

**Jesse Lowe Smith**

**Diary**

**1923**



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## Forward

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

Jesse Lowe Smith attended grade school in Macon, Illinois. With a passion for books and nature study, Jesse saw his life as a teacher. He attended the Academy in Benton Harbor, Michigan from 1884-1887, living with his Great Aunt Margaret Crooks. In 1888 he returned to Macon where he taught for three years. Teaching and studying independently as he taught, Jesse, at age 21, qualified for entrance to De Pauw University in September 1891. He completed his education at the University of Chicago from 1892 to 1894.<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 to be a man of many interests and great influence. He was widely known and respected throughout Illinois as an innovative educator and avid naturalist and in Highland Park as an educational, cultural and civic leader. He inspired the Elm Place School teachers to higher ideals of education and the students to a deeper understanding and appreciation for the world around them. He left a lasting impression on all who knew him in life and continues to inspire many who make his acquaintance through his diaries and his legacy in Highland Park.

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

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

<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**

Mild weather - 22° to 30°.

My cold much better although I slept considerably during the day. Went to post office at 4:00, first time out of the house for three days.

Spent much time over my scrapbooks. Mounted considerable Roosevelt and flag material in my general reference. Then finished my war mounts through March 1919.

Made new solution for developing negatives. Discovered that my Zeiss Protar lenses are not in the lens barrel!

### **Tuesday, January 2**

Milder. Gray. Large flakes of snow fell for a while this and a half inch cover lay on the ground but this soon melted.

Was at school most of the day. Conferred with the times' system man about location of clocks and bells.

Miss Watt worked at the office. We listed all the Audubon Soc. slides and she wrote a number of letters.

I conferred with Mrs Cain about a grant to the library from the Womans Club – fifty dollars was given. I acted for Mrs Everett.

This evening I got together my slides for a talk at the Art Institute Thursday  
Barber .25; Grocer .84; bread .15;

### **Wednesday, January 3**

Somewhat colder. A film of snow froze to walks & made them slippery.

Various school duties this A.M. – Then at 11:51 went to City. - - To Mr. Greenslade's office to deliver some typewritten work done by Miss Watt this A.M. (Copies of proceedings, etc.) Schantz office to talk over Audubon affairs. There I met & had a long talk with Mrs Aleshire of the Illinois Art Extension Society. To C.J. Albert to talk over teachers with Miss Smith. - - Fair to buy calendar pad, etc.

This evening at school.

R.R. .60 + .07; books .50; pad .35;

### **Thursday, January 4**

Snowed an inch or so. Not much colder.

At school all morning. Worked with Mr Beers and Mr Mann. Gave Miss Watt some letters to write.

To the city this afternoon. Talked on Wild Flower Biographies at Fullerton Hall. Small audience. Appreciative.

This evening at home. Mrs Greene for dinner

R.R. 40 + .30; lunch .20; barber .25; bread .15;

### **Friday, January 5**

A little colder. NE snow storm this evening.

Important conferences with Mr Beers, & Anderson this A.M. & with electricians. Later on talked with Mrs Millard.

This afternoon at play – Little Women where I met Mrs Scott – formerly Ida Strickland of Lexington. She lives here now and is John & Homer's stepmother!

At school after the play and then until 10:00 this evening.

Mrs Rogerson here this evening.

Meat .30;

### **Saturday, January 6**

Two or more inches of snow on ground but drifted Gray & Cool

On the job at school until eleven Then took train for Chic

To Art Institute for luncheon to meet Samuel Scoville, Jr. Mrs Hutchinson presided. I sat between Lena McCauley & Mrs Goodman. At 2:30 Mr. S. lectured in Fullerton Hall to a large audience and gave a very interesting talk. This was followed by movies, The Four Seasons – Excellent. (Kineto Co). Met Pattee there, Schantz, all the Collinses, et. al.

This evening worked over school bills until 10:20.

Barber .25; groceries 1.24; R.R. .60 + .75; luncheon 1.00; book on radio 1.00;

### **Sunday, January 7**

Snowed a little more today.

Got a call from Johnson Service men at 9:00 o'clock to come up to the new bldg to pass on location of thermostats, etc. They were working because of pressure on their staff, so I spent an hour or more with them & the architect

To city on 1:18. Spent afternoon at Art Institute. Mr. Schantz talked & Edwin Hulsberg whistled. I spent considerable time over the exhibits. Visited with Mr & Mrs Raymond, Miss Mitchell, Schantz, et. al. Heard a lecture at 5:30 by Lorado Taft on French sculpture – After dinner came on up to Evanston & visited the Pattees, Mrs P. now in 3rd wk in bed with broken leg.

This P.M. – the Board of Health ordered that school not be opened because of possible epidemic  
R.R. .98 + Lunch .65

### **Monday, January 8**

Mild. Snowed a little. Sleety. Almost rain.

No school. Phone busy explaining why

All teachers here except Miss Thompson (ill at home in Mich.); Miss Payne, quarantined as “carrier” at Winnetka; Miss Weinland at home at Wilmette because of desperate illness of a sister.

Teachers' meeting at 9:15. Then teachers at various devices for the day.

Board meeting this evening until a late hour. Mr. Jones submitted some data on financing the auditorium.

Barber .25;

### **Tuesday, January 9**

Cooler. Slippery walks

Spent some time with Mr Metzel this A.M. Also Mr. Beers

Teachers' meeting at 1:30. Went over two chapters of J.H.R's Mind in the Making

We teachers had a sleighride at five ending in an oyster supper at Mrs Taylor's.

At 8:00 I went to a meeting at the City Hall to discuss plans for a greater H.P.

### **Wednesday, January 10**

Considerable drop in temp. in night. About 10 above this A.M.

Busy with architect & others until noon. Then went down to Field Museum where 6 or 7 of my staff met me. After lunch we were given a half hour or so of time by Dr. Millspaugh – a valuable talk in the gallery of economic botany. I came away at 4:00 Went to meeting of Directors of Geog. Soc. at Cox'

office. Home at 6:30. – After supper called on Florence Shreve to help her plan summer classes; to barber's; to library to pass upon Miss Crew's list of new books; to school where I worked until eleven. R.R. .40 + .30; taxi .50; lunch .40 + .25;

### **Thursday, January 11**

Mild. Thawed.

Busy at new building & old as well.

Met with upper grade teachers this afternoon over promotions

Met with Exec. Com. of P.T.A. at 3:30.

At school a while this evening.

Miss Wineland's sister was buried from Wilmette today

### **Friday, January 12**

A little colder No thawing.

At school all day. Interview with Mrs Millard about auditorium plan. Then late afternoon with Mr. Trumbull.

Lunch .65;

### **Saturday, January 13**

Mild. Gray. A little snow & rain at evening.

At school a while, then the 10:18 to Chic To Leonard Peterson Co to plan science room equipment.

To Art Institute for luncheon in honor of Wm Beebe, naturalist. Sat by Mrs Hamilton McCormick and across from Lena McCauley & Mrs Redfield. - - Schantz & I went in together afterwards to Mr Beebe's lecture in Fullerton Hall. Perry Smith of Country Day School with us. Slides, films & a good talk. - - Met Bert Bivins & his wife afterwards Had not seen him for 27 years - - At desk at school this evening.

R.R. .40 + .30 + 1.30; lunch 1.00; Groceries 1.27;

Charge Dist 107 - \$1<sup>50</sup>

### **Sunday, January 14**

Slippery. Mild.

To school a while this A.M, where a temperature control man was working. There again this afternoon to meet Mr Beers about problems raised by the workman.

Then I went down to Millards to meet Mrs M. and Geo. Jones to talk over auditorium matters. Then we went over to Mayor Hastings' house and laid all our data before him. Spent an hour or more and came away with new zeal to push the matter.

Finished reading Stewart's Valley Waters this evening. Wholesome Not a great story. Had hoped it would be a best seller, ever since I met Mr. S. at Hartford, Wisc., over a year ago.

### **Monday, January 15**

Mild. More like a March day.

School began again No new cases of diphtheria. Several of measles and of chicken pox.

Absent – Mr Peterson, Misses Thompson, Payne, & Weinland. Miss Davis went home at noon sick Mrs Levy of Evanston substituted in Miss Payne's room.

I heard two of Miss Weinland's classes

Barber .25;

## **Tuesday, January 16**

A little colder. Thawed very little.

Taught three of Miss Wineland's classes today

Prof Jas Harvey Robinson lectured in the aud. this evening to a big house – 400 or so. A fine, stimulating talk [James Harvey Robinson (1863-1936) was an influential U.S. historian who advocated the teaching of “new history” to broaden the traditional teaching of political and military history to include social sciences. (See October 22, 1922 entry.) – ed.]

## **Wednesday, January 17**

Temp about same. Rising wind, disagreeable

Taught three science classes.

Mr Sandwick came to talk over course of study with 8A's

“Grizzly” Smith lectured in aud. this eve on community center course Very interesting old man and interesting talk on a high plane  
Barber .25;

## **Thursday, January 18**

Turned warm in the night. Thawed. Then got cooler

Photographed 8A's in the new bldg!

Went to city on 11:50. Lunch at City Club. Then to Amer Seat. Co where I ordered 88 Moulthrop desks. To Mr Metzel's office for a while & then he and I went to Revell's to look over teachers' desks, etc. Then to Fair to price tables. I then went to Art Inst to examine wall cases Then to Mr Mann's office to confer over tables, etc

Home at 7:00. At 8:00 went to Lake Bluff to dedic of new bldg. Pageant by children. Addresses by State Supt Blair & Supt Simpson

R.R. .70; taxi 1<sup>00</sup>; carfare .42; lunch .65 + .10 + .10; fee .25; Charge Dist 107 - 2<sup>00</sup>

## **Friday, January 19**

Gray. Cool.

Entertained R R Lowdermilk, Supt of Deerfield, today.

Began day by meeting Mr Peirce with Atty Holmes, & Marshall Maroney at City Hall to hear Mr P's story of what little Susanne told of the misconduct of Joe Scuornavaci at our school yesterday.

Various interviews at new bldg – Also at my office. Conf. with teachers over promotions.

At home this evening, trying to write an article about the school

## **Saturday, January 20**

Gray Mild

At school all morning. Miss Watt helped me.

At home this afternoon working upon a synopsis of the work at E.P.S.

At school a short time this evening

Barber .75; groceries 1.43;

## **Sunday, January 21**

As yesterday.

At school a while this A.M.

K and I went to Millard's at 4:00 to concert given by Jacques Gordon's string quartette. Very beautiful. A subscription affair. Social event.

We called on Mr. Geer a few minutes on the way home  
Clarence came in this evening.

### **Monday, January 22**

About 15° above this A.M. Clarence left for Kenosha  
Mildred Bowers of Glencoe called to apply for a position & this evening Mildred Latham of  
Evanston came on the same errand.  
Began conferences with teachers over promotion lists  
Mr Jensen and I had lunch at Tipton's today. He brot me a scale drawing for the log house I hope  
we can have – a memorial pioneer cabin.  
Barber .25; lunch .65.

### **Tuesday, January 23**

A little milder. Thawed some. A little rain after evening which froze on the walks.  
Miss Annetta Stewart of DeKalb called to consider a position here.  
Tried hard to secure a speaker for Friday evening but to no avail. Had Mrs Millard, Mrs Jones, &  
Mrs Greene trying to help me.  
Conf of 1's – 2's & 3's this afternoon Then 8B's party for the 8A's after school Delightful time

### **Wednesday, January 24**

Thawed a little after the inch of snow that fell in the night.  
Miss Guiney ill and at home. Miss Payne still in quarantine. Miss Thompson in Kalamazoo. I  
helped out in some classes  
Spent a lot of time trying to secure a speaker for Friday evening.  
Long conf. with Mr & Mrs Benson this evening over audit. project

### **Thursday, January 25**

A little colder.  
Busy. Succeeded in getting a speaker for commencement for tomorrow evening – Prof Franklin  
Snyder.  
Miss Annetta Stewart of DeKalb accepted an offer of 1550<sup>00</sup> to come here to teach in 2nd grade  
Miss Weinland here today. Miss Guiney still out, etc  
To Union League Club this evening to Directors' Dinner in honor of Dr. & Mrs J. Paul Goode  
Fine time. I was one of the speakers  
R R .80; barber .25;

### **Friday, January 26**

Mild Gray  
End of semester.  
Honorable mentions this A.M. Fine time  
Teachers conferences this afternoon  
Commencement exercises this evening.  
Prof. Franklin Snyder gave an excellent address  
Barber 25;  
[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the commencement program. The Eighth Grade Class of February,  
1923 was:  
Antonio S. Ullian, President

Mildred Caroline Ares  
Verna May Beard  
Emily Harriet Beers  
Marjorie Claire Bowden  
Dorothea C. Braune  
Mary E. Carroll  
Alice Fay Chittenden  
Ethel Louise Erickson  
Mildred M. Gerken  
Nettie W. Grimson  
Marjorie Fannie Hultz  
Lois B. Larson  
Margaret Catherine Miller  
Sarah Margaret Mills  
Catherine M. Muller  
Elizabeth R. Phelps  
Ruth Anne Siljeström  
Marie J. Sullivan

Cleona Maisie Udell  
Mary Trigg Waller  
Elsie Crane Watkins  
Aliceve Winters  
Anne H. Wood  
Arthur F. Bock  
Milton Joseph Carrell  
Walter Junior Cope  
Louis D. Geminer  
P. Kenneth Gieser  
Walter Earl Koller  
W. Perryman Ronan  
John Rouse  
Kenneth L. Skidmore  
Alexander J. Stupple  
Evans Swan  
Antonio S. Ullian  
John H. Zengeler

The instructors were:

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

The Board of Education was:

Emil B. Metzel, President  
Fred Greenslade, Secretary

George R. Jones

Edna G. Green

William D. Mann

Solomon A. St. Peter

Elizabeth B. Millard – ed.]

## **Saturday, January 27**

### Snow.

5 inches or so of snow in the night. Damp. Mild.

To city on 8:44. Conf with Mr Mann over chairs, etc To Fields to figure on chairs there.

