

Jesse Lowe Smith

Diary

1920



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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.

Thursday, January 1

4° below zero this A.M. and steady cold all day.

Only out of the house to go up with Clarence D. for the mail & to the school house to see that all was well – including the guinea pigs.

Read several addresses on Lowell from the commemoration Volume. Also read from Biglow Papers. Read on in “The Educ. of Henry Adams

Mounted considerable material in my scrap book.

Friday, January 2

Another biting cold day. Way below zero at dawn.

Took 9:19 for Chic. Met Mr C.S. Winslow at City Club at 11:15 and had long conference on affairs of Geog. Soc. After lunch I met Mr Metzler at his office for conference on school revenues. At two I met Miss Mitchell at The Art Institute and spent an hour with her talking over conservation matters, etc. Then I went to Schantz’ office for a conf. with him and Langdon over Audubon affairs

Home on 5:10

More scrap book work this evening.

R.R. .60 + .12; lunch .55; typewriter ribbon .60; calendar pad .35;

Saturday, January 3

Moderated somewhat but still severely cold

To Waukegan this A.M. to deliver to Co. Clerk L.A. Hendee the revised “levy” issued by the school board. Came right back, then took 11:30 for Chic. To University Club to lunch & serve on the com. on permanent sec. for Geog Soc. – Salisbury, Cox, Pearsons, & I. Agreed to recommend a protégé of S’s.

Then shopped at Fair, etc. McClurg’s. To Art Institute to look up data about Andrea della Robbia and the bambini. Stayed down & went to concert of Thomas Orchestra. Sat with the Collins’ after intermission.

Charge Dist 107 - .50 for Wauk trip.

R.R. .60 + .24; supper .85; concert 2⁰⁰; prunes .43; apricots .59

[Pasted to this page is a newspaper clipping of the Theodore Thomas Memorial concert. – ed.]

Sunday, January 4

Moderated a little more.

Clarence D. came this A.M. & he and Edith went home this afternoon

To church.

Loafed all afternoon & evening. Read Bacheller’s A Man for the Ages.

Monday, January 5

Still cold - 3° below at dawn, but moderated perceptibly.

School began again. Miss Jewett unable to come because of business rush and other troubles

Miss Edith Smith visited us a little while this A.M.

Miss Johnson started the plan of serving soup to the children at noon today.

Conf. with upper grade teachers over promotion of 8A’s this evening.

Conferred with Mr. Greenslade this evening over putting in commission the bus for the Port Clinton children.

Barber 25;

Tuesday, January 6

Much milder. Snowed at intervals.

Miss Johnson's essay in soup kitchen work at the Annex yesterday went off well and was embarrassingly successful today. So I sent her down to the city to buy equipment to tide over in the rush

Pd a lot of house bills today.

Dist 107 /

Miss Johnson's carfare .60

Candy .10;

Wednesday, January 7

Three or four inches of damp snow. Mild. Snow men and snow balls easy to make.

Took all bulbs out of pits. Most of pots frozen. Stored in dark under Annex.

Miss Humphrey's dancing classes began again.

Mrs Moseley reported flock of Bohemian waxwings today.

The little Cullen boy died yesterday of "sleeping sickness."!

Barber .25;

Thursday, January 8

A little cooler.

Very busy day. Science in 8B & 7B. - Stayed at noon to help in the "soup kitchen."

2:28 for Chic. To Atlas Film Co to engage films. To meeting of Board of Directors of Geog Soc. at Cox's office Came home on the 6:02 with Prof. Grant.

To H-S. this evening to P.T.A. meeting

R R. .60 + .06; ice cream .15;

Friday, January 9

Fine wintry day. Grew colder towards evening.

The soup kitchen still takes considerable attention.

Movies today also took much time and effort. Big house \$25⁶⁰

To Fullerton Hall this evening to hear lecture of Prof. Wm E. Ritter of La Jolla, Calif., on the problems of the Pacific. I had proposed his coming and conducted the correspondence. - - Looked in on the exhibit of the Wild Flower Preservation Society in the east gallery afterwards.

R R .60 + .06; apple .15;

Saturday, January 10

Mild winter day.

To Chi on 8:49. To Trib. Bld'g to get extra copies of yesterday's edition.

To City Club where The Round Table & the Cook Co. Supts' Ass'n held a joint session. First a business meeting where we aired our views of the situation at the DeKalb Normal & of Gov. Lowden's attitude towards the state educational institutions. - - Then Dr Wm B. Owen talked for an hour or more on points relating to the Problem-Project method. After luncheon we talked informally about various matters and Mr Orville T. Bright gave a short and friendly talk. Adjourned at 2:00 and then I called together a committee of officers of Lake Shore Division. We discussed plans & adopted methods of procedure looking forward to the April meeting.

Home on 5:10.

R.R. .60 + .12; lunch .85; apples .95; groceries 1.88; barber .25;

Sunday, January 11

Fine wintry day. Cooler.

Loafed at home. Read one of William James' essays.

Walked out to the Jewett farm & spent a half hour with Miss Josephine. Got back after dark.

Wrote several letters

Good sleighing – but few sleighs & horses.

Monday, January 12

Another fine day, though windy.

A busy one. Two full science periods, a history period. Ate lunch at school. Mrs Millard stayed to watch the soup gang in action.

Board meeting this evening until late hour. Adjourned to meet as soon as the assessed valuation of Dist 107 can be announced.

Tuesday, January 13

Colder but not severe.

Conferred with Miss Jewett over the phone about music work – also with Mr Kingsley about 8th grade program - - Miss Quealey, representing Columbian Grafonolo, called.

Science in 7B.

Teachers' meeting – Discussed chapters in Monroe's

At my school desk this evening.

Wednesday, January 14

Sharp. Damp wind. Began to snow late in evening

Spent some time over Treasurer Wm Dooley's books copying Dist 107's balances at the end of each month, running back two years.

Phoned Prof. Dennis of N.W. offering him position of lecturer at 8th grade exercises. He declined as did Professors Hardy and Terry.

Left on 4:58. Dinner with Miss Catherine Mitchell at a cafeteria, & then we went to Illinois Aud. Soc. Directors' meeting at City Club. Prolonged meeting. Riis of Rockford there. Langdon, Sec, resigned to go to Colo. – Legacy of \$1500 turned over to Soc –
R.R. .60 + .06; supper .68; barber .25

Thursday, January 15

Snowed a little in the night. Snowed vigorously this evening & drifted.

To city on 2:28 and to meeting of Conserv. Com. of Geog Soc. held at Atlantic Hotel. Mrs Bohn, Mrs Wayland Arnold, Miss Mitchell, Miss La Follette, & Prof Rollin Chamberlain.

Dined at City Club. Home on 8:37 P.M. To school to get my camera. Then called on Mr Metzel to talk school finance.

Took 8A's picture today.

R.R. .60 + .12; supper 1⁰⁰;

Friday, January 16

More snow in the night set the snow plows at work. Short periods of snow fall during day. Colder

To city on 11:44 to com. meeting at La Salle Hotel – Pearsons, Cox, West, Hamlin, Patten & Mrs. Bohn. "Ways & Means & Finance."

Caught 2:50 back. Bro't two boxes of Audub. lantern slides to overhaul.
Movies at 3:45 – four reels. Fine. \$18⁵²
R.R. .60 + .06; tip .25; bread .10

Saturday, January 17

A cold day.

Worked at school all day over Audubon material. Miss Nora kept on the jump. Wrote a number of letters asking for material for the Winter Bulletin. Quit at 9:00 this evening.
Bakery .38; barber .25;

Sunday, January 18

I estimate it at 5° below this A.M. Moderated some this afternoon and was snowing heavily at 10:30 P.M.

To church. The cause of the Presb. Home for the aged was presented and Miss Anna MacDonald, one of the inmates, spoke. Two others sang a duet, one being blind.

Ate dinner at the Geers. Then home & a nap. Then down to Mr. Barackman's [1318 Wade – ed.] at Ravinia to "tea." Mr. & Mrs Keller, Mr & Mrs. Sellery, Miss Ethel Goddard, & Mr & Mrs Lowell (of Wilmette.) Fine time. Mr. L. a civil engineer of wide experience. The Kellers bro't us home.

Monday, January 19

Considerable snow in sight – in drifts. Gray. Cold.

After a conference with Miss Jewett over the phone this afternoon I went down to see Prof. McConathy at the school of music, N.W.U., and there met Miss Mildred Lund and engaged her to coach our 8th graders the remainder of this week. Then I went on into the city to McIntosh's to get some lantern slides with words.

At my office desk this evening.

Box of apples - 4⁵⁰

Charge Dist 107 – car fare

.48 + .30

Pd 20¢ for drugs

Tuesday, January 20

Fine, cold, wintry day.

Commencement programs printed & some mailed Eighth graders got ready for their party this evening which was a great success. - - - Miss Lund of Ev. came up before the party began and drilled the pupils in music.

The influenza is rapidly increasing and this evening Mr. Simpson phoned me that the health officials wished him to postpone his teachers' institute scheduled for Thursday-Sat. of this week

Bread .10;

Wednesday, January 21

Another. Beautiful flurries of snow at times. Great sleighing – if sleighs and horses were available

Miss Lund spent the afternoon drilling the 8th grade chorus. - - Gave copy to printer about Elm Place doings - - - Watered pots of bulbs stored under Annex. Bro't up two sprouting cabbages and potted them. - - At desk this evening. - - Influenza spreading though not many pupils yet affected.

Barber .25;

Thursday, January 22

A beautiful day. Thawed some.

Went down to Kenilworth to talk about the Skokie before the Woman's Club at 2:30. Talked 25 minutes & got back in time for the movies.

At 7:00 this evening Miss Lund met the 8th graders for a successful musical rehearsal. Trolley .40;

Friday, January 23

A northeaster set in this A. M & piled drifts all day and into the night

Had our 8th day exercises today. At 10:00 A.M. the class entertained all the rest of the pupils, recited poems, read class prophecies, etc

This evening a small audience (the storm kept many at home) gathered to hear the music and Dr Cowles' address on the shores of L. Michigan. I ran the lantern for his very interesting talk.

Music went off nicely in spite of Miss Jewett's absence. Audience was much pleased with the program.

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the commencement program. The address was given by Dr. Henry C. Cowles. The graduates were:

President – Robert D. Kline

Homer A. Sleeman

Edmund W. Gifford

Edwin G. Ernst

Mary C. Wyles

Robert D. Kline

Thomas B. Mann

John R. Norcross

Florence J. Boyd

Richard R. Parkin

Irene L. Magnusson

Barbara M. Tapper

Florence P. Clow

Margaret W. Forgan

Katherine E. Carqueville

Miriam M. Metzler

Ernest E. Ringberg

Frank H. Jones

George R. A. Bock

Marion L. Leffert

Norma M.A. Engberg

Roy U. Fidler

Edith D. Barber

William H. Denzel

Margaret L. Siljstrom

Mabel Holland

Chester J. Lundgren

Frances Pauline Tillman

Wilhelmina E. Bell

Ruth A. L. Pearson

Allen A. Bench

E. Virginia Truelsen

The instructors were:

Miss Ellen M. Guiney, Assistant Principal

Miss Lena M. Nixon, Mathematics

Miss Etta Grunewald, History

Miss Annis C. Jewett, Music

Mr. Jesse L. Smith, Superintendent of Schools

The Board of Education was:

Emil B. Metzler, President

Fred Greenslade, Secretary

George R. Jones

William D. Mann

Edna G. Greene

Solomon A. St. Peter

Elizabeth B. Millard –ed.]

Saturday, January 24

Heavy drift to cut thru this A.M. I dug out my old neighbor's back walks else he could not have reached his beleaguered chickens. - - Dug under my ash pile and got out five pots of hyacinths – apparently in good condition.

Worked at school of and on all day. This evening went down to the Community House at Ravinia to the midwinter meeting of the Friends of O.N.L. Fine time. Jensen & Wife & one daughter, Ed Wheeler – Mr & Mrs Bley, Pierce, Welsh, Mrs Jaques, Misses Caroline & Mabel McIlwain, Mrs Dr Park, Rosenfels, - - Ravinia represented by Mr & Mrs Schoeninger, Mrs Sellery, Church, Crandon, Keller.
Trolley .05; barber .25; bakery .38;

[Pasted to this page is a postcard announcement of the meeting. It is transcribed as follows:

THE FRIENDS OF OUR NATIVE LANDSCAPE

Our Mid-Winter meeting will take place in the evening of January 24th, in the Community House at Ravinia, Illinois.

Train leaves the Chicago & North Western Railway Station at 4:35 P.M., stopping at Clybourn Junction. Next train at 5:19 P.M. Those who desire commutation rate should take the 4:35 train, and purchase ticket on train. Purchase your own ticket for later train.

Bring box lunch, baked beans, and coffee will be furnished. Expense, including railroad fare, about \$1.00.

THE COMMITTEE.

Trains returning at 9:03 P.M. and 10:59 P.M.

Reply to Edison L. Wheeler, Sec'y, 215 W. Huron St., Chicago, Ill. – ed.]

Sunday, January 25

Below zero again this A.M. A fine, sunny day

Loafed at home this A.M. Late this afternoon took trolley to Green Bay station at Glencoe and walked over to Schermerville to talk to the Truelson's about letting Virginia come to Mrs Geer's house as a sort of maid and go to the high-school. They were in a tiny house with a ground basement. – Father & mother, V. & Aloma, & the daughter with the illegitimate child. Got V. to promise to come to see me tomorrow and talk it over.

Read Inman's Intervention in Mexico. Have been re-reading "It never can happen again."

Saw a flock of tree sparrows

Trolley .17;

Monday, January 26

Milder. S.W. breeze blowing. The field of ice along shore in which more than one steamer has been marooned off Chicago has moved off eastward.

Saw a small flock of geese Saturday afternoon

In the heavy snowstorm Friday a flock of 15 or so B. waxwings alighted in trees of our neighbor across the way. They sampled the shrivelled snowberries.

Miss Jewett still unable to come.

Conferences with teachers over promotions

Went to high-school this A.M. to see how our new class was registering.

At office desk this evening.

Tuesday, January 27

Milder.

Went to Glencoe to get a report from Mr. Rowell as to taxation methods in New Trier Tp.

Continued working on promotion lists this afternoon

Trolley .20 (Dist 107)

Barber .25;

Wednesday, January 28

Another fine day. Thawed a little. Coasting in our ravine is one long-drawn out delight these days.

Underwood & U. sent me some Roosevelt prints to select from for the R. memorial and we had an impromptu exhibit this afternoon.

Worked on a map of Dist 107 this evening.

Candy .10;

Thursday, January 29

Mild. Thawing.

P.T.A. this afternoon. I talked about the financial resources of Dist 107 & displayed a map of the District. Mrs Greene talked of the problem of school revenue from the standpoint of the Board.

Had a conference with Mr. Duffy, assessor, this A.M. over manner of fixing of real estate and of personal property.

At desk at school this evening.

Friday, January 30

Thawing a little again today.

Honorable mentions at 10:00 A.M. A number of patrons present.

Various duties concerned with re-distribution of pupils next week. - - Pupils not being promoted received attention.

Movies as usual.

Bread .10;

Saturday, January 31

Colder. Biting wind

At school both morning and afternoon. Got a start on an article for the Audubon Bulletin

Had dinner with Geo. Moseley and his wife this evening. A fine time listening to the story of his experiences as an aviator in France and Belgium.

Bread, etc. .38; barber .25.

Sunday, February 1

Sharp and clear this A M but moderating. A balmy feeling in the air as the day wore on.

Took a tramp out into the Skokie and waded a mile or so in deep snow. There was a sense of Spring in the air.

Loafed at home this A.M. Read some from Seneca. Wrote some Audubon material, etc.

Monday, February 2

Thawing decidedly all day. Foggy at evening

Transfer of pupils from one grade to another today.

Miss Giffen ill. Miss Jewett still absent.

Considerable parleying with pupils who did not "pass" and with their parents.
Teachers' meeting with grades 1 – 3 after school.
At my office desk until ten

Tuesday, February 3

Freezing most of day. Slippery.

Misses Flemming and Rogers of music dept of Ginn & Co visited me for an hour today.

Teachers' meeting with 6 – 8th graders this afternoon.

Miss Giffen at work again.

Studied problem of seating in upper grades.

Bread .20;

Wednesday, February 4

Still slippery. Thawing a very little.

Spent most of the day annotating each card to show the block in which the pupil lives.

Miss Smith away to attend a funeral. Miss Nora subbed for her nearly all day.

This evening at my desk. Mr Schreurs called and visited an hour and a half.

Thursday, February 5

Thawed greatly today

Had children bring up from storage room more potted bulbs today.

Planned Lincoln program with the teachers who met me in groups.

To Wauk at 6:40 this evening. Spent an hour with Henry Kern, game warden, getting data about Fox Lake Preserve, etc. Back at 9:15 and to Community Center where reception was being held.

Trolley .49; meat .20; bread .10

Friday, February 6

Thawed a little today. Pools on sidewalks.

Busy.

Movies – 5 reels, to a \$17.20 house, largest yet. Reason? Mutt & Jeff.

Miss Nora & I worked over Audubon material this evening.

Saturday, February 7

Thawed more.

To city on 9:53. To Schantz' office where I met Mr Moyer of Elgin and talked over Audubon affairs with him. To office of State Game & Fish Warden & had fine interview with Inspector St. Clair. To Univ. Club to lunch with Salisbury, Cox, Pearson, & West. Prof. Bratton of Columbia, Mo. our guest to be considered for sec-ship of Geog Soc. - - - Not especially impressed with his fitness for the position - - Back to Schantz office for conf. on various Aud. matters. To Fields to shop Home on 5:10. Visited with Booth on way out.

At desk this evening

R R .60 + ; drugstore 1.⁶⁴;

Sunday, February 8

Still thawed a little. Gray.

To school this A M. to feed guinea pigs – There are 4 born a week ago – Then to Everett Millard to confer about plan for increasing school revenues. Then to church.

Rested all afternoon. Looked over some Audubon lantern slides this evening.
Read from Boynton's London in Eng. Lit.
Church .10;

Monday, February 9

Icy everywhere at first. Extremely slippery. A slight rain had frozen as it fell. Thawed readily & by noon walking was safer.
Worked all day on school projects.
Board meeting this evening. Planned to call a meeting to organize a campaign for finances
Bread .10;

Tuesday, February 10

Thawed a little, but cleared & grew colder.
Miss Erhart of Bellingham, Washington, visited us this day upon recommendation of Mr Harry Gillette, and I gave her some little time.
A representative of Hinds, Noble & Eldredge visited me as did one of the Universal Film Co.
This evening I traced on heavy manila a huge map of Illinois to use tomorrow evening in a talk before Boy Scouts at Winnetka.
It seems that Geo Bock and Mr. Haak each saw a robin last Sunday A.M. on this street and near their respective homes.

Wednesday, February 11

Mild. Snowed late afternoon & evening.
Lincoln's birthday celebrations The 6A's displayed the lantern slides to grades 1 – 4 this A.M.; the 8A's to grades 5 – 8 this afternoon
I showed some slides to kg. children.
This evening I talked at the Community House at Winnetka about the Skokie. Showed two large maps which I outlined as I talked.
Trolley .28;

Thursday, February 12

Lincoln's Birthday. No school. Cooler. Sunny much of day.
Miss Nora and I worked at Audubon material all day.
I went to Wade McNutt's for dinner & spent the evening there
Barber .25.

Friday, February 13

Snowed another inch or so. A little colder.
Taught 8B science. Miss Guiney absent – at Charleston to see her mother.
The Misses Russel visited us this afternoon. – Miss Sanford of Evanston, this morning.
Movies as usual.
To Chic on 5:50. To Breevort to dinner of Cook Co. Supts & Board Members Good time.
Speeches by Mr Blair & Co Supt Tobin.
Met Dr. Earl of Des Plaines & Mr. Jorgeson of Park Ridge there. Came as far as Wilmette in car with Mr. Harper & two of his board members
R.R. .30 + .15; dinner 2²⁵
Bread .10.

Saturday, February 14

Great drop in temp. About 8 above at daybreak and probably below zero at evening.

At school bldg most of day. At dentist's – Dr Hamilton – from 9:00 to 10:00. Went down to Jensen's Ravinia office at 11:00 for an hour and had a conf. with him

Mr. Drake called at my office this afternoon to talk boy scout affairs

Wrote letters. Planned two editorials for Audubon Bulletin

Barber .25; meat .25; bread .50;

Sunday, February 15

Bitter cold wind. 8° or 10° below zero.

Went to school this A.M to see that all was well. The guinea pigs seemed well, including the four young ones.

Slept heavily this afternoon.

Two young men representing Mr Barnes came here to get some lantern slides of the Aud Soc.

I worked over some of the material for the Bulletin.

Read several chapters from Boynton's London in Literature.

Monday, February 16

Very cold this A.M. Moderated after nightfall.

Had great trouble in heating the b'ld'g.

Science in 7B.

Miss Nora and I posted month's bills and mailed out the warrants.

