

Jesse Lowe Smith

Diary

1916



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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 De 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 to be 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.

[In this diary, Mr. Smith seems to indicate by placing them in parentheses, words that he wrote in error. These instances appear in entries on February 5 and 23, March 11, April 30, June 24, October 18, and November 1. —ed.]

Saturday, January 1

Another beginning!

Rained heavily in the night and now and then during this day.

Watered plants at plant house. Went up to Port Clinton School to look it over. Have had broken panes replaced and the stove repaired.

Wrote several business letters today.

Copied a great deal of my Glacier Park notes into the appropriate places in my diary of "last year."

Busy all day. Tinkered my typewriter, too.

Checks: Atlantic Mo. 4⁰⁰

State Y.M.C.A. - - 2⁰⁰

H.P. Fuel Co 17⁵⁰

Reliable Laundry 3¹⁸

Sunday, January 2

Cool wind but beautiful sunny day.

To S.S. a while and then to church.

Took 11:56 for Chicago. Spent afternoon at Art Institute. Home at 7:04.

Lot of overdecorated paintings Liked two by Wendt, portrait by Johansen, painting by Stacey, another of pine trees in snow-covered forest;

Tried to get the Collins' on phone but failed.

Reading Jefferson's Christianity & the World Peace.

R.R. .52 ; church. 10; nuts .05

Monday, January 3

Beautiful winter day. Thawed very little

School began with nearly normal attendance. Some new pupils.

Worked some on renumbering school lantern slides.

Science lesson in 6A.

Visited several rooms.

Conferred with upper grade teachers about 8th grade graduates.

At home desk this evening.

Wrote out number of checks – rent, milk, meat, etc.

Stamps .97; oil .10; barber .25;

Tuesday, January 4

Gray. Milder. Mist after nightfall.

Helped 4B's & 4A's reset rooted geranium cuttings into small pots today.

Taught three science lessons.

Mrs Jones (our old Lexington neighbor) & her granddaughter, Eleanor Hotsenpiller, from Acme, Alberta, spent the day with us. They are on their way to Lexington & Bloomington. Visited our school b'ld'g this afternoon & I took them down on the beach. We all enjoyed their visit much

Pd various bills today – rent, b'ld'g loan, etc.

Bread .10; cell. 35;

Wednesday, January 5

Cleared during day and grew very much colder.

Helped 6B's & 6A's planting geranium cuttings.

Lessons on animals in 4B. Science 7A & 6A.

Left on 2:48 for Chicago. To Miss Mellen's office for typewritten copies of Audub lecture. Pd her 8⁶⁰ for the Society. - - To Art & Travel to leave negatives, etc. - - To Directors' meeting of Geog. Soc. Then to City Club for supper. Visited with Mr & Mrs Pattee & Miss Drummond for a while. Then we had a meeting of Audub. Soc.

R.R. .52 + .10; nuts .15; supper .75; barber .15;

Thursday, January 6

Almost to zero this A.M. Clear. Sunny.

More geranium planting – 5A's & 5B's.

Conference with Mrs Shannon.

6B science & 8B. – With the latter – frictional electricity

Conference with several teachers about picture study

At school a short time this evening.

Barber .15

Friday, January 7

Milder today.

Before school visited Bahr's greenhouse to look at plants. Ordered 6 lilies & 50 small pots.

Lantern lesson on cotton with 4A's; picture lesson with 6B's; science with 7B's & 8B's; various other duties.

This evening at school desk. Made out some of the rental accounts, etc. Conferred with Mrs Humphry, manager of a dancing class that used the aud. this evening.

Candy .10;

Saturday, January 8

Beautiful day. Mild.

To city on 9:53. To Fields to exchange cane given to me by Kittie. Vaughn's for sulphur soap

McClurg's to look up a book. City Club for meeting of Ed'n Committee. Acted as temporary secretary. Discussion of relation between schools & museums, etc.

Caught 2:55 for home. Dressed & back on 4:58. Met Mrs Young & Miss Young at Congress Hotel – my guests at Geog. Soc. Banquet. Mother & K. unable to go.

Fine time The Millards, Mr & Mrs Barbour Brown, & their two friends, at our table.

Caught 11:25. Got off at Wilmette & took the ladies home. Then caught trolley.

R.R. .52 + .26. + .15 + .20; lunch .40; booklets .60; Almanac .25;

Sunday, January 9

Threatening. Then a drizzle at night fall.

A lazy day for me. Read – from Christianity & Internat'l Peace by Jefferson. Wrote a number of letters

Did not go to church.

Monday, January 10

Cooler. Bracing.

Worked on school bills today. Board meeting tonight at which the first steps towards purchasing the Moseley site were taken.

Teachers' meeting after school. Fine discussion of chapters 2 – 3 - & 4 of Dewey's Schools of Tomorrow.

A lesson on The Gleaners with the 6B's. Science in 6A's.

Barber .15;

Tuesday, January 11 Snow. Sleet.

Commenced to snow late this afternoon. Snow & rain together by late in the evening.

Two science lessons; one stereopt. lesson on cotton; one on animals.

Took 2:34 for Chicago. To Art & Travel to get some Audubon slides. To Nat'l Art Supply Co to get some framed pictures. To Art Inst. to meeting of Directors of Friends of Our Native Landscape – Jensen, Ewing, Coonley, Mrs Pearce, Miss Ahearn Found Mr Ewing very attractive.

Carried pkg of pictures over to N.W. Station - - - Supper - - To McVicker's a while. Then to Acad of Sciences. Lecture by Director Lucas of Am. Museum of Natl Hist. Met Caldwell, Weller, Schantz, Augsberg, et al. Home by 11:38.

R.R. .52 + .25; McV. .35; supper .30 + .20; phone .05; barber .25.

Wednesday, January 12 Slushy sidewalks

Rain on top of the snow - - & the walks full of slush. We were busy with wet feet – furnishing dry stockings & felt slippers to children while their shoes & stockings were dried in the engine room. This and some class work kept me “humping”. Science 6A & 8B. Geog. in 4B.

P.T.A. this afternoon – subject, modern languages in elementary school. Mrs Spenser presided. - - - Mrs Roberts, Miss Buck, Miss Krueger of H.S., Miss Stuart (also) & I spoke. A live time.

I took 4:58 to Chic., visiting with Mr & Mrs Dobson on the way. Got package of framed pictures I had left in check room & caught nex train home.

Worked a short time at Audubon lecture this P.M., after I had been to school to inspect things in anticipation of a cold wave.

R.R. .52; barber .15; candy .10;

Thursday, January 13 8° below! (or 10°?)

As forewarned by the weather bureau, we experienced a great drop last night & this A.M.

Heating plant at school proved adequate.

I spent most of the day with a group of superintendents at Evanston. Visited the Oakton school all morning. Then had lunch at the Central School after which we “criticised” what we had seen. Came home on trolley with Harper, Rhodes & Rowell.

Worked with Mr. Davis fastening a tarpaulin over east door of plant house to keep out the wind.

Went to the bld'g at 9:15 this evening to renew the fire in the heater.

R R. .26 + .05 + .15; lunch .25;

Friday, January 14

Not much lower than five below. Cloudiness prevented a much lower temperature. Moderated much during the day.

Spent much time today testing out the humidity of the air. Water in one of the pipes in the dental room froze & bothered us for a while this A M.

Language with 6B's; science, also; science with 8B's & 7B's. Our pupils are spelling over the Ayres test.

Took 4:58 to Chic. Met the Millards at Cordon Club & had dinner. Then we went to Art Inst. to hear Anthony Fiala tell about the Roosevelt expedition to Brazil.

Pd Purdys .40¢ - charge to Dist 107.

R.R. .52 + .20; barber .40; overalls 1³⁰ (yesterday)

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the Geographic Society of Chicago program. It reads:

STATED MEETING
FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 14, 1916
FULLERTON HALL, ART INSTITUTE
Illustrated Lecture by Mr. Anthony Fiala
TITLE: "THROUGH THE BRAZILIAN JUNGLES
WITH COL. ROOSEVELT"

Mr. Fiala was the leader of the Ziegler Polar Expedition, 1903-4-5, and accompanied the Roosevelt Brazilian Expedition in 1913-14 as official photographer, and he will deliver an address on his most interesting experiences in his trip through Brazil.

The lecture will be illustrated with lantern slides.

A reception will follow the lecture. — ed.]

Saturday, January 15

More snow

Two or three more inches of snow today.

Hung some pictures at home this A.M. Then took 10:33 for Chicago. To Yawman Erbe for card guides. Weather Bureau for some weather maps. N.P.R.R. for loan of a Yellowstone Park set of slides. McClurg's to order two books. Adams Agency to consult about getting Miss Nora B. a clerical position. Went with C.E. Douglas to Art Institute We had lunch there & happening to meet Ethel Goddard included her in our party. Then we went through the Pushman collection & the French-Belgian paintings that are now headed home from Panama Exposition. - - - - To Fields for rubbers & shirts. Home at 6:34. At home this P.M.

Dist 107 - 40¢ for card guides.

R.R. .52 + .15; lunch .50; extra .25; (ticket 6⁶⁰);

[Hovsep Pushman (1877-1966) American artist. His paintings were exhibited in a one-man show at the Art Institute from January 7 - 30, 1916. — ed.]

Sunday, January 16

About 2 below. A cold wind blowing.

Went to plant house this A.M. & watered all the plants.

To S.S. a while. Afterwards had conference with Mrs Knapp about one of her S.S. pupils — a ward of the Maywood Home.

A nap this afternoon. Read much from Jefferson's Christianity & Internat'l Peace.

A walk at dusk to the Skokie bridge. Very cold and very beautiful.

Monday, January 17

A bright day but cold. About 6° or 8° below.

Had one frozen pipe at the Annex which the plumber took care of.

Miss Jewett unable to come because of the illness of her mother.

Very busy watching temperatures, humidity, etc

Conferences with teachers until 6:10 P.M.

At b'ld'g a while this P.M. A new group of people had a dancing class in the Kg. room.
Barber 25; collodion .15;

Tuesday, January 18

About 1° or 2° below. Moderated only a little. Sunny.

Unusually busy day. Two stereopt. talks, 3 science lessons, a teachers' meeting, etc. Conferences of various kinds.

At my office desk awhile this evening.

Wednesday, January 19

Moderated – then a snow storm – two or three inches at 3:30 - - - - Later in evening sleety storm.

Very, very busy. Two engagements for every minute. Photographed the 8A's; gave slide lesson to 4B's & 6A's; science to 6A's & 7A's. Had three agents; Mr Bowing of J P.A; Member of Board; Rev. Bertram Zelner, S.S. missionary

Robert Enders came today. H.S. "exams" at Benton H., and he exempt. Sent Mr Fred Wonser Studies in Plant Life; Caldwell & B's Botany & Vol I of Comstock's Nature Study. He wants to study botany.

Wrote "copy" for commencement programs this evening. Sent class names to engrosser. Furnished copy for H.P. Press this A.M.
Barber .15; S.S. Union 2.50;

Thursday, January 20

Rain

Gray today & steady down pour after 8:30 P.M.

First day of mid-year institute at Waukegan. All of us went.

Prof. Rettger's work valuable & well received. Prof. Colgrove's stereotyped, preachy, & more or less rambling.

Lunch at Baptist church with Mr Simpson & Mrs Falch, the latter leader in music. They sang today an old song, "My Mission" as sung by Phillip Phillips who gave a book containing it to my Father, who, in turn was wont to sing it.

This evening Rob't Enders and I visited the night school at the H.S.
Trolley .30;

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the mid-year institute program for Thursday. It lists the following lectures: The Functions of the Public School – Dr. Colegrove; Strategic Points in Education – Dr. Rettger; Defects of Pedagogical Vision and Their Cure – Dr. Colegrove; and The Wider Requirements of the Teacher – Dr. Rettger. – ed.]

Friday, January 21

During the day most of the ice on the walks melted. Floods in Chicago & elsewhere. Very mild day.

At Wauk. all day. Very interesting.

Spent this evening with Robert. We tinkered at some apparatus I had bro't down from school, etc. (Spent half hour between five & six at council meeting)

Luncheon today at Baptist church. Missionary Zelner there & was my guest at lunch.
R.R. 25; lunch .59; barber .60;

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the mid-year institute program for Friday. It lists the following lectures: Reading and Teaching to Read – Dr. Colegrove; A Chapter From the History of Science – Dr. Rettger; Opening the Windows of the Mind – Dr. Colgrove; and Some Problems in Physiology. – ed.]

Saturday, January 22

Beautiful day. Mild.

Various errands including work at plant house. Took out from cold frame part of our hyacinths, etc.

11:44 for Chic. To N.P.R.R. to return Yellowstone slides. To Blackstone Hotel to luncheon of Board of Geog. Soc., guest of Mr. Henry J. Patten. Fine luncheon. Mr Patten leaves next week for four mo. trip to S.A., during which time his presidency of Geog. Soc. will end.

To Miss Enk to get some more lantern slides. To C.B & Q. station to join the Friends of Our Native Landscape on a trip to Riverside. Walked to Social Workers' Country Club, getting there at dark. Dinner & a program before fire place. Caught 11:30 home.

R.R. .52 + .20; + 25; dinner 1⁰⁰; rubbers .95; barber .25;

[Pasted at this page is a postcard invitation to the Friends of Our Native Landscape trip. It is postmarked "Chicago, Jan 18, 1916 10:30 AM" and is addressed in handwriting to Jesse L. Smith, Esq., Highland Park, Illinois. In the lower left the word "Important" is written and underlined. The invitation reads:

Friends of Our Native Landscape

JENS JENSEN, PRESIDENT

Midwinter Outing Saturday, January 22, 1916

Train leaves Union Station, C.B. & Q.R.R. at 4:38 p.m., arrives Riverside at 5:02. Conveyances to Social Service Club or may walk through the woods. Dinner at 6:30 o'clock with program of music, one dollar, followed by ceremony of Nature Worship.

Please notify Mr. W.D. Richardson, 4215 Prairie Avenue, immediately, as to number of places to reserve.

GENERVA M. PEARCE, Secy.

Guests Welcome

Round Trip Fare, 25¢ - ed.]

Sunday, January 23

Fine day. Sunny.

Did not go to church. Rob't & I went to Annex about noon to Meet Mrs Millard and Mr. Seymour to talk over the possibility of murals on spaces at end of halls.

Rob't left on the 1:58 for home.

I slept much of the afternoon. Re-read Shaw's Caesar and Cleopatra.

Monday, January 24

Another fine day. Mud abounds.

Mr Nida and six of his staff from the River Forest schools visited us this A.M. & I had them at lunch at Tipton's restaurant. [Tipton's Restaurant was located a 7 W. Central Ave. – ed.]

Mrs Shannon visited awhile & I gave some time to her and a workman repairing a humidostadt.

Heard one 6B picture study class; one 6A science; helped 3A's pot geranium cuttings. Conferences with teachers.

Wrote Audubon article this evening to send to Illinois Teacher.

Mrs French reported a robin today.

Luncheon 2.10;

Tuesday, January 25

Gray. Warm, relatively.

8th graders sent out their commencement programs today.

Worked with a number of teachers over promotion lists.

Miss Miller of Lake Villa, of our staff of last year, visited us today.

1 stereop. lesson (4A); geog. lesson (animals) 4B; science 6B; etc.

Potted 4 parsnips today.

Worked at desk at school until late this P.M. Also acted as janitor for dancing class at annex.

Barber .15;

Wednesday, January 26

Very busy day. (Rained this evening a while)

Miss Schermerhorn ill and unable to be present. Miss Davies substituted.

Conferences with teachers over promotion.

8B's gave 8A's a beautiful party this evening.

Mrs Shannon & Mrs Millard and I had conference over assignment of teachers, etc

Thursday, January 27

Gray. Grew colder at evening. Drop from 65° to 32° about 9:00 P.M.

Lantern lesson with 4B's. Various conferences with teachers over promotions, text books, etc.

Miss Gertrude Miller called today to ask advice about filling out the year at Gray's Lake.

Worked at my desk until late this evening.

Lennie & Arthur & Edith & baby Ruth blossomed in on us this evening.

Barber .15;

Friday, January 28

Very busy. Honorable mentions from 10 to 11 this A.M. Assembly of all pupils. Number of visitors. Mrs. Whitehead and Mrs Hurlbut, members of Evanston School Board spent morning and I gave them considerable time. Nearly talked myself hoarse.

This evening mid-year commencement.

Prof. Foster's talk very stimulating but over the heads of most of those present. The music very beautiful.

Prof & Mrs Foster, Mr & Mrs Metzel, Miss Jewett, Mr. Greenslade & I went through the Annex & Plant House afterwards

Mother & Lennie at exercises

Arthur & L. spent day at dental convention in the city.

Shave .15; shine .10; nuts .10;

[Pasted at this page is a copy of the commencement program. It is transcribed as follows:

The Board of Education
of **School District One Hundred Seven, Lake County, Illinois**
Requests the honor of your presence at the
Annual Mid-Year Exercises
of the
Eighth Grade
Class of February, nineteen hundred and sixteen
in the Auditorium of the Elm Place School
Highland Park, Illinois

Friday Evening, January Twenty-eight
Seven forty-five o'clock

NO FLOWERS

Program

CHORUS – O Mighty Land.....*Edward Grieg*

INVOCATION –

(a) “Calm as the Night”..... *Carl Bohm*

(b) “The Blacksmith”..... *J.E. West*

EIGHTH GRADE CHORUS

(a) “Pussy Willow’s Secret..... *Eleanor Smith*

(b) “The Owl”..... *G. Bantock*

GIRLS’ CHORUS

ADDRESS – The New Loyalty...Professor George Burman Foster

(a) “Wanderer’s Evening Song”...*Rubinstein*

(b) “Jutlandish Dance Song”..... *Reimann*

TWO PART CHORUS

(a) “Sailor’s Song”..... *Hegar*

(b) “John Peel”..... Folk Song

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS – President of Board of Education

BENEDICTION

Class of February, Nineteen hundred Sixteen

President, Fred R. Scheskie

Colors – Salmon and Pearl

Arthur F. Larson	Stanley W. Moses
Raymond C. Johnson	Elsworth Sheridan
Emil Lauridsen	Fred R. Scheskie
Elsie G. Gieser	Darlene M. Jones
George Allan Mason, Jr.	Evelyn Oliver
Elsie K. Blomdahl	Edith V. Lindblom
Dorothy E. Miller	Gladys L. Boyd
Florence M. Johnson	Edith M. Ringdahl

Harry L. Lindblom

Instructors

Miss Ellen M. Guiney, *Assistant Principal*

Miss Alice L. Davis, *Mathematics*

Miss Etta Grunewald, *History*

Miss Annis Jewett, *Music*

Mr. Jesse L. Smith, *Superintendent of Schools*

Board of Education

Emil B. Metzler, *President*

Fred Greenslade, *Secretary*

Thomas Morton

William D. Mann

Maude H. Shannon

Solomon A. St. Peter

Elizabeth B. Millard – ed.]

Saturday, January 29

Rain in the night had frozen on sidewalks & the day began very slippery. Rain at intervals cleared walks however. Much rain.

At school part of the morning & afternoon & all evening.

Worked in plant house. Planted 4 carrots in pots. Previously beets, parsnips, turnips, onions.

Cleared up office correspondence. Wrote ten letters.

Worked over plastic clay to find how to use it in school.

Lennie & A went to the city again today to the dental convention, etc.

Shoes half soled 1²⁵; barber .15.

Sunday, January 30

Threatening. At last raining latter part of the day.

Edith & Ruth & I went to the school this A M & I watered the plants.

Arthur & E. & L. & R. went home this afternoon.

This evening Mother, & K & I went to the school b'ld'g I showed some lantern slides.

Monday, January 31

Clear. Grew much colder after nightfall.

Very busy with shifting of classes, etc. Conferring about new programs, etc

Pres. Wilson's special train went through about 10:00 this A.M. on way to Milwaukee. This evening Rev Mr Dobson & wife, Mr. & Mrs Watkins, & I went to Presb. Banquet together. In the N.W. station we waited with a thousand or two other people to see the President's train come in. It did come in, but the Pres & Party got out & left by a distant exit ten minutes before we knew of it. - - We went to the banquet at the La Salle & heard a very stimulating talk by Mr. Wirt.

Parsons representing D.C. Heath called.

R.R. 1.04; barber .15; stamps .97; tip .25;

[Pasted at this page is a clipping from the banquet program. The address was delivered by Mr. William A. Wirt, Superintendent of Public Schools, Gary, Indiana. – ed.]

Tuesday, February 1

About zero this A.M. A bright, bracing day.

One 4B class, a 6B science - - - -

Various conferences, including a teachers meeting at 4:00.

Worked at Audubon lecture B, labeling slide & Mss to correspond – this P.M.

Wednesday, February 2

Another cold day but sunny.

Busy.

Went in to City Club this evening to meeting of Audubon Soc. Discussed possibility of publishing annual. I was made a committee to prepare & submit a plan for the publication.

Rode in to the City with Mr Booth & discussed my business affairs with him. Advised me to capitalize some of my stuff in print
R.R. .52 + .15. +... Barber .25;

Thursday, February 3

Cold. Clear. Sunny

The big interest today was the partial eclipse of the sun. Smoked glass was in demand. All of our pupils about 2nd B. watched the phenomenon – 9:15 to 11:00.

Conference with Mrs Shannon & Miss Young over sanitary matters.

New Steinway grand arrived & set up in the Aud.

Mr. Simpson & Mr W.S. Booth of the State Supt's office spent an hour or so with me after school this P.M. Studied my new b'ld'g carefully.

Various desk duties at home this P.M.

Friday, February 4

Chill wind this A.M. Moderated & snow began falling late A.M., then again in the evening.

Much time conferring with pupils about H-S. courses, etc.

Had Miss Davies paste seals on Audubon slides, etc.

A young lady applied in person for a kg. or primary position. – from Zion City.

Conferred with Miss Grunewald over Lincoln play she is preparing.

This evening gave two hours of my time to two Norwegians who are soon to be examined for final naturalization papers.

Saturday, February 5

Five or so inches of snow this A.M. Mild, getting cooler at close of day. Sunny.

To Chic. on 9:19. To Round Table at Barret (B'ld'g) School. Prof. Wager continued his talk on influence of heredity. Then Douglas & I at 12:30 went to City Club to meeting of committee on education, Prof. Leavitt presiding. Prof Clapp of Lake Forest college, a guest, spoke on the "American speech".

Then to Douglas' Art Store to look over prints. Bro't away 6 Hiawatha prints for approval

To Movies" – Then home on 5:10.

This P.M – M, K., & I went to Parish House to hear Anna Strunsky Walling talk on heroes of Russian Revolution.

R R. .52 + .10; lunch .40; Browne's L. of Lincoln 1⁴⁰; barber. 15;

Sunday, February 6

Cold this A.M. Moderated some, then light snow, & clearing.

Loafed at home all A.M. Went with Mr. Booth down to his site to look over the trees & shrubbery there, this afternoon. Then I tramped over to the Lake awhile. Saw a white winged scoter swimming about. Then went to Seymour's [425 Cary Avenue, Ravinia – ed.] where we built a huge bonfire in the ravine Had supper there. Toasted bacon, sausage, etc. The Millards, Miss Boynton, Miss DeCamara, Mr. Grashitt, there. Came home in the Boynton machine

Monday, February 7

Cold. Six below this A.M, I estimate. Clear. No abatement during the day.

Mrs Shannon & Mrs Millard at morning exercises to hear the first try-out of our new baby grand piano.

Much desk work today & conferences with teachers.

Board meeting this evening. Favorable action on proposition to close with Mr. Moseley for land north of b'ld'g.
Barber .15;

Tuesday, February 8

Cold night. Moderated in afternoon & flurry of snow.

Miss Carbary unable to be here. Miss Davies substituted.

I organized Eng. class for three big boys that do shop & business methods at H.S.

Three science lessons. – 6B, 7B, 7A.