To Auditorium Hotel at banquet of Ill. Kg. Assn. Sat at speakers' table Mrs Page presided  
Speakers – Mr. Blair, Mr Owens, Mr. Mortenson, Miss Jacobs of Wisc – Visited with Mrs Lieber, Miss  
Norton, Mrs Topping, et. al.

To Field Museum awhile. Then to Art. Inst. Left on 5:20 trolley with Mr & Mrs Copp, Doctor  
Gardner, Miss Dayton, Mr Hooker for Ravinia – I went on home, then took taxi to Ravinia Com. House  
where F of Our N.L. held a frolic. - - - Later in evening came Mr Collier & 3 of the Pueblo Indians, part of  
deleg. that has been to Washington.

R R 30 + 40; dinner, etc. 2.00. Book .94; Membership 2.00.

Charge Dist 107 - 3<sup>00</sup>

**Sunday, January 28**

Turned out clear. A beautiful moonlight night.

Slept & rested this A.M. Late this afternoon to Millards for a time, then with them to R.F Seymour's to see the Pueblo Indians There for a short time, then to Mr Criegh's where I spent the evening with Misses Baldwin, Sands, Stine, Jones, Meyers, and the two Misses White as guests.

**Monday, January 29**

Crust on snow. Thawed some today. Fine sleighing tonight. No sleighs

Promotions took place. Busy day.

Clarence went home

Rep. of E H. Sheldon & Co. called to figure on our equipment.

Teacher conferences after school.

Barber .25;

**Tuesday, January 30**

Gray Milder. A drizzle in the air this evening

Teachers' meeting this evening. Miss Grunewald reported on New Viewpoints in Amer Hist.

Called on the Winstons this evening to talk over matter of alumni fund

Miss Guiney still absent.

**Wednesday, January 31**

Gray. Melting.

This afternoon I went to City Hall to attend examination of Joe Scuornavaci – or of charges against him. Was held in bonds to action of grand jury

Teachers' meeting for arithmetic after school.

At school for a while this evening

Barber .25; candy .10;

**Thursday, February 1**

A little cooler.

Conf today with Mrs Greene & Mrs Millard.

Taught 8B & 8A science. Helped Mrs Levy a while in 5th grade

Conf with 3rd grade teachers after school.

At Library Board a while this evening. Then at desk at school.

**Friday, February 2**

A little drizzle this evening & slippery walks. Ground hog day. Sun shone about an hour, then day grew very gray.

Two science classes. Showed Mrs Balke over new b'ld'g. – Worked with telephone men - - After school showed Mrs Leitch and Mrs Richardson of Glen Ellyn with Miss Miles about.

This evening discussing affairs with Mrs Winston

Barber .25;

**Saturday, February 3**

4° or 5° below

Late in the night a great drop & it was below this A.M. Cold raw wind blew all day.

City on 8:44. At Mr Metzel's, Mann's, Art Inst., McClurg's, Fields, etc. Home at 6:08.

At school this evening Mr. Davis & I and Mr Simmers (sub. for Berg) went all over new bldg to see that all was OK.

R.R. .60; lunch .75; book 1:00; groceries .38 + 24 + .15

**Sunday, February 4** 8° or more below

Very cold at daybreak but a sunny day and moderating.

To school this A.M. for awhile with Mr Metzel.

To dinner with Mr & Mrs Geo. Jones. Fine time. Then a lake shore walk from Park Ave to Ravine Ave. Exquisite color on a quiet expanse, ice floes far off shore.

Went to school this evening to see if all was right

**Monday, February 5** 10 or 12 above

Mild. Gray.

Miss Thompson back to work. Weak. Miss Stewart away at a funeral. Miss Guiney also. Miss Payne still away.

Mr Simpson came this morning and I spent considerable time with him.

This afternoon we showed two lumber and one wool film to 5th grades.

Barber .25; candy 10; soap .35; groceries .41;

**Tuesday, February 6**

Mild. Snowed an inch or two this evening

Two science and one geog. class this day.

Teachers' meeting. Chapter on Beginning of Critical Thinking in J.H.R's The Mind in the Making.

This evening Geo. Jones, Mrs Millard & I "waited" upon Gen'l Robt Wood at his home and prevailed upon him to act as chairman of the drive for the auditorium.

**Wednesday, February 7**

About three inches of light snow on the ground. Cleared during the afternoon and rising wind – colder

Miss Guiney back Miss Turpin also. Miss Chase absent.

An hour at the new bldg this A M., first with Mr. Beers, then with Mr Mann

Lincoln talk with [6?]B's – just about the swinging frames.

Took 5A's through the new bldg.

At my desk until 10:00 this evening.

Groceries .16; barber .25;

**Thursday, February 8**

Colder this A.M. Rose to melting during day. Clear. Colder at night.

Mr Loring and his Indian friend, David Blackhoop, came in at 1:00 and gave us a half hour program in the aud. Delightful.

Mrs Childs, just back from Bermuda, brought us a banana blossom and gave us a glimpse of Bermuda life.

8B science class

Mrs Millard conferred about mahogany tint for wainscot.

At home this evening.

Bread .15;

### Friday, February 9

Rather cool all day.

Miss Palmateer, probation officer, called to discuss the Scuornavaci case, and had a talk with Susanne.

Robt Perry coasted into a post in the ravine this A M & got a bruise in his groin. Sent him to doctor in a taxi

Two science classes. Showed banana blossom to two rooms.

To city on 5:52 and to lecture of Carveth Welles at Art Inst – Subject – Jungle of Malay. Very amusing & instructive.

R R .30 + .40 + .07; supper .75 + .10; barber .25

[Carveth Wells (1887-1957), explorer, world traveler and author, was a fellow of the Royal Geographic Society. He wrote about his Malayan experiences in *Six Years in the Malay Jungle* (1925). – ed.]

### Saturday, February 10

About as yesterday but a little snow towards evening.

To city on 9:50. To Fox Film Co to talk about films.

To City Club to have luncheon with the Superintendents' assn. Then at 1:30 to Y.M.C.A. bldg where I gave a milkweed talk to a nature study club, Dr H.S. Pepoon, President. To McClurg's & Fields to shop

Home at 6:34. At desk at school a while this evening.

Books 7<sup>50</sup> – Dist 107 to pay for some.

R R 40 + .30 + 14 + .50; lunch 1<sup>00</sup>

Collars .60; groceries .53;

### Sunday, February 11

Clear. Beautiful. About 16° - 20°

M. went to church. I slept.

This afternoon to a committee meeting at Gen'l Woods. Plans for drive for the aud.

Took 6:50 for Howard Ave station of elevated to call at the Collins'. Mrs Collins died on Friday. Had a stroke about a month ago. Lawrence not there. Mrs Harries on from Washington.

Kittie got back from Gary. She went down yesterday. Clarence convalescing from influenza.

R.R. .31 + .31 + .05;

### Monday, February 12

Some snow this afternoon. Slippery. Mild

Miss Watt and I worked awhile this A.M. Then I called at the Sieffert's. Little Bernice was buried this afternoon – paralysis, the after effects of diphtheria.

Then to Howard Ave & the Collins' and the funeral of Mrs Collins. Met some of our old Park Ridge friends – Julius Ghislin, Mr Wallace, Mr Carstens, Miss Ford, et. al. – Back & to work on the bills. – Board meeting this evening. Not full attendance. Mr Bihler, Mrs Everett, and Miss Kerschner came to request Board to excuse pupils twice a week for religious instruction. Action deferred.

R R 40 + 39;

### Tuesday, February 13

Cold wave.

Snowed – big flakes – at intervals this afternoon, then high wind rose & thermo dropped rapidly.

Prof. Steiner came to talk to our 6 – 8 pupils at 11:00. An inspiring talk.

This afternoon I gave Lincoln talks to 6 – 7 – 8, and 4 – 5.  
Spent the evening at the Eitels. Mr. E. and I planned publicity work for auditorium  
Barber .25;

### **Wednesday, February 14**

2° below this A.M. and a rising wind that gained greatly in intensity after 9:00 A.M. Blew all day –  
Slackened after nightfall.

Mr Davis had trouble in keeping west rooms warm

Mrs Hale, a W.C.T.U. [Woman's Christian Temperance Union – ed.] worker, talked before  
grades 3 – 8 this A.M.

At school at 8:30 this evening to make the rounds with the night janitor  
Groceries .95;

### **Thursday, February 15**

6° below this A.M. but the wind had abated. The mercury rose to 8 or 10 above during the day.

We showed "Nanook of the North" at 11:00, 1:30, 3:30, & 7:30 – one of the numbers of the  
guarantee series, etc. A great picture

Some rooms came from Lincoln Ave & Ravinia

Barber .25; bread .15;

### **Friday, February 16**

2° below. A cold day but somewhat milder after nightfall.

Sweetland's drug store gutted at 5:30 A.M.

Mr Lethander of Leonard Peterson & Co came out this afternoon and I closed contract for science  
room equipment

Conf. today with Mrs McWhinney about P.T.A. program; telephone men; heat regulation; Mrs  
Millard & Mrs Greene over decoration of b'ld'g, This evening with Mr. Beers, going over auditorium plans  
Candy .10;

### **Saturday, February 17**

About 1° above this A.M. Bitter wind during morning but moderated in afternoon

At school about all day. Miss Watt worked this A.M.

Committee meeting with Gen. Wood & Mrs Wyles late this afternoon.

Conf. with Mr Metzel at the Moraine this evening

Groceries 1.15 + .70 + .40; Bread .15. Barber 1.25

### **Sunday, February 18**

Somewhat milder and some thawing, but still a cold day.

This A.M. heard Paul Moody, Prest of Middlebury, Vt. college preach.

At 2:30 at funeral services of Mrs Otho Morgan at the house

Then Mr Eitel and I went to Mr. Benson's to confer about the publicity campaign for the  
auditorium

Church .25;

### **Monday, February 19**

Milder. Gray. Heavy fall of fluffy snow at evening.

Busy day with great interruptions.

This evening went to meeting of Exec. Com. of Aud. at Gen'l Wood's. Present Wood, Silber, Eitel, Porter, Guyot, Childs, Benson. Fine meeting.

Sat up late sorting my slides for a patriotic talk at Glen Ellyn tomorrow.  
Barber .25;

### **Tuesday, February 20**

Gray. Mild. Then sunny and thawing.

Took 10:38 for Chic & the 12:00 trolley for Glen Ellyn.

Talked at 2:15 to group of lower grade pupils & some adults – motion picture theater Used Lincoln slides. At 3:15 group of older pupils came & I repeated the talk. I used some upper grade pupils who were prepared “to speak.” I showed a box of Washington slides as an extra. Mrs Luther B Hill (Pearl McCord), Mrs Rode, Mrs Richardson, Mrs Bosche, et. al. Home at 8:05.

Heard Cardinal call at Glen Ellyn

Expenses 3.48 – 1.00. Candy .59

### **Wednesday, February 21**

Mild. Sun shone brightly this afternoon.

Teachers' meeting this afternoon – “Our Mediaeval Inheritance” the topic. Miss Heffron reported on Kant – from Royces Hist of Modern Philosophy

This evening Misses Sands and Clara White and I worked on the alumni list of Elm Place  
Barber .25; bread .15;

### **Thursday, February 22**

Beautiful day. Thawed some.

Washington's birthday School in session.

Miss Lund met 6 – 8's at 9:00 and 3 – 5's at 9:30 for songs, Kg – 2's at 10:10. I showed W slides to last group After lunch I used slides with 3 – 5's at 1:30 and 6 – 8's at 2:30. The P.T.A's came at 2:30. Pupils in last group recited patriotic selections, etc

Showed a number of people through the new bldg.

Too tired this P.M. to go back to desk.

### **Friday, February 23**

Only 5° above this A.M. A beautiful winter day.

Movies at 3:30. Evangeline.

Went down to Hull House this evening with a party of 12. Dinner at the coffee house, then the play.

A strong piece of work Gorky's A Night's Lodging.

Barber .25; R R 40 + 30 + .14

Hull House 1.50

[Pasted to this page is the playbill for the Hull-House Players production of Maxim Gorky's play, *A Night's Lodging* directed by Laura Dainty Pelham. – ed.]

### **Saturday, February 24**

Milder

To city on 7:50 with the Evangeline films and these delivered I caught the 9:15 back

At a school until after 11:00. Then again all afternoon. In the evening also.

Worked on maps of districts to be canvassed for funds Sorted out cards by districts

Broke my glasses completely late this evening.  
Bread .28; tooth paste .50; groceries .75; barber .25;  
Charged expenses to city to movie fund

### **Sunday, February 25**

Mild. Mostly gray. Snow going fast.

At school a while this A.M. Then nap and bath.

At Gen. Woods a short time this afternoon. Then took Mr Herring & Mr Walkup through new bldg.

### **Monday, February 26**

Still mild.

Busy.

Miss Chase to be away for a week. Miss Bridges here to look over fifth grade

Mrs Winston & Mrs Noerenberg present to confer with the children about the "Auditorium Builders' Association"

I left at 12:00 for Chic. Left order with Dow Optical Co and while they worked at my glasses I worked at a desk at City Club. Wrote description of the new auditorium. Spent 20 minutes with Prof Cox.

This evening at meeting of auditorium committee at Gen'l Woods' house  
R.R. .40 + 30 + .07; lunch .40; glasses \$12<sup>00</sup>;

### **Tuesday, February 27**

Fine day. Mild. Sunny.

Conferred with Miss Bowers about her taking Miss Payne's place.

Worked over correspondence of various sorts.

Heard 7A Geog. class

At my desk until late this evening.

Laurant, the magician, at the Aud – under auspices of Community Center. I looked in for ten minutes or so.

Mrs Millard's father, Mr. T.C. Boynton, died suddenly this A.M.

Bread .15; barber .25;

[Charles T. Boynton, born in Stockbridge, Massachusetts in 1858, lived at "Ravinoaks" on South Sheridan Road. A leading financial figure in Chicago and vice-president of Pickards, Brown and Company, Mr. Boynton was vice-president of the Ravinia Company and on the executive board of the Highland Park Hospital. – ed.]

### **Wednesday, February 28**

Mild Gray

Mrs Levy came to sub in upper grades.

Mr Metzel, Mr. Beers, and I had a long conference this A.M.

Men set up slate blackboards today

We took out most of our bulbs today Most of the pots in the concrete frames were frozen. The daffodils were mostly undeveloped.