Sent several pages of the Bulletin to the printer, Mr. Pattee. Got in additional copy from Mrs Moseley and Prof. Ekblaw.

This evening went to a reception at the H.P. Club given by the American Legion. Flag presented to the Post by city, presentation speech by corporation counsel Holmes. Capt Morgan told stories of the Civil War. Rev Mr. Fitt gave an eloquent address.

[Otho H. Morgan, resident of Highland Park since 1873 and mayor from 1879 to 1880, served for three years in the Civil War with the Seventh Battery, Indiana Light Artillery. His battery took part in many of the major battles in the west, including Shiloh, Stone's River, Chickamauga, Chattanooga, and the Atlanta campaign. – ed.]

Tuesday, February 17

Much milder. Almost thawing

Teachers' meeting this afternoon

This evening special meeting of subcommittee of Board. Mrs Millard, Messrs Metzler, Greenslade & Jones. Planned a letter setting forth needs of Elm Place; a committee to raise funds; etc

Wednesday, February 18

Much as yesterday, but some colder

Mrs Mary Martindale Noyes visited us an hour or so this afternoon and was very much pleased to be with us. - - Agent for D C Heath came - - Mr. Fitt came & he and I went to Julia Morgan's 7th birthday party in 2B (Miss Pritchard) Individual cakes with a candle, ice cream, and box of candy for each

Worked at school on Audubon material this evening

Bread .10; watch repair .50

Thursday, February 19

Sunny. Thawed nicely.

Had a special teachers' meeting at 1:00 today to explain the financial situation to the teachers and urge the importance of discreet utterances.

2:28 for Chic To Boy Scout Headquarters for manuals, etc. To Cox's office for Directors' meeting of Geog. Soc. Lively time.

Home at 7:47. Felt rather "bum" & so did no work

R.R. .60.

Friday, February 20

A beautiful day. Thawed more.

Science in 8B & 7A. Movies.

Got through a lot of office work.

Miss Nora & I met this evening and went over plans for making several copies of a campaign directory of Dist 107.

Bread .05;

Saturday, February 21

A beautiful, sunny day. Thawed rapidly

At Dr. Hamilton's office at 8:15. Repaired the filling in a lower left molar.

Worked at school the remainder of the day, including the evening. Mostly Audubon stuff. Miss Nora there during the day, working on a H.P. directory for Dist 107.

Mr. T.E. Musselman of Quincy called me over phone from Chic this evening. Had tried to meet me during past two days. Went home this evening.

Red seals .15; drugs .15; Bread .20; barber .25;

Sunday, February 22

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Monday, February 23

Snow flurries again today.

Morning assembly short. Then met 6 – 8th for illustrated talk on Mt Vernon, Williamsburg & Yorktown.

Gave Kg's 15 minute illustrated talk

Grades 3 – 8 assembled at 2:00 for general program by the pupils. This I followed up by some slides illustrating the career of Washington

This evening I worked until midnight on Audubon material.

Tuesday, February 24

Snow flurries today. Cooler at evening.

Mr Metzler & I had conference over matters of finance and then Mrs Greene came & she and I canvassed lists of names for an hour or more. - - Directed the addressing of 400 cards for the P.T.A. - - Teachers' meeting to discuss book lists

Upper grades had candy & popcorn sale at noon. Sold all their wares in 40 minutes – over \$31⁰⁰!!

Worked with Audubon material at office this evening. Miss Nora there.

Bread .20

Wednesday, February 25

Sharp but bracing weather. Penetrating cold though not severe.

Miss Nora and I worked much of the day with the tax list which came in from Co. Clerk Hendee's office yesterday. Miss Sands helped me on it this evening.

Caucus about reading material in grades 1 – 3 & 4 this afternoon

Some young folks rehearsed for a minstrel show this evening at the auditorium

Yesterday shipped one set of slides to Supt W.S. Sullivan at Illiopolis. Today sent in another set to Mr. Schantz.

Barber .25;

Thursday, February 26

Zero weather, about, this A.M. Brisk cold all day.

Chock full day as yesterday. Carried tax list work on nearer completion. Caucused with Mrs Millard about it Mr Metzel, ditto.

P.T.A. this afternoon. A Mrs Seavey, recently returned from the Continent told of her observations, e.g. the terrible starvation in Austria. A very disquieting story as to the Germans, and the French, too.

Worked this evening. Miss Nora and Miss Lula helped
Bread .10;

Friday, February 27

Moderated a little

Today the 5A's planted 51 flats of John Baer tomato seed; 5B's 14 flats of beets (Crosby's Egyptian; 6A's – 13 of Prizetaker onions; & 6B's – 11 of Early Jersey Wakefield cabbage.

Mrs Millard, Mrs Bournique at different times conferred with me over committee dinner for Thurs. Eve – Mar. 4.

Movies –

This evening Mr Metzel, Mr. Jones, & I spent going over tax lists, planning campaign, etc
Bread .10; peanuts .10;

Saturday, February 28

Sunny very early but squally later, snow flurries.

City on 9:53. To office of Inspector St Clair of State Game & Fish Commission; to Prof. Cox's office; to Schantz He & I then went to a luncheon at Union League Club as guest of Mrs Bohn, Mrs Worth & Dr. Goode also there. Discussed Geographic affairs. - - To Devoe & Reynolds; Mueller Bros; Fields; McClurg's. Home on 5:10.

Dist 107 – Typewriter ribbon 1⁰⁰

Mounting board 1⁶⁵

R.R. .60; notebook .25; groceries .75 + .50 + .45 + .30 + .20; barber 1.00;

Sunday, February 29

Sunny. Thawing.

Did not go to church. Did a lot of Audubon work Read from Amundsen & Steffanson

The chickadees had a great feast from the little shelf I set up on the oak tree trunk near the suet chunk. I supplied it liberally with crushed peanuts & walnuts. A pair of hairys & one downy come to the

suet regularly but paid little attention to the nuts The chickadees attacked the suet once in a while only, but literally danced attendance upon the nuts

Monday, March 1

Fine, sunny day, thawing then freezing again at nightfall.

Miss Heffron away and I taught some of her classes and tried to keep up the pace in the office. Miss Nora is home for the week to recuperate nervous force

Miss Zoe Hartman called to collect material for a magazine article on school room decoration, etc. I gave her the noon hour and some more. Miss Fargo called to talk over kindergarten affairs with me. - - I worked at my desk until 10:35 this evening.

Tuesday, March 2

Another fine day.

A very busy one. Miss Rena Babcock of Evanston came up to act as Secretary for a few days.

Mr Metzel & I read proof on the letter addressed to the people concerning Elm Place finances, and the Udells printed it. This evening some of the teachers folded the circulars for mailing
Bread .20;

Wednesday, March 3

Became overcast. After nightfall rain set in

Got off the orders for supplementary reading for various grades we have for some time been evolving.

Miss Babcock and the teachers addressed about 750 envelopes, made out cards for canvassers, etc.

Mr. Metzel and I worked over the data this evening.

Thursday, March 4

Rained heavily all night and more or less until 9:00 A M. Then after a lull of an hour or so it began to snow. Storm took on a blizzard aspect until after nightfall. Then cleared & a most beautiful moon-lit sky.

Movies.

A very full day getting data together for tonight's dinner & conf. on the school situation (finances) Over fifty sat down to dinner in Kg. room. Speeches by Mr Metzel & others A good time.
Barber .25;

Friday, March 5

Cold. Clear. Sun shone out warm. Thawed some.

About 400 teachers came today. Fine program.

225 went to H.S, the Y.W.C.A., & other places for lunch. We served soup and coffee to those who brot their own lunch – 50 or more – in the annex.

I announced the L.S. Division meeting & solicited funds for the emergency fund.

This evening worked on notes for discussion of secretaryship of Geog. Soc.

[Pasted to this page is a clipping of the institute program. – ed.]

Saturday, March 6

Almost severe cold. Did not thaw today.

To city on 8:53 after going to the plant house & sprinkling. - 36° at 7:30 there but flats were covered with newspapers.

Visited with Mr Metzel on train & discussed the disappointing turn of affairs in the canvass for school funds

To Co. Supt Tobin's office to meet with Supt W.J. Hamilton of Oak Park and confer over program for Apr. meeting of L.S. Division. To Scout Headquarters for supply of manuals and diaries - - To City Club where I had a sound nap & then looked over my notes for the luncheon. Then to La Salle Hotel where we had Geog. Soc Luncheon. West presided. Pearson spoke of Ways & Means; I of the Secship; Goode of the proposed magazine Approving discussions followed. Fine time Banq 1⁰⁰
R R. .60 ; nuts .30; dry cell .45;

At 10:00 this P.M. fired up heater for plant house.

Sunday, March 7

Still rather severe. No thawing to speak of.

Did not go to church. Loafed and read Stefansson's My Life with the Eskimo.

Went down to the Pattees this evening. Talked over Audubon matters, etc

Trolley .50;

Monday, March 8

Moderated greatly. Thawed. Sunny.

Very busy day ending with a school board extending from 7:00 P.M. nearly to 11:00 P.M. - this being a conference to thrash over differences of opinion as to handling the campaign for finances.

Miss Hartwell came today & I gave her some photographs to reproduce in magazine articles

Miss Nora back, late in afternoon

Tuesday, March 9

Balmy day Above freezing at 10:00 P.M.

Bluebirds apparently seen about Mar 2. Severe weather followed. Then John Sweeney has seen one lately, using a bird box for refuge.

School board of Kaneville spent afternoon with me studying our Annex, etc.

Teachers' meeting.

At school this evening. Young people rehearsed for minstrel show in Aud. this evening.

Barber .25;

Wednesday, March 10

Mild. Thawing deeply. Foggy at first.

Mr Nida and 19 of his River Forest teachers visited us this A.M. Had a pleasant time with them. - - After school some of us walked over Bob-o-link golf grounds to try to flush up a bluebird but to no avail

Went to Aud. meeting at Schantz' office this evening. Home at 10:10. Agreed upon lecture course:

Oberholtzer - Mar. 20.

Finley - - " 27.

Baynes Apr 3.

This day I wired Finley for Mar 30 - three talks - \$150⁰⁰

R.R. .62 + .06; lunch .50;

Thursday, March 11

Mild. Thawing heavily. Overcoat a burden.

Began to rain after nightfall. Steady downpour.

Mr Metzel called and then Mrs W.S. Elliot of Winnetka, the latter to look over our school equipment. She spent the morning with me.

I made some outline maps to use on an easel and this evening talked to the Boy Scouts at the Community House at Winnetka. Talked about the geological history of Winnetka
Trolley .40; barber .25

Friday, March 12

Raining still this morning but this changed to snow & sleet & continued off & on. Grew much colder during day.

Two visitors from Dwight - - Miss Murray & Miss Shaw.

Movies – but two films did not arrive. Express strike in Chic to blame. Two came by parcels post.

Went down to Pattees' this evening to work on form of the bulletin

Upper grades pulled off another candy sale today

Trolley .42; Colliers .05; bananas .25; mazda lamps 2³⁰

Saturday, March 13

Cold this A M. but sun came out & thawed the earth.

Watered flats then took 9:53 for Chic To Mueller's to plan for mounting Roosevelt pictures. Abbot's to try to get lantern slides of grail series colored. Fields to buy a hat & attend luncheon of Cook Co Supt's clubs. Discussed legislative campaign, affairs of L.S. Division, etc. To Devoe's to inquire about mounting board. To Schantz office where Pattee met me & we worked on Audubon Bulletin until nearly 6:00.

Home on 7:10. Found Edith here. – To conference of Board with prominent citizens at school house

R.R. .62 + .18; lunch, etc 1.20;

Sunday, March 14

A beautiful day. Mother and I heard bluebirds calling overhead as we went to church.

Clarence D. came this A M & he and Edith went home at 3:38.

The Behrens girls – Edna & Nora – called this evening. I found a little time to work on the Bulletin.

Monday, March 15

South wind & slight shower in the night. All the early migrants came in. Big flocks of robins were seen. Kill-deers cried overhead. Meadowlarks in place. Blackbirds in the marshes. Bluebirds about.

Miss Dorothy Hall of Evanst. came to sub. in Miss Lula Behrens' place but the latter came in at 9:30. Miss H. remained at my suggestion all day and studied methods

The teachers and I got out over 700 letters for the L.S. Division this afternoon & evening.

Heavy showers this afternoon.

Tuesday, March 16

A cool wind blew with violence all day.

Visited school rooms a great deal.

Travelling photographer came to arrange about "taking" the pupils.

Worked on Audubon Bulletin until nearly twelve this evening.

Wednesday, March 17

Bright day. Wind abated. Warmer.

Fine dead specimen of chewink bro't in today.

Sent package of pictures & mss to Pattee by Elizabeth Greene this A.M. Wrote notes for H.P. Press. Miss Lura Eystone, primary critic, Normal, visited us a while this A.M. Pease, ag't for chemical co., & Morrin for H.M. & Co took no little of my time.

Finished copy for Aud. Bulletin this evening & dropped it into the mail.

Wrote Mr Edw Yoemane inviting him to address the L.S. Division.

Thursday, March 18

Sleeted & blustered in general this afternoon and evening.

Early at school to supervise the loading up of 25 or so seats and a box of pictures to send to a country school near Wadsworth

Visited 11 rooms to talk about birds, using fine specimen of male towhee & a junco as illustration. Miss Cramer saw a flock of towhees yesterday.

This evening got together my lantern slides to go to Benton Harbor. I sent Windsor Gieser in on the 3:49 to get a box of slides from Mr Schantz

Barber 25; messenger 1.12

Friday, March 19

At Benton Harbor

Visited Britain Ave school & School this afternoon Light snowfall all day.

This evening talked with flower and bird slides in Cong. Church – to an aud. of children & adults. As Pres. of P.T.A., Lennie presided. I got along fairly well.

Saturday, March 20

Left B.H. at 10:50 and got into Chic. shortly before 2:00.

Went directly to Centr. Music Hall to lecture before Ill. Aud. Soc. by Oberholzer. Small audience & very inferior lecture.

Heard Elsie Janis and her "boys" tonight. Funny show.

The Benton H. P.T.A. paid 4⁰⁰ on my exp. I am to charge my Board 4⁰⁰.

Lecture 1⁰⁰;

Sunday, March 21

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Monday, March 22

Aurora Borealis

Beautiful spring day

A.B. this evening – still on at 10:30 P.M. Great streamers of white, now and then flush of pink or green

Walk over golf grounds (Bobo) to Stipes Woods, etc. with 9 of the teachers after school. M. larks, bluebirds, killdeer, robins, s. sparrows, redwings

Board meeting. Greenslade, St Peter, Mrs. Greene & Mrs Millard. Agreed to raise teachers' salaries for this year \$300 – all around. Talked over new bld'g project. Mr Metzel absent because in quarantine with Beatrice – who has scarlet fever - -

Tuesday, March 23

Strong wind but very balmy.

Pushed through the mailing of a letter with advertising circulars to members of the Illinois Audubon Soc. This evening Miss Nora & Miss Lula & I worked until 11:00 getting circulars addressed to the members of the Geog Soc – all advertising the Finley lecture.

Mr Hamilton representing Keystone View Co. here this afternoon.

Went for a walk west on W Park Ave with some of the teachers after 5:00 P.M.

Teachers meeting at 4:00, lasting but half hour

Arthur Enders came this evening. Had been at Dental Conference in the city.

Wednesday, March 24

Rain, rain. Warm rain At it now at 11:30 P.M. after doing it much of the day.

Arthur went home today - - I was early at school to get the circulars stamped and into the mails - - Then to Wauk. to request Co. Treas Braisher (Deputy Stevens) to turn over funds to Tp. Treas Dooley so that our bonds due Apr 1 can be met - - Then talked with Co. Clerk Hendee & learned the disquieting news that the raise in valuation was being successfully attacked in court. – As result I have been conferring with Mr. Metzler, Mr. Geer, & the Udells, & with Co Supt Simpson (phone). Wrote article for H.P. Press. Dist 107 – Trolley .48;

Thursday, March 25

Rained heavily all day and until 2:30 P.M. Then again at night.

Met Mr Norcross at 8:30 and spent an hour with him over the tax problems. He then went to Waukegan to look up things at first hand

Met Mr Flinn and spent an hour with him over plans for a new bld'g. - - - We were to have had a P.T.A. meeting but this was postponed. Then I took 2:28 for city. To Flinn's office to leave plans - - Pattee to work over Bulletin dummy - - Movie houses to get two films - - Home at 8:34.

R R .62 – Charge to movie fund

Supper .45; papers .07; movie house .95;

Friday, March 26

Cooler – at length clearing but not much colder.

Miss _____ of Gertrude House visited our Kg and conferred with me about the situation.

Mr (Norton) Shirley of Winston & Co called this A M

Movies this afternoon.

Two science lessons this afternoon and one this A.M

Miss Edna Behrens went home to see her mother last night. Miss Lula & her sister Nora carried both rooms' work this A M. Miss Powers helped this afternoon

Mrs Humphrey's class held a little dance in the Annex this evening.

Albert Moses buried this day.

Barber .25.

[Albert Moses came to Highland Park at the age of six weeks in 1868. His father, Moses Moses, opened the North-Western (it was located at the northwest corner of Central Avenue and First Street) department store on April 17, 1868. Alfred took over the business when his father died in 1911 and was active in business affairs in the community. He also served as an alderman and as Justice of the Peace. His two surviving sons (His son, Stanley, died in 1918.), Sylvan and Melville, carried on the family business after his death. – ed.]

Saturday, March 27

Beautiful day. - - - Left copy of Mr Flinn's drawings of proposed school b'ld'g on Mr Metzel's doorstep & then took 8:09 for Chicago - - To Stearns Bros to deliver final "dummy" of Bulletin to Foreman Thoma. To Pattee's office to report to him. - - To Schoenbrod's on Van Buren - near La Salle - to buy mending tissue. - - To Chic. App. Co. to buy pkg of app. - To Chic. Mat Board Co to buy fawn mounts. - - To Mueller's to leave mounts - - City Club to deposit pkgs - - Central Eleanor Club to confer with Miss Veeder about such organizations - - Red Cross for posters - - Boston Store for hip boots - City Club for lunch with Harry Gillette; Central Music Hall to hear Finley's great motion picture lecture. - - To Atlantic with Finley, et. al. for a few min - To El. Club No 1 - on Miday [Midway - ed.] where Mrs Barth showed me all through. Back to city. Home at 7:47.
R.R .62 + .18 + .40; lunch .65; supper .55; App (Dist 107) 7.50; mt'g board 1⁸⁰ - ditto; lecture 1⁰⁰; barber .75; mending tissue 1³⁰

Sunday, March 28

Tornado - Northern Illinois

A few dashes of rain - high winds - thunder - general bluster. A tornado reported at Wilmette this afternoon

To church. Slept this afternoon Called out by Udell to go to school house to get copy of plans
Then I went to see Mr. Flinn a while

The Clows called this evening.

Monday, March 29

Windy - blustery - ended peaceful - beautiful - cool but not cold

Tornado tragedy yesterday brot 30 dead at Elgin, Melrose Park & other places about Chicago.
Great damage at Wilmette.

Geo. Walker of Kalamazoo College (Gobevelville, Mich) called this A.M. Left here, Apr. 1913. - -
- Spent some time advertising our show today. - - Also trying to fix our stereopticon - - This evening Harry Miller & his wife of Winnetka called. Very interesting people. Working up a set of books of classic reading for children.

Saw a hermit thrush this A.M. - To date redwings, grackles, cowbird, phoebes, chewink, song spr, swamp spr, fox spr, robin, bluebird, kildeer, kinglets,

Tuesday, March 30

One of the loveliest of spring days. Silver maples in full bloom; aspens; hazelnut coming out.

Miss White's 6B's reset the cabbage plants - "an awful lot of flats."

The Finley lectures - 1:15 P.M. to our first four grades & Kg; the Ravinia school and some of Lincoln Ave; 2:30 rest of ours, Lincoln Ave & Ridge School - - - this evening to about 300 people. Mrs Wheelock attended - afternoon & evening; Mr & Mrs Finley & Mrs W. our guests for supper. We liked them very much. - - Lecture a great success.

Phoned Mr Hamilton & Mr Skiles today about L.D. program

Advanced Mr Finley 150⁰⁰ for his services.

Ice cream .90;

Wednesday, March 31

Really a wonderful day - so warm & inviting

Wrote article for the Press this A.M. This afternoon talked on wild flowers before the P.T.A. at Lincoln Ave. Had a fine time

Counted our receipts from Finley lecture and found them to be 262³⁸!

At Press office a while this evening to correct proof, etc

Thursday, April 1

A mild beautiful day with a typical shower or two.

Busy. - - This afternoon Harry Gillette spent with me. Expressed himself delighted with the visit

Worked at bills & correspondence this evening. Much fagged out

Barber .25; ice cream .15;

Friday, April 2

High wind becoming quite cold in the afternoon. Flakes of snow in air at times

6A's reset onion plants today. 6B's reset cabbage plants Mar. 31.