Overhauled lantern slides on Lincoln & Washington this evening.

Helped Miss Decamera, nature study teacher of Dist. 108, with some lantern slides of trees I loaned her – this after school.

Some of my staff saw five evening grosbeaks this A M. feeding in a box-elder at corner of 2nd & Elm.

Wednesday, February 9

Milder. Clear. No thawing, however

Sent out tuition notices today

Agent for Newson & for School Century took some of my time today. Capt. & Mrs Rogers visited us.

Dinner at H.S. this evening. Conference of representative of all schools tributary to Deerfield H.S. Co Supt Simpson presided. Live & interesting time.

Barber .25;

Thursday, February 10

Mild. Gray.

Mr Wright & I went to Winnetka for the day to join the ass'n of Cook Co Supts that were to visit the schools there. Some of us visited the Greeley School until 10:30 & were bro't over in autos to the Horace Mann School for the remainder of the morning. Saw some first class work. – Miss Goodchild, Miss Payne, Miss Gahan, et. al Lunch at the Community House. Then by auto to Columbus School where conference was held. Home by 3:34.

This evening at dinner at the Kirschberger's, Mr. & Mrs Wright & Miss Young guests.

Trolley .10; lunch .25; barber .15;

Friday, February 11

Mild. Gray.

Special class of boys; used hygrometer; 4B Geog; 7B science;

Lincoln exercises this afternoon. Several of the grades furnished the program. I showed seven slides.

At home this evening. Worked over some Lincoln material.

Saturday, February 12

Snow flurry & some colder.

Moved out from under leaves & snow the remainder of the bulbs in the cold frames at school.

Took 11:41 for Chicago. To McIntosh, The Hearth for lunch; Dennison's for seals; Fields for shoes, collars, etc; Orr & L. for tool catches, a knife; to Public Library to see Lincoln collection on display.

Home on 4:15-5:04. A nap. This P.M. went to H.S. to Lincoln celebration. Came away early to work at my desk at home – on Lincoln material.

Dist 107: catches .55; screws .10;

R.R. .52 + .10; lunch .35; seals .20; barber .40; knife 1⁶⁵

Sunday, February 13

Snow falling at daybreak & continued until about 8:00 A.M. Cleared & cooler. Fine cold afternoon & evening.

To church.

After dinner a nap; then a splendid tramp over into the Skokie. Made a bundle of cuttings of red-osier dogwood, elderberry, waahoo, & bitter sweet. Home after dark.

Venus & Jupiter almost in conjunction. Called up some school children to make sure they saw the phenomenon

Monday, February 14

Fine wintry day. Thawed some.

Busy. At morning exercises showed some of my Lincoln slides.

Spent considerable time with hygrometer tests.

Gave Lincoln talk this evening to general public – a small audience. Miss Whitten sang two songs that were favorites of Pres. Lincoln.

Barber .15;

Tuesday, February 15

Fine winter day.

Topsy turvy with affairs. Had Messrs Hambrook & Kupfer of Amer Seating Co with me an hour, this A M, looking into the movable desk scheme.

Archie Norton for Sanborn & Co was here this afternoon

Three science lessons. Teachers conferences

Sent one box of Audubon slides to Mrs Pattee.

At desk at school this evening.

Wm Koller took two groups of pupils for sleigh rides, entertaining for his two boys

Barber .15; Emil J. .25; his sister .20;

Wednesday, February 16

Bright. Melted very rapidly.

Mr Metzel visited for a while. Then Mrs Pattee came up from Evanston to confer with me about Audubon material for the Arbor & Bird Day Annual.

Hardwood cuttings made by 5A's & 5B's and stored in wet sand - - - red-osier dogwood, bitter sweet, waahoo, elderberry.

Helped 6B's to form a science club. Conferred with Miss Krueger about the night school work at the H-S – the work especially for foreigners.

At my desk at school this evening.

Thursday, February 17

Mild. Muddy.

Some class work & plant house work.

Some of us went down to H.P. Club House – Ossoli program – to hear Dr Sadler talk on Faith & Fear in Relation to Health. A wholesome talk with a Chautauqua platform flavor.

This evening I went to the last session of the H.S. evening school. The members of the foreigners' class gave musical numbers. Bonetti, Stoltz, & Schubert played beautifully on the violin. The kindly feeling between the members of the class & their teachers was delightful. Miss Davis from my school taught 38 evenings & Misses Sands, Jones & Schermerhorn each 32 evenings

Made two hktog today
Barber .25;

Friday, February 18

“A March day.” Brisk snow flurry at nine. Clearing skies & rising wind for some hours. Wind died away & clear sunset.

A full day as usual. Two science lessons – 8B – 7B. Met 6A's in double period for picture study (The Gleaners).

Gave some time to helping plan boys' science club (“Elisha Gray Division of Elm Place Audubon Club”).

Worked in stock room an hour – fixing up science cabinet.

At my desk this evening. Wrote several letters. Ordered seeds from Dreer.
[Elisha Gray (1835-1901) was a resident of Highland Park and inventor of numerous electrical devices. Although he lost the legal battle for the patent, Gray was considered by many to be the inventor of the telephone. – ed.]

Saturday, February 19

A little snow flurry, then clear & sunny for the remainder of the day.

To the City on 9:19. Visited with Mr Metzler enroute To Cent. Scientific Co for apparatus. To Rand McNally's for copies of the Four Wonders. Great Northern Hotel for a shave. City Club for luncheon with the Educational Committee, Principal Loomis presiding. To Art & Travel for slides. Broke away 6 or so of our new Art Inst. slides. To Siegel Cooper where I bot books for the school & for self. To Fields for gloves, etc. To City Club where I had a nap & then wrote up some notes. Supper at City Club. Dist. 107 – Flanagan's .50 + .10; At Siegel Cooper's 3⁰⁰;
R.R. .52 + .25; lunch .40; shave, etc. .30; books 1.00; supper. 75; phone .20 + .17;

Sunday, February 20

Cool. Clear.

To United Evangelical S.S. to visit it & prepare formal report for Lake Co. S.S. Ass'n. Made an oral report to the S.S.

Then to school to inspect plant house.

This afternoon went down to Everett Millard's & he and I went for tramp thru the woods down to Pick, Rosenwald, & Lichtenstern estates. Saw chickadees, downy, & w.b. nuthatch.

Monday, February 21

Washington Birth Day Celebration Left for Detroit

Very busy day.

Had an assembly of all the Annex pupils, this A.M., and showed them some of the Washington Pictures. This afternoon I met all the other pupils in the same way. The 3B's danced the minuet in costume.

This evening the teachers (who had done night-school work with the foreigners) and I entertained them in the aud., & I showed W. and L. pictures.

Then I left on the 10:35 P.M. train with my colleague, Mr Clark Wright, for Chicago & we took the 12:05 A.M. Mich. Central for Detroit
R.R. .26 + .10 + 8.80

Tuesday, February 22 At Detroit.

At D. at 8:05 A.M. Went to the Satler House the lobby of which was greatly crowded & our friends gave us the information that rooms were at a premium. Later on, however, we got a room with two beds at the Pontchartrain.

Met Mr. Brady at this hotel. He lives here. His two boys, John & Edison, are at Cornell.

Had a great day renewing old acquaintances.

Porter .50; meals 1.10; hotel fees 1¹⁰;

[Pasted to this page are three clippings from Tuesday sessions of the National Education Association meeting. Among the morning sessions were: THE FUNCTION OF THE GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION presented by G.W.A. Luckey, Dean, Graduate School of Education, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebr., Walter R. Siders, Superintendent of Schools, Boise, Idaho, James W. Crabtree, President, State Normal School, River Falls, Wis., William P. Burris, Dean, College of Teachers, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio, and J.G. Collicott, Superintendent of Schools, Indianapolis, Ind.; and STANDARDS AND TESTS OF EFFICIENCY presented by George D. Strayer, Professor of Educational Administration, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, N.Y., Bird T. Baldwin, Head, Department of Psychology and Education, Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Pa., Don C. Bliss, Superintendent of Schools, Montclair, N.J., John W. Withers, President, Harris Teachers College, St. Louis, Mo., Charles E. Chadsey, Superintendent of Schools, Detroit, Michigan, and Charles H. Judd, Director, School of Education, The University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill. A second clipping listed the officers of the School Garden Association of America (President – Van Evrie Kilpatrick, Public School No. 52, New York, N.Y, Secretary – J.L. Randall, Bureau of Education, Washington, D.C., and Treasurer – Alice V. Joyce, Portland, Ore.) and one of its sessions, SCHOOL GARDENING IN THE COURSE OF STUDY presented by Wallace E. Mason, Principal, State Normal School, Keene, N.H. and John L. Randall, Bureau of Education, Washington, D.C. A third clipping lists the evening session, WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE WORLD presented by Nicholas Murray Butler, President, Columbia University, New York, N.Y. – ed.]

Wednesday, February 23 At Detroit

Morning session was brilliant. This afternoon Wright, Stableton, Douglas, Miss Cromer & Miss Debock visited the new N.E.H.S. & the Campau (ward) school. Nothing to learn from the architecture of the H.S. At the Campau was courteously entertained by an old “frowzly frump”. Air in class rooms filthy.

W., Stableton, & I went to Central H.S. in evening to see H.S. pageant. Stage pictures excellent. Elocution not up to average.

(Lunch) Breakfast at Thompson restaurant. Lunch & supper at Nat'l Restaurant. Good food.

Cheap.

Meals 1.20; car fare .30;

[Pasted to this page are two clippings from the Wednesday sessions. The morning sessions were: A NATIONAL CAMPAIGN FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL CONDITIONS IN RURAL COMMUNITIES presented by Philander P. Claxton, United States Commissioner of Education, Washington, D.C.; and THE FORD IDEA IN EDUCATION presented by Dean Samuel S. Marquis, Sociological Department, Ford Motor Company, Detroit, Mich. Following those sessions was a section labeled “Debate” on the topic THE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL presented by Charles H. Judd, Director, School of Education, The University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill. and Carroll G. Pearse, President, State

Normal School, Milwaukee, Wis. A second clipping provides the following information: At eight o'clock the pupils of the Central High School will offer a Shakespearean pageant under the title "The Passing Show of 1616." – ed.]

Thursday, February 24

At Detroit.

Beautiful weather as in preceding days.

Wright & I visited the Ford factory first this A.M. & saw a truly wonderful sight. Then I went down to the office of Dr. J. Burgess Book & found that he had died Jan. 31. Had a long talk with his confidential clerk or secretary. Bro't away some D. papers giving sketch of his life.

Then went to rest of A M session in time to hear Bagley & Sneed

Great time this evening. Immense crowd & great enthusiasm "Governors' Night." Gov. Ferris talked first – principally on "Health." Brumbaugh next – on "Preparedness." Willis of Ohio came in late...in a dramatic fashion & talked on same theme.

M.G. Clark, W., Douglas, McCowan, Joyner & I together.

Meals 1.20; car fare .30; barber .45

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the N.E.A. Bulletin listing the papers presented in the session of the Round Table of Directors of Educational Research, held in the Small Banquet Hall of the Hotel Statler. The presentations were: TWO PHASES OF EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH AND EFFICIENCY IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS by George Melcher, Director, Bureau of Research and Efficiency, Kansas City, Mo.; STANDARDIZATION OF TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS by Stuart A. Courtis, Supervisor of Educational Research, Detroit, Mich.; MEETING THE DEMAND FOR THE PRACTICAL IN EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH by David Spence Hill, Director, Division of Educational Research, New Orleans, La.; COMMENTS ON TEN INTELLIGENCE TESTS APPLIED TO TEN THOUSAND CHILDREN IN GRADES FIVE TO EIGHT, INCLUSIVE by Albert Shiels, Director, Division of Reference Research, Department of Education, New York, N.Y.; IMPROVING INSTRUCTION THRU EDUCATIONAL MEASUREMENT by Frank W. Ballou, Director, Department of Educational Investigation and Measurement, Public Schools, Boston, Mass. – ed.]

Friday, February 25

Detroit to Chicago

Left on 8:25 A.M. Wright stayed over until noon.

I visited with Mr. J.C. Hanna (State H.-S. inspector) on way. A pleasant ride.

In Chic. called on Mr Schantz & brot away box of bird slides.

Home at 5:44.

Went to school b'ld'g this evening to help usher, etc. for the Y W.C.A's in their annual show.

R.R. 7.80 + .26 + .20; Lunch 1⁰⁰

At Hotel 6⁰⁰; Magazines, etc. .30;

Saturday, February 26

An inch of snow in the night but this did not last long. Grew colder later in day. Rather blustery. Raw.

At school much of the day. Worked in plant house Sprayed for plant lice.

A little under the weather. At my desk at home this evening.

Heard some geese flying over at 10:30 this P.M.

Mrs Carver reports that a robin visited her place on Thursday.

Conferred with Geo Greene today about his doing some manual training work in our shops the coming summer

Shave 15; Garden Magazine .25;

Sunday, February 27

Stayed in all day to nurse a cold. Pasted some clippings in my scrap books.

Monday, February 28

Light snow flurries. Rather cold.

We were all very busy today getting ready for the play – In the Times of Lincoln – by Miss Grunewald & 7th – 8th grade pupils. A matinee for the smaller pupils came off this afternoon. This evening a full house saw the play which went through beautifully. The girls & boys looked so well in their costumes.

Sent Clarence Pfister to Chicago to get some costumes. Pd out his carfare and \$1⁸⁵ besides.

Tuesday, February 29

Fine day. The light snow on walks melted.

Busy as usual.

This afternoon went down to the Evanston Women's Club to talk on birds & flowers. Lantern fell down on me, as it were. Screen poor & darkening bad. Didn't do well myself but was well treated. Met Mary Moore Jones & Harriet Moore Thomas who were at De Pauw when I was 20 years ago & more!

Working to throw off a cold.

Expenses paid by Club.

Medicine .75; barber .25

Wednesday, March 1

In like a Lion!

Began to snow & blow this afternoon! Two or more inches by nightfall.

My cold bothered me some today. Miss Corey unable to teach today. Miss Davies substituted.

Mrs Niece of St Charles, a friend of Miss Davis, was an appreciative visitor today. - - Miss Thomas of the Industrial Home at Evanston called in the interests of a ward, Malden Meyers, a runaway boy whom Officer Meyers of H.P. wishes to adopt.

At teachers' meeting this evening we read over Gray's Tests for Reading, in Jan. & Feb. – Element. School.

Thursday, March 2

Part of the snow melted today.

Miss Corey still ill.

Today we celebrated "Infant Welfare" week by an auditorium exercise. The children sang two lullabies; Miss Young explained the purpose of the day; Mrs Clements made an announcement or two; then forty or fifty children volunteered bright sayings or doings of their baby brothers or sisters.

The four best were selected by the teachers & prizes will be given them. A very funny series of anecdotes.

After school I photographed some of the pupils in the costumes they wore in the Lincoln play.

This P.M. I developed 9 plates. Also called on the Hickses in Exmoor.

Barber .15;

Friday, March 3

Cool and increasingly cold at evening. Clear.

Miss Corey still ill.

Two science lessons. One lantern lesson with 4A's beginning series on lumbering.

Mr. Simpson called to confer with me about the forthcoming committee meeting to consider dividing the East-Northern Division of the Illinois State Teachers' Assn.

To Evanston this evening. Supper at restaurant, then to home of Louis H. Weld, 709 Monroe St.; Mr & Mrs W. & I. & Ethel Goddard went over to N W.U. to lecture on Glacier Park by Kitchell. Fine moving pictures.

R.R. .26 + .05 + .15; supper .25 + .15; barber. 25

Saturday, March 4

Fine day. Cool.

To city on 9:19. To Central Scientific Co for test tubes, etc. To McIntosh to get stereopticon part repaired. To Art & Travel to get more lantern slides. The Fair for plaster of Paris & wood alcohol.

City Club for luncheon, at which time all working committees of Club reported. I sat with the Educational Committee.

To Nat'l Art with Douglas to look over new pictures. To Typewriter Exchange to figure on repairs for a machine. To Art Inst. to inquire about Grail pictures, etc. Here I looked over exhibit of Chicago artists & went with McNutt thru aquarium exhibit. Supper at restaurant, then to Newberry Library to collect Lincoln data. Back to N W. station – Home on 10:05.

R.R. .52 + .30; test tubes .72; barber .25; lunch .50; supper 40; alcohol .25; plaster of p. 1⁰⁰; phone .20; apples, etc .10;

Sunday, March 5

Fine. Moderated towards evening but a little raw.

To church to hear Rev Mr. Pfanstiehl preach. He referred but briefly to his experiences in Belgium & then preached a regular sermon.

Nap after dinner. Then M., K. & I went to the Community House at Ravinia to hear Thos W. Surette [Thomas Whitney Surette, music educator and author. – ed.] of Concord, Mass, lecture on community music. A fine & inspiring talk.

Monday, March 6

Icy sidewalks because of a rain in the night, but these thawed off by noon. Rising wind after night.

A usual a busy day. Among other things, I helped a group of 6th grade boys in organizing their club.

This evening 15 or 18 foreigners met some of us at the school & we helped them read & write for two hours.

Barber .15;

Tuesday, March 7

March day. Threatening, then sunny, then snow flurries.

Science in 3 groups; lantern lesson with 4A's;

Teachers' meeting after school. Discussed chapters in Dewey on "Play", and

New piano for kg room arrived today. Sent home the piano we had rented from the Bacons. Had old piano in aud. moved to 2nd floor hall.

Barber .85;

Wednesday, March 8

Sunny. Cool. No thawing.

Miss Davies goes to the hospital for an operation. I used Esther Kerfoot this morning in her stead. Left on 10:38 for Chicago Caught 12 o'clock on the Aurora Electric. Attended conference of a committee of East Northern Division to pass on question of dividing the section. McDowell, White, Douglas, Morgan, Light, Shelton, Stoops & I

Left Aurora at 5:00. Had dinner at City Club with Everett Millard. Then we went to Audubon Directors' meeting. Schantz, Mrs Raymond, Mrs Pattee, Misses Hanig & Craigmile, Everett & I. E. left to take 8:55. I stayed on. Mrs P. & I took 10:05.

R.R. .52 + .65 + .74 + .15; meals .20 + .10 + 25 + 10 + .50

Thursday, March 9

Blustery. High winds, moderating as they increased in intensity

Miss Kerfoot again on duty.

Gave a talk with bird slides to the 1B – 2B group; then to the 3B – 3A. group. Also another lantern talk on lumbering to 4A's. In the afternoon I gave bird talk to 5B – 5A's & science lesson to 6B's.

Miss Cramer's father visited us all day – an interesting collar-less gentleman.

Worked at school this evening – arranging bird slides, assorting bird pictures, etc.

Barber .15; bananas .10;

Friday, March 10

Fine day. Cool but bracing. A robin scolded in a tree as I went to school this A.M.

I showed the Audubon slides to three more groups today.

Miss McMann of the Deerfield schools visited us all day. Mr Nelson of those schools spent the afternoon.

Mr McCalla representing the Keystone View Co called.

I hektographed 125 postcards for the Elm Place Division. P.T.A.

Mother and I went down to hear Archdeacon Stuck tell of ascent of Mt Denali. Only standing room & so Mother listened awhile & then got a chair elsewhere. I stood it out & was well repaid. A fine story of a fine performance.

R.R. 1.04 + .20; barber .15; nuts .10;

[Pasted to the page is a clipping from the Geographic Society of Chicago program. It is transcribed as follows:

STATED MEETING, FRIDAY EVENING

MARCH 10, 1916

FULLERTON HALL, ART INSTITUTE

Illustrated Lecture by Archdeacon Stuck, of Alaska

TITLE: "THE ASCENT OF MT. McKINLEY (DENALI)"

The highest mountain in North America,
20,500 feet above the sea.

On June 7, 1913, Archdeacon Stuck, and his party of two white men and an Indian lad, reached the summit of this great Alaskan mountain. Many attempts had previously been made to conquer the almost insuperable difficulties it presented, but one after another they were defeated.

The story is unequalled in the record of exploration. The account of the climb, four miles into the air over the ice of Denali, is as thrilling as any story of Polar discovery. From Archdeacon Stuck's photographs beautiful colored lantern slides have been prepared, showing every phase of the three months' traveling

and climbing. – ed.]

Saturday, March 11 Catholic School burned.

Beautiful day - & snow flurries after nightfall!

Catholic school burned completely, last night

City on 9:19. To (Barnes, Crosby) Pattee to confer with him about printing Audubon bulletin. To Newson & Co & to H.M. Mifflin & Co. for books. Fields where I bot some “bargain” books & had lunch with the Cook Co Supts – F.L. Miller presiding. Wright & I then went over to the Pathescope office to see motion picture machine tried out. While there Mr Hoffman of Springfield came in on same errand. Then Mr. W & I parted. I shopped at Fields McClurg’s & caught 5:50 home. At home most of evening. R.R. .52 + .30; lunch .75 + .10; barber .25; groceries .55; hardware .65; books .40;

Sunday, March 12

A spring day. Warm, sunny, inviting.

Before S.S. I went over into the Skokie – Song sparrow sang & flocks of tree sparrows were in fine voice. Bluebirds I heard for the first time this year and meadowlarks, too. I basked in the sun & watched the evolutions of the larks. Heard but did not see a horned lark.

At S.S. helped Juniors on the hymn to be sung first in church exercises following. Then had long talk in the office with Miss McElrath over Shakespeare pageant. Did not stay for church.

After a nap this afternoon I took a glorious walk out over Park Ave, Sheahen’s woods, north on Skokie R.R. to road west of Highwood, then back to Elm Place & home. Number of bluebirds, 19 waxwings, 1 killdeer, & numerous redwings.

Monday, March 13

A little cooler but a fine day. Rode my wheel & wore a sweater vest.

Busy. No office help today.

Board meeting this evening. Amicable discussions until 10:40 P.M!

Barber .15;

Tuesday, March 14

Cold. Blustry. Snow flurry after nightfall.

5B’s & 5A’s planted 6 flats of Dwarf Champion tomatoes today.

Gave geog. lesson in 4A; science in 6B, 7B, 7A.

Conferred with boys organizing scout patrol, etc.

Night school this evening. I taught one group. Misses Davis, Krueger, Sands, Jones & Schermerhorn also taught. One of the boys, Tony, bro’t some chrysanthemum cuttings, etc., which we planted in boxes of sand

This evening we are entertaining a delegate to conference of U. Evangelicals.

Wednesday, March 15

Cold and gray, but clearing at evening.

P.T.A. this afternoon. Mrs Bright present to speak of work of Congress of Mothers, etc. Mrs Gooch of Highwood & some of the teachers from there were here, and I showed them through the new building.

We loaned our organ and some of our oldest (retired) pictures to Ossoli people for use at their “County Fair” tomorrow.

This evening I got ready my slides for a talk at Joliet, tomorrow. The delegate, Rev. Mr. Deagle, spent the evening at my desk correcting ex. papers from the young ministers. Another minister, Mr. Lambert, came in about ten 'oclock from church.

Barber .15;

Thursday, March 16

At Joliet.

Beautiful day but cool.

Left on 11:44 for Chic. & took 1:30 Alton for Joliet where I gave a flower talk before the Teachers' Federation in Library Hall. Had a fine time. Mr Willard Clute & Mr Ferris there & Mr Schantz was down from Chic. to give a bird talk in the evening. We all with Mrs Clute & her daughter & niece had supper together and I took 6:35 back to Chicago.

Supt Stoops gave me a fine treat by taking me to the Farragut school which has a great equipment & grounds.

At 8:00 I was at the La Salle Hotel to hear a lecture on the great Oregon Highway illustrated with pictures in natural color – Paget Process. These are almost perfect & the effect is wonderful. I was with Mr & Mrs Carman of Evanston & Miss Wilde

R.R. .52; lunch .65; barber .25.

Friday, March 17

Fine day. Thawed very little.

Miss Cory ill this A.M. but back after lunch.

