

**Jesse Lowe Smith**

**Diary**

**1912**



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## Forward

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

Jesse Lowe Smith attended grade school in Macon, Illinois. With a passion for books and nature study, Jesse saw his life as a teacher. He attended the Academy in Benton Harbor, Michigan from 1884-1887, living with his Great Aunt Margaret Crooks. In 1888 he returned to Macon where he taught for three years. Teaching and studying independently as he taught, Jesse, at age 21, qualified for entrance to Pauw University in September 1891. He completed his education at the University of Chicago from 1892 to 1894.<sup>1</sup> 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.<sup>2</sup>

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

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

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

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

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

**Monday, January 1** +6°

About 5° above or lower this A. M. Icy patches on sidewalk; slippery roads. Clear. Sunny.

Around home. Photographed postal cards, etc. this A.M. P.M. photographed trail trees – Co. Line; near tobog. Slide, R. Park; 2 in Exmoor. Developed 10 pictures this P.M. Worked on bound magazine articles.  
Trolley .10;

**Tuesday, January 2** +5°

Cold. Clear. Rather severe – but bracing. At my desk much of the day, sorting over stuff. At school late morning. Toilets frozen up but engineer thawed them out safely. Let water overflow in science room and drench ceiling of room below. Berube worked on plant house. Norris P. called to ask advice about his college course.

Spent evening with Mrs. Schumacher talking over school situation.  
Barber .15; Purdy's 1<sup>00</sup>

**Wednesday, January 3** +5°

Another cold day. About 2° above. Somewhat gray.

Worked for myself. Then some time at the schoolhouse. Then 12:56 for Chicago. At Cardy's; Federal Bldg, chat with Prof. Cox, Armington & Mortensen; Miss Ingersoll's; Wiperman's; supper – Adams St. -; Orchestral Hall to hear La Follette. Great and enthusiastic crowd. Clear – old-fashioned speech with new material. Convincing – eloquent, at times.  
R.R. 52 + .20; Wipermans .60; Supper .40 + .15; papers .02

**Thursday, January 4** -6°

Icy winds today. Much colder. 4 or more degrees below as I write.

Experimented with my camera. 10:33 to city. Fields, Cox' office where I phoned Mortensen; Sweet, Wallach's; C. Transparency Co; Harvester Co; Chic. Tel. Co – Mr. Larned & Mr. Foster; Associated Press – Mr. Gavitt; etc. Arranged for 2 excursions – to Tribune Bld'g & to Chic. Tel Co, Saw Mr Shoup et. al. at Board rooms. Spent early evening at Cox office writing copy for printer – excursion notices. Met Miss Schaffner at Henrici's. Home on 8:37.  
R.R. 52 + 30; lunch .50; supper .25; C.Transp. Co 6<sup>75</sup>; Sweet & Wallach. 1<sup>85</sup>;

**Friday, January 5** -10°

Thermometers read from -10° to -14° this A.M. Bitter north wind all day.

At school building most of morning. Clearing up in office – in science room. 12:56 to Chicago. To Field's; to Art Institute to engage Fullerton Hall for lecture on Associated Press Dec. 20; to Federal Bld'g; to Miss Ingersoll's. Attended committee meeting of Geog Soc. at Cox' office with Mr. Hibbard & Mr. Ralph Isham Home on 5:45 – which got in at 7:00.

Pd house rent & various bills by check today.  
R.R. 52 + .30;

**Saturday, January 6** -11°

Thermometer -12° or nearly so. Moderated during day a little and a little granular snow fell.

At school much of the A.M., and all P.M. Conference with Mr. Johnstone of the Highwood Schools – Mr. Davies and I fastened up stereopticon curtain in Miss Canavan's room – Sorted out box of specimens presented by Dr. Peck –

**Sunday, January 7** -16°

Thermometer if anything a little lower than at the same time yesterday. Moderated considerable. Sunny. On this as the preceding days we kept the fireplace going.

Conference over phone with Mrs Curtis & Mrs Fyffe. Then went up before noon to look up condition of Joe and Mrs Arterbury. Found them warm but needy. (North limit of Highwood). Gave them \$3<sup>00</sup>. Reported to Mrs Curtis.

Slept P.M. Took two flag pictures on panchromatic plates. Developed 10 negatives.

P.S. It was -16° in Chicago! At least that here!

Trolley .10;

**Monday, January 8** -3°

Several inches of dry snow fell in night. It snowed at times - - in fact most of the time all day. Zero or below this A. M. Moderated a little but grew colder during day.

School began again Miss Badger ill. Phoned Mr N for sub. Miss Cooley came. Some new pupils. 3 science lessons. Ate lunch at school. Plumber fixing two breaks. Mrs Shannon – caucus with her.

**Tuesday, January 9** -4°

Severe still. Cold winds. Several below.

Miss Badger reappeared. Miss Guiney went to oculist's in city. Miss Lucy Cooley helped me run the room. Watched heating plant closely. Building too warm at times. Taught three classes today.

Teachers' meeting – of some length. Rev. Mr. Bartlett's lecture this evening on Sunny Italy. "Buffalo Jones" lectured at Club and drew some of our audience. We had small house.

**Wednesday, January 10** -6°

Still severe. Bright & sunny.

A busy day. Planned music for commencement. Gave some attention to Mr. Cate's 7th & 8th grade classes. Conference with Miss Kendrick & Grunewald over history. Spent some of the evening at school, making up tuition ledger. We got letter from Will Keiser today.

Byron Stevens 1<sup>00</sup>; Barber .15; Le[e?]t Bro., Photog. 2<sup>80</sup>; Natl Child Labor 3<sup>00</sup>

**Thursday, January 11** -3°

Severe. Cloudy at intervals. Biting cold.

Parents & Teachers' meeting this afternoon Miss Guiney had a class exercise in literature – excellent.

Gave Winoni (Italian) lesson in reading tonight. 8B's gave party for 8A's in auditorium. Took Hazel Larson & Frances Green home afterwards. A very cold walk. (Mr. Bunnel came for Margaret & he & I had long talk).

Daily News Almanac .45

**Friday, January 12** -3°

Still severe. Sunny. Moderated, though, enough to permit of some dripping from sheltered eaves.

Lesson to my Italian this P.M. Then to P. & T. reception at H.S. Fine affair. Conference with Mrs. Underwood & Mrs Geer about lecture course.

Sent out tuition notices.

.50 on expenses of pupils' party.

**Saturday, January 13** -1°

Moderated some, yet was 8 or 10 below at dawn. Gray.

Met Mr. Berube at school b'ld'g at 8:00. Worked with desks, etc., with him; Then caught 10:33 for city. Mandel's; McClurg's; Miss Ingersoll's. Brought away Lincoln, s; Washington; flower slides. Pd. on acct 15<sup>00</sup>. Home on 3:35-4:21. Went to H.P. library to look up pictures of Lincoln, etc.

At desk much of evening. (Met Miss Norris at Lyon & Healy's today. Chat about Adel Whitford. R.R. 52 + .20; lunch .26; supplies at McC. 1<sup>43</sup>; music .30 Tailor .30;

**Sunday, January 14** +4°

Much milder. About an inch of snowfall in the night. Prec .06; snowfall 1.2; on ground at 6:00 P.M. 3.2. 10 above zero – 10 to 20 above

Church. Lora Withers was the soprano. Went to Everett Millards right after church to see his bird houses. Ate lunch there. Saw chickadees, nuthatches, downies, jays, at his feeding stations. Open water ¼ mile wide near shore where more than 1000 ducks were afloat. Thought they were old-squaw.

Clows spent evening with us. Reading Ross' Changing Chinese.  
Church .10;

**Monday, January 15** -2°

About 10° below. Moderated some. Cold north wind by nightfall.

Miss Massey came to take Miss Badger's place. Mrs Grant substituted for Miss Grunewald who has tonsillitis. Showed lantern slides of school exhibits, etc., at A.M. exercises. Man from Johnson's overhauled our thermostats. Taught three science lessons. Conferences with teachers after school.

Winoni's lesson.  
Barber .15; Royal League 4<sup>56</sup>

**Tuesday, January 16** -2°

About 3° below. Moderated a little more today. Gray. Storm wind arose at evening.

Miss Grunewald still too ill to appear. Miss Gertrude Miller went home because of trouble there. I taught her room nearly all day.

Caucus about arithmetic this evening. At home after supper.  
Sent 3<sup>50</sup> off for some more Mt. Vernon pictures.

**Wednesday, January 17** +15

Much milder. Gray for the most part. Above zero at A. M.

Mrs Grant substituted as usual. I taught one class there Helped 4th grade stereopticon talk on silk culture.

Preparing for Elgin talk.  
Arranged next program (lecture) with Mrs Underwood.

**Thursday, January 18** +13°

A heavy frost or dew in the night which left everything "slick." Mild – a little above freezing during the day

Various duties. Got the bills ready for the Board Meeting. - - Left at 2:43 – took 4:15 for Elgin. Train held up over an hour near Wayne because of broken truck on mail car. Hurried supper – Kelley Hotel Got into dress suit. Gave Flower Lecture at Y.W.C.A. Bld'g. \$20<sup>00</sup>: Miss Grace Reed. Mrs. Geo. Cook – 10:00 back to Chicago (Aurora – Elgin Electric); & 12:15 for home.  
R.R. 52 + 10 + 74 + 60; meals 40 + 45; hotel .50; shine .20; magazines .20;

**Friday, January 19** 0°

Below zero – colder after dawn, – 5° or more. Clear. Sunny.

To Waukegan with all my staff. Institute in new H.S. bld'g, Fine program. Dr. Cook & Sup't Blair. I had them in charge at noon hour – special table with them & some of our staff. Dr. Atwood's lecture on Alaska

Gave Minoni a lesson this P.M.

Trolley .40; lunch \$1<sup>00</sup>; book 1<sup>00</sup>;

**Saturday, January 20** +2°

Light fluffy snow in flurries, 6:00 A.M. to 8:30 A.M. Temperature below freezing most of time. Cleared somewhat during day.

City on 10:33. Chat with Mrs Cushing en route. Tribune B'ld'g, Miss Ingersoll's; Miss Guiney & I then went to Art Institute to borrow photographs; Clover Club; McClurgs; Cox's office; etc. Supper on Adams St. At Art Inst.: Mr. J. P. Gavit's lecture on work of Associated Press; excursion to Tribune Bldg – saw Sunday edition to press. Home at 1:15.

R.R. 52 + 30; lunch .31; supper 45 + 15; rubbers 1<sup>00</sup>; typewriter ribbon 1<sup>00</sup>; show. 10;

**Sunday, January 21** +2°

Sunny at intervals. Cool winds Cold but not severe

Stayed in house all day. Reading Ross' The Changing Chinese. Photographed pictures of castles, interiors at Mt. Vernon, etc. Developed them this evening.

Mr. Parratt called and stayed until eleven P.M.

**Monday, January 22** +22°

Gray much of time. Moderating. A little melting.

To city on 9:56 – back on 12:45. Got photos of castles I left at Miss Ingersoll's on Saturday. Ordered supplies at McMaster-Carr. Lunch at Thompson's on State.

Conference with some of teachers after school. Also with Rev Mr Dobson who called on S.S. errand.

Conf. with Mr. Greenslade this evening. Worked on financial report of Board. Developed 6 neg. which I took during afternoon – Kenilworth, castle, etc.

Mary Peirce's father killed in wreck on I.C.R.R. at 1:00 A.M!

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

**Tuesday, January 23** +20°

Mild. Slight melting. Sunny most of the day.

Glazier's worked on our greenhouse. Spent most of morning working on financial estimate for the Board. This I sent in by Will Hennig to Mr. Mosely. Also sent negatives to Miss Ingersoll.

Conference with Mrs. Shannon. With four (six) of teachers. Gave Menoni a lesson, P.M.

Worked late after supper at schoolhouse

R.R. 52 + 40 (Hennig for Dist. 107); Barber .75

**Wednesday, January 24** +10°

Clear. Cool. Thawed a very little.

7:04 to Chicago; 8:27 Lake Shore for Gary with "Educational Council of Cook Co."

Spent morning in conference with Sup't Wirt. There were over 50 of us. Lunch at Gary Hotel at Mr. Taber's expense. Afternoon at the wonderful Emerson School B'ld'g. Such organization and equipment!

Left on 3:22 for Chicago: home by 6:31. Saw Fay & Grant Wilson at Gary.

Stopped at Miss Ingersoll's and Wipperman's.

R.R. 52 + 20 + 50; camera plates 94;

**Thursday, January 25** +13°

Sharp this A.M. Moderated a little.

Two science lessons this day.

Mrs John Grant substituted for Miss Massey who is ill. Gave Angelo a lesson this evening.

Boy scouts called out to scour the woods for a missing H.S. girl. Later on she was discovered visiting friends in Chicago!

Conference with teachers until late this P.M.

Ticket \$6<sup>50</sup>; \$2<sup>00</sup> sent to History Mag; \$2<sup>00</sup> Audubon Society;

**Friday, January 26** +24°

Snow. Began about 6:30 A.M. Fall rather light. Did not moderate much.

Copy for commencement program to printer. Arith. exam for 8th grade.

Mrs Rioux and Mrs Berube gave spinning exhibit before grades 5-8. I photographed the group Teachers' conferences continued.

"Lecture" this P.M. Boys under Miss McCormick's direction gave "A Pot of Broth" and "The Hour Glass"  
Receipts \$19<sup>00</sup>

Long conference later on with Mrs Underwood over S.S. work.

**Saturday, January 27** +19°

A little suggestion of a snowfall. Fine – sharp weather. Bob sleds out in force.

Errands at school bld'g; then to city on 9:53. M. Field's; Mandel Bro., Mr. Barker at Internat Harvester Bldg; Flanagan's; Clover Club; Central Scientific; Miss Ingersoll's; Siegel, Cooper's. Home on 4:00-4:37.

Menoni had lesson this P.M. etc.

Working on financial report desired by Mr. Drum.

R.R 52 + 30; lunch .33; barber .25;

**Sunday, January 28** +17°

Gray. Granules of snow, sleet fashion, fell for a while.

To church Stayed to S.S. Inspected the latter with view to acting as Sup't for a time – while Mr. Sedgwick is south for his health.

Took some photographs of pictures this P.M. Developed 8 this evening, including group photos of Mrs Rioux and Mrs Berube.

Rereading Wister's Seven Ages of Washington.

Church .25

**Monday, January 29** +18°

Clear. Cold. Thawed very little.

Morning assembly. Referred to "rear brakeman" & the wreck at Kinmundy.

Various duties. Science in two rooms. – Workmen finished glazing greenhouse. – Arthur and Robert came this afternoon. – Automobile show, the attraction.

Barber .15; M.W.A. 4<sup>30</sup>;

**Tuesday, January 30** +15°

Clear. Cool. Very little melting.

Arthur & R. went to city. A. went home, R. came back late in the afternoon.

Fire drill today. Conferences with teachers until 6:20 P.M. At schoolhouse again until 9:30 P.M. Then to Mrs. Everett's to meet teachers of Junior Dept. – until 11:00 P.M. S.S. caucus.

**Wednesday, January 31** +15°

A little sharp. A M Perhaps 6 or 8 above. Moderated strongly. Sunshiny.

Miss Gertrude Miller ill. Miss Marjorie Benton of Evanston substitute. Arithmetic exam. for 6-8; writing test for 3-5 and 6-8. Mrs Curtis brought collection of curios – Indian, etc. and \$22<sup>00</sup> for the Plant House Fund.

Rob't helped me at school this A.M. This P.M. I gave him lesson with chemicals. This eve. Geo. Baldwin brought cornet to our house & practiced S.S. songs.

{For Dist 107 – R.R. 52 + 40.

A few days ago ditto.}

**Thursday, February 1**

Snowed off and on. Especially from 6:00 to 8:00. Grew colder. Drifted.

Two science lessons. Owl brought in – alive. – In response to phone message, went over to Miss Whitney's yard at 2:00 P.M. & saw a fine male cardinal flitting about.

Mrs. Millard & Miss Boynton called at office on errand. Reported that female cardinal has been around almost daily of late.

S.S. orchestra practice at 7:15 to 8:40. Then up to Mr. Steele's for conference.

**Friday, February 2**

Cold. Sun shone at intervals Ground hog's shadow!

Morning assembly and announcement of honors. Extremely busy day. Dismissed Parks & Kerfoot for the day & they visited Miss White Saw Miss Cora White at Ravinia about changing date for Waukegan talk.

Graduating exercises this evening. 19 graduates – 2 of them girls. Mr. Greenslade presented the diplomas.

Barber .25; M.W.A. 1<sup>65</sup>

**Saturday, February 3**

Cold. Increasing. Took 8:49 to city. Returned slides to Miss Ingersoll. Saw Robert part way to Harrison Street R.R. Station. Took 11:25 C. & A. for Bloomington. Sat with Clayton Denman who was enroute for Lincoln. Met John G. Coulter, Jr. at station. Went to hotel Illinois. Shave & to bed. Supper at 7:00.

Lectured at H.S. under auspices of McClean Co. Academy of Sciences. Small house. Good time. Back to hotel. Bitter cold. Up at 3:30. Bus to station. Recd \$10<sup>00</sup> for expenses.

R.R. 52 + 2.54; barber .25; lunch .40; hotel 1<sup>75</sup> + .45;

**Sunday, February 4**

6 or 8 below at Bloomington. "Midnight Special" left Bloomington at 5:20. Slowly made its way to Chicago, reaching there at 11:35. Phoned out to Mr. Dobson could not get to H.P. to lead S.S. Got 12:40 for home.

Took photographs of more Mt. Vernon views Big nap. Developed 10 negatives. The Clows called P.M.

Slight snow.

Beautiful sunrise over fields. Two "sun dogs":

Diner .90; R.R. 26; sundries .15.

### **Monday, February 5**

Moderated a very little.

Transfer of pupils – promotions. Nine new pupils at Annex.

Conference with Mrs Storms and Fred.

Checked up teachers' registers.

Cleared away at my desk this evening. Spent an hour with Mr. Parrat.

### **Tuesday, February 6**

Cold in night. Sunny at times today.

Conferences today with Mrs Crain, Mrs Strong, Mr. Sandwick (at H.S.); Oliver; Leaming, et. al.

Teachers' meeting. Read about education of Karl Witte & Lyman Abbot's comment.

Evening at home after conference with Mr. Greenslade.

### **Wednesday, February 7**

Fine winter day. Thawed a little. Cold wind (north) late P.M.

Cox & two of his teachers from Deerfield were visitors. Started Latin class for Emmet D. et. al.

S.S. dinner & conference at church tonight. Canvased situation. Discussion of ways and means.

Barber .25;

### **Thursday, February 8**

Fine wintry day. Cold.

Mrs. Best talked on the work of the Drama League at our Mothers' meeting.

I left on the 4:53 for Chicago. Miss Enk met me at C & NW. station to receive some negatives and give me some slides. Took 6:00 C.B. & Q. for Kewanee. Supper on the diner. 9:30 at Kewanee House.

A cold coming on.

R.R. 26 + 2.52 + .20; diner 1<sup>05</sup>; porter. 10;

### **Friday, February 9**

Clear. Cold. 4 or 5 below at dawn.

Teachers' Institute at H.S. b'ld'g. Miss Hamilton & others this A.M. Dr. L.D. Coffman, et. al.

P.M. Lunch & dinner at Mr. Jones. Sup't Cooley at dinner. We stayed all night with Mr. J. That evening

Mr. Cooley talked to crowded H.S. room on continuation schools. I followed with my flower talk. Well received. Met Dr. Frank Lowe & two children after the lecture.

Caught more cold going from H.S. to Mr. Jones'.

Hotel 1.75

### **Saturday, February 10**

Cold. Clear. Sunny.

Mr. Cooley & I took 7:00 A.M. C.B. & Q for Chicago. Long, intimate talk with Mr. C. enroute – about his administration of Chicago schools, etc.

Cold settled in my nose & eyes. Did errand to Miss Ingersoll's & then for H.P. Nursed my eyes rest of day.

R.R. 2.52 + 26 + .10; [check?] 10;

### **Sunday, February 11**

Clear. Cold.

My cold still bad. Went to S.S. however. Got through somehow.

Collection .10.

### **Monday, February 12**

Lincoln's birthday. No school. Nursed my cold. Made some photographs and developed them.

### **Tuesday, February 13**

Gray much of day. Snow began to fall after 6:00 P.M.

School as usual. Had assembly at 1:30 and showed the Lincoln pictures My cold much better.

To Waukegan this P.M. to participate in a Club Federation program at the Central School Bld'g. Mr Simpson presided. I showed Lincoln – Washington slides. Home at 11:00. Dr. Bartlett lectured on Quaint Holland at G.S. Most of my staff attended Mr. Baggett's party at L. Forest. Got my trolley fare to Wauk.

Barber .15; lunch .25; [lessons?], etc. .10.

### **Wednesday, February 14**

Snowed 1.8" in night. Mild. Thawed a little Gray.

Put piece of cork carpet on upper floor at Annex. Took Civics' Class to collector's office. Paid my own taxes - \$8.48.

Taught Miss Toland's room part of the P.M. Then sent pupils home. Miss T. ill.

Wrote stack of business letters & checks this P.M.

### **Thursday, February 15**

Mild. Thawed much.

To Haven School this P.M. & showed my flower slides. Operated the lantern and talked at same time. Caught 3:57 train from Davis St. for Chicago. Left negatives & some lantern slides at Steinway b'ld'g for Miss Enk. Shopped at McClurg's. Took 5:28 home. Dinner at Rev. Mr. Dobson's. Hamilton Patten there. Mr. D. & I spent evening talking S.S. work.

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

### **Friday, February 16**

Milder still

Routine. Slipped away for one hour this P.M. to make some more pictures for the Washington set. Developed several this evening. Went over to Mrs F.D. Everett's for a time to confer on S.S. problems. Walked home with Earl Gsell & talked S.S. with him.

Pd \$4<sup>00</sup> C.O.D. for Dist 107; also \$1.10 express.

### **Saturday, February 17**

Thawy. Much so. Splashy.