Movies

Good Friday – with reduced attendance

To church this evening. Heard Dr McClure

Saturday, April 3

Raw and cold, for the most part. Moderated slightly after nightfall.

To city on 8:58. To Pattee's to submit final page proof. Chic. Transp Co. to leave some photos to reproduce as slides, etc. Cox' office to serve on nominating committee of Geog. Soc. Lunch at City Club. Bo't Master's Starved Rock at McClurg's. Visited bird box exhib. at Fields. Talked with Mrs Colton & Mrs Arnold.

Home at 4:21. To school house to store a load of green manure in hot bed frames & cover over with sash.

Fagged out. A slight cold showing in huskiness

R R .62 + .18; lunch .65; groceries .98; paper .05; barber .25;

Sunday, April 4

Easter. Snow

Northeaster set in before daybreak & continued practically all day. A wintry looking Easter!

To school to give guinea pigs more hay & straw and see them well-fed. Plant house 41°. Banked the door

To church.

Slept all afternoon.

Church .50;

Monday, April 5

Heavy drifts of snow to dig through! A half foot may have fallen. Clear and sunny & snow began to melt rapidly Temperature not much below freezing at its worst.

Miss Marley at the piano for opening exercises. Played Schumann's Nachtstück & we sang our hymn as its strains recurred

Gave lantern talk on plantation (Mt Vernon) life to 6B's. Science, 7B's.

Cold developing to my dismay.

Board meeting this evening. Planned getting out petitions for new b'ld'g.

Tuesday, April 6

Cooler than yesterday although some thawing occurred. Big piles of snow everywhere.

Much desk work relating to school board plans, etc.

My cold bothered me much this evening.

For overall suit – 5⁰⁰;

Wednesday, April 7

Bright. Sunny. Snow melting rapidly. Walks clear.

Miss Waldo and Miss Sovereign of Rockford spent the day with us, the latter being special teacher of nature study.

I worked with 5th grade children as they reset 60 flats of tomatoes

My cold deserted me for the most part today.

Candy .05;

Thursday, April 8

Fine spring day. Most of the snow now gone.

Much out-of-door work. Helped the 2B's set up bird houses on private grounds across the street. Helped one group of 3A's prepare box for planting. Got more soil hauled indoors. Worked over preparation of hot beds. Taught science in 7B's & 7A's. Miss Clara White's pupils finished resetting tomato plants.

At desk until 10:30 this evening.

Bacon .55 (1 lb); barber .25.

Friday, April 9

Clear but still rather cool. Snow piles linger. Rode my wheel for the first time today.

Set flats of cabbage, beets, & onions in cold frames

Helped 1A's plant Taught science in 7A's & 8B's

Helped 3A's, 4B's & 4A's open their root mound. Potatoes, apples, carrots, onions, & cabbage came through well.

This evening Miss Nora and I wrote letters until nearly ten

Groceries .48; bicyc repairs .75;

Saturday, April 10

Fine day but a chilly wind blowing.

To city on 9:53. Schantz' office to take back some ~~books~~ slides Cox' office to take back some books - - C B & Q office to inquire about N.P.R.R. slides of Yellowstone Park. To Morrison Hotel for luncheon of Cook Co. Supt & Principals. Our guest - Mr Hatch, formerly of Oak Park. Discussion of our approaching Division Meeting at Oak Park. I spoke at some length of need of publicity campaign for raising revenue for schools.

To McClurg's. Home on 4:37. Made small cold frame & planted Simpson's black-seeded lettuce & two kinds of early radishes

R.R .60 + .24; luncheon 1¹⁰; barber .25; pepsodont .88; papers .07; ice cream .15; bread .20; crackers 1³⁷
Sugar 40

Sunday, April 11

Gray After noon a chill N.E. wind.

Raymond Flinn & I had a chat about school affairs this A.M. I did not go to church.

This afternoon I tramped over Sheahen's meadows & into the Skokie, inspected plantings & the bird houses at Exmoor and went on up in Sweeny's woods to the skunk cabbage patch. Not a large percent of the plants had been injured by the snow & cold

Spent some time trying to get close to some jack snipe. Saw many meadowlarks. Also song & fox sparrows, flickers, crows, killdeers, jack snipes, bluebirds, juncos, downy & hairy, phoebe, robin, hermit thrush, kinglet, creeper,
Miss Cramer reported a flock of purple finches

Monday, April 12 Elmhurst

Cold. Strong N.E. wind Snow flurries

Went to Elmhurst this evening to talk about flowers and birds in the school aud. Miss Lydia Vantsmier, Supt. Large proportion of audience were children. Miss McPherson, music instructor, directed a girls' chorus. Mr. Behrens at lantern. I got along all right. Received \$25⁰⁰ from E. Women's Club.

Tuesday, April 13

Milder today. Cold wind moderated towards evening

A Miss Heath of Roanoke, Va, applied for primary position.

Mr Merritt called to recommend a Miss Dootson.

Geog. Field trip with 4B's to Exmoor Ridge.

Myrtle warblers seen Sunday, Apr 11, by Miss Cramer - - also a flock of purple finches

Conf. on arith with some of the teachers this afternoon.

At school desk this evening. Planned L.S.Division affairs

Barber .25;

Wednesday, April 14

Fine day. Warmer.

Busy. Had a crew sort over our big stock of flower pots - - Helped 5th grade pupils make a cold frame for use by (fourth) third graders - - Conducted a field trip with half of Miss Cramer's 5A's - to find birds & swollen buds

Harry Gillette & A.B. Rowell called - former to make overtures for Miss Clara White's services.

We had two reels of lumbering scenes for 6th graders & others

Went down to Evanston to have a caucus with Mr Skiles over the Division Program. Worked until midnight upon its affairs.

Trolley .48;

Thursday, April 15

A showery April day Not cold

Miss Newberry & Miss Pritchard gave an operetta - Little Miss Muffet, Lost & Found - 2nd & 3rd grade pupils - at 11:00 & 2:30. Beautiful pictures.

I spent considerable time at phone - on affairs of L.S.D.

Rowell came up tonight & we worked up some resolutions

Barber .25;

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the program booklet for the meeting of the Lake Shore Division. It is transcribed as follows:

Program

FOR MEETING OF
LAKE SHORE DIVISION

-- OF --
**Illinois State Teachers'
Association**

TO BE HELD AT
Oak Park-River Forest
High School
OAK PARK, ILLINOIS

Friday, April 16, 1920

OFFICERS

President - - - - - Jesse L. Smith
Highland Park, Ill.
Vice-President - - - - Miss Frances B. Wilson
Cicero, Ill.
Secretary - - - - - Miss Minnie Whitham
Oak Park, Ill.
Treasurer - - - - - M. J. Hevenor
6558 Minerva Ave., Chicago, Ill.
- ed.]

Friday, April 16

We all left on 7:28. At Oak Park by 9:00.

A great success – our meeting. Far larger attendance than anticipated. Miessner not on hand and Tenney of Lewis Inst. served admirably. - - There was snap & go to the meeting.

Ate in the H-S cafeteria with Rowell & Washburn – a fine meal

Business meeting at 1:30; section meetings at 2:30; Delegate Body at 5:00. This last in session until nearly seven. I was handed a sandwich & a bit of chocolate. Then went in to the movie exhibit at 7:00 which ran until nearly 8:00. Then I opened the evening session, introduced my successor Supt W.J. Hamilton – Left about 9:30 with Kinney of Winnetka. Home at 11:35. A heavy day's work. Very successful one.

R.R. .94; lunch .50; soup, etc. 35;

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the program booklet of the Lake Shore Division meeting. The general theme of the meeting was "Training a Citizenry for Democracy in the Schools of Today and Tomorrow." The morning program included two addresses: "The Earth as a Coordinating Value" by Dr. Edwin Herbert Lewis, and "Education and the New Civics" by Dr. John Morris Evans. The afternoon sectional programs included the following presentations: Value of Dramatic Expression in Primary Reading, Miss Eva Smedley, Evanston; The Free Period in the Primary Grades, Mrs. Nellie Morgan, Chicago Heights and Miss Winifred Smith, Cicero; Training for Citizenship in the Primary Grades, Miss Minnie Priebe, Oak Park; Moral Education Through Directed Play, Mr. Richard M. Clark, Supervisor Play, Oak Park; The Visual Method of Teaching Geography, Princ. John S. Strong, Oak Park; A Demonstration of the Use of Motion Pictures in Schools, Asst. Supt. W.A. Justice, Evanston; Visual Instruction in the High School, Mr. Earle U. Rugg, Oak Park; Training for Citizenship Through the Boy Scout Movement, Mr. Arthur M. Baker, Scout Executive, Oak Park; Civic Values in Public School Music, Prof. W. Otto Miessner, Milwaukee; Civic Values in the Program of Thrift Education, Supt. E.D. MacLuckie, Des Plaines; Civic Values in the Home and School Garden Movement, Prin. R.C. Mueller, Bryant School, Harvey and Prin. J.F. Zimmerman,

Lowell School, Harvey; and Vitalized Education, Supt. E.J. Tobin, Chicago. The Friday evening address was given by Dr. Arnold Bennett Hall on "Dynamic Americanism." – ed.]

Saturday, April 17

Sunny for the most part but a chill wind afternoon & evening.

At school a little while this A M, then worked at home. Planted more radish seed in my cold frame. That planted a year ago not yet up. Planted some onion sets in the open garden.

At school all afternoon and evening. School election. Seventeen votes

Mr Metzler, President, & Mrs Green & Geo Jones for 3 years.

Worked on bills tonight.

Barber 25;

Sunday, April 18

Gray. Cold wind

To church, this A.M. Nap. P.M.

Edith & D. came in at 3:00. Went away at 7:00.

D. planning to go to Louisville to go into autobus business.

Spent some time on proposed letter to our Joint Committee on legislation and constitutional convention.

Church .10.

Monday, April 19

Rained in the night. Cold & gray. Raining late this evening.

Miss Guiney left Saturday evening for Charleston because of illness of her mother. Mrs Elliot of Ev. substituting for her.

Miss Jewett called this A M. & we had a long talk about her work, etc

Raymond Flinn & I spent about two hours talking over building projects.

School Board meeting this evening. Talked until nearly eleven about b'ld'g plans.

In spite of the cold my lettuce & radishes are showing in my cold frame

Tuesday, April 20

Very heavy rains in the night. Thunderstorm. Warm rains. Showers during day. April weather.

8A's set about 600 tomato plants in pots.

Teachers' meeting after school. Some mounted information pictures. Others worked at sorting over costumes in attic.

At home this evening.

Wednesday, April 21

A warm Spring day.

It seemed safe to bring flats of cabbage plants, onions, & beets out of hot beds and put in cold frames

Gave 8B's lesson on spraying with lime-sulphur solution for scale.

Mrs Adams of the Oneida (Ky) school, visiting Mrs Greene, came around a while after school. She talked very entertainingly of work in the primitive schools.

Before school I reconnoitered some of the streets to consider planting elm trees

Planted some old onions this evening.

Barber .25; ice cream .15;

Thursday, April 22

Showers & sunshine with high winds at intervals.

I talked with slides at Deerfield this afternoon – before P.T.A. & children. No competent operator & my slides hardly showed up. - - They sent me back in auto in time to be present at most our own P.T.A. program. In absence of Mrs Holland, Mrs Greene presided. Children gave nature talks.

Planted in my own garden 2 rows beet plants from school, 1 row Prizetaker onion plants, do., 7 cabbage plants, do., also 2 rows onion seed (Yellow Danvers), 3 rows beet seed.

Dr Hamilton and Mrs Moseley both insist they have heard the hermit thrush crooning some of his song.

This evening Wm Denzel & I called at the Garling home to show our respect for old Mr Fred Garling, dead of pneumonia.

Barber .25; ice cream .15;

Friday, April 23

(Clear) Gray mostly. Cold – chill wind

Pupils set out tomato plants in 2000 – 3 ½” paper pots. - - Miss Zoe Hartman called to get material about how Christmas is observed - -

Mrs. J.N. Elliott finished a week’s sub. for Miss Guiney. Sent her a check for 27⁵⁰

Movies. Three reels. Admission free

Went in to hear Archdeacon Stuck on a winter trip in Alaska. Took up tickets at door. Mr. Geer & Miss Byrne there & we rode out on train together.

Mr. Parson of DeKalb and his son went on same train to Rogers Park & we visited enroute
Ice cream .15;

Saturday, April 24

Clear – mostly – but cool – chill wind blowing Retards growth of garden stuff.
Looked over my plants at school. Caught 9:53 for Chic.

To Chic. Transp. Co. to get some slides I had ordered. Dennison’s for envelopes. Vaughan’s for B-Evergreen corn & for Black Beauty popcorn & Swiss chard. - - Ate lunch at Arcade & visited with Mrs & Miss Annis Jewett. - - Consulted a vol. of Ill. Geolog. Survey at Crerar Library. Shopped at Mandels & at Shellenkopf’s. Home at 4:21. Planted 4 rows of parsnips, 1 each of radishes & lettuce, 2 of chard. Set out a big rhubarb root & brot two baskets of rotted manure from school for it. - - Met Mrs Millard at school to consult over a matter. Also Miss Nora – dictated a few letters. Slides 7.75

R.R .62 + .06; lunch .40; seeds .70

Rhubarb .75; groceries .55;

Dist 107 - 40¢ for tape. Barber 1²⁵

Charge Aud Soc. 1.15 for envelopes

Sunday, April 25

Beautiful day but cool

Did not got to church. Read Rauschenbusch & had a nap

This afternoon spent an hour or more in private conference with Mr. & Mrs Snow about Edgar.

Called a short time on the Geers’

Took 4:57 for Chic. & the 6:10 for DeKalb. Went to Glidden Hotel & at 9:30 to bed.

Monday, April 26

At DeKalb

Rained about all the time.

Visited the Glidden school all A.M. Conferred with LittleJohn & Ritzman. Visited Misses Wendling, Edmonson, Beye, Fitch, Adams

After lunch went to Normal. Conf. with Mr Weger. Then with Dr Brown, Mr Ritzman, Miss Boswell, Mr Parson. - - Attended assembly exercises at 4:00 - - Caught 5:00 east on trolley for Aurora – there by 6:20. Left at 7:10 Caught 9:10 for home

DeKalb trip – Dist 107

1.89 + 2.50 + 1.00 + .76 + 1.08 + .62 + .20 + .75 + .40 + .90.

Tuesday, April 27

Off for Southern Illinois

A very busy day – a rush of duties. Then left on 3:49 to join Dr Cowles' party at Polk St. Station. Left on C & E.I. for Danville at 5:40 P.M.

Walter Loehring

W.F. Worthley

Frank McWhorter

Wm Schell

Carrol Mason

Helen Strong

Margaret Meyers

Edith Purer

Dr Cowles

Mrs E.E. Waful

Joined later by

Sarah Hardin

Hanna Rosenstein

Harriet Sulzer

At Danville our Harrisburg Sleeper was shunted to the Big Four tracks & we left there late. While we were at D. we went up town & I wrote two letters. Had paid Dr Cowles for tickets, etc 15⁰⁰ Supper .60; R.R. .31 + .06;

Wednesday, April 28

Karnak

Looked out when we got to Mt Carmel – 6:25 A.M Apple trees in blossom; Peach, lilac & plum – only lilac still in bloom Wabash high over banks

At Harrisburg Mr Bo[n?]el & Mr Rathbone (photographer) down to see us. Had five minutes. At Karnak about 11:00.

Cypress swamps

Tupelo mills

Prothonotary warbler

Farthest north of cypress. Several new southern plants – Celtis Mississippiensis; populus heterophyllus; Adelia acuminata; Planera aquatica

Left on R.R. to Parker & there by R.R. to ~~Gorham~~ Carbondale (Roberts Hotel) for the night.

Restaurant at Karnak .50; R R to Parker .80; Evening meal at (Barnes restaurant) .60; ~~Gorham~~

Thursday, April 29

Fountain Bluff & Grand Tower

Carbondale to Murphysboro by trolley & by train to Gorham.

Prof Bailey and some of the Carbondale students came along.

Morning at Fountain Bluff. Took train (12:30) at L[eo?] Rock for Grand Tower. Lunch there. – The restaurant, grocery, meat market all in one. Fine river view. – Back to Gorham where we spent the night.

Friday, April 30

Wolf Lake

By train to Wolf Lake station. Explored chert hills (bluffs) where we found pinus echinata. Then skirted Wolf Lake, an old ox bow.

Back to Gorham by 6:15 where we found the townspeople had prepared a feed for us at the hotel.

Col. Wells of Murphysboro gave us an interesting address. Then we took train for Murphysboro & trolley for Carbondale and Roberts Hotel. Late to bed

Saturday, May 1

Off for Ozark. Met by Mr. Bethel and three autos. Miss Steagal of Carbondale Normal had joined us. - - Out to Bethel's Hollow and Clarida Branch.

Ate this evening at Mr. Bethel's. Dr Cowles & I and two of the girls went to Mr Robinson's for the night. Four of the young men went to Taylor's. Six young women stayed at Bethel's.

Sunday, May 2

Thunder storm in the night.

Off for Sand Cave & Meelers.

Great feed at Meelers at 1:30. - - Were to have been met at a school house by a hay rack in the afternoon but missed connections – and the only train out that day!

Back to Bethel's for supper. Miss Steagal & Miss Sulzer & I started to walk to Ozark but were picked up by an auto and came in in style. We stayed all night with Mr. Paul O'Neill, station agent.

Monday, May 3

Fine day. I visited O'Neill's apple orchard this A.M.

We left for Carbondale at 10:50 & took 1:20 for Chicago from there. Home at midnight.

Tuesday, May 4

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Wednesday, May 5

The sun shone out fine today but chilly winds blew at close of day

Spent an hour or two with Raymond Flinn this A M talking over school plans and a scheme for an apartment house

Mildred Lund came here from N.W.U. this afternoon & I agreed with her upon her acting as music supervisor for the coming year. She is also to give us two afternoons a week the remainder of this school year.

Attended the P.T.A at Lincoln Ave this afternoon to talk over plans for a home for the teachers

Spaded up part of our neighbor's garden – old Mr. George Smith.

Barber 25;

Thursday, May 6

Pleasant day Milder than yesterday.

Morning largely spent in conferences with Mrs Greene, Mrs Millard & Mr Metzel.

At P.T.A. at the H-S. this afternoon. Then conference with upper grade teachers over promotions.

Some time with Mr. Flinn at my office this evening.
Bread .48; stamps .97;

Friday, May 7

Left Chicago on 10:50 for DeKalb. With a number of my colleagues
Lunch at Glidden. After afternoon program visited girls' dorm and were shown about by the
matron.
Dinner at domestic science rooms by girls of the normal. Address by J. Stanley Brown.
After evening program (Address by Prof Morrison stimulating, but not very practical) attended
plays given by students
R.R. .31 + 1.89; dues 1⁰⁰; supper .75; play 1.00.
[Pasted to this page is the playbill for The Dramatic Club presentation of three one-act plays. – ed.]
[H.C. Morrison, Professor of Education, University of Chicago, delivered an address on “The Essentials of
Good Supervision by Superintendents and Principals.” – ed.]

Saturday, May 8

Visited with Balthis before program. He promised to send me box of plants
After program Mr Parson took Washburn, Nida, Storms, Rowell & me for fine auto ride to
Sycamore & back & we then got the 12:40 for Chic
In at 2:45. Went to McClurgs & I.C.R.R. station & then home
At desk at school this evening. Ethel Goddard came to inquire about a dune trip. Mr & Mrs Snow
came to report about the examination Edgar had undergone at hands of Prof. Curt Rosenow.
R.R. 1.89 + .31 + .12; lunch .30; ride .20; baker .44; barber .25; shoe repairs 8.00;
[Pasted to this page is a clipping from meeting of the Superintendents and Principals' Association of
Northern Illinois. Friday afternoon sessions included a debate on the question, “Shall Teachers Affiliate
with the American Federation of Labor?” Speaking for the affirmative was Mr. Charles B. Stillman,
President of the American Federation of Teachers. Speaking for the negative was Superintendent O.E.
Peterson of Sycamore. Superintendent W.L. Nida of River Forest spoke on “Possibilities of Local Teachers'
Organizations and the State Teachers' Association” and Miss Clara M. Dietz of Glencoe spoke on “The
Teachers' Place in Formulating School Policies.” Saturday morning sessions included a debate on the
question, “Should High Schools Be Under Separate Boards of Education?” Speaking for the affirmative was
County Superintendent E.A. Ellis of Geneva. Speaking for the negative was Superintendent E.C. Fisher of
Rock Island. Superintendent Floyd T. Goodier of Chicago Heights spoke on “Legitimate Propaganda Work
in the Public Schools.” Superintendents R.O. Stoops of Joliet and C.H. LeVitt of Savanna spoke on
“Practical Methods of Stimulating Community Interest in School Needs.” The clipping also provides a
listing of the officers and committee members of the Association. This portion of the clipping is transcribed
as follows:

OFFICERS

President. ARTHUR ROWELL, Glencoe
Vice President. F.L. MILLER, Harvey
Secretary. CARL LITTLEJOHN, DeKalb
Treasurer. A.A. REO, Aurora

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

O.E. PETERSON. Sycamore
L.A. FULWIDER. Freeport
MISS MEDORA SCHAEFFER. Cicero

COMMITTEE OF SEVEN

S.K. McDOWELL West Aurora
 C.M. BARDWELL. East Aurora
 FLOYD T. GOODIER. Chicago Heights
 W.L. NIDA. River Forest
 JOHN C. REEDER Dixon
 A.C. STORM. Batavia
 KATHERINE OBYE. Galena – ed.]