Spent some little time conferring with Miss Young over cases of hygiene – of bad tendencies, etc.

Spent most of this evening on Audubon work.

Barber .15;

Saturday, March 18

Fine day. Thawed slightly.

To city on 8:09. Visited with Everett & Mrs M. on way. To Barnes-Crosby to confer with Mr Pattee about printing the Audubon bulletin. To City Club to work on copy for circular letter. Then to Schantz' office to confer on Audubon matters. Next to Barrett's Institute where Prof Wager addressed our Round Table on Heredity. Bardwell (Jr), Gilbert, Coletrap, Richardson, Rhodes & I had lunch together. Then to McClurgs. To Miss Ingersoll's where I got 2 more slides. To Fields. Then home on 4:00-4:37.

Wrote until six at school. Again at it this evening until late.

R.R. .52 + .20; lunch .45; groceries .45; barber .25; dry goods .15;

Sunday, March 19

Beautiful day. Thawed slightly.

This A.M – Mr. Keagle & Mr. Lambert & I took a walk down to the Lake before they had to go to church. Then I watered things in the plant house, went over to Presb. S.S. awhile, & then went to the Evangel. Church to hear Bishop Fouke preach a very suggestive sermon. Rev. Mr Finkbeiner (years ago our neighbor on Central Ave.), Mr. Keagle & Lambert were at our house for dinner. Mr. K went down to the city for the afternoon & the others to church.

After taking a nap, I went out on a tramp over fields, having for awhile Paulene & Lucille Rhinehart. Then on over Skokie. Passing Richard Tillman's, I was invited in there for supper – they having prepared for "delegates" who didn't come. Then I tramped on west & came back in after dark by Deerfield Road.

Still frozen in Skokie.

Church 1⁰⁰;

Monday, March 20

Faint snow flurry in night. Light sleety shower during the day. Spring air towards sunset and the robins' chorus aswing!

Miss Stine went home after lunch ill & I taught out the day.

Had Alice Fitzgerald come at 4:00 & I dictated Audubon letters for two hours. Worked at desk until 10:30 this evening.

Barber .15; Tailor 1.50; music .41

Tuesday, March 21

First day of Spring.

Threatening & finally about 9:00 P.M. began to rain. Some thunder & lightening.

Mr. Keagle went home this A.M. & Mr. Lambert this evening. - - An unfortunate "scrap" in the local church has held up "appointments" until this evening.

Interviewed Helen Flinn this A.M. about possibility of her being my office clerk. Then phoned Mr Nichols who sent me a Miss Cummings as cadet for the remainder of this week.

Teachers' meeting after school this evening.

Foreigners' class again this evening. About 16 present.

The Boy Scouts drilled at school this evening under Messrs Spencer & Chandler.

Miss Stine absent because of illness. I taught part time.

Sent out 12 or 14 Audubon letters this evening.

Wednesday, March 22

Blizzard

Storm veered to N.E. in the night & a "northeaster" set in. Lightning & thunder accompanied blinding snow storm. This did not abate until 8:00 A.M. Three or more inches of snow.

Cleared towards evening.

Miss Stine still unable to come. Miss Cummings of Evanston took her room. I taught geog. for 4B & 4A.

This is second afternoon Alice Fitzgerald has written letters for me, mostly Audubon material.

Was at school desk until 9:30 P.M.

Barber .15;

[Pasted to the page is a newspaper clipping (source not identified) headlined "THUNDERS AS IT SNOWS Prof. Cox "Flabbergasted" Over Freak of the Big Storm. Never Saw One Just Like It – Mercury May Drop to 15 Above." – ed.]

Thursday, March 23

Sun shone warm and great melting of snow piles began.

Miss Carbary suffered so with her teeth that I sent her home. Miss Cummings took her room.

Continued using Alice F. as stenog. She wrote 4 Aud. letters & 4 other.

Miss Guiney & I attended a conf. after school at the H-S. on grammar. Had a good time. Miss Guiney shone well.

This evening went down to Ev. to confer with the Pattees on names & addresses of persons interested in Aud. work.

M. & K. went to the city this A.M. & I got own lunch.

Agent for library of literature for children took some of my time.

Trolley .15; buttons .30; pins .10;

Friday, March 24

Fine day. Snow disappeared rapidly.

Miss Carbary "on the job." Used Miss Cummings, substitute, in various ways. Pd her \$8⁷⁵ for Dist 107 Alice F. continued her work again this afternoon. I mailed 25 or 26 letters today.

Barber .25; stamps .15; fruit .25;

Saturday, March 25

Very warm. Really sultry. Traces of snow banks vanished. Shower at noon. Heavy fog after night fall.

To city on 8:09. Visited enroute with Everett M.

To Boy Scout Headquarters for Scout Diaries & to McClurg's for Scout Hand Books. To Remington Typewriter Co. To Fair for story books; to Schantz office where he & I and Deane & Pattee held conference over Aud. Bulletin. Shopped at Fields. Home on 1:50-2:28. Went to office & wrote letters until six. Again there this evening.

Mrs Collins had dancing class in aud. this evening.

R.R. .52 + .10; lunch .32; books 1.00; barber .15;

Sunday, March 26

Rain, rain!

Rained more or less all day. Heavier towards evening.

To S.S. awhile. Then to school house to look into the plant house.

Slept & lounged on bed all day. Read much - - the latter part - - of Conrad's Victory.

Monday, March 27

Rain! Sleet!!

Rained much of the day with beating wind. Sleet coated the trees. Still storming at 10:30 P.M.

Helen Flinn began work as office girl. - - - Alice F. worked again after noon. - - - Sang a Bach chorale at morning exercises.

Helped 5A's organize an Audubon Club.

Visited a number of class rooms today.

This evening Everett M. & I were speakers at village meeting at Ravinia, representing City Beautiful Commission.

Barber .15;

Tuesday, March 28

Storm abated. Sleet still clinging to tree.

Busy day. 4A Geog. lesson on iron ore with lantern. Three science classes. Did not have stenog. today.

Took 3:38 for Chicago - To meeting of nominating committee of Geog Soc. Cowles, Scull, Hebard, Miss Moline. Amicable arrangement of a slate.

Supper at a restaurant & then went to Acad. of Sc. for an interview with Woodruff. Caught 8:00 for home.

R.R. .52 + .15; supper .35; magaz. 15; phone .20;

Wednesday, March 29

Mild. Sun shone a little while. A fog after night.

Miss Decker of Wilmette, a teacher, called to file an application.

I used Alice F. as stenog, again this afternoon.

Mrs Searcy of the Y. W's called after school to confer with me.

This evening I went down to Mr A.J. Metzel's to confer with him about the financial end of the night school work with foreigners at the H.S.
Barber .15; stamps .97;

Thursday, March 30

Beautiful day. (A shower at noon)
I set a force of boys at work this A.M. to reset our geraniums in larger pots
Distributed pay envelopes. Various business items.
Took 12:56 for Chicago. To La Salle Hotel to attend conference. Rhodes of Winnetka with me.
Discussion rather an airing of troubles in N.Y. city, and personalities rather than facts indulged in.
Met Miss Baber & Mrs Ella Adams Moore.
Home at 6:30. At desk at school a while
R.R. .52; barber .25; nuts .15;
[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the conference program. The topic presented was THE GARY SYSTEM in the following reports: Description of the Gary System presented by G.W. Swartz, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction, Gary, Indiana; The Gary and Ettinger Systems Compared presented by Wm. E. Grady, Principal Public School 64, New York City; and The Relation of the Gary System to Vocational Education presented by G.E. Wulding, Director of Industrial Education, Gary. — ed.]

Friday, March 31

Beautiful day. Warm. Sunny & showery both.
To city on 8:49. To LaSalle for conference on vocational education. Prof. Leavitt presided. I was made secretary & had a number of things to do. Home on 12:45.
Science with 7A's & 7B's. Conference with Mrs Shannon after school. Then to City Council where I plead for preservation of trees on business frontage. Members of council went to inspect trees I wished save, & to see holes for lamp posts I criticised. Deferred decision.
Wrote out my secretary report at school this evening.
R.R. .52; lunch .30; barber .15
[Pasted to the page is a clipping from The City Club Conference on Vocational Legislation, chaired by Frank M. Leavitt, Professor Industrial Education, University of Chicago. The purpose of the conference was described as "The committee on education of the Chicago City Club has called a meeting of delegates from seventy-five prominent Illinois organizations interested in Vocational Education to consider means for securing state aid. — ed.]

Saturday, April 1

Beautiful day.
Watered plants at school; then to city on 8:09. To Lincoln Park to meet Mr. Woodruff. Bro't away article on bird habitats & several woodcuts (half tones).
To La Salle Hotel to give copy of minutes to Sec. of Vocational Ass'n. To Boy Scout Headquarters to get 6 diaries. Donohue & H. for school election blanks. Art & Travel to get some slides (Art Institute set being made for us). McClurg's for Antin's The Promised Land & copy of Foreman's U.S. History. To McIntosh for carbons; Fields for towel rod.
City Club for luncheon & meeting of Ed. Com. where I acted as temp. sec. Also reported for conference of yesterday. Wrote at desk in C.C. afterwards draft for letter to be sent nine men to form committee to call another conference. Home at 3:31. Met Millard, Fletcher, et. al. for conf. on trees & lamp posts. This evening at school desk.
R.R. .52 + .20; lunch .40; nuts & ice cream .20; Book 1⁴⁰ (The Promised Land) for Rev J.F. Van Evera

Wheel 2⁰⁰

[Pasted to the page is a clipping from the conference program listing the Officers of the Association and the Board of Directors. – ed.]

Sunday, April 2

Lovely spring day.

Took tramp over Skokie meadows from 9 to 11:00 A.M. Then this afternoon went out with Millard & a Mr. Longfeather – a tree specialist – an Apache, graduate of Hampton & of Syracuse. Skunk cabbage coming up nicely. Flickers here, also phoebes, hermits, sapsuckers, grackles, etc. A dead sapsucker brot in Mar. 31.

Hazel catkins almost ready to shed pollen.

Monday, April 3

Another day as yesterday. Cool breezes bro't day to close.

Several new pupils. And – a very busy day.

Miss Gertrude Spaller came out to show us color studies of murals she executed for Panama Exp. Mrs. Shannon, Millard, Misses White, Giffen, & I had long conference with her over the work to be done at the Annex.

Went to dinner at Presb. Church – M., K. & I. I left before program to work at my desk at school. (Alice F. worked a part of this afternoon).

Barber .15;

Tuesday, April 4

As yesterday. Very slight shower this afternoon followed by cool breezes, clear, etc

Election day. Three out of five of my choice beaten.

A busy plant house day. 7A's planted asters; 7B's the zinnias. One group of boys trimmed hawthorn hedge, etc.

Took 4B's on field trip to Exmoor Ridge. Talked to 4A's with lantern on coal mining.

Teachers' meeting after school. Dewey's Schools of Tomorrow, etc.

Foreigner's again this evening. I talked to them about the election.

The Boy Scouts had formal ceremony of taking the oath this evening – Used auditorium.

Paid a lot of bills today.

Wednesday, April 5

Cooler. Gray with suggestions of showers in afternoon. Raw, & March like after nightfall.

Preparing frames for hot bed. Planted 8 flats of salvias; 1 of lobelias; 10 of Stone tomatoes

To city on 4:58. Dinner at City Club with Schantz & Mr. & Mrs Pattee. Audubon meeting afterward. Chiefly discussed forthcoming Bulletin.

Scouted around today to keep Fred Scheskie in H-S. - - A boy we worked hard for & got through the grades. Now the vagabond spirit is on him.

R.R. 52 + .20; supper .75; barber .15; (ticket 6.60);

Thursday, April 6

Clear. Cool. Almost freezing by evening

Lot of work done today by boys under my supervision

Hot bed dug out & filled in, etc., etc.

Attended Eng conference at H-S. after school.

Too tired to eat my supper. Had long nap after supper. Then to my desk to sign letters & write a few.

Ice cream .20;

Friday, April 7

A little milder but still rather raw.

Among other incidents today, Mr Banghart of Chicago & Miss Woodruff – student at Art Inst. – called & I spent some time with them.

Mother & I & Mrs Schumacher & 13 others, nearly all of my staff had dinner tonight at Hull House and attended the performance. Very much enjoyed.

Hull House tablet:

[God] hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth.

R.R. 1.04 + .20; Hull House 2⁰⁰; Barber .15;

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the Hull House playbill, listing two plays: “Old Letters” by Bronson Howard and “The Drone” by Rutherford Mayne. – ed.]

Saturday, April 8

Cold & blustery. March like. High winds.

Worked in plant house a while. Then at desk. Then took 10:38 for Chic. To Schantz’s for conference. Then to McClurg’s where I spent two hours making notes about new bird books for Audubon Bulletin.

To Lyon & Healey’s to get bird records for a tryout. To Sweet Wallach’s for mounting tissue. (Anderson’s where I ordered a suit)

Home on 4:00-4:37

To school house this evening. Wrote two letters. Came home and cleared away at my desk.

Barber .25; R.R. .52 + .10; lunch .20;

Sunday, April 9

Beautiful day. Warmer.

To S.S. where Mr. Faxon and I planned Easter service.

A nap before noon and a longer one after dinner. Read Bulletin on Wheaton Quadrangle & also Arbor Day Bulletin.

Kittie & I walked up to Port Clinton School B’ld’g late afternoon.

Trolley .10;

Monday, April 10

Fine day. Growing gray at evening. Wind arose.

Misses Grunewald and Yore ill. Miss Jewett unable to come because of illness of her mother. I used three different teachers in Miss G’s room.

Alice F. worked for me again this afternoon.

At 5:00 this afternoon I went to City Hall to attend a civic committee meeting of which the City Beautiful Com. is a subcommittee. Discussed “tree question.” Inspected street signs.

This evening 12 or 13 of us met with Dr Ullman at Kg. b’ld’g & had first lesson in series of First Aid exercises. Miss Saxton of Lincoln Ave. school one of our number.

Tuesday, April 11

Milder yet April showers seem to be approaching.
Boys finished making hot bed today. 6A's plant – several flats of petunias.
Mrs Taylor took Miss Grunewald's room.
Night class again this evening. Boy Scouts met, too.

Barber .75;

Wednesday, April 12

Grew warm rapidly. Was decidedly sultry in the afternoon.
Measles making inroads on the school.

To city on 12:56. To Chic. Woman's Club in Fine Arts Bld'g. After Mrs John W. Sherman had spoken on our national parks and Mr. Jensen had talked about local preserves, I talked for fifteen minutes with slides. Was quite successful. - - Then met Mr. Devine and at the City Club we went over his bird census & some I had collected and planned its printing. Caught 5:28 home.

Went to H.S. to help get lantern in order for lecture by Marie Mayer of Oberammergan. Then to Millards' to talk over sign boards & Audubon bulletin cover.

R.R. .52 + .10; barber .45; nuts .05;

Thursday, April 13

Light showers. Grass growing green.

Field trip with 4B's to ridge overlooking Skokie.
Put flats planted with tomato seeds into hot beds.
Miss Jewett absent. Also Miss Grunewald. Miss Yore returned
Used Stenog all day.

Myrtle warblers in! Also La. water thrush!!

At school until 8:30 this P.M. Then home. Mrs & the Misses Gourley called.

Friday, April 14

Fine day. A little cool after 12 M.

Hepaticas sparingly in bloom for several days.

Myrtle, black-and-white La water thrush reported. Hermits plentiful; sapsuckers abundant.

Pond & lake trip with 4A's. Science with 7B's & 7A's. Heard 8A history.

To city on 6:52. To Geog. Soc. where I read report of nominating committee. Didn't remain for Prof. Salisbury's lecture on Porto Rico. Home on 8:55-9:55.

R.R. .52 + .10; lunch .20; barber .15;

Saturday, April 15

Prairie Club at Glen Ellyn

Threatening at times but a fine day on the whole.

To Chic on 8:09 – To Boy Scout Headquarters, Anderson's, McClurg's, & a tailors' supply house. Then with Miss Joseph of the Prairie Club I took 10:00 on E & A. electric to Lombard. We went over carefully our proposed walk from L. to Glen Ellyn, getting there at 1:15. Ate our lunch on green grass by trolley station. Took 1:35 car to Lombard. At 1:50 train from Chicago brot in the "hikers." Miss J & I took slow walkers over route we had travelled earlier. I talked about trees, flowers, etc. etc. We got along well & at 5:47 started back for Chicago. Got 8:00 home.

Found there had been a flurry in our school election - - the C.S's had put up a ticket in opposition, but they lost out.

— District 107 – mending tissue .80

R.R. .52 + .20 + .60; supper .35; ice cream .20;

Sunday, April 16

Showery. Heavy showers, at times, this A.M. Grass green. Red maples coming into bloom. To S.S. this A.M. to perfect plans for Easter Sunday.
Fine nap before noon. M. & I rode about a half hour or so with the Deckers after dinner. A shower drove us in.
Later I spent an hour or so at my desk at school. The whole evening until 11:40 I spent with the Pattees at No. Evanston going over material for the Bulletin.
Trolley & train .39;

Monday, April 17

Fine day. Cool breeze blew.
Miss Jewett still away. Miss Carbary ill also.
I worked at my desk much of the day taking up the business for the Board meeting. Alice F. again worked for me.
Amicable meeting this evening. Passed resolution to buy 198 ft. of Moseley property adjoining school grounds on north.
A very busy day
Children found a litter of 8 rabbits at the roots of an oak tree across our school ravine.

Tuesday, April 18

Showers. Mild.
Miss Carbary absent. Three or four of the teachers helped out with her room.
More desk work today. Also wrote up some Audubon material.
Night school this evening but only four present. We decided to close this for the year.
Bananas .20;

Wednesday, April 19

A heavy rain at 8:30. Then overcast at times during day. Very sultry after 2:00 P.M. Thunder storm beginning 10:30 P.M.
Miss Carbary still out & Mrs Taylor came to take her place.
Did quite a little Audubon work today. Worked at office until 10:00 P.M.
Pupils reset four flats of D.C. tomatoes.
A dead redpoll bro't in today. – Had kingfisher, brown creeper, y.b. sapsucker, & flicker besides.
Barber .25; ink .50;

Thursday, April 20

Trip to DeKalb.

Fine day. Took 5:20 for Chic (breakfast at restaurant) & the 7:00 for DeKalb. Called up Mr Ritzman first thing and he took me in charge. I interviewed Geo. Greene for mn'l tr., Harriet Ames and Sara Lanphear for primary, - Ruth Wilson for 6th; Mabel Miller, Math. Visited with Mr F.K. Balthis & he gave me 100 gaillardia plants. A visit, also, with Mr Wager, Gilbert, et. al. A fine time. Took trolley from DeKalb to Aurora & from Aurora to Chic. Supper at a restaurant. Home at 8:37. At my desk at school awhile.
Dist. 107 – R.R. 1.16 + .65 + .65 + .52; breakf. 35; dinner .35; supper .30;
Barber .25;

Friday, April 21

Good Friday!

Cooler today. Had been a little rain in the night.

A very busy day. Had ten or twelve teacher visitors. Supt. Douglas of Hinsdale came in the afternoon. Mr. Shirley and Miss Abbot representing Scribners' called. Mrs H.T. Hayes of Winnetka called to apply for 6th grade, etc. etc.

I gave away 100 gaillardia plants Mr. Balthis gave me yesterday.

6A's finished resetting the Dwarf Champions

Worked at tree list for arbor week – May 1 – 5.

At desk this evening.

Charge Dist 107 – R.R. .52 + other expenses .50 to send messenger after warrants – to Mr Metzel's office. Bananas .25;

Saturday, April 22

Chilly. Drizzle & sunshine.

To Chic on 8:49 & took 10:02 for Norwood Park to attend funeral services of Miss Harriet Winchell who died (Aet. 71) [Mr. Smith used the abbreviation for Aetatis, which means "at the age of." – ed.] suddenly on Wednesday evening. Visited with Will Hedges on the way out. He was one of the pall bearers. Saw all the Collinses there. Rode back to the city on train with Mrs Maher. - - Lunch at restaurant. Then to Barnes-Crosby to confer with Mr. Pattee about Audubon Bulletin.

To Fields to shop; McClurg's to look up a book; Von Lengercke & Antoine's for boots & puttees. Visited there with Mr. Sanford. To the tailor for a try-on. Home on 4:21. To school to work at desk.

After supper & a nap – to school to work on Aud. bulletin. There & at home worked until 11:30. R.R. .52 + .44 + .10; lunch .45; boots 9⁰⁰; puttees 1⁵⁰; camera plates 2⁴⁵; bulb .25; sundries 1²⁰; barber .25;

Sunday, April 23

Easter!

Gray. Cool.

Managed the lantern slide work of the S.S. Easter exercises this A.M. Stayed to church. Afterwards watered things in plant house.

At 2:49 M., K. & I took trolley for Wauk. Went to Presb. Church, Mr Chidester's, (Mr Baggett's church) to Easter Vespers. Beautiful service. Trolley .90; collection 1⁰⁰

Monday, April 24

Still cool. Light showers this A.M. Clearing and sunny, later in day.

Worked over Audubon material most of day. Sent away fruit tree order to Onarga nursery.

Attended H.P. Civics commission meeting at City Hall at 5:00 P.M.

Looked up time table late this evening for trip to Huntingburg, Indiana.

Brown thrasher heard yesterday & today. Has been here several days. Have heard ruby sing several times.

Barber .15; Mother 10⁰⁰;

Tuesday, April 25

Hard at work on Aud. Bulletin. Took Mss in on 2:34 for conf. with Pattee & Shantz. Agreed on cover design. Left Mss with P. - - - To Lyon & H to inquire about a record & to McClurg's about Bird Guides. - - Home by 5:30 and spent next hour at my desk getting off tree and shrub orders - - Meehan, Am. Forestry Co., Evergreen Nursery Co (Sturgeon Bay) & to Girard, Kansas.

Left for Chic. on 8:49 and took the C. & E.I for Princeton, Ind.

Rained off and on during the day. One great big nap this afternoon.
Pile of mail awaiting me.
Went up to the plant house late this (evening.) afternoon
R.R. .26 + .05; breakf. .35;

Monday, May 1

Cold. Drizzly during early part of day
The usual busy day. All teachers back. Miss Edith Davies called & is to go on duty tomorrow
Miss Schintz & Miss Eskridge called to ask for the position of kg ass't made vacant by Miss Reid's
resignation (matrimony).
Two agents called. I had a long conference with Mrs Shannon.
Fruit trees & shrubs came and I had a man puddle them & get them in good condition for the sale
which begins tomorrow.
First aid class tonight again.
Bananas .20;

Tuesday, May 2

Sun shone a while but the day was cool. Shower after 10:00 P.M.
Printed list of trees and prices. Also instructions for planting. Sold a little stuff this evening.
Teachers' meeting at which Miss McElrath of the H-S. was present to talk over plans for
Shakespearean pageant for May 26.
Taught science classes all afternoon. Conference with Miss White and Miss Behrens about
promotions, this A.M.
At school desk this P.M. Read proof on part of Audubon Bulletin. Boy Scouts met. - - Committee
from Luther League came to arrange aud. stage for entertainment tomorrow evening.
Barber .25;

Wednesday, May 3

Sunny & milder.
To Orrington Ave. school at Evanston to see Miss Sanstedt teach in 7th grade. She had written to apply for
a place here.
Came back at 12:50. This afternoon spent all my time advertising our tree list, having boys unpack
& puddle trees, etc
Took 4:58 for Chic. Had supper with the Pattees at Miss Ennis' restaurant Then to Aud. Soc. at
City Club. Planned campaign to increase membership. Home on 10:02-11:00 train.
Trolley .30; lunch .40; supper .65; R R. .52;

Thursday, May 4

Sale of shrubs began in earnest today.
Miss Jewett and I conferred with Mr. Morgan of the H-S. about music for Shakespeare pageant.
Miss McElrath and I had conference about date & place for the pageant Mr Martin, representing
the Exmoor Club sent for me to tell me that some of the Directors opposed our using the Exmoor grounds

Friday, May 5

Distribution of trees continued. Had Alice F. do stenog work again for me this afternoon. Paid her for
Aud. Soc. 24⁰⁰ & for Dist. 107, 3⁵⁰; Pd Helen Flinn 4⁵⁰ for Dist 107.
Miss Boswell ill and Helen took her room this afternoon.