7:42 for Chicago – 6 of my staff also. 9:20 at Morris Station (Stockyards). Dr. Richardson, et. al. took us – 80 in all (Geog. Soc) through Swift's Butterine plant and the soap factory. Then we went through the Downing fertilizer plant and then to the Thorkildsen – Mather Borax plant where Mr. Mather showed us around. Lunch at Armour's restaurant. Mr. M. took Miss Fuchs, Mr. Holden & I down town in his automobile. Errands & home at 6:30. Evening with Mrs Underwood and S.S.matters  
R.R. 52 + 35 + 10; Lunch .35; plates, etc. \$1.19;

### **Sunday, February 18**

Spring like. Ditches & pools overflowing. At evening very slight shower.  
Church & S.S. this A.M. Presided. Also taught a class.  
Late this afternoon tramped through mud nearly to Deerfield.  
This P.M. at Mr. & Mrs Fessenden's. Colonial history and the life of Lincoln our topics.  
Church .10

### **Monday, February 19**

Fine day. Muddy. Beautiful sunset.  
Mailfield worked all day, placing seats, etc. Sup't Rowell called for a while this A.M. Returned some Lincoln slides.  
Conference with Miss Van Law this P.M.  
Board Meeting. All present but Mr. L. Mr. Moseley presented his resignation as Pres. This accepted. Voted to hold election for \$43,000 in bonds on Mar. 2 next.  
Barber .15; washing 1<sup>00</sup>;

### **Tuesday, February 20**

Colder. Frozen until 11: A.M. Thawed again. Gray.  
Mailfield again. Painters came to work on greenhouse and steam fitters to install heating pipes, etc.  
Conference this P.M with Mrs Shannon & Mrs Oliver about P. & T.A. program.  
Came home from school "grippy." Sent for medicine to Dr. Bergen.  
Medicine .50;

### **Wednesday, February 21**

Snow with high winds increasing in violence as day wore on. A blizzard though not severely cold.  
Was unable to go to school. Grew a little worse during day. Feverish.  
Phoned before noon to have no school below 3rd grade after dinner.

### **Thursday, February 22**

Storm over. Clearing. Sunny. Milder.  
Dr. Bergen called. Advised me to stay in bed until next Monday.  
Had a bad night last night. Back ached all the time Dozed much of time.  
Mother & K. went to Mr. & Mrs. Geer's Washington's Birthday Party for the teachers, Board, officers of the P. & T.A., etc. A fine affair.

### **Friday, February 23**

Cool. Pleasant. Thawing.  
In bed most of the day. Phoned orders to Miss Guiney (Dr. B. called)  
Col. Holp lectured on Twin Falls Country in auditorium this evening. Albert Smith, formerly of McIntosh's, came out to operate for him.

**Saturday, February 24**

Pleasant. Thawing  
Felt more like myself today. Dr. Bergen called.  
Wrote several letters

**Sunday, February 25**

Traces of rain in the night. Gray. Mild – growing cooler towards evening. Rising wind.  
At home. Finished Ross' The Changing Chinese Re-read Cymbeline

**Monday, February 26**

Blizzard-like storm began late in night and kept it up until noon. Great piles of damp snow in drifts. Moderately cold only.

Rode to school in cab. Taught civics class. Helped Emmet with Latin. Went back for while only in the afternoon.

Miss Knapp out with the mumps! Mrs John Grant sub. Very slim attendance today. Sent all below fourth home at noon.

**Tuesday, February 27**

About zero. A.M. Moderated. Clear until late afternoon.  
Still a little weak. Head hurts if I move about rapidly.  
Usual work

Will Hennig & Ed Patten went over to Deerfield this P.M. to operate for Dr. Atwood – Mr. Cox's P. & T.A. behind it

Wrote notices for meeting of Excursion Committee for Mar. 1.  
Barber .25.

**Wednesday, February 28**

Sunny. Melted somewhat.  
Mrs. Grant had to be away and I took care of Miss Knapp's room most of the time.  
Came home a little earlier from school and took 10 photographs. Developed the same.  
Finished reading Synge's Arran Islands.

Wrote Miss Reed of Elgin, agreeing to talk Saturday afternoon, Mar. 23, before the Junior Y.W.C.A. there.

**Thursday, February 29**

Sunny much of the time and cold. Scarcely any thawing. Deep drifts.

Various routine duties. Mrs. Grant in Miss Knapp's room.  
Short arith. Conference with grades 2 – 4. Miss R. Miller's room went out to tap hard maples.  
I got home in time to make three photographs. Developed these.

**Friday, March 1**

6°

Clear. Cold. About zero. Thawed a little.  
Set kiln to burning. First time this school year.

Left on 2:43 for Chicago Took some slides and negatives to Miss Ingersoll. Committee meeting (Excursion) at 4:15. Most of committee present. Pitta, Puhl, & Morrison, R.R. men present. Mortensen

& I had supper at Café Brauer. Then I went to hear the Irish (Abbey) Players at the Grand – The Well of the Saints and the Workhouse Ward.

R.R. 52 + 20; supper .45; theatre 2<sup>00</sup>;

**Saturday, March 2** 6°

Gray. Cold. Moderating a little with a rising wind after nightfall.

At schoolhouse until 10:00 A.M. Then 11:41 for Chicago. McIntosh, Dennison, Sweet W. & Co., Field's, Art Inst., McC, - ticket to Irish Players.

The Image and Hyacinth Halvey. Sat near Misses Balyeat & Hostetter. Also Mrs. Frazier. Saw Mr. & Mrs. Castle; et. al. Couldn't hear play well.

R.R. 52 + .20; Play 1<sup>00</sup>; rubberbands .25; paste .05; seals .10; camera plates 1<sup>26</sup>; barber .65.

**Sunday, March 3** 14°

Snowflurries at daybreak. Perhaps ½" blown about. Sunny. Thawed but a little.

Church. Presided at S.S.

Head & right eye bothered me somewhat.

Copied 2 photos of Arlington & developed them.

Read from Atlantic mostly.

Church .10;

**Monday, March 4** 15°

Still cold. Moderated a little & there were snow flurries from 12:30 to 1:30.

Mrs Grant still substituting. My head bothered me today. Spent an extra hour at home at noon. Called on Dr. Bergen.

Rec'd some photos from Hampton, Va., - Cheney Bros. on Yorktown & Williamsburg.

**Tuesday, March 5** 14°

Cold. Clear. Thawed decidedly.

Norton made short call today. I gave a Williamsburg talk to 6th grades (lantern) this afternoon. Had a conference (S.S.) this evening with Mrs. Ev., Underw., Rev Mr. D. & Rob't Shields.

Pd 2<sup>00</sup> cash to Mr. Trowbridge for Chicago Boys' Club.

**Wednesday, March 6** 15°

Milder. Sunny Thawed much.

Burned kiln today. Mrs. G. not here & I taught Miss K's room much of time. Fire in house near by – Mr. Everett's property rented by Bradley.

Miss White's show this afternoon. Very good. Audience of patrons & grades 1 – 3.

Interview with Mr Greenslade this P.M.

**Thursday, March 7** 22°

Mild. Thawing. Gray toward evening.

Miss Knapp on the job. Fired up greenhouse heater for first time today.

Helped clear auditorium stage of scenery and repair window shades

School closed at 2:30 P.M. P. & T. Ass'n. Music by grades 3, 5, & 7 – 8. I talked on Footsteps of Lincoln & Washington. Appreciative audience Prefaced by stating election proposition of next Saturday.

The opposition sent out a printed attack this evening. I had interviews with Greenslade & Mr. Geer. Much phoning. Cleaned lantern slides – flower.

Barber .15.

**Friday, March 8** 22°

Gray. A little cooler. Slight snow flurry at noon.

At school at 7:15. Saw Mr. Davis & gave directions. On 8:04 for Chicago. Helped Mr. Schumacher prepare circular letter for Dist. 12:20 home. Gave copy to Udell. Arranged for distribution of 3000 circulars. Took 2:52 for city. Board (Geog. Soc.) meeting at Cox' office. Nominating committee chosen. Starved Rock Bulletin authorized, I to be chairman of com. Got on dress suit, snatched a sandwich, & at 6:40 began my flower lecture in Fullerton Hall before Polytechnicon Soc. Well received. Stayed to Geog. Soc. Lec. By Dr Brooks on Alaska.

R.R. 1<sup>04</sup> + .30; supper 10 + 60; papers .10; Barber .25; shirt, etc. 1<sup>55</sup>; [ ] .50.

**Saturday, March 9** 17°

Sunny. Further thawing but cool.

Election day! To city on 8:49 for poll books. To Donahue & Hanneberry. Then over on Clark St. where fire in lodging house had just killed 6 persons. Home on 12:19.

Had ballot boxes brought to Elm Place from City Hall.

3:00-6:00 election. Three propositions. Opposition (largely Catholic) well organized.

Propositions lost by from 52 to 60 votes.

Supper at 8:00. Phone busy all evening.

R.R. .52 + 20; Paper acc't for Feb. 1<sup>15</sup> (cash)

**Sunday, March 10** 17°

Sunny. Melting. Cool.

Church & S.S. Rec'd more phone calls expressing regret at outcome of election.

Reading Nicolay's Life of Lincoln (abridged).

Copied 5 photos of Yorktown, etc. Developed 9 neg. this P.M.

Tramp at 5:00 P.M. Down Green Bay to farm west of Ravinia. Then across fields to Co. Line – east to trolley station. Heard calls of horned larks. Deep drifts yet. Bare places alternating. At Co. Line heard & saw some tree sparrows. John Myer's conductor on trolley. Talked of old times.

Church 1<sup>00</sup> (China) + .10

Trolley .05.

**Monday, March 11** 26°

Began to snow at 10:00 AM. Continued until night fall. Rather wet snow.

Boys made a beginning by cleaning out greenhouse.

Routine.

Spent some time this evening talking school politics.

Sent out tuition notices.

Barber .15; bananas .10;

**Tuesday, March 12** 25°

Clear. Sunny. Melted heavily most of day. Coll wind arose during afternoon and everything frozen by evening.

Uncovered tulip & hyacinth pots in pit in the woods and found nearly all rotten!

Teachers' caucus this P.M. Talked of new school project; of standardization; etc.

Met with some of my pupils at City Hall this P.M. to see Council – but no quorum & no meeting. Talked school matters with various persons. Called at Mr. Parrat's.

Rec'd check for \$25<sup>00</sup> from Miss Holabird of Polytechnic Society of Chicago.  
Peanuts .15;

**Wednesday, March 13** 23°

Gray at first because of ice fog, but bright and sunny later. Melted much.

At Bahr's & Press office before school. Emptied out pots with rotted bulbs therein.

Miss Williams – friend of Miss B alyeat – visited school. I excused Miss B. for afternoon.

Examined cuttings in attic. Too warm. Budding.

Conference with Miss G. Miller & Miss McCord

Conference this P.M. with Mr. Morton, Mr. Greenslade, Mr. Geer.

Barber .25;

**Thursday, March 14** 29°

Gray and a little raw A.M. About 2:00 P.M. began to snow – a wet snow. Continued until nightfall.

Took both 6th grade groups and their teachers to Bahr's nursery – Lincoln Ave. – at 11:00 A.M. "Jim" made cuttings for us of willow, dogwood, etc. This P.M. we cut twigs up, tied in bundles, and buried in box of soil in pit in yard.

Worked on S.S. hymns this P.M.

Saw fine enlargement of my picture of Grandmother at Brand's.

Trolley rides -.75.

**Friday, March 15** 20°

Lull in snow until midnight when blizzard-like northeaster set in – By morning heaviest drifts of the year. Storm died out about 12:00 Noon. Sun shown out – melting began again Great snow slides off roof of school. 16 panes broken on plant house.

Very slim attendance A.M. After school – conference with 2nd – 3rd's about plant work. I worked from 5 to 6 in plant house.

At home this P.M. Mr. Greenslade called

Disquieting letter from Clarence.

**Saturday, March 16** 15°

Grew quite cold in the night but sun came out and melting went on all day.

Busy. Errands about. Some time at Bahr's. 10:32 for city. Dietz & Nystrom's (maps, etc. for S.S. Mr. Field's. McIntosh to get price on lantern. Lunch Henrici's. Miss Ingersoll's. Chic. Hist. Soc. & a long talk with Miss McIlvaine. McClurg's. Vaughn's. Then checked camera at N.W. Station. Supper at Child's. To Art Institute. Introd. A.T. Bailey of Chic. Com. Ed. Co. who lectured on gen. of [elect.?] Then we all took cars at VanB for Fisk St. Station & saw great turbines at work. Back in downtown dist at 10:50.

S.S. supplies .85; R.R 52 + 30; lunch .60; supper .55; barber .25; seeds .85; Mother 8<sup>00</sup>;

**Sunday, March 17** 31°

Partly cloudy. Heavy thawing. Sidewalks afloat. Snowbanks visibly retreating.

Church & S.S. Had Miss McCormick give five minute talk. She told about Gen. Jackson's S.S. class of negroes at Lexington, Va. etc.

Slept most of the afternoon. Reading from Nicolay's Lincoln.  
Conference with Mrs. Charles Everett at her house this P.M. Talked over S.S. work, Easter program, etc  
Church .10.

**Monday, March 18** 32°

Mild. Sunny. Snowbanks rapidly lessening.

Junco in my yard yesterday and today.

Bahr sent a lot of plants to the Greenhouse.

Board meeting called for this P.M. Only Mrs. Schumacher & Mr. Greenslade there. A talkfest but no business.

Notified Mr. Mailfield that his services as ass't engineer were not needed. Miss Gahan absent – ill.

**Tuesday, March 19** 31°

Mild. Thawing still rapid. Cooler towards evening and wind arose after nightfall. Rain clouds threatened in afternoon but only a few drops fell.

Very busy. Held Miss Stevens' room one period, taught two classes, conducted two "field" trips to attic; worked in greenhouse, P.M., etc.

Conference this P.M. with Mr. Geer – then with Mr. Duffy.

Barber .15;

**Wednesday, March 20** 18°

Gray. Frozen everywhere during the night. Then whirling snow storm set in after noon. Continued with sleet into night. A blizzard indeed!

Phoned Mr. Schantz today. He reported bluebird & meadowlark at Morton Grove.

Considerable plant house work – shelving put up, etc. 5th grades planted tomato seed. Sixth planted peppers, etc.

Conference with Mr. Norcross this P.M.

**Thursday, March 21** 20°

Snow drifts everywhere at dawn. Gradually cleared during day and thawing began

Took 9:53 for Chicago. Spent time at Hist. Soc. Bld'g trying to photograph paintings of Washington & others through the glass of their shadow boxes. Reflection was so bad I gave up the attempt. Home at 2:19. More greenhouse work. Shelving, etc. going up.

Conference this P.M. with Mr. Moseley.

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

**Friday, March 22** 16°

Cold this A.M. at sunrise. Clear day; melting.

Various. Plant house duties conspicuous.

Miss McCord excused for the afternoon to visit with friends and I helped Miss Knapp run things. Long conference with Mrs Underwood.

Conference until late hour this P.M. with Messrs Norcross, Knight, Warner, Bournique & Metzel over school affairs.

P.O. .60;

**Saturday, March 23** 24°

Cool. Gray & threatening but sunny at intervals. Thawed a little  
9:53 to city. Cameron & Arnberg; McIntosh where I had 10 of Julia's slides for Prof. Cowles  
bound up; Miss Ingersoll's to talk slides for Easter; 12:30 electric for Elgin – 1:55. Lunch at Kelly Hotel.  
3:30 flower talk to "Juniors" at Y.W.C.A. Lots of children – number of adults. Success. \$5<sup>00</sup> & expenses.  
5:00-6:50 electric to city. Brauer's cafe 8:00-10:20 – Fullerton Hall. C.C. Morrison on Glacier Nat'l  
Park; Mrs. Frazier, Miss Sykes, Miss Newman. Home on 10:40-11:30.  
R.R 52 + 1.20 + .30; meals 1<sup>30</sup>; slides .50; barber .25;  
Dist 107 – staple press 4<sup>25</sup>

**Sunday, March 24** 28°

Bright. Thawing. Chilly.

At church. Worked on S.S. planning while service was going on. S.S. as usual. Orchestra not on  
hand. Talked up stereopticon project.

Rested all afternoon. Finished Nicolay's Lincoln.

Late this afternoon K. & Mother & I went up to visit plant house. Coming back & almost at our  
front door Mother and I slipped on icy walk & both fell in quick succession. Mother strained tendons of  
wrist severely.

Church .20.

**Monday, March 25** 27°

Bright. A windy March day. More thawing.

A busy day, as usual. Special mention: Visit to Mr. Egan's greenhouse; Set groups of boys under  
Miss Balyeat's direction to making "flats."

Worked on bills, anticipating meeting of school board. No quorum possible; no meeting.

Citizens' committee met in science room, 16 or 17 in attendance. Norcross, chairman. Thorough  
discussion of building question. Opposition removed. Unanimous vote to fight for original proposition  
defeated on Mar. 9.

Barber .15;

**Tuesday, March 26** 35°

Fine. Mild. Sidewalks swimming.

Miss Kendrick ill this P.M. and I relieved her the last hour.

A swarm of boys made bird houses in mn'l tr. room after school.

Six of the teachers and I went over to inspect Mr. Egan's greenhouse. Were entertained by Mr E.  
and later went into his house to see flowers there

At home this evening.

Beautiful outlook over lake this afternoon. Ice-fields along shore – then great open space of clear  
water – and ice fields on horizon. Juncoes & song sparrows flitting along bluff.

**Wednesday, March 27** 35°

Fine. As yesterday.

Miss Weimer of Kewanee visited our school part of the day. I promised to try to have a place for  
her in primary work.

Left on 2:24 for Chicago. Anderson's; Flanagan's where I got 115 Perry pictures illustrating the  
life of Christ; Miss Ingersoll's; Cameron Arnberg's; M. Fields; Vaughn's. Then to C. & N.W station to  
check baggage & meet Mr. Clow. Lunch there We went over to Michigan Ave & got in line to hear

Roosevelt in Auditorium. Our line was 3 blocks long but we failed to get in. Went instead to hear Bunty Pulls the String.

R.R 52 + .20; supper .45; theater 2<sup>00</sup>

B[um?]. 25; Vaughns 1<sup>20</sup>; Flanagan's 1<sup>70</sup>; (Got draft for Clarence for \$50<sup>00</sup>)

**Thursday, March 28** 36°

Beautiful day. Mild. Then gray & threatening rain but – no rain.

Very busy.

Planting:

Pansies – 3A & 3B.

Cabbage 4B.

Cauliflower 4A.

Long conference this P.M. with Messrs Norcross, Knight, and Metzel

**Friday, March 29** 30°

Turned much cooler during day. Freezing in late afternoon.

Another mad rush of a day.

Bird-house epidemic at its height. Hope the crop is about in.

Planting: Mimosa – 4A; Stocks 4B; Phlox 2A & 2B; Zinnias 5A & 5B; Salvias 6A & 6B.

McKenzie visited a while this P.M.

Conference with Mrs Underwood before supper. Heavy nap after supper. Tried out Easter songs with Kittie.

**Saturday, March 30** 28°

Mild. Sunny.

City on 8:04. To Fields. Then met Clarence & Leonard at Dr. Patrick's office. The Dr. greatly pleased with Leonard's improvement Clarence & L went on to H.P. I shopped – McInt. (Bought stereopt. For S.S.); at McClurg's; at Miss Ingersoll's where I made list of slides for Easter. Home on 3:35-4:21. Clarence went home tonight on 9:11. L. and I set up stereopt at church & gave it a try-out.

Conference with Dr. Atwood at 1:15 over Starved Rock bulletin.

R.R. .52 + 20; (ticket 6.50); lunch 40 + 10; blank book .15; tablets .20;

**Sunday, March 31** 32°

A few rain drops this A.M. early. Occasional sunlight and mild until 2:00 – then cool wind & freezing temperature

Heard bluebirds, killdeer, & grackles this A.M. Juncoes abundant. Fox sparrows, chewinks, meadowlarks, & white throats reported. Some have been in for a week perhaps

Leonard & folks to church. I to S.S. Election of S.S. officers afterwards. Mrs Underwood & I elected superintendents.

Slept most of afternoon L. and I visited plant house. Spent evening on Easter program.

**Monday, April 1** 32°

April shower early A.M. – some turning to sleet on branches but melting as day wore on. Rain over by 9:00 o'clock. Moderated. .52 inches.

Tomato plants up by hundreds. 2B, 2A & 3A reset daisies. Some tulips & daff. & hyacinths abloom in plant house. Snowdrops & tulips out-of-doors just coming through.

Annual church meeting. I reported S.S. matters. Afterwards Mrs. U & I and others stayed. Tried out lantern. Worked on Easter program

Leonard with us.

Stamp book .97;

**Tuesday, April 2** 31°

Fine day. Sunny much of time. A little cool.

Mrs Canavan visited. She & five of the staff and I went out for a "tree lesson" after school & visited Mr Egan's greenhouse. Juncoes numerous and vocal. Robins, song sparrows, mallards, downy woodpecker, grackles. Pussy willows coming on apace

Took 6:53 for Chicago & at 8:50 was at Dr Caldwell's. Dr. Cowles came in (the two wives were present) and we conferred about trip to Eastern Ky – to Wyandotte caves, etc. Home by 12:30.

Town election today.

Barber .15; R.R. 52 + 20;

**Wednesday, April 3** 32°

Beautiful day.

Various duties. Executive committee of P.T.A. met in Science Room. I went out with bird class at 3:30. Miss Chandler, et. al. – to Lincoln Avenue, Ridgewood Park, Monroe's, etc Meadowlarks, hawks, one flicker, juncoes, song & fox sparrows, bluebirds, nuthatches, robins, a flicker.

**Thursday, April 4** 42°

A fine warm day with a moderately brisk wind (S.W.). Temp. 66 ° in shade.

Load of dirt – partial load of sand – some leaf mould from woods – mixed for plant house, etc.

P. & T.A – E.P. Div. met this afternoon Sec. reelected. Chairman not. No candidate. A group of us talked school politics afterwards.

Conference with Mr. Norcross this P.M.

Barber .65; ice cream, etc .15.

**Friday, April 5** 53°

A beautiful day. Sultry. 70 ° or more in shade!

Good Friday.

Reduced attendance at school. Closed at 2:30 this P.M. Field trip to name trees with Miss McCord's room.

Photog. 3 hymns before school. Developed during. Took negatives to Mr P. this evening to be made into slides

2:43 for Chic. Slides at Miss Ingersoll's. Board meeting (Geog. Soc). Clash with Prof. Salisbury over Starved Rock bulletin. Home on 6:15-7:00.

R.R. .52; sundries .10;

**Saturday, April 6** 46°

Warm. Bright most of the day, then a heavy warm shower about 4:00 P.M. Cleared – the air smelling delightful. Cool wind arose after nightfall.

Conf. with Denzel over members of Board; set Edward P & William H. to making flats; worked in greenhouse. To city on 10:33. M. Field's; Dennison, Orr & L.; McIntosh; McClurg's, Miss Ingersoll. Lunch at Adams St. Cafe. Met Do[n?] Ely at Palmer House & had a pleasant chat. Also Boyer; also

Richardson. Home at 5:00. To church to see that the opaque blinds were going up. After supper Mr. Green & I worked there until 10:00, putting up screen, testing lantern.  
R.R. 52 + 40; lunch .35; sundries .10; clips .10; tags .20 (Dist 107);

**Sunday, April 7** 36°

A little cooler but a beautiful day. Fleecy clouds tossed about the sky.  
Easter!

Up early and at work on S.S. program Had 35 or so slides – 15 of scenery & the others copies of paintings. S.S. program went off well. Slides beautiful.