Sunday, May 9

A real spring day Warm & very pleasant.
 Wild plum showing brownish pink buds. Shad getting ready.
 Bolted church. Went up to McNutt's to ask Mrs McN to sub for Miss Clara White whom I advised to visit School of Ed tomorrow.
 After short nap I went to Sweeney's Woods & took 3 photos of marsh marigolds & one of dog's tooth violets. Trilliums just beginning to open white blossoms
 Saw little green heron, magnolia, palm, black-&-white, ~~the~~ Cape May, ovenbird. Oriole here a few days.
 Trolley .10.

Monday, May 10

Warm. Genial, even sultry – until about 2:00 P.M. when a cool wind came up and it was chilly by evening.
 Miss Giffen still absent. Miss Jones excused for the afternoon to have a specialist work on her teeth
 Miss Clara White absent to spend the day at the School of Ed and meet Mr. Gillett by appointment.
 Gave away some cabbage, beet, & onion plants today.
 Board meeting this evening. Mr Flinn's tentative plans for a new school building connected with both Annex & main bldg shown. I explained his plans for an apartment house for teachers also.
 All sorts of birds here today. Live black-and-white and Blackburnian brot in.

Tuesday, May 11

Rainy much of day. Cool.
 Miss Giffin back this afternoon - - Miss Newberry absent because of illness of her mother - - Sent Mr Marshall home sick at noon - - Miss Jones went down to city again this afternoon to have treatment.
 Teachers meeting after school.
 Worked at desk this evening.
 Mother home from Gary where she had been since Saturday.
 Barber .25; garters .15; peanuts .05

Wednesday, May 12

Rained a little. Cold and forbidding.
 Distributed cabbage, beet & onion plants this evening.
 Movie geog lessons for 6th & one 4th group at 1:30. Wheat growing fine Showed a Ford Weekly – fine fishing number – catching the snapper.
 Showed the Yellowstone slides this A.M. The 6A's did the talking.
 Went to Aud. Soc. meeting at Schantz' office this evening. Mrs Porter, Miss Mitchell, S. & I present Home at 11:15
 R.R. .62 ; lunch .40;

Thursday, May 13

Still cool & threatening

7B's planted 48 flats of aster seeds.

Went down to meeting of com. on sec. of the Geog Soc. & to the Board meeting which followed.

Stayed at City Club for dinner. Home at 8:37.

Tried in vain to buy seed potatoes in the city – Irish Cobbler & White Rose.

R.R. .62 + .18; dinner 1⁰⁰;

Friday, May 14

Sunny. Warmer. Cool winds still prevail.

6A's planted 20 flats of zinnia seeds

Distributed last of cabbage, onion, & beet plants

Movies today. Three reels Last of the season. Did not charge admission

Wheeled several barrow loads of manure from Mr Fred Noerenberg's to enrich my garden.

Spaded place for nasturtiums.

At my desk this evening. Mr Wright & I had a long conference about teachers. The Y.W.C.A. gave a pageant in our aud. I looked on a while

Saturday, May 15

The Dunes

Fine day

Party of 17 young women – H.S. – 2; Lake F 3; L. Ave. 3; E.P. 10 to Port Chester. Cooked wienies & bacon & made coffee on shore of Dune Creek. Climbed Mt Tom. – then westward to Mineral Springs & back on 5:50; in Chic by 7:35

R.R. 62 + .74 + .49 + .42 + .12;

Sunday, May 16

Fine day – but raining after nightfall.

To Presb. Church. - -

Edith & Clarence D. came in at noon, going back at 6:30.

I took 6:12 for Chic. Went to Mrs Waful's – 5710 Blackstone Ave where Dr. Cowles & members of the party that made the So. Illinois trip were "spending" the evening.

I took with me the stereopticon of the I.A.S. & showed some of my best slides.

Home at 12:06 A.M

R.R. .62 + .31

Monday, May 17

Warm, growing rain much of day.

Adopted a pet (young) crow for the school today.

Miss Lund here for a half day's service as special music teacher.

Barber 25

Tuesday, May 18

Mild. Good growing weather. Gray and threatening much of time.

Meeting of 7th – 8th grade teachers after school to discuss promotions.

Took the Audubon lantern to the Presbyterian Home this evening to give a flower talk

Pd for half bushel of seed potatoes – 3²⁵! A pk each of Early Rose and Albinos

Bread .24;

Wednesday, May 19

Fine, warm day.

Koller plowed our school garden plot on Park & Sheridan. Previously some of the boys & I scattered a load of manure over it that had been donated by Sammie Smith's father.

K. plowed "my" land on Glencoe Ave Wm Denzel & I went down there to select what we want to farm side by side - - After school I planted 4 rows of Gradus peas - 25 ft. long.

Mowed my back yard

5B's planted 27 flats of calendulas

Great bird day. Most of the warblers on call. I had specimens on the table - scarlet t., nashville w., chestnut-sided, white crowned, wood and olive backed

Shocked to learn of Mrs Fred Schumacher's death at hospital last night.

Thursday, May 20

Fine. Warm

Groups of children worked in school garden. 6A's laid much of it off. 2B's planted oats; 2A's barley; 3A's (Meyers) wheat; 3A's (Smith) flax; 4B's maize; 4A's buckwheat; Kg's, carrots

I planted 8 rows of Early Ohio's after disinfecting with 2 oz formaldehyde to 3 ¾ gal water.

Worked until darkness almost hid things

Ag't for Merrill's called

Went to Mrs Schumacher's funeral at Presb. Church.

Friday, May 21

Fine. Warm

More planting at school garden. 1B's - 2 hills of pumpkins. 5A's, two small plats of cotton & one of tobacco.

Reset some large tomato plants growing in small pots. About 200.

The pet crow becoming quite an institution

Worked in my Glencoe Ave garden before supper Finished putting in my 9 rows of Early Ohios (45 ft. long) and one of potatoes presented to me by Mrs Rosher.

Mr Reeves from U of C. gave intelligence tests to 8th & 7th graders.

Called off the dune trip of Cook Co Supt & Prin Assn because but a few planned to go.

Saturday, May 22

Warm. Threatening at times Light shower about 1:00 P.M.

To city on 8:09. Visited with Helen Hammond and Ada Hammond Safford - Hadn't seen latter for 25 years. - - To I.C.R.R. station to make sure none of my colleagues came to go on the dunes excursion (Three did!) - - Vaughan's for seeds. Schantz' office to leave membership list of Aud. Soc; McIntosh where I bot new stereopticon for school (51.18 with extra lamp); McClurg's for copy of Keyne's Economic Aspects of Peace. - Lunch at Arcade; home at 1:25. To garden where I worked until six - putting in 3 rows (25 ft each) of Golden Bantam); 8 rows Stowell's Evergreen (38 ft each); 1 lb. Nott's Excelsior peas; 6 hills sugar pumpkins; 18 hills of Carpentaria lima beans. - - After supper planted at home Stringless Green Pod; & 3 hills Chicago Pickle Cucumber

R.R. .30 + .12; lunch .42; seeds & arsenate of lead 1.60; barber .75; tea .80; ice cream .15

Sunday, May 23

Light rain in the night. Warm until afternoon when cool wind came up

Fed crow & guinea pigs & watered plants – and had long conf. with Mr Metzel at school this A.M. Did not go to church. Had a nap.

Took my camera on my wheel & went down towards Glencoe to take photographs Not suited there, & came back to Mr Hessler's opposite to entrance to Ravinia Park & took two apple tree groups – but light too faint. - - Apple trees well in bloom. Also pears. Cherries & plums dropping petals. Wild crab a week away.

Monday, May 24

A fine day but a cool wind.

Miss Lund not here this A.M. Is to come Thursday, instead

Miss Payne absent by permission. Away with Dr Cowles' botany party at Grand Detour. Miss Cramer, Miss Pritchard and Miss Behrens helped out.

Miss Boswell wrote that she could not accept the 5th – 6th grade position

1A's – Misses McManus & Behrens & I planted four rows of Black Beauty popcorn on Green Bay grounds

Miss Jones & I assisted by Misses Stine & Powers, took the forty 4A's to Waukegan this afternoon to study the industries, etc.

Mowed part of my lawn; dug a little in my garden

Some one brot in a partly grown woodcock today.

Ice cream .15;

Tuesday, May 25

Another fine day with cool breezes.

Misses Edmundson and Patten – critic teachers of DeKalb, visited us a while, today.

6th graders planted ~~him~~ navy beans

I gave flower talk to the Garden Club at the Moraine this afternoon

Went to concert at Evanston tonight. Had 3 seats for us all, but M. had a cold & K. did not want to go. So I took Miss Grunewald & Miss Heffron. Great concert. Met Mr. & Mrs Rosenfels of Oak Park there.

Our school boys lost in a game with Glencoe, 7 to 3.

Trolley 1.48; program .25;

[Pasted to this page is the concert program for the Twelfth Music Festival presented by the Chicago North Shore Festival Association in the Northwestern University Gymnasium. It featured the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Mr.[Frederick] Stock with Titta Ruffo as soloist. – ed.]

Wednesday, May 26

Fine day. Warmer. Air fragrant. Heyday of apple bloom nearly over. Lilacs a bloom. Tall – late garden tulips on slender stems.

Distributed tomato plants this afternoon. Probably 175 children "took part."

This evening wired Nora Oberholser, Charleston, and Lois Bear, Urbana, inviting them here at ~~my~~ Board's expense to candidate for 5th – 6th departmental position.

Barber .25; bread .24;

Thursday, May 27

Beautiful day.

Sent out nearly all the remaining tomato plants.

Set out 14 in my own garden this evening.

Heard from Miss Bear - - she had signed a contract.

P.T.A. A business meeting. I showed the new lantern bo't last Saturday.

This evening a committee got together largely by Miss Ewing met at community house to discuss plans for housing teachers. - - I opposed Miss E's idea of buying the Thorn Place. - - My plan for building on Sheridan Road only in part approved.

Friday, May 28

Fine day. A little cool.

Full of extra duties. Entertained off and on this A.M. the Misses Fitch and Wendling critic teachers of DeKalb.

This afternoon I had as guests about 50 students from Gertrude House, Miss Dwyer and Canter in charge. Showed them my wild flower slides & then took them down – over Rudolph's & Egan's places and to lak & back to station

At Mr Flinn's a while this evening looking over plans for an apartment b'ld'g.

Barber 25

Saturday, May 29

As yesterday – To city on 8:09. - - Carpenter's to get flag for school - - McIntosh's to look up defects in my stereopticon - - The Fair – Schantz' office to leave slides – Arcade for lunch. – Home on 12:20. - - At school to feed Jim Crow & fill baskets with the remaining tomato plants – Home to get a heavy nap - - After supper went to Glencoe garden to meet a man who wants an allotment of space - - Then I mowed all my yard & set out six sweet peppers

Charge Dist 107 – carfare .62 + flag 15⁵⁴; seeds .29

Lunch .42; trolley .12; Peppers .40; barber 25; ice cream .15; suet .10;

Sunday, May 30

As yesterday.

To church this A M

After dinner developed 8 panchromatic plates. Then went to memorial exercises at Church, and from there K. & I went to intersection of Green Bay & Second where the memorial tree – hard maple – was dedicated The Mayor spoke & a minister made a prayer; America was sung, etc.

The Noerenbergs called this evening.

I went to the bld'g four times today to feed Jim Crow.

Wild crab apple just coming into bloom.

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

A Community Service

at the

HIGHLAND PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

in Memory of Those From This District Who Fell in the World War

Sunday Afternoon, May 30th, 1920

under the auspices of the

DUMARESQ SPENCER POST OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

“Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.”

DEERFIELD
Frank Bergma

Joy C. Bournique
Frank Daniels

Russel Neargardner
Louis Schulz
Raziel Be Tisser
Le Roy Wheeler
Louis Yore

HIGHLAND PARK

Howard Edward Benson
Barnes Melville Bertness

Carl R. Ivy
Constance McCormick Shields
Dumaresq Spencer
John Ten Broeck

HIGHWOOD

Marion D. Nail
Walter Stupey
Verne Watkins

Memorial Day Community Service

Four-thirty O'clock

Organ Prelude

Doxology-Invocation. The Lord's Prayer in Unison.

By the Rev. H.D. Dick

Responsive Reading Selection 22

By the Rev. F. Holke

Gloria (The Congregation Joining)

Hymn 560

Solo "Christ in Flanders" Ward Stephens

Lesson from the Holy Scriptures Deuteronomy 28: 1-14.

By the Rev. J.H. Keagle

Pastoral Prayer

By the Rev. Peter C. Wolcott, D.D.

Hymn 304 (Omit verse 3)

Solo "The Blind Ploughman" Clark

Sermon "The Fruits of Victory"

By the Rev. Peter C. Wolcott, D.D.

Hymn 665

Benediction

By the Rev. R.W. Schloerb

Organ Postlude - ed.]

Monday, May 31

A fine day – a little sultry – but real summer. - - No school. - - Went to "farm" & worked until 11:30. "Staked" my Gradus peas with brush. Planted 5 hills of Hubbard squash & 5 40 ft rows of Black Beauty popcorn

After I had a nap this afternoon I pitched into work on the home place. Made compost heap of leaves, manure from Noerenberg's stable, dirt, etc. Burned surplus leaves. Hauled ashes into the alley; planted sunflower seed; mowed the yard

Jim crow got out through the roof of the plant house & at 5:30 I found him high in a tree in Dr H's yard. He volplaned from one perch to another until he lighted on my arm & thus rode back to the plant house.

Ice cream .40; root beer .10;

Tuesday, June 1

Warm. Threatening. A slight shower this evening.

7A's re-set all the zinnia plants. The last of the tomato plants went home I gave away to the 5th graders seeds of various kinds. 6B's planted some maize; 3B's, peanuts.

Miss Lund here this afternoon. Memorial Day exercises in aud. the last hour. - - I went down to Skokie school in Hubbard Woods with J W. Brown to look up their scheme of sliding chairs under platform

Called at the Croke's this evening. Then spent an hour with U.J Brown talking up b'ld'g plans

Barber .25;

Wednesday, June 2

A splendid, soaking rain in the night and a brisk shower during the morning. Gardens on the high road of prosperity.

My Nott's Excels. peas well through; corn, both G.B & Everg. up; do. pumpkins, lima beans, string beans

Sun came out bright after 3:00 P.M. Moon shines over all tonight.

Callers this A.M – Dr. Earle, Mrs Millard, Mr. (game warden) Henry Kern;

Some 8B's reset most of asters.

Met all teachers in two groups this afternoon

At desk this evening.

Ice cream .15;

Thursday, June 3

Fine day. Turning cool and gray at evening.

Miss Dicie Moore visited us today – guest of Miss Jones. - - - Miss Jewett and her friend, Miss St. Leger, also - - Mr Kern of Waukegan for a time.

Picnic to Desplaines River this evening. 29 30 of us – from H-S – 14; E.P. 14; Ravinia 2. I was manager. Two of Ringdahl's buses – 18⁰⁰, Mr Sandwick went along in his auto. - - Made coffee & roasted wienies near Mr Folsom's shack. Walked along flood plain to Millard's woods. Some of us ferried over to opposite bank - - at imminent danger of a ducking. – Rest went back to bridge. One bus went home directly. Other via Wheeling to pick up some who had walked that way. Home late. Got chilled through. Barber .25.

Friday, June 4

Another fine day – but cool.

Miss Guiney got word of her Mother's death & left for Charleston. I subbed for her much of the day

The 8B's finished resetting asters plants.

I ran my hand cultivator through most of my farm.

At home this evening.

Saturday, June 5

Fine day. A little warmer.

At home all day only when I fed Jim Crow and photographed him (and myself) and some children, particularly James Grant. – I developed eight negatives in the afternoon

Cut load of bean poles & pea brush from some brush piled back of the garage - & wheeled it to the farm. - - Set up a post with a bird bath on it. - - Set out zinnias, calendulas, asters, & strawflowers.

Replanted a few beans.

Ice cream .30; barber .25;

Sunday, June 6

Fine day

Fed crow & guinea pigs & watered plants at school. Walked down to my farm and back

Had a nap before dinner & one after. –

M., K. & I took a taxi to foot of ravine drive & spent an hour or so there. Mr. Allison (Thos) & Mr Sch[ei?]ble came up & I scouted with them for a time to look up orchis spectabilis. Found only one stalk of bloom There were several of yellow lady slipper. - - The Watkins' came to the beach & after while we went back in their auto. On the way stopped at school & fed Jim who flew down from a tree at my call.

Monday, June 7

A fine, warm day.

Miss Lund here this A.M. Miss Giffen returned from Charleston where she represented the teachers at the funeral. - - Mrs McNutt subbed today.

Mr Reeves of the U. of C. here to confer about some intelligence tests he gave our 7th – 8th grade pupils a week or so ago. Five of the upper grade teachers and I canvassed the returns this evening.

Planted a row of G.R. lettuce this A.M. Also of radishes, white

Tuesday, June 8

Fine. Sultry at start but tempered by breezes later.

Republican Nat'l Convention opened in Chicago.

6B's hoed the beans today & planted rye, buckwheat, & sunflowers in unoccupied places

Various duties Mrs McNutt still at work

Miss Ewing called to look up Hultz children

At desk this evening

Agent for "aromatic mist" sold us a "drum."

Ice cream 15;

Wednesday, June 9

A hot day.

Went on field trip with 7A's & 6A's to notice conifers in bloom

Went to city this evening on 6:31 to Audubon meeting. All officer's re-elected. Miss Mitchell,

Secretary

R.R. .62; ice cream .30

Root beer .06

Thursday, June 10

Hottest day yet. Baking hot.

Miss Josephine Copeland, candidate for position, called today. Is from Monmouth. Been teaching at Tulsa, Oklahoma

Commencement of H-S. held at Ravinia Park this evening

Friday, June 11

Hot. Hot. Mitigated somewhat late afternoon by a breeze

The 6A's planted red maple seeds on Green Bay grounds and set out elm seedlings

8th grade picnic to Sweeney's this afternoon A fine time. A little cooler out where breezes came
Meat .65; bread .24; Trolley .10; ice cream .30;

Saturday, June 12

Hot, hot, hot.

To city on 9:53. To Library Bureau for record cards To Fields & Mandels to shop McClurg's for books Lunch at Fields with Cook Co Supt Ass'n.

City extremely hot & nominating convention (Republican) in session. Home at 4:00. At six heard disappointing news of nomination of Harding. My first choice was Hoover.
Pd 7²⁰ for cards – Dist 107.

R.R. .62 + ; luncheon 1.20; Ice cream .30 + .20

Sunday, June 13

A little cooler. A gentle rain in the afternoon. Not much – but very acceptable.

Read & slept much of day.

New daylight schedule in effect today.

Monday, June 14

Picnic – Flag Day.

A wonderful rain in the night, copious. A few drops during the day. Cooler. Fine breezes as day wore on. Thunderstorm and rain late in evening

Flay Day. Col. Blanchard loaned us a band of 15 or 20 pieces and our exercises were impressive - - Picnic followed. A great success. Used up 45 gallons of ice cream. Athletics much enjoyed. - - Miss Esther White's pupils gave a fine show at 11:00. Lunch followed by Merch. of V. by Miss Guiney's pupils. – Then a magician gave two programs. - - During afternoon 20 of our pupils were taken to Ft Sheridan to reproduce flag day ceremony. Exhibit of work on all day & b'ld'g open this evening.

Tuesday, June 15

Rained more in the night. Turned off hot. Lake breeze after 6:00 P.M. helped out.

Children visited exhibit of different rooms this A M – then it was taken down.

Began giving away asters, zinnias, & calendulas.

Movie man given permission to catch our pupils coming out of bldg & starting off on wheels. He also took me with our Jim Crow feeding.

Board meeting this evening. Plans for summer made.

Wednesday, June 16

Rather hot in the morning. Stinging in the afternoon followed by a thunderstorm & downpour at 6:00. Then about 8:00 strong cold wind came up & chilled everything down. Continuing in night, trees were twisted & branches torn away. An autumn storm.

Gen'l ex & honorable mentions. Very pleasant, especially 8A' – 2's "take-off" on 8A' – 1's in a "prophetic court".

Worked with teachers in afternoon.

Fine "commencement" program this evening. Mr. Owen's train delayed & exercises started. Mr. Eugene Wilson, patron, talked to pupils very acceptable for ten minutes. Then Mr Owen gave zipping address.

Photographed teaching staff this afternoon.

