked politics until 11:20.

R.R. 52 + 25; Lunch .25; Boots 10⁵⁰; Pd 1⁵⁸ at Y. & Erbes – Charge to Presb. S.S; Pd 3⁵⁰ for 2 vol. of Palestine travel – charge 1⁵⁰ of it to Church; 48¢ to Ill. Geolog. Survey; Pd 65¢ for chain; Charge 25¢ to Dist. 107 for catch; L & Healy .05; Miscell. .05.

Sunday, March 2

Thermometer 2° to 5° below this A. M. Sunny. Wind from S.W. towards evening. S.S. & to church. Began taking to pieces book on Palestine to furnish pictures for mounting.

Slept about all afternoon. Went this evening to Krueger's to inquire about Ella who had a mastoid operation at Evanston hospital yesterday.

This evening to song service at Church. Took Miss White home & went on to plant house to see how temperature was. Worked on classification of pictures for S.S.
Church .10;

Monday, March 3

Much warmer. Snow flurries after 6:00 P.M.

Spent most of day conferring with pupils that had U or P on their report cards.

Various office hours. – Mrs Shannon – Merrit – Tea served this afternoon by Mrs Merrit & Mrs Woodcock.

Began additional letter to H.P. Press on school question.
Barber .15; Presb. Ch. .34 for Perry pictures;

Tuesday, March 4

Snowfall – 1"

Gray much of day. Sudden rush of snowflakes for a short time in the afternoon – then bright sunshine.

Called all pupils together & celebrated inauguration. Older pupils told of election. I showed slides of Springfield and of Washington.

Teachers' meeting (S.S.) at S.S. office this evening.

Then worked on letter to H.P. Press until 12:30 A.M.

Wednesday, March 5

Took 6:21 for Chicago. Had 18 teachers & Mrs Bacon & Mrs Shannon. 7:45-9:00 I.C.R.R & "South Shore" to Gary. Went to Emerson School where we spent A.M. Found Fay Wilson in cooking class and Grant in mechanical drawing. Mr. Spaulding, Princ., & Mr. Wolfden, Mnl Tr., showed us many courtesies. Ate cafeteria lunch there. Then went to Froebel school wher Mr. Brickle took us around. Caught 3:15-4:30 to Chic. & 5:10-5:44 home.

Began to snow some before noon. Kept it up more or less until about 6:00 P.M. Getting much colder.

R.R. .52 + .35 + .52 + .10; bread 05; nuts .05; lunch .30;

Thursday, March 6

Zero weather this A.M. Sun shone most of day. Steady cold.

P.T.A. this meeting. Mothers reported on F. Parker School, Chic. Latin; Armstrong. Some of us talked about Gary School.

Miss Everett & Mrs Bournique served.

I worked on pamphlets in school collection today. Heard "special" grammar class. – Civics, etc.

Made out bills this evening: Gieser 6⁰⁰; M.W.A. 1⁶⁵; Geary 1⁶⁶; Schumacher 2⁹⁰; Zahnle 5⁹⁶; Phot. Mat. Co. 4¹¹; Chic Tel. 3⁴⁰; N.S. Laundry 2⁶⁹; Harders 5⁰⁰; H.P. Press 1⁵⁰; Bahr 1⁰⁰; H.P. Fuel, 17⁰⁰; Mandel 1⁵³ Fields 4²⁷; D.C.P. 2⁶⁰ (Church)

Barber .15;

Friday, March 7

Mild. Gray. Snow flurries during afternoon and after nightfall.

Spent much time on pamphlet material at school. Worked there this evening.

8A's gave contest among themselves in presenting scenes from M of V.

Still have board barricade on plant house roof.

Called 7th & 8th boys together to talk over cantata – The Grasshopper.

Child brought in specimen of evening grosbeak. Young male.

Barber .15; house 10⁵⁰; oil .10; Gas 6²⁰;

Saturday, March 8

A great thaw today! Everything started to float. S.W. wind at nightfall

8:49 to Chic. (Train tangled its brakes before leaving town & we transferred to the 9:19). Chat with Rowell. Met Caldwell & Mortensen at station. Caucus about what M. & I should look out for at comm. meeting. Then I went to Barret Bindery. To Chic. Hist. Soc. Bld'g but did not see Miss McIlvaine. Then to L. & H's; lunch; Univ. Club where Mortensen, Salisbury, Tower, Cummings, & I nominated ticket for Geog. Soc. Great time. Then to City Club. Colwell, Bone, Millis, Parsons & I & Mrs Brown discussed arithmetic topics. – Supper at Club. Saw "When Hindle Wakes" at Olympic. Great acting. Chat with Collins. Home on 11:30.

R.R. 52 + .30; L. & H. .80; lunch .20; Supper .80; paper .05; ticket 1⁰⁰; (R.R. ticket 6⁶⁰);

Sunday, March 9

Gray & sunny alternately. Thawed heavily.

S.S. as usual.

Slept before & after dinner. Then tramped over west – towards Deerfield, then north past Mooney's cemetery, & then in by W. P. Ave. Heavy snow banks in roads. Walked in fields part of way. Tea at Clows' this P.M. Mother went – her first time away from home for weeks. Saw juncos (2), heard woodpecker, saw crows, - horned larks called from stubble.

Monday, March 10

Mild. Thawed steadily. Busy! Got bills ready for Board meeting. Gave my civics class illustrated talk on Drainage canal. Swinging frames for the Lincoln pictures arrived.

At Board Meeting this P.M. all present except Mr. Geer. A Mr. Cribbs presented petition of Catholics to urge purchase of their school site. No action taken.

Tuesday, March 11

Thawed much more than yesterday. Sunny.

Shave before school & had my warts treated. Lots of them under my chin.

Transferred many pots of bulbs from plant house to rooms. Hyacinths coming nicely into bloom.

Took civics class to city hall & to town collector's office.

Spent evening working over problem of distribution of school population.

Barber .40; tailor .25;

Wednesday, March 12

Another mild, thawing day. Up early. Finished news items for H.P. Press. At school. Started cooking of materials for two hktographs. 9:56 for city. Chat with Mr. Metzel. At Art Institute – conferred with Miss Van Horne & Miss Bennett about mounting pictures in swinging frames. To see Mr Alder at Moulton & Ricketts about same thing. Got from him picture of Grandmother framed up. Pd 2²⁵. Lyon & H. – bought one record for school - \$.75. Home on 12:45-1:37. Heard boys rehearse chorus after school. Caucus at Mrs Bacon's of officers of Elm Place Div. Agreed to ask R.R. for crossing guard at Elm Place. etc.

Spent some of evening looking up materials for lecture.

R.R. 52 + .10; Lunch .40; Pd Mrs [Shange?] 75¢ for school

Thursday, March 13

Very mild. Gray much of time. Snow here only in old piles. Heard song of bluebird before I got up. Went down Green B. R'd a ways before school & saw a number of meadowlarks, a flock of red wings, plenty of robins, & heard another bluebird. Dr H. saw fox sparrows.

Miss Cross & Miss Rahn of Riverforest visited us – also Miss Craig of Deerfield.

Miss McPherson is drilling Glee Club chorus of boys.

Miss Miller's pupils brought in several quarts of maple sap again today.

This evening took flower slides to school house & tried them out.

Ice cream .10;

Friday, March 14

Precip. .30

Rained in the night. Mild today & threatening. Showers at 4:30

Miss Herman ill & Miss Kerfoot substituted.

I rehearsed "Grasshopper chorus at 1:00.

Left school at 3:35. Took 4:58 for Chicago. Supper at C & N.W. restaurant. At 6:30 gave "Wild Flower Trails" at Art Inst. (Polytech. Soc.) Well received.

At 8:20 Geog. Soc. met in same hall & Dr. Dorsey gave lecture – without views. I sat with Weld. Conference with Dr. Cowles over nominating committee & Asa Goddard about his candidacy for Winnetka job. Home on 10:40-11:30. Found Clarence & Junior here.

R.R. 52 + .10; supper .35; barber .15;

Saturday, March 15

Precip. .07

Snowing fitfully today. Sidewalks melted off but light coating on ground. Colder towards evening.

Clarence, Junior & I took 8:49 for C. Went to Moulton & R.; Barrett Institute; City Club, Federal Bldg, McClurg, Lyon & H., Clover Club, Field's, McIntosh's. Then along river front to let Junior see freighters. Then to Whipperman's. Took 2:55 for H.P. Went to Presb. Church & got lantern. I took 4:58 for C. To City Club. Set up lantern in Grill Room Reunion of Y.P. – "44." About 40 present. Tex Holm & Mrs. ____ Tex gave lecture on Y.P. trip. I ran lantern. Various speeches. Mr & Mrs. Schapper preparing to go to Europe Caught 12:15 for home. Sat with Rowell

R.R. 1.56; trolley .35; lunch 1⁰⁰; music .25; book .45; dinner 1⁰⁰; Bread .21;

Sunday, March 16

Cool. About ½" snow on ground at sunrise. Clear & sunny much of day. Then short but decided snow flurry in afternoon.

To S.S. with Junior until 10:10. Then saw him & Clarence off on the 10:38. Home & slept until dinner. Slept nearly all afternoon.

This evening planned Easter program for next Sunday.

Re-reading Somehow Good.

R.R. 26 (Ticket to Clarence)

Monday, March 17

A March day. Melted a little. Shone a little. Frequent flurries of snow in morning. Beautiful moonlight tonight – cool wind blowing from S.W.

Miss Canavan went home sick - - - tonsilitis. Miss Hostetter doubled up both rooms for the day.

Got things ready for an Indian entertainment by Rev & Mrs Humphrey under auspices of D.A.R. (3:00 P.M). Then took 12:56 for Chicago. Lunch at N.W. Station. Got my slides ready. Went to Lincoln Center & gave wild flower talk before Nike Club at 4:30. Well received. Misses Holbrook, Hefter, Wilson, Thayer, et. al. present. Also Mrs Dow. Came home on 8:30-8:37.

Worked a while at school bld'g.

R R. 52 + .20; (Book 1⁰⁰;) lens at McIntosh 1⁰⁰; Meals 1⁰⁵; ice cream .10; barber .15.

Tuesday, March 18

Beautiful day. Milder. Windy. Everything melted. Miss K. in Miss Canavan's room.

Various duties.

Nearly all bulbs in bloom. Some past their prime. Sent to Dreer's for various seeds today - \$3⁴⁵.

Deposited 81¹⁷ today including check for 10⁶⁹ Miss Balyeat turned over to me for mn'l tr. material.

Saw grackles flying overhead, I think

Conf. with Mrs Bacon & Mrs Shannon at 5:00 P.M. over P.T.A. reception.

Spent part of evening at school house working over article for paper.

Deposit included 25⁰⁰ from Polytech. Soc., & 20⁰⁰ from Nike.

Wednesday, March 19

Another windy day. Warm – balmy.

Spent great portion of day trying to write article for the Press on the distribution of population in Dist. 107.

Boys & I got toboggan slide Mrs Jerrems donated to school.

Ag't of Century Co. called. Two visiting teachers from Kenosha. Also Miss Crapeer!

At home this evening. Finished re-reading Somehow Good.

Barber .15

Thursday, March 20

Light shower in the night. Gray part of day. Grew much cooler after 9:00 A.M. but still far above freezing. Light sprinkle after 6:00 P.M. so that our back steps were very slippery. Mother tumbled down them and I followed after in rescue bent. No damage – apparently. Miss Canavan still ill & Miss Kerfoot substituting.

Pd Mr. Trowbridge for Chicago Boys' Club 2⁰⁰ (check). Drilling boys' chorus. Miss McPherson wrote from Clinton of her father's death. Will be gone this & next week.

Board meeting this P.M. Voted to buy Sheahen site – also 200 ft. of Moseley site.

Friday, March 21

A weird day! Rain in the night froze on the trees and cased everything in mail. Then it began to snow about 7:15 A.M. and a blizzard aspect held forth for an hour or two. Rest of the day gleams of sunshine on a rarely beautiful world – and gray clouds blown about the sky. Beautiful moonlight night. Cold. Wind still.

Small attendance at school. Good Friday. First day of Spring!!

Much tearing out of tree tops, silver maples & box elders especially.

This evening went to Ravinia to hear Miss Cook talk on education as demonstrated at Francis Parker School. Fine talk. Bright audience

Took 4 photographs after dinner. Three exterior.

Barber 25; trolley .10;

Saturday, March 22

The sun shone out today but the wind was cool and out in the open the ice still held everything fast. Broken wires, sagging branches, everywhere.

To city on 8:49. To M. & Ricketts where I left three Guerin prints, 2 to be reframed. To Miss Ingersoll's; City Club; Fair; Flanagan's; S.L. Smith's where I paid 34⁰⁰ (my check) for two of Miss McCord's pictures. (Due me 3²⁵); lunch at City Club; Vaughan's; Field's; Thos Charles; City Club where only Bone of Com. of Seven met me. At 3:10 we left & went to M. & Ricketts' again where I got 3 of my swinging frames to take home again: Caught 4:40 home.

Raymond G. & I set up lantern at church this P.M. I planned S.S. work of tomorrow. R.R. 52 + .30; lunch .60; Vaughan's .70 (Dist 107); Fair .18 (drawer pulls for 1.07); Fair .30 (rubber stamp for Presb. Ch.; Y. & Erbe 1.83 (cards for Presb Ch) Garters .25;

Sunday, March 23

Rained off and on all day. Ice melted on trees. At 11:00 P.M. heavy, warm wind from S.W. blowing.

At S.S. showed Easter Pictures. Appropriate scripture passages read by self & others. Decision day. Number of boys responded to call.

Easter service in church. Slept afternoon. Later went to Skokie west of Washington Ave, Highwood. Fog over all – heard great choruses of red wings; song of song sparrow; call of fox sparrow.

Took 7:10 trolley for the Wilsons' at Wilmette. Very delightful evening. Mrs Palmer of Regina there. Had never met her before.

Church .50; trolley .40.

Monday, March 24

Cooler. Threatening.

Miss Canavan still too ill to take her place.

Great storms reported in Omaha & various places yesterday.

Ducks reported plentiful. Mrs Mosely saw chewinks on Friday – 21st.

Barber .15;

Tuesday, March 25

Prec. .12" 1 ½" snow.

Snowing at day break. Flurries now & then all day. Possibly an inch fell but melted or was blown about.

Miss Canavan "on the job" again

Turned out most of copy of another article in the Press today.

12:56 for Chicago. Went down to 39th & Prairie Ave. to discuss organization of P & T Assn's. Mr Hatch made chief talk. Met Mrs Langworthy of River Forest, Mrs Blodgett, & Mrs Bright. – Wendell Philips H.S. Supper at a restaurant. Wrote 2 letters at City Club. Heard Manchester players give delightfully "She stoops to conquer"

R.R. 52 + .30; supper .45; theater 1.00; telegram .40 (Wired Aunt Eva for Omaha news).

Wednesday, March 26

Melted scarcely any. Raw wind much of day. Routine work. Went over to H.S. to look up size of pots used in their plant house.

Had a group of girls plant 11 flats with aster seeds. Miss G. Miller's pupils planted various grains.

This evening took lantern & slides to Miss Whitney's & showed about 150 slides to Miss White, Beals, and Grunewald.

Took drawer from office at church to Harrison to have extra lining cut down.

Letter from Aunt Eva assuring us of her safety from injury during tornado at Omaha.

Barber .40;

Thursday, March 27

Sun shown beautifully all morning and much thawing resulted. Chilly this afternoon and paler sun.

6B's planted salvias

5B's & 5A's – Tomatoes & pansies

4th's A Phlox

7thA – Ageratum

Much activity in plant house.

Mr Wells, representing paint house – called. This is man who has such fine autochromes.

Stories of terrible disasters in floods in Ohio & Indiana come in.

New senators – J. Hamilton Lewis & Laurence Y Sherman! Ruth Ann Enders – my niece – arrived at 10: A.M. yesterday!!

Slept & loafed all evening. Read Atlantic – April number notable.

Dist 107 - \$.10 (fish food)

Household 5⁰⁰

Friday, March 28

Warmer than yesterday. Bright & clear. Rising wind at nightfall. Snow all gone.

Much planting in green house. Cabbage, cauliflower, alyssum, pansies, phlox, nasturtiums, etc.

Mrs G.G. Greene came to report on her visits to Wheaton, Geneva, etc. Also to confer on H.S.

English.

Mrs Overley called at supper time to confer as to her children's reports

Miss McCord and I drilled "Grasshopper" boys from 7:00 to 8:00 this evening.

Barber .15; sleeve protectors .15; Pins .25 (Dist. 107);

Saturday, March 29

A fine day. Windy. Cool. Sunny.

Sent material relating to pressing & selling wild flowers to Mrs F.M. Stevenson, Babb, Mont.

Took ~~9:56~~ 10:33 for Chicago. To Chic. Hist. Soc. Looked up Lincoln material for our swinging frames. Conference with Miss McIlvain. At 2:00 Com of Seven met at City Club. McMurry, Bone, Colwell, Millis, Bardwell. Fine meeting.

5:50 home. Wrote for Lincoln material to three different sources this P.M. Paid 1⁷⁵ for 1000 wooden labels & .15 for seeds at Vaughn's. Charge to Dist. 107.

Have a cold.

R.R. 52 + .20; lunch .20; barber .15;

Sunday, March 30

Mild March day. Threatening in afternoon. Light shower after 6:00. Thunder in distance.

A cold bothering me. S.S. as usual. Mr. Noerenberg (Wm) visited as representative of Lake Co. S.S. Ass'n. Gave him statistics of the S.S. Did not stay for church. Went home & slept until 1:00. Down to Mr Moseley for dinner – Geo. & Marion there. Showed photos of Glacier Park & told them about the beauties of the Park.

Came away at 4:00.

Stayed in rest of day.

Phoned Mr. Tear – Hyde P. 5004 – on business of Committee of Seven.

Monday, March 31

A beautiful windy March day with clouds piled up in the sky. A clear sunset. A few rain drops at noon.

Asters, & other seeds up in plant house.

Tree lesson out of doors with Miss Knapp's pupils.

Mr. Runkle representing McMillan's called. Also Prof. Halsey – to give me my copy of Lake Co. history.

Miss McPherson resumed her music work here. Was quite low spirited.

My cold bothered me some. Not severe, though.

Worked on article for this week's paper this P.M.

Boys & I decided to postpone show until next week.

Heard flicker today. Frogs croaking tonight

Barber .15; candy .10;

Tuesday, April 1

A delightful day. Warm. No strong winds. Election of Tp. officers. Warm contest.
7B's planted Forsythia cuttings, they had stored for the winter & the 6A's osier dogwood cuttings.
Got manure for hot bed. Planned it with 7A's. Miss Nixon, friend of Miss Behrens, a ward
principal of Hammond, visited in afternoon.

Mrs Gourley called to talk over perils (moral) of our young people. Mrs (Capt) Burt & her mother
visited us.

Mother & I planted sweet peas this evening & burned up rubbish.

Mice still eating seeds in plant house.

Swifts, whip-poor-wills, reported.

Wednesday, April 2

Precip. .22"

Light showers in the night. Then showers from 11:00 to 11:40 this A.M. Clear afternoon.

7A's began hot bed by packing in the manure

Finished my weekly letter for the H.P. Press.

Mrs Tyner called.

Mrs Bacon served tea at her house after school – for the teachers. I called in late. After this was
over some of us walked as far north as the Moraine, etc

Held partial drill at 7:10 – 8 this evening – of grasshopper boys.

Tiny live kinglet (g.c.) brought in today.

Thursday, April 3

Old-fashioned thunderstorm in night. Raining at daybreak. Ceased before nine. Sun shone much
of day. Warm. Windows open. Thunderstorm 6:30 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Various things. Visited several rooms. Helped certain boys on parts in play. Used a workman
(Cameron) this afternoon cutting poles for rustic work in ravines.

All sorts of birds here. Hermit thrushes, winter wrens, whip-poor-wills etc. Short walk after
school this P.M. Miss McPherson drilled glee club after school. Wrote many checks this P.M.

Friday, April 4

Prec. 1.18

Gray. Cooler. Light showers and mists.

Before school visited Hawkin's addition north of H.S. to inspect piles of poles. These I coveted for
the rustic work at Elm Place.