Had a nap. Late in day walked out over Sheahen meadows to Skokie & West Park Ave. bridge. Deep purple sunset in the clouds and on the pools of water! Song sparrows, meadowlarks and frogs furnished music. Tonight Clough's Easter Day, etc.; Matthew Arnold; selections from Walden.  
Church 20¢.

**Monday, April 8** 40°

Another fine day!!

Various duties. (Election – primary day. Gave my presidential preference to La Follette. For Congress – Engelhard, although I do not like him.) – This item should read on next page.)

Conference with Lindblom over member of school board

Board meeting this P.M. Greens. Louderb., Geer, & Mrs B.W.S. present. Interesting caucus about nominating ticket for election.

**Tuesday, April 9** 42°

Fine weather.

Election day!!

See preceding page.

Posted up notice for school election.

Teachers' meeting. Talked on nature study.

Fine blossoms of tree specimens within doors. Without – silver maple almost in bloom – elm ditto.

This evening session meeting at Presb. Church.

Pd Wm Hennig & Edw. Patten 1<sup>80</sup> for making "flats" - - to be charged to Plant House fund

**Wednesday, April 10** 39°

Cool wind – beautiful day.

Conference with Mr. Metzler this A.M. - - Miss Collins visited us today, going around with Mr. Cate. She and I ate lunch at Monahan's.

Bird class at 3:30. Mrs Millard's the rendezvous. - - - Ravine Drive - - Ravinoaks. – Chicks – Kingl – Chewinks – Sap S. - - Phoebe - - Hermit thr. - - Junc. - - Fox & Song Spar. - - Brown cr. - - Mrs M. thought she saw myrtle warblers today.

Commenced Bradford's "Lee the American."

Monahan's 1<sup>55</sup>;

**Thursday, April 11** 51°

Fine. Mild. Cool pulse of air from lake at 5:00 P.M.

Day especially given up to plant house activities. Had boys made 20 or more flats. Other built hot bed frame, etc.

Conference this evening at Mr. Metzel's. Ticket agreed upon: Norcross, Metzel, Warren.

**Friday, April 12** 42°

Rather cool. Gray much of the time.

The usual rush. Interview with Mrs Schumacher over Board matters. Disagreement over retention of old members.

Mrs Grandy's sister visited our schools.

Boys painted hot bed frame. They made and painted more flats. Children reset cabbage & tomato plants.

5:50 to City. Supper at restaurant on Adams St. Conference with Mortensen, Cowles, Rocheleau, Mansfield, Slocum, & others. Lecture by Prof. Bowman on Peruvian Andes.

R.R. 52 + 15; supper .45; barber .25.

**Saturday, April 13** 42°

Still somewhat cool. Threatening rain – yet sun shone most of time.

Early visit to plant house. Then met Mr. Norcross. Then – collected pussy willows, etc. for photographing. 9:50 for city. McIntosh – at noon hour displayed lantern views to Searles; M. Field & Co; Miss Ingersoll's (brought back 15 slides purchased by S.S.); Wipperman's; Sweet. W. & Co; Fair; Anderson's; Weber's; Vaughn's. Pleasant chat with Mr. Puhl.

Evening – Mrs Schumacher and I got a list of women workers ready. Then conf. with Mr. Underwood at church

R.R. .52 + .20; lunch .40; camera plates 1<sup>26</sup>; toilet paper .55; sweet peas .30; picture .75;

**Sunday, April 14** 45°

Quite warm today. Early A.M. heavy thunder in the near distance but only a very slight rain.

Took 9:15 trolley for Winnetka. Visited the various departments of the Congregational S.S. Very interesting plant and school. Entertained by Miss Gillespie, Mr. Jewell, Mr. Davies, et. al.

After lunch at home Mr Metzel called. Dr O'Neill's ticket was named at the Catholic church this A.M.!

After nap – went up to Sixth Ravine & lounged awhile on breakwaters of H. McCormick estate. Passed Miss Woodley & friends. Skunk cabbage unrolling its leaves! Hepatica's beginning to bloom. Trolley .30; church .10.

**Monday, April 15** 49°

Delightful day – pleasantly cool wind.

Dug up place for sweet peas. Scouted over a cut-over piece of woods back of Mills' home to try to get poles for rustic railing at school.

Spring songs (5th grade) & recit. "Yellow Violet" (Helen OBrien – at morning assembly. (Mrs. Grant sub. in A.M. for Miss Stevens (sick).

Conference with Lowry et. al. about school election. Also Mrs Schumacher.

Worked with refractories in office until 5:00. Took 5:50 for Chicago. Conference with Drs Cowles and Caldwell at former's apartments. Home by 11:00.

R.R. 52 + 20; supper .45; papers .05; peanuts .05.

**Tuesday, April 16** 37°

Cool wind which gathered strength in late afternoon. By evening very raw and penetrating.

City election today. My choice for alderman won by only one vote.

Latest news confirms loss of 1200 or more passengers on the Titanic!

8th graders planted radishes and lettuce in the hot bed today.

Planted sweet peas at home.

School election prospects all abuzz. Our petitions were signed by 1000 persons yesterday.

Catholic laymen tried to secure a compromise last night. Went to Evanston this evening and conferred with Prof. Grant over excursion matters.

Trolley .30; sundries .05; barber .15;

**Wednesday, April 17** 35°

Alas, the weather! Sleety rain at daybreak – fitful- but after noon set in vigorously – rain, heavy snow, etc. By 11:30 P.M. – 2 or more inches of wet, heavy snow.

Miss Staehling of Danforth called with a friend. Esterbook's ag't called. Ordered 50 gross pens. Conference with Mr Greenslade this evening. Went to Mailfield's to secure his signature on a warrant. Called on Mr. Geer. At 9:30 P.M. to plant house and found several panes in roof smashed by falling snow. Worked until 11:00 P.M. planking over roof. Wet with perspiration & splashed with water!

Prec. .65" – Depth 2."

**Thursday, April 18** 32°

At daylight a fine snow gently falling. 3" of snow. Snow at intervals until 1:00 P.M. Cleared off warm – bright sunset.

Letter of Mr. Norcross' and conference with Mrs Schumacher, Levin, F.W. Schumacher, Lowry, Udell, et. al. Phoned Mr. N. my misgivings at noon. This P.M. conference with Mrs S., Mr Warren, Mr Norcross

Last night's fall of snow smashed 8 panes. Left boards on plant house roof all day.

Precip. .52". Depth 3."

Barber .15;

**Friday, April 19** 37°

Clear. Sunny. Nearly all the snow went. Took boards off of plant house roof.

Conference with Mrs Schumacher this A.M. With Mrs Shannon after school. Much desk work.

Met with Mr Geer & Mr. Greenslade at school this evening. Plans for election.

Paid various house bills with checks today.

One is haunted these days by the tragic story of the loss of 1400 passengers on the Titanic.

**Saturday, April 20** 40°

Sunny much of the day but rather chilly.

Busy! Scattered manure on flower beds. - - - Scouted around for news. Conferences with Mrs Schumacher and various others. Got ready room for voting purposes.

Election began at 2:00 – ended at 7:30. Opposition ticket did not materialize. Ten or more autos used for Norcross ticket. 809 votes cast: Norc. 806; Metzel & Warren each 808; Rev. Dr O'Neil 1; Siljestrom 1; Berube 1.

Fine spirit shown. Nearly wore myself out.

Ice cream .20;

**Sunday, April 21** 44°

Warm. Growing weather. Thunderstorm and fine, heavy shower – 4:00 to 5:00 P.M. Fresh and warm afterwards.

Church. Reference to disaster of Titanic – one stanza of “Nearer My God” played as audience waited the benediction. Told S.S. pupils my experience at Congreg. S.S. at Winnetka.

Went to Millard’s after 5:00 P.M. Walked about grounds with him & Mrs M. Also Miss Boynton. Heard brown thrasher & white throat yesterday. Saw myrtle this P.M.  
Prec. .50”

**Monday, April 22** 42°

Gray. Cool. Grew mild towards evening. Beautiful night.  
Morning exercises – referred to Titanic disaster.

Conference with Miss White over proposed entertainment. Called up Nida over phone. Ditto Prof. Mansfield - - about Devil’s Lake excursion.

Flower talk before Royal Arcanum this evening. Hennig & Patten operated.  
Barber .15.

**Tuesday, April 23** 38°

Beautiful day.

Fourth B’s went to Field Museum under care of Miss Hostetter, Canavan, & Balyeat, Mrs Grant teaching the 4A’s. Miss Guiney & I took 8A’s to Waukegan. We heard part of the case against Fraley & Schaeffer, youthful burglars. Were entertained by Circ. Clerk Brockway & Dep. Co. Clerk, Miss Bower. Lunch at Central School. Visited dock & went on board a big freighter. Then to Naval Tr. Station where we were showed about by a seaman – Fisher. School Board this P.M. Amicable.

Saw purple martins today at W.  
Trolley .30 + .15; tip .50;

**Wednesday, April 24** 46°

Yet another!

Busy. - - - Miss Hostetter’s sisters were visitors today. - - - I and a group of boys got some saplings from brush heaps for our rustic work - - Conference with Mrs Schumacher and Mr. Warren at Mrs S’s house – over teachers.

Bird class – Miss Chandler et. al. – went to blackbird marsh west of Highwood. Two of the ladies & I returning, walked through Sweeney’s woods to F.t. Sher. R.R. station.

At home this P.M. Visited by agent (Smith) for proposed book of North Shore. Wished by phiz + \$7<sup>00</sup>!! Wrote notice of Devil’s Lake excursion.  
Trolley .15.

**Thursday, April 25** 46°

Fine day. South wind blowing at nightfall.

Early train for River Forest. Interview with Mr Nida and Miss Davis with reference to latter coming here. Home by 12:16.

Plant house work. Interviews with teachers.

Prepared tree list to send for this evening. Spent half hour with Mr. Bahr. Another half hour at Evangel. social next to Gieser’s shop.

River Forest; charge to Dist 107. R.R. 52 + 40;

Ice cream .30; apron .65 (Evangel. Social); sundries .20.

**Friday, April 26** 50°

Pleasant – but high winds. Dust flew along streets. Trace of rain in night.

Sent for trees; for bird books (7<sup>50</sup>); for asters (\$1<sup>50</sup>).

A lot of resetting of plants in greenhouse – stock, zinnias, cuttings of geraniums, etc

Boy's dinner at H.S. this evening. Fine. Speeches by C.N. Kimball, D.F. Kelly,

J.T. Pi[ je; Prof. Halsey, et. al. Walked home with Mr. Cate & talked music in our schools.

Wounded whip-poor-will brought in today.

Barber .25; tailor .25;

**Saturday, April 27** 39°

Cool. Refreshing. Not cold. Sunny.

At school b'ld'g – conference with Mr Davies & Mrs. Johnson Then 10:32 to city. Bausch & Lomb; Wipperman; Miss Ingersoll; Field's; McClurg's – where by appointment I met Mr Mortensen to talk over Glacier Nat'l Park excursion. Then to M.E. Book Concern, etc. Then at 4:10 to Union Station where we – Mother, Kittie & I saw Arthur & Lennie and Robert off on their California trip. Home on 5:10. This P.M. At Mr. Geer's, & Mrs Underwood's.

R.R 52 + 20; dinner .60; candy. 20; neckties 1<sup>00</sup>; hymnals .60;

**Sunday, April 28** 38°

Commenced to rain about 10 A.M. Kept it up at intervals all day. Wind arose late in day.

Precip to 6:00 P.M. - .84".

At home all day until 8:00 P.M. when I went to schoolhouse on errand; then to Mr Norcross' for a conference which lasted until 11:15.

Began Rauschenbush's "Christianity & the Social Crisis." Took 8 photos for my Washington set.

Hermit thrushes feeding on the lawn.

The martens arrived in force about Apr. 22. Yesterday A.M. a ruby crown sang about our place

**Monday, April 29** 38°

Gray. Cool wind blowing. Cleared in late afternoon.

First day of vacation. Wrote some letters At schoolhouse planted 14 flats with aster seeds – Dreer's – "Superb" Tall-branching Late."

12:56 to City. At Miss Ingersolls where I delivered some Washington negatives to be made into slides; Searles; Century Co.; Pilgrim Press (19 W. Jackson Boulev.); C.B. & Q. offices (Couldn't find Mr Puhl); Fair; Palmer House where I phoned Caldwell, etc. Home on 5:45. Phoned Goode & Mansfield, Met with Mr. Greenslade & Mrs Schumacher – Teachers' Con.

R.R. 52 + 25; phones .10; razor blades 1<sup>00</sup>;

**Tuesday, April 30** 41°

Clear most of the day. Cool.

Phoned Nida of River Forest of Miss Davis election here at 87.50. Wrote several letters. Had a nap. Took 12:56 for Chicago. Conference with Mr. Puhl of the Burlington & C W. Pitts of Great Northern over Glacier N.P. trip. Then to U. of C. Heard latter part of lecture before Botanical Club. Met Knight, Sherff, Fuller, Caldwell, Cowles. Conf. with latter & Knight. Then downtown & from Palmer House phoned Mansfield & Grant. 10 + 40 + .15 for Geog. Soc. Supper on Adams St. – home on 9:05-10:05

R.R. 52 + 20 + .10; supper .40; shave .15; sundries .10;

**Wednesday, May 1**

A few raindrops early. Then sun at intervals – especially in afternoon. Turned off warm.

Loitered in Skokie woods just west of Ravinia part of A.M. After lunch worked an hour at the plant house Then up to 6th Ravine Photo. bloodroot (3 pictures) & may apple (2).

Developed above this evening.

Trolley. 10; drugstore 10 + 15;

### **Thursday, May 2**

(Slight shower between 1 and 2 P.M).

Took 7:16 for Chicago with Everett Millard. Taxi to La Salle St. station. Phoned Kittie for data. 8:27 for Porter. Mort Clark on train. At Porter we hired rig – in rain drove to fisherman's colony on lake shore. Ascent of Mt Tom. Refuge in cottage from rain. Fried bacon & eggs on fisherman's cook stove. As we ate lunch skies cleared. Went on to tamarack swamp. Caught 4:54 at Mineral Springs station. Supper at 7:30 at N.W. restaurant. Home at 8:37.

R.R. 52 + 30; taxi 1<sup>00</sup>; phone .20; Trolley 1<sup>00</sup>; tip .10;

### **Friday, May 3**

Fine. Sultry.

5:20 for Chicago. Over to Mr Mains' office with him to get pkg. of lantern slides he had forgot to bring out for me. Breakfast at N.W. station. 9:30 for De Kalb. Dr Caldwell, Mr. Downing, Miss Baber Miss Cook & many others on board. Interesting chat with a stranger – Dr J.H. Thompson, Albion, Neb. Arrived 11:15. Dr. Cook took me in auto to Normal. I showed him my slides. Dinner with Mr. & Mrs Gilbert. Afternoon session addressed by Mrs Carley, Dr. Caldwell, et. al. Evening by Prosser & Supt. Wirt Brilliant. Supper & bed at Glidden.

R.R. 26 + 1.16 + . Breakf. .60;

### **Saturday, May 4**

Air cooled somewhat in the night – distant thunderstorms.

At Normal by 8. Served on nominating committee with Walker & Gilbert. Then on Ex. Com. with Giles and Ferguson. Dr. McMurry's paper on Corn Left on 11:48 for Chicago. Showed my slides to Miss Baber and to Miss Cook & Mrs Carley. Lunch at N.W. station with Miss Baber – and conference on geog. teaching in Chicago Walked over town with her & saw police guarding newspaper wagons. (Pressmen on strike – others too). Home by 5:10. This P.M. started for church with stereopt lens & some of my slides but laid them down & lost them.

R.R. 1<sup>16</sup> + .26 +; hotel 1<sup>25</sup>; lunch .65;

### **Sunday, May 5**

Warm. Pleasant. Overcast at times.

Edwin Grover called before church to tell me about the Supt's position at his home town of Ridgewood, N.J. I didn't go to church until shortly before the close of service. At S.S. Invited Mr. Grover to speak.

This afternoon took Miss McCormick & Kittie to Ravinia woods. Made 4 photos of May apple.

All birds – about – are here. Oriole, grosbeak, bobolink, warblers, wrens, etc. Spring beauty in full bloom, also cardamine. Dentaria just opening. Latter true of trilliums.

Found slides & lens today, courtesy of Mr. Staehling.

Trolley .30

### **Monday, May 6**

Warm! Warm! Showers with distant thunder from 4 to 6 P.M. Precip. .18".

Set Italian to spading garden on Annex grounds. Spoke no Eng. Instructed him by phoning Italian who could speak English.

Mr Nichols visited an hour or so. Miss Lila Halsey – once teacher here – now for 7 years missionary in Japan – called to consult me about reading books.

Went out with some 7A pupils & 2 teachers on a bird hunt. Driven in by rain. Brown thrush, catbird, whip-poor-will, etc.

This P.M. caucus with Miss White and Miss Miller at building.

Mrs Grant sub. for Miss Toland.

## **Tuesday, May 7**

Warm. Overcast. Sudden shower 4:30-5:30. Precip. .11” Cleared off well.

Miss Halsey talked on Japan to grades 6 – 8. Fine talk. - - - Italian worked at Annex until noon. I paid him \$4<sup>50</sup>. Short out-door trip with 5A's Field trip – trees & shrubs near b'ld'g – with 6A's in afternoon. - - Most of the evening at Presb Church trying out stereopticon lens. Short conference with Mr Norcross - - - Disquieting report about possibility of west side school.

Barber .15; (Italian 4<sup>50</sup>):

## **Wednesday, May 8**

Cooler. A slight rain in the night. Threatened rain during day but all blew over.

Field trip with 8A's at 11:15; with 7B's at 2:00; Bird class at 3:30 – scouted around H.K. Coale's & ravine beyond, Mr. Coale accompanying us. The class paid me \$16<sup>00</sup> for my services.

At 8:30 this P.M. conference with S.S. teachers. Much business done – relating to promotions, Children's Day, changing hour of S.S., equipment, hymnal, etc.

Got out adv. for Miss White's show\_“The Straw Ox.”

Barber .15;

Nashville, Blackburnian, red st., black th. blue, yellow, b& white

## **Thursday, May 9**

Beautiful. Pleasantly cool.

Miss Knapp, Miss McCord, Mrs Schumacher and I took 34 – 5A's to Field Museum.

8:49 to city; bus to State St. Took I.C.R.R at Randolph. Retraced route returning. Lunch out-of-doors at Pavilion. I slipped away for an hour to University High. On the way had a chat with Prof. Ad Moore.

Conf. with Geo. J. Miller about Barrington trip. With Dr. Caldwell. Home at 5:03.

Saw chestnut sided & black throated blue on “wooded island.”

Expenses:

Conf. with various persons interested in Glacier Nat'l Park Exc. – Home on 11:15 – R.R 52 + .05; lunch, etc .20 + 10 + 10; barber .25. [This sentence continues the journal entry for May 10. Mr. Smith drew an arrow from the bottom of the May 10 page to this sentence which was recorded at the bottom of the May 9 page. – ed.]

## **Friday, May 10**

Beautiful day.

At seven went off down in Ravine near Beach St. bridge & photog. wild plum tree. At school – had tulips weeded, hot bed ditto. Took 4A's on field trip to Sheahen's pond.

After dinner presided over garden planting by Miss Barlow's, Parks', Kerfoot's, Miller's, & Woodley's room. Then at Miss White's show in the school auditorium – “The Straw Ox” dramatized, etc.

Receipts \$34<sup>00</sup>. I showed some Mt Vernon slides during the interim - - - Various conferences with teachers  
– To city on 6:50. Geog. Soc. Lecture by Dr. Cowles on untamed scenery in Eng. I made several  
excursion announcements.

### **Saturday, May 11**

Began raining a little after midnight. Was raining briskly when I reached the R. I. station at 8:30 this A.M. to see excursionists off for the Sag (Midlothian, etc) Three appeared & I went on to Englewood where Mr Elliot R. Downing, the leader, got on. Pouring then. Cleared up. However showers at intervals. Cooler & rising wind from N.E.

Went from Englewood to U. of C. Consulted bot. library. Chat with Crocker & Knight. Downtown. Fields, Searles, Puhl, Miss Ingersoll, Vaughn's, McClurg's, Art Institute to rent slides for Mother's Day, etc. Home at 6:30.

R.R. 52 + .21 + .30; lunch .35; barber .65; (Ticket for G.S. 3<sup>25</sup>). Slides at Art Inst .50.

### **Sunday, May 12**

Rained more or less all night, and much of today. High winds have broken off blossoms and buds. A disagreeable day.

To church at 9:15 A.M. Set up lantern. To schoolhouse to inspect leaks in attic. Took rheostat over to church. Home to arrange slides. Then to church. Mother's Day. Rally of all departments. Used lantern – some of my flower slides; madonnas rented from Miss Ingersoll & The Art Institute; a talk by Mrs Underwood. Slept most of afternoon. Copied a photo. Developed plates this P.M. The Clows called.

### **Monday, May 13**

Cool. Beautiful. Sunny all day but threatening cloudes appeared in late P.M., only to clear away. Cool nearly to frost after night fall.

Wrote & mailed excursion notices – Joliet, Barrington, etc. Made table of statistics for Board – attendance, distribution of school prop., etc. Board meeting this P.M. Election of teachers. Then discussion of building plans until nearly midnight.

Bertha Campbell called at office to consult about a position.  
Bicyc. repairs .25;

### **Tuesday, May 14**

Cool. Sunny most of time.

Took 8:25 trolley with Miss McCord & Miss Balyeat and 30 5B's for Lincoln Park. Visited St. G's Lincoln – Grant – La Salle – Academy. At 12:00 I left the children at lunch – went downtown – McIntosh, Art Inst., Miss Ingersoll, Wiperman's. Lunch at the Clover Club. Home on 2:34. Heard my Latin class. Desk work.

This P.M. dug into my piles of correspondence  
R.R. .26 + - - -, + .10; lunch .30.

### **Wednesday, May 15**

Threatening in the east at early hour. Short but heavy shower – 11:15 – 12:00. Bright, pleasant afternoon.

Mailed 15 letters. Phoned Mr Schantz about excursion notice - - - Bundle of fruit trees & one elm arrived from Dundee - - Had Mr. Moon dig place & set elm for Mr. Bohl. - - Took bird class to Rudolph's & Egan's - - 7:18 P.M. for Evanston. Went with Miss Jessie Chandler & her cousins to Mr. Welles' house where latter gave exhibition of remarkable color photos.