At school desk this evening. Then went over to Mr. Benson's for a hour. Showed the lantern slides of the proposed building

Barber 25;

**Thursday, March 1**

Beautiful day. Sunny & clear. Thawed deep.  
Bohemian waxwings – as many as 75 – seen by Mrs Moseley, day before yesterday. Yesterday A.M. seen by Miss Nixon & others. Also today.  
Mrs McNutt too ill to be here today. I took care of her class two periods.  
Went to Mr Boynton's funeral this afternoon.  
At committee meeting at library awhile this evening and then to committee meeting of Elm Pl. Alumni at school.

**Friday, March 2**

Beautiful day. Therm at 60° or more °.  
Boys reported grackles, killdeer, meadowlarks  
Taught (conducted) four classes.  
Movies – Harold Lloyd in Grandma's Boy.  
At Eisenstadt's a little while this evening to look through telescope  
Moon at five-eighths eclipse – 8:26-10:30  
Bread .15; candy, etc. .28;

**Saturday, March 3**

Gray. Rained after nightfall.  
To City on 10:38. To Schantz for conf & telephone talks  
Lunch at Arcade and a visit with Mrs Jewett.  
Shopped at Fields. Home at 4:05.  
To school and to a conf. with Genl. Wood, Mrs Wyles & Mrs McWhinney.  
This evening at school until 9:00  
R.R. .30 + .40; lunch .38; hat 7<sup>00</sup>; groceries .74;

**Sunday, March 4**

Gray. Cooler. Heavy showers in the night.  
Spent quite a while with Mr Beers at the school this A M.  
Slept & rested most of afternoon.  
Went to Arden Shore at 6:00 to give a flower talk to the boys in the winter camp. Mrs Keller took me in her machine. Boys were very responsive and interested.

**Monday, March 5**

Cool. Gray  
All my teachers on hand today – first time in weeks.  
Mrs Winston present at morning ex. Announced the name selected for our pupils – The Auditorium Builders' Club, etc  
Wm L. Finley came at 1:10 & spoke to the pupils at 1:30 and 2:30. Spoke again this evening to adults. A good audience  
Fine films

**Tuesday, March 6**

Still cool. Gray. Snow flakes. A little sun.

Down to Rogers Park this afternoon to talk on Wild Flower Biographies Fine time. I was introduced by Mrs Blocki. Mrs Harry Gradle, Pres. Mrs Whitaker, Chairman of Program Committee Mrs Paul Wright there.

This evening at Gen Wood's house. He absent but Mrs Wood & I worked over list of names of workers to be invited to worker's banquet. Then to school awhile & over to 9:33, expecting to meet Mr Benson, but he did not come  
R R .30 + .07 + .07 + .31 + .05.

### **Wednesday, March 7**

Thin film of snow in night. Cool day but beautiful.

This evening with Mr. Beers discussing mantels & decorations

Three book agents.

Barber .25;

### **Thursday, March 8**

Beautiful. Sunny. Cool

To teachers' inst. at Lake Forest today No school at Elm Place.

Prof. R.S. Lyman of U. of C. gave two fine talks; Prof. John Scott of N.U. one of same calibre

I worked with Miss Watt at school afterwards mounting flower pictures

Was at my office until ten this evening arranging for nature study ex. at Lake Bluff tomorrow.

R.R. .28; lunch 1.50; groceries 1.28.

### **Friday, March 9**

Gray - Rain before noon & much of afternoon

Up early & at school before 7:00. Met Pasquesi's truck & loaded box of mounted pictures, & nature books and some wall screens & sent to Lake Bluff. Followed on the 8:01.

Program of institute was visual instruction. Prof McClusky of I.U. and Mr. Hamilton spoke. Wm L. Finley lectured at 2:30. - - - I brot all my paraphernalia home on the truck after 4:00.

At home this evening.

R.R. .28; lunch 1.00; groceries .45 + .88;

### **Saturday, March 10**

Sunny. Bright. Cool.

To city on 9:50. To Mr. Moot at Gt. Northern to talk over films. Met Miss Anthony and Miss Griffin there. To Library Bureau to look up tables. Fields to see Japanese silk reelers. City Club to the luncheon of Supt's Round Table. Talks by Miller, Hamilton, Dr. Smith

To Art Inst. to glance over special exhibit. Met Miss Irene Russel there & went with her to Field Museum to the lecture by Mr. Finley before the I. Audubon Soc. Afterwards Mr F & a few of us went up to the fifth floor lab. of Mr. Hine, taxidermist.

Mr Lyon of Wauk & I caught 5:50 home

At school this evening.

R.R. .40 + .30 + .75; lunch 1.00.

Groceries .87; medicine .50;

### **Sunday, March 11**

Gray. Then rain turning to snow after nightfall.

Met Mr Metzler for a conference at school bldg this A.M.

To church  
Nap this afternoon  
Called on the Clows for a while.  
Worked at desk at school for two hours this evening  
Church .25.

### **Monday, March 12**

A regular northeaster last night and five or six inches of wet, rapidly melting snow. Telephone & light poles pulled down. Electric current off for two hours this A.M. Cooler towards evening  
At morning exercises Genl Wood, Mr Childs & Mr. Harmon present to see the crowding.  
Miss Alice L Davis & her friend Mrs Niess of St Charles were visitors So was Mrs T.W.  
Bellhouse.  
Miss Grunewald too ill to be present. Also Miss Turpin  
Genl Wood's committee called forty or so people together to a banquet at little bldg this evening.  
Great success. Subscriptions totaling 9000<sup>00</sup> now in sight

### **Tuesday, March 13**

Snowing again at daybreak but not for long. No melting.  
Spent some time conferring with printer about campaign literature  
Short teachers' meeting after which we went over into new bldg to pass upon color of walls  
Took 4:50 for Chic. and then to Arlington Heights where I talked at Presb. Church for school picture fund. Mr Roberts ran the lantern. After it was over went with the Russel girls to their home together with Mr & Mrs Chapman & Mr & Mrs Roberts and visited with old Mr Russel until train time.  
Home at 1:00 A.M  
R.R. .60; meals .75;

### **Wednesday, March 14**

Sunny & bright, at first. Gray later in day. Snow at nightfall.  
Glaziers, window shade man, boiler movers, painters, - - gave me some work. Took two classes into the new bldg.  
Miss Turpin still absent because of illness.  
Miss Vogel of Winnetka came to apply for sub position (5B) until end of year.  
At desk until 10:15 this P.M.  
Read proof today on the Elm Place booklet soon to be issued  
Barber .25; bread .28;

### **Thursday, March 15**

Northeaster during night and four inches of wet snow on top of what lay there already. Then it rained & sleeted & rained during this day and slush abounded.  
P.T.A. set for this evening called off because of the weather.  
With 5B children planted 19 flats of tomato seeds.  
We folded & mailed out nearly 1100 letters signed by Gen'l Wood (his stamp) this evening, a force of teachers doing the work.  
Our "team" went to New Trier to take part in the Music Memory Contest.  
I worked over bills in my office until nearly 10:30 this evening  
Groceries .95;

### **Friday, March 16**

A fine winter day with snow to dig off the walks. Thawed little Snow hard-packed in road ways  
Heavy day's work Mr. Beers & I agreed upon wall tone after jury of teachers passed upon it.

5th grade pupils have now planted 50 flats of tomatoes & 10 of cabbage.

At desk until 10:30. Miss Watt with me until 9:15.

Movies - \$27.40.

Miss Marley's pupils gave recital in the aud.

Conferred with printer over Elm Place booklet.

Our team a close second to Wilmette last night.

### **Saturday, March 17**

Temp rose today Sun shone warm

After some work at school took 10:38 for Chic. & met Prof. Atwater at City Club to confer about  
Geog. Soc. excursion to Glacier Park Then the 12:50 home & went to funeral of Henry M. Bacon.

Afterwards at school & showed Miss Crew & Miss Angus about the bldg. Watered flats, etc

Spent evening in office in conf. with Mr. Chittenden over aud. drive.

Read proof today on booklet advertising the drive.

R.R. .60 + Taxi .50 + .50; lunch 1.50; groceries .95;

### **Sunday, March 18**

A big snow storm came up this afternoon – high winds, icy & biting. Drifting snow.

At Presb. Church at 9:00 to look up the matter of an Easter program. Then home for a warm bath  
& big nap.

At 3:30 at a committee meeting at Gen Wood's & then to Mr. Benson's to confer with him. Home  
in the storm.

### **Monday, March 19**

2° below this A.M. Much snow. Sunny but cold.

At school early. Plant house all right. New bldg also.

Booklets about E.P.S. ready this P.M. I took a taxi and delivered copies to workers – Chittenden  
& Jones, Porter, Benson, Childs, Rogers, Onderdonk

Afterwards at school until 9:30.

### **Tuesday, March 20**

About 8° above this A.M. Grew warm. Snow began to melt rapidly. Above freezing tonight  
Met Mr Benson & Udell to confer about slogans for banners, etc Contracted with Whitten to do  
the work.

Took two classes through the new bldg

Teachers' meeting at 4:00

At meeting of committee of alumni this evening, only Bert Renning and Mrs Wood present. B & I  
made list of alumni from 1890 to 1898.

Barber .25;

### **Wednesday, March 21**

Mild. Snow fast disappearing.

Mr ~~Miller~~ Merrill of Park Ridge, his wife, Miss Ford and two other teachers visited us this A M.

At school this evening working on the alumni list.

Went down to see a so-called air plant – an Egyptian calla lily – at Mr Searles on Deane Ave.  
Strange blossom with a terrible odor.

#### **Thursday, March 22**

Robins sang their welcome songs. Melting all night & most of day. Cooler this evening.  
Busy day as usual.  
Hamilton of the Keystone View Co called.  
Mrs Flinn's committee planning an old-time school entertainment met this evening in the Annex.  
Barber .25; groceries 1.00

#### **Friday, March 23**

Sunny March Day – but cooler.  
Much office work today  
This evening went to the Ravinia School to see Mrs Seymour's production of the Russian opera –  
Snowflake.  
Groceries .21

#### **Saturday, March 24**

Sunny but chilly. Cool wind.  
At school all morning and this afternoon.  
Miss Watt worked this morning.  
Edith came this A.M.  
I went down to College Club this evening to the dinner of "The 44", eighteen of whom were  
present. Mrs Frazeur got it up. We had a fine time.  
R.R. .80; dinner 1.25; barber .25; groceries .35 + .30  
[In 1909, forty-four excursionists of the Geographic Society of Chicago traveled in Yellowstone National  
Park. Mr. Smith served as leader of the excursion. See March 15, 1913, March 6, 1914, and August 1,  
1915 entries. – ed.]

#### **Sunday, March 25**

A raw, blustery day.  
Slept heavily before noon & in the afternoon.  
A half hour at school this A.M.  
At the Gordon quartette concert at Mr Bard's at 4:00. Then to Gen'l Wood's house for a while  
Then to Evanston to the Pattees where a company of their friends had assembled. Mrs P. read  
some nature poems, Mr P. some prose, & I showed some slides.  
The Perkins, Mr Kingsley, Worstall, Lowe, Clatworthy, et al.  
31 + 36 + .06 + .15 + .25

#### **Monday, March 26**

Beautiful day but cool.  
Miss Crane and several of her students of the Sherwood Musical School visited us this A.M. Also Miss  
Schmidt of Wilmette, candidate for a Kg place & Miss Ausland of Glencoe wanting 5th or 6th  
This evening I spent at A.J. Metzel's & had a fine reception and a fine time. I talked auditorium to  
them & found them quite receptive

#### **Tuesday, March 27**

Fine day but cool. Thawed hardly any.

Visitors again – Miss Ingram of Lake Forest and Miss Vorce of Muskegon; Miss Gilbert and Miss \_\_\_\_\_ of No. Chicago.

Got an article in the Press on recent gifts to the school auditorium at La Grange.

Gen'l Wood met Mrs Wyles & Mrs McWhinney and Mr Schneider, Mr Guyot & me at school b'ld'g this evening to talk over the "drive".

Afterwards I worked on bills until 10:30.

### **Wednesday, March 28**

About 10° above this A.M. Sunny but a cold wind.

Miss Gahan & Mrs Hughes of Winnetka spent much of the morning with me.

At home this evening working over the text of a letter to the alumni, etc

Bread .15;

### **Thursday, March 29**

Air much milder than yesterday

Alice Louise Davis visited us this afternoon.

Conference with 7 – 8's over promotions.

With Mrs Winston at 5:00 over letter to alumni.

With Mrs Noerenberg – 8:00 to 10:00 P.M. over same & also alumni list.

Barber 1.25;

### **Friday, March 30**

Sunny but cold. The wind has been icy cold all day.

Good Friday. Most of our pupils present.

Miss Stuart ill today and threatened with appendicitis.

To dinner at Everett Millard's this evening. Miss Holcombe of Lake Forest & Country Day School the other guest.

### **Saturday, March 31**

10° above this A.M. but moderated during day.

At school until 11:30. Read proof on letter to the alumni.

At 12:29 went down with Miss Lund & the children to the music memory contest at Orchestra Hall. Fine afternoon. Our pupils came out second among grammar schools – Wilmette first. Stayed down & went to evening concert. Great concert Visited on way out with Ethel Goddard, Miss Carver & Miss Taylor

R.R. .80; dinner 1.25 + .15; concert 2.00. barber .25

### **Sunday, April 1**

Easter.

Gray, mostly. Balmy wind, rising after nightfall 30° at dawn.

Heard Mr. Fitt preach this A.M. To dinner with Mrs Geer & Raymond and his wife. There read a letter from Colin Sanborn in Chile and Mildred Welch in Cheng Tu.

Had a nap late afternoon and then to Mr. Keller's at Ravinia with lantern & slides. Met Mr & Mrs Rosse – artists – Mr & Mrs Michael, Mr Wright & Mrs Woodworth. Fine time. Stayed very late.