At various times I drilled certain boys on their songs, etc. Gave Ulrich Lighthall his part as the
parson. Drilled chorus after school. Some progress

McKenzie called for a chat after school.

Planned to go to lecture at Hist. Soc. this evening but gave it up at last minute. Worked mostly at
my desk this P.M

Harassed by demands for reports for Presb. S.S.

Barber .25;

Saturday, April 5

Beautiful. Mild.

Errand to school house. Then to Mr. Clampit's to consult him about grafting. 9:56 to Chicago. Chat with
Jack Baker on the way. To Wippermans to leave 27(?) lantern slides to loan to Miss Flentye (spring
flowers); Moulton & Ricketts to leave copy of Gettysburg speech for mounting; to Mr. Bournique's office
to see Remington machine he has given me for the school; to Rem company to order its overhauling; to

City Club with Searles as my guest for luncheon; Brown of New Trier sat with us; Then to committee meeting – nominations – of Geog Soc. at Univ. Club. Everything amicable. Mortense & I saw “Cubist” exhibition at Art Inst. (Horrible!) & flower show. Then to Field’s; Vaughan’s; Spalding’s (Pd 4⁰⁰ for vaulting pole – charge to Athletic fund); City Club to get negatives I had got from Hallenbeck & left there; 5:50 home. This evening phoned Dr. Cowles.
R.R. 52 + .30; lunch 1⁰⁰; neck tie. 50; Barber .15; Pd for Presb. Church at Y & Erbe’s -- .40;

Sunday, April 6

Clear. Cooler. Froze thin ice in the night.

Everett Millard and I took 7:31 for Chicago & the 9:00 Alton for Joliet. On train were Wm Walker, Roper, et. al. of Prairie Club on way to Lemont. We went on to Joliet & too Joliet & Southern trolley for Gouger’s Station near New Lenox. Higinbotham’s Woods – The Wilderness. Fine big trees – white oaks, elms, etc. Hepaticas beginning to bloom freely. Skunk cabbage up & leaves advancing. At lunch at foot of giant elm along whose roots the brook babbled. Walked back to Joliet Caught 3:40 Alton for Chicago & the 5:10 for home.

Bought new ticket last night - 6⁶⁰

R.R 52; lunch .25 (nuts); fruit .17; trolley .30.

Monday, April 7

Cool. A sort of March wind blowing, but invigorating.

At assembly showed skunk cabbage bloom. Also “wad” of hepatica blossoms to show how inartistic a bouquet of them may be made. Mrs Green visited school much of the day.

Miss McPherson drilled the glee club boys after school. Some of the 7A boys hauled three wheel barrow loads of manure from Dr Peck’s for our hot bed. Started 4B’s & 4A’s to pricking out their cabbage & cauliflower plants.

Dr. Sheldon came in after school to try out some of his slides with our lantern.

Miss Davis et. al. began making suits for grasshopper boys.

Board meeting little while this evening to authorize sale of bonds & further procedure in purchase of Sheahen site. At nine went to church meeting at Presb. Ch. & reported for work of S.S.

Barber .15; Mother \$15.⁰⁰

Tuesday, April 8

Another March-like – windy day.

Various duties. Promoted show details.

Finished article for the paper at 9:30 A.M.

Drilled grasshopper chorus from 7 to 8 this P.M. Miss McCord accompanied. Miss Davis supervising the making of costumes.

Wednesday, April 9

Precip. .33”

Drizzled nearly all day – rained heavily for awhile after 4:00 P.M. A cold rain.

Talked over phone with Mrs Leaming about a girl working at laundry – “under 14.” Phoned laundry advising requiring school and age certificate.

Rehearsed boys from 8:00 to 9:00; also at noon. Miss Canavan teaching black bugs a dance.

Mr. Scudder, mn’l tr. teacher of Evanston Tp H.S. called on Miss Balyeat a while.

This evening I wrote out grasshopper “instructions” on machine.

Phone H. Richards about piano. 20¢

Barber .15;

Thursday, April 10

Prec. .46”

Rained in night and cool at daybreak. After 9:00 A.M. turned decidedly warm. Muggy all day. Sun shone only a little.

Busy with boys’ play. Took lunch to school. Rehearsed at noon hour. Rather discouraging.

Had to give up auditorium to scrub women all afternoon. P.T.A. reception there this evening. Mrs H.R. Smith sang & Mrs Baugh of the Anna Morgan School gave some fine readings. Stayed to a late hour.

Ice cream .20;

Friday, April 11

Prec. .06”

Drizzled off and on much of day.

Lloyd Metzler died in the night – a great shock to all who know the Metzels. An operation yesterday from which he did not recover.

Rehearsed “show from 8:30 A.M to 9:30 A.M. Matinee this afternoon was fine. Evening performance great. Especially good were Rob’t Nichols – “the conductor of the orchestra”; Wm Hupprich who announced the numbers; Virgil Hart – fine soprano - ; Arthur Booth, colored porter; et. al. Made about \$56⁰⁰ Veran Florent played fine cornet solo.

Miss McPherson’s Glee Club Boys sang.

Pd Mrs Strange 2⁴⁵

Mrs _____ 1³⁵

for Dist 107 3⁸⁰

Recd 2⁷⁰

Charge #107 1¹⁰

Barber .15;

Saturday, April 12

Drizzle or mist at intervals all day. What some call depressing weather.

At school a while this A.M. Then Mother & I took 9:53 for Chicago. I went with her to Pere Marquette. She took 12:00 Noon train for St Joseph.

Lunch at City Club & chat with Mr. Jorgeson. To Yawman & Erbe’s; Miss Ingersoll’s; Moulton & Rickett’s; Rothschild’s; Barber’s 2nd Hand Book Store; Committee of Seven at City Club – McMurry, Parson, Millis, Bone, & Bardwell. To Carson Pirie & bought some books.

Home on 5:50-6:31. Chat with J.H. Leaming on way home; with Mr. Geer at the station; with Mr. Monroe on way to house. Mr Marris & his niece, Miss Marris, an Indiana teacher, called.

R.R. 52 + .30; Mother’s fare 1⁸⁰; lunch .35; dental floss .15; barber .50; papers .06 + .15; book (Lincoln) 1⁰⁰; At Carson P. & Co. 1⁸⁰; 5 books for Presb. S.S. library \$3²⁵; At Y&Erbe 1¹⁵ (Presb Ch)

Sunday, April 13

A beautiful sunny day – a little cool.

S.S. as usual. Went in to church but felt too tired and came away.

In S.S. made reference to Lloyd Metzler’s death. Resolutions, etc., were passed.

After lunch took cab to Swedish Luth. Church at Highwood to attend funeral of Mr. Gustafson – who had had two pupils in my school. Then was driven down to the Metzler’s. Mr & Mrs Everett Millard & I went in together. Sad funeral. Afterwards I went home with the Millards a while. Romped with Chevy. Saw cardinal & heard him sing. Mr. & Mrs Geo P. Englehard & Dorothy came while I was there and I chatted with them about Lexington.

At home this P.M. with Kittie.

Monday, April 14

Another beautiful day. Fair wind from N.E.

Hot bed planted by 7A's today – radishes and lettuce. Much other work done in green house. Mr Hudson of the Highwood schools visited us all morning.

Got bills ready for Board Meeting this evening. Decided to ask architect Mann to run on ticket.

Tuesday, April 15

Beautiful day. Very busy. Worked in and about plant house all day. Nearly all the asters were reset today, all the tomatoes. The Boys made 24 flats.

At election today – Mr. Hawkins defeated Evans for Mayor; Holmes defeated Gail for city attorney, etc.

Rode down West Park Ave. late this afternoon & lingered in Skokie for sunset effects. Saw a bittern.

Barber .25;

Wednesday, April 16

Beautiful day. At first quite warm. Then cool breezes.

Took 9:15 trolley for Waukegan. Visited Miss Whipple's room; Also Miss Liebeck, Mr Martin, Mr. Bush, et. al. Ate lunch at "George's" Home at 1:30. Call from Miss Mech of Naperville - - - elderly teacher who wants a lower grade position.

After school went with 11 of the teachers to my blackbird swamp west of Washington Ave, Highwood. Very beautiful trip. Skunk cabbage in full bloom. Found two or three open buds of cowslips. Cost of Waukegan trip .40; lunch .35

Thursday, April 17

The warmest day thus far. A south wind blew the dust about. The evening was mild.

This evening a meeting of S.S. at office at church. I accepted title of acting sup't; the department supts to conduct opening exercises.

P.T.A. meeting at 3:30: Elected Mrs Clements, Drake, & Laing officers. Much discussion. Plans for another year.

Esterbrook pen man called & received next year's order.

Barber .40; bananas .10

Friday, April 18

Not so warm as yesterday but very mild until 5:00 P.M when cool north-easter blew in from Lake.

Arbor day. Had 6A, 7B, 7A, 8B, & 8A in groups out to dig up wild crab & hawthorne & set in hedge at south rim of ravine. Other plant house work.

Ordered ballots for school election printed.

Barber .50 + 10;

Saturday, April 19

A clear day but cool N.E. increased in chilliness until it made fires very inviting.

Cleaned up yard & spaded a little in the garden. Then took ballot boxes & ballots to school house. Took 9:53 for Chicago. In my mail was a notice of Supt P.R. Walker's death at Rockford.

To Fields, Thos Charles, McIntosh, Gt. Northern office where I had a chat with Weber and got some of the new R.R. circulars containing Geog. Society's write up of Glacier Park; at Clover Club; McClurg's; Miss Ingersoll's; Searles; Moulton & R; Van Buren 2nd hand book store; Orr & L; - - - home at 5:04. Went to school house & found there was no opposition ticket.

Dist 107 – Blue print paper 1⁰⁰

Carbons .48; Blank keys .25;

R.R. 52 + .20; lunch .26; barber .25;

Sunday, April 20

A chilly wind blowing off the lake all day. Clear & sunny.

S.S. as usual. Nap before dinner.

Went to Academy of S.H., & walked over to 6th Ravine which I explored to its mouth. Skunk cabbage leafing; hepaticas wide open; bloodroot budding nicely; hazel catkins withered; aspens almost over. Very much disgusted to find 6th Ravine badly mutilated at its mouth by McCormick's men. Visited his place to look on the monstrosities - - tunnel through cliff, etc. Visited Webster at U.S. Pumping Station. Home on trolley.

Trolley .15;

Monday, April 21

Trace

Chilly at first. Grew decidedly warmer. Threatened rain – very few drops fell. Cleared & got warmer.

Miss Canavan's mother very ill & she is unable to be here. Esther K. taught her room.

3 Framed Guerin prints came from Moulton & Ricketts.

Today Miss Miller's (6th) pupils made a sheltered bed & planted various grains. Also planted currant cuttings.

Mother came back from Benton Harbor.

I went with Rafferty and some of my boys & got two loads of oak poles from Hawkin's sub-division

Planted our nasturtium seeds this A.M.

Barber .15; ice cream .20;

Tuesday, April 22

Trace

Sultry today & evening. Very faint fall of drops during morning.

Had about 100 boys carry pile of poles from boulevard to place on grounds. Others dug trenches & during day by classes & groups we planted 30 crataegus from Bahr & 50 locust.

Miss White gave the Hansel & Gretel show this afternoon. Good. Almost 16⁰⁰ Audience was school children

This evening Mr Frank B. Knight gave an illustrated talk on floods, reclamation of swamp lands, etc. Fine talk. Lot of children – three of whom I “bounced.”

Conference with Mrs Schumacher about the list of teachers.

Heard Brown Thrasher – White-Throats – today. Think I saw a myrtle. Whip-poor-wills heard.

Wednesday, April 23

Very warm today. One's flannels cried out!

A little work with some of the boys in the ravine. Then varied work indoors.

Miss White's show repeated this afternoon. Good audience.

“Shucked” my flannels & went to city to Audubon meeting at Mr Deane's this evening. Missed 5:50 C. & N W. – finally took 6:25 trolley – got to Chicago Ave at 7:40.

Mr Dodson brought Miss Hardman & Miss Hannig & me to R.R. station in auto.

Chat with Mr Clute at station. 10:40 for home
Martens arriving.
R.R. 15 + .26; supper .15 + 5 + .25; barber .15;

Thursday, April 24

Trace

Light shower before 8:00 A.M. Then warm & sultry. After 5:30 P.M. heavy showers for an hour nearly.

Took 8A's to Waukegan. Visited Co. Clerk's office (Miss Bower), saw court room ready for trial, visited Mr Brockway & Mr. Simpson. Then down to dock & went all over a freighter unloading coal (7,500 T). Home at 12:45.

Hepatica party after school. Mrs Shannon & Miss Burr went with us. Bus took us to 6th Ravine bridge. Then it took our "grub" to pumping station & went back. We were caught in all the rain later on & soaked thoroughly. Bus picked us up & we ate our lunch in it on way home – Got home at 8:30 P.M. Miss McPherson went along. Miss Anna Mann of Batavia schools visited today.

Friday, April 25

6 P.M. – 24th. 5 P.M. – 25th. Prec. .63"

Light shower most of day. Cooler as day progressed.

Gave diplomas to the 8A's who did not entirely complete course in February.

Announced sale of peach trees at 4¢ each. Trees not on hand yet.

Spent much of afternoon going over report cards of pupils.

Conferred with several of the teachers about their positions for next year.

Sent draft for 9⁹⁰ to C. K. Reed, Worcester, Mass. for 18 Bird Guides No. 2.

Bought new R.R. ticket – 6⁶⁰ Miss Gahan took several girls to Lewis & to Art Inst. today.

Saturday, April 26

Bright. Warmed up at first At school house for an hour or so. Then took 11:44 for Chicago Met Everett & Mrs Millard and took 1:00 o'clock for Utica, arriving after 4:00. No hotel but young man directed us to a woman who gave us rooms for the night. Then we took a rig & drove to Starved Rock – the hotel not yet open. Went to French Canyon, to Starved Rock & Lover's Leap. Walked back to Utica in the dusk.

Had turned off cool in the afternoon. M. bought extra pair of drawers. We bought wienies, & powdered sugar. I had brought along 2 boxes of strawberries & I mixed them & powd. sugar.

Breakfast at Rounds' restaurant

R.R. 26 + Livery 1⁵⁰; berries .25; meat .10; sugar .05; barber .15; tailor 1.25; Restaurant .15

Sunday, April 27

Quite cool in night. Gray in the morning Breakfast at restaurant. Drove out to S.R. at 9. Visited Aurora Canyon; then Wildcat; chatted with Capt. Ballard at Hamilton Club's place near Pulpit Rock; then up west fork of Horseshoe Canyon – where we had lunch. I cooked bacon & wienies, eggs which we got of restaurant keeper, this A M, & Millards the wienies. These & the sugared strawberries "went fine." Then explored east fork of Horseshoe; then back to Lover's Leap, French Canyon & the Rock where our rig awaited us - - - We settled with Mrs Gardner, & took 4:17 for Chicago. Caught 8:00 for home. Restaurant .45; tips .40; paper .05;

Monday, April 28

Cool wind – strong. Sunny.

At school part of morning. Worked in plant house Mr. Davies & Ralph fixing bridges in ravine.

Worked at home most of afternoon Planted chard and radishes. Spaded beds for gladiolis, tigridas, dahlias. We did not get last planted. Hung pictures etc. this evening. New paper on walls of front room, entry, & stairway.

Mailed pay warrants to several of teachers.

Phoned Mrs Underwood at Interlaken that I would give a flower talk there next Saturday evening.
Barber .15;

Tuesday, April 29

Bright day. Warmer. Still cool for this date.

This A.M. got bag of leaf mould from woods near school b'ld'g, & bro't home for Mother to use in setting the Atamasco lilies. Set up two wren's nests at home.

10:33 for Chicago. Chat with Mr. Quilty – civil engineer & bird lover – on the train. To McClurg's; to Mangel's where I ordered flowers sent to Miss Canavan (\$10⁵⁰); to P.O; City Club where "Friends of Native Landscape" was organized. Jensen, Perkins, Booth, Cowles, Millard, Hooker, Goode, Mrs Loeb, Kaufman, Loewenhut, etc. Luncheon there. Then to Francis Parker School. Saw Miss Cooke, Mrs Carley, Miss Hefter, Hannig, Phoned Mr Millis. Then Moulton & R & bro't away two mounted Lincoln prints; to Searles, Fields', Abbot's, etc. Home on 5:50. (Gas Co. 5⁰⁰) R.R. 52 + .25; boots .20; shave .15; dinner .75; magazine .15;
Met Jennie Cade Killen; Florence Olmsted,

Wednesday, April 30

A beautiful day. Warm and pleasant.

Various duties at school much of morning – including effort to insert two picture mounts in a swinging frame. Left it at Brand's to finish.

Folks went to city so I ate lunch at Mrs Tipton's restaurant. Took 12:53 for Chicago. Went to see Searles & had a nice interview with a Miss Rogers Then called on Miss Collins and on Mr. Werntz at the Acad. of Fine Arts.

Caught 5:10 for home. Chatted with Mr Faxon on way home.

Sent M W.A. check 1.⁶⁵

Ice 3⁵⁰.

R.R. 52 + 15; boots .15;

Thursday, May 1

Beautiful. Quite warm.

Photog. two views of fruiting stalk of equisetum along R.R. track. Trolley to Ravinia & then into woods west of G.B. Road. Wonderful display of spring beauties. Photo. wild plum in full blossom; also spring beauties. Home. Beat a rug. Afternoon, at Brands & the school house experimenting with swinging frame. Transplanted some phlox & marigolds.

This P.M. Clows called & only at late hour I began some notes for my talk tomorrow. Got lantern slides ready for Sat. P.M. talk at Interlaken.

Heard bobolink today. Been here 2 or 3 days. Martins came about Apr. 26. Shad opening. Balsam poplars in full bloom. Red maples at height about Apr. 25. Forsythia at same time.
Trolley .10; Ice cream .40; barber .15;

Friday, May 2

Warm day. Took 8:51 for Chicago; 10:00 for DeKalb. Colwell & wife, Long, Blood, Miller, Coletrap, & others on train. At DeKalb went to Glidden House. At 1:30 session of Supt & Princ. Assn. Subject Arithmetic. Millis of Francis Parker School presented a paper. Skiles conducted a class exercise. Lukens & others discussed it. In the evening Colwell presented his paper & displayed various charts, etc I visited gym after meeting & saw students dancing. Chat with Miss Patten, Prof Parson, et al. Slept with Bone of Batavia.

Douglas of Aurora & I had a walk. Explored campus. Told of his recent losing out at Elgin.

Apple trees, pears, peaches & cherries in bloom. Country very beautiful.

R.R. 1.16; dues 1.00;

Saturday, May 3

3P. to 6P. Prec. .32

Morning session at 9:00. Prof. Parson furnished the paper. Miss King's 3A's gave exhibition lesson. Fine discussion.

Met Miss Bertha Cramer who wants upper grade position. Highly recommended by Mr. Parson.

I was detailed to have charge of printing of the papers presented at the session.

Took 12:00 for Chicago. Had been wreck at Elburn and our train waited on tracks at DeKalb until 1:00 – then left by way of Sycamore & Elgin for Chicago. Got in at 4:40. I was to have taken 3:00 L.S. & M.S. & failing that the 4:35 for Rolling Prairie, Ind. (Interlaken), but missed the trains. Phoned to Rolling Prairie (I was to have given a wild flower talk). Came home on 6:05-6:55. Reading up on Boone. Rained at DeK. Here from 3:00 to 6:00 Tree struck by lightning near us.

R.R. 1.16; lunch .20; papers .15; R.R. 52. Phone .40; Barber .35.

Sunday, May 4

Trace.

Warm. Southerly winds. Light shower after 3:00 P.M.

Went over to Everett Millard's before S.S. to hunt for birds. Heard oriole for first time. They took me in their machine to church.

Stayed during most of S.S. Mr. Everett led school.

Had a nap before dinner. Read Much Ado About Nothing.

At 2:15 – E. L. Millard & I took trolley for Waukegan. Walked up R.R. tracks & mile or so north found fine colony of buckbean in full blossom. Bearberry, gromwell, pedicularis, & arabis lyrata also in bloom. Walked on to R.R. crossing at north limits, then over into ravine on J.T. Bowen Country Club House. Then back to Waukegan. Stopped to admire fine trees – larches leafing out, etc Home by train. This P.M. developed 10 negatives including 4 taken when sleet was over everything.