Spach for H. Mifflin & Co. called today.  
R.R. 22 + .15;

### **Thursday, May 16**

Cold. Threatening. Showers at intervals. Not much rainfall.  
Various duties.  
Kittie ill with kidney trouble  
Wrote number of letters this P.M. Got disturbing letter from Dr. Cowles about Salisbury incident.  
Lennie reached Coast some days ago.  
Note from Ella. Clarence on road. Leonard waiting "a job."  
Correspondence with teachers.  
Barber .15;

### **Friday, May 17**

Beautiful day. Mild.  
Mrs Grant sub for Miss Hostetter Latter & Miss Canavan took 4A's to Historical Society Bldg & Lincoln Park.  
Plant house today!! Tomatoes reset, daisies sent home, etc.  
Grammar School day at H.S. I had to stay at Elm Place and so I got over late. Our boys won nearly all the track events but lost ball game with L. Forest. Our exhibit unusually fine (drawings, papers, etc.  
Wrote ultimatum to Prof Cowles on the Salisbury predicament.- - Worked at schoolhouse a little this P.M. Called on Mr. Dobson.

### **Saturday, May 18**

Fine. A little too warm in afternoon but cool breeze came up at 5:30.  
Planted 3 rows of chard. Took 8:49 for city. Bausch & Lomb, Field's, McIntosh's, tried to find Sec. of Sons of Rev.; Miss Ingersoll, Clover Club, Searles, McClurg's, Lyon & Healey. Fair, etc.  
Pleasant chat with Mr. Hatfield at lunch at the Clover Club. Home by 4:30. Visited with the Miller children on way out. Nap. Mowed my yard. - first time this year. - This evening performance in auditorium of two Irish plays---by the J.B's.  
R.R. 52 + .20; lunch .35;

### **Sunday, May 19**

Cold. Threatening A.M. A few rain drops. Little sunshine P.M.  
Church. Rev Mr Phanstiehl preached. At S.S. he talked before children.  
Got photos of Lincoln Memorial ready to mail to 5 places.  
Went to Skokie w. of Highwood late this afternoon. Windy & gray. Only one photo taken.  
Trilliums fine & big; buttercups about gone. Phlox. Wild crab in bud. Apple trees out.  
Trolley .10; church .40.

### **Monday, May 20**

Cold at 7:00. Warmed up rapidly as clouds darkened the sky. Almost sultry by 10:30. Then severe thunder, light rain. By 12:20 cool breeze set in & rest of day cool. Fog came up towards evening.  
Began resetting asters. 20 flats filled. Fruit trees of Dundee order - 6 in all - disposed of.

Miss Peters, candidate for primary place, called. Not interested – mutually. Board meeting this evening. Discussed building until about 11:00 P.M. Instructed me to take census now. Fixed my salary at \$2500.

Mailed 21 letters & 5 photos (Lincoln Memorial).  
Barber .15.

### **Tuesday, May 21**

Cool, Foggy. Short thunder storm between 3 & 4 A.M. Little rain.

Opening leaf buds have been now for several days very beautiful. Flowers are perfect in tone & form. The cool moist air does it.

More aster resetting. Moulthrop desk man (Kennedy) called.

Began work on my census forms. Worked at building this evening late. Letter from Dr. Cowles somewhat conciliatory.

Orchis spectabilis in bud. Early specimens of yellow lady slipper in bloom. Hawthornes' opened well.

### **Wednesday, May 22**

So sultry today! Heavy clothes a burden!!

Working on census forms. Pushed along some of the plant house work. Passed out notices of election to 14 teachers. Took 2:24 to Chicago. Devoe Reynolds, N.P.R.R. office (returned slides on Yellowstone), Thurbers to take to be framed photogravure presented school by Mr Geer. Board meeting of Geog. Soc. at 4:15. Much discussion of Salisbury – Smith committees and action unfriendly to Prof. Salisbury taken. Conference with Prof. Grant. Supper with him at R.R.

R.R. 52 + .05 +.

### **Thursday, May 23**

Very sultry. Thunder storm at 9:40 P.M.

Took 7:16 for Chicago. 8:27 for Whiting. Chat with Supt. Halliday at H.S. b'ld'g. Visited Grace Chapman, 6th grade at McGregor School. Not very favorably impressed. Took trolley to Hammond. Ate lunch at Majestic Hotel. Afternoon at Riverside School. Fine chat with Prin. Miss De Etta Curry of Benton Harbor. Saw Eliz. Wagenknecht at work. Much impressed. A first-class 2nd grade teacher – Lula Behrens. Took Lake Shore, 4:37 for home. Reached H.P. at 7:24. Worked over copy for announcement of Glac. Natl Excursion.

Dist 107, Dr. – R.R. 52 + 5 + 20 + 5 + .35 + 5 + .25. Magaz & papers .10.

### **Friday, May 24**

Delightful day. Thunderstorms – two or three in night. Precip. .52

Sent offer of 6th grade to Miss Wagenknecht. Worked on census, A.M. Trees & shrubs came from Meehan's in P.M. & spent afternoon distributing them. Miss H's silkworm eggs hatched. Got a supply of mulberry leaves from Everett Millard's.

Mowed lawn – 2nd. Went to 8A's party under Miss Stevens' management. After it was over helped straighten up things. Flag book from Mr. Grover.

### **Saturday, May 25**

Delightful summer weather.

Took 7:04 for Chicago. Met members of Geog. Soc. who were to go on Joliet excursion at La Salle St. station. Bought commutation ticket \$13<sup>00</sup>. Four left. (Mrs Young's reception detained many).

Then I went to L & K's and had talk with Sam Lewis about heating system for school b'ld'g. Shopped at Marshall Fields 10:00 for home

Census work until 4:00 P.M. Then with camera to Sweeney's woods & photographed crab trees. Full bloom. some census work this P.M.  
R.R. .52 + 10; barber .25; ice cream .10;

### **Sunday, May 26**

Rather sultry this A.M. and until 5:00 P.M. Storm threatened – blew over – then rain at 6:15 – some thunder & l. At intervals rain during evening.

At 7:30 fed silkworm at b'ld'g with mulberry leaves. At 9:00 trolley to woods near Ravinia Park. Photo of blue violets, of phlox, etc. Did not go to church or S.S. Slept part of time. Took 2:35 P.M. with Everett Millard for 6th Ravine. White trilliums about all gone. This P.M. Misses Knapp & McCord called. Trolley .10.

### **Monday, May 27**

Sultry. Brief downpour in afternoon. Storm came up about 7:40 P.M. Broke out at intervals all evening.

Mrs Grant helped today. Miss McCord ill. Her room sent home half of A.M. & all of P.M.

Worked very hard on school census. At 4:30 P.M. took to the field. Looked up Italian families in north end. Then worked over north half of Exmoor.

Board meeting this P.M. until 11:00. S.R. Lewis presented heating plan. Accepted.

Letter from Miss Wagenknecht.

### **Tuesday, May 28**

Sultry. Storm just before noon & some rain. Threatening in afternoon – late. Only few drops. Cool breeze off lake at evening. Quite chilly by bed time.

Copy of adv. of "show" by 2nd & 3rd grades. "Cradle Songs of All Nations. Winchell called to sell supplies. Census work.

Conference with teachers over Miss Barlow's party.. With Mrs Buchanan & Mrs Schumacher (F.) over annual lunch at school. Also Mrs Shannon & Carqueville.

At desk until 11:40 working on census.

Barber .15.

### **Wednesday, May 29**

Strong cold winds in the night succeeded by cold drizzle which prevailed all morning. Warmer and clearing in afternoon.

Mr. J.A. Ward, Pres. Nat'l City Bank of Evanston, gave all our assembled pupils an address on his experiences in Civil War. Lantern slides. I operated. Good talk but long.

This P.M. 3:00, Misses Miller, Woodley, Parks, & Toland's rooms gave program – Cradle Songs of Many Nations. Receipts \$27<sup>40</sup>.

This evening Misses Guiney, Grunewald & Van Law and I met at office to talk over promotion lists.

### **Thursday, May 30**

Cool. Clear. Beautiful.

Fed silkworms at schoolhouse & hoisted flag. - - Down to E. Millard's and photog. one flower[ing?] cypridium; then orchis spect. in ravine drive. Cypridium hirsutum just coming up. Met at 11:22 Misses Wagenknecht, Behrens, & teachers from Hammond, Ind. Showed them about our b'ld'g. Lunch

with them at Monahans; ride about town. They left on 3:30. Then took camera to Ravine Drive & one more view of o. spect. Also of yellow lady slipper.

After supper – called at Mr. Geer's. Not at home. Chat with Mrs Geer. Home & wrote 12 letters. Changed camera plates.

Dist. 107. Expenses 2.30 + 1.25 + 1.04.

### **Friday, May 31**

Pleasant – but grew quite warm as day wore on.

Picnic day at school. Had tickets printed this A.M. Various duties to attend to. - - - Receipts \$91<sup>00</sup> +. 12 or 15 ladies helped. 15 gallons of ice cream. Vaudeville at 1:15. Shadow pictures.

This P.M. went by invitation to Lincoln Ave. school to discuss with their Board a proposed b'ld'g at Ravinia.

John White's expenses to city for Miss Gahan's class – 52 + 15

### **Saturday, June 1**

Clear. Warm. Shower 6:30 to 7:00. Then again in night.

7:30 to city. Saw party of Geog. Soc. off to Crystal Lake – Barrington, Geo. J. Miller of School of Ed. leader. Bought 2 – 10 ride tickets \$14<sup>20</sup> to Crystal Lake. Mr Schantz agreed to act as business manager. – Then to Hallenbeck's to order slide about the Flag; to Miss Ingersoll's, Field's, McClurg's, Puhl's (of the C.B. & Q.), interview with Prof Cox., home on 1:55.

Census work until 6:30. Conference with Mr Greenslade & Warren. Offered Miss Wagenknecht 775<sup>00</sup> over phone – but she refused.

R.R. 52 + .30; lunch .40; punches for Dist 107 – charged; labels .15; barber .15.

### **Sunday, June 2**

Drizzled & rained off and on until 11:00. Prec. .28".

Fed silkworms & went over to Miss Barlow's boarding house for pkg. Then down on beach where I took refuge from rain in pumping station. - - - Church at 10:30. Mrs Underwood & I had conf. inside room until noon. S.S. Mr. Everett talked about convention at Elgin. A nap this P.M. Then photog. specimens of orchis spect. Developed two lots this P.M.

Night message to Miss Behrens at Hammond offering her \$800<sup>00</sup>  
Charge Dist. 107 25¢ for message.

### **Monday, June 3**

Clear and warm to begin with. Light rains began at 5:20 P.M. Heavier at intervals with some t & l. until 10:00 P.M.

Worked on census. Miss Helma Norrlen began as my temporary secretary.

Miss Eyestone of Normal came this P.M. to visit Miss White.

Board meeting this P.M. S.R. Lewis presented bid & it was practically accepted.

Ice cream .20;

### **Tuesday, June 4**

Fine day. Pleasantly cool wind.

Census again, much of day. Miss Toland away at certain graduation exercises. Mrs Grant in her place. Miss Stevens too ill to leave home, - Bertha Campbell in her place. Agents for an encyclopedia called. Also Miss Hexter, a teacher. Also Messrs Waffle & Taber – representing dictionaries, etc.

Photo of side of b'ld'g, showing plant house. Hilma at work for me. Sent money for photos to Busroe (Hodgenville), Adams (Fred'burg) & Cady (Booneville)

Operated for Mr. Pfanstiehl's lecture at Church \$20<sup>00</sup> for lantern fund  
Barber .15;

### **Wednesday, June 5**

Another fine day. A little warmer.

At schoolhouse early. Had last resetting of asters done. Nearly all tomato plants sent home yesterday & day before.

8:54 for city. Electric at 10:00 for Maywood. Visited Miss Hourigan's room at Old Central School. Fine. Music work in b'ld'g great. Ate dinner at Oak Park Cafe. Visited Abraham Lincoln School to see new main portion and overhead lighting. Lake Street (No, Garf. Park L.) to Chicago. Dennison's. Field's. Cox's office. Board of D. of Geog. Soc. "Starved Rock" embroglio apparently going my way. Home at 7:24. Phoned Miss Hourigan her election at \$850.

107 - 52 + 25 + 10 + 5 + 5 + 40 - - 1<sup>32</sup>

### **Thursday, June 6**

Beautiful day. A little cool.

Sent out tuition notices. Various duties relating to exhibit. Kept Hilma at work. Mrs G. also in Miss Stevenson's room. Latter came up for short time late in day.

Some plant house work. Distribution of alyssum - of Eng. daisies.

This P.M. at building a short while.

Photo of Miss Miller's class starting for farm, John Sheahen driving; of Miss Barlow & her pupils. Developed same this evening.

Barber .15;

### **Friday, June 7**

As yesterday. A little fire needed in the house

Exhibit day at school The morning spent in putting finishing touches on the exhibit. At 1:30 all the rooms exchanged visits. At 2:00 visitors began to come. At 7:30 again the doors were open & then closed at ten. About the finest of all our exhibits. Large attendance this evening. Most encouraging.

Late this afternoon all of us on the staff were photographed several times. I set up the camera & someone "touched it off"

### **Saturday, June 8**

Beautiful day. Just a little cool.

Fed silkworms. Took proof of commencement programs to Miss Guiney to be corrected. Took 8:50 for city. Field's, Weber's Dye House, Anderson's, C.B. & Q. office for circulars, Weather Bureau for Geog. Soc. letter heads; conf. with Cox over Shelford bulletin; Fritz Schoultz for rental of ass' (Bottom's) head; lunch at Wab. & Rand., Miss Ingersoll's - then to Hallenbeck's from where I brought away 24 negatives of flag history, Newberry library to look up Washington data; 4:00-4:37 for home. Fed silkworms, planned for next year, etc.

Barber .80; R.R. 52 + 30; lunch .45; Hallenbeck \$6<sup>00</sup>;

### **Sunday, June 9**

Just as preceding days. A little hazy at evening.

Wheeled over to Millard's & looked over things with him (Orchis s. faded but still pretty) and got a supply of mulberry leaves for silkworms – Fed them. Then to S.S. No regular church service. Children's day exercises. My part was to present bibles to the 7 year olds.

Nap after dinner. Then to Sheahan's woods in Skokie. Gathered ragwort, fleabane, meadow rose. Conf. with Mr Norcross this evening. Read from Rauschenbusch.  
Church .15

### **Monday, June 10**

Another fine day. Sent bundle of negatives of flag pictures to Dr. Caldwell to have slides made.

Taught some of Miss Guiney's classes so that she could rehearse her pupils. Sent Miss Parks' room home for the day. This afternoon – preparations for farewell reception to Miss Barlow. Hilma assisted. Distributed commencement programs to the 8A's.

School Board conference this P.M. with S.R. Lewis. Also Miss Barlow's reception (26 years of service). Mother & I and others in receiving line. Dr. Wolcott's speech and presentation of \$153<sup>00</sup>. Stamps for self .65. For 107 - 60 + 20

### **Tuesday, June 11**

[no entry on this day – ed.]

### **Wednesday, June 12**

[no entry on this day – ed.]

### **Thursday, June 13**

[no entry on this day – ed.]

### **Friday, June 14**

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### **Saturday, June 15**

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### **Sunday, June 16**

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### **Monday, June 17**

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### **Tuesday, June 18**

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### **Wednesday, June 19**

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### **Thursday, June 20**

[no entry on this day – ed.]

### **Friday, June 21**

Beautiful day. Cool. Wrote letters. Then to school office to meet Willie Feldman & advise him about summer studies. Then a shave and the 10:33 to Chicago. Mr. Puls at Amer. Seating Co. about folding chairs; lunch at Clover Club; call on Miss Ingersoll & Miss Alice; on Mr Foltz; M. Field's; Bedford Shirt Co.; Stevens; Mandel's; Rand McNally's to select maps for S.S.; Thos. Charles; home on 5:20. Chat on train with Kempster Miller & Mr Bergman - - - Roosevelt seems to be losing steadily. - - - Delegates impatient to go home. - After supper - - fed silkworms, etc.  
R.R. 52 + .10; barber .15; lunch .33; shirt 1.13;

### **Saturday, June 22**

Beautiful. Cool.

Fed silkworms. Took 8:37 for Wauk. with Mr & Mrs Millard. Tramped up Sheridan Road and out over beach plain. Coreopsis, krigia, spiderwort, pink phlox in full display. Shooting star, bearberry, buckbean in fruit. Shrubby potentilla hardly in bloom. Ditto pogonia. Home on trolley. Then at 3:00 we went in auto to their farm on Des Plaines R - and explored the woods. Ninebark nearly through; viburnum a. still in bloom.

Call on Mr. Dobson & Dr. Bergen about S.S. music.

Barber .25; trolley, etc .75

Stamps. 1<sup>00</sup>

### **Sunday, June 23**

Beautiful. Hazy. A little warmer.

Before 8:00 A.M. went on my wheel to Millard's for mulberry shoots for silkworms.

S.S. at 9:30. Was very hoarse. Had union of juniors, et others. Ernest Scrogin came to represent Anti-Saloon League. I had him talk to children.

At church time he occupied pulpit. Fine address. Had chat with him at R.R. station.

Dinner with the Geers and Miss Kendall, professor of history at Wellesley. Latter a Roosevelt partisan (Traveller in China) Nap. Clows called P.M.

Anti-Saloon 3<sup>00</sup>; church .10.

Taft renominated last night!

### **Monday, June 24**

Decidedly warmer.

Wrote letters to a number of Geog. Soc. members with reference to Glac. Nat'l Park. Afternoon at school b'ld'g. Conf. with Miss Swales about summer work here of Y.W.C.A. Loaned school's basket ball to her. Had woman agent present merits of a reference work. Prepared bills for Board meeting.

P.M. Meeting took place. H.B. Dodge met us in auditorium and explained rolling curtain partitions. Given contract for \$600. Board gave heating contract to Lewis & K. - new boiler, etc. \$2800+. Authorized buying 64 new school chair-desks, & 200 opera chairs.

### **Tuesday, June 25**

Warm. Collected mulberry leaves. Fed silkworms & took them to display window in Warren's store. 10:33 to city. Bought first 6 numbers of Brady's war photos, etc. of Chic. Amer. Conf. with Puhl & Pitts of Gt. Northern. Saw Lewis; Field's; Fair; Wipperman's; McClurg's; Puls of Amer. Seat Co. 3:35 for home. Nap. Fed worms. Hoed a little after supper. Gray Stubbs called & stayed most of evening.

Letter from Leonard. Also clipping telling of Ed Hight's return to Decatur in custody of sheriff. Out on bail.

R.R. 52 + .20; lunch .38; phone .15; pamphlets .60;

### **Wednesday, June 26**

Cool breeze early this A.M. Blew all day. Delightful.

Took 5:20 A.M. for city. Met Everett Millard at La Salle St. station. Took 6:45 for (Chesterton) Porter. Walked out to Mineral Springs & tamarack swamp. Large lady slippers just beginning to bloom. 15 out, 50 yet to open. Magnificent. Partridge berry in bloom. Lupines mostly through. Medeola in bloom. Fertile fronds of cinnamon fern withered away. Saw a huge blue racer that showed fight. Sandwiches for lunch 1:10 trolley for city. – 3:00. Had clothes in suit case. Changed & went to board meet. of Geog Soc. at 4:15. Caught 6:15 for home. (1 silkworm had spun) Ride with Mr. & Mrs Geer in run-a-bout.

R.R. 52 + 10 + 1<sup>00</sup> + 20 + 10

### **Thursday, June 27**

Cool as yesterday.

Found one cocoon in silkworm collection. Before 8:00 went to Millard's with the two lady-slipper blossoms brought home yesterday. Left them there for the day. He and I looked over his wild plants. I got can of mulberry leaves.

Wrote letters all this A.M. This afternoon about the same. Finished Geog. Soc. letters. Ten pledged for Glac. Nat'l Park. Visited silkworms several times today. This P.M. I set up twigs for them to climb up.

Worked over my accounts this evening.

Peanuts .05;

### **Friday, June 28**

Warmer but very pleasant. Cloudy & a little sultry after sunset.

Worked on bills. Footed up census records. Began to check up data. Looked after silkworms various times during the day.

Photog. aphyllon parasitic on artemisia. Also four or five different views of lady slipper bloom.

Conf. with G G Green this eve over lantern stand and decoration of church for Sunday.

Reserv. for Glac Nat'l Park up to 12. Two inquiries rec'd. Had Dr. Bergen 'touch up' warts on my face.

Barber .15; stamps .10;

### **Saturday, June 29**

Warm. Slight shower with thunder P.M. Heavy rain at Winnetka; also 35th St.

8:49 for city. Rickett's for Miss Barlow's engrossed resolutions; Puhl & Pitts about G.N.P. excursion; Wipperman where I bought 4x5 tank; fixing box; plates, etc. Bausch & Lomb (bought magnifier); Field's; lunch at Clover Club; home at 1:55-2:32.

Fed silkworms; worked on report to Tp. treasurer; P.M. Mr. Green & I decorated S.S. with flags; set up lantern.

R.R. .52 + .20; Magnif. 1<sup>35</sup>; lunch .35; bread .05; ice cream .20; barber .25

### **Sunday, June 30**

Warm at first. Cool breezes blew up about 10:00 A.M. Fine all day.

Celebrated Fourth of July at S.S. All at the assembly. Mr Dobson talked. I showed slides about Mt. Vernon, Lincoln's life, City of Washington.

2:00 P.M. Went on wheel to Deerfield to S.S. convention. I reported on some things our S.S. is doing. Also discussed temperance teaching. Sec. Cork of State Assn made fine talk.

Reading Rauschenbusch's Christianity & Social Crisis.

At Deerfield met Mr. & Mrs. Rehm.

Collection .50:

### **Monday, July 1**

Delightful weather.

Took 8:09 for city. Conf. with J.F.L. Curtis about Gurnsey's course; E.L. Millard about G.N. Park trip. Left Miss B's "resolutions" at Moulton & Ricketts to be framed. Field's; Kohlsat's. 10-10:32 for home. Various duties. A little on my census report.

4:00 P.M. to Mrs. A.L. Moore's to meet Julia Ellen Rogers of Country Life in America, etc. Took Miss R in the Moore's auto to call on Mr. Egan. Went all over his grounds. Then to Exmoor & to E. Millards grounds. Chat with him & wife. Then dinner at Mrs Moore's. Mrs Claiborne present. Talked about Rev. Mr McNutt's work.

Barber .15; R.R. 52 + .05; buttons .15 developer .35

### **Tuesday, July 2**

Wilson nominated!!

Rather warm. Light .02" showers – 4:00 to 6:00.

Census report this A.M. & much of the afternoon. At Press office & at Brand's. Gave Mrs Berube & Mrs Rioux each 3 copies of spinning pictures. Wrote three of excursion party. Conference with Mrs Monroe about it. Went over to Egan's late afternoon & analyzed Aegopodium podagraria – gout weed - - - spreading under shade of bushes. Conf. with Mr. Cate this P.M. He was offered \$300 for one day's work per week the coming school year. Copy of new ed. of Chapman's Manual rec'd.

Wired Miss Cole. Charge Dist. 107 - 40¢

### **Wednesday, July 3**

Warm. Humid. Cooler after sunset.

8:49 for Chicago. Miss Barlow left for Delevan. Helped her get away. Went to Newberry Library. Looked up material – Washington, Mary W., etc. Photographed 7 pages of W's accounts rendered to U.S. Gov't.