Conferred with Mrs Jas Sheahen this A.M. and secured promise of Sheahen's wooded pasture for Shakespeare pageant.

Saturday, May 6

Slight showers at frequent intervals.

To city on 9:56 after planting nasturtiums at home.

To Fields for socks, etc., McClurg's to inquire about price of bird books; Lyon & H. to return some records and pay a bill; to Pattee's office to confer with him about printing; to Schantz' office on Audubon matters To Anderson's to get my new suit. Home at 3:15. To school until 5:30.

Box of shrubs came in late from Meehan's & after supper Mr. Davis and I puddled them. Then I came home to work at my desk.

A Cold troubled me today.

Pd Lyon & H. for Dist 107 - - 3²⁵

R.R. .52 + .05; lunch .40; ice-cream .40; barber .25;

Sunday, May 7

A fine day but chilly, N.E. winds as afternoon came on.

Had charge of S.S. this morning – in Mr. Faxon's absence & that of H.R. Smith. Then home to sleep. Also slept much this afternoon.

Met a member of the school board of Highwood (J.A. Brady) at Elm Place this afternoon & discussed school affairs & a possible new bld'g for Highwood this afternoon

Worked on some Audubon copy this evening.

Monday, May 8

Fine day but the wind blew great gusts until night fall.

A full day. Distribution of trees continued.

Agent for Scott F. & Co. called.

Miss Jewett & Miss McElrath & others of us went over to the Sheahen Woods after school to plan the pageant.

Meeting of Teachers' Committee this evening. Surprisingly amicable. Salary raises recommended.

The opening leaf buds of the hard maples gleamed in the sunlight like pure light enveloped in a stronger blaze of light. It is a subtle effect. The hickory buds produced this in a even more pronounced way.

Barber .15;

Tuesday, May 9

Board meeting & amicable adjustment of salary list. I got \$200⁰⁰ increase.

Wednesday, May 10

Warm. High winds. Cooler at evening.

Took 'em off, this afternoon

Elms & birch arrived today. – Five little trees.

Various outdoor work. Planted shrubs on school grounds. Two birches, etc.

Mr. Kingsley called on me a few minutes after school. Wife, & daughter, & the latter's husband, Prof. Long, also Mrs Robertson, were with him.

Wrote letters of notification to teachers this evening.

Barber .75;

Thursday, May 11

Fine day. Windy though.

Spent much of my time with 5th & 6th grade groups planting plots of grain, etc, on Green Bay site.

P.T.A. meeting this afternoon New officers elected – Mrs Trigg Waller, Pres; Mrs. Martin, Sec; Mrs Reesman, Treasurer.

Miss Heintz came out again to help start off our dances for the pageant.

This evening about fifty of us had cafeteria dinner at the H.S. & following that a conference to hear reports of committees on Eng., Math., mn'l tr., & Domestic Science I presided. A good meeting.

Bananas, etc., .30; barber .15;

Friday, May 12

Kenosha

Went to Kenosha this A.M. to see a Miss Kinney who was teaching an ungraded room in the Columbus School. Had a pleasant chat with (Mrs) Sup't Bradford. Not so very favorably impressed with Miss K. Home at 12:18.

Conference with teachers over costumes for the pageant at noon hour.

Miss Marley had a piano recital in the aud. after school.

Went down to the Brevort Hotel this P.M. to banquet of Supt & Princ. Assn of Cook Co. Various toasts & responses. I talked on my visit to the Lincoln Country. Came back to Evanston in auto with the Kingsleys & Nichols. Home on train

R.R. .26 + .22; supper 1.50; barber .25; Kenosha - 1²⁵

Saturday, May 13

Showers all afternoon.

To school awhile to care for trees & plants. Then to city. Conf. with Pattee about Aud. Bulletin. Fields to return a waist for Kittie; to buy two shirts & 2 suits of underwear To McClurg's for copy of Bride of Lammermoor. To Carson Preire's for copies of Lambs Tales, etc. Fair for glycerine & gelatine.

Met with Educ. Committee at City Club. Afterwards Douglas and I went off together for awhile. R.R. .52 + .20; lunch .40; nuts .25; book 1⁰⁰;

Sunday, May 14

Rain! Rain!

Rained hard in the night & then there was a regular downpour from 8:30 to 9:30. At it again awhile this afternoon

Had charge of S.S. but left it in time to catch the 10:38 for Chicago to have dinner at Mrs A.H. Loeb's at 5017 Ellis. Got there at 12:00 o'clock. At lunch were Mrs Loeb, Mrs Struthers, Mr. & Mrs Bohnerr, Mr. Aaronson, & his sister, Master Richard, etc - - spent most of the day in their find grounds. It was tulip day - - - probably 20 000 tulips! Many visitors came and went – including Julius & Mrs Rosenwald - - Left at 5:10. Home at 7:00.

R.R. .52 + .20;

Monday, May 15

Lombard trip

Cleared away. Vegetation springing way ahead.

Started morning exercises – then left on 9:19 for Chicago Had conf. with Prof Leavitt at City Club – then lunch at restaurant, & took 12:00 trolley for Lombard to visit Miss Clara White at her work there.

New building going up & corner stone was formally laid this afternoon. I visited Miss White, Miss Esther Smith, Miss Place, - - Left at 2:40. Home at 4:37. At school & a conf. over costumes, etc., for pageant

Home & a deep nap before supper. - - Read Audubon proof after supper.
In sort of giddy condition today which I attribute to fatigue & loss of sleep
Dist 107 – R.R. 1.22 + .25;

Tuesday, May 16

Gray and cool with strong wind.
I was not very active today. Called on Dr. Bergen & began to try out a calomel treatment.
Agent from McClurg's called.
Medicine (citrate of m.) .25; barber .15;

Wednesday, May 17

Milder. Sunny but growing gray & with cooler wind.
Miss Davies unable to come today.
I took it easier. Home at 11:30 to take a nap. Had some calomel last night and citrate of m. this
A.M.
Conf. with Mrs Millard today and later with Mrs Shannon. Offered Clara White of Lombard sixth
grade at \$825⁰⁰. She asked time to consider.
Various conferences over costumes for pageant, etc.
Barber .25;

Thursday, May 18

Fine day.
Had Ryan spade for me at G.B. nursery & begin setting out young hard maples, red maples,
birches, & elms.
Spent much time watching the children preparing their dances for the coming Shakespeare pageant.
Went over into Sheahen woods with teachers & pupils of first three grades – Miss Jewett leading – for
rehearsal.
Committee of mothers met this A M. to plan details of school picnic. Decided to set it for Friday,
May 26.
Wrote number of replies to inquiries about positions here – this evening.
Pd Chas Lehmkuhl 2⁰⁰ for City Park District
Ice cream .10;

Friday, May 19

On the whole a fine day although threatening at times & rain drops in sight.
Miss Smith & Miss H[u?]rd of Joliet visited us. Also Miss Finley who is looking for mn'l tr work.
Various mothers at b'ld'g today sewing costumes
Sent away the last of my trees – to Mr. Gourley & to the City.
At 6:30 this A.M. hunted up Koller & persuaded him to send load of black dirt to G.B. nursery.
Kept Ryan at work there until the young trees were all set out & then he finished the day at Elm Place
Visited Lake Front Park three or four times today to keep Deering busy setting out young trees,
etc.
To Rav. Park this evening to hear the H-S. pupils in their pageant. Fine
Barber .15; trolley .10;

Saturday, May 20

Gray & threatening. Sprinkled a little.

Worked at home a while. Then to plant house. Then to City Park where Deering & Wilson were setting out birches, etc., for me.

Home & a nap before noon. To train to meet Mr & Mrs Schantz & son Worth and party of Pi Beta Phi's who had a picnic at A.L. Moore's on Ravine Drive. I shared afternoon with them. Took some of the party on field trip along Drive & up over Millard place. Orchis spectabilis coming out. Also yellow lady slipper. Saw people off on 4:58.

Developed some plates this evening.

Barber .25;

Sunday, May 21

Gray & threatening with some raindrops this A.M. Cleared during afternoon. Then a heavy rain after 8:30 P.M.

Rested at home nearly all day. Kittie & I walked to the Lake & back towards the close of day.

Developed the rest of the negatives I got at Lincoln Center & Huntingburg.

Finished The Bride of Lammermoor. Reread Merry Wives of Windsor. Read from the Life of Shakespeare.

Warblers still plentiful.

Monday, May 22

Beautiful day. Warm.

Much practice in preparation for the pageant.

Set out asters, calendulas, & zinnias at home, this evening.

Black-poll warblers squeaking among the foliage.

Wesley Yowell, one of my 5B boys, died from effect of operation for appendicitis at the Presb. hospital night before last. Pupils raised money for floral tribute.

At school a while this evening.

Barber .15; ice cream .20;

Tuesday, May 23

Fine day. Warm.

Went with Miss Jones' 3B's to country in a Moraine bus. Visited a brick factory & two farms. Saw one farmer planting corn. A fine trip. Some wild crab trees in wide-open blossom, but most in buds - - a beautiful spectacle.

This afternoon went to the funeral of Wesley Yowell. Some of his classmates went & I sat with them.

At four several of us teachers from H-S., Lincoln & Elm P. met in Sheahan's woods to plan for the pageant.

At school this evening. Had conf. with Scout Masters Chandler & Spencer. Stopped in at pool bowling alley at 10:30 to see what boys they are using.

Barber .15; bananas .20; ice cream .10;

Wednesday, May 24

Another fine, warm day. "Garden sass" enjoying itself these days.

Set out tomato plants (21), more asters, & zinnias, besides additional gladioli bulbs bo't of Bahr.

Preparations for pageant kept us very busy.

Supervised the setting out of dracenas, geraniums, etc. in urns on the parapet of kg terrace.

Went with 4th & 6th grades to Sheahan's woods to practice a dance – after school. Miss Heintz in charge.

This P.M. went over to Clarke Wright's where his wife & the Misses Schumacker, Bacon, & fitted me out with parts of a costume
Ice cream .50;

Thursday, May 25 Pageant.

Cool breezes & fog in the air – but very interesting day.

The pageant a great success.

Harry Gillett & Mr. Phipp of School of Ed visited us awhile this A.M. Had a pleasant time with them.

Worked at desk this evening, preparing a list of names for mailing Audubon bulletins.
Barber .15; ice cream .10;

Friday, May 26 Picnic

Hot, hot, today! The picnic moved off well. Cleared over 70⁰⁰. Sold 30 gallons of ice cream
Seventh graders gave scenes from As You Like It in pantomime. Eighth graders gave Court Scene from M. of V. Then a professional, "Prof. Fostello," imported from Chicago, gave a Punch and Judy show.

In the evening, the Eight Graders gave several scenes from the M. of V. to a small audience in the aud. This was beautifully done. Took in 13⁴⁵ at door.

Had two men working to extend the garden fence at the G.B. nursery. Visited them twice during day. Had Billie A. trimming elms on parkways.

Geo. Greene, our new mn'l tr. teacher, visited us all day, & I gave him some of my time.
Picnic .30; barber .15;

(Summer underwear & straw hat!!)

Saturday, May 27

Cooler. Threatening.

Mother left for Decatur, this A.M.

I made two trips to G.B. gardens to supervise the work, & this P.M. I paid the two men (Ryan & Brown) each \$5⁰⁰ - - Billie A. did not trim trees to suit me & he quit at 9:00 o'clock.

Took 10:38 for Chic. To City Club for meeting of Ed. Com. Then Douglas & I went over to his Art Store for a while. Then I went to Fields to trade & caught 5:10 home

Not much work this evening.

The Aud Bulletin came in from the press today & makes fine appearance
Dist 107 – Nails .10; Ryan & Brown 10⁰⁰;

R.R. .52; ice cream .10; lunch .50; barber .25;

Sunday, May 28

One of the most beautiful days of the season.

Mr. Parratt & I went out on a photographing trip to the river woods, leaving before 7:30 this A.M. We went in a taxi. Kittie went along for the ride & went back with the driver.

All the early hawthornes through blooming; most of the later ones yet to bloom. The wild crab blossoms faded

We took six pictures, & at 11:00 were picked up & brot back in the taxi.

A nap this afternoon. Ross Smith, our cousin, came to tea & spent the evening.

Monday, May 29

Rain

Rained much of the day. A rain for growing things.

Spent quite a little time today working over attendance reports.

Schreurs, photog., called to advertise some prints of the pageant he had taken. A "school" photographer also called. Also a "soap" man. Also Mrs B.D. Moore, Prin of a ward b'ld'g at Tuscola, a friend of Miss Jones.

At home this evening.

Barber .15;

Tuesday, May 30

Decoration Day

Clear. Beautiful. Cool wind all day.

Scouted around this A.M. inspecting parkways, etc. Then worked at school for a while. The Pattees came up from Evanston at 11:30 and I took lunch Kittie prepared for me and went off with them. We explored the woods along Ravine Drive. Found fine specimens of orchis s. & that pink & w. lady slipper was coming through. Ate our lunch on Millard's lawn. Then Mrs M. took us up in the auto to Ft. Sheridan where we reviewed a "preparedness parade." The Pattees took the 3:31 home & I came back in the auto. - - - Kittie & Misses White & Grunewald had gone down Ravine Drive & I joined them there where we had supper & sat about a fire.

At school a while this evening.

Ice cream .15.

Wednesday, May 31

Fine day but cool. Built a little fire in furnace again this evening

Field trip with 4A's this A.M. - to head of ravine

Took 11:44 for Chic. & attended conf. at Jens Jensen's office - Friends of Our N.L. - , planning for outing of June 10. Back at 2:34.

Teachers' meeting at 4:00. Read extracts from Flexner's A Modern School.

At school until 10:00 this evening

John Duffy died at Presb. Hosp. this A.M. at 5:00. A fine man.

Barber .15; R.R. .52 + .10; apple .05; nuts .05;

Thursday, June 1

Fine day. Grew warmer after nightfall. Rain with some t. & l. after 9:30 P.M.

Visitors: A photog. who "took" all the rooms; Mr Greenslade who bro't the warrants; Mrs Hatch of DeKalb; Lyons & Carnahan agent; Hinds - & Eldredge agent. et. al.

To P.C School before 9:00 to measure for window boxes.

Three A's to Arcady farm in bus after noon. Miss Schermerhorn & Miss Davies in charge. Sent Kg's to Ravine Drive in bus this A.M for their picnic party with Lincoln School Kg's.

Taught one group in 4B Geog.

Still distributing plants. Set into the large benches the crysanthemum cuttings now well-rooted.

Sent to engrosser names of Eighth Grade graduates

At desk a while this evening.

Barber .25;

Friday, June 2

Clear. Pleasantly warm.

Grand distribution of plants today. Also gave away popcorn seed, field corn, sweet corn, sunflower seed, - some tigridias, and some gladiolus.

Miss Spaller came out with watercolor studies for murals for kg b'ld'g and we had a "jury" sit on them, including Mrs Millard.

Gave geog. lesson to 4B group.

Transacted considerable business today relating to school census.

Visited Clows a while this evening. - - - Streams of people coming & going at the house of the late John C. Duffy.

[John Duffy's house was at 121 S. Second Street, which would have been visible from Mr. Smith's house at 141 S. Second Street. -ed.]

Saturday, June 3

A beautiful day following a night of thunder storms and drenching rain. Today great masses of clouds floated about in the sky. I had a does of longing for the mountains.

John Duffy's funeral this A.M. Great crowd. I walked to the church and waited outside & at the conclusion of the ceremony rode with the Deckers & Mrs F. Noerenberg to the cemetery at Lake Forest

This afternoon & evening I worked on my accounts at school - with Dist 107, with the city - Audubon Soc. - East Park Dist - Athletic - P.T.A., etc. Called at Mrs Clements awhile this evening to talk P.T.A.

Barber .15; nuts .10;

[John Charles Duffy (Dec. 18, 1870-May 31, 1916), was one of ten children of Bridget and James Duffy. His father was among the earliest pioneers in the area, arriving in 1844. When James died in 1888, he left his sons to look after themselves and their widowed mother. John learned telegraphy and worked for the Chicago & Northwestern Railway as telegraph operator and station agent for 15 years before taking a job in 1900 with the Erskine Bank where he was a cashier at the time of his death. John's obituary (Highland Park Press, June 1, 1916, page 1) includes a quote from his employer, Mr. D.M. Erskine, "Mr Duffy was no ordinary man. Everyone knew him and everyone liked him...I can truly say that our whole community mourns his departure, each one feeling that it's a personal loss." John also served as both township and city collector and at the time of his death was treasurer for the local Relief and Aid Society. He left his mother; eight brothers, James, Thomas, Frank, William, Joseph, Edward, George, and Arthur, his sister Julia, wife Agnes, and son James Emmett who would graduate with the high school class of June 15, 1916. - ed.]

Sunday, June 4

A beautiful day.

I walked over to Deerfield & attended services at Presbyterian Church. Heard a good sermon by Rev Mr Osborne. Mrs Reichelt & Dr Davis asked me to recommend a primary teacher. - - Mr. Nelson, Principal, met me on the street & walked part way back with me.

A sound nap this afternoon. Then Miss Grunewald & Miss White came with a rig & Kittie and I went with them. I drove. We had a delightful ride.

Church .25;

Monday, June 5

A beautiful day. Cool.

Everett & Mrs Millard visited this A M. E. just back from hospital. Two agents came today. - - Harry Gillett phoned me & Miss Shaw about giving latter a place in the School of Ed. - - Miss Jewett here today & much extra drilling. - - I gave copy for commencement programs to the printer.

Hoed my asters, etc., this evening. - - Worked at school until 10.00

Tuesday, June 6

Rain

Gray & cold this A.M. Then rain after noon increasing in force after night fall.

Helen Flinn came this afternoon to help us with our card catalogue. Edith D went to Area this afternoon on an errand.

Desk work nearly all day. Teachers' meeting after school. Finished Dewey's Schools of Tomorrow.

This evening Misses Davis, Behrens & Grunewald, and I worked until late, mounting some Lincoln material for our swinging frames.

Wednesday, June 7

Rain

Has rained & blown all day & is yet at it – 11:00 P.M.

Among other things today, I wrote some notes to mount with Lincoln pictures. Stout of Longman Greens called.

Had quite a business with wet shoes & stockings.

Republican & Progressive conventions in Chicago! Woman's suffrage parade!!

Went in at 3:37 to Directors' meeting of Geog. Soc. Dr. Caldwell presided. Supper at City Club with Pattee. Directors' meeting of Audubon Soc. Election of officers, etc. Caught 10:05 for home.

Photographed 8A's in a group in the science room.

R.R. .52 + .05; barber .15; supper .75 (ticket 6.60)

Thursday, June 8

Rain

The rain slacked up today but began again in the afternoon. However sun shone out at evening.

Pushed office work today. Helen Flinn is working on the card catalogue; Edith D on the census.

Went down to the City Club this evening to committee meeting of F of O.N.L. – Jensen & Miss Edith, Rosenfels, Miss Hall, & I. Came home on 10:05 –

R.R. .52 + .05; barber .15.

Friday, June 9

Rain

Still a spatter of rain now & then, but an effort to clear up apparent.

Office work as yesterday. At school a while this evening.

Saturday, June 10

Sun finally shone out today! No rain!!

Hughes [Charles Evans Hughes, U.S. Supreme Court Justice, was nominated for President. – ed.] and Fairbanks [Charles Warren Fairbanks, former Vice-President of the U.S. (1905-1909) was nominated for Vice-President. – ed.] nominated today in Chicago by Republicans! Teddy by the Progressives! None of this I saw because I could not get a ticket of admission.

Worked at school all morning. Took 2:34 for Chic.

To McClurg's, Fields, Art Inst., Anderson's – Home on 5:10-5:44 Found Leonard Smith here. He has been visiting poultry farms and dealers in supplies for two or three days past.

I worked at school b'ld'g until 10:30 P.M

Dist 107 – photog album 1²⁵;

R.R. .52 + .10; barber .25; papers .05;

Sunday, June 11

Sunny. A little cool.

Leonard left at 9:46 this A.M. to take the 12:02 for Decatur. I went to S.S. and worked until after 12:00 on the lantern slides, indexing, labeling, etc. It was Children's Day but I did not get in to the exercises.

Had dinner at the Millards, Miss White and I being the guests. Then came home & K. and I took 3:25 for Libertyville. We had two hours there. Walked over to Butler's Lake and there had a delightful time with the yellow-headed black birds. Coots, Va. rails, black terns, et. al. in sight Also muskrats Trolley 1⁰⁰; Leonard's ticket .29

Monday, June 12

Fine summer day.

Very busy - - - Miss Clara I White, our new 6th grade teacher to be, came this A M and I gave her some time. - - Also gave some time to two Evanston women, Mrs Fargo and Mrs - - 8B's gave the 8A's a picnic on the beach south of the pier at Ft. Sheridan this afternoon. Ate supper there. Finely arranged affair.

Board meeting this evening. Mr Greenslade absent on a fishing trip.

My friend Supt Joh Ade[!] of Johnstown, Pa, spent some time with me this afternoon.

Barber .15;

Tuesday, June 13

Fine day - Warm.

Very busy. Took picture of base ball team at 9:30.

Took 3A's & 3B's over to nursery to plant field corn and pumpkins.

Passed on promotions of several of the rooms.

Saw movies at H.S. at 4:00 showing pageant, etc. Made by Elisha Morgan

Worked at school this evening. At 9:15 took Misses White, Behrens & Boswell in a taxi to Kimball's lawn where we saw a portion of a fine 8th grade performance of M.S.N. Dream. Then back to school until 10:30.

Dist 107 - Cards .25;

Barber .25;

Wednesday, June 14

Thunderstorm at six oclock & rain, more or less, until 8:30. Cleared away finally & latter part of day fine.

Worked in my office about all morning helping Miss Davies in the census work

Exhibit of work this afternoon & evening. Fine attendance this evening. - - Mr Morton & I signed the diplomas in the office at 10:00 this evening - - Kittie came to the exhibit after prayer meeting. - - -

Mother was to have reached Chicago about noon yesterday & then gone on to Benton Harbor.

Flag day exercises this afternoon. - 5th, 6th, & 7th graders told the history of the flag; 2B's gave a flag drill. I showed some slides & we sang several songs.

Barber .25;

Thursday, June 15

Warm this A.M. Thunderstorm & heavy rain after 5:30.

Children took their books home today.

Bothered with agents, et. al. yesterday & today.

Children visited each other's rooms this morning, and then the exhibits were taken down. I photographed some of the hand work.

This afternoon – posed 1's & 2's before camera, each holding a plant we give away tomorrow.
Then took 6A's & 6B's to nursery to inspect our plots there & photographed the pupils. - - Helped 1's plant plot of popcorn - - Distributed reserved seats - -

After supper signed honorable mention cards. Then went to H.S. commencement exercises

Pd Arthur A. 1²⁵ for Dist 107

Barber .15; trolley .10; root beer .05

Book binding 3²⁵

[Pasted to this page is a clipping of the High School commencement program. It is transcribed as follows:

Program
The Twenty-seventh
Annual Commencement
of the
Deerfield-Shields Township
High School
at
Ravinia Park Theatre
Highland Park
Illinois
Thursday, June Fifteenth
Nineteen hundred sixteen
Eight-fifteen p.m.