Rose breasted grosbeak today. Tanager seen by Mrs Millard

R.R. 40;

Monday, May 5

Precip. .02 .70"

Drizzled now and then during day then at 4:30 or so came one heavy downpour after another, - until 6:00. Slackened then slowly - - - on into the night.

School again! Taught Miss Canavan's room much of morning. Used various teachers during the day. Miss Mains came late in the afternoon to substitute until end of term.

This afternoon I began distribution of peach trees. Charged 4¢ each. Fine specimens. The Champion.

Miss Mains & Miss Hostetter & I conferred about the work of the 4A's.

Miss Grunewald brought some pasque flowers, & some avens for our wild flower garden.

Tuesday, May 6

Beautiful sunny day. Cool and lake breeze made it increasingly cooler.

Taught 4B & 4A history for Miss Mains; 8A civics; went with Miss Hostetter on field trip (geog.) with 4B's – to Exmoor Ridge.

Distributed more peach trees.

Miss Harwood of Rogers Park met me by appointment to confer about 7th – 8th grade position. Mrs Schumacher was present.

Teachers' meeting at 4:00. Discussed exhibits, close of school, etc.

Mowed my lawn after supper. First time this season.

Mrs Schumacher and I caucused this evening until 10:30

Houghton & M man visited me today.

Barber .15;

Wednesday, May 7

A little frost reported last night. Another beautiful day with chill winds. Very busy.

Much plant house work. Continued distributing trees. Got 14 apple trees & 3 plum trees from Bahr for distribution.

Taught two 4th grade history lessons.

Went to Audubon Directors meeting this A.M. DeVine, Dodson, Adams, Drummond, & Hardman & Hannig. Mr Dodson brought Miss Hardman & me to C & N.W. station. Caught 10:02-11:00 home.

R. R 52 + .05; supper .55; magazine .25

Thursday, May 8

Another cool day. Threatened rain. Drizzle set in after 6:00 this evening.

Went to Geneva to visit schools. Saw Miss Wilson & Miss and two others in East School; & Miss Esther Barrett and others in East School. Took 2:31 trolley back to Chicago.

At McClurgs and at "Shipper's Guide" 5:10 for home.

Great day for beautiful views. Apple trees still in full view. Wild crab beginning to bloom in Fox River Valley.

Meeting of teachers' committee this P.M. Mrs Schumacher, Mr Metzel, Mr. Greenslade. Charge Dist 107 for Geneva trip 1⁹⁷; Athletic fund 4⁰⁰ for vaulting pole

Barber .25; Papers .07;

Miss Kerfoot in my office.

Friday, May 9

Very chilly wind all day.

Taught 4A & 4B history for Miss Mains. Also 8A civics. Helped Cyrus Dever one period

All but 7 of peach trees disposed of. These we heeled in in the woods.

Phoned Bertha Cramer of DeKalb offer of 4th or 5th grade place. Also wrote her.

Phoned Maggie W. at Chesterton. Talked with H.L. McWethy of West Aurora over phone about Suptency. Not desirable – "politics."

Lot of business letters this evening.

Phoned Park Ridge.

Barber .40; Mother 6⁵⁰;

Saturday, May 10

Sunny but a cold wind all day.

Took 7:01 for Chicago. Bought strawberries on way to Lake Shore station where later I was joined by Mr Schneider and 8 of my staff. We took 8:27 for Chesterton (Before leaving I phoned the Pattees to secure their consent to serve as directors of Audubon Society & then wired information to Miss Hardman at Acad. of Sciences) Chesterton at 10:15. Bought groceries, rubbers, etc. Lislebert met us & went with us (Maggie & the girls were in Chicago.) Drove north through dunes to lake. Ascended Mt Tom. Prepared dinner along brook behind Mt Tom. Then wagon with three of party went back & over to tamarack swamp. Rest of us walked west along Shore & then crossed dune belt to the swamp. Explored the swamp. Drove back to Chesterton. Thoroughly chilled. Warmed up at the station & at a restaurant. Caught 8:50 for Chic. & 10:40 for H.P. (Rose Miller, Gertrude Miller, Grunewald, Van Law, Hourigan, Behrens, Davis, Guiney – Schneider) Flowering dogwood in full bloom, lupins beginning; gold thread, sassafras, etc Berries .75; tin ware .55; sugar .20; R.R. 52 + 80; restaurant .15;

Sunday, May 11

Bright. Quite cool but warmer than yesterday.

S.S. Mother's day. Mrs Bastin in charge of program. Old Mr. Green, returned missionary talked. Preached morning sermon.

Slept until 4:00 P.M. Went to Skokie woods west of Rav. Met two Lewis Inst. boys & showed them about.

Phlox & panax trifollica, & red & white trillium. Hawthorn & wild crab just opening.

Wrote Helen Moffet a long letter in reply to hers rec'd today.

Church .25.

Monday, May 12

A beautiful day. Spent much of morning culling over correspondence with teachers. Planned with Miss Guiney & others for my absence for a few days. Took 12:46 for Chicago. Visited Searles at Albert's and Miss Collins at S.B. & Co. Bought book for Miss Miller at McClurg's – Spell of Rockies.

(Miss Gertrude Miller ill this afternoon. Esther K. took her place). Home on 5:10-5:46. Packed grip Left on 7:18 for Chicago. Wrote two or three letters at R.R. station. Then took 9:10 C. & E. I for Danville. Arrived there at 12:26. Slept some on way. Got in with two pleasant traveling men. Went to Plaza hotel.

R.R. 52; 26. To Danville 2⁴⁶; Porter .25 (pillow); bell boy .10.

Tuesday, May 13

Rained here – 1:30 P.M - - - - to next day Rain .48”

Fine day at Danville. Breakfast at Plaza. Called up music supervisor, Mrs White, & found where to go to meet two teachers. Then went out to Roselawn school & saw Miss Laura Murray at work in 6th – 8th grammar & history. Also saw Miss Olive Tilton, the principal, at work.

Afternoon went to Washington school & saw Miss Isabel Hazlett at work. Long chat with her. Visited with Miss Eva Sherman, her principal, & with Sup't Griffiths.

Too 6:00 o'clock limited on Inter Urban for Decatur. Great ride. Reached D. at 9:45. Lunch at Shern Strouse's. Hotels full but got a room at the Brunswick. Travelling man friend of yesterday steered me there.

Breakfast .50; boots .10; street car .15; luncheon .60; interurban 1³⁵; Plaza 1⁰⁰; supper .35; papers .15

Wednesday, May 14

Sultry day at Decatur. Breakfast with Ella and the two boys. Clarence out on the road. Spent hour at Wood St. School. Chat with Miss Dempsey, & Dille, & with Daisy Daggett who is kindergartner there. Then over to the Gastman School & met the principal, Miss Imboden. Watched espically Edith Wood – 1st

grade - & Thursa Lux in 3rd. Former a School of Ed. girl; other experience at Monticello. Lunch at Ella's. Then to Warren St. School. Visit with Miss Brand, principal. Watched Nellie H. Love, 1st grade, especially. Fine work. Litta Tobey was in 5th grade & handling work well. Then called on Mrs Tobey on my way to H.S. bld'g. At latter saw no one I wanted. Met Mr & Mrs Schudel afterwards. During day saw John & Bismarck, Julius E., Creight, Mr. Handlin, etc. Minnie Richmond. Took 6:10 trolley for Bloomington. There at 8;30. Hotels full. Went to the Hilles. Brunswick .75; car fare .10; supper .50; magazine .25; barber .35; Fare to Bloomington .90.

Thursday, May 15

A little cooler at Bloomington. Fine day. Just a few drops of rain.

At Normal Conference with Mr. Turner, Miss Foote, Thompson, Eystone, Ridgely, & others. Attended morning exercises. Met my friend Miss McClellan, formerly Miss Baber's assistant. She took me to lunch where faculty women eat. Jolly time. Mr. Felmley away.

Interviewed Vida Fort – 305 W Locust – Miss Waddington of Fisher, Ill – Irene Jones of B; Lillian Larson – Grace Gregg, Cora Dunbar – latter for mn'l tr. Chat with Mr. Stableton. Then to Hilles where I wrote several letters. Took 5:45 for Lexington.

G. J. & Milton met me with auto. Supper at Wither's. Later we got Misses Wright, White, Trump, & Schermerhorn & went out to log house. Built fire & stayed there until 11:00.

Hilles Hotel 1⁷⁵; trolley .10; 15; barber .25; fare to Lex. 32.

Friday, May 16

Fine day.

G. J., Milton, Will Laurence and I went by auto to Fairbury this A.M. to see Miss Lietzan, mn'l tr. teacher at work. Was not greatly impressed. The Sup't showed us around and gave us much attention.

In the afternoon I visited various teachers in the Lex. schools.

Went home with the Mahans this P.M. We all ate supper at Curt and Bertha's.

Saturday, May 17

This A.M. Tot and I rowed across the Mackinaw and scouted around in the woods. Then walked to town. Sheridan and his wife got back to L. yesterday P.M. I ate lunch with them today. Also early supper & they took me in their machine to the train. – 5:00 something for Chicago.

Sunday, May 18

A beautiful day and still cool. This afternoon Mother & K. & Mrs McMillin took a long drive – to Half Day, etc Overcoat was much needed.

Wild crabs wide open. An unusually fine display.

Didn't go to church this A.M. Had hot bath & a good nap. Read some from Lodge's Substance of Faith.

Wrote long letter to Miss Shermerhorn of Lexington

Monday, May 19

Trace. 5:00 – 6:30 P.M.

Cool. Bright at first. Then cloudy. Slight rain after 5:00 P.

Busy day gathering up threads of last week's events.

Board had a man leveling cinders of on school grounds preparatory to rolling them.

Conference of first three grades at 11:30 this A.M. Visitors: Lida Gourley & Howard Moore, latter representing Protective Assn.

Told children in assembly something about my trip of last week.

Very busy preparing bills for Board. Teachers' committee met at 7:00 P.M. & Board at 8:00. Lively discussion over advance of salaries. Mine raised to 2600. Nearly everyone else advanced. Two new teachers elected.

Pd Bock 13⁵¹; Mrs Clow 60⁰⁰ (May & June); Stevens Bro 5⁰⁰; express bills .55 + 80(?); barber .15;

Tuesday, May 20

Prec. to 6:00P—“.92

Cold and threatening at dawn. Rain began by seven, came down furiously at intervals until 1:30 or 2:00 P.M. Began at 7:00 P.M. again and very heavy rainstorms until 10:00 P.M. or later

Wired positions to Miss Schermerhorn of L. & Miss Edith Wood of Decatur. Heard favorably from former.

Wrote replies to a number of applicants. Wrote letters of notification of election for Mr. Greenslade to sign & send to 12 of our teachers. Went down to Mrs. Schumachers through a heavy rainstorm this P.M. to secure drafts of notes to send to 5 of the 6 retiring teachers. Came home and wrote until 11:00 P.M.

Pd livery bill to Freberg of \$1⁵⁰; to N.S. Fuel & Supply of 12²⁰ (reimbursed from Mn'l Tr. fund turned over to me by Miss Balyeat; pd Genest 1⁰⁰ & A[ustin?] 1⁰⁰ – truant officers. Wire messages \$1³²; express .25

Wednesday, May 21

Prec. “.73 Trace

Cleared warm. Sultry this A.M. Pleasanter & cooler this P.M.

Horses & roller leveled our cinders in the school yard this A.M. & we began spreading crushed stone over the yard. “Joe”, an Italian working for us.

I took 9:56 for Chicago & got to U. of C. by 11:30. Looked up Miss Baber and later on, ate lunch with her at the cafeteria. Errand to look up mn'l tr. teacher a failure nearly. Director Leavitt was away. Visited with Dr. Cowles & with Dr. Crocker & Lee Knight. Got home at 6:09.

Wrote “stacks” of letters this evening. Am on committee of to arrange excursion June 14 to pine woods.

Numerous bills: see stubs.

R.R. 52 + .20; barber .15; watch repair .50;

Thursday, May 22

Trace.

Cool. Gray. Trace of rain.

Screenings spread our play grounds.

Mailed 35 or more letters today. Wired offer of fourth grade to Laura Murray of Vermilion St., Danville. Miss Hostetter resigned 4th grade. Plans business later.

Conference with one group of teachers over memorial day & flag day exercises. With another over graduating class. Got Dr. Caldwell's consent to give talk at 8th grade exercises.

Circus in town used 3 or 4 of my school boys. Phoned state factory inspector who plans to shadow the circus at Glencoe, tomorrow.

Various bills. Charge \$1²⁵ to Dist 107 for Britannica Year Book; also telegram .40; Presb. Ch. .85 for express bill; .25 for silkworm eggs; stamps 1⁰⁰, lately; .65 at Dole's:

Friday, May 23

Gray much of A.M. but clear & beautiful after lunch.

Took 10:05 trolley for Evanston. Visited Noyes Street School to see lighting by Luxfer prism glass. Chat with Miss Smedley.

Francis Parker school were having picnic at Ravinia Park.

This afternoon Miss McCord's "show" – the story of the Rhinegold – 5th graders. Beautiful.
Receipts 26.92 – I made them \$27⁰⁰.

We planned to give a present of Eugenie Davis on Monday – 25th marriage anniversary.

Attended P.T.A. meeting at H.S. this evening. After it was over the H.S. pupils entertained.

Laura Murray wired acceptance of 4th grade; Vida Fort of 2nd. Edith Wood declined election
Barber .25; Charge #107 - 35¢ for F.W.Parker School. Also trolley .30

Saturday, May 24 .18"

Sun shone part of day.

Went down to woods across from Ravinia Park before 8:A.M. & took 5 photographs of "saucer" with
yellow water-crowfoot in bloom.

9:18 for Chicago. Saw Searles; Ricketts; McClurgs; Marshall Field; Landt; Frank Anderson; 1:55
for home. Expected to meet delegation of women (Wild Flower Preservation) on train but "got left."
Packed my bag & took 3:34 for Chicago. Then 5:05 Mich. Cent for St. Joe. Flowering dogwood still in
bloom; lupines, also. End of shower near when we reached St. Joe.

Went to Lopkers first. Then to Bradley's barber shop - - - then out to Edith's

R.R. 52 + 20 + Lunch .25; Book 2.25

St. Joe trip: .26 + 10 + 1⁸⁰; supper .. 1⁰⁰ Paper .10

Barber 55 + 10;

Sunday, May 25 Precip. T.

Arthur & Lennie with Robin came & took Clarence & me in auto to Stevensville to Grand Marais –
in the morning. Clear but chilly. Later on – Gray. Country very beautiful. Saw my first fields of crimson
clover.

Dinner at Edith's. Then Clarence & she & I called on Supt Clark to inquire about Mrs Mabel Wood
– candidate for mnl tr. position. Then we went to her house – but she was out. Later on she talked with
me over the phone. Tried to stay me off – expects more than we give.

Visited Lennie – looked in on the Crooks & the Lowes – didn't see Uncle or Harvey – then took
8:12 for Chic Caught 12:15 for home

R.R. 26 + 10 + 1⁸⁰. Lunch .15

Monday, May 26 Prec. to 6 P. – "2.37

Raining in night, continued all day nearly. Very heavy at times. About 8:30 P.M. wind shifted &
mist ceased.

Mrs Carqueville's gift of 1000 stereographs and 12 stereoscopes arrived.

Checked up teachers' registers this P.M.

Fine specimen of cedar bird brought in.

Miss McCord's Rhinegold show this evening. Small but very appreciative audience. Receipts 20⁰⁰

After it was over 8 of us walked up to Mr Davies' house & surprised him. It was 25th wedding
anniversary. Left 12 fine silver spoons.

Barber .15.

Tuesday, May 27 Prec. ".02

Beautiful. Sunny. Sudden brief shower at 9:00 P.M. – then stars reappeared.

Blackpoll warblers still here.

Began distributing plants – tomatoes, asters, etc.

Call from lumber man – Vannedge.

Eighth grade girls entertained us teachers – tea, sandwiches, etc. - - after school.

Phoned Asa Goddard about a mn'l training teacher.

At desk at school this P.M. Getting out notices for tuition pupils.

Wednesday, May 28

Beautiful summer day. Distributed tomato plants to 5th graders today.

Sent out tuition notices to Ft Sheridan.

Took 12:56 to city. Returned lantern slides borrowed of N.P.R.R. To Chic. Transp. Co & to Bond & Co to rent slides for memorial day; to Orr & Lockett; Abbots; Vaughn's; Art & Travel; Moulton & Ricketts.

At 4:15 to Board meeting of Geog. Soc at Cox's office. Among other things discussed a bulletin on Stony Island. Cox, Goode, Grant, Caldwell, Salisbury – absent.

Talked over with Baber, Cowles, & Schantz the proposed excursion of Friends of Native Landscape. Then to 6:30 dinner at Press Club of Prairie Club. Discussion of proposed camp in the dunes. Took 10:02 for home.

R.R. 52 + 20; dinner 1⁰⁰, ticket 6⁶⁰; slide rental (Dist 107) .25 + .35; keys .10; seeds .17;

Thursday, May 29

Delightful day – although a little threatening at first.

Field trip to head of ravine with 4B's. (My 3A's with Miss Miller & Mrs Parks and Mrs Sandwick had wagon trip to farm, yesterday. Esther K. sub in afternoon). Gen'l distrib. of plants today. Dumped earth into cold frame & planted Siberian sunflowers & castor beans Memorial day ex. before all school this afternoon. Lantern slides – recitations – read list of local veterans.

This P.M. Mother, K. & I went to play by girls of W.D. Mission at our church here – “Lucia's Lover.” Very good.

Barber .25; Mother 2⁵⁰;

Friday, May 30

At first hazy, but later beautiful and sunny.

Set out asters, zinnias, & marigolds at home. Spaded a little; carried two baskets of manure.

Mowed by yard.

Down to Everret Millard's for luncheon. Tramped about his place & adjacent grounds. Orchis sp. still beautifully in bloom. A few yellow lady slippers linger. P & w. lady slipper shooting up.

Fine time at Millard's. Came home & took six photographs from book on history of flag.

Developed this evening.

Mother & K. took trolley ride to Libertyville.

Wired Miss Dunbar at Normal I could not use her as mn'l tr. teacher.

Saturday, May 31

Sill another fine day.

8:49 for Chicago. Package to Mandel's. Ret. some books to McClurg's. Bo't one book there.

Visited Miss Church at 606 So Mic. Ave. (School of Normal & Applied Arts) and conferred with her about Miss Belknap for mn'l Tr. Teacher. Called on Searles. Then to Bond to return slides; Cameron Arnberg; Chic. Transp Co. to return slides & leave book for photog. flags; to Anderson, McClurg; Moulton & R;

2:55 for home. Had a nap. Then supper. Hoed dahlias. Worked at school until 9:30. Cleared up desk. Wrote several letters.

R.R. 52 + .25; barber .75; lunch .30; papers .06; book .25; Dist 107 – tissue 1⁴⁰; filler .30; Bo't two slides .50; phone .20;

Sunday, June 1

Fine day. Rather sultry in midday & late afternoon threatening. But a lake breeze set in and cooled everything off.

S.S. & Church. Was consulted about Children's Day program

Helen Moffett here from S.Dak – Also Ernest and Miss Anna. Helen has written me now and then for two years.

Nap after dinner. Took 4:53 for Chic. Tel. Miss Belknap at Oak Park.

Ate at restaurant & took Cottage Grove for 55th & Kimbark. Walked over to Dr. Goode's. Stayed till 10:15! Delightful evening. Met Dean Babcock there a few minutes. Rode out to H.P. with Miss Krueger of the H.S.

R.R. 52 + 15; supper .50; paper .05

Church .25.

Monday, June 2

Beautiful day.

Miss Belknap of Oak Park came out to talk mn'l tr. with me. I took 10:38 for Chic. To Library. Then to Cliff Dwellers'. Luncheon with Jens Jensen, Millard, & Goodman. Conference over excursion of F of O.N. Landscape. With Mr. Jensen caught 2:00 for home.