Church .50;

### **Monday, April 2**

Warm wind from south. Rain after nightfall.  
So hoarse I could hardly perform at morning exercises.  
Linoleum men began work.  
At my desk until ten this evening.  
Wired Junior to send flowers to funeral tomorrow of Mrs Taylor's mother who died Saturday at Decatur Hospital.  
First hepatica blossom brot in today.  
Drugs 1.60;

### **Tuesday, April 3**

Rain in the night and light showers today. Cooler at evening.  
Full day.  
Teachers' meeting at 4:00. I showed lantern slides  
At school this evening to attend a meeting of Mrs Flinn's group that are planning an old-time school entertainment.  
Barber .25;

### **Wednesday, April 4**

Cold wind.  
Four floors now covered with linoleum.  
Mrs Silber's copy of the petition for the school election with 20 names and mine with 34 filed at Duffy's for notary's certification.  
Yesterday Miss Payne's term ended (Mrs Perry C. Hartronft) & Mabel Vogel of Winnetka now in charge.  
M. & I went to Presb Church Supper this evening. I came away early to do some work  
Visited with some waxwings yesterday.  
Supper 2.25;

### **Thursday, April 5**

Milder.  
Conferred with Mrs Eisenstadt and Mrs Silber over series of nature talks I am to give for the benefit of aud. fund  
With Mrs Flynn over matter of making lantern slides of old-time pictures.  
Supervised unloading late this afternoon of great trunk load of linoleum  
Met tonight with canvassing committee at school.

[Inserted at this page is a newspaper clipping announcing the marriage of Miss Clara Mahan of Lexington, Illinois to Mr Charles P. Scrogin of Chicago. Miss Mahan was known as "Tot." (See May 17, 1913; April 4 and 5, 1914; February 7, 1915; October 8, 1916; and December 2, 1917 entries.) – ed.]

### **Friday, April 6**

Fine Spring day. Warm. South wind.  
Very busy at the new bldg. Chairs arrived from Fields. Furniture for teachers' room from Revells.  
Met with Mr & Mrs Eisenstadt at my office this evening to plan circular advertising my talks.  
Barber .25;

### **Saturday, April 7**

Heavy rains this A M. Warm. Cool wind came up late in day.

Phoebe, bluebird, robins called at daybreak.

To city on 9:19. To Barnes-Crosby to leave negative for a halftone. To Chic. Transp. Co. to leave old photog. to make slides. Took taxi in the downpour to Field Museum to inquire into backgrounds for cases, etc. To City Club for lunch with Supt's Assn. Mr Washburn told of his travel experiences.

To Fields, then Art Institute. Home by 5:00 & to school to plan work on cases, window boxes, etc.

At home this evening.

Taxi – 1.50 – Dist 107.

R.R. .40 + .40; lunch 1.00.

Barber .75 Groceries 1.17;

### **Sunday, April 8**

A light snow in the night. Temp 28° at dawn. Bright cool day. Snow rapidly disappeared.

Met Mrs Jones & Mrs Eisenstadt at school to confer about mailing list for the circulars about wild flower talks.

This afternoon went to Sweeney's woods. Brot back some fine pussy willows & skunk cabbage blooms. Visited with three buffleheads and two \_\_\_\_\_. Saw flocks of ruby-crowns, juncoes, bluebirds, grackles, red-wings, crows. Saw three g.b. herons, a kingfisher, a short-eared owl, mourning dove, several phoebes, lots of robins, a redhead, a downy, etc

To Mrs Munroe's to meet Dallas Lore Sharp – 15 or more guest. Fine time. He told of his last visit with John Burroughs. - - I walked to the station with him and David Munro.

Trolley .10 + .10;

### **Monday, April 9**

Rained – then snowed all afternoon. Great wet flakes.

Miss Edith Smith visited us today.

Very busy as usual. Felt achy & came home at 5:00 A little temperature – so went to bed early.

Postponed Board meeting.

Barber .25; bread .15

### **Tuesday, April 10**

Snow everywhere but melted away rapidly. Fine, bright day.

Felt punk but on the job most of the day

Long conference with Mr. Beers.

Sent 12 of the teachers to the Ossoli meeting to heare Jacques Gordon, et. al.

At home this evening Bolted two engagements to get needed rest.

### **Wednesday, April 11**

Clear. Bright but cool.

My cold better today

Had Madge Weinland (Mrs Hurlbut) sub-ing in Miss Stuart's place today & Miss Gathercoal in that of Miss Peterson, latter suffering from burned hand.

Mrs Balke called late this afternoon.

At my desk until after nine.

Barber .25;

### **Thursday, April 12**

A beautiful day though cool.

Very busy about the bldg. Meant to go to the sessions of the Nat'l Prog Educ. Ass'n in Chicago but finally lost out.

Spent some time with Mr Buttles, engineer from the Pub. Service, studying our smoke problems  
This evening at school at rehearsal of old-time school.

### **Friday, April 13**

Fine day – growing gray at evening.

Sent out notices through the mail today of my series of talks.

Went to city on 12:19 and to Drake Hotel to afternoon program of Prog. Educ. Assn.

Met Mr Boothby, Mr. Slutz, Mr. Davis of La Grange, Miss Cook. Talks by Boothby, Perry Smith, & others. Home at 6:00 and to dinner at Clark Wright's to meet Supt Blair. Wanted to go with them to dedication of the Ridge School but felt too fagged out

R.R. .40 + .30; taxi 1.75; meals .80;

### **Saturday, April 14**

Gray this A.M. Snowed vigorously late this afternoon and into the evening.

Got everything ready for the school election and then took 10:38 for Chic. To Fuller-Morrison for chemicals – Sweet Wallach for supplies. Fields to confer about chairs, etc

To Lyon & Healy for music. To Field Museum to attend exercises commemorating 25th anniversary of Geog Soc. Served on reception committee. Dr. Goode lectured on Chicago – a city of Destiny. Afterwards we inspected our office room in the Museum. Home at 6:30.

Dist 107 – Music 2.10;

R.R. .30 + .30 + .14; taxi .75;

Photog supplies 3.50;

### **Sunday, April 15**

Snow on ground – melting at daybreak. I sallied forth with my camera – to the “saucer-in-the-woods” below Ravinia Park. Took three pictures – then to skunk cabbage patch west of Highwood where I took three pictures, also.

Great concert of fox-sparrows – one cardinal, clear & strong.

Gen'l Wood and I spent an hour together this afternoon. - - - I developed some plates this evening.

R.R. .08 + .12 + .10

### **Monday, April 16**

Fine day though cool.

Started filling our hot beds today.

Messrs Knapp, McClure, & Hamilton from Western Springs Bd of Ed came to talk over school plans.

Board met this evening – a very late session. Gen Rob't Wood came to ask for more help in the aud. campaign - - - The comm. on religious educ'n came to ask approval of their program. A committee consisting of St. Peter, Mrs Greene & I was delegated to consider the matter.

Barber .25;

### **Tuesday, April 17**

Beautiful day. Warmer but wind still cool

Under Miss White's direction 6th grade pupils reset all the cabbage & tomato plants today. Set some of the flats into our cold frames bedded with manure.

Made solution [1?] to apply to top of tables to be made acid proof.

At library a while this evening. Looked up at home some material for talk next Friday evening

### **Wednesday, April 18**

Fine, warm Spring day.

Cross today over delay in bld'g construction. Linoleum workers not here. Electricians not bringing their material here. Only two carpenters on the job. No laborers cleaning up. I phoned various times to speed up things.

Mrs Greene over for a conference.

At school this evening. Miss Amborn of the H-S came to talk over the case of Caroline E. who seems to be the victim of her foster parents' rapacity. At 10:00 I went to the flagman's shanty to talk it over with her uncle, George Smith.

Barber .25; bread .15; chocolate .10

### **Thursday, April 19**

A fine warm day. South wind. "Heavies" a burden.

Unusually busy with building problems. Had two of our men cleaning away at the air tunnels.

Electricians still holding back. Linoleum men off. - - Worked with painter at staining tables acid proof.

P.T.A. this afternoon. I showed visitors thru new bldg

Mrs Flinn's committee met at school this evening. I went down to Gen'l Wood's to meet with Audito. Comm. A fine spirit. Mass meeting planned The Mr. Metzler & I came back to school where he signed warrants.

Ice cream .15; candy .10;

### **Friday, April 20**

Warm day. So warm.

Lake Shore Div. met at Evanston and all my staff went. I was to go also but could not get away from the bldg until eleven. So I went on in to Chicago.

To Mr Porter's office to leave mailing list of patrons. To Chic Transp Co. to get some slides. To Turtle's to get stuffed owl. To Schantz' office for slides.

Home at 4:00. Got slides ready for my talk. Gave it this evening to good audience.

R.R. .40 + .30 + .07; lunch .90; Specimen 3.25 - Dist 107.

### **Saturday, April 21**

A little cooler. Thunder shower & dashes of rain

At school. Blower turned on for the first time. - Mr Ball came over to advise about staining table tops. - -

Miss Jannette White of Racine called about a Kg position - Miss Hallsted of Madison for an upper grade position.

Long nap this afternoon. Then to school where I stayed with the marble setters until 7:45.

Barber .25; groceries .91

### **Sunday, April 22**

Gray. Clearing by night.

Lolled on bed all A.M. To school at 4:00. Johnson Service men had been there all day.  
Showed Pauline Rhinehart & 3 others around.  
Bloodroot & dogtooth violets abloom.  
Finished "Back to Methusaleh" today. Reading Geo Moseley's War Letters.

### **Monday, April 23**

Cool wind blew all day. Down to 40°.  
Very busy. Employed 10 H-S. boys & 1 small boy today. Worked considerably myself.  
Slate came in a car and is to be unloaded tomorrow. Mr. Anderson & I agreed upon several minor matters. – Mrs Winston and others came & worked over alumni mailing list, etc. Mrs Flinn came to discuss lantern slides and pictures.  
Contracted with a Chicgo firm to have the windows washed  
Butler and I planned our work this evening.  
Planted onions this evening.  
Barber .25; chocolate .15;

### **Tuesday, April 24**

Still cool.  
Hard labor. Had eight H-S boys. Uncrated slate & had it set in rooms ready for fixing in place  
Had boys move fixed seats from two sixth grade rooms to attic etc. etc. They unpacked most of the Windsor chairs.  
A professional window-washer on the job.  
Planted lettuce, radishes, & beets after supper.  
Overhauled my mail in the office this evening.  
Drugs .75; bread .15;

### **Wednesday, April 25**

Milder. Beautiful day  
Began the day by raking in my backyard, burning rubbish, & spading nasturtium bed  
Then to school for a busy round. - - - Blackboard men failed to arrive. I had big crew of boys moving desks, etc.  
Took 2:29 for Chic. To Chic. Transp. Co to take three pictures & two negatives for slides To Schantz' office – then we went to Cox' office to meet with com. of Geog Soc. to try to agree on joint use of an office in the Field Museum.  
Dinner at City Club and then to Randolph Theatre to see Snow's African Wild Life in Pictures – best yet done. Remarkable  
Home at 9:33.  
R.R. .40 + .07 + .30; supper 1.25; phone .25; theatre .50 + .25.

### **Thursday, April 26**

Milder. Grew gray at evening.  
Blackboard men at work. Continued my force of H-S boys.  
Took out insurance on the 21 paintings  
Latter part of afternoon worked on my slides & the talk for tomorrow evening.  
Committee meeting at Gen'l Wood's this evening – to plan for the mass meeting for next Monday evening.  
Ice cream .60; groceries .72

Barber .25.

### **Friday, April 27**

Mild.

The rush continued. Worked until 11:30. Took 12:29 for Chic. To Schantz' office to get slides; to Fair for paper; Fuller-Morrison for acid, etc. Home at 4:00. To schoolhouse to wind up day's work. To lake front & elsewhere to get specimens.

Lecture this evening. In new music room. Lower floor lighted up. Beautiful showing. Good attendance.

R.R. .40 + .40;

Dist 107 –

Taxi 1.00; paper 1.20.

### **Saturday, April 28**

Fine day, but cool breeze

Physical labor mostly. Boys and I unpacked furniture for science room & set it up temporarily.

Cleaned rooms all afternoon

This evening sat at my desk at home

Heard brown thrasher for first time yesterday.

Shepherdia in full bloom. Red maples just passing prime. Elm seeds setting

Yesterday a robin experimented with the cap of one of the columns.

Barber .25; seeds .35; bread .30;

### **Sunday, April 29**

Mild. Pleasant.

Went to school b'ld'g this A.M. Messrs Davis, Butler, & Ross worked until noon, mopping etc.

Slept this afternoon Bert Cook and his wife, Blanche Cazalet, and two daughters, Margaret & Harriet, called and we had a fine visit.

I went up to schoolhouse & looked on while Rafferty and his men shifted two pianos.

At home this evening.

### **Monday, April 30**

Beautiful day

Occupied the new Intermediate School today. Painters, carpenters, electricians, & window-washer worked on as usual.

Rather thrilling to see lines of children marching out of the building.

Perry Smith, head of Country Day School, visited us a while this A.M.

We hung the paintings by Chic artists late this afternoon and evening.

Mass meeting this P.M. to arouse interest in the aud. campaign. Poorly attended but good interest shown.

Emerson Hough, lately become a resident of H.P. died at Evanst. Hospital this morning

### **Tuesday, May 1**

Fine day.

Same high pressure.

Conf. with 6 – 7 – 8's this afternoon after school.

At school awhile this evening while Mrs Flinn and others rehearsed with the stereopticon. Then to Community Center to confer with Gen Wood and others about the canvas.

### **Wednesday, May 2**

Another.

Rep. of Esterbrook Pen Co. called

Had a crew of boys scatter manure and burn coarse stuff on bean patch. Koller plowed it.

Mr. Laing called to look over ravine drainage & to show me some of his original poems.

Mr Ball called to advise about staining table tops

Conf. with lower grade teachers this afternoon over planting problems.

This evening I met Mrs Straight, Mrs Lenfesty, Mr Rhinesmith at Mrs S's home to consider the canvass at the north end. Then Mrs L & I went to Mrs Kuhlman's to confer with her.

Trolley .10; Lunch .60

Lunch with Mr Jensen.

### **Thursday, May 3**

Fine day.

Committees from 7-8's laid off the garden. [3?]'s & 5's planted – flax & buckwheat---feterita, milo maise, millet, soja beans, alfalfa, timothy.

7A's planted aster seeds in flats – 7B's - zinnias

Old time school entertainment great success this evening. One of the biggest crowds we ever had.