Class of 1916

Harry Stevens Aldridge
George Harold Anderson
Anna Elizabeth Bacon
Robert Bacon
Alice May Baxter
Gloria Louise Beecham
Charles Edwin Bletsch
Ruth Mildred Bletsch
George Henry Bolan
Beatrice Elizabeth Carolan
Charles Edward Chamberlin
Ervin Franklin Clow
Ethel Mae Cole
Anna Augusta Cutler
Maurice DeBona
James Deering
H. Fairchild Doty
James Emmett Duffy
Elizabeth Gertrude Durborow
Mildred Agatha Fitzgerald
William James Fitzgerald

George Jiles
Gertrude Anna Keough
Isabelle King
Ernest Bennett Knudson
Estelle Kriesant
Julius Charles Laegeler
Edith Marion Light
Oscar William Meyers
Bessie Helene Moon
Kenneth Dunlap Nef
Eleanor Aldith Nelson
Joseph O'Connor
Percy William Oke
Ernest Orsborn
Charles D. Rich
Katherine Margaret Robertson
Florence Adelia Russell
Warren Drummond Schreurs
Ruth A. Shaddle
Earl George Sheahen
Christine Julia Smith

Howard William Flagg
Ayleen Dorothy Fritsch
Alice Giesecking
Esther Signe Gordon
Leslie Baker Green
Lois Dixon Greene
Florence Helmick*
George C. Hesler
Everett Hucker

Grace Mary Smith
Emme Florence Steinberg
Leslie Arthur Stryker
Wilhelmina Helen Tives
Henry Marshall Waldo
Margaret Crosby Webster
Elizabeth Whyte
Turner E. Wilcox
Oliver Nims Wilton
**In absentia* – ed.]

Friday, June 16

Rained a little now and then but the evening was fine.

Assembly for honorable mentions etc. this morning was a great success All children receiving mention were given a card duly attested with a small picture of the school on it.

Gave away 125 or more potted plants to the younger children.

Worked the remainder of the day with teachers' reports, etc.

Exercises this evening were a great success in every way. The addresses were peculiarly happy.

The music splendid

Kittie & I accompanied Dr Cowles to the train.

Barber .25;

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the commencement program. The address was given by Professor Henry C. Cowles, professor of botany at the University of Chicago. The graduates of the class of June, 1916 were:

President, Dwight R. S. Gibson

Florence C. Shreve

Margaret Sedgwick

Elisha G. Stubbs

Otho H. Morgan

Emil Augustine

William A. Kramer

Willis F. Gerken

Jeannett J. Zehren

Donald P. Buchanan

Robert E. Denzel

Katherine L. Yager

Jeffrey A. Carqueville

Mildred A. Maechtle

Dorothy H. Lawrentz

The instructors were:

Miss Ellen M. Guiney, *Assistant Principal*

Miss Alice L. Davis, *Mathematics*

Miss Etta Grunewald, *History*

Miss Dorothy Corey, *English*

Miss Annis Jewett, *Music*

Mr. Jesse L. Smith, *Superintendent of Schools*

The Board of Education was:

Oscar F. Stuenkel

Percy R. Gilbert

Jerry C. Leaming

Mildred E. Lange

Salome T. Brand

John F. Grant

John M. Tuttle

James H. Duffy

Muriel C. Payne

Dwight R.S. Gibson

Josephine Sidley

Forrest D. Rose

Clarence Pfister

Arthur Arnswald

Emil B. Metzler, *President*
Fred Greenslade, *Secretary*
Thomas Morton
Maude H. Shannon

William D. Mann
Solomon A. St. Peter

Elizabeth B. Millard – ed.]

Saturday, June 17

Sawyer – Friends of Our Native Landscape

Left at 8:09 & our special train left Pere M. station at 9:30. About 60 went. At Sawyer at noon. Some rode on hayracks, others walked to dunes.

After dinner we explored the dunes; then had our ceremony of installing new officers, etc. Got back to our train at 7:00 when rainstorm came back. In Chicago at 10:00. The Rosenfels of Oak Park brot Mr & Mrs & Miss Pearce of Glencoe & me over to N W. station in auto. I rode home on train with Miss Barker of Wilmette, & Miss Hall & Mrs _____ of Kenilworth.

R R .52 + 2.20 + .25

Sunday, June 18

Motor to Mt Tom

Left on trolley for Evanston to go as guest with a party to the dunes. Got in the machine with Mr & Mrs Royce Armstrong, Doris Starkweather, & Ethel Mason. Other machine – Mr & Mrs Nilsen, Dr & Mrs Russel Wilder & (Master) Bob Buehler.

A great trip. - - Visited quaking bog. Found pink & white lady slippers just budding out (one blossom fully out). Got mired in mud on causeway leading towards the dunes from Mineral Spr. station. - - Went over to Mt. Tom. Left our loose belongings at Margaret Wilson's cottage (All the Wilsons were in fine fettle); ascended Mt. Tom, walked along the little stream back of the dunes – Then left for home at 6:30. Supper at Gary. A royal ride home. Caught 11:15 trolley to H.P.

Monday, June 19

Worked with Edith Davies at my office all day – census business.

Hoed some in my garden after supper.

Drowsy!

Barber .75;

Tuesday, June 20

Cool. Rain set in after noon & still at it at 9:30 P.M. Fall weather.

Mother came back from Benton Harbor today.

Worked all day over the census with Edith Davies at my office. Brot in Arthur Williams to help this afternoon.

At my office until 9:15 this evening. Wrote several letters.

Before 8:30 this A.M. I hoed all my garden and flower beds.

P.O. rent .60; oil .15;

Wednesday, June 21

Cool. Sunny.

Worked at census all day using Arthur Williams and Edith Davies.

Did some Audubon work at my desk this evening.

Quarrelled with neighbor Rogerson & wife [John E. Rogerson and his wife, Frances, at 150 S. Second Street –ed.] over the way because he was trimming so unmercifully the oaks on another neighbor's place.

Barber .25;

Thursday, June 22

Rather cool. Clearing later in the day – but rainy much of morning.

Worked at school until 11:00 Took 11:44 for Chicago. Shopped at Fields & elsewhere.

Conference with Pattee & with Schantz over Audubon matters.

This evening prepared a letter to send out to Audubonites calling them to rally to support of U.S. Biological Survey whose appropriation for use in enforcing Game Law is being attacked in the Senate.

Long talk on the train with Fayette Munro about the operation on adenoids & tonsils.

R.R. .52 + .10; watch fobs 1.25; barber .15; lunch .25;

Friday, June 23

Turned sultry. Humid. Had been a thunder storm before six A.M & rain cleared then warmed up.

At school all day. This A.M. gave Miss Zoe Hartmann two hours while she took notes about our planting activities. - - Miss Stine called awhile. Ditto Mr. Kensler & Miss Murray. Kensler is to be at Muskegon next year.

Census work largely over, I hope.

Wrote letters relating to Audubon work this evening. This A.M. wrote out & gave to the printer the letter relating to the Biological Survey.

Bread .10; ice cream .20.

Saturday, June 24

Fine summer day.

Covered the s.w. corner of town on my wheel this A.M. to secure census data. Then worked at school with Edith Davies until 11:00. Took 11:44 for Chicago. City Club for luncheon of Educ. Committee. Leavitt, Douglas, Perrine, Bogan, et. al. Conferred with Prof. Leavitt about sending out the call for a vocational conference.

To Pub. Lib. where I examined back files of Globe Democrat. - & of the Cong. Record to find references to the opposition to the Fed. (Game) Bird Law. McVickers for 40 min.

This evening at desk at school. Two letters for Vocational Committee. Several on Audubon matters.

R.R. .52 + .10; barber .25; lunch .45; theater .25; ice cream .10; bananas .25;

Sunday, June 25

Beautiful day

Some routine work at S.S. office about the information pictures Then went with the Geers in their machine for an all day drive. Charlotte Welsh went also. We went to L. Zurich & Wauconda Ate our lunch by the roadside near Slocum Lake. Then to McHenry where we spent a half hour or so. Then on to Lake Villa, visiting a while at Allendale Farm. – Then on through Gray's Lake – then past Waukegan & Lake Forest – through Deerfield - & home

Great day for red & white clover. Several fields of alfalfa, some of it cut.

Monday, June 26

Thunderstorm & heavy drenching rain this A M. Shower this P.M. Mosquitoes violent - - ubiquitous.

At census matters all day with Edith D's assistance.

Barber .15; magaz . 15; paste .05

Tuesday, June 27

Beautiful day. Cool.

Still working in the office, part time with the census. Made a few calls on Italians this evening. Edith D. finished her work today. Census nearly all in.

Mr. Brand and I today experimented with my telephoto lens but not to good result.

Wednesday, June 28

Another. Warmer.

Various errands this A.M. Took 12:56 for Chic. To Barnes-Crosby to see Pattee. Not in. To Schantz's to hold a conference with him. To Bausch & Lomb to get help in focusing my telephoto lens.

Went down to call on W.R. Hatfield at 6030 Kenwood. Conference on vocational legislation. While there saw a physician take Mr H's blood pressure to try to diagnose a hemorrhage of the blood vessels of his left eye.

Met Frank Hester on the street & chatted awhile.

Supper at City Club. Went to McVicker's awhile.

R.R. .52 + .20 + .28; supper .75; theatre .25

Thursday, June 29

Turned off hot from noon on.

Wrote some Aud. letters until 10:30. Took trolley for Evanston to attend Silver Burdett music school's summer session. Lunch at Jone's Cafe. Heard lecture by Miessner and McConathey. Visited with Miss Collins. Took train for city. To Mr. Metzel's office where I read a letter from Miss Jewett offering to teach only day (for 35⁰⁰) instead of two days (62⁵⁰). I tried to reach Mr. Deane but failed. Had a nap at the City Club. Then supper at a restaurant. Took I.C.R.R. to 57th St. Found Miss Jewett was downtown but would be back at 8:45. So wandered over to Univ. to wait. Chanced on Miss Hazlitt & her sister. Visited with them. Then went to Jewett's – rain drops splashing just as I got there. Visited with Miss J & her mother until 10:15. Caught 10:36 to Randolph & 11:30 C & N.W. home.

R.R. .15 + .22 + .30 + .24; noon .55; evening .60; phone .30; ice cream .10

Friday, June 30

Cool. Clearing.

At school & various duties much of the morning. This afternoon worked in my room, sorting over papers, etc. Left on 5:50 for Evanston to dine with Mr & Mrs E.L. Neilsen at 1220 Harrison St. – Miss Ethel Mason being the other guest. Mrs Meeker & her Mother came in after dinner. Mr. N. showed a number of his beautiful autochromes. I showed a few of my slides. Home at 11:04.

R.R. .48; root beer .05; barber .25; taxi .50;

Saturday, July 1

Fine summer day.

Errands at school, then took 9:19 for Chic. To State Game & Fish Commission – Game Warden Wagener, to get list of wardens for mailing bulletins. To Ill Mfr Assn office to inquire about official report on voc. legislation for May, 1916. To Mr. Deane's office where I had a long talk about the Weeks-McLain bill, the Biological Survey, etc. Lunch with the Educ. Com. at the City Club. Resolution occasioned by the drastic action of the City Board of Ed. in dropping some teachers who were members of Teachers' Federation, were adopted.

To Newberry Library to look up data in Avery's U.S. hist

This evening mowed lawn, etc. Mosquitoes, my, my!!
At school desk an hour or so
R.R. .52 + .30; lunch .40; barber .15; ice cream .10;

Sunday, July 2

Heavy Rain.

Very hot this A.M.

Went by appointment this A.M. to school b'ld'g. Mr Mann & Mr Metzel & Davies & Lannius and I went over the two buildings to inspect for needed changes.

Thunderstorm and very heavy rain this afternoon. Went out for a walk to Skokie Valley after 6:00 P.M. & had to fight to save myself from the mosquitoes.

At 8:00 Arthur & the rest, including Edith and Sammie drew up in their machine, having come over from St. Joe since 10:30 A.M.

Robin & I slept at Fred Noerenberg's. [140 South Second Street—ed.]

Monday, July 3

Fine day.

Took Ruth up town to see Ringdahl's ponies & to the school house to use the slide, etc. Various small duties at home.

This afternoon Mother & the rest except Danforth drove to Lincoln Park & back. I met Nicholas Longfeather, (Apache) by appointment & spent an hour.

Tuesday, July 4

A glorious day for the glorious Fourth.

Worked two hours or so finishing my report to Tp. Treasurer - - -

Then left in the auto with Edith's & Lennie's people for B.H. A great day's ride. Spent a half hour in Lincoln Park showing Ruth the lions, etc. Ate lunch in Jackson Park by the lagoon where the caravels lie at anchor. Went through Gary. Near Chesterton went over to the beach near Mt Tom and visited the Wilsons awhile. - - - Then on through Michigan City, Bridgman, Sawyer, Stevensville, & St. Joseph.

Great display of grain fields, of clover, timothy, etc. Madonna lilies & rambler roses! Corn backward
Holiday crowds, swarms of autos, etc.

Bananas .20. Napkins .10

Wednesday, July 5

At Benton Harbor

All night at Lennie's. Visited some with the Crookeses. L., A., Robert, Ruth & I and a neighbor boy, Rob't Whitney, took a long ride to Berrien Springs where we ate our lunch. Home by 3:15. I took the 5:00 boat, City of St. Joe, for Chicago. A perfect lake and sky. A notable sunset, & at 9:15 we were close in shore, the whaleback leading into the river, the crescent moon well up above the horizon

Read from Puddin' head Wilson coming over.

Boat 1.00; supper .35; R.R. .26;

Thursday, July 6

Fine summer day

Hoed garden this A.M. Tied up tomato plants and the golden glow.

Desk work at school.

Inspected Central Park and conferred with Mrs Miller (Ossoli chairman) and the "Captain."

Called on one of the foreigners who has applied for naturalization.

Barber .15; ice cream .20;

Friday, July 7

Fine. Warm.

To city on 10:33. To Fields. To City Club to write a letter to Miss White. Congress Hotel to have luncheon with Mr & Mrs Jesse Lowenhaupt who wished my help in planning a Glacier Park trip.

To Amer. Seating Co. to plan for an order for seats. Caught 4:00 for home. To meeting of City Council. Secured permission to spend \$200⁰⁰ on public trees.

At school this evening for a while. Then Mr. Geer came by at nine o'clock & called me out to ride with Mrs G., Mrs Carpenter, & Raymond

Came in at 10:00

R.R. .52 + .10; root beer .05;

Saturday, July 8

Fine day with cool winds.

Worked in my room part of the morning, then at school where I had a visit from Miss Murray & called up the Co. Supt about her certificate.

This afternoon went with Mr Vaile & Mr & Mrs Bowen Schumacher on motor trip to look over a section of the Valparaiso moraine.

To L. Zurich, Barrington, Algonquin, Carey, & home A fine ride

This evening I worked very late mounting clippings in my "war" album.

Barber .25;

Sunday, July 9

Beautiful day. Cool winds.

Went with the Geers on an all day motor ride – Lake Zurich, Barrington, Algonquin, Elgin, Cary, etc. Mrs Carpenter of St. Louis in the party.

Monday, July 10

Fine growing weather.

Miss Spaller came to begin on the murals and I gave her some time today – helping on the mounting of her canvass, etc.

Checked up books in several of the rooms.

Mowed my lawn. Watered the madonna lilies which are now in full bloom.

Had long talk with Hazel Bailey this afternoon. She has taught for the last two years at Marshall, Ill. Is looking for another position.

Barber .40; alum. 10; root beer .05. First Aid Text Book .40;

Tuesday, July 11

Fine day. Warm

8:09 to Chicago. To City Club. Met Mr. Kilduff, Pres. Ill. Retail Dealers Ass'n, who had only a few minutes to spare & had to leave before our Committee could meet. Before he left Prof. Leavitt came & had a five minute talk with him. Later came Bogan & Dr Nat. Butler. We had an hour's conference. Agreed on conference of four prominent clubs for Aug. 2. Lunch at Henrici's, then to Art Inst. to comm. meeting of Friends of O.N.L. – McVeagh, Jensen, Mrs Pearce, Mrs Rosenwald, Coonley, Perkins, Austin. Appointed com. on L. Co. preserves.

To Douglas for a chat. To McClurg's. Searles to talk about position for Hazel Bailey. Pattee on Aud. matters.

Home at 4:37. To school to finish checking up supplement books. This evening wrote letters at school

R.R. .52 + .10; lunch .25; root beer .05; ice cream 20;

Wednesday, July 12

Very warm today.

Thursday, July 13

Hot – but tempering breezes.

Worked awhile this afternoon at the Nursery – with Mr. Davies, hoeing & weeding among the seedlings. Ground weedy and in bad shape.

Friday, July 14

A hot day tempered somewhat by cool breezes.

This evening some of the Y.W. girls gave a play in the Aud - - benefit of their camping fund. The Kruegers, Mary Fay, et. al.

Eclipse of the moon from 9:00 P.M. on.

Barber .15; ice cream .20; root beer .05.

Saturday, July 15

A hot day

At school part of the time.

Barber .15; ice cream .20;

Sunday, July 16

Hot day. - - - Heavy shower here before 8:00 A.M.

Went with Everett M. & Mr & Mrs Jens Jensen to the dunes to take part in the conference of Indiana & Illinois people on "saving the dunes." Got off at "Tremont." About 100 others. Walked over to Prairie Club House. Ate lunch there - - under trees on the dune wall. - - Walked down to the beach at Mt. Tom. Took some of my companions – Millard, Allinson, Pinneo, Hooker – over to Maggie Wilson's cottage to "wash up." Conference was held in a tent on the sands. Mayor Knotts of Gary presided. Speeches by Jensen, Hooker, Millard, Allinson, Pinneo, Miss McIlvain, and myself. Had considerable fun. - - Hardly any speakers from Indiana, except Knotts.

Caught 4:06 trolley & got home at 8:00 P.M.

R.R. .52 + .25 + .35 + 75 + .25; supper .20 + .10

[Pasted to this page is a postcard addressed to J.L. Smith. It is transcribed as follows:

The Geographic Society of Chicago	The Wild Flower Preservation Society	The Audubon Society of Illinois
The Prairie Club	of America	The Outdoor Art League
The Horticultural Society	Chicago Chapter – Riverside Chapter	The Second District Women's Club
The Municipal Art League	The Friends of Our Native Landscape	The West End Women's Club

SAVE THE DUNES

The above named societies, co-operating with many prominent citizens of Indiana, Michigan, and Illinois, will hold a joint meeting at 2 P.M., on Sunday, July 16, 1916, adjacent to the Beach House, near Tremont, Indiana.

All persons interested in preserving the Dunes as a public park are urged to attend. A great emergency has arisen which calls for action. The mayors of many cities, Professor E.L.Coulter, Mr. Jens Jensen, and it is hoped, Mr. George Ade, will speak, and an organization will be perfected. Take an early train, and aid in explaining the Dunes to strangers. Bring lunch. Good roads for automobiles. Time table follows:

Going: Leave Randolph St. 7:15 a.m. 9:15 a.m. Returning: Leave Tremont 4:06 p.m. 5:40 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
Leave Woodlawn 7:43 a.m. 9:33 a.m. Arrive Woodland 6:02 p.m. 7:22 p.m. 9:32 p.m.
Arrive Tremont 9:30 a.m. 11:07 a.m. Arrive Randolph St. 6:30 p.m. 7:40 p.m. 10:00 p.m.

Buy tickets via Illinois Central to Pullman only. Other tickets will be sold on train.

Everett L. Millard
Jens Jensen Committee
Thos. W. Allinson

Chicago, Illinois, July 5, 1916

Monday, July 17

Warm. But cool breezes at times.

Rather light duties. Some work at school in the afternoon.

This A.M. to Chicago. To McDougal's to have Mother's spectacle rims repaired. To Mandel's & Field's to shop. Lunch at - - .

This evening upon invitation of Mr. Waring, Pres. of the Board of Education at Evanston I appeared before that Board to "explain" myself & my work. Cordial treatment but noncommittal.

R.R. .52 + .10 + .30; lunch 25; glasses .50; milk .05; barber .15

Tuesday, July 18

Warm. Cool breezes at intervals.

Mowed yard this A. M. At school helped hunt up some data about the descendants of veterans - - - for Mr Vail. Ayleen Fritsch, his clerk.

Wrote letter giving more details of our school gardens for Miss Hartman.

This afternoon finished checking up library books & did other duties at school.

Brot Victor machine home from school to use during remainder of my vacation.

Ice cream .20;

Wednesday, July 19

Very warm

Went with Millard & Jensen on an auto ride to Fox Lake. - To Lake Villa where we visited with Miss Miller & Olive - for awhile. Then to Allendale Farm to visit with Capt. & Mrs Bradley. - - On to Ingleside & ate dinner at a hotel on Fox Lake. Then to a tamarack swamp three miles & turned back home.

This evening went to Ravinia Park. Beautiful rendition of Martha.

Met Leon Danforth & a friend there.

Barber .25; root beer .05; Ravinia .95;

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the Ravinia program for the opera, Martha. - ed.]

Thursday, July 20

Thunderstorm at 6:00 A.M. & heavy rainfall. A little sultry but cooling winds.

Worked at school more or less all day and this evening.

Friday, July 21

Pleasantly warm today.

8:49 for Chicago. To Dr S.A. Friedburg to have the wax in my ears removed. To Art Inst. to see Mr. Bemm about a photo of the railsplitter & to look up the matter of canvases for mural paintings. To Fields to shop & to see Fraser's work in the "nursery", 8th floor. To City Club to confer with Mr. Hooker over the committee to represent City Club on vocat. conf. - - To Riverside where I spent two hours in conf. with Miss Mitchell about Audubon matters. Caught 4:40 for home.

This evening Mother, K., & I went to Ravinia Park. A Wagner program
R.R. .52 + .44 + .10; lunch .30; Barber .15; Ravinia 3²⁰

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the Wagner program at Ravinia Park. — ed.]

Saturday, July 22

Another hot day with breeze in the shade.

At school most of the day. Board business. Correspondence for vocational conference. Sorting out pamphlets, etc

Barber .25; ice cream, etc. .30;

Sunday, July 23

Another.

Spent most of the day "inspecting" the conditions at Lake Front Park (Went to church & heard Rev. J.W. McKean on mission work in Siam). There from 9:30 to 11:00 A.M.; 2:30 to 6:00 P.M.; 9:45 P.M — 10:45 P.M.

Great crowds, for the most part orderly, coming from all directions, occupied Park & beach all day. A hundred or so autos "parked" in streets in vicinity.

Conferences with the Clementses at 5:30. They are much distressed over the outcome of equipping the beach for local use.

Church .10;

Monday, July 24

Very warm.

Worked at school much of day

Met Mr. Mann & Witten there at 8:00 and helped at awarding the contract for painting.

Soaked my garden after supper. Then went to Ravinia P. & heard the concert. Came away at intermission time & got home just ahead of the big thunder storm which held at intervals for two or three hours.

Downpour of rain.

Bicyc repairs .40; bread .10; Trolley .10; Ravinia 1.10; barber .15; ice cream, etc. 25;

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the Ravinia program listing the following performances:

1. Overture, "Oberon"...Weber
2. Prelude, "The Hammadryads"...McCoy
3. Prelude to "The Deluge"...Saint-Saens Violin Obligato, Mr. H. Weisbach
4. Waltz in B...Glazounow
5. Selection...Millo Picco
6. Suite, "Les Erinnyes"...Massenet

Prelude

Scene Religieuse — Invocation

Entre Act

Finale

Violoncello Obligato, Mr. B. Steindel

Ernest Knoch was the conductor for the evening and Mr. Millo Picco, the soloist. —ed.]

Tuesday, July 25

Hot!

At school much of the day. Spent most of afternoon on the Park problem. Visited beach & conferred with bathing master. Figured on incinerators for paper. Wrote formal report and recommendation for the Mayor.

Ice cream, etc. .25;

Wednesday, July 26

Very hot.

At school this A.M.

Took 12:56 for Chicago. To Fields on errand for Mother or K. Sweet Wallach & other photog. to try to rent a small camera. To Unity Bld'g to meet Ellen Schmidt who wished to show me a reader she is getting out.