Then to Cox's office; Pitts; Field's; McClurg's; Lyon & H., A.B.Co. – Home on 5:50-6:28.

Hoed & sprinkled. Went to Ravinia Pk. Oberhoefer's Minneap. Symph. Orch. Fine prog. Lydia Lopowkova danced three numbers. Chatted with Rocheleau, et. al.

R.R. 52 + 20 + 10; lunch .30; Fourth of July fund 1<sup>00</sup>; Ravinia .60 + 10; neck ties 1<sup>00</sup>; " \$1.<sup>00</sup>

### **Thursday, July 4**

Very warm. Thunder shower – 4:30-5:30 – with light rainfall cooled things off for a while. .04"

Mowed lawn. Hoisted large flag at school. Nap before noon. Afternoon worked on census report. Studied book on Flora of Canada Rockies. Two deposits came for excursion.

Began letter to Miss Hourigan outlining her work.

Concert this evening with Mr Parrott. Met Mr. Bley. Enjoyed "1812" & an Amer. Fantasy.

The Fourth!

Tickets 1<sup>50</sup>;

Trolley .10; at bakery .55.

### **Friday, July 5**

Very, very warm. A few errands – then to city on 9:18. Chat with Mrs Clayberg of Avon – friend of Mrs A.L. Moore – Went with Will Feldman over to Chic. Business College to arrange his summer work. Then to Bradner, Smith; to Puhl's office; Lyon & Healy: A.B.Co to buy copy of Man'l of Rocky Mt flowers; Field's; Clover Club; to School of Ed; Conf – with Miss Baber; over to Dr. Cowle's office (he had gone. They have a girl baby). Moulton & Rickett's; Pittsb. Plate Glass Co; 5:50 home. Chat with Monroe. To Ravinia Pk after supper. Wagner. Met Lewis Weld. Also Mr. & Mrs Pattee. Trolley .35; R R 52 + 20 + 10; lunch .35; book 2<sup>00</sup>;

### **Saturday, July 6**

Very warm but tempered by breezes and haze in the sky.

Finished census report and turned it over to Mr. Greenslade.

Afternoon – went with Mr Millard and Leonard Wolcott to 6th Ravine. Pyrolas just coming nicely into bloom. Liparis L. past blooming. My fine colony of cyp. spect. of past years had vanished – whether a land slip or severe winter – I do not know. H. Hookeri still in bloom.

Took 6:00 trolley for Evanston & had dinner at Univ. Club with Prof. Grant. He insists upon withdrawing from scientific leadership of G.P. Exc – Electric storm & heavy rainfall there.

Trolley .20; barber .25;

### **Sunday, July 7**

Very warm to start with. Thunder storms about us helped cool things. At noon gentle sprinkle. Occurred at intervals during day. .07”

S.S. Two new songs & new order of service. Unpacked 4 wall maps from Rand McN. Stayed to church.

Rested all afternoon. Finished Rauschenbusch. Took 5:46 for city. Lunch at N.W. station. Went to 55th St. Phoned Cowles & Caldwell; neither at home. Former probably at hospital. Talked with Dr Goode over phone. Home on 11:15.

church .10; R.R. 52 + .20; supper .35; magazine .15.

### **Monday, July 8**

Hot. Humid!!

Took 8:50 for city. Called on Pitts of Gt. Northern. Then to U. of C. (first I registered at Congress Hotel – N.E.A. – met McMurry, McGilveray, Hatfield, Fisher, et. al). Chat with Dr Cowles about Excursion. Chat with Dr. Crocker (we are both La Follette partisans), and with Gladys Earle who is doing research work in botany there. Downtown again. Conferred with Mortensen at C B & Q office. Went to Aud. & heard part of gen'l program. Home at 5:21. Sprinkled. Inspected things at schoolhouse. Did some desk work in my hot room.

R.R. 52 + 20 + 20; N.E.A. 2<sup>00</sup>; lunch .35;

### **Tuesday, July 9**

Hot. Still humid.

Met Miss Mannhardt & her brother & Miss Westberg at Burlington office for caucus Later again at Fields. Then to Univ. & conferred with Dr. Cowles. Met Miss Norris at Mandel Hall and conferred about the excursion. We decided to go. Back downtown. Pitts' office – also Burlington. Went to Geo B. Carpenter's to try to find dunnage bags.

Home by 7:00. Wrote letters until 12:00. (Mr. Greene called for a while).

R.R. 52 + 20 + 20; lunch .35;

### **Wednesday, July 10**

A little cooler. Still uncomfortably warm however. To city on 8:09. Attended Dep't of Elementary Ed. at Congress Hotel & at 11:30 Auditorium for annual business meeting. Sat with Mr. Ehrman of Decatur.

Circus of a time. Miss Strachan of N.Y. candidate for president, against Mr. Fairchild of Oklahoma. Most spirited & wordy contest. Latter won, 5 to 1.

After lunch – Fields, L & H., Vaughans, Pitts', E.C. Cooke & Bro (Ordered 12 dunnage bags – paid 12<sup>00</sup>;) Home. (Moths coming out of silkworm cocoons)

R.R. 52 + 20; Vaughans .50; L. & H. 25; teleg to W.S Still .25

### **Thursday, July 11**

A cool breeze blew up in the night and cooled the air more or less all day.

Wrote & sent out some letters. At school – looked up Emma Fitt's record, got key of annex, etc. This afternoon Mrs Green & I looked over the Annex with a view to redecorating it, etc. I photographed Lester Green's collection of silkworm moths which he was displaying at the barber shop on a stenciled table drape. Developed those & other plates this P.M. Looked up Mr. Davies at Highwood this P.M.

Barber .65; ice cream .10, repairs on pen .65;

### **Friday, July 12**

Moderately warm – grew warmer at evening.

During the day discussed redecoration of Annex with Wendling, Friebele, & Witten. Had Purdys' set up the old range. Conferred with Sullivan. Had Mr. Davies take down things at Annex. Cleared up library shelves in office.

Had Miss Ethel K. Cole of Marshfield, Wisc. – our new lower grade teacher. Came after supper, from Evanston where she is a student in summer music school. She and I then went to the last of the Symphony concerts & I saw her to her boarding place in Ev.

R.R 40; Ice cream .20;

### **Saturday, July 13**

Heavy showers after 5:00 A.M. – to 8:00 A.M. “.97

To city. Got check for \$100<sup>00</sup> from Geog Soc. (Mr. Armington); met members of Exc. party at C B & Q. Went to Cook Bro & got dunnage bags. Fields – Von Lengercke's where I bought a slicker; Wiperman's – rented 3A “special” Kodak & got supplies; Home.

Photos of silkworm moths at Brand's; a shave, etc; Conf. with Mr. Geer. Let Annex contract to Wendling at \$105<sup>00</sup>. Worked on accounts & correspondence

R.R 52 + 30; (ticket to Belton & return 47<sup>50</sup>); supplies at drug company .95; Blomdahl 1<sup>00</sup>; barber .35; Brands 1<sup>30</sup>; Wiperman 6<sup>30</sup>; tailor .25; Bought 100<sup>00</sup> of express checks

### **Sunday, July 14**

Cooler breezes in night & part of day. Warm winds arose at evening.

S.S. Ten dollars voted to Home & Aid Society. Did not stay to church.

Wrote Leonard & Clarence & various others. Went to Parrat's & conferred about my Kodak.

Busy all day. Very warm evening.

Conferred with Mr Metzler & Mr Geer. Also Mr. Patton; Mrs F. Schumacher, et. al.

### **Monday, July 15**

Began trip to Glacier Nat'l Park. Following pages – brief notes from my diary of trip.

7:32 to Chicago. At 9:30 left on C.B & Q. for St. Paul. Party – Wm & Meta Mannhardt, Ellen Schmidt, Lydia Schmidt, Elizabeth Creviston, Emily Westberg, Louis Haugh, W.S. Still, W.S. Weber. Jeannette Coleman got on at Galena; Florence Wolaver & J. Anna Norris at St. Paul.

Cool – pleasant day. Reached St. Paul 10:40 – fifty minutes late. At once started westward on the Gt. Northern – a tourist car to ourselves

### **Tuesday, July 16**

Rode all day across the Dakotas and into Montana.

Cool – almost too cool.

Botanized some with specimens snatched up by the tracks.

Late tonight I was aroused in my berth by Morrison of Chicago – a R.R. agent – who had left Midvale some hours before & got off one train to ride back part ways with us. He gave information about the routes to follow, etc.

### **Wednesday, July 17**

Gray & chilly at dawn. First through the foothills, then into the mts - & at 9:30 we were at Belton. Stayed here all day & night. Shopped at the only store.

Botanized in the afternoon

### **Thursday, July 18**

Rode in stage to the landing on L. McDonald. Took launch to Glacier Hotel – 7 miles away. There by noon.

Afternoon we had a three or four mile ride through woods & across McDonald Creek as a “try-out.” Mike Shannon as guide.

### **Friday, July 19**

Went to Avalanche Basin & back today.

Guides “Chet” Gebhardt & “Buck” Pogue.

### **Saturday, July 20**

Left with full party & 4 pack horses for Gunsight Camp. Mrs Helen F. Sanders with us much of day. Lunch at Sperry Camp. Crossed shoulder of Lincoln Peak, rounded L. Louise, crossed Gunsight Pass, followed trail down to Camp.

Mr Hill & two assistants – Cathcart & Butler at this camp.

### **Sunday, July 21**

Went to Blackfoot Glacier. Walking trip.

### **Monday, July 22**

Rode to the Narrows Camp on St. Mary’s Lake. Sent horses on & planned to go to St. Mary’s camp by launch tomorrow.

### **Tuesday, July 23**

Remained at Narrows Camp all day. Lake too rough for launch to come for us.

### **Wednesday, July 24**

Left after lunch for St. Mary’s – went in launch. There by 2:00.

Botanized on the rich prairies near by

**Thursday, July 25**

Rode to McDermott Camp today. Longest day's ride but over open roads.

**Friday, July 26**

Went to Iceberg Lake & back today.

**Saturday, July 27**

To Cracker Lake & back today.

**Sunday, July 28**

Went with Mr. Hill's party to Grinnel Lake & up Cataract Canyon & return

**Monday, July 29**

To Swift Current Pass & return today.

**Tuesday, July 30**

Left McDermott today. Reached St. Mary's by 5:00 P.M.

**Wednesday, July 31**

Left St. Mary's & arrived at Cut Bank Camp about 4:00 P.M.

**Thursday, August 1**

Left Cut Bank & reached Two Medicine Camp by 3:00 P.M.

**Friday, August 2**

Left Two Medicine Camp & arrived at Midvale at 2:00 P.M.

I left the party here, taking the 7:30 P.M. for Belton. Spent the night in the chalet.

The rest of the party started back for Chicago.

**Saturday, August 3**

Walked over to boat landing on L. McDonald. 11:00 o'clock boat for Glacier Hotel. Heavy rainstorm on lake. Landed in storm. Rained much of day.

**Sunday, August 4**

At Glacier Hotel. Rained at intervals. Tramped to McDonald Falls & back & followed lake trail a mile or so.

**Monday, August 5**

Pleasant meeting with Mr & Mrs Bradley of Chicago (Mary Hastings) & Wm Morton Payne of the Dial.

Walked to Sperry Camp with Mr McKibben, Sec. of Stock Exchange at Boston. Dinner there & left to come back alone

**Tuesday, August 6**

Left Glacier Hotel on 6:30 A.M. Boat & left Belton, 9:07, for Chicago.

Dinner on the diner with Morrison & LaRue who got on at Midvale & got off at Cut Bank.  
Got acquainted with D.W. Bruins of Spokane.

### **Wednesday, August 7**

Great event of the day was ride through the mighty wheat fields of N. Dakota.  
Reached St Paul at 10:45. Went to Merchants' Hotel & had good night's rest.

### **Thursday, August 8**

Left St. Paul at 8:40 A.M. Breakfast at Union Station restaurant. Took Oriental Limited. Rained much of way. Had observation car privileges. Enjoyed beautiful view of Mississippi and of farming country. Found lady & daughter from Fostoria, Ohio, on train whom I had met at Glacier Hotel. Visited with them now & then during day. Arrived at 9:15 P.M. Took 10:02 for home.

Found huge pile of mail awaiting me. Had been very heavy rain here this afternoon.  
Hotel 1<sup>50</sup>; barber .25; breakfast .65; meals on diner 1.95; papers, etc. .25; Parmalee .50;

### **Friday, August 9** .35"

More rain in night and light showers until 9:00 A.

Looked over accumulated mail. Then to school bld'g. Workmen had old boiler out in yard; pit deepened and cemented; were dragging new one in. Nothing yet done with auditorium partitions.

Took 12:56 to Chicago to return camera (3A special) to Wipperman. To McClurgs Also Carson Pirie where I bought 3 books at special sale. To Fields for shoes. Left Miss Mannhardt's compass at her brother's office. Home at 5:00.

R.R. .52; papers, etc. 02; (ticket 6<sup>60</sup>);

### **Saturday, August 10**

Went for a tramp with Mr & Mrs Millard this A.M. Found 2 stalks of *Habenaria psycodes* in woods (Payne's) west of Ravinia. Our walk ended up at Ravinoaks & I was brought home in the auto.

Rained off and on this afternoon. Light showers this evening. Precip .37"

Wrote a number of letters today. Cleaning up my desk. One was to W.S. Weber to be forwarded to Mr L.W Hill of the Great Northern – who wanted a list of books on the flora of G. N. Park.

Barber .65; Carson, Pierie & Scott's C.O.D. (books) 1<sup>40</sup>;

### **Sunday, August 11**

Threatening sky but no rain except in night. .07"

S.S. as usual. Stayed to church. Dr. Hill of McCormick preached.

Nap this afternoon. Went to milkweed patch on the beach & brought home four monarch larvae.

Wrote letters

Miscellaneous reading.

church .10.

### **Monday, August 12**

A threatening sky but cleared off sultry.

Worked in my room sorting papers, etc. this A.M. Telegram from Miss Woodley asking to be released. Phoned Searles to look over list of available teachers.

12:56 for city. Conference with Searles; called on Farr at Silver B. & Co.; at Wipperman's; at Charles to look up Brown pictures; to Flanagan's; to Wilde's. At public library – read Cooley on some continuation schools; began Montessori. Saw Holbrook & Lean at the Ziegfield.

R.R. 52 + 30; supper .40; book 1.75; picture .06; theatre 1<sup>00</sup>

### **Tuesday, August 13**

Sultry. Hot.

Spent some time at Presb. Church this A.M. with Mr. Greene – planning things. Mowed yard this afternoon. Continued overhauling my historical material, pictures, etc.

Chat with Mr. Parrott this P.M.

Ice cream .20; barber .15;

### **Wednesday, August 14**

Cooler in night\_ then a warm day with much reduced humidity. Refreshing breath of lake air late in day.

At school b'ld'g all A.M. Listing supplies & repairs. Martin rep. Lewis & K. came out. Boiler nearly bricked over.

Afternoon worked at my room on my bill and report on receipts for mn'l training. Board meeting this P.M. Metzel & Warren absent. Miss Woodley's resig. accepted.

### **Thursday, August 15**

Cool.

At school bld'g this morning with Witten to get estimate on painting, etc.

12:56 for Chicago. Conferred with Mr Hambrook at Amer. Seating Co., also with Mr. Puls. Then to Art Inst. to look up card mounts To Wipperman's – for film tank left me by Miss Westberg. To Federal Bldg for meeting of Directors of Geog. Soc. Plans for coming visit of European geographers. 6:15 home, riding with Mr. Patten & Prof. Grant.

This P.M. called on Mr Geer & he and I visited H.P. picnic in lake front Park. Called away by big fire near home. Benson's barn and ice house

R.R. 52 + .10; barber .15; photog. .40

### **Friday, August 16**

Pleasant.

Wrote notifications of date of opening school to each of teachers. To city on 11:41. At Dietz's – also Cardy's; Memorial Hall at Public Library; chat with Miss Baber as she sat in Dr. Atwood's machine near Field's; W.H. Wilde's where I bought Bailey's book on master paintings for S.S; Wipperman's – bought 100 card mounts for S.S. Home on 5:10-5:44. After supper went with Mr. Morton to school bld'g to plan some repairs; then to O.B. Brand's for help as to use of film tank; to Mrs Schumacher's. Wired offer of \$800 to Miss Kauffman.

R.R. 52 + .20; book 2<sup>00</sup> – charge to Presb. S.S;

### **Saturday, August 17**

Turned off very warm. To city on 10:33. Went to ballpark & bought grand stand seats for Chicago – N.Y. game. Then to Forester Prost's office to ask about city Parks. To Mrs Clark Tea Room & luncheon with Miss Baber. To N.W. Station to meet Mr. Clow by appointment. Waited 20 minutes & missed him. To ballpark, meeting Johnson Beasley on way. He went in on my extra ticket. We had to stand up on the field 11 inning game (Richie & Matthewson) 5 to 4 for Cubs. Arthur Wilson up as pinch-hitter. Made base hit. Rained on way home from city

.07"

R.R. .52 + 25; lunch .50; ball 1.50;

### **Sunday, August 18**

Slight rain this A.M – about 9:40 – 10:00. Then shower in afternoon. .02”  
Sultry. Rain & old-fashioned thunderstorm – 8:00 P.M. & all night  
S.S. Conferred with H. R. Smith about S.S. supplies Went to Glencoe to see equipment of new  
Cong. church Listened to sermon, then inspected plant.  
Nap this afternoon. Read C. & S's on glaciers. Studied Geog. of Palest.  
church .10; trolley .10.

### **Monday, August 19**

Still raining at dawn & gradually diminished until 8:30 A.M. 1.65”  
Warm. Sultry.  
Took a monarch larva to school greenhouse & set up camera to photo its transformation. I waited from  
8:00 to 2:30 (half hour for lunch) before the change took place. Meantime read from “Elements of Agric.”,  
Yearbook (1911) of Dept of Agric., etc. Took 9 pictures. Then worked in stock room until supper time.  
After supper Mr & Mrs E. Millard called to have some flowers identified. Showed them flower  
photographs  
Barber .15; wire .05; ice cream .20;

### **Tuesday, August 20**

Warm. Humid. Rain in night .10”  
To city on 8:51. Discussion with Monroe and Millard (politics). Saw Miss Besley a minute. She  
recommended a Miss Whipple of Wauk. I phoned & found she was in N. Wisc. on vacation. Phoned  
Cardy for slating. Phoned Miss Bower at Co. Clerk's office but she was off on a vacation. Wanted to know  
about lotus blossoming. Searles to talk over candidates; Flanagan's; Charles; Fields'; McClurg's where I  
met Adele Whitford – her mother has cancer – Thurston Agency where I met Lucy Curran; went to  
Columb. Sch of Oratory to ask Miss McCracken about her. – Home 5:44. Evening at schoolhouse &  
Clow's.  
R R 52 + 10; lunch .30; book 2.40; plates .94; hypo . 25; Presb. Ch. 2.33 + 20 Dist. 107 – 52 + 30 +  
.40

### **Wednesday, August 21**

Warm but less humid. Beautiful cloud masses in the sky.  
At school b'ld'g all day. Began listing and overhauling all books, etc. Overhauled & repaired  
maps. Tinsmiths at work on breeching of new boiler; steam fitters also at work; Johnson temperature  
control people, do; boiler bricked in.  
Two more larvae went into pupa state.  
Barber .25; Express – Pres. S.S. - .30; Dist 107 - 2<sup>00</sup>; + .25; Lewis & K. .25.

### **Thursday, August 22**

Cooler. Slight shower about 12:00 but little rain. Cleared off cooler.  
Worked at schoolhouse all day – sorting out books, etc. Met Hoban from Waukegan and talked  
over slating repairs.  
H.B. Dodge's materials for sliding partition came.  
Theo. Juhrend called this evening to ask for Port Clinton building for his “club.”  
Gibson representing Macmillan's called.  
Sent book – Canadian Alpine Flora to Donald Stevenson, Babb, Montana

Postage .21; catch for refrigerator .75;

### **Friday, August 23**

Cooler. Sunny & cloudy by turns.

At schoolhouse until 10:00 A.M. Photog. Arthur Larson & his tomato plants – loaded with fruit. Plants came from school conservatory. 12:56 for Chicago. To Ryan & Hart, printers, to see about Geog. Soc. badges. Then to Thurston Agency – Searles – called on Miss Collins; Wipperman's to Federal Bldg & meeting of Directors of Geog. Soc. Planned reception of European geographers for next Tuesday. Home on 6:02-6:56. Chat with Mr. Ewing en route.

Mr Sandwich & I had conference at my office this P.M.

R R .52 + .05; barber .25; ice cream .20; bananas .15;

### **Saturday, August 24**

Hot.

Mowed lawn. Developed 5 rolls of film and 10 plates today. Spent much of the day at it. Worked until nearly midnight.

### **Sunday, August 25**

Very hot.

S.S. as usual. Bolted later service. Nap at home. Read books Took 3:36 for city & went to Park Ridge. Visited the Collins. Mr. & Mrs Vehmeyer & Fred, & Mr. & Mrs Newton were there, also a friend from Baltimore. Also Mr. & Mrs Clute, Marjorie, & Sadie West – Mrs Newton's little ward Fine time.

9:28 for Clybourn & 10:09 home.

R.R. 52 + .52;

### **Monday, August 26**

Cool breeze blew up in night. Warm morning. Cool breeze late afternoon.

Schoolhouse until 9:30. 9:56 for city. Went to Wendall Phillips' H.S. where Cook Co. Inst. was in session. Met Nichols, Goddard, Don Smith, Blood, Merrill, Miller, McCullogh, et. al. Also Miss Claypool. Also Taber, Cawley, Haley, - - - Met Miss Cripene of Oshkosh – candidate. Brought her out here on 4:00-4:37 – took her to schoolhouse & to Mrs Schumacher. Sent her back on 6:16. Called on Mrs Schumacher this P.M. Got Mr. Cate's resig. (Visited Searles, Miss Collins, Wipperman)

R. R. 1.04 + .20 +; ice cream .10;

### **Tuesday, August 27**

Delightful and cool day.

7:04 for city. Went to 12th St. station. Phoned Miss Cripene not to expect favorable answer to her application. Furnished badges to members of reception comm. & helped welcome Amer. Geog. Society's excursion members. – Prof. W.M. Davis in charge. 47 from Europe (17 nationalities) and about 20 Amer. To Univ. Club. Then I & J.H. Smith took 4 of the party to Sears Roebuck. Had fine lunch there. Then back to Univ. Club. 2:30 took charge of an auto with 3 guests & visited W. & J. Parks, Field Museum, U. of C. & Sherman Park. Dinner at Univ. Club. About 100 present. Saw special train off at N.W. Station. 11:15 for home

R. R 52 + - - Mag .15; tip .10; phone (Dist. 107) .15

### **Wednesday, August 28**

A hot day – with heavy shower A.M. .23”

Spent much of day developing rolls of film and transacting school business. Very busy.  
Prepared to go to Quincy to see a Miss Bertha Fuller Miss Collins had recommended. Also Mr. Jno H. Keith there doing institute work who had recommended another person.