Took 5A's out to find seeds of red maple. Distributed more plants after school. Checked up teachers' schedules.

Various duties until 6:00 P.M.

After supper planted out more asters for Mother and some cosmos.

Conf. with Bahr over plant house.

R.R. 52 + .10; + .26; barber .15 – Sent Gieser 6⁰⁰; M.W.A. 2⁹⁰; Highwood M.E. 5⁰⁰;

Tuesday, June 3

Began warm but at 10:30 cool lake breeze chilled down everything. Sunny but cool the rest of the day.

Took trolley at 9:30 for North Chicago. Visited school on 22nd St. Mr. Lester, Miss LaChapelle; Dale, Johnson, et al. Mrs. L C. wants to teach our fourth grade. I am not enthusiastic. Home at 12:30. Found Miss Vizay, mn' tr. applicant at school waiting to see me. She left on 2:34.

After school Miss Grunewald & I went to Mr. John Mooney's & took a lot of notes about pioneer times here This P.M. I spent at desk at school. Mailed out lot of circulars about F. of O.N.L.

Mother met Arthur & wife, & Elsie in city today. Elsie takes C & M. & St P. for Dakota tonight. Threatened with tuberculosis. Arthur & wife to come out tomorrow.

Trolley .40; stamps 1³⁷; express .25

Wednesday, June 4

Fine day. A little warmer.

Arthur & Addie came in on the 7:43 A.M. and had breakfast with us. I had a carriage pick them and Mother up at 9:30. They came to school – spent 10 min. or so. Then had a drive & took 10:38 for Chicago

Then I went with 4B's on another ravine trip – with Miss Hostetter.

Jessie Clarke came out to spend day – ate dinner - & stayed until 5:00 P.M.

Miss Miller's 3A's went to Arcady farm. I went, too. Wm Kollar, driver. Got back at 5:30 (160 milk cows).

Mr Waffle – book agent – called at office. Ordered Aiton's encyc for school; Book Lover's Shakespeare and R.L.S. for self. –

Annie Kuehne – 10 yrs – missing. Not in school. I was called up at 8:00. Went to Mrs Noethling's & conferred with her & Mrs K. No clue.

Took 3 photo at farm. Developed 8 tonight.
Barber .15;

Thursday, June 5

Sultry on the whole. Oppressive in afternoon, relieved for a time by lake breeze – but at nightfall warm breeze began from S.W.

Children planted asters, zinnias, & salvia along school bld'g. Distributed more plants.

Mr Kensler, candidate for mnl tr. visited this A.M.

Miss Grunewald & I wrote out notes of visit with Mr Mooney.

Conf. with Mrs Schumacher this evening. Agreed to employ Mr. Kensler.

Sprinkled with my hose for first time this season – on garden, asters, etc.

Friday, June 6

Trace.

Hot - - hot all day until 5:00 P.M. – when a few rain drops and a cooling wind abated heat awhile. Warm again until about 9:00 P.M. when cool north wind blew in strong – driving a mist before it.

At 8:09 this A.M. met old Mrs Scrogin, Mrs Covey & Katherine who had been visiting the Englehardt's.

Straightened up accounts of Rhinegold fund – net balance of \$31⁶⁸. Pd. Levin \$7²⁵ of which \$1⁶⁵ was balance in my possession of Victrola fund.

Planned with grade teachers making specimen flags for flag day.

Worked at desk awhile this evening. Then had an hour's chat in Bahr's office with him & Jim Bilharz.

Phoned Dr. McMurry this A.M. & he had Lillian Moore at Rollo call me up at noon. Made appointment for tomorrow in city.

Pd Bahr 17²⁰ – collected for peach trees, etc.
Barber .15; Mother \$3.50; Stevens 5²³;

Saturday, June 7

Cold strong wind blowing all day. Overcoats acceptable this evening. Tender leaves slashed off the trees. Drop in temp. from 90° to 44°.

8:09 for Chicago. Miss McCord & I went to Fields to look up bunting; to Nat'l Art Supply to look over pictures; also to Moulton & R – where we bought Abbey picture for \$70⁰⁰. Then I went on to Silver B & Co – where I met Lillian Moore of Rollo & talked 4th grade position. She is to try to secure her release. Met Miss Collins – also Mr Douglas of Aurora & Miss Shumway, musical director there. Both recommended Iva Disbrow of Aurora – I talked with her over phone this P.M.

Then went to G.B. Carpenter's for bunting; to Pub. Library to cull quotable material from Carr's Gettysburg; & Roosevelt's & Wilson's writings. To Chic. Transp Co. where I paid 16²⁵ for lantern slides. Charge to D.A.R. fund of \$15⁰⁰; To Anderson's & pd 55⁰⁰ for new suit. At Carpenter's pd. 3⁸⁵ for bunting. Charge to Dist 107. 5:50 for home. Worked at school this evening:
R.R. 52 + 30; lunch .25; papers .08;

Sunday, June 8

Warmer, sunny, but still quite cool. Not far from frost last night.
Children's Day. I helped marshal them in general assembly in church.
Presented bibles to the 7 year olds – 8 of them.
Slept all afternoon. Rummaged among books & papers this P.M.
Reading Addams' "Twenty Years at Hull House"

Church .50;

Monday, June 9

Sunny, a little warmer. Furnace fires very acceptable. Last "cruse" of coal in the basement.

At 9:53 went to city. Chat with Munro on way in about legislation.

Went to Miss Enk's & left her 16 or 17 slides to color. To Chic. Transp. Co to leave 8 to color & one to be made. To Rickett's to get paper to print Roosevelt et. alt. quotations on. To McClurg's for copy of Carr's The Gettysburg Speech. Lunch at Clover Club.

Home at 2:34. After school planned flag making with some of the teachers. Miss Gertrude Miller & her grandmother have made us a beautiful Confederate flag. Worked on bills until 6:10. After supper mowed all my lawn. Then got a shave & went back to school house & worked over bills until 10:30.

Telegram from Lillian Moore accepting 4th grade.

R.R. .52 + .15; lunch .30; barber .15;

Tuesday, June 10

A little warmer than yesterday. Very pleasant at midday.

Miss Hostetter and I took 4A's to Waukegan. Saw small freighter come in & unload, and a coal vessel unloading – the S.J. Mitchell Got home at 12:45.

6th grade boys weeded seedling nursery. Planted a few additional linden seedlings.

Various errands after school The D.A.R. ladies making three flags for us.

Worked at my desk at school this evening. Mrs Johnson came in to ask about her reemployment. Made a scene when told she would not be recommended.

Checks – 3²⁵ to Ringdahl; 3⁰⁰ to Young Men's Club. Trolley .60 + ? ;

Wednesday, June 11

Much warmer but not oppressive. A fire felt good at 7:00 A.M., & a nuisance at 12 M.

Today 5A's planted red maple seeds; 5B's elm; 4A's maple & 4B's elm.

Field trip to lower course of Moraine Ravine with 4B's.

Gave lantern lesson on French and pioneers to all 4th graders.

Syringas in bloom. Peonies coming along slowly. Single ones bloomed some days ago.

Thursday, June 12

A warm day but with pleasant breezes.

Some of the 6th graders and I went on wheels to N. St. Johns' Ravine & got hard maple seedlings to set out in our school nursery.

Civics lesson – gave each a copy of Tribune – yesterday the woman's suffrage bill passed the house – and we discussed the bill.

Took 2:34 for city this afternoon. To Burke & James to talk about Edison Kinetoscope ; to Miss Ingersoll's where I paid \$6⁰⁰ for coloring slides of flag day; to Chic. Transp. Co. where I paid \$1²⁵ for same purpose; at Vaughan's, 1²⁵ for 5 trowels (Charge to P.T.A.); book at Fair .20

At noon picniced on beach with 4th grade children. Most of them waded in lake.
R.R. 52 + .30; (tickets 13²⁰) paper .01; ice cream .30 + .05.

Friday, June 13

Warm day. Busy! Sent messenger to city for ticket pin holders, etc. Tacked (new) facsimile flags on staffs. Photo of Miss Miller's class

This P.M. "Flag Day" exercises. 12 or 15 facsimile flags presented & described by children. Then I threw on the screen colored views of the same. Then boys' brass band arrived & in long procession we marched around the flag pole. Lowered big flag & fastened various flags to cable below it. Then hoisted all; cheered; sang "Star Spangled Banner" etc

Worked with teachers afterwards. Was at the building until 11:00 P.M. Charge 107 messenger's expenses & 10 gross pin holders; 1 gross clips
Barber .15; ice cream .30; shoes soled 1.25; new ticket 6.60

Saturday, June 14

Trip of Friends of Our Native Landscape to Pine woods of Ogle County. We left Chic. on the Q. at 9:30 – 2 special cars. Great company – Mr Millard & I – Dr Wilhelm Miller [influential author, published *The Prairie Spirit in Landscape Gardening* in 1915 – ed.], Prof. Tansley [Sir Arthur George Tansley, professor at Cambridge University. Helped found the British Ecological Society in 1913 and was its first president. – ed.], Dr Cowles [Henry Chandler Cowles, professor of botany, University of Chicago – ed.], Eickenberry [William Lewis Eickenberry, instructor at the University High School, University of Chicago, author of *Problems in Botany* (1919) – ed.], Mr & Mrs Sherman Booth (latter fresh from her triumphs with the suffrage bill at Springfield), Miss Baber, Dr. Lukens, Mrs Loeb, Miss Harris, Mrs Blocki, Dow, Kaufmann, Mrs Chas F Brown, et al Great masque given by – Kenneth Sawyer Goodman. Went to Stratford. Caught 10:02 P.M. for H.P.

Wonderful day.

R.R. .52 + 4.28;

Sunday, June 15

Hot. S.S. as usual. After dinner Robt & I went up to Waukegan flats. Nearly "perished" with heat.
Coreopsis in bloom – just coming in nicely.
Trolley .60; ice cream .40;

Monday, June 16

Very hot day. Children spent about two hours visiting rooms & then we adjourned for the "picnic." Handed out food on plates (10¢); sold ice cream cones & lemonade (1¢ a glass) After lunch Percy Prior ran off three "reels" of "movies" in the auditorium. Total receipts 101²⁰.

"Exhibit" day also. People came in afternoon and evening. Fine exhibit. Mrs Marjerie Dell for Chic Evening Post spent much time going over the exhibit with me & my teachers.

New teachers – Miss Hazlett, Murry & Schermerhorn came out to see exhibit G.J. Smith & Milton came out with last named, also Miss White of Lex. H.S. Here a few hours.

Such a hot day!

Tuesday, June 17

Prec before midnight of June 16 - .13"

A little warm at first but by 10 o'clock cool lake breeze set in. Blew steadily all day

Assembly with honorable mentions today. A great success Number of visitors Mrs Dell carried off some of my photos. Wrote a summary of some of our work for her before breakfast. Awarded prizes for tomato contest of last September

Photographed prize winners; three or four pictures in Miss Gahan's room; 2 in Miss Millers.

Went with 8A's & B's and their teachers for picnic in Sweeny's woods in late afternoon. Stayed until 7:30. Went by bus. Home by trolley. Fine time.

Mr Norcross & I met at bld'g this P.M. He signed diplomas. Leonard went to city this A.M.

Wednesday, June 18

Trace

Pleasant. Warm but cool puffs of air from lake. Brief shower at 8:00.

Developed 10 negatives at school – but in the washing, hot water backed up into faucet & all were ruined. Can not duplicate most of them.

Today wrote up records with Misses Van Law, Parks, Cole, Herman, Guiney, Gertrude Miller.

Exercises of 8th grade this P.M. Fine music Dr Caldwell's speech first class. Mr. Norcross ditto. Mother & Robin & I and six of the teachers had ice cream at the Lencioni's afterwards.

Charge 52¢ - R.R. fare of Dr. Caldwell to Dist 107.

Present for Miss Kendrick 1⁰⁰; for Mr Davis .65; barber .15;

Thursday, June 19

Precip. “.18.

Worked with teachers all day. All but two finished their reports. A very hot day until in afternoon when we had a severe thunderstorm with some hail.

Commencement exercises of H.S. this evening but I was too tired & busy to go.

Got letter from Pres. of Board of Ed. at Rockford inviting me to be candidate for superintendency. Ice cream .40;

Friday, June 20

Cooler. Developed four plates before leaving house this A.M. Checked up Miss Grunewald's & Miss White's records – these were the last of the teachers.

Took 2:34 for city enroute for Rockford. Bo't book at Carson Pierie. Took 4:45 I.C.R.R. Joiner of Monmouth and Waldo of Sycamore on board. Beautiful ride – somewhat dusty. Corn only three or four inches high on average, apparently.

At R. by 6:48. Joiner & I went to Nelson House. Ate supper together. I phoned Mr R K Welsh, Pres. of Board of Ed. & made appointment for 9:00 A.M. Joiner went for a call – I for a walk. At riverfront park, watched a pleasure boat go out with an excursion party. To bed at hotel. Warm. Late getting to sleep.

R.R. 26 + .10 + 1.70; Book .50; papers .10; barber .55; ice cream .10;

Saturday, June 21

Precip. “1.55 1.25

Rained heavily in Rockford in the night (In H.P. also)

Late breakfast. Then interview – R.K. Welsh, President of Board of Ed; Messrs Smith, Andrews; Anderson, Datin; & Mrs Gregory. Had lunch with Mr Briggs, Princ. H.S. Afternoon tried to meet other members of Board but failed to find any of them. Called for a moment on Dr. F.H. Kimball with whom I had spent an evening when I lectured in Rockford two years ago.

Took 6:02 P.M. – C. & N.W. for Chicago. Supper on the diner. Clear & pleasant – the country refreshed and beautiful.

Peculiar experience “candidating” Hadn't done that sort of thing for 18 years.

R.R. 1.70; hotel 2.50; diner 1¹⁰;

R.R. 26 + .20; check room .20;

Sunday, June 22

Beautiful day; fresh; cool;

Robert & I went to S.S. Rested up after that. Took trolley for city at 3:00. To Lincoln Park. At 6:00 P.M. took boat for city. Walked by Yacht Club houses. Supper on Adams St. 8:00 for home

R.R. ____ + .52; .30; supper .45: .10;

Monday, June 23

Very pleasant. Over-clouded at times.

Wrote letters to Mr Welsh and five members of the Board at Rockford.

This afternoon Robert and I spent with Carl Pfanstiehl in his laboratory at No. Chicago and in the Chic. Hardware Co. with Mr. Sedgwick as our guide.

Carl gave Robert much attention & Robert acquitted himself well.

Cleared away at my desk this P.M. Got several copies of "Science" with my letter about the Yellowstone bears ready to mail to some of my friends.

Trolley .60;

Tuesday, June 24

Warm but with puffs of cool air.

Worked at desk some in the morning. Took 11:43 for Chicago. Went to Art Institute with two of the Lincoln picture mounts and conferred with Misses Bennet, Van Horne, & Carstens and with Mr Hytes. By advice took the mounts to Mueller Bros where Mr. Adams helped select the mount, etc.

To Volland's; Carson Pirie & Co; Morris Book Shop, etc. Home on 4:40

Board meeting attempted this P.M. No quorum. Mr Greenslade, Norcross, Mrs Schumacher & I conferred about janitor service

Robert spent the day in Carl Pfanstiehl's laboratory.

R.R. .52 + .30; ice cream .20; pd. \$2⁷⁰ for 3 books – charge to Dist. 107.

Wednesday, June 25

Prec. ".14

Warm. Showers in the night.

Wrote several letters After noon Robert & I went to city. Tour of animal & bird cages at Linc Park. Then downtown where we watched torch blowpipe cutting girders. Then to Jackson Park. Ate supper in German Bldg. Walked to 63rd & took cars for White City. There an hour or two. Then home.

R.R. 1⁰⁴ + .40; supper .80; White City .70;

Thursday, June 26

Hot. Hot!!

Robert went home this A.M. I worked most of day & evening at school house. Balancing up my accounts.

Got unfavorable news from Rockford.

Ice cream .30; bicycle tire 3.75;

Friday, June 27

Very warm!

Worked at school house most of the day.

Checked up back payments of tuition money. Dinner at Millards at Ravinoaks this evening. Mrs Margerie Dell there. Was obliged to come away at 8:20 to a Board meeting.
Barber .15; ice cream .20;

Saturday, June 28

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Sunday, June 29

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Monday, June 30

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Tuesday, July 1

Left on C.B & Q. R.R. Oriental limited – Chicago – at 10:15 P.M. Everett Millard, Dr Woodyatt and I.

Wednesday, July 2

At St. Paul at 10:45 A.M. Left on Great Northern at 11:15.

Thursday, July 3

Reached Glacier Park station at 7:30 this evening.

Friday, July 4

Spent the morning at Glacier Park and the afternoon at Browning, witnessing the celebration of the Blackfeet Indians.

Saturday, July 5

Auto ride from Glacier Park Hotel to St. Mary's and stage ride from there to McDermott.

Sunday, July 6

We walked to the pinnacle overhanging Swift Current Pass

Monday, July 7

Rode to Cracker Lake.

Tuesday, July 8

Rode to Iceberg Lake.

Wednesday, July 9

Rode on horseback from McDermott Lake to St. Mary's and took launch to Narrows Camp.

Thursday, July 10

Rode from Narrows Camp to Gunsight Camp this afternoon.

Friday, July 11

Crossed Gunsight Pass today; ate lunch at Sperry; arrived at L. McDonald this evening.

Saturday, July 12

Tramped in the woods about L. McDonald.

Sunday, July 13

Went to Belton for the day.

Monday, July 14

Walked up to Sperry Camp and spent the night.

Tuesday, July 15

Crossed the shoulder of Mt. Lincoln and photographed Alpine flowers. Lunch at Sperry, then walked down to L. McDonald

Wednesday, July 16

Left Belton at 9:50. Reached Spokane in the evening. Spent night at Coeur d'Alene hotel.

Thursday, July 17

Left Spokane at 7:30. Reached Wenatchee at 12:30 Noon.

Spent night at Wenatchee Hotel.

Friday, July 18

Left Wenatchee at 12:30 noon, arrived at Tacoma at 9:00 P.M.

Saturday, July 19

At Tacoma in the morning – except that I went over to Seattle and back on an errand.

Left at 2:20 for Mt Ranier Inn. Arrived at 6:00.

Sunday, July 20

Dr. Graham and I took a guide and spent the day in Indian Henry's Park.

Monday, July 21

Scouted around with my camera this A. M. Left Inn at 1:35. Reached Tacoma at 5:30. Left on N.P.R.R at 8:35 & reached Seattle at 9:50.

Spent night at Hotel New Richmond.

Tuesday, July 22

Left on steamer Princess Victoria. Ate lunch at Victoria Reached Vancouver at 7:00 P.M. Left at 8:00 on the C.P.R.R.

Wednesday, July 23

On the C.P.R.R. all day. arrived at Laggan at 9:50.

Went to Lake Louise Inn for the night.

Thursday, July 24

Spent morning around L. Louise.

Left at 3:30 for Laggan. On the C.P.R.R. for the night.

Friday, July 25

Arrived at Moosejaw at 12:10 Noon.
Registered at the Hotel Cecil for the night.

Saturday, July 26

Left on the C.P.R.R. at 12:40 Noon. Spent night on the C.P.R.R. and the Soo Line.

Sunday, July 27

Reached St. Paul at 1:00 P.M. Left there at 6:30 P.M. over the C.B. & Q for Chicago.

Monday, July 28

Reached Chicago at 8:45 A.M. Checked my baggage to H.P. Had breakfast at N.W. station. Met a Mrs Fish on her way to Glacier Park who held me up for information. Got home at 11:22.

Folks well. Yard and garden fine.

Stomach a little "queasy."

Met the Gourley girls in N.W. station in Chic. & had a chat with them. Also Wm Dooley.

Anxious to get into bath tub and get change of linen

R.R. 26; baggage .35 + .50 + 25; breakfast .50

Barber .75.

Tuesday, July 29

Took cascara last night and under the weather today.

Dug into my accumulated correspondence. Wrote number of letters.

Visited school house and noted that Board had passed up all improvements.

Wednesday, July 30

Another warm day.

Sent away 26 letters today, including one to Ridge Woman's Club offering to talk for 15⁰⁰, Jan. 7 & to Altrui Club of Jefferson Park for expenses

Burned contents of waste paper baskets & etc. today.