Barber .25;

[Pasted at this page is a clipping of the "Annual Closing Exercises." The Eighth Grade Class of June, 1920 was:

President – John D. Rogers

John W. Steele

Kenneth J. Hill

Charlotte E. Hagans

Mary J. Schendorf

Edward L. Larson

Frederick C. Schendorf

Daniel C. Rogers

Robert G. Peck

Naomi Smithern

Elizabeth C. Tuttle

Edmond H. Lemkuhl
Malcolm J. Gallagher
Frank P. Lauridsen
Joseph J. Leuer
Clayton J. Niebuhr
Juanita A. Ingram
Foster Keagle
Charles F. Drake
Helen L. Hiatt
Dorothy M. Reay
John D. Rogers
Gage Tyner
Reginald G. Holland
Theodore Olson
Howard R. Hatch
Keith Kuhlman
Artemeze Irons
E. Alice Flint

Elizabeth Doty
Helen L. Boynton
Constance L. Williams
Alvin E. Juhrend
William N. Rogers
Beatrice T. Metzel
Anna M. Witten
Harold J. Mentzer
Eugene S. Wilson, Jr.
Windsor A. Gieser
Mildred D. Walther
Mary Louise Bournique
Lillian M. Baird
Caroline P. McBean
Ruth N. Dunscomb
Margaret A. Erickson
Amelia F. Dixon
Marjorie E. Davies

The instructors were:

Miss Ellen M. Guiney, Assistant Principal
Miss Lena M. Nixon, Mathematics
Miss Etta Grunewald, History
Miss Margaret Heffron, Literature
Miss Edna Grenoble, English
Mrs. George G. Taylor, English
Mr. Jesse L. Smith, Superintendent of Schools

The Board of Education was:

Emil B. Metzel, President
Fred Greenslade, Secretary

George R. Jones
Edna G. Greene

William D. Mann
Solomon A. St. Peter

Elizabeth B. Millard –ed.]

Thursday, June 17

Decidedly cool today. Clear & beautiful.

Worked with some of the staff who had remained

Miss Clara White and I spent considerable time over the picture collection.

This evening I hoed all my “home garden.” Tomatoes in bud – some of them.

Mrs Alvar Bournique & some of us conferred over teachers’ boarding places for coming school year.

Friday, June 18

Cool. Clear & beautiful.

Worked at school with various teachers. Closed up Miss Nora’s work

This afternoon hoed in my “farm”. Gradus peas coming into bloom. Set up brush in the Nott’s Excelsior. Hoed & staked the lima beans. Hoed the pumpkins & 7 rows of potatoes, the latter four or five inches high

This evening mowed the lawn & did some errands. Hazel Brown called to talk kg matters with me.

Saturday, June 19

Fine day. Cool.

At school bldg this morning. This P.M. at my farm. Finished hoeing & cultivating my potatoes for first time. They are 3 to 4 inches high. Went over the corn, etc. Planted some more Golden Bantam. Ice cream .40; barber 1.25;

Sunday, June 20

Cool. Gray.

Slept some this A M & more this afternoon.

Late P.M. went on wheel west through Deerfield; south, before taking the river road, to County Line, then east. Collected a few stalks of *Asclepias ovalifolia* in full bloom. Stopped off at the Jewetts & found them all there, also Dr & Mrs Cowles & Harriet.

Spent evening there & came home in Miss Annis' machine with my wheel on the running board.

Monday, June 21

Cool. Gray at times A few rain drops at times.

To city on 10:33. To Eastman's, Sweet Wallach, & Field's for film To C.J. Albert to look for a teacher. Amer Seating Co to talk seats. (Seats four years ago selling for 2²⁵ & 3²⁵ now list at 14⁰⁰. The Moulthrop desk was quoted to me at 15²⁵ delivered).

Took trolley for Lyons to look up specimens of *Asclepias verticillata*. Raining there & storm threatening. Back to city. Dined at City Club. - - Met Lillian Moore & her mother with two friends on street. Long & pleasant chat. Went to a show for an hour or two. Home on C & M. R R R.R. .32 + .40 + .54; meals 1.45; umbrella 3.50. Film 6⁵⁰ (Charge to movie fund).

Tuesday, June 22

Fine. Cool.

Worked at school this A.M. - - Miss Lillian Russel called to confer about tutoring certain pupils.

This afternoon Charles and Mrs Colby from Decatur came to spend the night. C and I took a walk which included a ramble over the Kimball estate. After supper we all went for a "bus ride". Ice cream .40;

Wednesday, June 23

Cool. Pleasant. Showers this evening – after 9:00.

The Colbys' went back to C. on the 10:03.

I worked at school most of the day. Began my studies of the milkweed once more

Brown and I conferred at the school b'ld'g over preventing leaks in the attic and about making a storage place under the aud. platform for extra chairs.

Staked my tomato plants.

Thursday, June 24

Fine day. Still cool – but warmer than yesterday.

Worked at school much of the day Matured plans for assigning rooms to certain grades. Helped Miss Russel set up room for tutoring pupils.

This evening went over most of my farm with a cultivator.

Late this afternoon set up my camera & got one picture of *A. ovalifolia*
Nuts .10; Barber .25; ice cream .30

Friday, June 25

Fine. A little warmer.

At school this A.M.

This afternoon got my new wheel (old one + \$37.50) and went out south & west of Deerfield to look up *asclepias ovalifolia*. Had lots of trouble trying to accustom myself to the coaster brake type of wheel. - - - Got more specimens of *asclepias*. Home via Deerfield and visited Franken's nursery to see peony display.

This evening Mr Green, Lois, Davis, Alden & I went out the place I visited today, then on to Shermerville and back via Deerfield. A fine ride.

Bo't 12 qts of strawberries of Rich. Tillman for \$4²⁰. Himalayan.
Meat .90;

Saturday, June 26

Grew sultry during the day.

Found poor Jim Crow in the plant house this morning with an injured leg, probably dislocated at the hip. Flew about today but suffered greatly.

Worked at school nearly all day. - - Wrote letters to the new 5th – 6th grade teacher & Miss Thompson at Wilmette, the former being Josephine Copeland of Monmouth. - - Conferred with a blackboard man, Allen Hamilton

Met Mr. Mann and Mr Metzel at b'ld'g this evening & went over repair projects together.
Meat .40; Ice cream .15; barber .25;

Sunday, June 27

A warm day

To church this A.M. Slept this afternoon.

Spent some time "coddling" Jim Crow who seemed to suffer much.

Monday, June 28

Hot.

The three janitors and I cleaned up the children's Park Ave garden and the parkway. A hot job for this A.M

Worked at school data this afternoon. Soaked my garden this evening.

Barber .25; ice cream .30

Bread 24;

Tuesday, June 29

Very warm in the night. A little cooler today

Worked at school data all day.

Mr Hoban of Waukegan came to examine slate roof.

Mr Decker came to note certain plumbing work

This evening the Clows took us for a fine ride to Glencoe, west & north beyond Deerfield & home. At Milwaukee crossing 1 ½ mi. north of Deerfield found a fine colony of *oxybaphus nyctaginea*
Ice cream .30.

Wednesday, June 30

Fine day. Cooler breeze.

At school much of day Visited with Jensen in the afternoon.

Developed some panchromatic plates this evening. The lot a failure.

Thursday, July 1

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Friday, July 2

Very hot.

Went to Riverside this afternoon & tramped around with Miss Mitchell & Mr Gault – a bird census. Nothing particularly new. Mr G left at 5:00. I stayed until 8:11 & dined at the Mitchells. Miss M. and I planned for Audub. publications for coming year.

When I got in to Union Station I found Ivy Trimmer waiting for a train. So she and I visited for half hour or so.

Then over to N.W. station where I saw the Snows off for the north woods. Lucille Griesmeyer went with them – as I recommended. She looked happy & charming

R.R. .54 + .32 + .34 + .34 + .16; lunch .40; acid fixer .50;

Saturday, July 3

Hot in A.M. (A thunder storm & shower of short duration in night). In afternoon cool wind blew up.

Worked hard at bills at school. - - After early supper mowed my yard, and then went to my farm where I worked until dark. Cultivated nearly everything. Hilled up & “laid by” my potatoes. Pulled suckers from corn & hilled it up. - - - etc

Late this evening looked in on the “community dance” at E.P. auditorium Everything decorous. Ice cream .30 + .15; barber .25

Sunday, July 4

Fine day but cool.

To church this A.M. Edith & D. came, but not the Enders, as we expected.

Had a fine walk – all of us – this afternoon to lake front and back

Monday, July 5

Gray much of day – Light shower after dark

I met Hamilton & Kay, blackboard men, at school this A.M. and let them make a start on our boards. I expected them to make a brown board – but as they were not prepared to do this, the job was given up. - -

Edith & D. went home this afternoon.

Worked at school house Lois Green came & I helped her about photog. subjects, etc Loaned her books & supplies preparatory to her leaving for Camp Michigamme.

Ice cream .40.

Tuesday, July 6

Fine shower in the night. Gray & sultry, but clearing.

Worked some at notes on talk on School legislation of Illinois

Went out to Wm Tillman’s farm on wheel this afternoon and picked & brot in 16 qt. of cherries

Inspected my own and three other potato patches this evening and found the leaf hoppers numerous.

Groceries 1⁰¹ + .20; bread .12

Ice cream .15; barber 25

Wednesday, July 7

Pleasant day.

Spent some time this A.M. inquiring about the leaf-hopper, etc. and wrote an article for the local paper.

This afternoon attended the meeting of the women's study club and talked on the school laws of Illinois.

Wrote long letter to Lewis Weld this evening. Studied up my cancelled checks
Barber .25; bread .12;

Thursday, July 8

Worked over my accounts this A.M. It had rained lightly in the night and the garden was too wet for spraying. Found that I had an uncashed warrant for \$400⁰⁰. Also found that in April \$110⁰⁰ of my own money was checked out instead of that of Elm Place Fund.

To city in afternoon. To factory inspector's office to inquire about working privileges of children under 14. To Sweet Wallach's for camera plates.

R.R. .64 + .08; camera supplies 3.75 + 1.75 + 1.25

Friday, July 9

Fine day.

Spent this A.M. at my garden. Went over my potatoes twice – sprayed with soap solution – 1 lb. white naphtha to 8 gallons of water. Went over William Denzel's also. The leaf hoppers very active.

Used my cultivator on nearly all of my garden.

This evening out on my wheel – West Park Ave & over to Deerfield Road and home. Gathered several stalks of *Asclepias rubra*.

Saturday, July 10

To city on 9:38. To Field's to leave a suitcase (Mother's) for repairs. Ordered 1 doz panchromatic plates - - Sweet, Wallach's; Library Bureau; Vaughan's; Arcade; Home at 3:15.

This evening planted some 30 hills of Golden Bantam corn

Meat 1.25; bread .24;

R.R. .54 + .32; lunch .50; seeds .40; barber .75; ice cream .15.

Sunday, July 11

Fine day.

Mr Parratt and I met at school today and talked over camera and lenses

Slept much of day. Rode out to Miss Jewett's home this evening. Mrs J & Miss Josephine; Charles, et. al. there

I found *A. phytolaeoides* almost through blooming! *Syriaca*, the pale pink ones, coming into bloom.

Monday, July 12

Picked peas [] & K canned 4 pints.

To city to lunch at Univ. Club with Patten, Cox, and Salisbury. P. reported negotiations with Colby to edit Geog. magaz. We decided to call meeting of Board of D. to discuss the matter.

Hot in the city.

This evening M & I went to concert at Ravinia; K. had to give a lesson at home. A beautiful concert. The Vercoes brot us home

A rain storm broke soon after we got in.

Started plumbers & carpenter on work at school

Concert 1.20; ice cream .30

bread .24

[Pasted to this page is a newspaper clipping of the Ravinia program. — ed.]

Tuesday, July 13

Rather sultry and a vigorous shower this afternoon.

Spent considerable time working over milkweed specimens.

Collected some along G B. road south, after supper.

Norton of Ginn & Co. called at 4:00 and stayed an hour or so.

Wednesday, July 14

Gray but at length clearing. Cool.

Scouted out road west from Highwood and in Sweeney's woods. Found most specimens of A. phytolaeoides overripe. Turk's cap-lilies in bloom Also prairie w.f. orchis. Brot home specimens of all. This P.M. took camera there & photog. A.p. & pyrola. Brot subjects back to school & photog. them (A.p.) with a background

Developed 9 panchros this evening but ruined them all.

Thursday, July 15

Fine day. Cool.

Worked at my flowers today. Milkweed. Took 6 pictures — panchros — this A.M. Elizabeth Green came to begin a series of drawings for me

Collected more specimens this evening both on W. Park Ave Road & Plank Road. Harold and Arthur Borchardt went with me.

Barber .25; ice cream .30; permang. of potas. solution .35

Friday, July 16

Fine day. Cool.

Picked nearly ½ bu. of peas from Nott's Excelsior vines this A.M; only a few from Gradus Kittie canned 6 pints

Tied up my tomato plants which were sprawling badly - - Tried to repair my hand sprayer. A black stem & leaf blight has taken 4 aster plants. - - At school this afternoon. Elizabeth Greene is making some fine studies of milkweed blossoms for me - -

Collected more specimens of A. purpurascens this evening on road west of Highwood
Ice cream .30; drugs 1.35; bread .24;

Saturday, July 17

Warmer. Rather sultry in afternoon but cooler breeze came up.

To city on 8:38 trolley. To Chic. Appar. Co. for supplies. Then to E. Dietzgen's for patent office bristol board for use by Elizabeth Greene To special meeting of Board of D. of Geog Soc. at Cox's office at 11:00. Then to Sweet Wallach's & other places to try to get panchro plates

Home by 3:00. To school where with assistance of Elizabeth I photog. some blossoms of milkweed

This evening I sprinkled down the garden thoroly

Today the green cabbage worm showed his handiwork for the first time.

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Bristol board 4⁰⁰; apparat. 5—

R.R. .54 + .32; lunch .53; ice cream .30; barber .25;

Sunday, July 18

Turned off much cooler during the day & this evening it seemed like an October day

To church this A M. Long rest this afternoon, then on wheel to school to feed Jim Crow & then to lake bluff at north end of town for a while.

Lennie & A & Ruth & Edith came in non us about 8:00 this evening.

Monday, July 19

[] [This portion of the entry is covered over by the pasted clipping. — ed.]

Picked peas this A.M & helped shell, etc. K put up 6 more ~~quarts~~ pints & we had a meal besides

Lennie & A spent the day in the city. Edith went home this afternoon. Took a pair of guinea pigs with her.

I took two photos with Elizabeth G's help of a fly entangled in pollen slits of a m.w. blossom.

We all went down to the concert this evening. Beforehand we lined up before the elderberry bush in our back yard and were photographed. Mr. Rogerson "pushed the button."

Barber .25; repairs of slipper .15;

[Pasted to this page is a newspaper clipping of the Ravinia program. — ed.]

Tuesday, July 20

Grew warmer. A little sultry.

Went to city on 11:08 to comm. meeting (lunch) at Univ Club — Cox, Patten, Pearson, Salisbury, Schantz. Arranged for banquet for evening of July 29? — chosen group

Met Arthur, L. & Ruth at N.W. station at 2:00 and took them thru Lincoln Park. Saw them off at La Salle Station at 5:00. Visited the Bvd Link bridge then to Pub. Libr. where I worked until nearly 8:00. Ate at restaurant then to some silly movies. Home on 10:05

R.R. .54 + .32 + .08; meal ~~45~~ .50; movy .35; root beer .10; magaz .25;

Wednesday, July 21

Fine day. Warm at first, then cool breezes.

Supervised carpenter work at school.

To city on 2:38. Took stereop. of Aud. Soc. to Schantz' office - - 4:38 C.B & Q.R.R. to Riverside where Miss Mitchell met me. Mrs. A. Mitchell in her auto there & two cousins, the Misses Ray of Burlington, Iowa. Had a drive out to Mud Lake etc. before supper — which I ate at Mrs Mitchell Sr.'s home. Then another fine auto ride to secure spec. of *A. verticillata* & Sulliv. Fine prairie near Harlem Ave. station. Home on 9:11; 10:05

R.R. .54 + .34 + .14 + .32;

Thursday, July 22

Fine day. Busy one.

Dug potatoes for a second "mess." Yield small in numbers, some good-sized potatoes.

Photog this A.M. for one hr & late this P.M. – Asc. Sulliv. & verticil.

Florence Clarke spent the day with us, leaving at 4:38. Interesting visit.

Developed successfully five panchros this P.M.

After supper went to end of Glencoe Ave & found fine spec. of *A. sulliv.* in bloom. Then s & w. on Co. Line Road. Past Jewett's – found another colony of *A.S.* in full bloom!

Friday, July 23

One of the hottest days we ever had here. A high wind – sirocco-like – blew branches off & powdered dust into houses. Grew a little cooler by evening.

Went to city on 12:53. To Sweet Wallach's where I got a supply of panchros, etc; to Lyon & Healey's for K; McClurg's for Sharp on Insects; home.

Watered gardens heavily this evening

Conferred with Mr Mann about school repairs.

Gathered peas & beans. K. canned 2 pt. of peas; several of beans.

Groceries at Niebuhrs [616 Central Ave. – ed.] 3.55

R.R. .64 + .16; Sweet Wallach 4³⁵; Ice cream .30; drinks .33; bananas .25;

Monday, July 24

Cold N.E. wind blew up in the night and drop of over 30° in a short time. Blew strong & cool all day

School work all A.M. Developed 3 batches of negatives this afternoon, some quite good. This evening to Ravinia Park. K was the guest of Mr & Mrs Fitt who used Mrs Adams' box. Cold. Got chilled. Had to put warm bedding to use this evening.

Meat 1.60;

[Pasted to this page is a newspaper clipping of the Ravinia program. It featured a performance of the opera, *Madame Butterfly*, with Edith Mason in the title role. – ed.]

Sunday, July 25

Still cool. Wind still blowing but less vigorously

Loafed at home most of day.

Went out to beyond the Jewett farm this evening to get some specimens of *A. Sullivantii*.

Called at the Parratts' late this afternoon and invited Mr P. to go on a trip to Glacier Park with me.

Monday, July 26

Warmer. A fine day.

Sprayed potatoes again, this time using – Water, 8 gal.; Black Drop 1 oz; Ivory Soap 4 oz. My vines are badly "burned"

Spent an hour with the janitors this P.M; wrote some letters; called at the McNutt's; then went on my wheel west of Deerfield. Made observations on milkweeds there, then went south by school house, and west on Co. Line. Found *A. turberosa*; *A. verticillata*; *A. Sullivanti*; etc. Delighted at my discoveries. Got back late – 7:20. Ate supper while M & K. left for Ravinia Pk. Took nap – overslept – then to Park.

Heard last number

Concert 1.65 + .20;

[Pasted to this page is a newspaper clipping of the Ravinia program. The last number was Symphony No. 5 "From the New World" Op. 95 by Dvorak. — ed.]

Tuesday, July 27

Fine. Warmer.

Met Mr Mann & a painter, Pierce, at school this A M and we made an inventory of repairs.

Took two photog. of Ascl. Sulliv., & A. tuberosa

Beat a rug for Mother Sprayed asters & calendulas with arsenate & Bordeaux.

Afternoon sprayed my potatoes wit soap and nicotine solution.

Packed up my camera outfit & left on my wheel to photo on Co. Line, but ran into a ditch at the head of the Clavey Road, "sprung" my guard on the front wheel , & had to trundle outfit back.

Soaked garden. Very dry.

Liquid glass. 20;

Wednesday, July 28

Warm. South wind.

Worked at school much of the day & this evening.

Picked peas – enough for a meal. So dry, there will probably be no more.

Ice cream .30; bananas .25;

[An inserted paper lists the names of teachers, their positions, current salary, and, in some instances, a salary adjustment. It is transcribed as follows:

Memorandum---July 28, 1920.

Hildegarde Powers	Kg Director	1450.00	
Ruth Dougherty	Kg Assistant	1200.00	
Virginia Thompson	Kg Assistant	800.00	
Esther White	1st Grade	1750.00	100.00
Lois McManus	1 A	1450.00	
Lula Behrens	2 B	1650.00	
Ethel [L?] Pritchard	2 B	1450.00	
Esther Newberry	2 A	1550.00	
Clara B. Smith	3 B	1450.00	
Kate Schermerhorn	3 A	1625.00	
Alice C. Meyers	4 B	1600.00	
Orva Stine	4 B	1525.00	75.00
Irene Jones	4 A	1600.00	
Elizabeth Payne	5 B	1450.00	
Bertha Cramer	5 A	1650.00	
Josephine Copeland	5th-6th	1550.00	
Clara White	6 B	1650.00	100.00
Clara Sands	6 A	1650.00	50.00
Edna Grenoble	7 B	1600.00	75.00

Etta Grunewald	7 A	1675.00	50.00
Mrs George Taylor	Special	1300.00	
Margaret Heffron	7th-8th	1550.00	100.00
Lena M. Nixon	8 B	1600.00	50.00
Ellen M. Guiney	8 A	1850.00	100.00
Eva Giffen	Drawing and Sewing	1700.00	50.00
Ray Marshall	Manual Training	1425.00	
Mildred Lund	Music	1000.00	
Nora Behrens	Secretary	900.00 – ed.]	