9:11 to city.

10:30 C. B & Q for Quincy. Cool night on train

### **Thursday, August 29**

Reached Quincy at 7:15 A.M. Recent heavy storm. Cool at first but very hot as day advanced. At Newcomb hotel. Went to H.S. bld'g & found Miss White who was doing inst. work there. Met Miss Bertha Fuller & Mrs. Adams, her principal. Talked with Keith – also with Mr. Gilbert. Chat with Mr. Erman – new princ. of their H.S. Met Miss Espey who taught for McKenzie last yr. Also Co. Supt. Steiner. Wired Oshkosh & found Mr. K's candidate engaged. Miss Fuller asked impossible salary. Miss W. & I and Mr Wirl visited Riverview Park where is statue of Geo Rog. Clark by Mulligan. 4:30 for Decatur, arriving there at 11:15 P.M. Went to Decatur hotel to sleep.

### **Friday, August 30**

Breakfast at hotel. Then to Clarence's – Found him making concrete walk. Spent morning at Macon Co. Inst. – Met Misses Moore, Williams, Dempsey, Hawkes, & English. Latter showed me over H.S. b'ld'g. Chat with Sup't Wilson. Also Mr. Coonradt & Mr Davidson

Stayed at Clarence's all afternoon. Then we went to Starch Works & saw Leonard at work. I had to wait until after 8 for train due at 4:40 – wreck on the way. Dusty ride & warm to Chicago. Dr. Caldwell got on at Monticello & chatted with him. Nearly 1 A M when we got in & I went to La Salle hotel to bed.

### **Saturday, August 31**

Got 7:00 train for home & had breakfast here.

Spent most of A.M. at school bld'g. Wired Langslow-Fowler Co. to learn why chairs had not come. Rolling partitions in aud. nearly finished.

Somewhat under weather, bowel trouble, & slept two hours after dinner. Then took 4:58 for Chicago for banquet of the 15 who went to Glac. Nat'l Park. Bost. Oyster House. Display of pictures each had taken. While at dinner in private room, G.J. Smith & others from L. who were at a table in adjoining room called me out a moment. They had been to Elgin races. – My friends presented me with a new Internat. Dict & a Comstock's Nature Study!

R.R. 52 + .05; ice cream .10.

### **Sunday, September 1**

Warm day, tempered a little at times by cool breezes. Light showers between 9 and 10:30 A.M.

S.S. as usual. Learned to my great disappointment that Mrs Underwood is to go to Interlaken for the winter.

Stayed to church.

At 4:30 I took several photographs of the neighbors – Mrs Silas Brand – who is in her last illness, and her family circle – The Deckers, Noerenbergs, Grants, et. al. Took carriage ride with Fred Noerenberg, Mr. Wesling, & Chas Grant. Went through the Price house on So. Sheridan.

church .05;

### **Monday, September 2**

Labor Day!

Warm – but overcast sky tempered heat a little. A heavy shower 2:45 – 4:00 - .43” rainfall.

Lists of books for dealers; inspected things at school. Afternoon worked on listing and numbering maps, etc. Gave an hour’s interview to Laura Fechner, candidate for 3rd grade position.

Worked in office after supper until 10:00 – Listing library books.

Sent 26¢ in stamps to Miss Norris for her Kodak prints

Two pupae of Aug. 21 came out as butterflies. (Monarch).

Barber .15; ice cream .20 + .10; stamps .30

### **Tuesday, September 3**

Damp but cooler.

At school until 9:30. 9:53 to Chicago. To Thurston Agency where I met Miss Beatrice Ferguson, formerly teaching at Hammond. Also Agnes Barrett. Chat with Miss Collins. To Fields Lunch. To Newberry Library where I spent afternoon working over Lincoln material. Home at 6:28. After supper finished listing library books in my office. Down to Sheahen’s to coach Catherine for ex at H.S. Saturday.

R.R. .52 + .20; lunch .30;

### **Wednesday, September 4**

Hot. Mitigating breeze towards evening.

At schoolhouse. Then 9:56 for Chicago. To Fruitvale Land Co’s office for Mrs. Johnson. Then lunch & took 12:00 train for Hammond. Called on Supt. McDaniel in H.S. bld’g & talked with him about Misses Quayle and Ferguson, candidates. Caught 2:57 electric back – reaching Chicago at 4:00. Visited Searles. Then 5:10-5:43 home. After supper errand to school. Then some correspondence at my desk.

Charge Dist 107:

R.R. .52 + 10 + .50.

Lunch .40; sundries .15.

### **Thursday, September 5**

Very hot day. Hotter than yesterday.

At school nearly all day. First this A.M. hunted around for a laborer to help at school. Then made measurements at Presb. church for seating purposes, etc.

This afternoon Emma S. Quayle, candidate, came by appointment & I gave her a long interview. This evening conferred with Mr. Greenslade. Then went down to Mrs Schumacher’s. Wired Beatrice Ferguson of Kalamazoo offer of \$750<sup>00</sup>

Ice cream .40; sundries .05; Wire (Dist 107) .30 to Kalamazoo.

### **Friday, September 6**

Very hot. Went to city on 9:56. To Fields’, Wipperman’s, McClurg’s; to Miss Ingersoll’s. Bro’t away bundle of negatives – Lincoln & Washington - - I had left these from time to time.

Home on 2:00-2:34. On train as I later discovered was Miss Sadler whom Miss Collins sent out as candidate for music supervisor. Visited with her and took her to call on Mrs Schumacher. Saw her to train. Met Miss Cole --- new teacher & took her to Highland Hall.

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

### **Saturday, September 7**

Quite a little cooler today.

School work all day. Started Miss White to Waukegan with the new teachers to meet Mr Simpson and secure certificates. Telegram from Miss Ferguson – unable to take place. Conferred with Mrs Schumacher about vacancy.

Afternoon teachers' meeting – all present. Afternoon spent that way. Evening at b'ld'g. Showed Miss Behren & her two sisters around. Miss Cole with them.  
Dist 107 – Pd Miss White's fare to Waukeg & ret. .30; barber .25  
Ice cream .20;

### **Sunday, September 8**

Cool night. Very warm day.

S.S. as usual. Sat in one of the class rooms during preaching service and planned work. Afterwards conferred with Greene, Putnam, & others.

Quiet afternoon – when phone was not ringing. Called on Miss Davidson about S.S. work this P.M.

Wrote Clarence about Leonard.

### **Monday, September 9**

Very warm day. School began. We ran only part of morning. Esther Kerfoot filled position still vacant. 45 beginners appeared. A host of mothers. Assembly in auditorium.

A 2:00 P.M. Teachers' meeting. Board meeting in the evening. A very busy day.

Chat this A.M. with Jens Jensen about Ravinia – his inability to influence our city council to refrain from “spoiling” it, etc.

Barber .15; ice cream 20;

### **Tuesday, September 10**

Still another hot day.

Had school in morning only. Called before school on Mrs. John Sheahen. Talked with Willie Feldman about his work and arranged with Mr Sandwick for him to do H.S. work A.M. Made similar arrangement for Catherine Sheahen. Representative of Nystrom called. Interview with Mrs Myrtle Treadwell and Mr McFarren, candidates for music position.

Had inspector examine wiring in basement.

This evening got my film negatives ready to send away for copies of the prints for my friends of the Glac. Park trip.

Mother 3<sup>00</sup>; Gas bill (two months) 8<sup>25</sup>

### **Wednesday, September 11**

Cool wind arose in night and prevailed all day, nearly. Delightfully cool.

Spent much time sorting old bills & preparing orders for supplies. Mrs. Janette Burke called this A.M. as candidate for music supervisor, and I sent her to Mrs Schumacher. This afternoon Miss MacPherson called on same errand & likewise called on Mrs S. - - - Miss Canavan and I had 4B field trip to bluff at Vine Ave – first map making of class - - Spent part of evening coaching Emmett Duffy in Latin, then at desk at school. Met Mr. Monroe on way home & he came in with me to look up child labor data.

Ice cream .10;

### **Thursday, September 12**

Pleasant. Wrote Dr. Cowles & Harry Lighthall. Aster exhibit at school. At 2:30 assembly in aud. Asters on long table. Mr. Egan & Mr. Bahr judges. Reports on begonia & geranium cuttings, flax, cotton, etc

Visitors, Miss , McNorton, Matheny – Miss Herman, Mr. McKenzie; a strolling photographer. A very busy day.

Mr. Clow here for supper. Caucus at church over S.S. matters – various topics discussed. Bicycle .25; ice cream .10;

### **Friday, September 13**

Another fine day – clouding in late afternoon. A few chance raindrops fell.

Miss Behrens too ill to teach. Pupils sent home – Went with 4A's & Miss H. to map Sheahen's ponds, & vicinity

Interview with Miss Herman about 3rd grade job & sent her to call on Mrs Schumacher - - - Closed school at 3:00. Primary grades short sessions as other days this week.

This P.M. Miss Crippene & Miss Cole called at my office. Then I worked until after nine. Dist 107 - \$2<sup>25</sup> for Nat Study Handbook  
Barber .25; Pd \$4<sup>00</sup> for help Dist 107 (sweeping).

### **Saturday, September 14**

Threatening & a few rain drops fell. At 9:00 P.M. light shower began

To city on 8:49 – Cardy, Wipperman's, Shaw-Walker, Art Inst. to measure cabinets for information pictures; McClurg's; Field's, etc. Home on 1:55 –

Had good nap. This P.M. went to Presb. Church with G.G. Greene to try experiment of hanging maps; then to Mrs Schumacher's to consider candidates for music position.

Sent 3<sup>60</sup> to Dreer's for bulbs. Charge H.P. Press .60 & school board 2<sup>40</sup>;  
R R .52 + ; lunch .25; papers .06; ice cream .10; stamps .49; Dist 107 - .24 for molding hooks;

### **Sunday, September 15**

Heavy rain with thunder storm in the night. 1.24"

S.S. as usual. Mrs Underwood present and made effective address. After church had a caucus with Mrs Chas Everett & others of primary dep't.

Tramp this afternoon to County Line Back on the trolley. Gave much time today to planning S.S. work

Wrote Clarence letter urging him to put Leonard in Millikin this winter  
church .10; trolley .05

### **Monday, September 16**

Pleasant day. Grew warmer towards evening. Distant thunder as I write. 11 P.M.

Esther Kerfoot substituted again but Miss Irene Herman came here ready to take the vacancy. After an hour's conference she did so. - - - Mrs Schumacher and I agreed to offer Miss MacPherson the music supervisorship – Mr Norcross and I decided to sent the Oct-Nov-Dec. children under 6th yr. home. Miss White had with them 55 pupils. - - Mr. Reenstjerna called - - - maps, etc. - - One field trip with Miss Knapp's pupils - - Agreed to give "Wayside Bio." before Polyt. Soc – Feb. 7 & Wild Flowers Mar. 14.  
Express 1.50 + .25. (Dist 107)

Barber .15; Mrs Clow 25<sup>00</sup>;

### **Tuesday, September 17**

Shower in the night. .07'  
Cooler. Gray day.  
Miss MacPherson came out to talk over music situation. Miss Behrens too ill to teach. Esther Kerfoot on duty.  
Workmen installed water meter on school parkway. Jas. Shields came to school at my request and advised as to drainage of school grounds.  
Mother got \$108<sup>00</sup> as a conference claimant.  
Went with Mrs & Mr. Millard, et. al. to Waukegan – a Progressive Rally. Mr Munroe & Mr Thompson spoke. Latter a candidate for Congress; former for state legisl. - - - Mr Clow ate supper with us.  
Trolley .30;

### **Wednesday, September 18**

Light shower in night Gray and cool. Almost cold towards evening. Rain at 3:30 P-4:30, et. - - & At 11:00 P. - - - A cold rain  
Miss Behren ill; Miss Kerfoot, substitute. Mr D.A. Holmes' funeral at 8:00 A.M. I could not attend. Very odd, very upright man - - - kindly, lonely.  
Field trip – Rudolph's garden (Miss Rose Miller). A.M. P.M. with Miss Gertrude Miller to small corn patch. - - Fred Juhrend's school certif.. S.S. meeting at church this P.M. At a late hour Mrs Underwood & I went to G.A. Mason's. No one there. Called cab & saw her home to Knapp's tent. & was brought home myself Raining heavily.  
Barber .15; driver .25;

### **Thursday, September 19**

Cool this A.M. but it cleared off and grew comfortably warm. Rainfall in night .07"  
Another field trip with Miss Miller and the 3B's – also to Rudolph's garden. Heard 7B Nat. Study. Distributed 21 madonna lily bulbs to those who got honorable mention (20 + 1) in the aster exhibit.  
Steam fitters finished up at our building. Small boys are throwing up tin disk-like "aeroplanes" in the air – a genuine craze.  
New ticket \$6<sup>60</sup>  
Everett Millard brought me a dead "olive backed" thrush  
Express for 107 - \$.35

### **Friday, September 20**

Day began with mild thunder storm – 7:00-8:00. Rainfall .23". Cleared cool – then warmer in afternoon. - - Miss MacPherson's first day, busy for me as well as her. - - Esther K. substituting as usual. - - Yesterday Barnes called representing copybooks; photographer wanted to photograph children. - - - Cyclopedia agent called. - - - Sent off stack of letters acknowledging letters of application at various times. - - Larson children submitted specimens of tomatoes for competition. - - - This P.M. wrote titles on my prints of Glac. Nat Park for my fellow members of party.  
Engineer ran fan a while.  
Barber .15; P.O. .60;

### **Saturday, September 21**

Rain in the night and at it briskly until 7:30. Showers now & then during the day. 1.27"  
Mother left for a few days with Clarence's at Decatur. I got a letter from C. saying Leonard is to enter Millikin.

At home all day. Sent out Glac. Park prints to members of party. Copied with camera some Lincoln material. Overhauled historical material in my room.  
Barber .25;

### **Sunday, September 22**

Bright. Cool.

S.S. as usual. Mrs. Beatty played; Mr. Schaufler volunteered to take charge of music. Did not stay for church. Took nap.

Went to Kempster Miller's for 1:30 dinner. Showed my Glac. Park pictures. Mr. & Mrs. Knapp & Mrs. Lovell came over. They showed us the "bungalow" – also their tent. Mr. Miller & the girls brought me home in their auto.

Spent evening sorting negatives.

### **Monday, September 23**

Bright. Cool.

Morning exercises. (Wheeled down to County Line early to see my gold finch nest. All gone but two, who, full-fledged, were perched on rim of nest). Field trip with Miss McCord's 5B's. Afternoon – on with Miss Hostetter's 4B's. Heard Civics Class. After school went with Miss G, H., D, & Van L. to Metzler's new house, on the way visiting Patton's lawn & Curtis' lawn & bluff. Jensen's splendid scheme of a trail from the top to foot of bluff!

At school bld'g a little while this P.M. Planning S.S. grading.  
Household 7<sup>00</sup>; barber .15.

### **Tuesday, September 24**

Warmer but quite pleasant. Slight shower at 10: P.M. Some thunder & l'tn'g.

Field trip with 5 Bs to Park Ravine. Made a hektograph. Civics class. Mowed my yard.  
Chat this evening with Herbert Evans about proposed auto trip to Los Angeles.

### **Wednesday, September 25**

Light shower in night. Pleasant. After noon cool wind arose. Blew steadily into the night.

Miss MacPherson's day. Civics. Field trip to Lake Front Park, etc. with 5th B's.

After school went with Everett Millard along shore beyond Ravinoaks. Found fringed gentians numerous on slope of Gregory's bluff. G. quinquefolia also plentiful.

Marie Greenslade & Joe Richards married today. Conference with Mrs Fred Schumacher over S.S. work. With Mr. Faxon over phone.

Barber .15;

### **Thursday, September 26**

Quite cool in night but clouds & high wind kept off frost. Cool all day although sun shone.

Had teachers' conference this afternoon. Distributed supplies for new marking system.

Agent for industrial exhibit called.

Fire in the furnace all day. - - Reset a few Madonna lily bulbs overlooked when others were dug up.  
Had Mr. Bahr at school to prepare estimate for building up play grounds.

Developed 10 neg. this P.M. Overhauled excursion data.

### **Friday, September 27**

Warmer. Fine day, though overcast at times.

Passed around teachers' warrants this A.M.

4th A's dug up ten weeks' stock & potted & set in greenhouse.

Have a display of tomatoes – children's raising.

2:24 for city. Conference with Mr Schantz & Dr Cowles at former's office. Then to Orr & Lockett's, Fields, & Landt's to get my watch. 4:15 to Board meeting of Geog. Soc. 6:15 train home, Mr. Grant, Patten & I being brought to station by Mr. Ewing in his auto.

Barber's; heard part of open air speech by Fowler; Clow's called.

R. R. 52 + .05; watch 1.50; barber .15;

### **Saturday, September 28**

Raining at 4:00 A.M and drizzling rain at intervals all day. .62".

7:32 for city. Chat with Mr Norcross on train. To Francis Parker School to see play ground. Chat with Miss Cook. To Small Park [Seward Park – ed.] on Sedgwick & Division. Then to Fields, Orr & Lockett's, Art Inst. to measure slide drawers (Talk with Miss Carson); Shaw-Walker, McClurg; Amer Book Co. & Allyn & Bacon; Dennison Mfg Co., Yawman & Erbe. 1:17 for home. Nap. Then desk work. Same after supper – planning S.S. work. Bought copy of Cicero's Tusculan Disputations.

R. R. 52 + .20 + .05; dinner .30; barber .25; book 1.20

### **Sunday, September 29**

Cleared off. Pretty day. Cool.

S.S. – Worked over promotion lists. Suggestions not well rec'd by pupils whose classes were to be changed Did not stay for church. Have a cold. Stayed at home nearly all day. Late in afternoon K. and I went walking with the Clows.

Signed S.S. diplomas this P.M.

### **Monday, September 30**

Frost last night. Moderately sharp. Pleasant – cool day.

My cold somewhat better. One ravine trip today with Miss H's pupils. This same group planted two flats of cuttings.

G.G. Greene called after school and I paid him \$2<sup>50</sup> for sharpening plane blades.

Barber .15;

### **Tuesday, October 1**

Fine day. Cool.

Lessons on cuttings with both groups of 6B's. Hunted up stereopticon for a lesson but couldn't find wires & plug.

Went with 4A's & some of 5B's to harbor at Waukegan. Visited fishermen's dock, saw nets rolled up, fish curing by smoke, etc

Saw coal freighter unloading; Bruch. Went all over vessel – 36 of us. Visited salt dock; fire house.

This P.M at home. Mother back from Decatur. Wrote letters Discussed Parents & T. Ass'n with Mrs B.W. Schumacher over phone & S.S. affairs with Mrs Tremaine

### **Wednesday, October 2**

Fine day. Warmer but cool enough for furnace fires.

Cold still bad.

Routine work. Teachers' conference this afternoon with Miss McPherson. The latter is doing fine work.

Had a nap before supper. This evening spent some time with Mrs Tremaine over S.S. work.

Barber .15;

### **Thursday, October 3**

Showers in the night and occasional drizzle during morning.

Cold bothered me much today. Finally had Dr. Bergen prescribe for me today.

Carmichaels for Amer Book Co & Frank for Yawman & Erbe called. Capt Crain called to protest against length of home assignment.

Meeting of officers of P.T.A at Mrs Schumachers at 3:30. Much enthusiasm shown.

This evening Mr. Metzler, Mr. Dobson & I met at church to decide upon filing cabinets, etc. for S.S. office.

Medicine .50; eyeshade .20.

### **Friday, October 4**

A beautiful day. Mild Ash trees turning beautifully and oaks and maples gradually changing.

Cold much better.

Miss Kerfoot substituted for Miss Canavan who went to funeral of an aunt.

Gave science lesson to 7B's (outdoors to see how maple seedlings have come on), to 7A's (transformation of butterfly), & went with 6A's to Rudolph's garden. Some of the teachers and I went to Presb. Church after school to see work on new organ, etc.

Note from Will Keiser.

Barber .25;

### **Saturday, October 5**

A perfect Indian summer day. The ashes in their most perfect colors; sumac festival at its height. Scarlet maples burning and oaks spotted here and there.

7:32 to city; Abbots, Charles, Wiperman's, McClurg's, Presb. Board of Pub; Miss Ingersoll, Landt, Spaulding. Home at 12:16 (Kittie & Mother in the city). Loaded up plates & at 3:00 went down Sheridan Road with camera & bicycle Photo of vine covered entrance to Ravinoaks; then of two trees – maple & ash – just north of Glencoe. Home via Green Bay Road. Photo of sumach clump Punctured hind tire. Conf. with Mrs F. Schum this eve

R.R. 52; lunch 30 + 20; camera supplies 2<sup>05</sup>; blue prints for Dist. 107 - .75

Pd Recktenwald 5<sup>00</sup> + 3<sup>00</sup>; & Mrs Garrity 6<sup>00</sup> – all for Dist 107.

### **Sunday, October 6**

Warm wind came up during day, curling up some of the beautiful foliage. Overcast sky at evening.

Rally day at S.S. Communion service followed.

At home all afternoon & evening. Reading from Tusculan Disputations  
Church .50.

### **Monday, October 7**

Fine day. Cooler.

Assembly as usual. Various odds and ends. Another call from Mr Reenstjerna Also from agent of Underwood's. Mrs Mandel called for conf. about her boy. Beautiful leaves brought into bld'g. After school various conferences – Miss Beherens, et. al. Went to Peabody's to get load of branches of scarlet oak.

Planned tree list to be published by H.P. Press. Wrote Miss Baber long note about conservation scheme of hers to save one ravine on north shore.

Barber .15; peanuts .05;

### **Tuesday, October 8**

Threatening. Began to rain about 9: AM. & rained at intervals all day. Had hayrack at school for a farm trip but could not go.

Mrs B W Schumacher visited a while this A.M. Had a sanofom man to visit me. Also a grate man

Wrote a letter to the wife of the gov't ranger in McDermott country – Mrs. F.M. Stevenson – replying to hers acknowledging receipt of botany I had sent Donald.

### **Wednesday, October 9**

Heavy rain with some thunder & lightning before 7 A.M. Clearer by noon. 1.21”

Various duties. Took 5:50 this eve for Chicago - - meeting of directors of Aud. Soc. at Mr. Deane's – 1222 No State Deane, Blakeley, Devine, Hanig, Adams, Sec. Hardman. Also Woodruff. Saw Miss H. to C & N.W.R.R. I took 10:02 for home.

Barber 25; sundries .10; car fare .52 + .10 + .15.

### **Thursday, October 10**

Rained again in the night. Drizzly day. .12”

Cox, representing Lewis & K., called today. Science in Miss Davis & Miss Van L's room.