### **Friday, May 4**

Fine day.

More garden planting. 2nds planted barley, oats, wheat, tobacco. 6's planted maple seeds (winter stored) and elm seedlings one yr old (reset).

Left school at 2:30 this afternoon to rest up for evening talk.

Nestlings & summer scenes – tonight

M. went with me K. suffering from neuritis – second day.

Barber .25;

### **Saturday, May 5**

Fine day, but very cool wind

At school until 10:30. Caught 10:46 for Chic To Schantz' office to return slides To Field Museum to examine specimen mounts. City Club for lunch. Stebbins Hardware for a knife & to look up ladders. Fair for a notebook. Took electric home. At school until 5:20. Spaded ground & put in beans. Sprinkled garden beds & tulips

At school this evening. Ended up at Community center & had a conf with Genl Wood & Mr Walkup. Our drive is slow.

Dist 107 – Expenses 1.50. paper .36

R.R. .80; lunch .75; groceries .35; + .15; knife 2.00;

### **Sunday, May 6**

Fine day. Milder.

Watered plants at school – then came home and had a sound nap.

This afternoon Gen Wood and I called on C.F. Smith for a contribution but were turned down hard.

Then I went to schoolhouse for awhile. Again after supper I met Mr Beers there to plan some details of the exhibit.

Am reading Hugh Wynne, Quaker

### **Monday, May 7**

Fine. Warm day

Managed to have lot of planting done under management of some of the teachers. Tomatoes – many flats – reset in pots. Pumpkins planted – Misses White & Wheelock. Castor beans, sunflowers & kaffir corn – Miss Jones.

Mrs Alschuler of Winnetka and Mrs Kuh visited us this A.M.

Distributed fruit trees this afternoon – from Onarga Nursery.

Marshall Johnson called to discuss landscaping with me.

At desk this evening until late.

Planted nasturtiums this A M.

Barber .25; root beer .05;

### **Tuesday, May 8**

Rained a little this morning. Then during the afternoon sunshine and dashes of sleet alternated  
Sent out our invitations to the dedication exercises.

Heavy day's work. Called up Leonard Peterson Co & succeeded in getting them to send out stone top for science table by special truck. Andrew Decker came to plan plumbing work, etc. etc.

Went down to Mrs Munro's awhile after supper to see a live loon – too injured to fly. A fine specimen. Then to school bldg to meet Mr. Beers & some of the teachers to consider lighting, etc. Tried out the fire places Mr. & Mrs Chas Trumbull brot over some pictures to loan us.

Bread .20; Dist 107 – stamps \$14<sup>00</sup> Yesterday – Blueprint paper & frames.

### **Wednesday, May 9**

Three inches of snow at dawn & temp about 32°. But the sun came out and the snow was gone before noon. Fine mild day

Busy with artisans, etc. Glass men came and went. Blackboard men finished. Mantel man came and went. Cyclone Fence men came to discuss situation - - Clock men finished. – Johnson Service man here. - - Electricians – painters - - carpenters. Plumbers set up tables in science room.

Miss Guiney & her pupils set up specimens in corridor cases - - Pictures were hung. Teachers' rest room finished. - - The loon was shown to all the rooms and then sent to Mrs Munro, who turned him loose in their pond - - I went to see him there tonight. He gave his woody call.

Barber .25; chocolate .10;

### **Thursday, May 10**

Beautiful day

Men worked overtime and got bld'g in fine shape for tonight

I met Prof Hieronymus & about 100 others of the Art Extension Society of Illinois at H.S for lunch & then took them through our new bldg – then over to Mr. Egan's.

Mr Blair came at 6:30 and I took him to Moraine for supper. – Kittie not being well & unable to go to exercises this evening.

Evening event a wonderful success.

Dinner 4.00;

[Inserted at this page is the program for the Dedicatory Exercises of the Elm Place Intermediate School. It is transcribed as follows:

## The Board of Education

of School District One Hundred Seven, Lake County, Illinois  
Requests the honor of your presence at the

## Dedicatory Exercises of the Elm Place Intermediate School

In the Auditorium of the Elm Place Elementary School  
Highland Park, Illinois

Thursday Evening, May Tenth  
Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-three  
at Eight o'clock

Reception in the Intermediate School following the Exercises  
Exhibit of Paintings in the Art Gallery

## Program

Chorus

Now Thank We All Our God..... Bach

For the Lord is Mindful of His Own... Mendelssohn

Invocation..... Rev. Frank Fitt

Address of Dedication..... Honorable Francis G. Blair

Response..... Mr. Jens Jensen

County Superintendent T. Arthur Simpson

Mr. E.B. Metzel, President of the Board of Education

Chorus – Songs of Patriotism

The Stars and Stripes..... Sousa

The Home Road..... Carpenter

There's no other Land..... Miessner

Pilgrim's Chorus..... Wagner

Star Spangled Banner..... Key

America..... Smith

Benediction..... Dr. P.C. Wolcott

Reception in the new Intermediate School Building

Exhibit of Paintings by members of the Society of Artists of Chicago and Vicinity.

Courtesy of Mr. Dudley.

*Moon Lace* – Rudolph F. Ingerle

*Beech Woods* – John F. Stacey

*Along the Shores of Southern California* –  
 Anna L. Stacey  
*Fantasy* – Gerald Frank  
*Portrait of a Young Girl* – Arvid Nyholm  
*Edge of the Swamp* – J. Allen St. John  
*A Gray Day* – Pauline Palmer  
*The Creamery Road* – Lucy Hartrath  
*The Road* – Irving Manoir  
*Home Garden* – Anna Lynch  
*Interlacing Byways* – Ethel L. Coe  
*Roses and Aloes* – Ethel L. Coe  
*Incident to Citizenship* – Joseph P. Birren  
*Morning Sunlight* – John A. Spelman  
*Distant Haze* – Charles W. Dahlgren  
*The Mountain Home* – Holger W. Jensen  
*Autumn Blazonry* – James Topping  
*Chill December* – J. Jeffrey Grant  
*Fox River Vista* – Harry L. Engle  
*Our Protector* – William Clusmann  
*Water Islands* – Charles Wilimovsky  
*In Lupine Time* – Frank V. Dudley

All the above paintings are for sale. For price list consult Miss Dorothy Watt, Secretary.

## Staff of the Elm Place Intermediate School

### Sixth Grade

Miss Clara Sands..... History  
 Miss Clara White..... English  
 Mrs. Ruth McNutt..... Geography

### Seventh and Eighth Grades

Miss Ellen M. Guiney, Assistant Principal..... Geography  
 Miss Etta Grunewald..... History  
 Miss Lena M. Nixon..... Mathematics  
 Miss Annabelle Chase..... History and Mathematics  
 Miss Margaret Heffron..... Literature  
 Miss Edna Grenoble..... English  
 Mrs. George Taylor..... English  
 Miss Jane Weinland..... Science  
 Mr. George R. Peterson..... Manual Training  
 Miss Lillian Priebe..... Drawing  
 Miss Mildred Lund..... Music  
 Mr. Jesse L. Smith..... Superintendent of Schools

### Board of Education

Emil B. Metzler, President  
 Fred Greenslade, Secretary

George R. Jones  
Edna G. Greene

William D. Mann  
Solomon A. St. Peter

Elizabeth B. Millard – ed.]

### **Friday, May 11**

Gray at times – then light rain late in day.

Took some boys to G. B. nursery & dug up our apple grafts. Brot them back, with some Amer. hornbeams, and some sods for 2B's cucumber hills. Showed grafts to some classes.

Miss Wineland's groups continued to reset tomatoes.

Warblers abundant – Blackburnian, magnolia, et. al. Flock of 15 or 20 goldfinches on ground feeding.

Yesterday a dead summer yellowbird – no, the day before.

Tonight my fourth talk in the series Some new faces. - - Milkweeds and orchids

The loon at Mrs Munro's died today

Gerard took M & me in the machine this evening.

### **Saturday, May 12**

A heavy day's work With Miss Watt this A M Received Miss Densmore and Miss Doersch of Glen Ellyn & assigned them to 3rd & 4th respectively.

This afternoon Sammie & Isadore Smith & I set out shrubbery on slope before the south colonnade. I carried soil & worked besides & was so exhausted that I went to bed at 7:30.

Groceries .75;

### **Sunday, May 13**

A little frost this A.M. A beautiful day

At school watering plants, etc, until nearly noon Miss Corey came there with Miss White & Miss Sands.

Fine nap before and after dinner.

Edith & D. drove in about 10:30. After lunch we had a ride to Ravinia and around – then went through the new bldg after which E & D. set out for home.

To school bldg from 5:30 to 7:00 Then again at 9:00 to try to get the master clock to go

### **Monday, May 14**

Gray. Rain after nightfall.

Busy. Got ready for meeting of teachers' committee, this afternoon. Then Board meeting this evening. Long but amicable

### **Tuesday, May 15**

Gray. Then heavy rains afternoon. Heaviest rainfall in months.

Conf. with Mrs Millard and Mrs Greene this A.M.

Left at 12:21 – In Chic. visited with Schantz. Then to Berwyn where I spent a half hour in Miss Eileen Kerr's room. Liked her work very much. Back to the city. Ordered supplies at Vaughn's. To Fields & then the Amer. Flag Co. Home at 6:20.

This evening the Old Time School was given again and over eighty dollars added to the fund.

Lunch .40;

Dist 107 – R.R. 40 + .14 + .35 + .35 + .30; taxi .75.

### **Wednesday, May 16**

Slight rains continued until afternoon

Office work much of day Continued to promote various projects about the bldg.

Arthur Webb came out at 2:00 and stayed until 5:50. He & M. came up to the bldg & we talked over things

Board met this evening with Gen'l Wood and discussed auditorium plans. Looks as if the project will be carried out.

Chocolate .20;

### **Thursday, May 17**

Fine day. Drying rapidly

Brown came to plan for janitor's cupboard. He bot our storing shed for \$40<sup>00</sup>. Mrs Riddel of Winnetka called to promote her summer camp. Davis to sell West Disinfec materials

Went to nursery with some pupils & brot back the pear and apple trees heeled in there & sold them to the children.

P.T.A. meeting this afternoon. Miss Harding recited. Mr Morris, the new President, was introduced and made a short talk

At school a while this evening. Then a conference with Mr. Greenslade.

Barber 1.25; groceries .95;

### **Friday, May 18**

Fine day.

Took two 8A groups out for a tree lesson & helped them each plant a linden on the Green Bay parkway. Miss Weinland went each time.

Notified nearly all of the teachers of their increase of salaries

Gave my fifth & final talk of my series this evening. Very sympathetic audience M. & K. both went. Gerard and Mrs N. took us in their machine

Barber .25; bicycle repairs 1<sup>00</sup>

Bread 15;

### **Saturday, May 19**

Sultry today.

At school all day Dictated letters to Miss Watt. Kept Isadore at work watering plants, cleaning, etc., & this afternoon helped awhile as he raked in rye on the slopes before the new bldg.

Entertained Misses Blanche Nixon & Dietta Currey, Principals from Hammond, for a while.

Left at 8:16 to go to South Bend but too late to get a train – so went to the Breevort & to bed.

R.R. .40. Movie .55; ice cream 30;

### **Sunday, May 20**

Rained some in the night in Chic.

Took 7:00 for Gary. To the Danforth's for lunch Then we took auto ride to Baileytown, McNear, Liverpool, etc Rained much of time. Cold Left at 4:43. Home by 7:15.

Sassafra in blossom. Lupines about to bloom

Hotel 2.50; breakfast .65; R.R. .95 + .95 + .40 Supper .40

### **Monday, May 21**

Cool, still

Mr Nichols visited my school this A.M.  
Field trip with Miss Jones' group at 2:30.  
Promotion problems discussed with 7 – 8 grade teachers until 6:00 P.M. Then gave an hour and a half to Miss Lura Williams of Glen Ellyn who came to talk over positions We had supper together.  
At desk until 10:15.  
Dist 107 – Miss W's expense 1<sup>35</sup>

### **Tuesday, May 22**

Still cool. Milder toward evening.  
Gave Udell the illustrations for the Bulletin.  
Distributed flower seeds. Conferred with representative of clock system  
Mr. Beers and I worked over plans for cupboards in art room  
Conf. with fifth graders over promotions  
Met with book committee at library from 8 to 9.  
Then went to teachers' party in new bldg. A beautiful affair.  
Oil .15;  
Barber .25; chocolate .10;

### **Wednesday, May 23**

Fine day Milder  
Set forth at 7:00 Visited Mrs Finley & William and gave the choice of school or juvenile court. - - Wm. came today clothed in his right mind. Called on Mrs Perry and Robert came back to school. Visited Mrs Ryder and Wm. came in better humor.  
Took pictures of Miss Heffron's room this A M  
Various other duties. Late this afternoon scattered rye while Wm Koller harrowed it into the ground at Green Bay. Planted two quarts of onion sets this evening.  
At desk until 10:00.  
Sets .50;

### **Thursday, May 24**

Mild, - tho breezes are still cool.  
Visitors: Ethel Prichard McOsker & husband & mother and aunt; Ass't Supt Walker of Evanston, Mrs \_\_\_\_\_ (member of his Board); Miss Wesa, Princ at Kenilworth; in the afternoon the three members of Kenilworth Board; agent for soap;  
Movie at 3:15 & 8:00 – benefit of 8A's.  
The Four Seasons  
Out of Ink Bottle  
Kat - -  
Barber .25;

### **Friday, May 25**

Went to Sawyer, Mich.

### **Saturday, May 26**

Tramped in the dunes and returned to Sawyer to sleep

### **Sunday, May 27**

Took morning bus for Benton Harbor and stayed at Lennie's.

### **Monday, May 28**

[no entry on this day – ed.]

### **Tuesday, May 29**

[no entry on this day – ed.]

### **Wednesday, May 30**

[no entry on this day – ed.]

### **Thursday, May 31**

A little milder.

Spaded my tomato patch and late this evening I hauled home in the kg. express wagon 20 pots of tomatoes.

Some 7B's with Miss Grenoble's help planted a row each of sage, lavender, wormwood, dill, caraway, pennyroyal, &

The 8A's with Miss Grunewald, Miss Nixon, & Mrs Taylor were the guests of the H-S. at their annual receiving day

I taught map lesson to 3 groups of 4B's this A M. & went with a group of 3's to Ziesing farm this afternoon.