Thursday, July 29

Warm but breezes mitigated the heat.

Set out with my photog. outfit this A M. but turned back after I passed the Jewett farm because of the wind.

Did some school business today.

Set about photographing with my Tessar lens this afternoon, but dropped my camera case & tore off hinge. So took the case down to be repaired.

At meeting of Library Board this evening. To Pearl's Movie theater afterwards
(Sirloin steak 70¢ per lb!)

Groceries 1³⁵; meat 1⁵⁰; movies .25;

Friday, July 30

Mother's Birthday

Gray at first. Sun came out at 10:30. Warm

Packed up my camera outfit & went out to get some milkweed portraits. Had tire trouble when I got to brick yard on County Line south of Deerfield & found a nail had gone entirely through tire & rim! Left wheel there & walked on with my outfit a mile and a half to my milkweed colonies. Wind had now arisen & I could not do much. - - - Went to farm house owned by Kelley & called up Larson's who sent taxi out & brot me & wheel home. [Larson Brothers Garage was at 32 S. First St. – ed.]

Albrecht of Farquhar & A called this afternoon - - I got two pictures of details this evening at school
Ice cream .30; Tea 1⁰⁰;

Saturday, July 31

Cool breeze. Fine day.

Took a number of photos of milkweed blossoms today at school. Then this evening went down to end of So. Glencoe Ave to photog. two specimens of A. Sulliv. there. Took one photograph, then broke the hinge fastening of the camera.

Root beer .10;

Sunday, August 1

A beautiful day. Quite cool.

This A.M. bolted church Went to schoolhouse, walked up to Rhinesmith's; called on Parratt.

Jim Crow met me this A.M as I stopped on my way at corner of Sh. R'd & Park Ave to talk with Mr Sullivan I did not see anything but there was the whir of wings - - and Jim was on my shoulder. - -

Later he followed me almost to the Moraine Hotel, excited & eager, & I back-tracked with him on my shoulder to get him safe to school.

Nap this afternoon, then to 6th Ravine & lake shore. Home from Convent station Trolley .15.

Monday, August 2

Fine day. Cool.

Had my camera box mended this A M – by Herman Schwery [owner of a tin shop at 41 St. Johns – ed.]. At school a while

Took 11:38 for Chic. Left negatives at Sweet Wallach's to have prints made. Bo't more supplies. To Ginn & Co's where I met Mr. Burbank, Miss Fleming, & a young pianist from Gallipolis, Ohio - - - Houghton, M & Co. – got copies of new edition of Every Day Arith.; Amer. Book Co – Met Wilson, Hunt, & Miss Murphy. - - Bro't away heavy packages of sample books. - - To Fields for khaki trousers; Von L. & A for carrying bag; C.B & Q offices for rates to Glacier P; shoe supply house for hobnails. Home. – This evening M., K, & I went to concert. Mrs Vercoe and Miss Winifred bro't us home in auto R.R. .64 + .16; candy .10; books 1²³; photog supplies 2.05; bag 7.00; trousers 3.00; barber .25; concert 1.80;

[Pasted to this page is a newspaper clipping of the Ravinia program. – ed.]

Tuesday, August 3

Fine day.

At school this A.M Took earlier train for city. Bot ticket for Glacier Park – 64²⁶ + 5.75 + .46. Couldn't get Mr Parratt's berth because his transportation on G. Northern was not at hand

Conferred with Miss Mitchell over Audubon matters

Took trousers back to Field's for refund & bot a pair at Von L. & A's. – 6⁵⁰; also watch 3.50;

This evening developed 9 panchros. Some of the work beautiful.

Soaked my garden

R.R. .64 + .12;

Wednesday, August 4

Fine day. A little warmer. Gray at evening

Went down So. Glencoe Ave to photo surviving specimens of A. Sulliv. Too windy. Chased by Billie Appleton's ram and had to retire as precipitately as I dared. - - - Gathered peas for a mess. Because of dry weather, vines nearly burned out. - - Potato vines nearly dead - - leaf hoppers

Worked at school. This afternoon Elizabeth Green & I scouted around in the north part of town hunting insects on milkweeds. Mrs McNutt went with us. - -

This evening I was invited to the concert with the Boynton's – Mrs, Miss Edith, Mrs & Mr Millard & Col. Rogers

Barber .25; ice cream .30;

[Pasted to this page is a newspaper clipping of the Ravinia program. It featured the opera, *Carmen*, with Alice Gentle in the title role. – ed.]

Thursday, August 5

Warmer. Sultry.

Cooler haze in evening. Elizabeth Greene and I spent much of morning photographing specimens & worked over insects in the afternoon.

I developed nine negatives.

Wheeled out on County Line late to get fresh specimens. A. Sullivanti gone. Still some A. v.
Ice cream .30;

Friday, August 6

Warm. Sultry.

At school this A.M. Talked over illustrations with Eliz. Greene

Developed 9 negatives this afternoon. Sprayed Mrs Clow's asters. - - Took three more pictures at school - - After supper went down on County Line road and got three group pictures of *Ascl. syriaca*. Came back & did some hoeing of my most recent planting of corn - - & dug some potatoes Dark by this time.

Threatening. - Light rain came up
Barber 1.25; root beer .10; ice cream .30;

Saturday, August 7

[no entry on this day - ed.]

Sunday, August 8

[no entry on this day - ed.]

Monday, August 9

[no entry on this day - ed.]

Tuesday, August 10

[no entry on this day - ed.]

Wednesday, August 11

[no entry on this day - ed.]

Thursday, August 12

[no entry on this day - ed.]

Friday, August 13

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Saturday, August 14

[no entry on this day - ed.]

Sunday, August 15

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Monday, August 16

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Tuesday, August 17

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Wednesday, August 18

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Thursday, August 19

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Friday, August 20

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Saturday, August 21

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Sunday, August 22

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Monday, August 23

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Tuesday, August 24

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Wednesday, August 25

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Thursday, August 26

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Friday, August 27

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Saturday, August 28

[no entry on this day – ed.]

Sunday, August 29

Rained in the night – or, rather, towards morning, and there was a series of downpours after breakfast

Found Clarence and Junior here when I came in last night.

Spent the day at home. We men folks walked up to the schoolhouse a while this A.M. & late this afternoon to my “farm”

The first Golden Bantam corn has been harvested (last week).

Junior went to concert at Ravinia this evening.

Jim Crow has been missing a week, now!!

Monday, August 30

Fine day.

Clarence & J. shopped in the city. I worked at school much of the day. - - Worked over some specimens sent me by J.W. Griesemer – 2 weeks ago! - - This evening all of us but K. went to concert. Fine. Mrs Hageman’s singing very fine & the musical setting very expressive & charming.

Junior had been practicing a piano version of Finlandia & to our delight the number was on the program & impressively rendered.

Met Mr & Mrs Mieth there - - whom I had spent a delightful evening with at the Sun Camp in G.P. Also Billie Folsom, et. al.

[Pasted to this page is a newspaper clipping of the Ravinia program. Renee Thornton, wife of Ravinia conductor Richard Hageman, was the featured soloist in performances of the aria of Micaela from *Carmen*, and three songs with music composed by her husband; Happiness, Do Not Go My Love, and At the Well. - ed.]

Tuesday, August 31

Fine day

At school much of day. Clarence & Jr. in city. - - Norris of Lewis & Capron came to measure up for additional radiation in auditorium. - - Dug my potatoes late this afternoon, & after supper C., Jr. & I went for them with a small wagon.

Sent my report to Griesemer about the pressed specimens
Meat .70; bread .24;

Wednesday, September 1

Fine day.

Gathered the last of our G.B. corn & the first of the S. Evergreen today.

Junior & I went to the city on 9:05. Took stereopticon to McIntosh's to have light adjusted - - Shopped at Field's, Fair, Vaughan's; lunch at Arcade where I met Mrs. J., Miss Annis, & Miss Mills - Bo't history texts at McClurg's. H. Miff & Co - to buy Schultze's books on Glacier Park - - To U. of Chic. to give Jr. a view of buildings. Then to Midway to see the plaster reproductions of Taft's The Fountain of Time. Took elevated back to down-town - Dinner at City Club. Then to Powers to see Byron & Miss Hedman.

[Pasted to this page is a clipping of the playbill from Powers' Theatre of Arthur Byron and Martha Hedman in "Transplanting Jean" a comedy in three acts. - ed.]

Thursday, September 2

Fine day

Worked at school most of day

Dug up our lilies - L. candidum - today. - - Mowed back yard with Junior's help - - - Weighed my potato crop - 94 lb. A bushel & a half worth, now about 3⁰⁰. I had used \$3⁷⁵ in seed + .50 in the plowing. My work besides!

A Miss Smith & a Miss Hoadley of Chicago called to get my advice about some Mss for suppl. reader about birds. Their intentions are all right, but - - -

Workmen overhauled our filter at school, today

Friday, September 3

Fine day.

Re-planted the madonna lilies this A.M. Various errands & at school

This afternoon Junior & I went to the concert at Ravinia Park.

The Greens took Mother, J & me for a ride this evening, after which they came to our house and Junior played for them - Mrs Noerenberg her also.

Harder bill .75; [Harder Hardware Co., 510 Central Avenue - ed.] Gas repair bill .70; concert 1.40; bread .12

[Pasted to this page is a newspaper clipping of the Ravinia program. – ed.]

Saturday, September 4

Another fine day.

At school all day and this evening, overhauling things in the office, etc.

Miss Copeland, one of the new teachers, came in and I secured temporary quarters for her at Mrs Noerenberg's.

Clarence came back from Kenosha where he has spent the last two days
Bread .48; Harder's bill 1²⁵; Groceries 2⁰⁰;

Sunday, September 5

Fine day though threatening. Began to rain this evening. Thunder & lightning.

Went to church – represented family. Dr Freeman preached – most unacceptably to me. - - Mr Quayle distributed circulars warning against candidacy of Deane for state's attorney – ex-saloon keeper, law breaker, etc. This act of Mr Quayle's made the service worthwhile.

Evang. Lutherans held a S.S. convention in aud. this afternoon & evening, and I went long enough to see that things went off all right.

Monday, September 6

Teachers' Institute

Heavy showers in the night. A slight rainfall this afternoon – but most of the day sunny & delightful.

Teachers assembled at 9:30 – all but Miss Grenoble, Miss Dougherty & Miss McManus. - - I talked about mental tests; Miss Lund gave two music lessons; Miss Meyers talked of phonics; Grunewald & Heffron of Puritans & the TerCentenary; Miss Guiney of regional geog. A very profitable time, I thought.

Worked at desk this evening.

Ice cream .15;

Tuesday, September 7

First day of school.

Fine day. Just a little sultry.

School began auspiciously. 585. - - 60 in Kg; 50 in 1st grade. - -

Morning assembly with large group of visitors.

Ran until noon. Then had teacher's meeting this afternoon.

Miss Nora and I worked until 9:00 this P.M. Then I went to a meeting at Community Center of those interested in TerCentenary celebration.

Gathered 25 ears of Stowell's Evergreen Corn this evening.

Wednesday, September 8

Pleasant. A little sultry

Spent much time today over the problem of our crowded kg & 1st grade room. Listed all under-age pupils in each room and plan to drop them.

Barber .75; bread .24;

Thursday, September 9

Downpour of rain before daybreak. Steamy air.

Children brot in things for the vegetable & flower exhibit. Set up this afternoon. May Larson brot a pint of strawberries; Berthyl Berg, do. Eric Engberg, plums & apples (No. Spy) from tree bot at school.

P.T.A. gave a beautiful luncheon to teachers at Mrs Mills' home. M & K. went.

Attended a committee meeting on pageant at "center" this evening; then wrote some letters at school; then dropped in at a political rally at Masonic Hall to boost A.V. Smith for state's attorney

Friday, September 10

Somewhat sultry but not disagreeable

Called on Mr. Sandwick and arranged about the program of some of our pupils who are taking part H-S. work

Mrs Greene & Mr Francis acted as judges of our exhibit.

A little Artis child, a Kg, from 273 Bloom fell from the slide and broke her wrist this afternoon. I went with Misses White & Schermerhorn to the home & called up Dr. Grady to take care of the case.

At desk this evening.

Shave .25;

Saturday, September 11

Grew warm – very uncomfortable today, but cooler breezes blew up this evening.

To city on 8:58. To Ginn & Co. to try to get copies of the new Atwood Geog. Visited with Hall, Burbank & Ferguson. To A Flanagan Co., Fields, DeVoe's, etc Looked in Olympic & heard tail end of Mayor Thompson's political speech.

Home at 3:28. Had a big nap.

Began Meriam's The Curriculum and the Child.

Charge Dist 107 with R.R. .62 + .34;

Lunch .40;

Sunday, September 12

A beautiful day.

Rested on the bed all morning. Read about Kant & Hegel Fichte in Royce's Spirit of Modern Philosophy. Late this afternoon rode to County Line, walked west beyond Skokie Bridge; then back & north through Northmoor Links & home.

Trolley .05;

Monday, September 13

Fine day. Warmer.

Spent some time with the problem of seating the small children. Teachers shifted their work a little. Miss Newberry took in with her 2A's – 12 advanced 2B's. Miss Behrens took all the remaining 2B's; Miss Pritchard all the 1A's; and Miss McManus began to work with Miss White in caring for 55 or so 1B's.

Board meeting this evening. Petition received from group of women asking that school shift back to standard time. - - - Repair bills voted in.

Bicycle pump .65;

Tuesday, September 14

Warm. Sultry

Dismissed at 3:00 Had teachers' meeting later –

Harvested two bushel baskets full or more of ears in husk from my Stowell's Evergreen. A rather poor crop. Large percentage underdeveloped.

Wednesday, September 15

Primary. Comple Woman's Suffrage

Sultry. "Sticky." Cooler after sunset

Short, heavy down-pour at 8:45 A.M.

Miss Clara White sick & away all day I helped out a little this P.M.

Short conference with teachers – 4 & 5 – over nature study.

Worked in office this evening.

Barber .25; ice cream .15;

Thursday, September 16

Fine day. Cooler.

Went with Miss Smith's 3A's on a trip to the Rudolph gardens. Then with Miss Stine's 4B's to Exmoor Ridge, Miss Jones in charge. This afternoon I went with Miss Meyer's 4B's on same trip, Miss J. in charge.

Mr Cook, representing Soc. for Vis. Instruction, came to call & left a price list

At desk at school this evening.

Ice cream .15; household 9⁰⁰

Friday, September 17

Constitution Day

Fine. Cooler.

Visitors today – Miss Edith J. Smith & Miss Weiss – of Miss Hair's School in Chic.

This afternoon I talked to 7th – 8th about the Constitution.

Harry Burch, movie man for Fox Film co., photographed our children on bicycles this afternoon.

Ice cream .15; barber .25;

Saturday, September 18

Grew very sultry today but cooler wind blew up before sunset.

Wheeled out west of Deerfield this A.M. and brot back milkweed stalks with pods. This afternoon I took four photographs, posing the stalks in our back yard.

Worked at school part of the morning and afternoon and this evening. The young folks held their community dance in the aud. this evening again. They have done this now for nine or ten Sat. evenings.

Meat .35; can lids .30; laundry .38;

Sunday, September 19

Fine day

To church

Slept this afternoon. Then on wheel, inspected trees on parkways and at lake front. Called on Billie Steele to encourage John to start at the H.S.

Read considerably from Fernow's Care of Trees. Also "Hegel" in Royce's "Spirit of Modern Philosophy," etc

Church .10;

Monday, September 20

Sultry again today and a little cooler at evening.

At morning ex. used the lantern with songs. Let a Jap – Usedi – advertise himself. After school he talked about Japan, displayed costumes, etc. Had been here with his small son two or three years ago. [See October 2nd and 3rd, 1916 entries. – ed.] Collected funds – "free-will offering". Came out well.

Miss Quealey of the Columbia Graphophone Co. came today and visited Miss Lund's work

I went to Evanston and had a long and confidential chat with Prof. Grant about geographic affairs
Trolley .48;

Tuesday, September 21

Warm day.

P.T.A. gave a reception to teachers this evening. Mr Hinsdell recited and Mrs Norwood Bard sang. Good audience. Fine time.

Wednesday, September 22

Hot and sultry

This was agents' day – M. Gantz, my old college mate, representing maps, dictionaries, etc; Feasley for H – Holt & Co; Miss Robinson, school stores;

Electrician came to change some sockets, etc Parent came to ask a special favor for her child. Etc. etc.

Our staff had a beach party this evening – near the “clay bluffs”. A splendid late afternoon & evening – for it was cool by the lake

Lunch 30;

Thursday, September 23

Cooler breezes today, but still rather oppressive. Warm in the night.

Accomplished considerable today

This evening, Mr & Mrs Greene took Misses C White, Heffron, Grunewald, & me down to the Lincoln School in Evanston to see a demonstration of films prepared by the “Society for Visual Instruction”. Fine ride down & back

These films are interesting but the rental charges are preposterous - \$17⁰⁰ each!

Barber .25;

Friday, September 24

Very hot & disagreeable

Indian exhibit. Fine collection of stuff loaned by children. Also aster exhibit. Fine display.

Exercises in aud. at 2:30. 3 recitations and songs. Then Nicholas Longfeather, native Apache Indian, talked about his experiences as boy & youth at school

Ice cream .30.

Saturday, September 25

Again very hot.

Went to city. Rode in with Robt Hussey who was taking his machine to the shop. Fine visit with him. - - To Schantz office for conf. on geog. affairs. Blakely came in and visited awhile

At 12:30 to University Club for luncheon. Cox, Salisbury, & Pearson. Once more went over question of secretaryship. Cox advances candidacy of Armington. Salisbury of a young business man of no prefer. for geog. work I held out for Goode on part time & an asst to do the “leg work.” Adjourned to meet a week later. In an after conf. with Cox & Pearson, latter flared at me savagely but cooled off - - - Home at 3:30. Hot! Hot!

Barber .25; Meat 1.60; ice cream .30; bread .24

Sunday, September 26

Hot. Disagreeable, but later in day clouds screened earth a little After sunset came up a rain storm & cooler air resulted.

Did not go to church. Read much from Royce. Pasted book plates. Classified clippings, etc.

Late this evening walked out to Blodgett. On way back picked up by Betty Bournique & her Grandmother in their auto.

Monday, September 27

Thunderstorms in the night and downpouring of rain. Cooler today. Clear
Miss Heffron away because of the death of her grandmother. I taught two of her classes this afternoon.

This evening conferred with Mr Wright at his home about the community pageant.

Tuesday, September 28

Quite cool at daybreak. Sunny & pleasant afterwards.

One section of the 4A's with Miss Jones & me had a field trip to look over the Skokie.

Conf. with Miss Sherritt over pageant – this afternoon.

Teachers' meeting. Talked over pageant. Began to discuss Miriam's book

This evening conf. of committee heads at Community Center.

Barber 25;

Wednesday, September 29

Decidedly cool this A.M. Almost frost. Ran fans at school. Small fire in furnace at home all day & evening.

Another geog. trip to Skokie. Gave science lesson in 8B.

Conf. of persons interested in commun. pageant was held at "center" after school

We teachers had another beach party this evening.

Thursday, September 30

Rained during noon hour and again this evening Grew cool – overcoats needed.

Worked most of A.M. with 4B's & a map (floor) of the North Shore. This afternoon – on adjustment of seats, - their proper distribution.

Took 5:29 for Chic. Dinner at City Club. Spent evening at Dr Cowles. Conference over affairs of Geog. Society.

Expense of Chic. Trip 1.25 + .54 + .32 + .24

Friday, October 1

Beautiful day. Quite cool this A M., but no frost in sight - - as had been anticipated.

Conf. this A M. with Mrs Alexander over pageant affairs. Geog. lesson with two groups of 4B's.
Arranged seats in Miss Grenoble's room.

"Billie" Parks visited us after school today.

Pageant com. met again this evening at Community center.

Saturday, October 2

A frost last night that showed on roofs this A M. A little on the grass on our lawn but nothing injured here. At my farm, however, the pumpkin & squash vines gave up the ghost. This evening Mrs Decker drove down with me in her machine and we brot away our crop – about 30 "pie pumpkins" & 10 hubbard squashes

Re-set my seedling Canterbury bells this evening.