Home at 5:44.

At school until 9:30 P.M.

R R .52 + .10; drinks .15; salmon .18;

Thursday, July 27

Hottest day for years!!

Mowed lawn & hoed in garden this A.M.

At school more or less all day.

Barber .15; ice cream, etc .30

Friday, July 28

Very hot. A little air stirring, however.

To city on 8:09. Goodrich docks to get time tables, etc. To Prangs to talk with Mr. Grover about art texts.

Went to Millard's law office a short time. Shopped at Fields. To Pub. Library to hunt up back files of Evening Post

Home at 12:12. Spent some time this afternoon on city affairs. Conference with Mrs Beardsley (Pres't of Ossoli). To Council meeting at 5:00 where I addressed the members on bathing beach problems.

This evening at Ravinia Park. Visited there with the Pattees. Met Catherine Crocker there & notified her of her election as ass't Kg. teacher.

R.R. .52 + .10 + .10; Ravinia .60; Ice cream, etc. 40;

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the Ravinia program listing Conductor Richard Hageman, Soloists Millo Picco and Orville Harrold in a Wagner Program. The musical selections were:

1. March....Tannhauser
2. Overture....Tannhauser
3. Selection....Millo Picco
4. Siegfried Idyl.....
5. Ride of the Valkyries.....
6. Selection.....Orville Harrold
7. Selection from "Die Meistersinger".....Act 3

Saturday, July 29

Another very hot one

To city on 8:09 and by appointment met Miss Boswell at Fields. I knew her errand because I had just rec'd a letter from Mr Ritzman telling that he had offered her a critic's place (2nd grade) at DeKalb. - - - Miss B. being undecided in mind, I told her to go home (Momence) and think it over and notify me later by phone.

Visited Goddard (Educator's Agency) to inquire about possibilities of filling the position - - Called on Mr. Puhl at the Burlington offices & talked with him about a western trip. - - At home at 1:30. - - Wrote some letters at school - - Unpacked a new picture for the school – Rembrandt's The Student, etc. R.R. .52 + .15; ice cream, etc. .40; (ticket 6⁶⁰)

Sunday, July 30

Very hot.

I felt very languid and slept much during the day. At evening I went to inspect Lake Front Park and found it stifling there, almost.

Over 2200 people had visited the beach during the day.

Intense suffering in Chicago these days.

[Pasted to this page is a clipping (source not identified, but includes a partial citation of Vol. XXI, Springfield, Ill, July 1916. No. 7.) giving a "General Summary" of July weather. – ed.]

Monday, July 31

Heat wave broken.

Early this A.M. a breeze sprang up which continued all day, getting cooler as the day wore on. A very welcome relief from the trying heat.

At school some today. Left book list with the dealers.

Reading away at Bowman's Forest Physiography to prepare for my western trip.

Went to Annex this A.M. with Rob't Greenslade to plan additional wiring under basement floor.

Conference with Mr. Mann over painting in Annex.

Robert Enders came over on the boat today. Lake was rough.

Strong wind blowing this evening.

Barber .15; root beer .05;

Tuesday, August 1

Cool. Delightful.

Got a wire through to Miss Harriet Ames of Riverside who is at Mona Lake near Muskegon offering her Miss Boswell's place at \$700. Rec'd her acceptance. Wrote Miss Boswell her release.

At school much of day. Transacted various items of business.

Robt Enders spent the day in Chicago. Home this evening. He and I at the building until ten. - - - I wrote letters today to normal school presidents & Dr. James & Dr. Judson about scholarships for Mexican students.

Ice cream .20; express .28;

Wednesday, August 2

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Thursday, August 3

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Friday, August 4

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Saturday, August 5

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Sunday, August 6

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Monday, August 7

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Tuesday, August 8

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Wednesday, August 9

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Thursday, August 10

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Friday, August 11

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Saturday, August 12

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Sunday, August 13

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Monday, August 14

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Tuesday, August 15

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Wednesday, August 16

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Thursday, August 17

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Friday, August 18

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Saturday, August 19

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Sunday, August 20

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Monday, August 21

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Tuesday, August 22

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Wednesday, August 23

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Thursday, August 24

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Friday, August 25

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Saturday, August 26

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Sunday, August 27

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Monday, August 28

At Omaha.

Violently affected in the night by something eaten in the diner – probably potato salad. Bowels ran off, then heavy vomiting spell. Out of my berth a couple of hours. Slept towards morning & much better. Hardly strong enough to carry my suitcase up the station stairs at Omaha

Phoned Aunt Eva to get directions as to reaching her. Farnum car to 16th. Park West car to Pacific & 32nd. – Then west one & south one.

Were waiting breakfast. I ate a little toast. Took it easy all day & ate sparingly.

Admired Aunt's cosy and convenient home.

We went to Ringling's circus this evening & had lots of fun out of the experience
Porter .50; carfare .05; lunch .20; circus 3.30;

Tuesday, August 29

At Omaha

Took a little walk after breakfast but soon driven in by a rainstorm. Two or three heavy showers during the morning.

Aunt and I went down town this afternoon. Called on office men of Omaha B. & L. Ass'n. Chat with Sec. Adair, Uncle Nat's successor.

This evening we went down to a movie show part of which was more or less nasty.

Have read Ruth McEnery Stuart's Amity's Silver Wedding & Other Stories.

Wednesday, August 30

Omaha to Chicago

Early breakfast and then good bye to the folks.

Caught C.B & Q. – 7:05 for the East. Chair car.

Rather warm day. Not very dusty as there had been recent showers over much of the route.

The finest corn fields were on the Illinois side of the Mississippi.

Saw a dried up field of lotus plants in the bottoms soon after crossing into Illinois.

Read from Bowman's Forest Physiography enroute.

Reached Chic. at 9:05. Caught 10:05 for home. Mrs G. came down to greet me. Ella & Junior here. Came on Monday. Junior was to sing at Ravinia but owing to fear of infantile paralysis, the Thursday afternoon special programs have been abandoned.

Meals 1.75; papers .15; carfare .10; baggage .20; .45; 50;

Thursday, August 31

Found scores of letters & circulars & a basket of papers awaiting me

Went to school this A.M. to see how things have progressed. Much pleased with most things. The work of the janitors had been excellent.

Miss Spaller still at the murals. Making a fine showing.

Board of Health has ordered the postponement of the opening of school until the 18th. Conference with Mr. G this evening. He did not favor notifying teachers to remain at home, so I am leaving them to come on as usual.

As there may be a R.R. strike (Monday, Sept. 4 is set for it), it may be well for all the teachers to come on now.

Trunk .25; barber .75; stamps .97;

[Pasted to this page is a clipping (source not identified) giving weather information. – ed.]

Friday, September 1

Rained – a slow rain – towards morning.

Cleared away more of my correspondence, etc -, today. At school part of the time.

All of us – Mother, K., Ella, Junior, & I occupied the Boynton box at Ravinia this afternoon.

Junior & I went to the concert this evening. A grand one. Did not stay for the dancing.

Trolley .70; tickets 2.20;

Saturday, September 2

Ella and Junior left for Decatur today.

I went in with them on the 8:09. We shopped at Fields and visited some of the departments. Then to Prang's on an errand of mine. We got the view from the tower room

To the Art Inst. for 20 min. or more. Then to Polk St. station to take the 12:02. Crowds leaving on every train apprehensive of possible strike on Monday.

Met Pear McCord Luther on the street (Mich. Ave) & had nice chat.

12:35 for home. Worked at my office all afternoon & some this evening. Miss Boswell came to pack up her belongings. Misses Cramer, White, & Grunewald in.

Pd. Edw. Johnson 3⁰⁰ for work at City Park. Previously 1⁰⁰ Pd Longfeather 20⁰⁰

R.R. 4-04 .78; + .35; check .20; lunch 25; magaz. 07; Dennet's Bakery 1.08; Bicyc. tire 4²⁵

Sunday, September 3

A fine day.

Met Mr Metzler and Messrs Gooch, Brady & Hudson of the Highwood School District at the Annex this A.M. and showed off our building to them. Afterwards I went over to Mr M's house with him a little while.

Slept this afternoon. did not go anywhere this evening

Monday, September 4

Rain

Dug up the madonna lilies this A.M. A good half bushel. About 9:00 A.M. began to rain and until 1:30 or so had some heavy showers

At school all day. – Met the teachers for first meeting. Misses Guiney, Koenig, & Fargo absent. Also Geo. Greene, Mn'l Tr. who is in San Antonio. Had a pleasant conference.

Mrs Spaller & Miss Johnson visited with Miss Spaller all day. Miss S. nearly through with her murals.

At school this evening.
Candy .10; ice cream .10;

Tuesday, September 5 Rain

Heavy rain with thunder & lightening late this afternoon.

Miscellaneous work with the teachers this A.M. Had a formal meeting this afternoon – all present except Miss Guiney & Miss Koenig (ill).

At school house again this evening.

Special discussion – nature study.

Building loan 5⁰⁰; house 5⁰⁰;

Wednesday, September 6 ~~Rain~~

Warm and sultry.

Our teachers continued their meetings today. An arith. conference this A.M. This afternoon Miss Coville of Glencoe representing Prang Co. discussed with us the Industrial Art Texts. Miss Guiney present.

Meeting of Directors of Friends of O.N. Landscape at Jensen's this evening – around his council fire. We took our eatables. Kittie made for me 12 cups of tapicoa (pineapple) with whipped cream. Present Bleys, Austins, Millards, Perkins, Welsh (Mrs & daughter, Geo Hooker, Misses Earl, Ravens, Jophes, Ahearn.

Trolley .05; root beer .10;

Thursday, September 7 Rain.

Rained again towards morning.

Sultry.

Teachers' meetings this morning - - - I called on Mrs Clements awhile and discussed the management of Central Park with her - - - Mrs Millard came to the schoolhouse to help plan setting up the murals. - -

This afternoon Miss Guiney talked about some minerals. Mrs Powell – school nurse – about recognition of contagious diseases - -

I spent a half hour out W. Park Ave getting an autumn bouquet. - - [B.?] D. Berry called to talk up his writing books, etc. - -

At home this evening. - - Wrote to C.E. Piper, Supreme Scribe, Royal League, giving up my policy.

Ice cream .20; bread .10;

Friday, September 8

Fine day. Cool.

Teachers' conferences continued. Miss Koenig appeared for first time.

Miss Jewett had charge of the program this afternoon.

Mr Neff called on behalf of Longman Greens, & Co.

Wrote several letters for the Audubon Society this evening.

Dug over the bed for the lilies this evening after hauling two wheelbarrow loads of manure to dress it.
Barber .15;

Saturday, September 9

Beautiful day.

Mother and I planted our madonna lily bulbs after breakfast. Then I went to the school b'ld'g & started Mr Brown (carpenter) to work.

Took 10:33 for Chicago, visiting with Parratt and Prof. Grant on the way. To Cardy's to confer with him about supplies. To McClurg's where I got some scientific books for school library, and Dewey's Democ. & Ed'n & Western Wild Flowers for myself. - - Pub library to look up back no's of Cong. Record. To Tribune office for back no's
Home at 4:37.

Mowed entire lawn after supper. Shopped, etc., this evening.
R.R. .52; lunch .20; note books .20; barber .15; root beer & nuts .10; razor blades .75;

Sunday, September 10

Another fine day.

Slept an hour or more before noon. Again in the afternoon.

Mother, K, & I went up to school b'ld'g a while about early evening.

We went to hear Mr Unangst at the Evang. Church this evening.

Began Dewey's Democracy & Ed. today. Read also from Needham's Life of Inland Waters
Church .25;

Monday, September 11

Sultry. - - - Rain after 8:30 P.M.

7:28 for Chic. My staff and I went out to McCormick Harvester Works & spent the morning there. Received very courteous attention from the representatives of the Co.

At noon went over to Sears Roebuck & Co. Fine treatment there also. Lunch there & were then shown around. Left there at 3:30 & caught 4:00 for H.P. Visited with Logie on way out.

This P.M. received call from Marion & Esther Hicks. Gave M. a testimonial to be used in entering Nat'l Kg College.

R.R. .52 + .15; lunch .25; Street Guide .50; sundries .10;

Tuesday, September 12

Rain.

Sultry - Light showers Then downpour at 6:00 P.M. Clear by 9:00 P.M.

This day Witten's "man" pasted Miss Spaller's murals on the walls of the "Annex" - apparently quite successfully. Miss Spaller was present - and spent the day lettering the titles. I paid her the check for \$200 which added to the check given her in Aug. made the \$350⁰⁰ contracted for.

Worked at school all day - Variously interrupted. - - This evening spent at the Clementses - to tell Mrs C. about our difficulties in getting boarding places for the girls.

Barber .15;

Wednesday, September 13

Primary elections.

Fine, cool day.

My staff and I spent the morning at Field Museum. We were shown around first in the Economic Botany Dep't by Mr Lansing & then by Dr. Millsbaugh. The latter gave us a great treat.

After lunch we separated, several going to the Chic. Normal. I shopped downtown for the Dist. Then home by 4:21. Visited with Hazel Bailey on the way. She has had much trouble getting a H.S. position & has consulted with me a number of times this summer. Today she was elected at Polo.

Scouted around to look up empty houses – with view to renting one for the teachers. - - At office this evening.

Dist 107 – Glycerine 5.50; gelatine 1⁰⁰; Books .50;

R.R. .52 + .24 + .10; lunch .35; candy .10; book .25; catalogue .25; museum fee .25;

Thursday, September 14

Fine day for the most part. Threatening later in day, but blew up quite cool & clear.

Another visiting day. Some of my staff went to River Forest & elsewhere. Five and I visited Hedge's school – the Jackson school this A.M. H. went with us at noon for lunch at Hull House. There I met Hornbaker, of the Smyth School, & we went with him to that school for an hour. We then walked over to the Walsh School. Logie, the Prin., was away & we did not stay long. Went down town. I went to Library Bureau for cards & to Pub. Library to consult Cong Rec. Then to Arcade Lunch Club (Miss Jewett's mother's club) where we were entertained for dinner. Caught 8:00 for home.

R.R. .52 + .20; lunch .45; Dist 107 – 1²⁰ for library cards.

Friday, September 15

Chilly! Had to get on my vest!!

At school all day. Conferences with teachers.

Miss Whitten visited among us today.

I made four hktographs today.

Borrowed fifty dollars from Mother today.

Gathered all our ripe tomatoes in anticipation of frost, & covered vines with carpet & sacking. Our John Baer tomatoes have been bearing well for two weeks. The Stone plants have as yet ripened but a very few.

Dist 107 – 1 sponge .15;

Rubber erasers .10;

Saturday, September 16

Frost.

Sharp frost killed beans & tomatoes that were unprotected. Our tomatoes were safe.

Fire in furnace. At school steam sent into radiators.

At school all day and until 10:00 this P.M.

Had one of Whitten's men experimenting in changing color of board in room 10. Brown & his helper framed in the new murals

Conference with teachers, espec. Miss Clara White about her new work; Miss Guiney about programs

Wrote 14 or 15 letters.

Photog. murals & developed the plates

Shave .15; candy .10; clothes pressed 1⁰⁰; gas mantle .15; elect. lights .90

Sunday, September 17

Cool. Sunny.

To church to hear Mr Dobson. Previously I looked in on a meeting of the S.S. officers who were planning for rally day.

Mr. Parratt met me at the Annex to help me photograph the new murals. Then we took the 2:59 for Beach and had a fine tramp, returning on the train leaving at 5:17.

Fringed gentians fairly plentiful – liatris, grass of parnassus, spiranthes, gerardia, golden rod, etc
Bro't home fine specimen of baptisia in fruit

K. & I went up to school house after supper and arranged bouquets. Bro't home my camera
Church .10; R.R. .68;

Monday, September 18 First day of school!

Fine day. Cool.

Inspiring morning exercises gave the opening a good "send-off." Large enrolment in most rooms.
Quite a number from the parochial school.

Very busy at my office. - - Had an altercation with a visitor who insisted that I could give a boy under age a permit to work at the golf links. - -

At my desk this evening.

Tuesday, September 19

Pleasant day. Another very busy day.

Conferred at the H.-S this afternoon with Mr Sandwick who arranged to let our 8A's have credit in Feb. for German done in 8th grade. Visited also with Mr. Taylor.

Program conference continued after school with 4 upper grade teachers & the teacher of German, Miss Koenig.

School board meeting this evening. Pleasant time.

Eva Lundgren, a neighbor across the alley, died last night of typhoid fever. A former pupil of mine & a good girl.

Dist 107 for stamps – 1⁰⁰;

Wednesday, September 20

Warmer. Southerly winds. A little sultry.

Sent officer Maroney to look up Jas. Finley's absence.

Two field trips: With Miss Schermer's 3A's to Rudolph's garden; With 4B's to Vine Ave and Lake Front to make sketch map of shore line.

Visitors: Sherwin Cody representing his English texts. Venner rep. soap company. Patrons, etc.

This evening K. & I called at the Lundgren home.

Worked at school office this evening.

Got proofs of my negatives of the mural paintings.

Dist 107 – sponge .15;

Ice cream .10;

Thursday, September 21

Cooler. Pleasant.

Children began to bring in asters and vegetables for exhibition purposes.

Field trip on soils with 4B's. Took 3B's to Rudolph's garden.

Visit from Miss Coffield trying to sell stock in Welles Pub. Co.

Went to Eva Lundgren's funeral – at the house at 2:00.

My 6th, 7th & 8th grade teachers & I went to H-S. at 4:00 to hear Sherwin Cody talk on intensive teaching of "tools" of language, etc.

At school only a few minutes this evening.

One of my eyelids swollen & itching. Dr. B. thinks it poison ivy.
Nuts, etc. 10;

Friday, September 22

Rain.

Rain this afternoon. Brisk showers. Clearing cool.

Gave map lesson in 4B.

Got together the children's exhibit of flowers and vegetables. Used lower hall. Mrs Millard & Mrs Insull came to "judge" the exhibit this afternoon. Then we had the pupils visit the exhibit.

A very strenuous day. Went to L. Forest on the 6:20 P.M. Dinner with Miss Drummond & her brother & the Pattees. Afterwards we passed upon several sets of reports of schools participating in Audubon prize contests. Home by 11:00 P.M.

Trolley .10; taxi .50; fuses .30; barber .15;

Saturday, September 23

Fine day

Took 8:49 for Chicago. To College Club – 17th floor of Stevens Bldg – for a conference with Miss Mitchell over campaign for publication fund of Aud. Soc., & for new numbers.

To Fields for woolen socks, etc; McIntosh for carbons. Fair & Econ. Drug. Co. for arnica jelly.

Home at 2:28. Nap at home.

At desk at school until 9:45 P.M.

Dist 107 – Dr – Carbons .[?]0 (60)

Books - .75; R.R. .52 + .10; lunch .30; barber .15; shoe polish .25;

Sunday, September 24

Ideally beautiful day.

Slept instead of going to church. Late this afternoon went to lake shore with Chamberlain's The Origin of the Earth & read there for some time. Then walked up to Everhart's point, climbed up on the bluff & home, by way of the school house.

Read several chapters of "Clay & Fire" today. Also from Thos Jefferson's Letters and Addresses."

Mounted some Mexican material in my scrap book.

Ash leaves coloring – also poison ivy, plum trees, etc., & here & there a maple!

Monday, September 25

Warmer. Grew sultry, almost, after sunset.

At morning exercises I spoke of the exhibit last Friday, of the swarming of the monarch butterflies, the ravages of the tussock moth, autumn coloration.

Visitors: Mrs B to secure school & age certif for her son. Mr. Grier rep. school savings ass'n - - Mrs Millard. - - Mrs Sampsell - - Florence Warner reporting for H.P. Press.

Mr. Schneider, mn'l tr. of H.S., came over to inspect our outfit & help plan the renewal of equipment.

At school until 10:00 P.M.

Household 5⁰⁰;

Tuesday, September 26

Rain

Thunderstorms & showers in the night. Ditto at 3:00 today. Warm south wind blowing this evening.

This A.M. Mr. Mann, Mr. Brand, Mr Brown (carp) & I went over mn'l tr. room together & planned to fix it up - .

Two visitors from kg. of Walsh School, Chic., spent morning.

At Bldg this evening. Wrote rough draft of two letters for Aud Soc.

Wednesday, September 27 Rain.

More rain in the night. Then rain about noon.

Brand's men worked at decorating the manual tr. room.

Various duties - - Took 2:34 for Chic. To Lyon & H. for supplies for Victor - & left the voice box for repairs.

To Board Meeting of Directors of Geog. Soc. Then Schantz & I went over to City Club where we met Catherine Mitchell & had dinner & a conference about Audubon matters. Caught 8:00 P.M. for home Dist. 107 – for Victor needles .60

R.R. .52 + .05; supper .75;

Thursday, September 28

Threatening much of day. A little mist. Rising wind & much cooler at evening.

Some of the boys and I went up at 8:30 to site of old tavern on Orchard St to photo. swarms of monarch butterflies they had seen there, but the butterflies were nearly all gone.

Various administrative duties. Two science classes this afternoon – 6A & 6B. Had 7B's wipe specimens & shelves in cabinets.

An hour at school this evening.

Mrs Shannon reported weaker every day. Her divorced husband here today. Came over to school with McK. - - - -

Barber .15;

Friday, September 29

Beautiful day. Cool.

Geranium cuttings were on today's program for 3A & 3B & the Kg also. I gave the lesson in the Kg. Mrs Sampsell, Mills, & Carr sent plants to be cut up; we got some from the bank front, from our own window box, etc

Sherwin Cody called for a while to discuss Eng on our program. - -

At school awhile this evening. Boy Scouts met in one of the rooms.

Saturday, September 30

As yesterday.

Took 8:09 for Chic. To D C. Heath to return some extra copies of Spanhoofd's German Grammar. To 1014 So Mich. Ave. to try to find Mex. commissioner (of educn). Left my card.

To Pub. Drug. Co. for arnica jelly; McClurg's to order 2 sets of Comstock's Nat. Study. To Schantz' office for a conference Then to Cox' office only to find he had just gone on a six or eight weeks' trip. To City Club where I revised a letter to be sent out to Audubonites. To Advtersiers' [Advertisers?] Club at 12:30 to lunch with Mr Pattee & talk over Audubon affairs. Home at 2:21. Worked at school. Then called on Miss Holbrook (at Mrs Shannon's home). The down to the Booths' to call. This evening at school until ten

Pd 10¢ each pair for shoe strings. Formerly 5¢. "War prices."

R.R. .52 + .05; lunch .35; ice cream .10; bananas .20;

Sunday, October 1

Another.

Felt stale & out of sorts. So slept soundly after 10:30 A.M. Had a fine walk to Skokie & around by the Clavey farm after 5:00 P.M.

Read quite a little today from Cicero's Tusculan Disputations. Also "The Winter's Tale"

Monday, October 2

Another. Milder. Rising temperature

Busy. Some "parochial calls." Had a Japanese lecturer & his prodigy of a son here & let him advertise his coming lecture.

Teachers' conference after school.

At my desk until 10:30 P.M. Mostly Audubon work.

Tuesday, October 3

As yesterday.

Pond field trip with 4A's; short trip with 4B's, 6B's & 7B's.

Agents rep. Rowles and Hinds, N & E. called.

Mr. Sandwick came to consider possibility of our Dist. furnishing two teachers for night school.

Japanese & son gave an entertainment in our aud. after school. Had good attendance.

We teachers had a beach party at Millard's this evening. Fine.

Ice cream .10;

Wednesday, October 4

Warm – too warm to be seasonal.

Field trips with 4A's to mouth of ravine

Took out an additional ten shares of bld'g loan today, these dating back three months. Now have twenty shares.