This evening finished setting in the captions in the dummy for the Spring Bulletin

### **Friday, June 1**

And a hot June day, the first hot day. To date all plant life has been greatly retarded. At H.P. wild crab apple blooms are yet for the most part in bud. But today's heat is rushing unfolding leaves & buds.

Tulips opened wide. Trees begin to make a leafy screen

The third grades made another trip to Ziesing farm & one to Carl Rudolph's.

I gave map lessons to 4B's again.

We began distributing tomato plants.

I set out 18 at home this evening.

Gave the (practically) completed dummy of the Bulletin to the printer.

Ice cream 30; root beer .05;

### **Saturday, June 2**

Hot.

To city on 8:46. To Field Museum where Director Davies in person helped me to find about display blocks and cards, etc. To Bradner Smith to order cardboard. Schantz' office for a time. To Art Institute to inquire of Mr. Sherwood about art exhibits. Lunch at City Club. Old Glory Shop to look up flag staffs. Vaughans for cucumber seeds & tomato plants. Turtles for mounted birds – Hillmans for raw peanuts. Sweet Wallach's for plates. Fair for picture frames. Home at 4:00 plus. Rested. After supper re-set 18 self sowed asters; planted 6 pepper plants. Then went over to Mrs Greens & planted beans & cucumbers

Charge Dist 107 – expense 1.75 + 3.00 (frames)

R.R. .80 + ; lunch .75; Vaughan .50

Plates 1.75; groceries .38; ice cream .50;

### **Sunday, June 3**

Warm but cool breezes Light shower this A M Cooler this evening  
Watered tomato plants at school, then home and went to bed & slept. Again this afternoon Then  
rode on my wheel out to county line so. & w. of Deerfield to look up my colony of asclepias ovalifolia.  
Found 15 to 20 stalks that will bloom in a week or so.  
Wild crab at its height here. Wonderful display.  
No other species of milkweed in sight  
Finished "The Brass bounder" & some stories from "Broken Stowage" Read an essay & part of  
another by Dewey – from Reconstruction in Philosophy.

### **Monday, June 4**

Hot day!  
This evening went out into Skokie just beyond of bridge west of Highwood (and south) with Mr S.J. Morris  
& children to see a bittern's nest – four eggs – chocolate – mottled.  
Corrected 16 pages of Bulletin this evening.  
Planted Mother's gladioli this A M  
Ice cream .30; shoe repairs 2<sup>00</sup>

### **Tuesday, June 5**

Also hot. No rain although Wilmette had heavy rains  
Hildegard Powers Brasmer & Miss Hess visited today Mrs Rosenfeld & Mrs \_\_\_\_\_ also.  
Mr Sandwick talked to the eighth graders  
I had a teachers' meeting after school.  
Miss Dorsch & Miss Densmore who are to teach with us next year visited here today  
Corrected 16 more pages of Bulletin this evening.  
Barber .30; ice cream .30;

### **Wednesday, June 6**

Heavy fog in night with dripping leaves. Fog much of day. Cool.  
Boys and I re-set tepee in front of new bldg  
Conferences with teachers  
Garden work.  
At desk at school this evening  
Set out some asters and zinnias at home  
Groceries .23 + .15;

### **Thursday, June 7**

A rain in the night. Cool today. Foliage heavy & dripping freshness.  
Took 8A's pictures over this A.M.  
Spent considerable time overhauling specimens, etc. tucked away for storage.  
Grades 3 – 8 & the orchestra gave music festival this evening. Fine event Receipts 84.20  
Barber .30; bread .15;

### **Friday, June 8**

Beautiful day. Cool.  
8A picnic this afternoon at Sweeney woods Moved off in fine style. Mr Durment hauled our  
equipment back and forth

Wild crab spent; many hawthornes in bloom Chokecherry spent two weeks ago; wild black now far gone. Bladdernut in bloom Downy viburnum just coming. Highbush cranberry & nanny berry in full bloom. Nodding trillium still in bloom. Trailing waahoo, also.

4B's – Stine – set out the cotton plants. Some of Miss Meyers' planted popcorn.

Trolley .10;

### **Saturday, June 9**

Beautiful day though cool and at times hazy.

Mowed yard & hoed garden.

At school all A.M. Executive meeting of P.T.A. at 10:00 Important session Perfected plans for the picnic.

This afternoon Mr Morris took Mr Butler & me & Mr. M's children out to the bittern's nest (Incubating). Then to Christ Peterson's north of Deerfield to secure his permission to cut some aspens. Then to the low woods beyond Koller's farm where we got our load of wood for tepee accessories. - - This evening at desk at school

Barber .30; groceries 2.00 + 2.35;

### **Sunday, June 10**

Cool. Light rain beginning at 11:30 & continuing into afternoon.

Attended Children's Day exercises at Presb. Church

Ate dinner with Mr. and Mrs Geer

Walked late afternoon down Ravine Drive. - - Orchis s – one specimen – in bloom 10 or more yellow lady slippers. One stalk of pink l.s. developing.

Miss Meyers had bad news from her sister and prepared to leave. I phoned Miss Nixon's sister to sub. for her

Developed some cardina flower plates I took last summer.

Church .25;

### **Monday, June 11**

Drizzling at dawn, clearing during day. Cool

Miss Marks called to apply for assistant's place in kg.

Committee meeting on picnic program – Mrs McWhinney & Mrs Winter.

Board meeting this evening. Lasted until 11:10. Lost out in effort to give Davis, Bartoli, & Butler good advances in salary.

Barber .25;

### **Tuesday, June 12**

Fine day. A little cool

Mr. Adam Albright brot up five of his paintings and we have given them the place of honor in our "Hall of Pictures". Had a fine visit with him.

Very busy preparing for the exhibit. At school until late this evening.

Mr Butler and I and one of the boys staked down the tepee & made the tripods for the back rests

Groceries .49;

### **Wednesday, June 13**

Fine day. Warmer

Exhibit day. A great success. Pupils exhibited mostly our school resources – specimens, flags, historical relics, etc. Our tepee was set up & a fire kept burning. Large and enthusiastic attendance, especially in the evening

Hugo Brunnquist visited us a while, this afternoon

Barber .30; ice cream .50.

#### **Thursday, June 14**

Beautiful day for a picnic. Slight dash of rain in the night. Turned off warm and made ice cream and lemonade attractive

Beautiful flag day exercises. Wilmette Boys Band, under Mr. Schumacher.

Picnic great success. Well attended.

Teachers' vaudeville (two performances) a hit. Movies (funny) a success. 8B's sold popcorn – 22<sup>00</sup>  
8A's cleared 50<sup>00</sup> on lemo. etc. etc.

At school this evening.

Refreshments .75 + .05;

#### **Friday, June 15**

A fine day. Threatening at first. Warmed up some Got much cooler at evening

Great time at final assembly and award of honorable mentions this A M

Worked with teachers all afternoon.

Fine graduating exercises this evening

Barber .30;

#### **Saturday, June 16**

Fine day. Cool

At school all morning. Mr Albright came with his son, Malvin, to take away the five pictures he had loaned me Had a fine visit with him.

This afternoon Mr & Mrs McNutt took me out on the County Line to may colony of Asclepias ovalifolia. In full blossom in part. Some in bud. About 15 stalks. A number of seedlings - - Took two photos. Got a close up of it after I got home. One also of Anemone P. - - On way looked up bittern's nest. Eggs still there but looked deserted - - The Parratt's took us for a fine ride this evening. - - Franken's peonies for most part yet in bud

Groceries .95 + .15 –

#### **Sunday, June 17**

Fine day.

Mother, K. & I went to Gary. Arthur, Lennie & Ruth had gotten there the night before.

We had an auto ride there this afternoon

Baptisia coming into blossom. Coreopsis wide open. Teplusia in bud.

R.R 1.20 + 2.85 + 2.85;

#### **Monday, June 18**

Very hot day

At school much of time Miss Watt on duty.

Men made up compost heap – cow manure, sod, loose soil, etc.

Set out calendulas, a few more asters, a few zinnias

The Greenes took us all for a fine ride this evening.

Ice cream .30; bread .15.  
steak .60;

## **Tuesday, June 19**

Another very hot day  
At school this A.M.  
To city on 1:16. To Fields, & Vaughn's & Stebbins Hardware. Long conf. with Prof. Cox.  
At dinner at six at College Club with Audubon Directors – Mitchell, Mrs Richardson, Gault, Pattee, Dean.  
R.R. .40 + .30 + .07;  
dinner 1.00; barber .30;

## **Wednesday, June 20**

Very hot.  
Left this A.M. for Rockford by the N.W.R.R. Got there at 10:30. Lollled around until afternoon. Then went to the Wight School where Miss Giffen is at work. Inspected the bldg, especially Miss Giffen's drawing room. Eighth graduating going on and I attended part of the exercises. Then I went over to the Kishwaukee school & looked it over. Took 4:30 for DeKalb. - - Spent evening with Mr. Gilbert  
R.R 30 + 3.98 + 1.80. Hotel 1.10  
Lunch .65  
Taxi .60 + 75

## **Thursday, June 21**

Very hot.  
Visited at normal college. Mr Ritzman's class, Mr. Parson's, Mr. Gilbert's. Visit with Dr. Brown. Interview with Mrs Spalding, possible candidate.  
Mr. Balthis and I went over campus inspecting shrubbery. Went to his house for a lunch of ham and eggs which he cooked for me. (His wife died last winter)  
Caught 2:20 for Chicago & 5:10 home.  
R.R. 2.10 + .30. Hotel 2.50. Ice cream .30;

## **Friday, June 22**

Very hot  
At school.  
This afternoon went down to Gertrude House to talk over kg situation with Mrs Page. Supper at City Club. Then to "Covered Wagon." A fine and impressive production.  
R.R. .40 + .40; taxi .75 + .75  
Supper 1.25; theater 1.10.  
[Based on the novel by Emerson Hough (see April 30th entry), *The Covered Wagon*, was produced by Jesse L. Lasky for Paramount Pictures and directed by James Cruze, who with screenwriter Jack Cunningham, stayed true to the original story and created a landmark epic of the westward journey on the Oregon Trail. Filmed in Nevada, many of the covered wagons used in the film were actual relics loaned by farmers in the area. – ed.]

## **Saturday, June 23**

Very hot.  
Worked at school all day

This evening went down to the Rosenwald place to a masque in honor of Jens Jensen & the tenth anniversary of the Friends of Our Native Landscape.  
Groceries .48; barber .30; Ice cream .30

### **Sunday, June 24**

Very hot but perhaps less so than yesterday.  
Miss Mabel Ducker brot her friend \_\_\_\_\_ to my office to talk fifth grade – this A M  
Lolled on bed all day. About evening went down to beach off Ravine Drive. Quite cool on the pier  
On the way back called on the Geers Raymond & Charlotte there.

### **Monday, June 25**

Very hot day. Storm late in evening brot cool temperature.  
At school. Closed up Miss Watt's work so that she could leave for the summer.  
This evening met Gen. Wood at my office to talk over auditorium situation. Then went to meeting of Community Center Board where it was decided to close up for the Summer  
Conferred with Mrs Winston at 5:00 about the alumni fund  
Barber .30; ice cream .30;

### **Tuesday, June 26**

Fine cool breeze Heavy rain in the night.  
Mrs Spalding came from DeKalb to talk over school situation & apply for position. Then Annabel Rogers, our new drawing teacher, came – her father and another and Miss Comber also. They had come in an auto from St. Paul Had fine visit with them  
At school this afternoon Milton Gantz came to talk maps and I bot some.  
This evening I set out some more zinnias, put away the tulip bulbs, hoed & staked my tomatoes and mowed front yard.  
Ice cream .30;

### **Wednesday, June 27**

Fine summer day. At first overcast. Then clear & warm. At evening cool breezes  
Worked in my yard until 9:00. Then at school. Agents of D.C. Heath – Folks & Stanton called Again – this afternoon at school. There for a time this evening.  
At 10:00 got phone message from Lennie. She & A. & R. were in Chic. Had missed their Calif train & so came out here at 11:09.  
Strawberries \$4.00. (Tilman)

### **Thursday, June 28**

Driving rain in the night – and great drop in temperature. Clear & very cool today. Vests & overcoats, too, in use.  
At school for half hour this A.M, then spent day with the folks. Phoned in at 8:30 & got section for Arthur on tonight's 9:10 Overland Limited - - A. & I went in on 11:38 & checked baggage, etc. Mother, L. & R. came in at 1:50 and we all went to the Covered Wagon at Woods: Fine treat. Then M & I said goodbye to the others & came home  
This evening at my desk.  
R.R. 2.10; taxi 2.25; tip .25; theatre 5.50; barber .75; chocolate .10;

### **Friday, June 29**

Beautiful day. Cool. At school all day.

This afternoon met with Mrs Greene & Mrs Millard on teacher matters.

Mr. Brunnquist came and brot the murals for the mantel in the hall.

Miss Fargo came to talk kg. matters

At my desk this evening.

### **Saturday, June 30**

Fine day.

To city on 8:46. To Fields for hat, collars, & to see about chairs to be sent to school. To Sweet Wallach's to buy negatives. Chat with Prof. Strong. Carson Piries to look up linoleum and window shades. To C.J. Albert's to talk over teacher candidates. To Vaughan's for rye for planting school ground. Home at 3:40. Took my camera & made 6 exposures of the building (Elm Pl.)

This evening developed 10 plates of school, etc. Called on the Taylors  
Dist 107; R R 40 + .07 + .30; rye .85;  
Plates 1.75; nicotine sulphate .35; groceries 1.07; barber .30; book .25;

### **Sunday, July 1**

Fine day

This A M. I spent fifteen minutes at school, then a little while with Mr Parratt, then came home and slept until dinner time

Afternoon I slept until four. At 5:00 Mr. Parratt came for me and he & I & Mrs P. went up to the Waukegan Flats where I photographed Liliium Philadelphicum, bladder campion, and the green milkweed. Spiderwort nearly through blooming; baptisia also; a few calopogon & pogonias left.

### **Monday, July 2**

Fine day. Overcast.

Warmer.