To city on 10:29. Luncheon at Univ. Club with Pearson, Cox & Salisbury. More harmonious than a week ago, but I held out for a geographer as sec. and for a liberal salary. Afterwards P. & I had a long &

satisfactory interview with Dr Goode in his office in Rand McNally Bldg. - - - Shopped at McClurg's & Fields. Home at 4:30
R.R. .54 + .32 + .16; barber .25; ice cream .15; magaz. .25;

Sunday, October 3

Fine day. Did not need furnace today
Edith & D spent day with us.
I began Brooks' "The Emancipation of Massachusetts"
Clows called this evening
Late this afternoon I went out to Tillman's orchard to look over the fruit & bring back samples

Monday, October 4

Fine day Pleasantly warm.
Busy with more new pupils. - -
Miss Jones & Miss Powers and I took the 26 - 4A's to Waukegan this afternoon - Fine little class that behaved well. - - U.S. radio boat - The Hawk - in the slip. - - The Yankee Boy had bro't in a little cargo of fruit from St Joe, Mich.
Spent some time this evening in a conf. over pageant affairs.
Ice cream .15;

Tuesday, October 5

Beautiful day.
Worked with 4A & 4B geography class this A.M.
Took 6B's out for identification of shrubs & trees this afternoon.
Teachers' meeting - our first with Meriam's The Indivd. & the Curriculum
Caucus over pageant affairs this evening.
I set out my Canterbury bell plants this evening

Wednesday, October 6

Fine day.
Miss Payne absent because of illness of her mother. Miss Copeland & associates doubled classes & filled her place
Catherine Schumacher went over to Sheahen Woods before school this A M. to pass upon suitability of place for pageant stage
Much routine work covered
This afternoon - 4:29 - left for Chicago. Met Miss Mitchell & Mr Schantz. Had dinner at College Club & conferred about Audubon affairs. To Directors' meeting at Schantz' office.
R.R. .54 + .32; dinner -

Thursday, October 7

Beautiful day
Began sale of bulbs today Cleaned up supply of some things.
Went to city to Directors' meeting this afternoon (Geog). Met beforehand with Pearson, Cox, & Salisbury & agreed to recommend Clarence Jones as Sec., part time, at \$1800. Board then met & ratified our action. Then Ex. Com. of five appointed to set things going - Pearson, Cox, Salisbury, & Schantz & I. -
- - Homeward, visited with Prof. Grant.
This evening at school. Some of the teachers were there cataloging office library books

R R .54 + .32; barber .25; ice cream .15; bulbs 1⁶⁵;

Friday, October 8

Beautiful day.

Fan run a little while this A.M. as on preceding. Kindling fire at home. No real "killing" frost as yet.

Very busy day. This afternoon met all pupils in 3 groups in our ravine "amphitheater" for fire prevention exercises.

This A.M. went with first graders to harvest their pumpkins – a procession followed the two "express" wagons loaded with pumpkins.

After school the Boynton auto took five of my staff & me to Franken's at Deerfield where we bought a supply of bulbs

This evening went down to first meeting of Geog Soc., Henry J. Patten lecturing on battlefields of France

R.R. .54 + .08 + .32; bread .12;

[Pasted to this page is a clipping describing Mr. Patten's lecture. It is transcribed as follows:

Friday, October 8, 1920

FULLERTON HALL, ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO

Lecture by

MR. HENRY J. PATTEN

Title: "The Devastated Regions of France."

Mr. Patten has long been familiar with France and its people by reason of his frequent visits to Continental Europe prior to the Great War. Early this year he planned to visit France as soon as it was possible to obtain passports, which he was able to do in the spring.

Mr. Patten's experiences and observations will be of unusual interest to members of the Society, not only because of his long and intimate knowledge of France and its conditions before the war, but also on account of his active interest in the Geographic Society and its objects, which have brought him into close touch with its membership, during his terms as President. – ed.]

Saturday, October 9

Another. Warmer.

At school most of day and late this evening. Worked on bills; bulbs; overhauling catalogues; etc.

Spent an hour late in afternoon in Sheahen's Woods where Miss Sherrit rehearsed some portions of the pageant.

Gathered a basket of Bantam Evergreen this evening.

Barber 1.25; Gieser 1⁶⁵; Niebuhr .90; baker .12;

Sunday, October 10

Warm. Almost sultry

To church. Heard young Mr Van Evera, missionary to Hangchow, preach. He & his wife represent H.P. Presb. Church. Are here on furlough after 8 yrs of service

Slept most of afternoon. This evening Misses Heffron & Grunewald entertained at "tea" at the Kg. bldg. All teachers in town present, besides Mother & K, Mr. Taylor, Miss Corey, & Charlotte Bergman.

Monday, October 11

Another fine day

Among new pupils were two Serbian children – three weeks in this country!

This afternoon Miss Schermerhorn's 3B's went to the farm in 2 motor busses. I went along – to Ziesing's Thornhill Farm Mrs Guyot, Mrs Benson, & Miss Johnson also went.

School board meeting this evening. Mr Greenslade absent – his wife at the hospital. Mann & Jones also absent.

Ice cream .15;

Tuesday, October 12

Another.

Busy and effective work.

Columbus Day but did not celebrate especially.

After school gathered half of my popcorn.

Some of us for dinner at Mather Smith's & spent a very delightful evening.

Barber .25;

Wednesday, October 13

Warmer.

Gathered other half of my popcorn this A.M. before school. Fine crop

Very busy day again. Went with Miss Smith and the 3A's to Ziesing farm. Used Larson's Exmoor Bus. Mrs Truax went along in her car and took a few of the pupils.

Got back at 3:25. Then fifteen of us took trolley for Sacred Heart station & walked on into Cyrus McCormick estate. Had fine walk through a glorious landscape, & finally came out at north loop of Ft Sheridan where bus waited to take us home.

After supper M., K. & I went to Presb. Ch. to hear Rev. Mr Van Evera's illustrated lecture about his work in China.

Thursday, October 14

Clouded up and slight rain at 2:00 P.M. Cleared off soon.

Took one group of 4B's on field trip to head of Forgan Ravine this A.M.

Had children pack leaves in our cold frames preparatory to storing away bulbs

Spent late afternoon in Sheahen's Woods where rehearsal of parts of the pageant took place

At school this P.M

Today we set about having two or three school costumes of colonial children made to use in the pageant but to own at school.

Today ate Bantam-Evergreen corn from my "farm." Last of crop.

Barber .25; candy .25

Friday, October 15

Gray. Finally a light shower during afternoon and a heavy rain after 5:00 P.M, continuing at intervals until 9:00 P.M.

Field trip of other section of 4B's.

After school spent in planning equipment for characters in pageant. Four boys & I went to the woods to plan their parts.

Evening given up to pageant matters.

Barber .25; ice cream .15

Bread .12

Saturday, October 16 Tercentenary Pageant

Cloudy but clearing & by afternoon sun shone.

To city on 8:09. Miss Grunewald & Heffron and Mr Wright and I went to Blackstone Theater to get seats for Wednesday matinee for Drinkwater's play, Abraham Lincoln I took 70. - - Then to Fields to buy shoe polish, & then to Co Supt Tobin's office where exec. committee of Lake Shore Div. met.

Home at 12:37. Then after lunch to schoolhouse to dress up in a colonial costume. Then to Sheahen's Woods where pageant was held. Great success. Beautiful pictures

So fagged, went to bed early.

R.R. .64 + .40; shoe polish .50;

Sunday, October 17

Clearing.

Awake much of night. "Bunged up" today. Rested and tried to sleep.

Late afternoon went out to Sheahen's meadows & the Skokie, then west on W. Park Ave to Ridge Road and in by Deerfield Road

Read St. Ives today.

Monday, October 18

Rained heavily for a while, this A.M.

Dr. Larson began physical examinations this A.M.

Conf. with Miss Payne & Miss Copeland over geog. work after school.

At desk this evening.

Still very mild weather Ran the fans awhile this A.M. only to dry out the rooms.

Tuesday, October 19

Almost sultry.

Worked with pupils laying away pots of bulbs temporarily in bulb pits.

Miss Nora and I recorded bills in large ledger. - - - W.J. Brown and I planned additional book case. - - Took 11:38 for Blackstone Theater to buy 20 additional 2²⁰ seats and 18 - 1⁶⁵ seats. Caught 1:30 for H.P. - - - Teachers' meeting at 3:45. Chapters 3 - 4 - 5 of Meriam's C & C.

Conf. with Mrs Flinn over P.T.A. program.

R.R. .64 + .24; lunch .35; barber .25; dental floss .30.

Wednesday, October 20

Rather warm, even sultry

This day we took to the Abraham Lincoln play at the Blackstone Theater about 110 pupils. About 15 went in with Mrs Taylor on the 8:09, visited Hull House, etc, & came over to the play. The rest of us left at 12:30 in a two-car special on the trolley. We had 12 adults including teachers in the party. We left the city at 5:50.

A noble play. A fine play for the young to study.

[Pasted to this page is a clipping of the playbill for John Drinkwater's *Abraham Lincoln* with Frank McGlynn in the title role. - ed.]

Thursday, October 21

Still warm. Sultry

P.T.A. this afternoon. Program furnished by pupils of Cramer, Heffron, Giffen Miss Lund sang. Also a group of 1st & 2nd graders.

Went down to Francis Parker school this evening to faculty meeting addressed by Jennie Hall who talked of her visit to the Porter School. Came back with Miss Fargo to Evanston & home.

R R. .32 + .16 + .08 + .07 + .24

Ice cream .30 + .22

Friday, October 22

Still a little sultry

Had intended to have the autumn festival today but seemed too warm to assemble out-of-doors.

This evening went down to Art Inst. to hear Miss Babler talk on Mexico. Came back with Mr. Pearson – as far as Evanston.

[Pasted to this page is a clipping of the Geographic Society lecture by Professor Baber. It is transcribed as follows:

INTER-MONTHLY MEETING

Friday, October 22, 1920

FULLERTON HALL, ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO

Lecture by

PROFESSOR ZONIA BABER

Title: "Conditions in Mexico, a Geographic and Political Interpretation."

Members of the Society will be greatly interested in hearing Miss Baber tell of conditions in Mexico, where she recently spent a part of a vacation period. Mexico will always be of vital interest to us as a sister nation, and her problems should be better understood before we pass judgment on her internal troubles.

Miss Baber's wide experience as a geographer and her strong sympathy for all peoples in their struggles for better conditions will without doubt enable her to present much data that will be entirely new, and should throw light on many of the little-understood problems of our southern neighbor. – ed.]

Saturday, October 23

Dune trip.

With Misses Guiney, White (Clara), Copeland, Payne, Chester, & Dennison, & Mrs Grundy. Got off at Tremont and at 5:30 had an auto pick us up at bridge over Coffee Creek and take us back to Tremont for the 5:48 trolley.

A fine day. A little warm but clouds screened off the sun. Ate lunch near "Duneside Cottage." where Miss Munson and her sister spend weekends Miss M. & Miss Byrne and Mr. Geer there at this time. We all climbed Mt Tom & wandered about the rest of the afternoon

Autumn coloration of oaks & maples in the dunes seems two weeks later than here.

R.R. .64 + .16 + .44 + .52 + .52 + .44

Sunday, October 24

Slight rain this A.M. but clearing. Cooler

To church.

Slept much of afternoon Read from Adams' The Emancipation of Massachusetts Walked over into Sheahen's Woods and the Skokie at sunset.

Miss Hefferan and Miss Grunewald at tea

Monday, October 25

Rained a little after 3:00 this afternoon. Very little rain fall thus far this Fall.

Field trip through ravines with another 4B class & Miss Jones this A M.

A full day. At desk at school awhile this evening. Went over to F.B. Williams' to see an encyclopedia they have bought
Barber .25;

Tuesday, October 26

Rainy but not much rain.

But a full day.

Left on 4:58 for Chicago and met Dr Goode by appointment at City Club. At dinner we talked over Geographic Society matters.

We separated at 7:30 & I went over to Powers Theatre & bought a seat for Ethel Barrymore in *Declassé*. First time I had ever seen this gifted actress. A very interesting performance
R.R. .64 + .08; supper 2.50; theater.

[Pasted to this page is a clipping of the playbill announcing Ethel Barrymore in the role of Lady Helen Haden in *Déclassée* by Zoë Akins. - ed.]

Wednesday, October 27

Rainy much of day but little rainfall.

Miss Bertha Delavan of Evanston called today about the secretaryship.

Went up to Exmoor this evening late to look up geraniums. Frost anticipated.

Thursday, October 28

This afternoon snow flakes fell for a considerable time, melting before (or as) they touched the ground. Cold wind.

This A.M. with help of 3rd & 4th graders, planted tulips in beds along the schoolhouse. Also some Van Sion by the shrubbery.

Misses Johnson and Nolling of Rockford schools visited us today & I gave them some time & attention. Also two from Aurora.

Movie program this afternoon & evening. The 5 reels of Shackleton's "The Bottom of the World" and a Bray Pictograph, "Friendly Strangers". 6th - 8th grades in charge. Tickets 10 & 25. More than \$100⁰⁰ at door Fine entertainment.

Barber .25;

Friday, October 29

Killing frost last night. Geraniums we had intended to take from Exmoor were mostly frozen. The boys and I got 25 or so fine plants that were sheltered by one of the cottages.

More visitors; Mrs Thornton from St. Charles & Miss Burrirt from Rockford

Two science classes - 8B's. Halloween parties here and there throughout the building.

Miss Clara Smith asked to be released Feb 1 to be married.

Saturday, October 30

Heavy frost again last night. - -

To city on 8:58. To Chic. Apparatus Co. Then to Art Inst. to meeting of Lake Shore Div. Small attendance. Talks by Hamilton, Lewton, McCoy & Stoops.

Lunch at Arcade. Then shopped at Arcade. Home.

Potted some bulbs for home at school Dug shallow pit & set in boxes to hold pots.
At desk at school this evening
R R .64 + 1.16; lunch .49; magazines .30; Pepsodent 1²⁰; barber .25; grocer .30; ice cream .15.

Sunday, October 31 Daylight Saving ends.

Milder. Threatening Light rain after dark
To church. Stirring address by Rev. Mr. Montgomery on , "Moral leadership."
Slept much of afternoon. Spent hours with Shackleton's "South" today. A story that holds one.
Called on Mrs Greene for an hour this evening to discuss school affairs

[Pasted to this page is a clipping presumably from the Presbyterian Church bulletin. It is transcribed as follows:

Announcements

We welcome all strangers to our Church this morning.

We welcome to our pulpit this morning the Rev. R. Ames Montgomery, D.D., president of Parsons College, Farifield, Iowa. Our Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., controls ecclesiastically 42 colleges and universities and co-operates actively with 15 others in this country. We shall hear a message today from one who holds a responsible position in this vast educational scheme. – ed.]

Monday, November 1

Gray and drizzly with showers at times. Colder after 9:00 P.M.

Some eager election talk today. Here and there women are studying candidates and attempting to form unbiased opinions

Miss Delevan of Evanston came up today and agreed to accept position of secretary – to report for work tomorrow.

Planted geranium cuttings today

To city on 4:29. Met Miss Mitchell at Tacoma Bldg. After dinner we went to Schantz office and worked over Audubon material until 8:30.

Home on 9:10.

R.R. .54 + .32; supper 2²⁵;

Tuesday, November 2

Snow flakes blew out of the air at times. Like a raw March day.

This afternoon I occupied 5 minutes at the Woman's Club explaining the Smith-Towner Bill.

Election day. This offered no satisfaction to me – to thousands of other people. - - I voted for Cox for President with not much stomach for it, and for J. Ham Lewis for governor.

At Community Center a while this evening as returns were coming in

Miss Delavan began work today – Miss Nora and she working together

Bread .15;

[James Middleton Cox (1870-1957), governor of Ohio, was the Democratic candidate for President of the United States. James Hamilton Lewis (1863-1939) U.S. Senator for Illinois, was the Democratic candidate for Illinois governor. – ed.]

Wednesday, November 3

Fine day.

Was reconciled to a landslide for Harding but surprised at its being so nearly unanimous.

Helped Miss Clara White plan out a trip to study conifers. - - Science lesson in 8B. - - Talked over results of recent examinations with Dr. Larson. - - Conf. with 4th grade teachers. - - -

To Aud. Soc. meeting at Schantz office at 7:30.

S., Miss Mitchell, Craigmile, Mrs Kavanagh, Mr. De Loach, Eifrig, Richardson, Blakeley
R.R. .64 + .08; bread .12;

Thursday, November 4

Fine day.

New pupils and problems of truancy - - - Teachers' meeting this afternoon. Fine interest in Meriam's plea for study of social problem in schools

Dined at the Bensons' this evening to meet Mr Jamieson Handy, a movie official, but he was detained in the city. Mr. B. away on business

Barber .25; ice cream .15. Bread .12;

Friday, November 5

A fine day. Rather cool.

We had our autumn festival out-of-doors this afternoon. Eight different centers were placarded and a "show" went on at each place every "period." Actors & audience moved at intervals and a vaudeville effect was a resultant. Flags and huge banquets of autumn leaves lent color.

Our boys played Lake Forest in football after school – at H-S grounds – and won – 14 to 0.

Saturday, November 6

Mild. Gray. Light rain after 8:00 P M

At home most of day Cleaned off garden. Burned old vines. Spaded all of the garden.

Worked on notes for a talk at the faculty meeting at DeKalb.

Met Miss Boswell with Miss Cramer today. Former is 2nd – 3rd grade critic teacher at Oshkosh now.

Barber \$1.25; shoe repairs 2.85; ice cream .15;

Sunday, November 7

Gray & threatening.

To church This afternoon rode to Convent Station, then walked west & north beyond Westleigh. Then west to Ridge Road & south about a mile when a Mr Scheskie picked me up in his auto & brot me back to H P.

Monday, November 8

Bright & promising after foggy start but overcast in afternoon & rain after 4:15.

Miss Ridlon talked at our morning exercises about "Library Week" which is to be next week

Brown began to build an additional bookcase for the office landing

Took Miss Stine's group of 4B's to Waukegan – Miss Jones & Miss Copeland in charge. Mrs Williams went along with Gertrude. Met Henry Kern, fish warden, there at fish docks & inspected the fine catch of lake trout. The spawn is being carefully collected & shipped to the hatchery at Spring Lake. No boats other than fishing tugs in – but trip very interesting. - - School Board this meeting. Short session – Jones, Mann, Green & Greenslade.

Barber .25;

Tuesday, November 9

Left on 8:58 for DeKalb. Got there at 12:10.

Spent afternoon visiting with Parson, Phipps, Gilbert, & Montgomery - - & others. Ritzman & I had conference right after dinner – at the DeKalb House.

I talked before the Faculty Club at 8:00 on what one wishes the Normal School to do for the teachers. My talk was seemingly well-received. We had a fine social time afterwards

Threatening most of day & a few raindrops Turning colder

First flock of geese at H.P. this A M – 6:30 o'clock Fine flock at DeKalb this evening. First seen there also

R.R. .32 + .08 + 1.89. Lunch .45

Wednesday, November 10

News of Hallie Woodcock's death.

Got up at 5:30. Breakfast at restaurant. Caught 6:25 for Chicago. Cold but clear today. A little ice this A.M.

Home at 9:37. Busy remainder of day!

Talked a few minutes before Woman's Civic Club of Ravinia on Smith-Towner bill.

Hotel 2.00. Breakfast .45; R.R. 1.89 + .32; barber .25

Bread .36., candy .10;

Thursday, November 11

Armistice Day.

Turned biting cold. Light flurries of snow & way below freezing.

Armistice day exercises at 11:00 this A.M.

To city this afternoon Visited agent of Ford "Library" to inquire about movies.

To Cox's office at 3:30 to meet Cox, Patten, & Schantz. After much contention I let Cox & Patten elect Kemp Sec. of the Society. They secured confirmation of this afterwards when the Board met.

Mrs Underwood – now Peterson – gave a most moving address at the Annex this evening on her work in an orphanage in Armenia.

R.R. .64; candy .10;

mending tissue 1⁵⁰ (Dist 107)

Friday, November 12

Cold this morning. About 15 or so above.

Visitors – Misses Russell & Gibbs of Barrington, and Mr Deyoe & Miss Meyers of North Chicago.

Taught 8B science in two sections

At school awhile this evening.

A letter from Clarence contained comment on the death of Hallie Woodcock who committed suicide at Macon three days ago.

Saturday, November 13

Effingham

Left for E. to be Mr. Jensen's representative – The Illinois State Parks Commission of the F. of O.N.L. Chic. 8:45 A.M. Effingham 1:47. Went to Raleigh Hotel. Tried to find David B. Crews. Met instead L.H. Bissell of the College of Photography and he took me to Mr. John Gravenhorst, Sec. Business Men's Ass'n. Made arrangements to scout over country tomorrow. - - Late afternoon I walked out west to Little Wab. R.R. - - In the evening Mr. Gravenhorst took me around to meet representative people. Late in the evening Mrs Wm H. Smith, prominent in Woman's Club, called at my hotel to talk over things & Mrs Le Crone called me up. - - I visited with Co Supt [J.W.?] Davis during afternoon - - also Mr. E.R. Mullins, H-S Princ.

Sunday, November 14

Effingham – Olney

Gray. Cold biting wind

Mr Byron K. Le Crone called on me this A M. Later on Mr. Gravinhorst came in a machine with five other men and we went out and explored the Austin estate. Back to E. for luncheon, then we went out west & explored area north of the estate. Had ride on Nat'l road east of E. Then took 2:20 for Olney. - - Mrs Ridgway met me in a taxi and I spent next three hours in a delightful and intimate chat with them. Found Mr. R. much younger-looking and more vigorous than I had expected. Left there at 7:20. At Mattoon by 10:00 & went to sleeper, our train to leave at 1:05 A.M.