This eve went with the Millards and Munro's to concert at Ravinia. Two acts of Tales from Hoffman given – Jennie Dufau, et. al. Splendid Intermission we saw young swells in ballroom of Casino give the turkey trot and bunny hug dances. Not edifying

Met Mr. Kreider – one of the singers, and wife.

Gas 4⁰⁰; Ringdahl 1.50; Unit 1⁰⁰;

Mother was 71 years old today –

Barber .15;

Thursday, July 31

“.08

Thunderstorm – rather fitful – in the night. Showers this A.M. Sultry. Cooler after evening and clearing.

Worked in my room all day. In last three days have written over forty letters

Began (again) Rauschenbusch's Christianizing the Social Order. Had started once and liked it, but found it too stirring for periods of relaxation. Munro is reading it and is very enthusiastic.

Sent .50 to Wild Flower Preservation Society.

Friday, August 1

Pleasant. Cool breeze.

Mother went to St Joe this A. M. I saw her off on the City of Chicago at noon. Looked over books at McClurg's; bought photog. supplies at Me Fields; ate at Clover Club, & came home. Rested – and cleared away at pamphlets in my room

Kittie & I heard Grand Opera at Ravinia this evening – Jennie Dufau & two of the Tales of Hoffman.

Went in to moving picture show.

R.R. .78 + .10; lunch .25; barber .15; baggage .25 + .50; Mother's gloves 1⁰⁰; ticket .85

Saturday, August 2

Fine summer day.

Went to Kenilworth this A. M. & looked in school room windows. Expected to see Model B of the Moulthrop chair, but had same model as we have. Then I went to the J.J. Halsey School, Lake Forest, & found the same true.

At school a little while today. Worked at arranging materials in my room. Rather under the weather - - my stomach wrong.

Hoed asters & zinnias, Had hoed tomatoes yesterday.

Check to Stevens 8⁸⁰; Fields 23⁴¹

Charge Dist 107 - .20 + .20 for trolley fare.

Paper .05;

Sunday, August 3

Warm at first although not uncomfortable. Late afternoon delightful wind from Lake.

To S.S. Mr. Vercoe gave a program on Africa.

Dr Fre[t?]man preached. Slept this afternoon.

Reading Rauschenbusch This evening Kittie & I and Mr & Mrs Decker & two of their small nephews went to the school house and had a phonograph concert.

Church .20.

Monday, August 4

Very pleasant day.

Mowed yard. – Worked some at school house – Worked in my room.

Spent evening at school house going over building plans, etc., with Mr. Mann.

Ice cream .10; washers .05. Bock 21²²; chic Tel. Co. 2⁴⁰; H.P. Ice Co. 3.50;

Tuesday, August 5

Fine day. A little sultry after noon and evening. Sky overcast.

Worked around the house this A.M. Took 12:56 for city. To Academy of Sciences. Borrowed from Miss Hardman bird slides to loan to Mrs Wonzer who wishes to give bird talk at Ravinia. Then to Lewis & Kitchen. Talked with Mr Martin and left school plans to get suggestions about possible "power plant".

Sprinkled yard. Dug up about dahlias, etc.

Talked with Dr Cowles over phone about excursion of European botanists to the North Shore

Thursday.

R.R. 52 + .15; papers .06; barber .15;

Wednesday, August 6

Cloudy. A few rain drops during the morning.

Business part of town decorated in anticipation of "Highland Park Day" tomorrow.

Among other things, wrote out detailed program scheme for Miss Moore & Miss Murray, our two new fourth grade teachers. - - Called up Mr. Ewing of Lake Forest and interested him in securing autos to convey Dr. Cowles' party of European botanists from L. Forest to H.P. tomorrow. - - - Engaged lunch for the party at local restaurant. - - -Some professional reading - - -
Bananas .25; bread .10; Mother's dressmaker 6⁰⁰; milk bill 10⁸⁶; Baker 1.90;

Thursday, August 7

H.P. Day. A great success. Crowds. ".38

Overcast at times Rather sultry. Thunderstorm at 9:30 P.M.

Went to Lake Bluff on the 9:00 this A.M. Joined Dr. Cowles' party on beach about opposite Crab Tree Dairy. After while I went back to the Park at L. Bluff & found 3 autos waiting. Took these to Arden Shore & picked up the party of 17. Two women - Mrs Tansley & Mrs Dachnowsky. Came down through L. Forest, stopping once to look over into a ravine and once to visit clay cliffs near Everhardt's. Sent autos away when we reached Elm P. School. Took people in for a "wash-up". Then to Lencioni's restaurant for lunch. We went then to Glencoe. Scouted in woods & ravines. Then to McLeish's where we had tea. Saw party off at 6:00 & came home. After supper K. & I & Mrs Mc. went with the Clows to see fireworks at beach. Came away rather early because of threatening sky.

Train & trolley .19; lunch .50; phone. 25, ice cream for party 1.70.

Friday, August 8

Hot. Humid. Cooler breezes after 6:00 P.M.

Wrote letters to some of the new teachers outlining their work. Got an express package from Griesemer of Hopedale, containing 21 specimens of native plants for identification. Went out to the Skokie this afternoon to get some specimens for comparison.

Chic. Legal News Co. for Lincoln Fund .50. Ice cream .20; bakery .10

Saturday, August 9

Very warm. South wind.

Went to Field Museum this morning with four of the specimens I could not identify. Dr Millspaugh very cordial. Turned me over to Huron Smith and we went to Mr. Lansing for help also. Two specimens were unable to identify. Dr. M. showed me some of the newer additions to his dep't. Then I went down & met Mr. Slocum who took me into Mr. Simm's dep't to see the school collections they are putting up.

Home on the 1:17 - - - - - Finished report and sent it to Hopedale nurseries. Wrote J.M. Cathcart, Glacier Park, about shrubbery for landscape work there.

R.R. .52 + .25; baker .24; lunch .25; ice cream .20; bananas .10; medicine 1.35; barber .15.

Sunday, August 10

"1.07

Began to rain before 9:00 A.M. Heavy rain at intervals -

Did not go to S.S. Went to church and heard fine sermon by Rev. Mr. Prosser?

Slept most of afternoon Finished "Forty Centuries of Farmers." Reading Rauschenbusch, etc.

Took a walk down to Bahr's nursery.

Clows called this evening.

Cool after the rain and brisk wind.

Church .10:

Monday, August 11

“.07

Overcast. Light showers.

Worked at school house nearly all day. Had a call from Hutchinson representing brushes, etc, and from Helmer, representing A.B.Co.

This evening took lantern & other paraphernalia to Ravinia school house & with Mr & Mrs Wonzer's help set it up and tried out her slides.

Barber .15; trolley .10;

Tuesday, August 12

Cleared off during the morning and we had a beautiful day.

Worked at school this A.M. In afternoon developed 21 of my negatives. Spent some time getting ready an electric signal, etc. for use this evening. Had been invited to Wonzer's for dinner at 6:00 but couldn't make it. Got to Ravinia by train at 7:00 P.M. Mr. & Mrs W. & I got things ready in good time. A fine crowd. Mrs W's effort very creditable. I showed some flower slides. Mr. Cole had an exhibit of bird skins; Colin Sanborn of eggs.

Dist 107 – Express 1¹⁰ – books sent to Misses Moore, Cramer, & Murray.

Trolley .10; barber .25;

Wednesday, August 13

Cloudy most of the day. A little close and sultry. Conference with Mr Norcross this A.M. Worked at school house much of morning and afternoon.

Dug up our lily bulbs this evening.

Conference with Mr. Greenslade this evening. Trying to secure authorization of oiling floors, etc., at school.

Visited Glencoe school this A.M. and talked with colored janitor about floor dressing, etc.

Trolley .10; ice cream .20;

Thursday, August 14

“.32

Slow, “old-fashioned thunderstorm” at daybreak. Rain over by 9:00. Cleared off warm – humid. Met Mr. Norcross and Mr Metzel at school b'ld'g and went over situation with them.

Afternoon – went with Mrs Millard in auto to Ravinia Park. Helped Mr. Davies of Winnetka marshall children of North Shore villages in parade. Allendale boys' band and Glenwood boys band there. Beautiful parade. Mrs McMullen invited Davies and me to sit in her box. At intermission had long chat with Myrtle English and her cousin. Came home in auto with Mrs Bell and Miss Englehard. – Met Capt. Bradley and Mrs B. –

Walked out to Blodgett this P.M.

Candy .25; barber .25.

Friday, August 15

Hot day. Mr Metzel and I went down to Lewis and Kitchen to consult “Sam” about a humidifier. Then I went to Fields to buy negative envelopes. To Lincoln Park where I spent an hour and a half looking over collections in Academy of Science. Lunch at restaurant downtown, and a chat with Supt H.H. Kingsley at same time. Then out to Garfield Park to spend an hour in the magnificent conservatories.

To Mueller Bro. to get some mounted prints I had left there in June. Home on the 4:15.

Evening Morton, Mann, Norcross & I had a meeting at schoolhouse.

Charge ~~50~~ 75¢ to special fund – work done by Mueller's

R.R. .52 + .20; lunch .25; papers .06

Saturday, August 16

Hot day. A cooling lake breeze latter part of afternoon.

At school house with Morton and Witten in the morning. I worked there most of day.

Went to Carqueville's for 6:30 dinner. Mr Metzel being other guest.

Spent evening looking over Mr C's pictures of their Hawaiian trip.

Came home in his machine.

Barber .15; thread .10;

Sunday, August 17

A little cooler. A tempering breeze.

To S.S. Helped Mr Green give lantern lesson on Turkey. Did not stay for church.

Tramped down into woods west of Ravinia in afternoon. Mimulus, lobelia s., cardinal flower, etc

Went to Ravinia Park this evening as guest of Mr. Geer. Third act of Martha given. Jennie Dufau, et. al.

Read much from Rauschenbush today.

Church .10. Pd Green 1⁰⁰ Charge to expense fund for slide rental.

Monday, August 18

Warm and humid but cooling breezes made conditions pleasant.

Mowed yard; burned papers; worked at school rest of morning and all afternoon. This evening developed ten negatives, all good ones. Read three chapters from Rauschenbush and one from Semple.

Sent a drawer to Langlow-Fowler,

Charge 70¢ express to Dist 107.

Also 22¢ " for pkg of books to Miss Hazlett.

Barber .50; ice cream .10; washwoman .75;

Tuesday, August 19

Humid. But cool breezes.

Met Miller of Lewis & Kitchen at school house and studied out plan for installing direct radiation in some of school rooms. Witten's men began to prepare walls for calcimining.

Developed negatives all afternoon – about 40. Most of them seem good

Prepared bed for lily bulbs and planted them Got rotted manure from Decker's. A load of sand from Denzel.

Three chapters from Semple and two from Rauschenbush

Sent 1⁰⁰ to Miss Davidson for Mother's missionary papers.

Bread .05;

Wednesday, August 20

Pleasant day. Still a little humid.

At school house this A.M. After lunch, met Dunlap for Metrop. Supply Co. for an hour & heard his talk about school supplies. Then home for my camera and over to Wm Denzels where I took several photos of his twins, et. al. Then to Mrs F.B. Williams where I took four of her little daughter.

This P.M. Board meeting. Much business transacted – Radiation, humidifier, more Moulthrop desks, etc. I was authorized to go to Buffalo – Internat'l Cong. of Hygiene – at Board's expense

Barber .15; stamps .10;

Thursday, August 21

Very warm. Very humid.

Took 8:09 for Chicago. To Grant Park to see the rebuilt Niagara, the Wolverine, and others. Understood the boats were to leave at 10:00. "Hung around" until 11:00 and came away.

To Gt. Northern office & talked with Morrison about death of Dr. Fletcher who fell in a crevasse at Blackfeet Glacier the other day. To Mic. Central to inquire rates for Buffalo.

Vaughns for sulphur soap; Fair for toilet paper & a book; Fields for photog. supplies & two ties. Home on 1:30-2:22.

Developed two tanks full of plates. Bad conditions for drying plates.

Charge Dist 107 - 20¢ for sulphur soap; 20¢ for phone.

R.R. 52 + .05; Souvenir book of Niagara .50 + .05; book at Fair .25; Mrs Krueger 1.75; ice cream .20

Friday, August 22

Lightning around horizon during last evening – a heavy storm in Chicago – prefaced cool breeze that came up and today has been cool – delightfully so.

Met Mr Whitten & Mr Norcross at school house this A M to inspect tinting of rooms. Later on Mr Hoban of Waukegan came to look over slating work.

Developed two tanks fulls of plates – including the last of those exposed on my trip. Took 7 negatives to Wm Denzel – very good ones too. Quite a little work at school and around my own place. With Mr Morton at school a while this evening – planning work on school grounds, etc.

Am getting a tomato or two a day from our Dwarf Champions & Early Field's.

Pulled up sweet pea vines

Barber .15; bananas .10; stamps .10;

Saturday, August 23

Quite cool in night. Delightful day.

At school awhile, then took 9:53 for city. Bo't a hat at Mitchell & Mitchell's. Visited with Prof. Cox for an hour at Federal Bl'd'g. Lunch at Messinger's. Then by trolley to lake shore at 75th St. Tramped around several blocks to secure pictures of rosin weed. Found only one blossom out. Prairie a sea of onion and liatris bloom with some physosotegia and asclepias u.? Also prairie dock. Wind so strong that I could not accomplish anything. Home on 5:10-5:44. Wrote notices of beginning of school & sent to the teachers.

Borrowed \$100⁰⁰ at H.P. State Bank.

R. R 52 + .20; lunch .30 + .05; Panama hat 2.95;

Sunday, August 24

Delightful. Cool.

S.S. as usual. H. R Smith and I ran lantern for Mr Steele who talked on India.

Package of specimens to analyze had been delivered at school house yesterday, but I did not learn of this until noon today. So I went there to work this afternoon. Walked out West Park Ave. to get specimens for purpose of comparison. This evening Kittie & I went up to school house for a little while. I wrote out my report for the Hopedale nursery this evening.

Monday, August 25

Labor Day. And a very hot day. A warm south wind blowing.

At school house this A.M. Spent part of the afternoon analyzing plants sent me from Hopedale nursery. Then at school house. After supper sprinkled garden and lawn heavily. Quite dry now.

Leonard went away this A.M.

This evening I wrote at my office desk copy for this week's H.P. Press.

R R. 25 (Leonard); ice cream .20

Tuesday, August 26

Very hot day.

Collected botanical specimens this A.M. Trolley to Washington Ave., Highwood, - tramped over into Skokie & southward. Analyzed flowers a while. Worked at school house some. This evening at my desk at school. Making list by years of teachers back to 1902-1903.

Very dusty country roads.

My asters in great display – now for ten days. Have been having abundance of tomatoes.

Promised Anti Saloon League five dollars.

Mr. Geer & Mr Wightman and I had “near beer” at Lencioni's this P.M.

Dinner for Modern Woodmen 2⁹⁰

Trolley .05; ice cream .30;

Wednesday, August 27

Gieser 12⁰⁰ (bill 9⁷³); H.P. Ice Co. 3⁵⁰;

Thursday, August 28

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Friday, August 29

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Saturday, August 30

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Sunday, August 31

Trace

Got home from Buffalo at 12:36 midnight.

Leonard Smith here. Had spent day in Chicago, and had visited office of Automatic Electrical Mfg Co. on Van Buren & Morgan with reference to position.

Went to S.S.

After lunch L. and I went to Naval Training Station. Again after supper we went to Lake Front Park and sat there awhile on a bench.

Trolley .70.

Monday, September 1

Cool breeze came up in night and blew more or less all day

Cleared up a great deal of correspondence this A.M. Visited with Fitz Bahr a while.

Took 12:56 for Chicago. Chat with Mr Quilty on the train. To Bd of Ed'n rooms to get circular describing disinfectant & sweeping compounds; to Fair for toilet paper; H.M. Dixon Co to see Mr. Rocheleau; Siegel Cooper; McClurg's; Presb. B'd of Publications; Dietz; Vaughn's for sample of winter wheat; to Rand McNally to see new Goode Maps – ordered two.

Met Mrs Goode & Kenneth on street. 5:50 for home.

This evening S.S. teachers' meeting at church. Full house.

R.R. .52; toilet paper .55; barber .15; (R.R ticket 6⁶⁰)

Saw Grinnel water thrush in my back yard this A.M.

Tuesday, September 2

Pleasant day.

Spent some time today working at flower analysis. Also at my office at school. Phoned Douglas to frame up for the 5th grade room the picture of the Half Moon ascending the Hudson.

Began copying my list of supplementary books this evening – using typewriter at home.

By check – N.S. Gas 4⁸⁰; Chic Tel. Co 2⁴⁰; Bergen 8⁰⁰
Field 6⁷⁷;

Wednesday, September 3

Went to city on 12:56.

H.P. Ice Co 3⁵⁰; Gieser 12⁰⁰

Thursday, September 4

Fields 6⁷⁷; N.S. Gas 4⁸⁰

Chic. Tel. Co. 2⁴⁰;

Dr. Bergen 8⁰⁰

Friday, September 5

Trace

A little warmer. Slight shower at daybreak.

Misses Murray, Hazlitt, & Fort came in this evening. Miss Fort went to Mrs Elvies. Others to Mrs Flynn – temporarily.

Barber .40; Shoe repairs 1²⁵

Saturday, September 6

Warm day. Not severely warm.

Wrote letter of introd. to Dr McMurry for Edith Davies. She & Dorothy Mitchell left for DeKalb today.

Miss Schermerhorn & Miss Moore arrived this morning before nine and at 10 they & Misses Murray, Hazlitt, and Fort and I went to Waukegan to meet Co Supt & secure certif. for each. Miss Cramer's train late & she reached W. after we started back. Kensler got in late. This afternoon first teachers' meeting. White at Alton at Institute. Parks absent. Took Miss Cramer's two suit cases over to Mrs Elvies where she is to stay with Miss Fort over Sunday.

Trolley .30; ice cream & bananas .25; barber .25; check room .20; bicyc .25;

Sunday, September 7

Very warm day.

S.S. as usual. Slept & read most of day. After supper had a moonlight ride with the Clows & Miss West.

Miss White phoned today as did Miss Parks – both having been unable to get here yesterday.

Wrote letter to Clarence urging him to have Dr Everett Brown give Leonard a thorough physical examination.

Monday, September 8

“.17

Grew cooler in the night. Old-fashioned thunderstorm after midnight but not a heavy rainfall.

School began today. Enrolment 427 – over 40 in first grade. Everything moved off well. Temperature delightful. Teachers' meeting at 2:00 P.M. Mrs Schumacher called in during the meeting. Board meeting this evening. I presented my expense acct of over 51⁰⁰ Mother 4⁰⁰;

Tuesday, September 9

Pleasant day. Breezy.
Field trip with 4B's to bluff – to make first map of Lake.
Various conferences with teachers.
Miss Mains met me in office and offered her services as cadet.
427 pupils enrolled yesterday. 6 or 7 more today.
Sprinkled flowers this evening.
Called on Mr Egan a while this afternoon.
Worked at office until 10:20 P.M.
Barber .15; ice cream .20; City water bill 3²⁴;

Wednesday, September 10

Pleasant day. A little warmer.
Wrote items about opening of school for the H.P. Press. To Egan's on way to school to see his morning glories.
Heard class in civics. A nat. study class in 7B. Overhauled stock room. Visited Bournique's garden at Ruth's request to see her peach trees.
100 Moulthrop desk chairs for primary grades came.
Weighed out ingredients for making 5 gal. of ink.

Thursday, September 11 “.15

Threatening all morning; a fine gentle rain in the afternoon.
Took 3A's with Miss Schermerhorn on a garden trip (Rudolph's). Assembled grades 4 – 8 just before noon to commemorate 100th anniversary of Perry's victory (Yesterday show have been our meeting time)
Children brought asters, marigolds, zinnias, etc for exhibit. Mr. Egan and Mr Bahr acted as judges. Children not admitted to Science Room where flowers are until tomorrow.
Tonight I worke until after eleven attaching awards & honorable mentions.
Bananas .10; stamp book .49;

Friday, September 12

Beautiful day.
Busy arranging desk-chairs in auditorium & Miss W's room. Children visited flower exhibit in science room.
Much work with teachers.
Went into Skokie after 5:00 P.M. to get blossoms of coreopsis tripteris but they were all withered. Redstarts and other warblers abundant in the trees.
Helped boys organize athletic ass'n.
Barber .85; ice cream .10; stamps .10;

Saturday, September 13

An ideal day.