At school all day & evening Miss Fargo and I met Miss Carstens and Miss Mateer who are interested in a kg paid cadetship.

Miss Sands and Miss Clara White began their summer vacation school with 12 pupils.

Met Curry to go over redecorating plans

Barber .30; boracic acid .15; ice cream .30;

### **Tuesday, July 3**

Busy.

This day began with rush work at desk at school. Then Miss Harriette Foreman of Charleston came and we spent a lot of time together. Had lunch at Green Tea Kettle. She accepted 5th grade.

Then I got baggage ready and left for L. Geneva at 3:45. Caught 4:45 at Chic. Ran through very heavy rainstorm at Genoa Junction & vicinity. - - - Patrick met me at station. The Hutchinson party was at dinner when I arrived. Mr & Mrs H., Mr & Mrs Goldsmith, & Mr. Morse of the Forest Preserve Zoo R.R. .40 + 2.56. Day's expenses 1.30

### **Wednesday, July 4**

Gray. Then heavy shower mid-afternoon

Photographed Asclepias curassavica which "William" had growing in pots.

Our party met Mr Martin Ryerson's party on the latter's yacht which came for us & went to Club House on lake for big luncheon. – Mr & Mrs Martin R., Mr & Mrs Gale, Mr & Mrs \_\_\_\_\_, and Miss Nixon. Met Mrs Carpenter & others there.

### Thursday, July 5

Walked around in estate with Mrs H & Mr. M. this A.M. One colony of Indian pipe in sight. Conopholis just coming out. Cimicifuga in bud.

Long ride this afternoon – Whitewater, Delevan, & back.



The red eye's nest in garden.

Mr. Morse's kangaroo baby (in bottle) & story of its birth.

Mr H & the graduating class of 50 years ago at old Central H.S. 73 graduates. Prof Howland's fine influence. The botany teacher, Mr. Monroe. Lit teacher.

Mr. C.D. Stewart's "Arrow making" & potamogeton pectinatus.

### Friday, July 6

Set up background & photographed Rumex and asprella.

Rained now & then this A.M.

This afternoon Patrick drove Mr. G., Mr. M. & me out on Kenosha Road. At Ryan Lake we visited with a pair of y-h blackbirds. Here I found habenaria lacera (my first), polygala incarnata, houstonia cerulea, etc

Mr. H. had left yesterday A.M. with Mrs. G. & they both came back this P.M.

Fine visit will all these.

### Saturday, July 7

Fine day.

Left Mr. Hutchinson's at 8:30. Took 9:15 bus for Kenosha & got home at 12:30.

This afternoon I went up to Sixth Ravine. To my surprise found one specimen of Liparis lilliaefolia in blossom and one immature specimen. This was by the path where it crosses a shallow water course. Photographed it. Then went east of the bridge & photographed one specimen of pyrola.

Went to movie this evening – Quincy Adams Sawyer – miserable stuff. (Bro't home in auto by Mr. Stone of Milwaukee – nephew of Elia W Peattie)

Trolley & bus 2.00 + 10; shine .25; groceries .20; ice cream .30;

### Sunday, July 8

Beautiful day.

The Pattees came for me in a taxi at 12:00 and we went to the Waukegan Flats. Sent taxi back at Beach Station. Ate lunch on shady ridge overlooking the lake. Worked south and by 7:30 were on No. Sheridan Rd. I hurried to Glen Flora Springs & phoned for a taxi which brot us to the Electric Station.

Prairies displayed masses of phlox dotted with Lobelia spicata, Lythrum a., Vervain. Between ridges in the low swales fine colonies of Calopogon, of Philadelphia lilies, orange butterfly weed, etc. Spiderwort & baptisia still in bloom. – Henslow's sparrow – The Chat in a thicket.

Expenses 1.25 + .75 + .38 + .05

### Monday, July 9

Turned out to be a hot day.

At school all day, working on bills. Board met and acted on them this evening. Present Mann, St Peter, & Mrs Greene, Mrs Millard voting by phone.  
Barber .30; ice cream .30 + .10

### **Tuesday, July 10**

Very warm.

At school all morning This afternoon took two enlarged photographs of blossoms of greater twayblade Developed nine negatives. Hoed my garden and tied up tomatoes and golden glow.

Went to meeting of book committee of public library this evening.

Ice cream .30; vegetables .25; butter .50;

### **Wednesday, July 11**

Fine rain in the night. Gray & sultry awhile today then as evening came on quite cool.

Photographed twayblade blossom again (Then at school.) This afternoon again at school. Mr Pelz & friend from Amer. Seating Co came

Mowed my yard this evening. Mrs Green and Mrs Millard and I met to talk over teacher schedule  
Barber 1.50; groceries .20;

### **Thursday, July 12**

[no entry on this day – ed.]

### **Friday, July 13**

[no entry on this day – ed.]

### **Saturday, July 14**

[no entry on this day – ed.]

### **Sunday, July 15**

Rained heavily this A.M & cleared only in mid afternoon. Sultry but cool at evening.

To church Came home with the Clows in the rain.

Went down to the Art Institute for the afternoon

Clarence came in during the afternoon

R R .40 + .40; lunch .25.

### **Monday, July 16**

Fine day.

Busy at school.

Entertained group of superintendents studying school architecture. Came after lunch – Mr Fox, ass't school architect of Cleveland in charge. Mr. Nichols and Mr Walker of Evanston, Storm of Batavia, & Thompson of St Charles in charge. Others students (summer) of U. of C. Fine & enthusiastic visit.

Ravinia concert this evening. M & K could not go – blackberries. I was entertained by Mrs Arthur Wood and her mother.

Barber .30; ice cream .30

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

### **Tuesday, July 17**

At school

Conferred with the glazier who came to do over some work; with Samuelson, the carpenter; with Billie Appleton about trimming trees at Library. After lunch met Mr. Curry & Mr Brunnquist, the artist, and helped them paste up the murals over the hall mantel.

### **Wednesday, July 18**

Fine day

Met Mr Beers by appointment this A.M & went over details of extras with him.

Clarence D. & Edith drove in today. They had driven to Alpena from Gary & then got back to Gary Monday evening.

We had a long drive this evening.

Dedication of new road between H.P. & Deerfield, this evening. Great parade.

Groceries .78

### **Thursday, July 19**

Fine day. Warm but not disagreeable.

Worked in my room all A.M.

This afternoon Clarence with M & E drove me to Mrs Leverett Thompson's [620 Woodlawn Road – ed.] at Lake Forest to attend a lecture. I found, however, that I was a day too early. - - So came back on trolley & worked at school.

Clarence D & I went down to the circus – this evening

Trolley .15 + .80; circus 1.50 + .20

### **Friday, July 20**

This afternoon went to the Leverett Thompson home at L. Forest – by invitation – to hear a talk by Miss Roberts, Prof of Botany at Vassar. She has undertaken study of germination of seeds of wild flowers. I was made very much at home by Mrs Brewster, Mrs Blake and Mrs Hutchinson, & I had fine visit with Mr Von Oven of Naperville & Mr. Malcom, gardener of Shore Acres. Also with Mr Cropp of Vaughan's.  
Trolley .32; taxi .75;

### **Saturday, July 21**

Warm day. Edith & C. went home this A.M.

Met Mrs Hutchinson by appointment at trolley station, Lake Forest, at 9:00 this A.M. We drove to Beach & out on the Flats. Gathered seeds of heuchera calopogon, shooting star, eryngium, tradescantia, etc. Most beautiful displays of phlox, ceanothus, orange butterfly weed, amorphia, vervain, etc. Mrs H's first visit to the Flats & she was very enthusiastic. - - Lunch at "Georges," then called on Mrs Bess Bower Dunn at Co Clerk's office – then on Co. Supt Simpson's office. He took us to Title & Trust Co to look up ownership of Grass Lake, then to editorial office of Wauk. Sun where we met Mr Smith. Then Mrs H & I drove to Gurnee to meet Mr. Geo McCullogh, chairman of Co. Commissioners. Then I was brot back to W. & Mrs H left for L. Geneva

Expenses .68

### **Sunday, July 22**

Warm but tempered

Clarence came back yesterday from his week at Kenosha.

Rested this A.M. Then went to L.F to home of Mr Francis C. Farwell [Stone Gate Road] for dinner. Guests – Miss Roberts, Mr & Mrs Jensen, Mr & Mrs Hubbard of Winnetka. Delightful time.

Inspected fine gardens there. Talked over wild-flower propaganda. I came away with Mr & Mrs H. We first visited Leverett Thompson garden (a dream in color and arrangement) then back to H.P.

At home this evening, but made a late call on the Geers  
Trolley .15; taxi 1.00.

### **Monday, July 23**

Warm but cooler after showers.

To city on 8:16. To Chic. Kg College where I met Miss Fargo and observed work of summer class. Then we had a conf. with Miss Edna Baker over cadets & came downtown & had lunch at Stevens'. Then I left Miss F & shopped at Fields. Then to Chic. Kg College on north side to confer with Mrs Paige about Kg teachers.

Back to the loop – then left on L. for Howard St. Over to the Collins, 7635 Bosworth for dinner. Mrs Harries, & Zera & her husband there. A fine evening.

Dist 107 - .40 + .40 + .65.

Self .28 + .65. Umbrella 2<sup>00</sup>

barber .30;

### **Tuesday, July 24**

Warm but refreshing breezes.

I met Miss Edith Roberts by appointment in Waukegan and we took taxi to W. Flats. Gathered seeds & calopogon & others & wandered about for two hours. Then to Flats near Manville Johns factory for a few minutes to try to get buckbean seeds. To Georges for luncheon. Then to Ft. Sheridan – where we tramped across the Sweeney estate to the home of the prairie white-fringed orchis. Found only two stalks. Then back to Highwood where Miss R. took trolley for Chic.

This A.M. investigated ownership of Grass Lake at abstract office.

R.R. .38 + .76

### **Wednesday, July 25**

Fine day. Cool breezes.

At school awhile, then to city and down to Quadrangle Club at U. of C. to luncheon with Miss Roberts, Prof. Shull and Dr. Fuller. Talked over scheme for collecting seeds of wild flowers for germinating purposes. Afterwards visited a while with these people in Botany Bldg.

Down town to Brentanos a while & then home.

R.R. .40 + 2.25 + .40; barber .30;

### **Thursday, July 26**

Fine day

Leonard Smith came in this afternoon

At school most of day. Cleared away at correspondence all morning. This afternoon spent a lot of time with photographer from Chicago, Mr Barnum, who photographed the exterior of the new bldg and took six interiors.

Visited awhile at the Clows this evening with Mr Paul Dyke & his wife – just back from Roberts College.

Meat .95; ice cream .60; bread .18; groceries .72;

### **Friday, July 27**

Rained heavily at times today. Felt like a Fall day.

At school – conferring about work on clearing away at my desk  
Leonard went away this A.M.  
Barber .30

### **Saturday, July 28**

Gray but clearing.  
To city on 8:16. To Dr. Lane's office where I was examined for correction of my glasses. To Dow Optical Co. to leave the order for new glasses.  
Shopped at Fields. Took negatives of yellow slipper & two pogonias to Miss Nichols. Left 4 slides to be colored  
To Vaughn's for seeds of Canterbury Bells (Planted this evening) and half bu. of rye.  
Home and held conference at school with Mrs Millard over kg situation. Decided to run two sessions a day.  
R.R. .40 + .30 + .14; barber .90; meat 1.10; groceries .35; drugs 1.60  
Seeds .20. Rye (Dist 107) .90

### **Sunday, July 29**

Fine day  
Went down to Evanston to talk over Kg situation with Miss Fargo.  
Back in time for church. Slept this afternoon – then to Chic. Met Jack & Mrs Kemp of Lexington and their son Kenneth Had fine visit with them.  
Meant to spend evening with Tot & Charles Scrogin but unable to reach them by phone. Then to Art Instit. & later to Chic. Theatre  
Dist 107 - .36 + .36 + .14  
R.R. .40 + .40 + .66

### **Monday, July 30**

Fine day. Not too warm  
At school this A.M. To city after lunch to get circulars relating to lake trips & figures on office furniture.  
Conf. with Messrs Mann, St Peter, & Beers at school this evening over extras  
Mother's 81st birthday. Edith came today.  
R.R. .40 + .40  
Barber .30; meat .50; ice cream .60.

### **Tuesday, July 31**

Warm but fine breezes  
To city to Dow Optical Co. to get my new glasses and to Dr Lane's office to have them "checked up"  
Home at 1:00 and at school rest of afternoon.  
Bothered today over adjusting kg. program. Miss Fargo balked and I gave her an ultimatum. She talked it all over with Mrs Millard this evening & has agreed to the two-session plan "if necessary."  
Learned from Angie Crooks today of the death of Aunt Angie Smith, last Saturday.  
R.R. .80; Dr. Lane 5<sup>00</sup>; Dow 11<sup>00</sup>  
Ice cream .60; razor blades .70;

### **Wednesday, August 1**

Sultry. Gray at times  
At school all day.

Mowed my lawn

Edith went home this afternoon

Agent of Thos Charles called.

Began writing orders for Sept. deliveries of books, etc

Barber .30; ice cream .30;

### Thursday, August 2

Fine day Cool breezes.

At school all day and this evening.

Finished orders for books and supplies. Wrote other letters Planned work of next four weeks with janitors

Mr Brunnquist worked all day on the mural over the mantel

Mother has an attack like grippe and had to lie low today.

Paid him – check for \$150<sup>00</sup> ←

Bread .28;

Ice cream .30; meat .33;

### Friday, August 3

Warmer but not oppressive

Very busy. At 11:00 went to city. Conferred with Mr. Beers Went to Wm T. Barnum, photographer and got set of pictures of school. Bot cuff buttons at Peacock's. Home at 3:00. This evening conferred with Mr. Mann about equipment, and at 10:45 with Geo. Smith about Caroline Erb, held in solitary confinement next door to us

R.R. .40 + .40; lunch .65; cuff buttons 2.50; ice cream .30.

barber .90; bread .15;

### Saturday, August 4

Ellison Bay

Left at 10:37 for Ellison Bay.

At Sturgeon Bay took bus and at 10:00 P.M. was at Ellison Bay Lodge

### Sunday, August 5

Ellison Bay.