Monday, November 15

Train held up in the night & got to Chic. 30 min. late – So I had to take the 9:00 home.

Spent much of day gathering up odds and ends & caring for new pupils

Went to city on 4:58 to meeting of the “Friends” at Art Inst. Dinner & then entertainment in Club room. Fine time.

Professor Sarett's work a surprise to me and a great treat.

Breakfast .55; phone .25; R.R. .16 + .32. Barber .25; Bread .12;

[Pasted to this page is a clipping of the Friends of Our Native Landscape meeting. It is transcribed as follows:

Our first monthly dinner will be given at the Art Institute
Monday, November 15th, at 6 P. M.

After dinner Professor Lew Sarett will tell us about out-
door life among the Chippewas.

Dinner will be \$1.00 per plate.

Reservations must be made on or before Friday, November
12th. Write or phone

EDISON L. WHEELER, Sec'y
215 West Huron Street
Superior 2442.

We strongly urge you to come and bring your friends.
We want our Winter Meetings to carry on the friendliness and
pleasant associations of our many out-of-door pilgrimages.

If it is impossible to attend the dinner, be sure to come to
the lecture which will start at 7:45. We shall expect you.

Miss Catherine Mitchell,
Chairman of Committee
Miss Harriet Monroe
Mr. Edison L. Wheeler – ed.]

Tuesday, November 16

Snow

Snowed some in the night & kept on until two or more inches had fallen. Children have had good sliding on the sidewalk.

Teachers' meeting this afternoon – Chapters 7 & 8 of Meriam.

Miss Giffen took party of girls to Chicago today to see batik exhibits & go to Art Institute.

I was to have gone to Champaign this evening for the two days conference but I decided to stay and spend two days visiting my own school

At school this evening, overhauling my science cabinets.

Wednesday, November 17

Milder. Sidewalks largely clear of snow.

Visited schools extensively today.

Mr Bahrendson, a band instructor, called to interest us in getting up an orchestra.

Worked at school this evening.

Barber 25;

Thursday, November 18

Milder. Sunny. Made people talk of Indian Summer.

P.T.A. this afternoon Very successful. Miss Ridlon and Mrs Dwight Perkins on the program, the latter reading one of her stories from grown-ups. Misses White and Heffron displayed some of the books recently purchased.

At school this evening, working on plans for arithmetic in lower grades. Looked in at Community Center where directors' meeting had just occurred

Friday, November 19

Mild. Pleasant.

Miss Esther White has adopted two ring doves & Mr Marshall has been making a cage for them.

Took Miss Meyer's 4B's to Waukegan this afternoon, Miss Jones & Miss Meyers helping. 29 pupils

Worked at desk at school this evening.

Science in 8B.

Saturday, November 20

Very mild today.

Boxed & sent off two boxes of school books to Ginn & Co and to Farquhar & A.

Crated 5 guinea pigs – used a basket - & took them in on the 10;33. Presented them to Vahle's Bird Store Have two females and two babies left.

The Millers living across from school left for Pittsfield, Mass. I helped them on train & into taxi.

To Chic. App. Co for glass tubing, etc. Fields for glass churn for 3B's. Schantz' office for Bulletins. Home at 2:21. Worked mostly on Audubon matters in afternoon & evening.

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Tacks .35; basket .25; exp .40

Barber .25; R.R 64 + .16;

Churn 1²⁵ (Dist 107); lunch .30

Sunday, November 21

Mild. Gray. Misty.

To church At home nearly all remainder of day. Read steadily from Adams' The Emancipation of Massachusetts.

Monday, November 22

Threatening. Mild. Then rain after night & cooler.

A busy day

Conferred with Mr Brown about some carpenter work at school.

Helped a group of boys with beginning electricity lessons after school.

At home this evening.

Bread .12;

Tuesday, November 23

Another birthday!

Mild. Gray.

Busy. - -

Miss Payne as captain of Red Cross for the school has committees from each room solisiting dollar memberships.

Worked awhile at my desk this evening and on my way home discovered that the community concert was on! Went in and had a great treat. Mrs Byfield is a real artist and her songs were simply & beautifully rendered. Geo. Jones played beautifully

Barber .25; Bread 24;

Wednesday, November 24

Threatening. Misty in afternoon.

“Shows” much of day. 4th graders entertained each other in Aud. from 9 to 10:00; the 6th’s the 7th & 8th’s & Kgs from 10 to 11; and the 3rd’s each other from 11:00 to 12:00.

All of us met at 1:30. The 6A’s gave a special play; we sang two or three songs; then showed some slides with comments

Lennie & Arthur & Ruth came in at 6:31 this P.M

Our Red Cross drive at school brot in \$79⁰⁰.

Bread .12; Red cross 3⁰⁰

Thursday, November 25

Thanksgiving Day

Gray. Cool.

Arthur & I represented the house at Union Services at Episcopal Church – Rev Frank Fitt preached. Colorless sermon, as usual.

Edith & D. came this A M. and stayed until 6:52. E. took back two paper whites I had started for her.

We all visited Bahr’s Greenhouse & went up to the school building this afternoon – all except Mother & D.

I developed 9 panchros this evening – milkweed pods taken in August
Collection 1⁰⁰

Friday, November 26

Gray. Cool.

At school a while this A.M. overseeing some work & doing odd errands myself.

Took 11:37 for Chic. To Schantz’ office where I worked for an hour or more with Miss Mitchell on Audub. matters. Then to Rand McNally’s for a map of Dunes; Pattee’s office to talk over the Bulletin; McClurg’s to examine new bird books; Cox’s office to attend meeting of Exec. Com. of Geog Soc. Elected Kemp Sec. at \$2400. - - Planned a dinner for the Soc. of Amer Geographers for Dec. 30. - - - Then to Schantz’ office where I met Miss Mitchell & Mr. R.B. Miller, state forester, & then we went to City Club for Dinner. Left there at 8:30 – caught 9:10 for home.

R.R. .64; lunch .25; map .50; barber .25; Club 3.75;

Saturday, November 27

Moderate. Sunny at times.

Lennie & A. & Ruth left on the 7:28 – on their long trip to the Coast.

I worked at school nearly all morning, overhauling each of the cold frames in which potted bulbs are stored. I took out 40 or more pots ready for forcing – crocuses, a few hyacinths and tulips, daffodils.

After long after-luncheon nap, I went back to school & did office work until six. I spent all this evening until late on the Ill. Aud Soc Bulletin

Barber .25; baker .30;

Sunday, November 28

Sunny much of time. Cool wind.

Church this A.M.

Stayed in most of day. Worked at Audubon material.

Monday, November 29

Misty weather. Then some rain about 5:00 P.M.

Various rooms began the study of the Christmas carols today

Miss Lund and I worked with some of the boys on the Christmas play.

Miss Delevan began copying for the printer Mss of the Bulletin.

Ethel Pritchard, now Mrs McOsker, was in her place as usual this A.M – Grade 1A – receiving congratulations of her friends

Called on Mrs Carrol in Highwood tonight to urge that Mary be kept in school and not put to work. - - Then worked at my desk until 10:00

Trolley .10; barber .25;

Tuesday, November 30

Rainy at times. Snatches of sunshine

This A M Mr Mann and I spent some time planning improvements on the b'ld'g.

Teachers' meeting this afternoon.

Worked at Audubon work at school this evening.

L.H.J. .20;

Wednesday, December 1

A light rain during day Gray & sunny at intervals.

Busy.

Left school at 4:30 Went to Lake Forest to call on Miss Drummond. With her three quarters of an hour. Quite hard of hearing & uses an auditory instrument. Rather feeble but more active than I expected. Talked about the Audubon Society mostly. Left at 10 of 6:00. Phoned K to have my bag & package at the station, then took the 6:23 at Lake Forest for Chic Picked up my supplies as the train stopped at H.P. To Audubon meeting at Schantz' office - - Kavanaugh, Mitchell, Blakeley, Deane, Gault, Schantz, Mr & Mrs Pattee

Home on 10:05 with the Pattees

R.R. 16 + 16 + 32 + 32; taxi 1⁰⁰; meal .20 + .65; phone .10;

Thursday, December 2

Gray for the most part. Still rather mild.

Busy. Uneventful. Have a letter from a teacher in New Jersey who has seen an account of our Christmas play in the Normal Instructor (Danville, N.Y.) and wants a copy! Miss Zoe Hartman got some "dope" from me last May & now it seems to be in print!

P.T.A. committee meeting at Mrs Flynn's this afternoon. I attended for a time.

Library Board Meeting this evening. Wolcott, Fitt, Carr, Mrs Winston, Everett, Erskine

Friday, December 3

As yesterday.

Two 8B science lessons Planned for Christmas program & distributed parts

This evening to Presb. Church to hear Prof. Beeler on the religious education of the Child
Searching and stimulating talk

Saturday, December 4

Rain. Before daylight and frequently during the day. The heaviest rain since Sept. 1.

To city on 10:48 trolley. To Pattee's office to leave photographs. To Mr. Deane's office to talk Audubon matters. McClurgs to buy books and get prices for a book list in the Bulletin. Shopped at Fields.
Home at 5:44.

Desk work at home this evening.

R.R. .64 + .16; lunch .50; gloves 6.50; barber .25; bread .24;

Sunday, December 5

Cleared and not much cooler. Bright day

Loafed at home. Had a walk to Deerfield and back late, dark when I got home.

Mother and I called at Greenslades this evening. Mrs G. died early yesterday A.M. Goiter trouble.
A woman of native refinement, kindly, retiring. An excellent neighbor.

Read from Turner's The Frontier in American History.

Monday, December 6

Fine day. Cool.

Considerable time furthering the Christmas play.

This evening attended conference at Community Center on the budget for next year
Right after supper, Mother, K, & I went over to Mr Greenslade's to see the floral display about the casket.
Barber .25;

Tuesday, December 7

Another pleasant winter day Threatening but to no end.

At Mr. Greenslade's a while this A.M and followed procession to church. Then went to school.

Some of our teachers left early to hear Prof Franklin Snyder lecture on Mark Twain at the Woman's Club.

I worked at school desk this evening.

Wednesday, December 8

Another.

No especial incident. Heard 8B science.

Set up gas stove in basement lunch room in Annex.

Barber .25; bread .24;

Thursday, December 9

As before – but after nightfall a slight flurry of snow.

P.T.A. meeting this afternoon. Mrs Peter sang; Miss Harbaugh played; Miss Stine “read.”

Clarence came this afternoon & we all visited this evening.

Friday, December 10

Just traces of snow at daylight on the grass

Clarence went to Kenosha this A.M., returning this evening.

Spent considerable time on Christmas play today.

Clarence and I went to hear Prof Lew Sarett at the H-S. this evening – the same fine program I heard at the Art Institute a few weeks ago.

Barber .25; bread .12;

Saturday, December 11

Mild. Threatening. A very light shower late afternoon

Clarence left for home this A.M. I went in with him on the 8:09 and left him to run my errands. – Chicago App. Co for some flasks; Schantz office; Pattee’s; Co. Supt Tobin’s office where I attended meeting of Ex Com. of L.S. Div. To Inspector St Clair’s office (State Game & Fish); to Field’s Grill for lunch with Cook Co Sup’ts Assn. To Blackstone Theatre where M & K came later in a taxi. We three with Misses Behrens, White, Copeland & Mrs Davis (Alice’s mother) saw the Abraham Lincoln Play – all greatly impressed. Took folks to C & N.W. Then after lunch went to Division Street to interview Mr Blakeley – but he was not at home Home on 8:00

R.R. .64 + .40 + 3.35; lunch 1.20; supper .65 + .25; barber .25; Charge Aud Soc. 25 + .10 + 75

Sunday, December 12

Foggy. A very little rain

Did not go to church. Rested. Went up to Lake Forest to visit Miss Drummond this afternoon. Secured some material for an Audubon article.

Trolley .20

Monday, December 13

Rained heavily at intervals during the day and evening. Warm.

Very busy. - - Miss Stine had a message after she reached school this A.M., announcing the death of her mother. She left for home at once

Got up at 4:30 this A.M. and began an article on Miss Drummond for the Bulletin. Did not finish it today.

Board meeting this evening.

Rec’d fine box of figs and prunes from Robert Enders today.

Barber .25

Tuesday, December 14

High winds like March today, but not severely cold.

Very busy. 8B science. Berendsen, the “music man,” came and aroused much interest in his plans for an orchestra.

Miss Lund came this evening and the boys rehearsed the Christmas play

Garters .75;

Wednesday, December 15

Windy. Colder.

Pushed Christmas play along. Miss Harbaugh and Mrs Bard each gave me an hour at the piano.

Heard 8B science. Sent stuff to Pattee for the bulletin.

Worked until 11:15 P.M. copying final version of the play.

Barber .25;

Thursday, December 16

Cool. Wind died down. Gray

Rehearsed play this A.M. Showed Christmas slides to Kindergarteners

Various things went on this afternoon. - - Christmas tree set up in Miss Heffron's room with a Santa & his secretary was goal of excursions by a number of rooms The 2A's found a present on it for each child – the gift of Mrs Phelps.

Particularly noticeable were the crayon drawings in Miss Grunewald's rooms.

At desk at school this evening.

Friday, December 17

Fine – cool day. A suggestion of a snow flurry after night fall.

Christmas carols this morning and the story of the Christ child; the annual play at 1:30 this afternoon and again this evening. A great success. Kg. had a beautiful tree this A.M. & quite a party

Children greatly enjoyed this day.

Barber .25;

Saturday, December 18

Colder. A real wintry day

Spent some time getting the funds together the children had collected for European Relief.

Counting in the door receipts last night we had over \$160⁰⁰. Then there were \$165⁰⁰ in bank to credit of E.P. Orphan Fund, originally intended to use in France. Now we are turning this all over to the Hoover fund.

To city on 10:38. To Schantz' office. To Pattee's. Talked over Bulletin with latter at lunch. To Stevens to return mdse. Art Inst. to opening of exhibit of Wild Flower Preser. Soc. Met Mrs Farwell, Blocki, Richardson, Millspaugh, Michaelson, Miss Mitchell, Mrs Voorhees, Dr. Moffet, Mr & Mrs Paulis of Elgin, etc. Shopped at Fields. Home at 5:44

R.R. .64; lunch .65; diary & calendar 1.75;

Sunday, December 19

Coldest day, thus far. Clear.

Walked to Deerfield this A.M. Heard a Christmas sermon by the new pastor – good appearance & voice, - rather ignorant and narrow.

Looked over proof this afternoon – then went up to Mr. Parratt's to show him some negatives. Ate supper with him & Mrs P and with Norriss and his wife.

Lois Green called this evening & we showed photographs and had a fine talk.

Church 50.

Monday, December 20

Milder. Heavy smoke fog over Chicago

To city on 10:23. To Schantz' office. Then to Pattee's where I worked until 2:10 on copy for the Bulletin. Then lunch and to Academy of Sciences to confer with Woodruff over a photo to be used in the Bulletin. - - Then back to Pattee's. - - Then to City Club. After supper went to hear Galli-Curci in La Traviata. Beautiful performance. Home on the 11:20 trolley,
R.R. .32 + .24 + .54; meals .55 + 1⁰⁰; ticket 3.30; book .30;

Tuesday, December 21

Snow flurries rather thick this A.M., turning into sleet & rain towards evening

To city on 11:15 trolley. To Fields to leave a hat. To Schantz where I spent some time studying over my milkweed slides, then took them over to Miss Grace Nichols, colorist, 143 N. Wab. Ave.

To Pattee's office where I wrote a few captions and corrected some proof.

Home on 5:10.

After supper to Geo R. Jones' to have him test out some secondhand violins that had been left at school by Mr Berendsen. Then to meeting of Library Board

R.R. .54 + .16 + .32; lunch .35; barber .25;

Wednesday, December 22

Rained more or less all day and a little snow fell after 9:00 P.M.

To city on 8:49. To Pattee's office where I worked with a noon intermission all day – until 5:40 P.M. Got dummy nearly laid out.

Home at 7:00. Worked at captions all evening.

R R .64 + .16; lunch .30;

Thursday, December 23

About two inches of crusty snow on walks at dawn.

Took 7:40 for Chic. and spent practically all day at Pattee's office. Had long waits for material. Finished some captions this evening; then took a copy of my "Memorial" (prepared for the F. of Our N.L.) to the local printer for the night linotype man to set up. This will make two pages necessary to fill out the Bulletin.

R.R. .64 + .32; lunch .30; books 3²⁵;

Friday, December 24

Christmas Eve – a most beautiful night. The moon full and high in the sky, the sparkle of the snow on roof and branch, the firm snow-crust surface of the streets, candles in windows, trees aglitter within – cold enough to pinch the ear a little!

Spent some time at school. This afternoon overhauled each of the cold frames (6) in which bulbs have been stored. Moved nearly all hyacinths and tulips into the plant house and some of the jonquils and daffodils. Packed all else in the three frames by the plant house

Barber .25; bread .24;

Saturday, December 25

Worked all morning at the plant house.

Clarence & Edith came at noon.

Rested & read all afternoon. C. & I went to Pearl Theater this evening and saw a most beautiful version of Evangeline.

Snowing late this evening.

Wrote a lot of letters.

Sunday, December 26

Four inches of snow. Mild all day

Clarence & I went to church at First M.E. at Evanston. Communion service

C & Edith went home at 3:00.

Rested, slept, & read

Trolley .96; church .25;

Monday, December 27

A cold wave struck us during the day and the thermometer went down to zero.

This A.M. conferred with S.A. St. Peter about employing a new janitor's assistant. Then met John Butler and arranged with him to take the place. - - To city on 10:45 trolley. To Pattee's where I spent an hour or so on final proofs of the Bulletin. Lunch and then to U. of C. where I registered for the meeting of the A.A.A.S. To Harper library to hear the program of the Wilson Club. Back to Univ. Club for dinner with Mrs Horace Kaufman, her son Harlan, now member of legislature. Jensen, Forester R.B. Miller, Schantz, Mr & Mrs Gowen, Mr Seister.

Then Mr Miller & I went to City Club to hear Richardson's bird lecture. Home at 11:40. Went to school first to put more coal in heater.

Barber .25; R R 54 + .32 + .47; lunch .35; dues 5⁰⁰

Tuesday, December 28

Moderated very much during day but was 4° or so below zero at daybreak.

Went to school bldg at 8:00 to get John Butler started at work. - - Found plant house frozen up in places. Film of ice in aquarium on high shelf.

To city on 10:38. To Mueller's to look after some framing. - - To U. of C. - - Attended afternoon session of Ecological Society. - - Heard Ward on Alaska salmon - - Shelford on plan for conservation work - - Down to Art Institute at 4:30 to reception given by Wild Flower P.S. To City Club for dinner by myself - - To La Salle for a conf. with Prof. Buckingham & committee on revenue situation. Home at 11:10.

R.R. .32 + .32 + .16 + .46; lunch .45

dinner 1.25

Wednesday, December 29

Much milder. Thawed a little.

Stayed at home today. At school much of the time.

Syren showed up today, still too ill to work. Had not been on hand since Friday. This evening I told Waino Santa I would not need him any more.

Mr Berendsen came up today & talked orchestra plans with me, then phoned a number of parents.

Met Myrtle English here today at Federal Bakery. Her brother-in-law manages it.

Barber 1.25; bread .16

Thursday, December 30

Mild. Thawed much

To city on 8:30 trolley. To Univ. - Attended Ecolog. Section this A.M. & Geog. Section this afternoon.

This evening - the banquet at the Sherman Hotel. A great success. Came home on 10:40 with Mr. Pearson.

R.R. .54 + .23 + .32 + .08;

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

DINNER

Tendered the Members of
The Association of American Geographers
by the
Geographic Society of Chicago

SPEAKERS

HARRY P. PEARSONS, President

PROFESSOR ROLLIN D. SALISBURY
Toastmaster

“Geography and Goodfellowship”

PROFESSOR H.E. GREGORY, Yale University
President of the Association of American Geographers

“The Association and the Isolated Geographer”

PROFESSOR CARL O. SAUER, University of Michigan

“Political Geography in the Field of Diplomacy”

DR. ISAIAH BOWMAN, Director American Geographical Society

“Geography and Legislation”

PROFESSOR HARLAN H. BARROWS, University of Chicago — ed.]

Friday, December 31

Here endeth 1920!

A mild, foggy day, slushy under foot.

To city on 8:09. Shopped at Fields & Mandels & had my glasses repaired at Bartel's. Then to Rosenwald, U. of C. to program of geographers and ecologists

Ate lunch at 1:30 with Mr Plapp & Miss Plapp on 55th St. Then took I.C.R R. downtown
Looked up a few milkweed references at Public Library. Home on 5:10.

Oculist 4.25;

R.R. .64 + .23 + .16; lunch .45; hardware .45; L.H.J .20; S.E. Post .05