Friends of Our Native Landscape had a council fire at Millard's beach this evening. M. & I met the 4:37 & escorted the two that came on that train to M's house. Others came later. Hooker, Mr & Mrs Jensen, Mr. & Mrs Jerome, Mrs Bley, Mrs Pierce – Miss Boynton there. Meeting broke up in time for 8:47 train & Miss B bro't us down in her car.

Thursday, October 5

Simply hot today, but a cool breeze came up at evening.

Mother left for Omaha today – the 6:05 P.M. from Chicago.

Four of my staff and I went to Winnetka after school to the first of a series of lectures by Mrs Gudrun-Thorne-Thomsen - - this one on poetry - - - a fine lecture.

At my desk a little while this evening.

Trolley .20;

[Gudrun Thorne-Thomsen was an internationally acclaimed storyteller and author of *East O' the Sun and West O' the Moon*, Norse fairy tales. She taught at the Francis W. Parker School in Chicago. –ed.]

Friday, October 6

Cool today. Fog blown in from north east.

Autumn coloration wonderful.

Miss Carbarby ill today and I used Mrs Taylor as a sub. Went over to call on Miss C. & did not go in because a C.S. healer was there!

Field trip with 4B's to Exmoor Ridge.

Ran the lantern for 6B, lesson on cotton by Miss Clara White.

Looked up some foreigners who have taken out their "first papers". The Dep't of Labor sends the cards of such persons as live in H.P. to me & I have to obtain data of literacy, etc.

At my desk at school a while this evening.

Peanuts .05; ticket to a church supper .35; stamps .49;

Saturday, October 7

Uncomfortably warm again today. Cooler towards evening.

Fed the pet guinea pigs at school this A.M. Went around to see how Miss Carbary was, & then hunted up Dr. Bergen to consult him. Took 9:56 for Chic. Phoned Mr. Carbary at Elgin about Miss C. Went to Devoe & R. to buy a pound of "Plastique." To Flanagan's to buy a can of prepared clay. To McClurg's. Then to City Club for luncheon & meeting of Ed. Com. Heard report about voc. ed. conferences held while I was away in Aug. - - - Pub. Drug Co. - - Home at 3:31. To school until 5:30. Again there after supper until 9:00

Dist. 107 – Plastic materials .30

R.R. .52 + .10; lunch .40; nuts & root beer .10; barber .15; Royce's Spirit of Mod. Philosophy . 2⁰⁰

Sunday, October 8

So warm this A.M. and until 3:00 P.M. when it blew up real cool.

Fed guinea pigs at school and then went over into the woods north of the b'ld'g and began my copy of Royce's The Spirit of Modern Philosophy. This afternoon after the cool wave came on I took the trolley to Ft. Sheridan & visited the Sixth Ravine woods. Coming back along the shore I found the Pattees hunting flowers, & we walked over to the R.R. station together. Home by the train

Wrote a letter to Tot Mahan this evening, acknowledging the paper she sent a few days ago with the announcement of the death of Mrs Ed Bartels.

R.R. .14;

Monday, October 9

Fine day it turned out after wind & light rain of the night. Cool.

A busy day. Talked fire protection at morning exercises – "Oct. 9, 1871."

Nora Behrens here today, visiting her sister. - - Miss Carbary taken home by her friends yesterday (to Elgin). - - Miss Fargo absent today. Her grandmother died yesterday. - -

Went down to Winnetka at 3:40 for Mrs Thomsen's second lecture, this one on story telling. Seven of us there. I came away early because of necessity of getting ready for Board meeting – which came off this evening. Mrs Millard, Messrs St Peter, Metzel, & Greenslade present.

(Pd 3⁰⁰ lecture fee at Winnetka. Also advanced the fees for six others (18⁰⁰))

Trolley .20;

[The Great Chicago Fire, which destroyed about 4 square miles of that city, began on the evening of October 8 and burned until October 10, 1871. – ed.]

Tuesday, October 10

Cool. Clear. Heavy frost. Beautiful moonlight tonight.

Teachers' meeting this afternoon 4:00 – 5:30. Special discussion – learning poems; reciting poetry with expression.

Got in more visiting of classes today than any other day thus far.

Taught 7B & 6A science – each an outdoor lesson on shrubs. Took 4B's to West Park Ave & Sheahen's pasture to study the Skokie Valley.

At my desk at school awhile this evening.

Wednesday, October 11

Another cool day, but moderating before & after night fall.

Mr Sandwick & I went to Highwood School in his machine this A.M. to talk over night school work with Mr Hudson. We are trying to get the three districts to furnish teachers for the night school classes for foreigners

Miss Schermerhorn & I, assisted by Mrs Moore, took the 3A's to Arcady Dairy this afternoon. A successful trip. Miss S & I got off at the Convent on the way back, where 12 or so of the others of the staff had come by trolley. Then we walked thro' the Cyrus McCormick grounds, & down the lake shore to the mouth of the Sixth Ravine. Near this we built a fire & got our supper. Returning, the bus picked us up at the loop. Fine time. Moonlight.

Buckets .66;

Thursday, October 12

Rain.

In the night & at intervals during this day. The maple leaves spattering the walks

Was able to visit rooms most of the day.

Sent Miss Jones & Miss Davis to the High School this evening to represent our school in the night classes for foreigners.

Worked at my desk at school this evening. Wrote letter to H.V. Meeteren, representing State Game and Fish Commission.

Friday, October 13

Turned off clear today

Had some trouble with my tooth again today and so I went to Dr Earl Fritsch for treatment after school this evening.

My upper grade boys had a foot ball game with the parochial school boys this evening & lost – 6 – 0.

A busy day as usual.

This evening spent nearly an hour scouring & washing the "spiders" & other utensils we used at the picnic Wednesday evening.

At desk at school for a while this evening.

Candy .05;

Saturday, October 14

Beautiful day.

Went to the dunes with Misses Parks (Evanston), Shoemaker (Lincoln School), White (Clara), Davis, Guiney, Bushnell, Corey, Konig, and Had a fine time. Bo't round trips to Pullman .30¢; 25 ride to Gary, \$4²⁵; single fare to Port Chester .30. – Mrs Frazier on with six or seven pupils - - Made fire for coffe & wieners & bacon on shore some distance of Maggie's cottage – which is now closed. - - Went up Mt Tom. Then down to the brook back of the dunes. - - On way to trolley Ed Wilson picked us up in his machine & took us to the station. Home to Chic by 8:00. Caught 8:15 trolley & were home by 9:35.

Sassafras still conspicuous; sour gums also. Great display of oaks, maples (some still brilliant) etc. R R. .52 + .05; + 30 + 38 + 60; phone .25; ice cream sodas .80; papers .03

Sunday, October 15

Threatening & a light shower after 10:30 A.M. Sunny again in the afternoon.

Went to school to take some cabbage leaves to the pet animals & wrote a letter to mother. Then to church.

Long nap this afternoon & then K. and I walked down Ravine Drive & up to Millards where we had a chat. Then home at "early candle light"

Read quite a little out of Royce's "The Spirit of Modern Philosophy".

Monday, October 16

Windy. Clear until 4:00 P.M. Threatening then, up blew up clear.

Autumn festival this afternoon. A great parade thro the woods. Some folk dancing in the ravine. A program in the aud. Original poems by a number of children.

Had Miss Mabel Gladstone do Audubon work for me today. She copied 17 letters for me (to Illinois congressmen who opposed the migratory bird law) & "took" four others. This evening I addressed 17 begging letters, & 3 others, & addressed 17 copies of the Bulletin. Sent out in all this evening 54 pieces of mail.

Tuesday, October 17

Clear. Quite cool.

Fine flocks of geese going over this evening. A flock of 20 or more red crossbills fed in the pine trees (Scotch) in Jeppesen's yard today. Many of our pupils & several of the teachers had a good view of the birds.

Miss G. worked on my mailing list of patrons today.

I gave science lessons in 6B, 6A, & 7B.

Distributed prizes for flower, etc., contest this afternoon after school.

Went to Dr. H. for another treatment of my tooth.

Worked on Aud. material at my desk this evening.

Wednesday, October 18

Warmer. Threatening rain at evening.

Spent practically all morning addr. envelopes to patrons & correcting card addresses. Got our announcements of tomorrow night's reception off today.

Heard 7B & 8B science. Conferred with Miss (Schermerhorn) Davis & Miss Jones over work of evening classes for foreigners. Went on my wheel to Highwood to talk with Hudson about it.

At school after supper until 8:00.

Candy & nuts .15;

Thursday, October 19

Rain.

Rain more or less all night & to 9:00 A.M. Cleared later in the day.

Taught one science class. Also Norwegian girl for one period.

Distributed badges & receipts for the coming meeting at Elgin. Sent Mr. Gilbert a check for \$21⁰⁰, my teachers to pay me \$20⁰⁰.

Went to H.S. a few minutes at 7:30 P.M. to see about the evening class for foreigners. Mr. Wright & Miss Faxon were to take it this evening. Miss Davis & Miss Jones were there also & we three came away to attend the P.T.A. meeting at our school. We had the aud. beautifully decorated with autumn leaves. - - Mr. Norcross had charge of the program. Geo. Jones played beautiful selections on the violin. Henry Mason told of his recent trip to Russia. A fine evening. Attendance small

Leonard Smith happened in on us for two or three hours today. Prospecting for a job.
Paper .05;

Friday, October 20

Rain and some snow flakes

Rained all day, at times heavily. Colder in the afternoon. Some snow and sleet particles in the air. Dug up dahlias, gladioluses, & tigridias late this evening. Had to start heat in the plant house this evening.

Got my lunch & back to school before twelve so I could help police the bld'g at noon.

Science in 8B.

Phoned Rhodes of Winnetka about an office secretary.

Spent a little time over the list of foreigners for the evening classes, etc

Shave .15.

Saturday, October 21

Cleared during the day. Rather raw & cold. (Snow – 4 in” and a frozen crust thereon in Omaha. Snow at Springfield – None here!)

Mother came home on the 9:07 this A.M. Had a pleasant visit in Omaha.

Leonard came out this evening. Has a “job” in the city sales dep't of Swifts.

I worked on Audubon material most of the day. Wrote up the story of the fight on the Biolog.

Survey in Congress, also wrote up the treaty with U.S. & Canada

Cleared away my tomato vines. Raked leaves off of parkway & carried them back on my garden.

L. & I went to Emil Rudolph's awhile this evening to see a night blooming cereus.

Barber .40; expressman .25;

Sunday, October 22

Beautiful day. Milder.

Met a Miss Louise Hilly of Winnetka at my office for a few minutes this A.M, she being interested in the position of Secretary.

Mr. Davis discovered that one of our guinea pigs is the parent of two piglets.

Went to church with M. & K.

This afternoon Leonard and I went up to Lake Forest to look over the new business district that a group of citizens has been building. We walked over the campus, also.

Leonard went back to the city this evening

Church .50; trolley .40

Monday, October 23

Cool but moderated after dark & began to rain.

Had Miss Nora Behrens typewrite some Aud. mss today.

To city on 10:32. To Mr. Metzels to talk over secretaryship & the evening school. To McClurg's to try to get books for the evening classes. Then to MacMillans & to Silver, Burdett's for the needed books. To Lyon & H. for Victor needles.

Home at 2:34. Errands at school. Then took 3:40 for Winnetka. - - to Mrs Thomson's lecture (on the Greek myths). Left to get back to Dr Hamilton's office (My tooth had grumbled for two days). Spent half hour there.

Most of this evening at the night school at H-S. looking after the interests of the class of foreigners. Victor needles .60 (Dist. 107)

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

Tuesday, October 24

Rain.

Threatening. Then in afternoon & evening slow rain.

Wilson of the A. Book Cook visited me today. Manasse of the Ed. Pub Co. also came.

Taught 7B science.

Kept Nora Behrens at work today, also. School letters & records mostly, but some Geog. Soc. material.

Wrote out some notes for a talk on Glacier Park this evening.

Tooth very sore & bothers me no little.

Wednesday, October 25

Rain

Raining some this A.M. Cleared somewhat. A little colder. Much wind until nightfall.

7B & 8B Science today.

Had some 8A's & 8B's (boys) making & planting geraniums cuttings.

Dr. Hamilton treated my tooth again.

Worked at school this evening.

Thursday, October 26

Beautiful day until late afternoon. Then overcast. Sprinkled at 8:00 P.M.

Mr Wright & I took the 7:28 for Chicago & River Forest to visit with the Cook Co. Supt's Ass'n the River Forest schools. Observed the teaching all morning. Lunch at the M.E. Church. Afternoon discussion – very interesting.

We came back to Evanston with Supt Farmer in his auto & home from there by trolley. By this time I had a bad headache. My tooth may have helped.

After supper went in taxi to H.S. to see the opening of the class session of foreigners
R.R. .26 + .10 + .15. Lunch .50.

Friday, October 27

A beautiful day.

Much desk work. Planned a bulb circular and set about interesting children in bulb planting.

Two Rockford teachers, one a 4th grader (Miss Gibson) visited us this A.M.

An agent took some of my busy period this afternoon.

Spent the evening writing out notes for my 10 minute talk at Geog. Soc. luncheon tomorrow.
Pd Miss Gladstone 3⁵⁰ for Dist. 107. Typewriting.

Saturday, October 28

Fine day. Mild.

Spent some time this A.M. getting my talk ready for the geog. luncheon this afternoon. Took 11:41 for Chicago.

The luncheon at the La Salle Hotel. A great success. Mr Mather talked of the progress in improving the public parks. Miss Wolaver, of Ausable Chasm. I of Glacier Park. Mrs Frazier of the Ascent of Schuczan & Baker; Cowles of L. Superior trip. Caldwell presided.

To Pub. Library to consult back files of Cong. Record. To McVickers a while. Then supper & home on 8:00.

Leonard came in this evening.

R.R. .52; luncheon 1.00 + .30; apples .25; nuts .05.

(Ticket 6⁶⁰)

Sunday, October 29

Mild. Sprinkled about 12:30. Rain after dark.

Met Mr. Morton this A.M. at school to go over matter of clearing place for play ground.

To church. Heard Rev. Mr Hill. Fine sermon

Great nap this afternoon. This evening spent two or more hours on proof of a bird list for Chicago

Parks

Church .25.

Monday, October 30

Fine day. Mild.

Took 9:53 for Chic. Went to Fed. Bld'g to attend the hearing conducted by Mr. Mather on the subject of Dune Park. Stayed there until 12:30. Went with Schantz, Pattee, & Perkins to City Club for lunch. Met Jensen and Wilhelm Miller there.

To Albert Agency to consult Searles about a new teacher for 5th grade. Also about Mnl Tr. teacher

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To Fisk Agency to consult Olp on same.

Field's to buy two pairs of woolen socks for Leonard (1⁵⁰)

Home at 4:37. To school to dictate some letters.

At school a while this evening also.

Bad diarrhoea for three days now. Got medicine from Dr Bergen this evening.

R.R. .52 + .05; lunch .55; druggist .65; stamps .25;

Tuesday, October 31

Mild. Pleasant.

Began to prepare for distribution of bulbs. Gave out printed lists.

After lunch had a tumble from my wheel near home. Probably dislocated my left thumb. Banged up my knee. Tore my trousers, etc.

The 3B's & Miss Jones and I drove out after lunch to the Ziesing Stock Farm beyond Deerfield. Fine trip although hurried. Our Driver had been drinking. Horses were frisky. Bus packed!

Worked from 9:00 P.M to 1:00 A.M on Mss. of Birds in City Parks. Seems to have been written by Woodruff. Punk piece of work.

Wednesday, November 1

Mild. A beautiful day.

Busy dispensing bulbs.

Miss Lea Lyon, an elderly teacher, called to apply for our 5B position.

Two agents called.

Mr Phil Oberg came to sub. for me in mn'l training. Sent him with base ball eleven to the Lake Bluff game (Boys lost out.)

My thumb badly swollen & throbbing a little. Dr. B. had visiting nurse put it in splints.

Advanced money (from) for Athletic Fund to pay foot ball fares to L. Bluff.

Barber .75;

Thursday, November 2

Another beautiful day.

The bulb business rushed me & Nora Behrens greatly today. Receipts to date 42²⁸

Mr. Oberg overhauled our mn'l tr. outfit today. We ordered a supply of lumber.
Sorted out my Washington slides to use as basis for a talk tomorrow.
Barber .15; peanuts .05;

Friday, November 3

Fine day though gray at times. A light shower at H.P.
Took 7:01 with all my staff except Miss Koenig & Miss Guiney (who went home to Charleston) & Mr Oberg - - for Elgin. Special train on N.W. from Chicago. Well-filled.
Big crowd at E. Too big. 2500 perhaps Difficult to get food. Excellent program.
My part unsatisfactory, at least to me. Poor lantern.
I left at 10:05 P.M. for Chic. Asa Goddard with me. Got in at 11:30. Went to La Salle H. & to bed.
R.R. 26 + .55 + .65; Meals .90; Porter .10; flashlight .90;

[Pasted to the page is a clipping from the Illinois Teachers' Association meeting program. The following addresses are listed:

"Education for Leisure," John H. Finley.

"The Trap," W.L. Bryan.

"Educational Progress," Nathan C. Schaeffer.

"Testing School Work," Charles H. Judd.

"Our Real Work," Francis G. Blair.

At the afternoon section meeting for Grade Six, an Illustrated Lecture was given by Jesse L. Smith, Superintendent of Schools, Highland Park. — ed.]

Saturday, November 4

Got up very late. After breakfast & shave — called on Misses Enk & Ingersoll a moment. Saw Searles about teacher candidates. To Field's shopping where I met Joseph Carter - - one-time Sup't at Champaign, etc
To City Club for luncheon and meeting of Educ. Committee. There conferred with Olp of Fisk Agency about teachers. Then Douglass & I went over on Mich. Ave. to look at parade of Hughes' followers for a while

Home at 5:34.

(Called on Miss Collins at S. B & Co)

Victrola record 1²⁵ for school.

R.R. .26; Hotel 2:00 + .10; Meals .25 + .50; book 1.00; shave etc .30;

Sunday, November 5

Another beautiful day.

A day of rest for me I had two naps.

Read from Survey and The New Republic. Then Royce's S. of M. P. and this evening from Chamberlain's The Origin of the Earth.

Leonard came out in time for dinner. Later he and I walked along the beach to Ft. Sheridan & home by trolley

Found at intervals four dead ducks - White-winged Scoters.

Took splints off of my thumb today.

Trolley .10;

Monday, November 6

Mild. Almost too warm.
Spent all afternoon with grades 6, 7, & 8, talking over the meaning of the coming election.
Field trip with 4B's this A.M.
Went to Winnetka with some of my staff to the last lecture of the series of six by Mrs Thomsen.
At school for a time this evening. Met by appointment Miss Jessie De Lang & her sister - - - of
Glencoe. Miss DL. wishes 5th grade place.
Pd Mrs Clow today.
Mother in bed with a bad cold today.
Trolley .10; ice cream, etc. 15;

Tuesday, November 7 Election

Very mild weather. A shower at 12:10, lasting but a few minutes.
I voted for Wilson (Dem) & Lowden (Rep). Rest of my ticket largely Rep.
Children of grades 5 – 8 voted this afternoon.
Teachers' meeting this afternoon.
Worked at my desk at school this evening.
One science lesson. One geog. (4B); civics lesson with 5A – 5B's.
Nuts, etc. .10; paper .05;

Wednesday, November 8

Light showers this A.M. & at length continuous rain towards evening.
Election excitement increasing as the closeness of the contest is apparent.
Miss Georgiene Amoss came out to sub. in Miss Shermerhorn's room today – Miss S. being away –
at a funeral.
Mr Reisenman of Elmhurst visited me this afternoon (Sup't of Schools).
Went down on the 4:58. Supper with the Pattees' at Ellis Inn. Then to Audubon meeting at City
Club. - - Home on 10:05-11:04 - - -
R.R. .52 + .05; + .20 + .15; supper .50;

Thursday, November 9

Cleared off. Beautiful day.
Visitors – four patrons, an agent for the Pathescope, etc.
Had Miss Amoss about the b'ld'g today to test her work. Pd her two days' salary.
Supervised a lot of bulb planting today.
At school a while this evening.
Pd Miss Amoss 7⁰⁰ Charge to Dist. 107
Barber 15; drugs .45;

Friday, November 10

Alternately gray & sunny. Finally clearing.
14 of the Elmhurst teachers spent the day with us.
Miss Amma Johnson of Chic. came out to work at substituting for me today. Wants the 5th grade
place
Movie man again here & we gave him an audience after school. Pictures fairly good.
I taught Science in 7B & 8B. Lantern lesson on early Chic. & Drainage Canal to 6B. Field trips
with 4B's - - our own ravine.
Various other duties. This P.M. overhauled bills, etc., at school

Barber .15; nuts .05;

Saturday, November 11

Cooler. Storm promised but did not materialize.

8:49 for Chic. To Dr Francis Lane to have eyes examined. He had my pupils dilated & examined my eyes. Am to call one week later. Left his office at 1:20. Went to grill room where members of Supt & Princ. Ass'n of Cook Co were dining. Ate meal. Then we went into a small room there & heard address by Dr. Judd on supervision. Profitable discussion followed

I then shopped at Fields; at Lyon & H.; bo't copy of Galsworthy's "Fraternity" and of Wilstach's Mount Vernon at McClurg's. To Vaughn's for plant labels.
Home at 6:00.

Went to Glencoe for a while this evening to see Mr. Rowell about a teacher
Books 2.89; luncheon .95; R.R. .52 + .15; pocket book 1⁰⁰;

Sunday, November 12

Still cooler. Gray & windy.

Walked to Deerfield to hear Rev Mr Osborn at the Presb. Church deliver a good short sermon. Started back on foot but was picked up by Jas Shields in his auto.

Leonard came out at 11:00 clock & went back at 6:30. The arches of his feet are troubling him.

Miss "Billie" Parks came to see me this A.M. Wants her old place on my staff. Has failed to make good at the "fresh air" school in Evanston. Conferred with Mrs Millard & decided to offer her 4A & ask Miss Sands to take 5B.

Fine nap this afternoon. Walked along beach from Laurel to Millard's. Visited them an hour or so.
Church .25;

Monday, November 13

Snow!

Rained some today. Snow flurries – finally blizzard like storm after 8:00 P.M.

More wrestling with the problem of people wishing their children to skip 8A work!

Miss Gahan called after school and we conferred about school matters, etc.

Worked on bills to be presented to the school board.

Board meeting this evening. Authorized Miss Parks election to 4A & Miss Sands promotion to 5B.

Tuesday, November 14

Cold!

About 15° above this A. M. First time one's ears tingled this season! Patches of snow blown into nooks & corners.

A full & busy day. Got about the last of the pupils' bulbs out under the leaf piles.

Teachers' meeting after school.

Red cross class of teachers under Dr Ullman's instructions met again at Kg. b'ld'g this evening.

I worked at my desk until 10:30.

Wednesday, November 15

Clear. Cold.

Science lessons in 7B, 7A, & 8B. Visited 4B's, 4A's, et. al. Had Miss Nora preparing an official list of Elm Place teachers since 1876.

Miss Mann of Glencoe called. Two mothers came to see about promotion of their pupils.

Worked at my office until 9:30 P.M.

Thursday, November 16

Moderated somewhat, but little thawing.
Piled greater banks of leaves over bulbs at school.
Three science lessons today
Planned program for P.T.A. for next Wednesday.
At school awhile this evening.
At the dentists at 4:30.