Mowed yard, burned waste paper, etc., & cleaned accumulation of ashes from furnace. Then to school house where I shifted chairs in primary grades until noon.

Nap after lunch, then I overhauled my lantern slides and planned for next Tuesday evening's lecture.

After supper went to school house. Planned door and yard assignments for teachers.

Got 46 prints from my summer's negatives from Brand's this afternoon.

Barber .15;

Sunday, September 14

Another very beautiful day. S.S. as usual.

Discussed plan of buying pupils textbooks of Presb. Bd. of Pub. with Messrs Metzler, Schumacher, & Dobson. Worked at office desk until close of church services.

Nap before lunch. After lunch went on my wheel to Des Plaines bridge west of Deerfield Analyzed flowers. Went into Millard's woods to try to get some hack berries. Home at dusk

Bidens cernua

Helianthus giganteus

“ *divaricatus*

Saw a black-throated blue warbler.

Chelone, *Lobelia s.*, *Physostegia U.*, in bloom – the latter almost gone.

Monday, September 15

Another fine day but overcast in the afternoon. Slight sprinkle before 8:00 P.M. Raining at 10:00 P.M.

Announcement of prizes awards at assembly. Number of new pupils. Mrs F.W Schumacher came to ask that Junior (an 8A) be allowed to go to H.S. to carry one study. This seemed to me unfair unless all went. So I went over to see Mr. Sandwick about it and he arranged to take all from 9 to 10:45 A.M. – A very busy day in many respects – Miss McPherson on deck – A caucus after school and assignment of duties – Made hktographs – At 8:00 at Mrs Clement's to hold a preliminary caucus. Mrs Wean, two Bourniques, Mr. & Mrs Thomas. Talked school matters until 11:00 Mrs Wean brought me home in machine

Barber .15;

Tuesday, September 16

“.46

Overcast. Light showers during the day. Very busy. Gave copy of H.P. Press telling about flower show.

Harry Wilson of A.B. Co. in town. We had friendly chat on the street.

Went to Park Ridge this P. M to talk before Improvement Ass'n. Ate supper at Collins'es – All there including Laurence Gave talk in Clark's Hall Mr Clute introduced me. Misses Ford, Claypool, McQueen there. – Also Miss Penny, Mr. & Mrs J H. Wilson, Mrs Holbrook, Mr & Mrs Blood, et. al Home by 11:30 P.M.

R.R. 52 + .44; lunch .15; barber .15;

Wednesday, September 17

Overcast. Fine mist at times.

S. L. Smith spent afternoon with me. Admired my school plant. I hope to engage him as special writing instructor.

Mrs Van Riper consulted me about Ethel's choosing an occupation.

Children have a flying squirrel, various caterpillars, crickets, grasshoppers, etc. Have on my desk two dead vireos.

Caucus at Mrs Clements this P.M. I led discussion about new school bld'g. About 20 present. Norcross, Faxon, Bacon, Mains, Martin, W.S. Forrest, et. al.

Pd Mrs Clow 30⁰⁰; Bock 13.02;

Bananas .05

Thursday, September 18

Gray much of day. Cooler.

Heard a civics class of two pupils. Ethel Van Riper called to talk over plans for preparing to teach drawing.

Mrs Schumacher and I had conference on school affairs after school.

Faust, the author of writing books, called.

Conferred with Mr Greenslade about engaging S.L. Smith as writing instructor.

Wrote out record cards for Reynolds & Rosamond Burt at Washington D.C.

Had a load of coal put into our bins. Mrs G. lighted a kindling fire in our furnace this evening.

Loaned Miss McPherson my R.R. ticket. She has used up three rides also.

H.P. News Co 2³⁰ to Oct. 1.

Friday, September 19

Pleasant day. Sunny much of the time.

Ugolini and his men began to surface a portion of west part of school grounds with rock screenings

A field trip with 3B's & Miss Schermerhorn; gave 8A's a lesson in Latin; science lesson with 8B's & 7B's. Chat with Mrs Baylies over school work. Various conferences after school. This evening Kittie helped me on my pupils' card catalogue.

Saturday, September 20

“.16

Rained early this A.M. Threatened all day, part of the time drizzling.

During the morning began to turn cold and is now very chilly. We have a furnace fire.

Worked at the school house until 12:15 noon. Miss Behrens & Miss Hazlitt happened to be there, so I had them read out their pupils' cards so I could correct the list in my card drawers.

Kittie & I took 12:56 for C. At Field's ordered beautiful jar for Jessie Clarke. Then I went to Muellers, Moulton & R; called on Miss Ingersoll & Miss Alice; to McClurg's (Bo't Simmon's U.S.); Vaughans; Kohlsaats, & home on 5:10.

Worked at school house until 10:20 P.M.

Pd note for 100⁰⁰ at bank.

R.R. .78; papers etc .06; clover seed & oats 10¢ (Dist 107); note book .40; hktog. ink .50 (#107)

Express 1⁸⁸ (Dist 107);

Sunday, September 21

Trace

Gray. Threatening. Furnace fire felt good. Late this afternoon light showers. Cool.

To S.S. Various conferences over details of promotions, etc

Bo't 12 lead pencils & a tablet at Larson's to use at S.S. Had Jack Baker's class write answers to test questions.

Tramped around a bit this afternoon but not far from home

Mr & Mrs Parrat spent evening with us.

I finished R.'s Christianizing the Social Order.

Pencils .10; paper .05.

Monday, September 22 Trace

Gray. Very cool. Clearing at sunset.

Another busy day. Spent much time studying the seating of the rooms. – Am hearing a class in civics of but two pupils –

Checked up pupils' cards with Misses Davis, McCord, and Schermerhorn.

Worked in my office this evening and wrote up the cards of pupils from Miss White's room.

Library paste .10; P.O. Box ren'l .60;

Tuesday, September 23

A little frost reported from the region sloping towards the Skokie, but none around us.

Got much warmer this afternoon

Gave a lesson on Lake Michigan to 4A's. Worked on card catalogue a while.

Field trip to Exmoor Ridge with 4B's and Miss Moore.

Teachers' meeting after school.

Miss White, Behrens, Grunewald & I walked over the Sheahen wooded pasture to try to see a sunset – but the sank into a cloud mass.

Called at Dr Bergen's to get medicine to head off a threatened cold.

Barber .15; Mother 5⁴⁰; Druggist .50.

Wednesday, September 24

Sultry today. Field trip today on W. Park Ave to see Skokie Valley – 4B's.

Mrs Curtis brought me three large boxes of clothing to give away.

Boys & Mr. Davis set up an additional basketball goal.

Went to Bahr's nursery before school to get a strawberry plant to pot.

Mr S.L. Smith spent the day teaching writing in our schools.

Dead specimens; magnolia, black-throated-blue; blue jay; cliff swallow,

Mother, Kittie & I went down to Tracy to Jessie Clarke's wedding to Frank Anderson. – Rev. Mr. McGee. Beautiful wedding. Had a fine time. Got home at 11:40. Among others: Mr. & Mrs Clark, two of Christiansons; wives, & daughters; do. Hobbes; Mr & Mrs Sutherland, Cooke, Damon, Miss Hague, Mr. Anderson, - the father, mother, & sister of groom; the Wilsons, etc. Aunt Margaret Smith
R.R. 1.56 + .75; lunch 80;

Thursday, September 25 Trace

A little cooler than yesterday but pleasant. Gray at times. At night time light sprinkles.

S.L. Smith again with us. Agent for Century Encyc. called. Also Mr. Johnson, representing Laurel Song Book, etc. 18 new seats for Miss Hazlitt's room came.

Field trip of 3A's to Meeker's Crab Tree Dairy this afternoon. Mr Koller driver. Miss Mains acc. Miss Schermerhorn & me. Were filling a silo. Also mixing feed – oats clippings, corn meal, cotton seed, molasses, etc. Took 33 children. Got back at 5:00.

This eve at desk at school house.

gipsies .25; ice cream .15; barber .15.

Friday, September 26

Beautiful day.

Miss Cole unable to be at school in the morning.

Taught 3 science classes. Mr Metzel visited the b'l'd'g for a while and we discussed seating problems.

Monthly reports of attendance in today.

Worked at the b'ld'g this evening. Much disturbed by some boys who hammered on the door.
Barber .15;

Saturday, September 27

A very beautiful day. Worked at school house all morning. Rioux began on task of re-setting our flagpole. – Went to city on 12:56. Left brown suit at Anderson's; to Banghat & Fischer for certain paper; McClurg's; Moulton & Ricketts where I left a watercolor of Miss Fort's to be framed; to Mueller's; to Chic. Pub. Library to look up Wilson's speech of last July 4.

Home on 4:15 – Worked at school this evening
Charge 35¢ to Ath. fund for a pump.
R R .52 + .05; Papers 0[6?]

Sunday, September 28

Sunny at first. Then gray. Fine mist late in the evening.

Rally day at S.S.

Slept this afternoon.

Went to city on 5:45-6:45; Met Mr Parrott by appointment and we went to a meeting of the I.W.W. Speeches by Jack Whyte and Joe Ettor – in behalf of strikers at Wheatland, Calif.

R.R. .52; collection .50; paper .10;

Monday, September 29

Trace

Threatening much of the day. A fog over everything in the evening.

Very busy. Mr Florent came to opening exercises to invite new boys to join the band.

Mrs Clements and I had a caucus about Parent – Teachers' affairs. I began typewriting a mailing list of all our patrons. This took several hours. I finished it about 11:00 P.M.

Mrs McBride's mother called to present the needs of the Children's Aid Society of Chicago.

Distributed warrants to the teachers.

Conferred with John Udell about envelopes; with Bahr about bulbs;

Mrs Arteberry began sweeping for Elm Place.

Royal League 4⁵⁶ (Sept & Oct); (Set Co Supt. 8⁰⁰ for the teachers)

Barber .15; Mrs Clow 30⁰⁰; Charge Dist. 107 - .10 for carbon paper.

Tuesday, September 30

“.41

Began to rain gently after midnight. Foggy again this morning. During noon hour an old fashioned thunderstorm came up. So dark we had to light lamps.

Checked up missing data for directory of parents.

Conference with Mrs Clements. Then went to meeting of Ex. Board of P.T.A. at Mrs Bastin's at 3:00. Came away at 5:30. Walked with Mrs Bowen Schumacher.

Worked awhile at school this evening. Reviewed first chapter of Semple

Wednesday, October 1

Pleasant – almost sultry. Shower after 9:30 P.M.

Workmen got flagpole into new hole and first course of cement in place. – Koller bro't loads of sand & soil yesterday. – Field trip with 6B's to collect leaves. With 7B's to examine healed places on trees.

– Some of us met to discuss Semple’s Geog. Conditions – At school house this evening. – Conferred with Metzel, & Schumacher & Miss Gourley over S.S. textbooks. Talked with Mr Parratt about a weekend trip. Also with E. Millard.

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Paul Gieser 10⁰⁰

Barber .15; U.C. of Ev. 2⁵⁰; City Club 10⁰⁰

Thursday, October 2

Beautiful day.

Directed Mr. Davis in rearranging seats in 3rd and 4th grade rooms.

O.G. Waffle called to look up his bill against Board for dictionaries, etc I paid him 16⁵⁰ for my B.L. set of Shakespeare

Misses McCord, Gahan, & Guiney gave us all a beach party this evening – 5:00 – 8:00. Lake beautiful – great waves rolling in. Had a fine party.

Went to school house afterwards for a while.

Pd Bock 25¹⁰; Fields 29²⁵; Waffle 16⁵⁰; bananas .10;

Friday, October 3

Beautiful day. Sumac at its height.

Had the “Festival of the Sumac and Wild Aster” this afternoon. Children were invited to appear in costume – possibly 100 or more did so. To music of bass & tenor drums, pupils marched out into the woods and down in the ravine where recitations, singing, games and folk dances were given. Then I awarded to 60 or more “honorable mentions” a bag of paper white narcissus, & to prize winners 6 chrysanthemums, 4 cyclamens, & 2 solanums. Then all marched to flagpole, cheered flag as it was hoisted & dispersed - - - This evening called on Mr. & Mrs Dyke at Clows. Then to school house for a while. Boys pounded on door twice. Called police but they found no one.

Pens for Dist 107 - .25;

Ice cream .10;

Saturday, October 4

Beautiful day. Millard & I took 6:00 A.M for Chicago & 7:30 for Sawyer, Mich (Pere Marquette) Got there about 10:00. Had a map to guide us but got away in wrong direction & were three or more miles out of our way when we found our mistake. Hired rig at village of New Troy, made our way back towards Sawyer, then two miles north where we sent back our rig and plunged into the roads through the dunes. Found a wonderful moving dune with two lobes, pushing into a rich forest. Cooked wienies & ate lunch on shore of L. Mich. Explored woods into which dune is moving. Then walked south to where creek comes through. Followed this back & reached Sawyer at dusk. Ate supper at country hotel. Caught 7:15 to Chicago. Got home at 12:15. Sassafras, maples, sumach, sour gum, flowering dogwood, etc. made brilliant display

R.R. 46 + 26; 2.92; .10; buggy 1²⁵; supper .70; wienies .10;

Sunday, October 5

“.48

Rained in the night. Slight showers until about 9:00 A.M. Sun broke through at 11:00.

S.S. & worked in office until 12:15. Nap after lunch. Then went to vespers with Mother. Beautiful program. This evening spent an hour or so in office of bible school. Church .10.

Monday, October 6

Trace

A mist at early dawn. Cleared somewhat. Rather warm.

At morning exercises some of the boys played "Onward Christian soldiers" on their brass instruments. Desk work much of morning.

Worked at desk at school until 11:00 P.M. Sorting out bills of last year. Wrote for H.P. Press account of Sumac Festival.

Barber .15;

Tuesday, October 7

Fine day. A little warm and humid.

Took 4A's with Misses Moore & Murray to Waukegan. Saw steamer unload miscellaneous freight & a big freighter unloading coal (6500 tons). Captain of latter & officers entertained us. A great treat.

This afternoon McCormick and his trained dog Bronté gave two performances in the auditorium. Nearly all the children attended.

Worked at office a while this P.M.

Pd Mrs Arteberry 7⁵⁰ for last week's work. Charge to Dist. 107.

Ice cream .15;

Wednesday, October 8

Trace

Threatening during the day. Rain late in evening – very gentle. Foggy.

Visited Mr Rowell at Glencoe a while this A.M to ask about moving picture machine and to see racks for rubbers. Took 11:44 for Chicago. Visited Burke & James to see an Edison kinetoscope. Not pleased with the films. Went to McClurg's, Lyon & H., Pub. Library. Home at 3:34. Rode with Mrs Millard on way out. At school led exercise in Semple's History & Geog. conditions.

This P.M. at school house until 8:40. Then to S.S. office to hold teachers' meeting. Then home & worked on school budget until 11:30.

Charge Dist 107 - 10¢ and 62¢ for carfare.

Lunch .25;

Thursday, October 9

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Threatening. Sunny at times.

Miss Davis in the city to have eyes tested. I heard two of her classes. Miss Smedley & Miss Steele of Evanston called to confer with me about a program for the intermediate section at the Oak Park meeting in Nov. I promised to give 30 minute flower talk.

This afternoon much time given over to preparations for P. & T.A. reception.

That took place this evening. A great success. Miss Wilson from Anna Morgan conservatory gave charming monologues. A number of us went to ice cream "parlors" – Lencioni's afterwards.

Pd Miss Strom \$3⁰⁰ for typewriting names of patrons (Dist. 107).

Ice cream .70;

Friday, October 10

".41

Threatening. Sultry. At length thunderstorm, high wind, some hail at 4:00 P.M.

Rained a little before 8:00 A.M.

Went with 8B's for lunch on beach and gave them a lesson on plant life there. At 2:30 – 6th graders gave dramatization of King of Golden River in ravine. Grades 4 – 8 as spectators plus 20 or 30 patrons. Quite a success.

This P.M. did some work on school accounts.

Candy .10;

Saturday, October 11

Clear. Cool. At Bahr's – I counted out bags of bulbs for school use. Visited his nursery to look up strawberry plants. At school house a while.

Took 11:41 for Chicago. To Landt's to leave my watch for repairs. Lyon & H. to return a record. Met Miss Collins on street and had long talk. To Moulton & R. to get Miss Fort's framed watercolor. Prang's to get Lincoln print. Pd 1⁴⁰ – charge to Moulton & R. To Dennison's, Field's, Flanagan's. Abbot's where I paid 75¢ for roll of paper. Home on 4:00-4:37. Worked on Board's budget until late this evening. \$1⁴⁰ charge to Moulton & R.

.75 “ “ Dist 107.
R.R. .52 + .10; barber .15;

Sunday, October 12

Beautiful day although for a few minutes a few raindrops fell.

S.S. Mr. Metzel & I conferred upon seating problem of S.S. pupils. Decided to visit S.S. at Glencoe & Winnetka. Took his machine. Spent an hour at W.; a few minutes at G. Home at 12:30. A nap this afternoon. Then to school house. Looked over the “Book of Wealth,” given school by Alvar Bourniques.

Read from Geog. Influences, etc.
Church .10.

Monday, October 13

A beautiful day in every respect.

To Bahr's early to have bulbs sent to school house. Mr Nida of River Forest & 13 or 14 of his teachers visited us all morning We enjoyed their visit much. Took them to Victoria restaurant for lunch. They went to Winnetka for afternoon. At 3:00 I went to D.A.R. meeting at Mrs Davidson's and spoke on Geographic Influences in U.S. history. Then back to school house at 4:30. Early supper & went at school bills. Board met at 8:00. Bills voted. Discussion of various topics. Board voted in my expense acct. Barber .15;

Tuesday, October 14

Beautiful day though somewhat windy.

Went with Miss Schermerhorn and the 3B's on farm trip. Wm Koller driving. To Knickerbocker & to Erskine farm, and home by the County Line Road. Stopped to see process of manufacturing brick

Began to distribute bulbs this afternoon. Paper whites, 4 kinds of tulips, hyacinths, freesias, crocuses, scillas, snowdrops, - strawberry plants!

Worked at office this evening.

Wednesday, October 15

Another fine day. Windy at times. Busy handing out bulbs. Field trip of 4B's to study beginning of ravine – Miss Moore's pupils.

New maps from Rand McNally's (J. Paul Goode's) arrived.

14 of teachers and I had bus ride to Ravinoaks. Then we walked back through R., Mrs Adam's place, Millard's, etc.

This evening Mother, Kittie, and I went to wedding of Mrs Millen and Mr Rogerson.

Thursday, October 16

"1.27

Began to rain at noon and has drizzled and rained all day and into the night.

Miss Chapin of the Albany Ave School and six or seven of her corps spent this morning with us.

S.L. Smith with us again today. Gave us teachers a special lesson after school.

Mother left for Omaha this P.M. I went to the city with her on the 6:56 – bought her Pullman ticket – and caught the 8:00-8:37 for home. Went right to the Evangelical Church and heard Bishop Schwengel's sermon, etc

R.R. .78; Omaha ticket 12⁵⁰;

Friday, October 17

Drizzle now and then until noon.

Took my two boys in civics class to City Hall this A.M. Helped 1B's plant some white oak acorns.

Gave three science lessons this afternoon. Started 7B's & 6B's in their bulb planting. Still dispensing bulbs at a great rate.

This evening Mr. Mann and I had a session at school house discussing new building scheme.

Barber .15; Mandels 2¹⁵; Lencioni 1⁶⁰ (restaurant fee);

Saturday, October 18

Cleared off. A fine cool day. Worked around home at first. Then at school & at various errands.

11:44 for Chicago. To Dietzgen's – 166 W. Monroe – for large sheet of drawing paper. To Landt's to get my watch. Lunch at Chic Oyster House To Chic. Histor. B'ld'g. Chat with Miss McInwain and with Mr. Kent, Princ. of Eugene Field School. Latter told me about his visit to Gettysburg. Copied a page or so from Carpenter's Six Mo. in White House. Went to Newberry Library to look up matters relating to Emancip Proclamation. 5:50 for home. Visited with Mr Mitchell, Mr Crosby, and Mrs Rutledge on train.