Trimmed some Perry prints, large size, & this evening Kittie & I mounted some successfully for collection for Presb. S.S.

Went over to Mr. Egan's and got some (3) prints for Miss Barlow's album. Discussed with him the tree list recently gotten out by Lake Bluff people.

### **Friday, October 11**

Rain in the night. Light drizzle much of day. Heavy rains with thunderstorm 5:30 P-9:00 P. At 6:00 P- 1.03”

Routine work. Began on my office catalogue of my pupils.

Mr. Levin and I conferred about ordering a Victrola for the school.

Miss Grunewald's pupils dramatized the Stamp Act session of the House of Burgesses. Science lesson on planting maple seeds – Miss Van Law's room. Was to have gone to first lecture of season of Geog Soc. but did not like to leave in a downpour Kittie & I mounted 39 more pictures.

Barber .15;

### **Saturday, October 12**

Cleared in night. High wind. By nine A.M. the day had grown sunny & bright.

8:49 for city after paying at school Thos. Rechtenwald 4<sup>00</sup> & Mrs. Kate Rafferty 3<sup>00</sup>. Mr. Millard & I walked over town & got end of short speech Roosevelt made before going into La Salle Hotel. – I went to McClurg's, Wiperman's, Field's, lunch, then to Newberry library where I took 6 photographs – 4:15. Then to Lyon & Healy's, Anderson's. Took camera & pkgs to N.W. station & checked them. Supper. Then to Coliseum. Fine gallery seat. House filled by 7:15. Speeches by Merriam, Funk, Raymond Robbins [Robins – ed.] – then the “Bull Moose.” Home on 11:15.

R.R. 52 + 25; meals .90; [check?] .30; contrib..50; socks .25;

### **Sunday, October 13**

Beautiful day. S.S. as usual. Displayed pictures Kittie and I had mounted. Fine sermon by Dr. McClure – president of McCormick Theolog. Seminary.

After dinner went to foot of Hazel Ave. & took three photographs of gentiana quinquefolia. Went through Millard's place on way home. Photographed fine hard maple in front of Yoe's. At home photog. on spec. of g. quinquef. with card board background. Spent whole evening developing plates.

Storm of last weeks nearly stripped ashes & scarlet maples – cottonwoods, etc.

Church .10.

### **Monday, October 14**

Beautiful day.

Very busy. Showed my Williamsburg slides to Grades 7A & 7B. civics lesson – directed. Call from agent of Elson's who wants to place loan exhibit. Afternoon went with Miss Miller & 3A's on wagon to Ziesing's dairy farm – N.W. of Deerfield. This P.M. Board Meeting until 11:30 P.M. Amicable. Thorough discussion of many points (Took Margaret Bates home to Fort Sheridan from Moraine Road by trolley).

Roosevelt shot this eve. at Milwaukee!

Trolley 15; barber .15.

### **Tuesday, October 15**

Another beautiful day.

This afternoon showed my butterfly slides to 3rd graders. Had autumn leaves festival, 2:30 – 3:30. All pupils present in auditorium, each with a leaf pinned to his clothing. Miscellaneous program. – Songs, recitations, display of drawings; competitive exhibit of vases of autumn flowers; announcement of prizes in tomato contest; flag parade at close. Then Miss Davis, Miss Hourigan & I went to Lake Bluff to look at oaks & maples. This P.M. – reception by P.T.A.' at Mrs Bastin's. Fine evening.

charge Dist 107 .25 for pins

Trolley .90; barber .25;

### **Wednesday, October 16**

More fine weather. Our heaviest frost last night, but not severe.

Victor machine came today. Bought it of Levin. This evening some of us met at the schoolhouse and tried out a number of the records.

Clow's painter has been painting the house the past three days.

### **Thursday, October 17**

Beautiful.

Sent 3B's –Miss Miller & Miss Kerfoot – to Erskine farm in bus. Mrs. C.G. & Mrs. W.A. Alexander came to schoolhouse & conferred with me about mounting pictures for S.S.

This afternoon two matinees for school children. Used Victor records and 24 slides I had rented from Miss Ingersoll (elephant pictures). About \$15<sup>00</sup>. Then all but 3 of staff took bus at 4:30 – went to Cyrus McCormick grounds – walked through & over into Harold McC's grounds where bus met us. We took out our luggage, sent bus home, & went on down to shore. Had wienies, etc. Got home by trolley at 8:15. I spent an hour & a half at school trying more records.

Trolley .05; etc; ice cream .10

### **Friday, October 18**

Threatening a little Bare trace of rain over night, but a fine day, never-the-less. Fine strong color in the oaks. Many of the hard maple masses still intact.

Desk work much of morning. Employed Esther Kerfoot all day preparing busy work for Miss White.

Two short field trips this afternoon (autumn leaves) with 7A & 7B.

Am collecting money for bulbs for school.

Miss McCord and I selected records for the school.

Barber .65 + .15;

### **Saturday, October 19**

Fine day. Chilly at dawn.

City on 8:49. Meeting of Round Table. Addresses by Mr. Hatfield on plan for reorganization of teachers' associations and by Edwin Coole on his vocational school bill. We then (1:15) went to lunch at North American restaurant

Shopped at Fields and 10¢ store. Looked up Selkirk & Rocky Mts at Crerar Library. 5:10 for home

This P.M. turned over records to Mr. Levin to send back. Kept \$11.25 worth. Chatted with Messrs Bahr & Kirshberger at the greenhouse

R.R 52 + . ; Pd Wipperman for S.S. 3<sup>50</sup>; Charge Dist 107 - .75 + .30 for dishes; Meals .65; papers .25; dues .50

### **Sunday, October 20**

Another fine day.

Went to schoolhouse to meet some of Board who were to inspect play grounds & decide what to do to improve them. Late to S.S. After session had conference with Mrs Tremaine and Mr. Faxon. Did not stay for sermon. Had a nap before noon & slept most of afternoon. Read from Tarbell's Lincoln.

This evening Mother and I went to hear Bishop Fouke at Evangelical Church

Our neighbor, Mrs Silas Brand, died late this afternoon.

Church .25;

### **Monday, October 21**

Another beautiful day. Grew warmer & cloudy in late afternoon. At 6:00 P.M. slight shower. Later in evening gentle showers.

At assembly spoke of sacrifice made by Billie Rugh, newsboy, of Gary who gave crippled leg for skin grafting – but died as the outcome

Took 8A's on trip to city hall. This P.M. had visit from Underwood's agent: Jas. Shields surveyed part of school grounds to get data for fixing up play ground. Conference with Miss Hourigan and Miss Davis. Spent evening at home. Worked up data on Glac. Nat'l Park for talk next Saturday.

Barber .15;

### **Tuesday, October 22**

Showers in the night and drizzling rain as day broke. Misty & threatening until late morning. Grew colder after noon. Prec. .52"

Calls from Underwood's agent & ag't of disinfectant.

Civics class & science with 8B's. Mrs C.G. Alexander and Nancy McPh. called for help in making up name for a class (S.S.)

Sent by special delivery my S.S. report to Mr. Kuebker who is at S.S. convention at No. Chicago.

Kittie so miserable that we summoned Dr. Bergen this P.M. I spent evening writing notes on Glac. Park trip.

### **Wednesday, October 23**

Cleared off. Fine. Cool towards evening.

9:50 for Chicago. To Auditorium to meet Mr. N L. Terry of State Educ. Dept., Madison, who is Pres. of Science Section of N.E.A., I being sec. With him I attended a one hour session of Ex. Com. of N.E.A. – Fairchild, Greenwood, Kaufman, Keith, Stuart, Jessup, & others. After chat with Mr Terry, took 1:30 for home. Teachers' meeting at 3:45 – for announcements, etc. Distributed circulars of Aurora meeting. This evening conference with Mr. Norcross  
R.R. 52 + 15; lunch .30; candy .10; barber .15;

### **Thursday, October 24**

Heaviest frost of the season – thus far, last night. A fine day.

Went to Dow Mfg Co. this A.M. at Waukegan to order longer legs for kg tables. I ordered 6 book sections made for myself.

Took 8B's for field trip this afternoon.

This evening went to Lincoln Ave School to hear Mrs Comings of Fairhope (Ala) schools perpetrate some silly stuff.

Leon Danforth was in town & called on folks while I was in school.

Mr. Metzler has ordered equipment for S.S. office.

### **Friday, October 25**

Another very beautiful day.

Miss Guiney & I took 8A's in Moraine bus to site of old village of St. John's for nature study & history lesson. 9:00 to 10:45. Acted as judge in debate of 6A's over Caesar's motives.

Bulb planting this afternoon. Hyacinths – 3 colors -, tulips – Artus (red), La Reine (white), chryselor (yellow). Mr. Bahr charged 3 ½ ¢ each for hyac. & 1 ¢ for tulips. Misses Massey & Hart from Mr. Nichols' schools visited to look up our nature study work.

This P.M. went to Mr. F.H. Pattee's (2436 Prairie Ave, Evanst), & talked with com. of Neighborhood Club about nature study. Mr & Mrs Walker, Olp, Mr & Mrs Stanford;  
R.R. 10 + 18 + 5; barber .25;

### **Saturday, October 26**

Very beautiful day.

Spent most of A.M. to 11:41 working up my material for the Glacier Park talk. 11:41 for city. Geog. Soc. luncheon was in ballroom 19th floor, La Salle hotel - - at 1:00 o'clock. Prof. Cox & Dorsey spoke. My talk followed. Then Miss Baber on conservation of Stony Island, etc.

Chatted with Cowles, Adele Whitford, Schantz, et. al. Had Webber sit at speakers' table with me

Went to Miss Ingersoll's (Left slides with elevator man). Wipperman's, Frank Anderson's, Burlington office. Home on 6:02-6:56.

Pd for Dist 107 – Mrs Garrity 6<sup>00</sup> Thos Reckt 8<sup>00</sup>

R.R. 52 + .20; luncheon 1<sup>00</sup>; “bull moose .25;” papers, etc .10; barber .25.

### **Sunday, October 27**

Very beautiful day.

S.S. – Remained for church. Mr Clow and I planned putting up map fixtures, etc., at the church. Met Mr & Mrs Pattee on my way home from church. They were out for a walk.

After lunch took trolley for Beach station. Walked over to Flats beyond Beach. Got various specimens of leaves & acorns for analysis Found dead snow bunting on beach. Several thousand ducks off

shore. Great walk along beach to Waukegan. Went to George's Cafe at 5:50. Oyster stew. Met Mr. Chidester & Mr. Baggett Home on trolley. Clows called this P.M.  
Church .10; Trolley .45

### **Monday, October 28**

Still another. A little threatening at evening. Rising wind.

Busy day. Call from agent for furnaces; for Ed. Pub. Co; for Yawman & Erbe. Visited Bahr's greenhouse before school.

Took 2:43 for city. Marshall Field's. Cox's office and meeting of Directors of Geog Soc. Got through motion for bulletin on Stony Island, Miss Baber to prepare it. Home on 5:50-6:28.

Met with Messrs Norcross, Metzler & Geer at school building until 9:15. Then to Mrs Fyffe's for conference on organized charity.

R.R. 52 + 10; gloves 2.<sup>00</sup>;

### **Tuesday, October 29**

A sudden but brief shower at 8:30 A.M. Then clear & cooler.

Ugolini went over grounds with me this A.M. & bid on making a curb, etc. Lindblom did so this afternoon. Went out with 5B's to find linden and maple seeds; Took 5A's out after dinner. Science with 8B's.

Desk work after school.

This P.M. conference with Mr. Norcross & Ugolini at school bld'g. With Lindblom over phone. Then went to "Bull Moose" rally. Heard F.N. Munro speak (candidate for legislature), et. al.

Our phonograph paid for. Athletic fund contrib.. 53<sup>00</sup>  
Bicycle .25;

### **Wednesday, October 30**

Another fine day.

Took Misses McCord & Knapp and five of their boy pupils to lake shore at noon. Lunch of wieners, bacon & eggs. The boys & I seined minnows for our aquarium. Dropped my note book in the lake but Eddie Kuhns waded in & found it.

MacMillan's representative called. Had teachers' meeting to talk over Prof. Bagley's paper for coming Aurora meeting.

Met Mr. Norcross & Mr. Greenslade a few minutes this P.M. about curbing contract.  
Barber .35;

### **Thursday, October 31**

Began easy rain about 7:30 A.M., gradually increased, & rained about all day. "1.02.

Conferred with Norcross, Morton, & Ugolini. Wrote up specifications for work on school grounds; had Shields correct them, & Mary Deering copy them. Ugolini given contract.

Harvey Lowe spent day with us – on way home from 14 weeks with surveying party in N.W. Montana. – Distributed p.w. narcissus & more hyacinth bulbs to certain rooms & had them planted. Took 3:35 for Chicago. Harvey went on home I took 6:10 – C.B. & Q. for Aurora Went to Hotel Arthur. To bed early.

R.R. 26 + .05; supper .35; Roberts Rules of Order .60; ticket to Aurora .74; bell boy .10;

### **Friday, November 1**

Colder in night. Cleared. Nice day.

Session of E.S. of N.I.T. Assn began at 10:00 – I presiding.

[Mr. Smith glued a portion of the Program onto this page. It is transcribed as follows.

Program

Theory in Relation to Practice in Education

Friday Morning, 10:00 A.M.

On account of train arrivals this program begins a half hour later than in the original program.

MUSIC – “Old Folks at Home” – Grammar School Chorus, West Side.

History of Education in Relation to Practice. Pres. John W. Cook, Northern Illinois State Normal School, DeKalb, Ill.

Relation of Theory to Practice. – The Superintendent. Supt. Wm. H. Hatch, Oak Park, Ill.

DISCUSSIONS OF THE PAPERS – Supt. H.B. Fisher, Hinsdale, Ill.; Supt. P.R. Walker, Rockford, Ill.; Supt. W.F. Mozier, Ottawa, Ill.

Friday Evening, 8:00 P.M.

MUSIC – Girls Glee Club and High School Girls East Side.

ADDRESS – Theory as Related to Practice in Religious Education. Rev. Theo. G. Soares, University of Chicago.

ADDRESS – The Theory of Justice as Related to the Practice of the Courts. Judge Charles S. Cutting, Probate Court, Cook County, Chicago. – ed.]

Supper at Douglas’s house – Dr. Cook, Prof. McMurry, Mr. Parson, Mr. Hatch.

(Late afternoon walk with Sanford & Rowell).

Barber, etc. .35; badge .50;

## **Saturday, November 2**

Froze ice ½ in. Clear day. Snowflakes reported in Chicago.

[Mr. Smith glued onto this page a portion of the Program. It is transcribed as follows.

Saturday Morning, 9:30 A.M.

Business Session till 10 o’clock.

MUSIC – Eighth Grade Class, East Side.

Psychology, Theory and Practice. H.A. Peterson, State Normal University, Normal, Ill.

The Relation of Educational Theory to Teaching and Management. Prof. W.C. Bagley, Department of Education, University of Illinois.

Address. – Relation of Academic Work in Normal School to the Training Department. Pres. David Felmley, State Normal University, Normal, Ill.

Mr. Smith also glued onto this page a list of Eastern Section officers. It is transcribed as follows.

Eastern Section

Jesse L. Smith, Highland Park, President

Flora J. Cook, Chicago, Vice-President

S. F. Parson, DeKalb, Secretary

C.E. Douglas, Aurora, Treasurer

Executive Committee

C.A. McMurry, DeKalb, Chairman

J.C. Hanna, Oak Park

F.E. Sanford, LaGrange – ed.]

Took electric at 2:30 for Chicago, Mr. Miller & Miss Smedley. Before leaving Aurora conferred with Bone, McMurry, & Miller about work of Committee of Seven.

5:10-5:44 home. Worked over correspondence this P.M.  
Hotel 4.50; Barber .20; trolley .60; R.R. .26; Dist. 107, Music books 1.25; Mrs Logan's Book 1.25; papers .05; peanuts .15.

### **Sunday, November 3**

Clear. Quite cool.

Dedication of Presbyterian Church. A.M. sermon by Dr. Hill. Debt more than lifted. 3:30 P.M. exercises for the S.S. – in which I had a little part

This evening organ recital by Allen Bogen. Magnificent program  
I gave 5<sup>00</sup> additional today. Months ago I gave \$35<sup>00</sup>

### **Monday, November 4**

Milder. Wind veering to south.

Six new pupils today. Callers: Agent for D.C. Heath; for soap preparations;

Various duties. Talked of approaching election Teachers' conferences.

Consulted article in Century for Feb. 1902 at library this P.M. Looked up name of a book on the Oregon Plan (Eaton) for Wm Morton.

Wrote out various checks including one for \$83<sup>64</sup>, favor of N.Y. Life.

Barber .15;

### **Tuesday, November 5**

A mild day, growing gray towards evening Drizzling rain about 10 P.M.

Election day! I voted Progressive ticket on way to school. The election was subject of my work with 8A civics – then in the afternoon I called grades 6 – 8 together & talked it over. Then these pupils went to their rooms & voted – in every room Roosevelt being overwhelmingly in the lead.

Worked at my desk until after 9 P.M. Then went up town for about an hour. Election returns forecasted Wilson's victory.

Various checks issued today.

Bananas .10; sent .98¢ for bird book.

### **Wednesday, November 6**

Drizzle and rain all day until 4:00 P.M. 1.13”

Morning papers showed extraordinary landslide for Wilson. Highland Park heavily for Roosevelt.

Had carpenter work all day, fixing new legs on kg. tables, etc. Ugolini began hauling materials for cement curbing.

Pd Esther Kerfoot 9<sup>00</sup> for Board of Educ'n.

Did numerous odd jobs today. Wrote age certificate for Frank Garrity this evening.

Barber .15; peanuts .10;

### **Thursday, November 7**

Beautiful day.

A busy one, too. Carpenter worked all day. Geo. Roberts charged our new fire extinguishers for us. Gave an exhibition of one in action before 7th & 8th grades.

Miss Baber came out on the 2:34 and she & I took trolley for Convent station. Then explored ravine on Cyrus McCormick place, then visited those on Harold McC's place. Purpose to try to get one reserved for use as type (educational). She took 5:50 home. This eve I called on F.M. Terry to secure information about ownership of ravines. I looked up a blackboard at the Presb. Church for the Y.W.C A's R.R. .15;

### **Friday, November 8**

Fine day – but with brisk November wind.

Kept carpenter until noon. Went to Mrs Warren's funeral at 1:45. Shirley called for Scribners. Mr. Lester of No. Chicago schools called & we spent an hour over lantern slides, etc. Sold quite a number of tulip bulbs to children for 1¢ each.

Took 5:50 for Chicago. Conservation program of Geog. Soc. at Art Inst. Dr. Cowles, Miss Baber, Jens Jensen, Dr. Caldwell & I spoke, my topic being North Shore Ravine – used some of my fine slides  
Barber .25; lunch .25; mag. 15  
Street car .10; phone .10.

### **Saturday, November 9**

Fine day.

8:09 For city. Chat with E. L. Millard. Met Miss Mitchell & W.S Weber of Gt. Northern – went to one of office rooms of Prof. Cox, & worked over manuscripts of report of our Glacier Park trip. At noon we had lunch at Siegel Cooper's before separating. – Then to Frank Anderson's, 10¢ store, Miss Ingersoll's (Out for day); Lyon & Healey; McClurg, Marshall Field, Orr & Lockett; Kohlsat's – home on 4:00-4:37

A nap. Finished 2nd vol of Tarbell's Lincoln.

R R 52 + 20; sundries .10; shoes half soled 1.25; barber .25; yesterday at Nelson's .75;

### **Sunday, November 10**

Mild. Pleasant.

Busy with S.S. work and problems. At church. Communion

On bed all afternoon. This evening – concert at church – harp, violins, choir, organ.

Read from Mrs. Logan's Thirty Years in Washington

### **Monday, November 11**

Mild. Pleasant.

Workmen began on cement curb. – Bob Greenslade practically finished basement wiring – Had Board meeting this P.M. Presented all my bills I could recall to date Planned to call election for site next month

After school committee meeting of P.T.A. at Mrs Bacon's. Mrs B. and others advocated buying moving picture machine.

Still dispensing bulbs to the children.

Medical inspection by Dr. Bergen of all pupils. Scarlet fever at Mott's (Granville, aged 8).

Barber .15;

### **Tuesday, November 12**

Cooler this A.M. but grew milder. Threatening all day. Drizzle (slight) about 3:30 - - - Thunder storm and shower at 8:30 P.M.

Various conferences after school. – Dispensed more bulbs I had gotten at Bahrs. – Contractor got curbing set & catch basin dug. – Sent to Supt of Documents - - 3<sup>10</sup>; to Coast Survey 2.<sup>30</sup>; - Wrote check for

\$1<sup>50</sup> for L.H. Journal to Elizabeth Schumacher – Science lesson with 8B's. – Fine gull (dead) brought in yesterday – 53”.

Bread .10; stamps 17 + 6 + 4;

### **Wednesday, November 13**

Occasional showers in night. Drizzle now and then during day. .73”

Various little jobs at school today. Two periods with civics class.

Conference of teachers of first three grades.

Took a blackboard from Presb. church this P.M. & fastened it up at Y.W.C.A. rooms for Miss Wales' pupils.

Went to church for Kittie at close of prayer meeting. Conferred with Mr Dobson about tables, etc.

Set up filing sectionet from Shaw-Walker Co.

Barber .15;

### **Thursday, November 14**

A little snow in the night! Traces at daylight. Precip. 04

Two history periods with 6A's in Miss Hourigan's room – developing the N.E. town. Three science lessons P.M. Harry Helmer came representing A.B.Co. Two N. Chicago teachers visited A.M.

Too busy to mention it this day.

Aretic acid .10 (For Dist. 107).

### **Friday, November 15**

Heavy frost and ground frozen a little. Fine day.

6A history class. Two science lessons. Helped 2nd graders plant crocuses, tulips & snowdrops in pots. 5A's stored seeds away in box with wet sand.

After school took trolley to Convent. Tramped through woods to prepare myself to map ravines from 6th ravine north.

This evening helped at the night school at the H.S. Had a class of 10, mostly Swedes.

Dr. Breasted lectured in assembly but did not hear it.

Barber .15.

### **Saturday, November 16**

Beautiful day. Ground frozen slightly in the night.

Took 9:00 trolley for Ft. Sheridan. Construction Qr. Master gave me blue print of reservation area. Then I verified it by scouting along sixth ravine & its various branches. Took 11:44 for city. 1:00 o'clock luncheon at City Club with Excursion Committee, Mr. Schantz at head. Then errands! McClurg, Art Inst., Orr & L., Vaughn's, Wintersen's, Field's, Kohlsaats; home on 5:20-6:09. Chat with Mrs Glass about Tom at Hill School & also about Geo Moseley.

R R 52 + .15; baker .41; lunch .75; tailor 2<sup>00</sup>; barber .35. L[enses?] etc. .20

### **Sunday, November 17**

Ideal day.