Peanuts .05;

Friday, November 17

A little milder. Sunny at times. Cooler later in day
Eng. lesson with 7B^{1's} & 7B^{2's}, Field trip with 4B's through middle course of Moraine Ravine.
This afternoon Misses Sands & Stine and I took 34 of the 4A's to Waukegan to see the harbor, docks, etc. A fine trip.
Our boys played Lake Forest on D-S. H.S. grounds (football) this afternoon. Lost – 12 to 0.
Barber .15; nuts .05;

Saturday, November 18

In the main a fine day.
Took sack of cabbage leaves, wilted lettuce, etc. to school this A.M for rabbit & guinea pigs. Then 8:49 for Chic. Visited with Fayette Munro enroute.
To Cent. Scientific Co. to select some apparatus. To Dr. Lane to complete the test of my eyes.
Left prescription with Bartels on 9th floor of same b'ld'g.
Shopped at Fields – shoes & underwear. To Sweet Wallach to buy negative envelopes & to leave some negatives for printing. - - McClurg's for Tolstoi's Ivan Illyitch, etc. & Rauschenbusch's Social Principles of Jesus. To City Club where I did a little writing & read some educat. journals. Met Leonard here & went with him to Fields where he bo't a suit. We separated here. I got home at seven. Found Clarence here. - - Spent evening with him.
R.R. .52 + .20; lunch .35; envelopes .15; Ge[????]s .75; McClurg's 1.17; F[i?]ller .20; Barber .15;

Sunday, November 19

A beautiful day.
We all went to Presb. Church this A M. This afternoon to Lake Forest to see new business section and to take a stroll.
Church .10; trolley .80.
[Market Square shopping center, designed by Howard Van Doren Shaw, opened in Lake Forest in 1916. – ed.]

Monday, November 20

Milder still. Gray. A busy day.
One science lesson – 6A. Dentist – Dr Hamilton – at 5:30.
Went to Thos Whitney Surette's lecture at Skokie School, Hubbard Woods, this evening. "Folk Songs". Splendid. Mrs Schumacher, Millard, Reeseman, Denzel & 12 or 15 of the teachers went.
Clarence went to Kenosha on the 7:43 this A.M. to confer with hosiery people about carrying their "line."
Trolley .10; stamps .97;

Tuesday, November 21

About as mild as yesterday.

Conference after school with Misses Guiney, Corey, & König over Eng. grammar.

Science in 7B & 7A.

At meeting this evening of members of Boards of Education, Visiting Nurse's Ass'n, Doctors, Dentists, et. al. to discuss medical inspection, etc.

Capsules 1.10.

Wednesday, November 22

Gray. Finally rain, beginning at night fall.

P.T.A. this afternoon. Miss Sands' 4A's gave the program – Pioneer Life. Largest attendance we have had in some time.

Miss Key of the Francis Parker School visited us for an hour this morning.

Miss Davis' married sister came in this afternoon.

I wanted to go to Sup'ts meeting at Urbana today but had a threatening cold and was afraid of the attempt.

Thursday, November 23

Rainy this A.M. Neutral the remainder of the day.

Cold seemed to improve.

Science in 6B, 6A, 7B.

24 new seats came & I saw to their placing.

Nearly all my teachers went down to Ravinia school to a little party gotten up by Miss Stone – 4 to 6:00.

Mr. Metzler visited school A.M. & he and I had a long conference with our visiting nurse, Mrs Powell, about whooping cough, etc.

At home this evening. Worked over notes for a talk at Antioch.

Friday, November 24

Slight snow flurry. Much colder.

Two science lessons.

Left on 3:25 for Area by trolley. Took 4:44 Soo line for Antioch. Went to Simmon's Hotel for supper. Talked to the P.T.A. at the school building. Only a handful of people. Mrs Ziegler presided; Mrs Dupre, Sec. Left on the 8:28 (45 min. late), & caught 10:15 trolley for home
R.R. 1.60; candy .10; barber .15;

Saturday, November 25

Cold but not severe. Moderating.

To school this A.M to superintend two workmen who set wire guard about one of the shrubbery beds and began holes for railing at ravine slopes. To Gourley's to figure on posts, etc.

To city on 9:56. Field's for collars & to hunt for flag poles. Continued search at Carson Pirie's, Lu[s?ky], W. & C., & then found them at Amer Flag Co. Pd 2²⁵ for 12. To Flanagan's for Perry Pictures; Siegel C for alcohol; Anderson's to figure on an overcoat; Fair for typewriter ribbon; home on 3:31. To school house again & to Gourleys, etc. Conference with Mr Faxon on the street.

Worked on Audubon material this evening.

Dist 107 – Clips .15; typew. ribbon .75; flag staffs 2.25;

R.R. .52 + .20; lunch .35; alcohol .40; collars .75; barber .75; celery .50; bananas & nuts .30;

Sunday, November 26

Growing colder towards evening.

Leonard came out for a while today.

I went to S.S. office & worked over pictures & slides, etc. for an hour or so this A.M.

Long nap this afternoon.

Wrote out some Audubon material.

Reading Galsworthy's Fraternity. Continued on Royce.

Monday, November 27

Mild. Threatening.

Had two men working on hand rails for ravine steps, etc.

Brown & I conferred about little house for our pets.

Taught two science classes.

Miss Parks came to prepare for 4A. Had Mrs Pertz in 5B. (Mrs Taylor ill)

Conference with Miss Jewett over her having to reduce the amount of time allotted to us.

Some of the boys and I tramped out beyond the Skokie this evening to get crabapple & hawthorn seedlings for grafting experiments.

Went down to Winnetka to hear the second lecture by Surette – Pub. School Music.

Tickets for Woman's Club Benefit .70

Trolley .10; nuts .15;

Tuesday, November 28

Quite mild.

Spent much of day out-of-doors. Used various groups of children and got cold frames set in place, earth excavated & manure spread with a covering of leaves. Then all our pots of hyacinths were packed in one frame; tulips in another; daffodils, etc. in another. Lastly all heavily bedded with leaves. Paper whites stored under Annex.

Workmen continued work on ravine railings & walks.

Mrs Taylor again in her 5B room. Miss Sands visited to note status of work. Miss Parks in charge of 4A.

Heeled in several crab seedlings & hawthornes.

Worked on Audubon material this evening. Dr. Leland Anderson came after 9:30 P.M. & we went to school house to talk over physical ex. for children.

candy .10;

Wednesday, November 29

Fine day

Busy at school. Kept track of workmen building paths in the ravine, and of carpenters who built an animal hutch.

Thanksgiving program from whole school. I showed some slides Misses Enk & Ingersoll had made for me. Miss I. bro't them out! I ate lunch with her between trains at noon.

Lennie & A & R., & Ruth, & Edith & C. drove over from B.H. in 5 hours. Here before four P.M. Slept at neighbor Decker's this evening.

Thursday, November 30

Thanksgiving

Fine day.

Mother & Arthur & I went to union services at Presb. Church. Prof. Lynn Hough gave an interesting address

Leonard came out & we all had Thanksgiving Dinner together. In the afternoon had an auto ride. Visited Meeker (Arcady) farm & saw milking of cows, etc

This evening Arthur, Clarence, & I went in on 7:28 with Leonard. He went on home, but we three went to see movie play – Twenty Thousand Leagues, etc.

R.R. , Movies

Ice cream .65; church .50;

Friday, December 1

A lovely day. Mild enough to lay aside heavy wraps

The folks left in the auto for St. Joe – B. H. this A.M.

I spent most of the day at the school. Visitors took up some of my time. I worked away at the Audubon material.

Directed the two workmen this afternoon in making a sod – cow manure compost heap on the Green Bay grounds.

Took 4:58 for Chica. To Mr. Pattee's desk to leave mss. of Aut. Bulletin, etc. To City Club where I read Henry VIII – then to Illinois Theater where I saw one of the greatest spectacles I ever witnessed

Barber .15; Dennett's 2⁰⁰; R.R. .52 + .10; supper .35 + .05; Theater 1.50;

[Pasted to this page is a clipping of the playbill for Sir Herbert Tree in King Henry VIII. It lists the cast and scenes. – ed.]

Saturday, December 2

Still another mild day!

Worked around home until 10:00 – getting manure on garden & helping Leo to fix back gate. Then to school bld'g & over to G.B. nursery to supervise the two men at work,

11:44 for Chic. To Art and Travel to return slides. McClurg's to get Pet Book for the school.

Field's to leave shoes to be shaped. Sweet Wallach's for prints. Anderson's to have a fitting for overcoat. Pd .60 rental. Charge to Presb. Ch.

Pd .25 for carrots;

R.R. .52 + .20; lunch .10; celery .20; barber .15; bread .15;

[Pasted to this page is a newspaper clipping (source not identified) 'Henry VIII.' and Sir Herbert Tree by theater critic Charles Collins. –ed.]

Sunday, December 3

Another fine day.

Bolted church. Ate lunch early & went to Waukegan and out on "the Flats" A fine walk. Beautiful color in grasses, trailing juniper, bearberry – the lagoons, Dead River, the lake, etc.

Flocks of pine siskins & some sparrows. Found one clump of Ilex verticillata in fruit. Walked over to Beach Station & then west to the trolley station. Got 5:40 for H.P. Visited with Mr & Mrs Hudson who got on at the same place

Trolley .20 + .30.

Monday, December 4

Rain

A heavy shower before six A.M. A little in the afternoon. Some sunlight. Mild.

Miss Collins here this A.M. Was interested in promoting the candidacy of a newcomer – music teacher – a Mrs Cotten. But - - we hope to keep Miss Jewett, if only on half time.

Science in 6A.

Several of the boys and I went down to Mooney's pond after school and seined up minnows and raked up a supply of mussels. Bro't some crayfish also & a "water boatman."

Worked over Christmas program a while this evening. Als read from Dewey's Democ. & Ed'n.

Tuesday, December 5

Somewhat cooler. Fine day.

Began with Kg. children to set rooted geranium cuttings in pots (2 ½")

Agent of Columbia graphophone called.

Science in 7A.

Teachers' meeting. Had our first lesson in Dewey.

At home this evening. Worked on Audubon material.

Wednesday, December 6

Another fine day

A little more plant house work.

Gray Stubbs came to show the upper grade children the Monroe Calculating Machine.

Mr Borst of the American Forestry Co called on me and we spent a delightful hour together.

Science in 6B – 7B – 8B.

To city on 4:58. Supper at City Club with Millard and the Pattees. Then the Audubon meeting. I presided in the absence of Mr. Schantz. Home on the 9:15-10:15.

R.R. .52 + .10; supper .70;

Thursday, December 7

Rain. – Thunder storm!

A sudden heavy shower before daybreak. A mild, almost sultry day – then thunderstorm & heavy rain after 5:00 P.M.

Got more plant house work done. A group of boys and I dug up a hundred or so seedlings (elm) on the school grounds and re-set them in the Green Bay nursery.

This evening I took the Presb. Church lantern to the Baptist Church & operated for a Mr Hill who has been on the Armenian Relief Commission. His story was well told – very impressive.

Church .50

Friday, December 8

Snow!

Moderate until late afternoon (3:00) when it grew colder & snow came down in great flakes. Fall of 2 inches or so.

Conference with Miss Jewett over Christmas music.

Spent a few minutes between four & five at the Library Bld'g – Had tea

Took 4:58 for Chicago. Supper at City Club with Mr Schantz and Mr & Mrs Bohn. Then we went to Geog. Soc. Lecture

Met number of old friends, Schapper, The Crosbys, Barracks, [C?]lapp, Ella Colwell, et. al.

R.R. .52 + .10 + Supper .75; + .05.

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the Geographic Society lecture. It is transcribed as follows:

STATED MEETING

December 8, 1916, at 8:15 P.M.

Lecture by Mr. Edgar J. Banks
Title: "A THOUSAND MILES DOWN THE TIGRIS RIVER"

The story of the Orient never loses its fascination, and when told by one who has personally investigated its ruins and its history – past and present – it becomes much more interesting than when only gathered from books.

Dr. Banks' experiences as American Consul to Bagdad, and as one of the faculty of Robert College, Constantinople, his knowledge of the languages and customs of the peoples of the far East, have given him unusual opportunities to gather an immense amount of material in connection with the life and history of the dwellers along the Tigris, and of their ancient environment.

The lecture will be profusely illustrated with colored slides, made chiefly from photographs taken by Dr. Banks. – ed.]

Saturday, December 9

Snow melted only in part today Sky clear.

To Chic. on 8:25. To Fields by appointment with Mrs C.E. Raymond of Hinsdale. We priced goura, paradise, & egret plumes at Mandels, Stevens, Hillmans, The Fair, N.H. Rosenthaler's & Chic Feather & Claok Co. Found egrets everywhere but at Fields.

At 12:00 went to lunch with Cook Co Supt. at Fields. Left in midst of discussion to go to Chic. Univ. to attend memorial exercises & unveiling of bust of Col. Parker. Visited with Harry & Mrs Gillette, Miss Baber, Cook, Mrs Cook, Stillwell, Mr. O.T. Bright, et. al.

Home at 7:00. At 9:15 went to reception following Kathleen Bergen's wedding. Mother & K. not invited. Quite a dress affair. Met some I hadn't seen in years –
R.R. .52 + .10 + .28; lunch .75; sundries .10;

[Pasted to the page is a clipping of the program for the memorial exercises and presentation of a bust of Francis Wayland Parker executed by Charles J. Mulligan. Memorial addresses by The Honorable Charles Sidney Cutting, by Miss Katherine Marian Stillwell of The Elementary School of the University of Chicago, and by Professor Charles Hubbard Judd, Director of the School of Education were given in Ida Noyes Hall of the University of Chicago beginning at 2:30, President Harry Pratt Judson, presiding. Presentation exercises were held in the Central Corridor of Emmons Blaine Hall. Mr. Lorado Taft gave an address on behalf of the artist, the late Charles J. Mulligan. Mr. Arthur J. Mason gave a presentation on behalf of the donors, and President Judson accepted on behalf of the University. – ed.]

Sunday, December 10

Cool. Thawed very little

Went to school to see that the "menagery" was fed. Then walked to Deerfield to hear Rev. Mr Osborne preach. On way back – a mile from home – was picked up by Mr Green in his auto & bro't in

Fine nap this afternoon. Read from Galsworthy's Fraternity.

This evening went down to the Pattees. Left there on 9:35 train

Near Deerfield this A.M. I saw a pair of red headed woodpeckers being heckled by a flock of Eng sparrows.

Church .25; trolley .15; train .20

Monday, December 11

Snow.

More snow – drifting a little.

Various duties. - - Had paper whites bro't out from under Annex & put in plant house. Manure was heaped around animal house.

Miss Jewett & I planned our Christmas play

Board met this evening and I got the bills ready.

Read Carl Ewald's "My Little Boy."

Flock of six Amer crossbills feeding on sunflower heads back of Shaefer's plumbing shop!

Tuesday, December 12

A little more snow.

Great coasting on banks of school ravine.

Mr. Carman called for a time today. He sells bonds.

Science in 7B and 7A.

Met with Dr Ullman's Red Cross class at Annex this evening. Had gone up to bed the guinea pigs with straw.

Met girls after school who are in Christmas play.

Wednesday, December 13

Rather sharp winter weather.

Busy at odds and ends today. Unfinished projects were hurried up a bit to be ready for our visitors of tomorrow – from Cook Co. – The Supt & Principals' Ass'n.

Miss Nora Behrens came back to office after 7:30 this evening to take some Audubon letters.

Carrots .14;

Thursday, December 14

Zero weather

Cold, cold!!

Thirteen of the Cook Co. Supt's & Mr Wright visited our school today – Wilson, Costello, Miller, Rhodes, Hatch, Blood, Moberley (Miss), Harper, Kingsley, Rowell, Nichols, Ames, Merrill. Our pupils behaved well & the visitors seemed to have a good time. In the afternoon we met in the kg. room & talked over some phases of the work. The visitors left on the 2:48.

Went in on the 6:31 with Misses Corey, Cramer, Shaw, Sands, Ames, and König to see Henry VIII (my second time) I sat in the balcony, the girls in the gallery They missed the 11:30 which I caught by a good margin

R.R. .52 + .10; play 1⁰⁰; expenses due to visitors 3.45.**Friday, December 15**

Still quite cold. A little snow – pellicle-like.

Busy promoting Christmas activities. Miss Jewett held forth in the aud. nearly all day.

Spent this evening on audubon material.

Yesterday I received a fine specimen of mistletoe on a branch of a sour-gum tree from Mr. John H. Behrens of Huntingburg, Indiana.

For Dist 107 – Parcels post .22

Percy Gilbert, labor .75.

Saturday, December 16

Moderated a little & a slight fall of snow.

After watering plants at school, took 9:53 for C. To Mueller's to order some oval glass cut – for 8th grade girls. To Miss Ingersoll's to return some slides. To Art Inst for a half hour. Then to the luncheon at Union League Club in honor of Capt Amundsen (Geog Soc. Directors, et. al.) Other guests – Prof. Chamberlain and Judge & Mrs Kenesaw Landis. Fine time. Talks by Chamberlain & Amundsen (Caldwell, Cox, Goode, Grant, Mrs Bohn, Miss Baber, Mrs Cox, Roper, Schantz, West, Blatchford, Haas, Rollin C., et. al.)

Schantz & I went over to McClurgs & conferred a while. I then bo't some books for presents, tried to shop at Fields, got pkg at Mueller's – home on 5:50.
R.R. .52 + .20; barber .15; books 3.90; bananas .25; ear muffs .25; luncheon 2.50; celery etc .35

Sunday, December 17

A fine cold wintry day.

Did not go to church. Slept before noon. Then took 12:35 for Chicago. Spent afternoon at Art Inst. Special exhibitions; memorial collection of works of J.W. Alexander; exhibits of Irvine, Redfield, Sterne, et. al.

Felt achy & grippy all the time. Left on 4:00 for home. (While on State St. noted down additional stores displaying aigrettes for sale).

Found Leonard here. He stayed for early supper.

Finished reading Galsworthy's Fraternity. Read several pages from Chamberlains' "The Origin of the Earth."

Train .52 + .10; catalogues .50

Monday, December 18

Clear, cold. Below zero, 3 or so.

Christmas music, etc., occupied much of my time today.

Spent some time at school this evening. Roy T[iru?]m & Fred Botker set up some of the stage scenery.

Tuesday, December 19

Not quite so cold. A little fall of snow.

"Under the weather" today. Felt "grippy". Finally saw Dr Bergen & got a prescription. Went home at 3:00 & to bed. Felt better this evening.

Did some Audubon work.

Wednesday, December 20

As yesterday. A little more snow.

Felt better nearly all day but the grippy feeling came on again towards evening.

A busy day.

Spent evening at home, trying to recuperate.

Thursday, December 21

Moderated a little but sharp again this evening. Felt better today.

Three parents with complaints this A.M. The engineer had a grievance. Children anxious for their parts in the play, etc. As usual at this time of the year, I regret that I have undertaken the play.

Mr Wright came to our house this evening after the exercises in his Ravinia school with some of the slides I wish to use tomorrow morning.

Stamps .50;

Friday, December 22

Below zero again this A.M. Moderated a little.

Had our Christmas carols this A.M. with lantern slide pictures. Beautiful music.

The play this afternoon. I felt beforehand as if it were just pitched together, but it went off bravely and to the great delight of the small children.

King – Tom Wyles: Queen - - Gladys Pearl; Harold – Edward Genest; L. of M – Jas Bolan;

Clowns – John Winters and Crawford Merritt; Lady Rosemary - - Florence McGath;

Mr Oberg's services ended today. He wants to take up a "steady job" with the Central Lyceum Bureau.

The teachers for the most part scattered for their vacation.

Saturday, December 23

A little milder.

Various errands after breakfast. Watered plants at school, etc. Sent off a box to B.H. by express.

Early lunch & took 11:44 for Chic. Had large doll for Ruth & I took this down to express it at the Pere Marquette station. Then went over to the Aud. to try to get a seat to hear Galli-Curci & Muratore in Romeo & J, but house sold out. Then to Illinois theatre where I got a good seat and heard a great program.

Met Mr. & Mrs Douglas coming away & they upbraided me for not coming to see them. Met also Mrs Carman & Jane Woodley. Home on 5:50. Visited with Everett on way out.

Began Butler's The Way of All Flesh this evening

R.R. .52 + .20; groceries .45; show 2.00; express .70; book 1.35

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the playbill announcing Sir Herbert Beerbohm Tree and his London Company in the following plays from his repertoire: "Richard II" Act IV, "As You Like It" Act III, Scene 2, and "Trilby" by Paul M. Potter. – ed.]

Sunday, December 24

More snow. A white Christmas for sure!

To church this A.M, the folks not venturing forth.

Long nap (much needed) this afternoon. Then went over to church to take part in the rehearsal of songs. From there we marched to the railroad station & with four "brasses" at the head of the procession marched to the "municipal" Christmas tree & sang four songs. The mayor (Hastings) made a speech & the big crowd dispersed.

Reading Butler's The Way of All Flesh.

Monday, December 25

Christmas Day

Wakened in the night by young people of the Evangelical Church singing – "Joy to the World," "Holy Night," etc. It was a beautiful winter night. Today has been mild but not thawy.

We spent the day quietly at home. I read and slept. Worked at plant house an hour or so this A.M.

Read through Butler's The Way of All Flesh.

Overhauled some of my old note books this evening.

Posted additional clippings in my war scrap book, No 2.

Tuesday, December 26

Rain! Rain!

Wind came up in the night and bro't on rain. Drizzled or rained all day. Slippery walks!

Worked at school for two hours or so this A.M. Wrote some Audubon material. Read some from Dewey. Read up on school legislation.
Barber .50;

Wednesday, December 27

Icy – very – when I left this A.M. Country clear (and sidewalks) at Springfield. Rather mild this day and next. Visited with Douglas, Nida, Butler, & various others on C & A which left Chic. at 10:15. Reaching Springfield, went into business session of Illinois Supt's Ass'n, then to banquet of the Assn

Sen. Burton made the principal evening address – not very well done.

Had a room at the St. Nich.

Talked a few minutes with Gomer Jones who got on the train at Bloomington & got off at McLean. He is back from Alberta.

R.R. .26 + 3.75. Lunch .95; Fee .50. Dinner 1.00.

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the Illinois State Teachers' Association meeting. – ed.]

Thursday, December 28

Busy day. Live morning session. Served on the nominating committee which met after the evening session.

Bagley's address at the evening session brilliant.

Met with the legislation committee for a few minutes this evening.

Some of us left during the afternoon session and visited the Lincoln tomb: Hatch, Jones, E.C.

Fisher, Douglas, Nida, & I.

Barber .35; meals .95; trolley .10.

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the Association meeting. The morning sessions were reports of the Treasurer, Secretary, Committee on Appropriations, Committee on Form of Organization, Committee on Text-books, Committee on Legislation, and Committee on Resolutions. The evening address was by Dr. W.C. Bagley, Director of School of Education, University of Illinois, Urbana. He spoke on The Tenure of Office Bill. –ed.]

Friday, December 29

Attended morning session until 10:00. Then took 11:00 interurban for Decatur. Dinner with Clarence, Ella, & Jr.

Clarence was studying his new "line" of underwear he is to represent after Jan 1.

We took a walk & visited with Handlin & Crate Webb, Mr. Augustine, et. al.

Stayed in most of the evening.

Trolley .75; hotel 2.00; meal .30; barber .35.

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the Association meeting. The morning session consisted of reports of the Auditing and Nominating Committees and an address on "Improvements in Methods of Teaching" by Dr. W.W. Charters, University of Mo. – ed.]

Saturday, December 30

Cold – not far from zero.

Jr. & I had a walk out to the Fairview Park this A.M.

I left D. on 12:09 for Chic., getting in at 5:00 P.M. Home on the 5:50-6:34.

Found icy streets.

R.R. 3.64 + .26 + .05; meal. 20 + .15 + .05; barber .20; misc. .05 + .05 + .10;

Sunday, December 31

The last of another year

A beautiful wintry day. Moderated somewhat and after nightfall a slight flurry of snow.

Felt rather "punk" – a sore gland in my neck, etc. Went out only to see how things are at school. -
- - The soleil d'Or in full bloom in the plant house. - - - Two more guinea pigs had arrived - - -

Moped about the house all day. Pasted clippings in my war scrap book and the Lincoln – W. book.
Read Atlantic Mo. articles - - - Late this evening followed my annual custom of reading Tennyson's "Ring
out, wild bells, to the wild sky", etc.