At school a while this P.M.

Sent Nida \$3¹² for a 12 ride ticket

“ Frank Anderson 2.⁵⁰

Pd .25 carfare for two boys to go to Glencoe – Dist. 107.

R.R. 52 + .20; paper .80 (Dist. 107); papers .11; Lunch .40; barber .15; candy .15; banan. .10

Sunday, October 19

A fine day. Overcast at sunset and sprinkling of rain at 9:30 P.M.

S.S. Mr. Metzel and I worked over his scheme of glass partitions for the class rooms. Had some of the men meet us after S.S. to consider it. Mr. Green and I and some of the Dorcas ladies also planned getting blinds for large room on second floor so that we can use the lantern there.

A short nap this afternoon; then Kittie, Miss White, Miss Grunewald and I went for a pleasant drive southwest & south to Glencoe.

Wrote letter to Mr Mather this evening – business of society – “Friends of Our Native Landscape”. Church .10.

Monday, October 20

Rained in the night Sun shone a while today. Then grew gray and cold wind blew. A few flakes of snow seemingly in the air after night set in. Up to the present there has been no frost in our yard!

Miss Moore's 4th graders gave Pipes & the Dryad this A.M. before the 1st – 3rd graders.

Planted some bulbs. Various duties. One book agent (woman) to sell set of books on government.

Helped Miss Grunewald on a large map of Appalachian Valley after school and tonight at the school house.

Barber .40;

Tuesday, October 21 Snow 3" Prec. ".21

Three inches of snow by 7:30 this A.M! Had had no frost preceding it! Much of it melted today but the day was gray and chilly.

Lennie telephoned us this A.M. that Uncle Vin died this morning – rheumatism and heart failure! She was to wire Mother at Omaha.

Very busy. Snowball troubles. Helped Miss Gruenwald with her map at school this evening. Pd 10¢ to Wm Hupprich, car fare to Glencoe. Charge Dist. 107.

Wednesday, October 22 “.15

Drizzling at times. Some snowflakes melting as the fell. Wet underfoot.

Mother & Aunt Eva reached Chicago before eight this A.M. and phoned out that they were going on to Benton Harbor. I called up Lennie this P.M. and learned that the funeral is to be at 2:00 tomorrow.

East wall of Bock's store was undermined today and threatens to fall out.

Planted several flats of bulbs.

Helped in Miss Grunewald's room this A.M. while she worked on large map of Appalachian Valley.

At school house a while this evening.

Barber .25;

Thursday, October 23

Left on 6:00 for Benton Harbor. Gray and threatening, but sunny after noon.

We buried Uncle Vin at 2:00 this afternoon – at Crystal Springs Cemetery. Public services at M.E. Church, Rev. Mr McEwen presiding. Aunt Angie Hungerford, Mrs Ely, Mr. Miller – and the rest of us, Aunt Eva, Margeret, - - - Uncle looked very peaceful - - - Great masses of flowers. - Buried for the present in the Sheffield vault. - - And his works do follow him. - - - Numerous tributes of affection were paid to this faithful man.

Caught 7:35 back to Chicago

R.R .52 + .60 + .05; papers .10.

Friday, October 24

Beautiful day.

A busy one, also. Various discipline matters with 4th graders. Some bulb business. Teachers' monthly reports. Conference on arith with 2nd grade teachers.

Sent Mother a ticket and 5⁰⁰

Barber .15.

Saturday, October 25

A beautiful day. Voted for H. School issue of \$200,000 in bonds for a new b'ld'g. Took 8:09 for city. To Wilder's where I bo't a skin; McIntosh for 2 doz carbons; Fields for collars; Pe[e?]ts for samples of wallpaper; McClurg's where I bo't The Call of the Carpenter and Churchill's The Inside of the Cup. To Barret's where Round Table met. Dr. Bobbet [Franklin Bobbitt, Professor of Education, University of Chicago – ed.] talked on efficiency tests. At 12:40 went to luncheon at Geog. Soc. at La Salle Hotel. At table with Mr. Roper, Dr & Mrs Baker, et. al. Left at 2:00 as speaking began to attend Committee of Seven

at B'd of Educ'n Bldg – Colwell, Bone, Millis. Left there before 5. Back to McClurg's to hunt a copy of Emanc. Proc. Met Miss Moore and her mother there. Then 5:50 for H.P.

Dist 107 – carbons .48

Presb. Church “ .48

R.R. .52; dues of Round T. 1⁰⁰; Luncheon 1⁰⁰; trolley .15;

Barber .15; candy .10; wiener .10

Sent Mother \$5⁰⁰

Sunday, October 26 Rain - - -

Pleasant at outset but gray by 10:30; raining at 3:00 P.M. Growing colder.

Went with Everett Millard & F. Munro to Des Plaines Woods. Tramped two or three hours. Home by 1:15.

Still beautiful colors in the deep woods. Juncoes, golden-crowns, chickadees, song sparrow, grackle. Dug up helenium roots and wild ginger.

Nap this afternoon. Wrote some letters. Reading Simon's Social Forces. Began "Call of the Carpenter."

Monday, October 27 - - - - Prec. “.43

Drizzled & rained much of the day.

At morning exercises Miss Schermerhorn's room gave a little play in costume.

Teachers' meeting after school to talk over lighting & ventilation, and plans for visiting days, etc.

S.L. Smith gave a writing lesson today. Douglas visited me much of the day. Talked with him about the politics of E.S of N.I.T. Ass'n.

Conference between Norcross, Greenslade, Metzler and I at Mr N's house this P.M. Finances and a new building.

Barber .15; stamps .49;

Tuesday, October 28

Clear at first but gray much of the day. No cooler.

Phone Foltz about plans of River Forest school. Wrote Bruce of Milwaukee and to Monticello, Iowa; Bath, N.Y.; & Phillips, Wisc. about school house ventilation, etc.

More bulb planting; more conferences over school work, etc.

At home this evening planning my talk for next Thursday afternoon

Telephone bill 2⁸⁵ (pd in cash) for ~~Oct~~ Sept.

Wednesday, October 29 “.17

Gray – then drizzly more or less during the day.

Mr. Bone of Batavia and 22 of his teachers visited us all day. We had a good time. Felt that some of the teachers were quite critical – but most of them friendly. Mother came home this evening from Benton H. Worked on my talk for tomorrow – this evening.

Ate lunch with Mr. Bone's people at Mrs Simmers' restaurant.

Mr. Bone returned 2 rides from a 25 ride ticket I had sent him and paid me \$6⁰⁰.

Lunch 35.

Thursday, October 30, 2010

Slight snow in the night.

Dug up dahlias after breakfast. Mrs Pattee and Mrs Stanford of Evanston spent nearly two hours with us this A.M. to see our nature work, etc.

Passed out teachers' warrants.

Took 2:48 for city & at 4:30 talked before Wild Flower Preservation Soc. at Fullerton Hall – Art Institute. "The Balance in Nature" Mrs Lyman Walton presided. Dr. Millspaugh, Miss Baber, Mrs A.H. Loeb, Mr Ellsworth Hill, Mr H.H. Smith, et. al. Fairly successful.

This evening the teachers gave a jolly masquerade in the auditorium
R.R. .52 + .10; papers, etc. .17; shave .15;

Friday, October 31

A beautiful day. Light frost this A.M.

We all had visiting day, today. To School of Ed., Forestville, Francis Parker School, etc. Nine or ten of us went to the latter. I saw class work by Dr Lukens, Mr. Merrill, Mr Mortensen, Miss Clever, et. al. Had lunch with Mr Mortensen. A very delightful day. Late in the afternoon I went down to Lewis and Kitchen to consult S.R. – who was out. To Vanghn's, Kohlsaats, McClurgs, etc.

R.R. .52 + .40; sundries .36;

Saturday, November 1

Ideal day.

To school house first where Mr. Davis and I laid off on east part of school grounds the ground plans of a six room b'ld'g.

Caught 11:41 for Chicago. To B & S. building where I heard latter part of Doctor Goode's lecture to his class. Then went with him to the cafeteria where Mrs. G. & Kenneth waited us & had lunch. Then to Fields, to Ricketts (not in), Anderson's where I had a fitting, - then by 3:25 home. Had planned to dress up & go to banquet of Francis Parker Club in city but was too tired. Went up to school and finished marking out plans.

At home this P.M. wrote 13 or more letters.

Pd 8⁷⁶ to Exp. Co. – for P.T.A.

“ .75 “ “ - Dist 107.

\$2⁰⁰ to N.E.A. at Ann Arbor.

Barber .15; R.R. 52 + .10; lunch .35;

Sunday, November 2

Gray at intervals, but rather mild.

Met Mr. Norcross and Mr. Greenslade at school grounds for a while this A.M. to look over plans I had drawn up. Then to S.S. Mr. Green gave a stereopticon talk – Children of Other Lands.

Didn't stay for church. Had a nap before dinner. Worked in my room all afternoon. A walk to the Skokie at sunset. Wild geese flying over

Began Churchill's The Inside of the Cup.

Pd G.G. Greene 1⁴⁰ for lantern slides. Charge to Presb. Church.

Monday, November 3

Gray and sunny alternately.

At morning exercises taught children Kiplings hymn - -

Mrs Jewell, Miss Murray's sister, visited us today. A mathematics teacher from the city spent the morning here. I visited Miss Moore's room rather closely this A.M. – Mr. Bahr came to talk moving picture machine with me. Wants the school to own its own.

Teachers' meeting after school. Recited our experiences in visiting other schools. – Potted some strawberry plants. –

Dr Hamilton examined my teeth. Found little to do. – Worked at office desk this P.M. – Miss White came to talk over a tentative offer from a Normal school.

Tuesday, November 4

Beautiful day.

Got considerable work done about the plant house – soil carried in, flats covered over in cold frame, etc.

Miss Cameron of So Evanston schools visited all day. Spent some time with Mrs Leaming as a visitor. Also worked with Evan Dever this afternoon. Various conferences with teachers after school.

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At home all evening.

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Took 4B's on ravine trip - - - the one in which pupils divide into two groups and follow up separate ravines until they unite.

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Science lesson – 7B.

Wednesday, November 5

Yet another beautiful day. A busy one, too.

Mrs Clements called this A.M. and we went over school affairs at some length.

Took 4A's to Sheahen's pond – to map ponds, etc.

Spent an hour or more with Sam Lewis, heating engineer, and Mr Norcross.

Teachers of history & geog. met with Miss Guiney to hear her discussion of history of Appalachians.

Took 5:50 for city. Went to Audubon Society meeting at John F Blakeley's – 1210 Astor St.

Millard there, & we came home together.

R.R. .52 + .15; boots .20;

Thursday, November 6

Still another.

A very busy one, too. Long visits today from patrons & from Mrs Schumacher. She and I went over the plan of the new building together, etc.

Johnson's men set up their humidostadt today.

The Lewis & K. men got their radiators in place ready to attach.

Sent some of the teachers to hear Dean Summer at Ossoli Club.

Boynton's chauffeur took me & the Presb. lantern, etc to Everett Millard's house. Set it up. Went home for supper. Mother, K. & I went in machine to the Millard's where an audience of 20 or 25 heard my talk on "Plant Societies" – Engelhardts, Moseleys, Metzels, C.G. Alexanders, Miss Stever, Schaner, etc.

Barber .75;

Friday, November 7

Took 7:30 for Chicago. Out to Oak Park by 9:00. I was to act as treasurer for Mr Douglas who was away.

Had 8 assistants. Took in \$1335⁰⁰ during the day. Crowd overflowed every session. I had a strenuous day.

Ate lunch with Moore, Goble, & one other at restaurant in Austin.

Talked twice in the afternoon on "Plant Societies" using my slides. Got along well. Ate supper at Miss Moore's home. Evening session – then took trolley to city. Registered at the La Salle – Room 1030.

Dr. McMurry at evening session talked about the educational situation in Germany.

R. R. .26 + .10 + .05; lunch .25; dues 1⁰⁰; pencils & tablets .20

Saturday, November 8

Prec. ".41

Snowed a little in H.P. during night. Melted readily.

Wrote out part of report of resolutions committee's report. Breakfast at Messinger's. A shave. Then to Art Institute. Douglas came soon to relieve me. I read report on resolutions.

Was appointed to represent our section on the legislative committee.

Mr Conn, Mr McMillan (on pensions), Mr. Giles, Prof. Leavitt, spoke. Adjourned before 12:00. Went to chrysanthemum show. Took 1:55 home.

Laid off plans on school grounds – once more. It was dark before I finished

Pd 45¢ for Art Inst Pictures [Mr. Smith drew an arrow from this entry to a note at the bottom of the page that read "charge to Dist. 107." – ed.]

R.R. .26 + .05; lunch .40; hotel \$2.50; barber .35; breakfast .25. (Twine .20 – charge to Dist. 107.

Sunday, November 9

Gray – and a cold wind blowing.

To S.S. Gave Howard Schumacher's class ten minutes with the lantern. Did not stay for church. At 2:30 P.M. met Messrs Norcross, Metzel and Mann for an hour or so at school – to look over plans of a new b'ld'g.

Read much from "The Inside of the Cup"

The lake lashed to its utmost. Sorry I did not go down to see it.

Monday, November 10

Snow flurries

Wind still blowing but gradually died down by evening. Sun shone now and then – but snow flurries occurred

Helped Mrs Clements issue notices of Elm Place Division's meeting for next Thursday.

Busy this afternoon watching humidity in the rooms.

Met with teachers of first three grades this afternoon. Topic – number.

At Dr Hamilton's office at 5:15. He spent an hour cleaning my teeth. Board meeting this P.M. until 10:00. More talk of new bldg.

N.S. Gas Co 6⁸⁰ + 3⁰⁰;

Barber .15; Mrs Clow, by check 30⁰⁰ (Nov. rent)

Tuesday, November 11

A beautiful day. Ground frozen some.

Miss Cramer obliged to rest her eyes today. Miss Mains held her room. I wrote story of Gettysburg speech for the H.P. Press. Took care of Miss Davis' room for an hour or so while she went on field trip.

12:56 for Chicago. To Hist. Soc. rooms where I had a fine hour and a half examining portraits of Lincoln. At 4:00 attended Directors' meeting (Geog. Soc) at Cox' office. Caught 5:50 for home. Chief interest the distribution of the Shelford bulletin. At school house until nine P.M.

R R 52 + .20; papers, etc .06.

H.P. News 1¹⁵; Koller 8⁵⁰; H. P. Young Men's Club 3⁰⁰

Wednesday, November 12

A beautiful day. Mild – balmy.

Mr Metzel took Mr Mann and me to visit the Lincolnwood school in Evanston (automobile ride). We were enthusiastic about that type of building. Got back at 11:30 just as Friebele's men were fixing the rope on our flagpole.

Science lesson in 7B's. Watched humidity of rooms. At 3:59 – 11 of teachers and I took trolley for Ft Sheridan where our bus had preceded us. Then we went up into McCormick grounds, sent bus back part way & walked across estates of Cyrus & Harold McC. & down on beach to Ft. pumping station. Bus brought us home from there.

This evening committee meeting of S.S. teachers.

R.R. .05; barber .40; U S. Geol. Survey 1⁰³;

Thursday, November 13 Trace.

Mild, finally gray, & sprinkling rains after nightfall.

Finished more bulb planting today.

P. & T.A. met at 3:00 today. Good audience. Dr. Alice B. Brown spoke on health of school children. Afterwards some of the ladies and I had a caucus over the new bld'g idea, etc.

Made with officer Wing a "parochial" call this evening on Dever and on Lencioni – north end of town.

Trolley .05;

Friday, November 14

Beautiful, sunny day. A little cooler.

Took Civics class of two boys to Waukegan. Spent an hour or so in circuit court, visited county offices, etc. Ate lunch at "Georges." Got back by 1:15. Gave three science lessons.

Planned field trip for tomorrow.

Took 6:51 for Chicago. Dr. Atwood lectured on The San Juan mountains and Uncompahgre. Fine lecture & crowd.

Visited with Dr. & Mrs Hamilton on train coming out.

Trolley & train .52 + .05 + .30; lunch 1.05; candy .05;

Saturday, November 15 Trace

Gray. Early a few drops of sleet came down, but these were very few.

Took 7:30 for Chic. with Misses Behrens, Hourigan, Miller, Mains, & Grunewald – Archer Ave. Cars & Joliet Electric to Romeo. An hour there visiting the two canals, etc. Then to Lockport & the controlling works. Then rode to Dellwood Park where we ate lunch – boiled coffee & toasted wienies. Then walked to Bruce's Landing, crossed footbridge over a lock, then went to power plant of drainage canal. Very interesting trip. Caught 4:15 car for Chic. Got home at 8:00.

Trolley & train: 52 + .10 + .30 + .05 + .35 + .05. Barber .15.

Sunday, November 16

A very beautiful day.

S.S. as usual. Gave lantern lesson to two groups of pupils. Did not stay to church. Had a nap.

Took 3:36 for Chic; & 4:45 for Norwood Park – to Miss Winchell's. Carried my flower slides and the church lantern. Ate lunch there. The two Miss Winchells, two Miss Vincents, Mr & Mrs Montgomery,

et. one more. Several friends came in & I gave a flower talk. Had a good time. Among the guests – a Mr & Mrs Voorhees. Got home at 1:30!

R.R. .52 + .52

Monday, November 17 Trace

Gray and bright alternating. Mild. Mist late in evening.

Busy A.M. At 1:20 six of our patrons (women) and I went to the Lincolnwood School at Evanston to inspect the building. Mr Kingsley entertained us as did one of the women members of his Board who served tea.

This P.M. I spent at the Presb. Church office, planning Christmas program.

Trolley .25 + .15;

Tuesday, November 18 Trace & more

Misty. Very gray at times. Mild. A shower after 10:00 P.M.

Busied somewhat with the distribution of leaflets containing Gettysburg address printed by our local paper.

This evening went to Young Men's Club to hear Stockbridge, editor of Popular Mechanics.

Sent \$1⁶⁰ to W.H. Tipton, Gettysburg, Pa. Charge to special fund – Art League, possibly.

Barber .15;

Wednesday, November 19

Very mild. Almost sultry. Gray & threatening.

By invitation of Mr. Sandwick I told the H.S. pupils the story of the dedication of Gettysburg cemetery and the address – at 9:00.

At 1:30 I talked to the children of the first three grades, using lantern slides. At 2:30 all pupils from 4th to 8th assembled and we had a contest – the six contestants reciting the Gettysburg address. Leonard Friebele, 8A – won and I gave him a copy of Carr's Lincoln at Gettysburg.

Mrs Norcross served tea. This evening Misses Guiney, Grunewald, & Schermerhorn & I went down to Hamilton Club but could not hear the speeches because it was "stag night". We saw Col. Carr, for example, anyway – then went to Hist. Soc. Bld'g and heard Kent talk on Gettysburg.

R.R. 52 + .10; papers .03;

(Ticket 6⁶⁰) Safety blades 1⁰⁰

Thursday, November 20

Mild. Sultry.

Two science lessons this A.M. Went down to Evanston this afternoon – Met Mr. Norcross and we visited the Lincolnwood school. Then we walked up to Kenilworth and visited the school there although by this time it was dusk.

This evening Mother, K., & I went to H.P. Club to hear Miss Adams [Jane Addams – ed.] talk on some recent social movements Large audience

(Said to be one of the warmest days recorded in November in history of Chicago. 72°)

R R. or trolley .15 + .05 + .05; barber .15;

Friday, November 21

Warm. Strong southwest wind until late afternoon. Overcoatless weather!

A busy day. Made 4 hktog; mixed materials for 5 gallons of ink; set up a sling psychrometer; gave three science lessons. Checked up teachers' monthly reports.