S.S. as usual. Mr. Schaufler (chorister) absent. Tried to arrange classes on one floor. Crowded.

Noisy. Spent church time studying the problem. Conference of teachers after church.

Slept most of afternoon. This P.M. called for a few minutes on the Moseleys. Then met Mr Dobson & Mr. Faxon at the church and conferred with them until 10 P.M.

Reading Ropes' "The Apostolic Age." Reread – Ewing's "The Story of a Short Life"

### **Monday, November 18**

Ideal day.

Taught 6A history two periods. Short visit with Norton of Ginn & Co. 11:35 for Waukegan. Lunch at George's. Recorder's office to hunt up map of area between Ft. Sheridan and L. Forest, then to Lake Co Title & Trust Co (Mr. Rogers) to find extent of H. McCormick's holdings. The 2:07 for Chicago. Johnson Service Co for supplies. At Federal Bld'g for meeting of Conservation Committee (Miss Baber, Mortensen, Patten, Ewing). Signed Stony Island memorial. Then Board meeting of Geog Soc. Home 6:28.

Barber .15; Wauk. trip .44 + 40; R.R. 52 + .05; phone .05;

### **Tuesday, November 19**

Ideal day.

Sent map of Chesapeake Bay to Rand McN. to be mounted. Calls from Mrs Rudolph & Mrs Dever – the latter because of truancy of her two boys. Am hearing Raymond Zehren's lessons in the office. – Tea was served yesterday by Mrs Bacon – today Mrs Everett. – Several of the staff & some boys & girls and I took bus to Mooney's pond after school. Seined out fish & raked out some mussels. This P.M. I heard class of foreigner's – mostly Swedes – at H.S.

Barber .25;

### **Wednesday, November 20**

Another! Rising wind at evening. Ring around the moon!

Spent much time on Archie & Raymond.

Siver B. & Co's man monopolized more than an hour

Miss Everett again served tea.

Worked a while at schoolhouse this P.M.

### **Thursday, November 21**

Cleared in night. Beautiful day.

Four grades reset geranium slips. Had one science lesson – 8B & 8A. Closed school at 2:45. Most of us went to Ossoli to hear Mr. Bodine – Sup't of Compulsory Educ'n, Chicago. Pro. Halsey also spoke. Had pleasant chat with Ft Sheridan ladies.

Conference with Miss White this evening over teaching in night school.

Barber .15; nuts .05;

### **Friday, November 22**

Another fine day.

Interview with Mr Morton Set Angelo to hauling cinders, Ugolini finished much of his ditch – Reset cuttings in plant house.

Two science lessons; extra help to two backward boys. Took 6:50 to Chicago – lecture by Rev Mr. Kinney on scaling Mt. Robinson. Fine views. Crowded house. Met W.S. Still of Delevan – one our Glac. Nat. Park party – at Art Inst. We were together & walked over to N.W. station after it was over. – Before lecture chatted with Mr & Mrs Allbright, et al.

R.R. 52 + .05; paper .05;

### **Saturday, November 23**

Blew up gray and cold as day got underway. Windy day. A very few snowflakes in the air at one time.

Supervised filling in of school grounds this A.M. Planed off door & fixed back steps at home Took 12:56 for Chicago. – Yawman & Erbe, Art Institute (2<sup>00</sup> for statuary tint of John Perard), (chat with Miss Collins), McClurg's, Wipperman's; Newberry Library to look up data about old N.E. towns; supper at restaurant; 8:00-8:37 home.

My birthday!

Bought Bergson's Creative Evolution.

R.R. .52 + .20; supper .35; phone .05; Art. Institute 2<sup>00</sup> (Charge H.S. 1<sup>00</sup> & Dist 107 \$1<sup>00</sup>).

### **Sunday, November 24**

A half inch or more of snow in the night! Much of it melted away. Day mostly gray – windy.

S.S. & church. Afterwards went to schoolhouse and shoveled ashes over flats filled with tulips, etc.

Slept all afternoon. Misses Ewing and Trott called & presented a copy of their new book "The Book of the Beastie."

Clows called after tea time.

Church 1<sup>00</sup> (home missions).

### **Monday, November 25**

Gray most of day. Milder.

Boys dug shallow pit and we deposited flats, etc. with bulbs for forcing. Covered with three inches of loose dirt. Paper White Narcissus – one of them – beginning to bloom (Just interrupted by smell of smoke – Bright blaze in block opposite – a barn, etc. Dangerous sparks for a while. Excited neighborhood).

P. & T. Ass'n meeting this evening. Mrs Bright spoke on "Where Parents Fail." Mrs Bastin presided - - - Elm Place auditorium.

Barber 15; globes for fixtures .60;

### **Tuesday, November 26**

Rather gray. Mild.

Bothered much today by callers: Newman for Little Brown & Co.; West Disinf. Co; Keystone; local callers Various small errands

Mrs Bacon served tea Went to H.S. to see Miss White's class start. Only 4 present. We will abandon it.

Mr Sandwick and I tried some Victor Records in his office.

Mantle (gas) .25;

### **Wednesday, November 27**

Much as yesterday but cooler.

Very busy day. Had cabinet drawers remodeled for lantern slides; soil mixed for plant house & two of the benches whitewashed, etc. Thanksgiving exercises in aud. this afternoon – nearly every grade represented. Sixth gave First Thanksg'v'g in costume (pantomime) & a Dutch dance. Veran Florent gave fine cornet solo asst'd by violin & piano – his parents Former pupil.

Carl Winter – 8th B – died late this afternoon - - pneumonia.

Stayed at home this evening

Barber .25; oysters .50;

### **Thursday, November 28**

Cold – Brisk winds. Bracing.

Thanksgiving!

Tramp down G.B. Road to Co. Line, east to Lake & N.S.C. Club; then n. on Sheridan Road to Presb. Church (10:45) where I heard sermon by Rev. R.C. Dobson. Dinner with Mother & Kittie.

Afternoon: At school – plant house, aquarium, lantern slide cabinets. Called on Mrs Shannon & her guests – Misses Holbrook, Pierce & Campbell. This evening called on the Winters:

Sassafras colony; w.b. nuthatch, downy, g.c. kinglet, tree sparrow, junco (probably).

Trolley .05.

### **Friday, November 29**

Milder. Gray much of time.

Planned with Mr Metzler et. al. for reception next Tuesday Eve. Gave copy to printer. Placed magazine order with Albert Larson.

10:33 for Chicago. Barret Bindery Co., Rand McNally; City Club; Miss Ingersoll's, Flannagan's: To Land Show – chatted with Gt. Northern officials – heard lecture on Glacier Nat'l Park.

Home at 6:15. An hour at Mrs Shannon's. Then addressed envelopes until nearly 11:00 P.M. R.R. 52 + .25; lunch .50; book 1<sup>00</sup>; Land show .50; new diary .38;

### **Saturday, November 30**

Mild. Sunny at times Beautiful overcast sunset.

8:49 for city. Mangler, the Florist. Advanced 5<sup>00</sup> for a flat bouquet for Carl Winter's casket. To Bd of Ed'n rooms Conference with Bone, Tear, & Bardwell until 12:00. Was chosen chairman of Committee of Seven. Arithmetic to be topic for year.

At Fields for phot. supplies 1:17-2:02 home. Read proof on invitations. Planted lettuce seed in plant house – with aid of little John Finney. This P.M. Mr Clow & I conferred with Mr. Dobson at church about some work. Then after shave – I came home & M. & Kittie I worked on invitations until nearly midnight.

R R. 52 + .15; lunch .20; barber .15; Flowers 5<sup>00</sup>; truant officer 1<sup>00</sup> Charge to Dist.107.

### **Sunday, December 1**

Slight shower in night & slight rain during morning. .04"

S.S. Worked in office during church service, unpacking stereographs

Went to Carl Winter's funeral this afternoon Rested remainder of afternoon.

Spent an hour in office at church this P.M.

### **Monday, December 2**

Showers in the night and until about 9:30 this morning turning to a brief snowstorm, the snow melting as fast as it fell.

Very busy. - - Conference at 2:00 with Mrs Bacon and others and from 3:00 to 5:00 a P.T.A. meeting – 8 mothers & 18 teachers Tea served Discussed hand work.

This P.M with Mother & Kitties' help we "typewrote" list of patrons.

Barber .15; thread .20;

### **Tuesday, December 3**

Milder. Sunny at times. Later in day rainy "spell" – until 9:00 P.M.

Much desk work. Science with 8B's. Preparation for reception this P.M – Members of Board & Teachers to Parents. Small crowd – fine time. Speeches by Messrs Norcross, Metzel, Mason, Dobson & Bacon.

Mrs Scott spent evening with Mother & Kittie – so they had to stay at home  
For Dist 107 - .89 for ink powder

### **Wednesday, December 4**

Threatening at times Cleared off – sunny. Then heavy fog from 6 to 8 P.M.

Very busy. One science lesson – with 7A's & 7B's present. – Bob Greenslade finally located “ground” in our wiring & stopped a heavy leakage of current. – I made a new hektograph – Worked with boys until 6:30 getting scenery, footlights, etc. ready.

Called a while on Mr. Norcross to give him data of attendance (He has a few minutes speech at the Ossoli tomorrow evening)  
Barber .65;

### **Thursday, December 5**

Gray. Threatening. Almost warm. Rising wind at nightfall.

Spent all morning helping 5th graders rehearse. Show in the afternoon well done. \$16<sup>20</sup> at 5¢ each for children.

Geo. Alfred Brown “dropped” in as show (King Arthur & His Knights) was just beginning – I turned him over to Miss Guiney for the half hour or so he was here.

This evening Mr. Wolcott loaned me the Lake Co. History for which I wrote 2 articles in 1910.

### **Friday, December 6**

Cool wind – cold, blowing briskly from S.W. at dawn. Died down somewhat – yet strong still.  
Sunny & gray alternately.

Visited rooms A.M. Phoned City Club (yesterday) for dining room for Round Table. Phoned Miss Ingersoll to make 20 slides for Presb. Ch.

Two science lessons this P.M. After school got everything ready for King Arthur show. Performance this P.M. fine in every way. \$24<sup>85</sup> tonight

Dr Bergen examined sore in my arm pit (left) & pronounced it kind of ring worm.  
Barber .40; salve .25

### **Saturday, December 7**

Cool. Clear most of time.

Watered plants at greenhouse 8:07 for city. Chat with Everett M. To Johnson Service Co. Then Sherman House – 2nd floor – Heard J.J. Shepherd, Bogan, Dabney, et.al. (Vocational training) Lunch at City Club – 18 of us, I acting as “purveyor.” Mr Blair our guest. Discussion. Then – Banghart & Fischer, Flannagan, - - Back to Sherman House. Listened to Mr Cooley. Conferred with Miss Baber in lobby about conserv. of North shore ravines. Met Russ Stevenson today. 6:02 for home. Talk with Mr. Ewing of L. Forest over phone.

Round Table owes me .75 for Mrs Blair's dinner.  
R.R. 52 + .15; bread .13; lunch .75; barber .15;

### **Sunday, December 8**

Cold. Snow flurry this A.M. – merely loose particles.

S.S. Teachers' meeting Then Church. Strange minister - - delegate to Council of Christ, Chic. After dinner went to Bacon's & got some Tissot pictures. Then to Steele's where I photog. 6 madonnas This P.M. developed them

Made two trips to school this evening. Disturbed over low temp. of plant house.

Still reading – Apostolic Age. One more chapter left.

Church .10.

### **Monday, December 9**

Cold wind blowing most of day. Rising at evening S.W. Last night our coldest thus far.

Johnson Service man to work on our pumps. Agent for liquid soap called.

Had phonog. at morn. exercises. Miss Balyeat unable to teach. Miss Rose Miller told me this P.M. her matrimonial prospects.

Tested voices of some of boys for our Christmas carols. Board meeting this P.M. Authorized purchase of 16 more Moulthrop desks. Issued call for election – Dec. 28.

Barber .15; stamps .97

### **Tuesday, December 10**

Wind died down in the night. Much warmer today.

Miss Balyeat reported for afternoon classes.

Tea served by Mead – Shannon, Watson, & Woodcock

At noon I photog 6 pictures for S.S set. This A.M. sent 6 neg. to Chic Transp Co.

### **Wednesday, December 11**

Colder today with a decided drop in temperature towards evening.

Before school photog – 3 for the Christmas set. Developed them this evening.

7A & B science. Spent a lot of time studying heating problem.

Tea served by Mrs Clements & Mrs Rob't Smith.

Three or four cases of chicken pox in town.

Am drilling boys for Christmas play.

Barber .15; peanuts .05.

### **Thursday, December 12**

The coldest night thus far. 2 or 3 below this A.M., it is said. Two or three children complained of being nearly "frozen."

Slipped away long enough this A.M. to call on Col. Getty of F.t. Sheridan (commandant). Laid conservation scheme for a ravine before him.

Mrs Geer served tea. Eleven of us & Miss Barlow spent evening with Mr & Mrs Reeseman.

Have been desperately tired day in and day out.

Gas mantles .60. Pd R.R. fare (one way) to Albert Larson. 26 (Lantern slides) Charge to Presb. Church

### **Friday, December 13**

A mild, beautiful day.

Met boys at noon today and partially assigned parts for Christmas play. Three science lessons.

Mrs B W Schumacher visited today. We planned to order more Moulthrop seats.

Our paper white narcissus have been blooming several days now, some still in bud.

This evening Dr Hamilton and I went down to Geog. Soc. to hear Prof. Tower lecture on Argentine.

conferred with Miss Baber over memorial to Adj't Gen'l relating to preservation of ravines.  
R.R. 52 + .10; pd 1<sup>25</sup> express bills for Dist. 107.

### **Saturday, December 14**

Another mild day. A southwest wind blowing.

Watered plants at school. Then 9:18 to city. Badische Co. for ink dye. Chic Transp Co.; Scott Foresman & Co. for arith matter. Here I packed up lantern slides to send to Julia to color; Fields; Miss Ingersoll's; - to B'd of Ednc rooms for meeting of Com. of Seven - Dr. McM; Tear, Colwell, Bone & Osborn (Francis P. school). Arth discussion until 5:00. Then to McClurg's (Book of Christmas); Lyon & Healey's (two records); various post card stores; - 8 P.M. train for home.

Dye .90 (Dist 107);

R.R. 52 + .30; lunch .30; supper .40; nuts .10; slides 3<sup>25</sup> (Presb. Church); cards .35;

### **Sunday, December 15**

Mild. Grey. Threatening at times, & a few drops of rain.

S.S. Planned Christmas program. Assigned four recitation parts. Instructed two boys - Geer & Bacon - as to use of lantern

Nap this afternoon. Read some from Bergson. Conferred with Mr. Geer about circular letter to parents.

Entertained Mother, K., & Mrs McMillan at school with Victor records. Read form Mabie's Book of Christmas.

Catherine Peyton (3rd grade) & Moses child (under school age) have scarlet fever.

### **Monday, December 16**

Mild. Trace of rain in night. A little drizzle after 10: P.M.

A photographer called; also Davis of McMillan Co.

A number of children taken out because of fear of scarlet fever. Dr. Bergen examined every pupil today. No one suspicioned.

Assigned "speaking parts" for Christmas play.

M. Florent's boys' band rehearsed in auditorium after school.

Miss Guiney & I planned 8th grade promotions.

This eve. - Geer, Norcross, Greenslade & I met the "opposition" at school bld'g and talked over change of election proposition.

Barber .15;

### **Tuesday, December 17**

Rained in the night. Dark & threatening today. .48" A little colder.

Phone conferences with Mr. F.W. Schumacher & Mrs. Fyffe over scarlet fever; with Mrs Fearing over D.A.R. picture; Mrs. Bacon over next program of P.T.A. - - Rehearsed Christmas play in a crude way.

Wrote number of letters this evening.

Am reading "Hard Times."

### **Wednesday, December 18**

A suggestion of rain or sleet in the air this A.M. but nothing more.

Mother's photographs finished by Brand today. Got news of Mrs Ender's death - Lennie's mother-in-law. (Los Angeles).

Drilled pupils in Christmas play. Mrs John Lind of L. Forest (Country School for Boys) visited us about all day. Ag't for Larned's Ready Reference called. Photographed two hymns at noon. Developed negatives this P.M. – Board meeting. Called off election previously advertised for Dec. 28.  
Barber .15;

### **Thursday, December 19**

Cleared up this afternoon. Sun shone. But at 9:45 P.M. it began to snow.

A rush of Christmas activities at school. Special exhibit in Miss Gahan's room. Box of gifts for school for crippled children sent out by 4th grade. – Julia sent me 9 colored slides. – Miss Herman went in to city & brought out colored slides from Miss Ingersoll – Rehearsed pupils after school & met some of the boys – 7:00-8:30 P.M.

Mr. Florent's band of school boys practiced in 7th A room after school.  
Christmas gift of \$25<sup>00</sup> for records to school by Mrs Carqueville.

### **Friday, December 20**

About a half inch of snow at sunrise. Much of this disappeared during day.

Told the story of the Christ child with lantern slides to all pupils – two different groups. After lunch upper grade pupils gave their Christmas play quite successfully.

Teachers scattered for their homes.

Took two plants & report card to the Peyton home (Catherine has scarlet fever).

6:53 for Chicago. Heard "Patience." Fine. Cowles, DeWolf Hopper, Cunningham, Condon, Duffield. Met Frank Hester there. Road in with Miss Behrens. Out with Dr Hamilton  
Barber .45; City 52 + .10 + 1<sup>50</sup>

Oysters .25;

### **Saturday, December 21**

Clear. Cool.

Mother sent out some of her pictures as Christmas presents. I took 8:49 for city. Federal b'ld'g (mailing), Miss Ingersoll's (2 more slides), Field's (underwear & ties), McIntosh, Dennison, Chicago Transp Co., Carson Pierie (met Mrs Maher & Mrs Collins & chatted about gift books), City Club. Ate lunch here & had chat with Mr Hooker. Also Mr. Bartlett. Latter took me to rooms of Camera Club for a while.

Home at 4:21. After supper Raymond G. & Rob't Bacon and I worked at church until nearly 9:30 – set up lantern, screen, etc.

Then I worked until 12:30 over slides, etc for the morrow.

r.r. 52 + 20; bread .06; lunch .40; Dennisons .50; Chic Transp Co. .75 (Presb. Ch) Carbons .48 (Dist. 107); P.O. .60; stamps .19

### **Sunday, December 22**

Beautiful day. Cool.

S.S. exercises went off rather well. 40 Lake Bluff children present. Used lantern slides to illustrate carols, story of the Christ, etc.

Rested at home remainder of day. Could not sleep until 6:30 P.M. Too tired.

Read most of Janvier's The Dutch Founding of N. Y.

Church .25.

### **Monday, December 23**

Fine day. Cool.

Spent much of morning with Lida Gourley in S.S. office planning card catalogue, etc. 12:56 for city. Met Miss Baber at Cox's office & went with her to call on Adj. Gen. of Army concerning Ft. Sher. ravine. Friendly interview. Then – Marshall Fields, Miss Ingersoll, Board meeting, Geog. Soc. Adopted "Society" medal; agreed on annual banquet; heard Mather's report on Hetchy-Hetchy. Home at Seven. Went to Christmas exercises of S.S. Led singing. Mrs Underwood a fine story. Stayed after all had gone & worked in office until 11:00 on stereographs  
Barber .15; R R. 52 + 10; blotters .30; nuts .05; paper .20;

### **Tuesday, December 24**

Yet another beautiful day. At midnight bright moonlight everywhere – a southwest wind blowing.

Miscellaneous duties this A.M. At schoolhouse where Mr. D. & I made up orders for supplies. – My filing boxes came. – Took 3:34 for Chic. (Had written short article about Mr. Cooley for H.P. Press). Fair, Rothschild, Auditorium, Fields, - - - Garrick where I saw Pinafore. Two Lexington women had seats beside me – Mrs Wm Van Devender & her sister. Saw them to Palmer House. Then took 11:30 home R R 52 + .20; gelatins .50 (for Dist. 107); supper .30 + .15; theater 1<sup>50</sup>; magaz .15;

### **Wednesday, December 25**

Ideal day. Mild.

This A.M. went down to Mr. Mooney's & took four photographs of him & Mrs. M. Plan to prepare sketch of pioneers to include them. This afternoon worked in plant house. Moved fish and mussels to plant house. This evening wrote on trip to Swift Current Pass.

Read Christmas at Dingley Dell. Also the Christmas references in In Memoriam.

### **Thursday, December 26**

Threatened a little. A few flakes of snow. Cooler. Cleared off.

Took 9:56 for city. Phoned Miss Mitchell. Took 11:25 C. & A for Peoria. Goddard, Sanford, Myrtle E, Miss White, et. al. Arrived at 3:30. Sanford, Goddard, Goble, & two others & I took "sample room" at the Jefferson.

Evening addresses by Prosser, Claxton Mrs. Young Committee meeting until 1:00 A.M. in Mr Shoop's room.

### **Friday, December 27**

At Peoria

Fine day. Late breakfast

Long talk with Mr. Stableton. Attended afternoon session. Took 5:00 Rock Island for Chic. With Harry Wilson, Lewis Colwell, Mr. Bright, Kratz, et. al. Home to H.P. at 1:06 A.M.

Peoria trip. R.R. .52 + 6.00; Hotel 3<sup>00</sup>; Badge 1<sup>00</sup>; miscell. .60;

### **Saturday, December 28**

Very beautiful day. Mild.

Took 8:49 for city. Got manuscript at Mitchell's office; Fair; Barrett Bindery. Home on 10:30-11:22.

Worked much of afternoon and evening on the material for booklet on Glac. Nat'l Park.

Clow's called a while this evening.

R.R. 52 + .05; chain .36; at Barret Bindery 3.75 (for Presb. Church); at Fair .75 for church + .35 for Dist 107 Scrapbooks.

### **Sunday, December 29**

Mild. Overcast. Slight drizzle after nightfall.

S.S. as usual. Mrs Underwood talked to the pupils. Conferred with Mr. Metzel about details of records, etc. Did not stay for church.

Slept most of afternoon. Overhauled pamphlet boxes. Called on Mr. Parratt this evening.

Finished Janvier's Dutch Settlement of N.Y.

### **Monday, December 30**

Over night the wet sidewalks had frozen – but the sun thawed off everything by 10 o'clock. Bright much of the day. Rising wind at evening.

Worked on Glacier Park circular much of day. Spent some time in afternoon conferring with Miss Gourley and Arthur Bess at the Presb. Church.

Charge Dist. 107 \$2<sup>00</sup> for Geog. [maps?]

Shave .15;

### **Tuesday, December 31**

Left at 4:30 on Pere Marquette for St. Joe. Had case of lantern slides & the Presb. Church lantern. Phoned Ediths but got no reply. Took trolley to B.H. & spent night at Lennies.

R.R. 1.80 + 52 + .20; checks .30; meals. 40;