Worked at my office all evening, clearing up unfinished business; looking up thanksgiving & Christmas music, etc.
Ice cream & banana .15;

Saturday, November 22 Trace

Light showers. Warm. A little cooler after night

Took 8:51 for Chicago. To U. of Chicago where Miss Warren hunted up references on the teaching of arith. for me. Then downtown. Lunch. Fields for a pair of woolen socks. To Land Show for two hours or so. Visited Weber in the Gt. Northern section. To Pilgrim Press for pupils' S.S. texts; Banghart's to order supplies; McClurgs for books (Learned of the death of my friend Rosegrün); Lyon & Healy's for music; Anderson's for my new overcoat; Public Drug Co

At home this P.M.

Pd ~~Pr~~ Lyon & Healy .58 + 40 for music for Presb. Church

R R .52 + .20; lunch .37; Land Show .70; barber 25; drugs 1.49; Fountain pen \$3⁰⁰;

Sunday, November 23

Cleared in the night. A beautiful day. Cool.

"My birthday."

S.S. as usual. Gave one lantern lesson. Stayed to church.

This afternoon tramped with Everett Millard along shore from Ft. Sheridan to Lake Bluff. A beautiful walk.

Saw a flock of pine siskins and one cardinal. Cardinals feed daily at Everett Millard's feed box. Church .50.

Monday, November 24

A beautiful day. Just cool enough.

Preparing music for thanksgiving day.

Wrote to Connecticut Mutual for Mother to inquire about her paid-up policy. An anonymous letter warned Mother a few days ago that a Mrs Ruth Sturdy of Buckhart, Ill. could tell her of a life insurance policy due her, etc. Have not yet heard from Mrs Sturdy.

15 of us had a tramp this evening. Trolley to Lake Bluff – then tramp to lake – Sprague's estate, etc. Fine time.

Worked at desk at school all evening. Made sketch of a b'ld'g.

Trolley .30; barber .15;

Tuesday, November 25

Gray and threatening at times. Sprinkled at 10:00 P.M.

Burned garden rubbish before school. Field trip with 4B's & Miss Moore this A.M. Finished up the work on the Moraine Ravine.

This afternoon went with 4's & 5's (a few) to collect haws & linden seeds. Planted in flats.

Worked at my office desk on plans for new building this evening

Wednesday, November 26 ".04

Gray and threatening. Rained a little, late in afternoon.

Had all pupils assemble for thanksgiving program. Songs, etc. One girl (Anna Bloomfield) volunteered "The breaking waves, etc." Rosina Maehtle read President's proclamation. Emma Brown (colored) read her (the best) original story.

Clarence, Ella & Junior; Arthur & Lennie and Robert and the baby; and Edith and "Sammie" came in on the 6:58 P.M. Great time.

Some of us slept this night at Miss Elliot's.

Thursday, November 27 Trace

Gray and foggy.

The "boys" and I took a walk. Then I spent an hour or so laying off a new b'ld'g plan on school grounds.

A hearty dinner and happy company. The baby a splendid "good kid".

Several of us walked to Ravinoaks & Everett Millards this afternoon

At Elliot's again this evening.

Friday, November 28 "1.20

Dark and threatening. Began raining heavily in the afternoon and kept it up at intervals all night.

Busied myself at times by pasting book plates in some of my books.

Had a long wet tramp by myself late in the day.

I slept at Miss Elliot's this night.

Edith and Danforth left in the afternoon.

Saturday, November 29 .29

Rainy and foggy and dark - - all day.

Clarence & Junior and Ella and Lennie & Arthur & Rob't & the Baby left at 10:38. I went along & walked to Pere Marquette station with Arthur & Robt. Lennie & Baby went via Parmelee.

Then I went to secondhand book store on Van B., to Von Lengercke for spikers for my boots, to call on Miss Ingersoll and Alice; McClurg's; "The Hearth" for lunch where I visited with Dr. Goode and Mr. Terwilliger; Field's; visit with Guffin on way to C & N.W.; home on 3:25-4:14. Visited with Miss Harriet Wilson a while - learned of the death of her Mother; with Monroe. Talked about community houses, etc Went to school house until six. Worked all evening on my plan for a book of maps.

R.R. 1⁰⁴; lunch .30; book .75; barber .15; spikes .35;

Sunday, November 30 ".27

Very mild. Dark. Foggy. Rain set in again late in day.

To S.S. Did not stay for church. Conducted singing - Christmas songs.

Looked over set of slides on "Historic spots" loaned by nat'l D.A.R.

Reading from "Call of the Carpenter."

Tramped up Green Bay Road late this afternoon. - to Washington Ave, Highwood. Then looked into billiard rooms, "movies", etc. to see how the people amused themselves.

(Everett Millard saw flock of 15 or 20 evening grosbeaks today).

Monday, December 1 T

Still very mild. Foggy. Misty.

Had Dr. Bergen examine all the school children this A.M. Nothing new developed. Had assembly this afternoon.

Various routine duties. Group of boys met me to plan the annual Christmas play.

Miss Murray and I drew a map of the Mississippi this afternoon & evening. I was at my desk until 10:00.

Frank Anderson 51⁰⁰

Sent 4⁵⁵ to Clark Danner for the Modern Woodmen

Ice cream & bananas .20.

Tuesday, December 2

Still foggy, damp & mild. Sun has hardly shone out now in seven days.

Spent considerable time this A.M. in 3rd grade.

A day full of problems of discipline.

This evening Mr Hatley entertained Miss McCord, Miss Murray, and Miss Cole and I at his house for dinner, etc. Delightful evening.

A tree frog calls from a tree near my window as I write – 10:35 P.M.

Barber .15; Miss Elliot for room rent 3⁰⁰;

Wednesday, December 3

Sun broke through the fog for an hour or two this A.M. A very little cooler.

Busy. Spent some time going over lighting bills with Mr Guyot of the Public Service Co.

This afternoon I read and otherwise gave a lecture on "Historic Spots" at our auditorium. D.A.R's had it in charged & had borrowed a set of slides from their nat'l organization.

Took 5:50 for Chicago. Audubon Society meeting at Mr. Blakeley's..Millard & Mr. & Mrs Pattee & I came home on same train.

R.R. 52 + 5 + .20; supper .25.

Thursday, December 4

A sunny day for the most part and mild.

A science lesson this A.M; stereopticon talk on Mt Vernon before 6th graders; reading lesson with 3B's etc

This evening with Mother & Kittie to the Fellowship Dinner at the Presb. Church. Fine time.

Barber .25; dinner 1⁵⁰;

Friday, December 5

Much as yesterday but a little cooler.

Three science lessons. One civics. One lantern lesson (third grade). Helped William Hupprich & Robt Nichols get lantern ready to take to Ravinia for Mrs Fearing's "show".

Took 6:50 P.M. for Chicago To Art Institute. Lecture by Dr McDougal on plant life of Sahara. Fine lecture.

R.R. 52 + .05; lunch .15;

Saturday, December 6

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Mild and frequent light showers.

Some desk work, then took 9:53 for Chicago. To Lyon & H; Bausch & Lomb; Amer. Terra Cotta Co. (N.H. Gates); to Art Institute where I had a nice visit with Mr. Albright; lunch at Clark St. Rest.; 2:30 met Colwell, Tear, Bone, Lukens, & Millis in session of Com. of Seven at Tribune Building. Then supper at State St. Restaurant. Then to Newberry Library for browsing among earliest records of Boston, Dedham, & N.E. in general. Also colonial Va Home at 12:06.

Charge Presb. Church .25 for 6 copies of Christmas carols.

R.R. 52 + .20; lunch .25; supper .30 + .10; tablet .05;

Sunday, December 7

Turned cold in the night. Strong cold wind all day. Things froze up tight.

Our neighbor, Mrs Wm Noerenberg, a woman of much moral force, died in the night – at a hospital in the city.

To S.S. Assigned several parts for the Christmas program.

Slept heavily during afternoon. Went to Presb. Ch. at 5:00 to get out stereopt. for the Academy boys. Heard last part of vesper services.

This eve. went over to the Academy to help operate stereopticon. A Russian exile, Lewitsky – talked.

Monday, December 8

A cool but pleasant winter day. Sunny at times.

Spent much time this A.M. helping Mrs Drake hektograph P.T.A. invitations for next Wednesday's meeting.

Meeting with first three four grades after school. Number the subject.

Board meeting tonight. Much discussion of scheme for a new b'ld'g. I presented a sketch.

Barber .15; Mother 2⁰⁰; H.P. News Co. 1.15.

Tuesday, December 9

Fine wintry day. Wind arose after 8:00 P.M.

To city on 10:38. To Gt. Northern to get promise of Glacier P. lantern slides; Lyon & Healey; Rand McNally; Banghart & Co. To City Club for lunch with other members of Friends of N. Landscape – Baber, Jensen, Millard, McVeagh, Booth, Bley, Hooker, Monroe, Blocki. Delightful time. Much business disposed of. 2:55 for home.

At school house until nearly six. At home this P.M. Planning Christmas play.

Charge #107 with 40¢ for a carol book

R.R. 52 + .05; lunch .75;

Wednesday, December 10

Another fine day. Pleasantly cool.

Representative of Johnson Service Co came to inspect our plant. Recommended larger pump for our temperature control.

Mr Beers, architect, came and I spent an hour or more after school with him.

Mrs Campbell, Bournique, Woodcock, and Thayer served tea this afternoon.

Science lesson with 7B's.

Worked at my desk at school this evening on text for Christmas play. Tried several boys voices today.

This A.M. gave some copy to H.P. Press about school "information."

Barber .15; Mother \$5⁰⁰;

Thursday, December 11

Still another.

Wrote on typewriter the Christmas play. This afternoon had typewriter girl make 7 copies of it.

Two science lessons this A.M.

P.T.A. this afternoon. Mrs Purvin gave stereopticon talk on "School as a social centre." Good attendance.

This P.M. I met three of the boys to plan the play.

Called at Mrs Chas Everett's to get book on the music of Shakespeare. Chat with the family, including Mrs Elisha Gray.

Friday, December 12

And another. A delightful day.

Busy. Mother & K. to city and I ate at a restaurant at noon. Sent Archie Jones in to Gt. Northern office to get a set of slides on Glacier Park for me. This afternoon after school the band boys gave a concert in the aud. This evening it was repeated. Each time I gave a 20 minute talk on Glacier Park.

Scarcely an audience this evening.

Pd. - R.R. 52 + .15 (slides)

Peanuts .05; lunch .35;

Saturday, December 13

Beautiful weather. Ideal for October, let us say.

To city on 8:49. Returned slides to Gt. Northern. Discov'd that I had left letter at school and did not have my shopping memo. Phoned home to secure data. To Banghart's, Fields, etc. where I had a tedious time shopping. To Bausch & Lomb etc.

Met Miss Baber at Woman's Club at 11:50 and spent nearly an hour with her. Got her notes on Stony Island (She had just come from mass meeting in aud. to protest against failure to reelect Miss Young). Lunch. Then had half hour conference with Miss Mitchell at Art Inst over work of Friends of Nat. Landscape. Then spent hour in the galleries. Met Geo. Conn among others.

R.R. .52 + .10; lunch .30; barber .25

Spent .28 + 2.00 at Fields for Dist #107.

Sunday, December 14

Cooler. Gray but not unpleasant. Cleared by sunset.

S.S. Did not stay for church.

Began again on Bergson. Have finished the Call of the Carpenter.

At home all day.

Monday, December 15

Cooler. S.W. wind with "stormy feeling," blowing at nightfall.

Very busy. Johnson man replaced our air pressure pump with a larger one. - Called Dr. Bergen to examine heads of 70 or more first graders. Found 9 cases of "nits." Sent home letters, etc - Mr Carnegie of military academy visited us.

Rehearsed with boys after school and after supper - Christmas play.

Barber 15;

Tuesday, December 16

Cool. Sunny at times. Threatening. However, fine weather on the whole.

Had 2nd grade examined by Doctor Bergen and two cases of "nits" corralled.

Much work on the play today. Rehearsal after school and this evening. Very busy.

Wednesday, December 17

Still another moderately cool, altogether pleasant day.

Very, very busy.

Dr. Bergen examined 3rd graders and the girls of 7th & 8th. Two cases.

Rehearsals as yesterday. Results disappointing.

Met Mr. Norcross & Mr. Metzler at the latter's house where Mr Beers went over proposed plans for school house with us.

Had my warts on my face burned with acid today.

Barber 1¹⁰;

Thursday, December 18

One more fine day.

Christmas themes, - gifts, etc., the play, - - all have been prominent today. Rehearsal after school.

Teachers to the rescue in preparing costumes.

Went to H. P. Club tonight to hear two one-act play by Ossoli ladies. Very enjoyable evening.

Friday, December 19

Sharp frost followed by mild, beautiful day.

Very busy times.

This A.M. I told the story of the Christ child with lantern slides and the children sang their carols. This afternoon we gave the Christmas play to the children and this evening to the adults. A success in many respects.

We got our warrants and most of the teachers have departed.

Mr Clow & his men made some much needed improvements on the house – new kitchen sink.

Some one sent me a present of \$15⁰⁰ to use in going to grand opera!

Barber .25; lunch .35;

Saturday, December 20

8:49 for Chicago. (A fine day – at first – then light shower, and clearing off). Mr Beers & Mr Metzler and I talked over the building question on the way. - - - I returned a papier-mache boar's head to Fritz Foulz. – Called on Mr. French at the Art Institute and conferred about a tract of Beverley Hills we wish incorporated into the So Park system. He had a map of the area prepared for me. - - - Went to hear Madame Montessori at the Illinois Theatre. A notable address and a notable audience - - - At McClurg's; City Club; etc Home by 6:08.

Very tired.

Charge Dist 107 - \$2⁰⁰ for solution bo't at Art Inst for cleaning statuary;

Montessori 1⁵⁰ scrapbook, etc, 2¹⁰; lunch .31; R.R. 52 + .20; sundries 1.⁰⁰;

Sunday, December 21

Sharp frost. A beautiful day.

S.S. exercises under my direction. Used lantern slides, songs, selections from new testament narrative of the Christ child.

Everett Millard and I tramped down "Kopf's Lane" into the woods and hunted up my colony of euonymus. Also a colony of staphylea in the Hamilton's woods. Called on Munroe - - - Discussed plans for a city forester.

Monday, December 22

Fine day. Mr Metzel, Mr. Beers & I went over to Oak Park in Mr M's machine. Visited the Lincoln School – inspected it thoroughly - - overhead lighting scheme, etc Ate lunch at the Copper Kettle. Went on to River Forest. Picked up Sup't Nida & went to his four room bld'g with overhead lighting. Spent some time there & in his central bld'g - - Back to city. I left the auto at the City Club. Spent two hours or so there writing on my Stony Island report. Supper at Henrici's. Went to hear Mary Garden in Les Jongleurs des Notre Dame. A wonderful performance in every respect. Am spending \$15⁰⁰ an anonymous friend sent me for that purpose.

R.R. .26 + .20; lunch .35; supper .65; Opera 3⁰⁰; sundries .25

Tuesday, December 23

Prec. .2"

Snowfall in the night! 2" or so! Very dark sky.

Went to city on 11:44. Met Everett Millard at 1:15 at Rock Island station and we went out to Beverly Hills to explore a bit of woods Mr. French of the Art Institute urged upon the attention of the Friends of Our Nat. Landscape. We found the woods greatly cut over. An hour's walk sufficed us. Back to the city, I changed into another suit at the N.W. station. Lounged a while at City Club. Went to Grand Opera. Heard Leoncavallo conduct his own opera "La Zingari" with Carolina White et. al. Then Carnpauini conducted L'Pagliacci. Heard the incomparable Titta Ruffo as Tonio. Wonderful performance!

R.R. .52 + .30 + .20; supper .50; Porter, etc., .45. Sundries .20
Opera 3⁰⁰ + .20;

Wednesday, December 24

Very dark and threatening. Not much colder.

Took it easy this A.M. Then 11:44 for city & went down to Stony Island where I tramped until dark making a map of the island, using a real-estate map as a basis. Got back downtown just as the Christmas tree exercises in Grant Park were about to begin. Great tree & the background of illuminated arches a beautiful spectacle. Colored lights burning at base of arches. Band concert: fanfare of trumpets; singing by grand opera singers & Paulist choristers.

Then to supper at City Club. Then heard Doris Keane in Romance. Fine work but a rather cheap play.

R.R. .52 + .12 + .20; supper .55; barber .15; knife sharpener 1⁵⁰
Theater 1⁵⁰;

Thursday, December 25

Snow here and there on the ground. A wind blowing. Somewhat colder gray & threatening.

A quiet day with me. Worked at my desk. This afternoon Kittie and I pasted my Lincoln clippings in my scrap book.

Read & napped.

Have received a number of Christmas cards; a copy of Nature's Gardens; bath towel; tie, etc. etc.

Friday, December 26

A gray day. Slightly colder.

At home all day. Worked on Stony Island paper; a map thereof. Took some photograph of Lincoln material; developed 9 negatives; pasted more material in my L. scrapbook Read some

Mr & Mrs Rogerson (neighbors) spent the evening with us.

Stamps .47; Box rent .60;

Saturday, December 27

Gray day. Warmer.

A little indisposed. Worked at desk all morning. Took 11:44 for Chicago. To Rand McNally to look up a map of Va. To Art Institute to try to secure a copy of a photo of Mulligans The Rail Splitter. To second-hand book store & to McClurg's.

Shopped at Fields. Home by 4:14.

Worked on Stony Island paper. Went to school house & wrote a letter – two. Chat with Mr. Mann over the phone.

R.R. .52; diary .50; typewriter ribbon .50; barber .15; hat 4⁰⁰;

Sunday, December 28

Went to drug store and had some "cold" medicine of Dr Bergen's put up. Back home, hot bath, & nap. Bolted S.S. Much better in afternoon.

Took 4:53 for Chicago Carried camera along for possible use at Springfield. Took 6:30 Alton for Springfield. Long visit with Sparks, and with Harry Wilson on the train

Got to Springfield at 11:15. Took a room at the Illinois & went to bed.

R.R. .25 + 3.70; porter .25; lunch .35;

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Monday, December 29

At noon paid my bill at Illinois & transferred to St. Nicholas. Mr E.L. Baker of Moline my room mate.

At 11:00 met with the resolutions committee at the Leland – Randle, Raines, Potts, Miss Callahan, Briggs, Grove, ... In the afternoon I went to the State Library & had a most profitable interview with the assist. librarian. Collected some Lincoln material. At 5:30 went to City Supt's banquet at St Nicholas – Addresses by Magill, Piercy, & Bobbett. Then to opening meeting at state house. Address by Gov. Dunne, Mr Hursh, & Mr. Piercy. Imperial Quartette. Afterwards to Leland hotel where I participated in the initiation into E.L. of Magill, Moore, & _____. Mr. Felmley, Hatfield, & others presiding.

Hotel 1⁰⁰; meals .25, .50, .75. Porter .25;

Tuesday, December 30

A busy day at Springfield. Long morning session. After lunch spent an hour hunting up Lincoln material at Barker's store and _____'s photograph gallery. Invested 50¢ at latter's & 2.75 at former. Prints of Globe tavern, old Presb. Church, Lincoln home, etc. Went to Principal's section. Heard Coffman on scientific supervision.

Conference with members of legislative com at 6:30 – Hatfield, Foster, Dodge, Femley. Evening meeting – Blair, Morgan, & Frank McMurry – a fine program. (At 4:30 – a memorial meeting for Mr. P.R. Walker, John Trainer, Ferguson, & Manners. Mr. Shawh[an?]'s tribute to Trainer very touching) Meals .25 + .75. Barber .25

(Met with nominating committee at 11:00 P.M.)

Wednesday, December 31

To morning session. Very good talks by Mrs Owen & by Dean Davenport. Nasty attack on latter by Margaret Haley.

Spent half hour just before noon at the Lincoln homestead. Pleasant chat with Mrs Edwards whose husband – a child of three – was at Lincoln's wedding.

Then took 12:21 for Petersburg on the C.P. & St. L – Went on train pulled by gasoline motor. Ate lunch at Rock's restaurant. Walked out to site of New Salem. Found site of Lincoln & Berry's store – also of Rutledge Mill. Back to town & called on Principal Harry Paine, on J.M. Wilken who owns some old negatives et. al. Caught 6:10 for Springfield. Then 9:10 interurban for Decatur. Clarence's folks up & expecting me.

R.R. $1^{25} + .75$; hotel 2.00; meals $.25 + .30 + .35$; barber .25; papers .10;