With Dr. Wees of Chic. & Miss Lena McCauley. Looked up the Jensens. We were all together at dinner

Morning service at Swedish church

In same church at evening – concert by Prof. Christiansen of St. Olaf's College, his son, & a young woman.

### Monday, August 6

Ellison Bay

This day George Hooker invited me to share his home with him and I moved in with pleasure.

He and I and all the Jensen circle went to the movies this evening

### Tuesday, August 7

Ellison Bay

I walked over to Gill's Rock and called on Miss Cooke and Mrs Gudrun-Thorne-Thomsen.

### Wednesday, August 8

Ellison Bay

Mr H and I took Miss McCauley, Miss Ruddick, and Miss Watts for a long walk to Deaths Door. This evening we entertained them at dinner

- Thursday, August 9** Ellison Bay  
A little droopy. Lopped around all day.
- Friday, August 10** Ellison Bay  
Mr H & I took Miss McC., Mrs & Miss Kelley, and Judge and Mrs Breidenbach of Milwaukee on a delightful walk to Fahndre's Woods
- Saturday, August 11** Ellison Bay  
A picnic party with Mr H., Miss McC., the Breidenbachs, & the Jensens to the "Point".
- Sunday, August 12** Ellison Bay  
This afternoon Mr H., Miss McC., Miss Booth & I walked to the "Point" and back over the headland for the fine view
- Monday, August 13** Ellison Bay  
We took Miss McC and Miss Kelley for a short walk to the head of Mink River
- Tuesday, August 14** Ellison Bay.  
This afternoon Mr Jensen took Miss McC & me to Mrs Riddle's camp where he talked to the boys and girls.  
This evening the Jensens entertained us with a grand dinner on the beach at the foot of their bluff, and we then spent the evening in their cottage, & then the Wheeler cottage.
- Wednesday, August 15** Off for Mackinac I  
Left on bus for Sister Bay at 8:00 and at 12:30 took the Carolina for Mackinac I.  
At Washington I. stop had a half hour's visit with Walter Bihler and his sister.  
Left Escanaba at dusk Went to bed in my berth
- Thursday, August 16** Mackinac I.  
Slipped by the lighthouse at 5:30.  
Driven in horse carriage to Grand Hotel  
Took boat trip to St Ignace this afternoon.
- Friday, August 17** Mackinac I.  
Drizzly this A M  
Afternoon trip to Le Cheneaux Islands.
- Saturday, August 18** Mackinac I.  
Rained this A.M.  
Again took the afternoon trip to Le Cheneaux I.
- Sunday, August 19** To Sault Ste Marie  
Took Octarara at 11:00 and had glorious ride to the Soo, getting there at dusk.
- Monday, August 20** At Sault Ste Marie  
Sightseeing with the Jacksons of Detroit. Crossing to Canadian side, met Arthur Williams.

Later in day we met again by appointment and I went home with him to his cottage on Neebish I.

**Tuesday, August 21** Neebish Island

Heavy wind & sea and A. & Gertrude & I were unable to row over to St. Joseph I for tea with the "Pinwheel" girls.

Had walks about the Island.

**Wednesday, August 22** Neebish Island

Richard Rosenfels & I crossed over in launch and we had a picnic party with Misses Wheelock and Turpin & Prof & Mrs Edwin Herbert Lewis & daughter Janet.

In afternoon Prof Lewis & I and the Pinwheelers had a great auto ride about this glorious country. Richard stayed behind and he & Janet rode a farm horse for amusement.

Arthur Williams had to go to Soo today.

**Thursday, August 23** Back to Sault Ste Marie

Mrs Rosenfels gave me breakfast this A.M. I said goodbye to Gertrude & them & took a little steamer for the Soo.

**Friday, August 24** St Marie to Mackinaw City.

Left by bus for St Ignace. Then ferried to Mackinac I. Ate supper & took evening ferry for Mackinaw City.

[Pasted to this page is a clipping. It is transcribed as follows:

NORMAN CLYDE, a teacher of Weaverville, Calif., on August 24 completed for the first time the ascent of Mount Wilbur, 9,293 feet high, in Glacier National Park. — ed.]

**Saturday, August 25** Back for Chicago

Took early train & rode all day — back to Chicago and home.

**Sunday, August 26**

Showers during morning. Cleared P.M.

Big nap this A.M.

Edith here.

K, E. & I went up to school bldg late this afternoon to look things over. The flagpole had been toppled to the ground by lightening two weeks ago.

Read from Montaigne today.

Looked over a lot of my mail that had been accumulating.

**Monday, August 27**

Very heavy rains in the night and some showers during the day.

At school all day working over my mail when not busy with visitors and others.

Miss Thomson came this afternoon to apply for Miss Peterson's place. Also Miss Inez Doty, a high-school teacher from Canton, Ohio, - about to be married — came on the same errand

This evening I went to the Concert at Ravinia and heard an unusually fine one. Miss Everett invited me to sit in the box with her, Mrs Mills & Sarah, Mrs Hawkins', and one other.

Heavy rain during concert this evening.

Barber .30; groceries .87 + .10;

trolley .14;

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

### **Tuesday, August 28**

Nice day

At school this A.M. Several visitors including King of Newson & Morris of Houghton M. & Co.

This afternoon went to the city, exchanged a pair of shoes, & picked up my suit case at Pere Marquette Station.

This evening M., K. & I went to reception at Fred Noerenberg's for Howard Kuist and his bride, - a very pretty and high-grade young woman. An interesting program was given

R.R. .60 + .07 + .60; toilet paper 2<sup>00</sup>

### **Wednesday, August 29**

Sultry.

Called on Howard Kuist for an hour this A M. Then to printing office where I wrote an article about him, also one on the opening of school. Took 12:40 for Chic. Spent entire afternoon in botany section of Field Museum.

Supper at City Club, then an hour at McVickers. Home at 9:10.

R.R. .80; lunch .40; City Club 1.45.

[The *Highland Park Press* article on the opening of school appeared on page 1 of the August 30<sup>th</sup> issue. The article on Howard Kuist appeared in the same issue on page 6 under the headline "Mr. and Mrs. Kuist Given Reception Former Highland Park Boy and His Bride Entertained Notable Career." Mr. Kuist was a professor of Greek civilization at the Biblical Seminary in New York City. – ed.]

### **Thursday, August 30**

Fine summer day

At school all day.

Conf with Mrs Greene and Mrs Millard this afternoon. Phone from Mr Ritzman about a candidate for 2nd grade

Call from a Mrs Black, desiring position

At office this evening.

Mowed half of lawn this evening

Brush .30; wire container 3.50. Bread .15; barber .30;

### **Friday, August 31**

Warmer.

Miss Elizabeth Anderson of DeKalb called to talk over position.

Mr Beers and I had a conf. at school this A.M

A Mr. Bean, representing playground apparatus, spent some time with me.

Took the 1:20 for Chic. & spent afternoon at Field Museum. Back at 8:00.

Went to the 9 o'clock show at Pearls to see Circus Days and Jackie Coogan

R.R. .80 + .14; supper .25; show .30; meat .70;

### **Saturday, September 1**

Worked at school until noon. Wired Miss Kennedy of her election to 2nd grade, & wrote her a long letter – also wrote two other candidates. Passed out payroll and wrote checks for those who had no warrant.

This afternoon to Chic. To Anderson-Carlson to be measured for cutaway suit. To Field Museum until six. Then to Municipal Pier for supper & rest. Then to see Pollock's great play – *The Fool*. Was deeply impressed.

R.R. .40 + .30 + .28; meals .70; bread .28;

[Pasted to this page is the playbill for Channing Pollock's play, *The Fool*. – ed.]

### **Sunday, September 2**

Heavy showers after 5:30.

This afternoon I took the bus ride to Deerfield, Schermerville, Glen View & Wilmette, then by trolley home.

The Clows called this evening

Trolley .85

### **Monday, September 3**                      Labor Day

A fine day    Breeze tempered the heat.

Mosquitoes unusually abundant.

At school most of day. Read extensively on educational subjects.

Gathered beets & tomatoes.

This evening Mr & Mrs Green and Lois came for us and we had delightful ride to the vicinity of Libertyville & back through Half Day and Deerfield

### **Tuesday, September 4**

A fine day. A little sultry.

The H-S. in session

I was at school all day and this evening. Sent out final notice to all about teachers' meeting,

Saturday

New patrons called. Mrs Taylor and her father, Mr. Joe Miller came.

Barber .30; groceries .60 + .30.

### **Wednesday, September 5**

Fine. A little sultry.

Hazel Bell and Miss Watt began work this A.M. by arranging the book store. I worked with them until noon when I went to the city

Tried on my new cutaway at Anderson-Carlson's. Bot hardware at Stebbins. Consulted Dennisons' and Sweet-Wallach's about pasteboard boxes. Hat at Fields & searched for large hall vases. To Chic. Transp. for some slides. Turtle's to inquire about specimens. To Field Museum, spending most of my time in systematic mineralogy & fossils.

6:30 to Chic. Theatre. Not much of value. Home at 9:30

R.R. .40 + .40 + .21. Taxi .75; Supper .40; theater .55; Stamps .97;

### **Thursday, September 6**

Rained much of morning, very heavily at times. Some showers this afternoon. General discomfort because of dampness. Had carpenter work on door pulls & cupboards at school.

Worked with Miss Bell & Miss Watt about all day, getting new office under way

Conf. with Mrs Greene, then with Mrs Millard over school matters.

At Library from 7:30 to 9:00 – book committee & general meeting.

The at 9:00 to school to meet Mr Barker who wanted to talk over his boys' schooling with me.

Bread .15; garters .50;

### **Friday, September 7**

Cleared & then clouded again, but no rain until nightfall.

At school, of course. Helped some of new teachers to boarding places.

Elsie & Will Holmequist & the children & May came this afternoon – by auto from Benton Harbor.

Ticket 10.00; barber 1.50; grocer 1.11

Ice cream .90;

### **Saturday, September 8**

A fine day – turning gray at the end and then came showers once more.

The teachers all came in and we had a morning conference and again, one in the afternoon.

Delightful occasions marred later in the afternoon by Miss Fargo who had been unwilling to accede to the plan of having a double session of the kg.

This evening I took Elsie and May through the bldg.

Will was there a while this A.M., then went to Milwaukee to look up some friends

Groceries .80;

### **Sunday, September 9**

Clear. Sunny → Cool. → most of day.

The Holmquists left in their auto by 8:00 this A.M

Went to church.

Slept this afternoon. Then to call at the Greenes for a while. Then at school an hour. After that went up to Highwood to call at the McGaths' Mrs M. died in the hospital at Wauk. ~~Thurs~~ yesterday – mushroom poisoning. Miss Bisbee was with Florence today as a friend of the family.

Reading Sinclair's The Goose step. Some of Masefield's Poems also.

R.R. .17

### **Monday, September 10**

Partial Eclipse of the Sun.

Fine day.

School began with fine enthusiasm. Miss Lund absent. 785 enrolled. More to come.

Miss Bisbee and Florence at school a little while to see me about funeral arrangements. This evening I engaged Mrs Raymond Lewis of Wauk. to sing at the funeral. Called at the McGath house late this evening.

School only until noon. Various teachers' conferences this afternoon.

Great sale of books at bookstore this afternoon.

### **Tuesday, September 11**

Bright at first – but by noon & after rain. Great downpour.

Spent much time in the bookstore today.

To city on 5:29 & to meeting of Directors of Audubon Society. Good meeting, full of promise  
R.R. .40 + .30; supper .70;

### **Wednesday, September 12**

A fine day on the whole. Cool. Fans run today & yesterday

Mrs Regen (Magdalena Ohlwein) began work today as janitress on four-hour basis

The McGaths including Mrs Bennett – the oldest – called this afternoon

Miss Crew brot her mother to see the new building.

Mrs Green & Mrs Millard spent considerable time at school. I had long conferences with Misses Kerr & Wheelock & with Miss Kennedy. Wrote news items for Press Wrote a number of letters this evening.

Groceries .42;

**Thursday, September 13** Trace of frost on roof.

Fine day Cool

Had our annual exhibit of fruit, flowers, & vegetables today. Great display in the auditorium. This evening the YW's gave a reception to the teachers. A number of us represented Elm Place.

Bread .15;

**Friday, September 14** Trace of frost.

Fine day. Cool

Finished our exhibit today by selling most of it for benefit of Japanese Relief Fund. More than \$37<sup>00</sup> came in this way with gifts.

Animal show at 1:00. Parade first of horses; then dogs; cats; feathered animals. A great time.

This evening attended the high school teachers' reception. Also a fine time.

Bread .15;

**Saturday, September 15**

Fine day. Cool One needed light overcoat much of time.

To city.

Acad. of Sciences to get information & ideas. Lunch at Arcade and a visit with Mrs Jewett & Miss Annis.

To Miss Nichols' office to confer about slides she is coloring for me

To Anderson-Carlson for my new cutaway \$130<sup>00</sup>.

Fields for books, vases, suspenders

Vaughans for winter wheat & rye.

At home this evening

R.R. .40 + .30 + .28; lunch .35; suspenders 1.<sup>00</sup>; drugstore 1.54  
barber .30;

**Sunday, September 16**

Fine day. Milder.

At home this A.M. after feeding the guinea pigs. Had bath & nap.

At 12:53 took trolley for Wauk with Misses Grunew., Kennedy, Rogers, Weinland, Davis, Densmore, & Clara White. At W. took bus for Beach. Then walked over the Flats to the lake & spent afternoon enjoying flowers & collecting specimens to bring back

Grass of Parnassus, Gerardia purpurea, liatris, goldenrod, coreopsis, Joe pye, & in fruit Solomon's seal, catbrier, high-bush c., nannyberry, indigo plant, etc. etc.

Home by 9:30

R.R. .38 + 14 + 15 + 38;  
chocolate .50

**Monday, September 17**

Warmer. Sultry by evening.

Morning exercises as usual. Miss Lund wired from Cody, Wyoming, she was leaving for home. Miss Anne Elizabeth Allen visited us this A.M. Very enthusiastic over our bldg, and the school. Bulbs arrived from Dreers.

Conf. with 5th graders after school

Worked on material about Japan this evening.

Groceries .88.

### **Tuesday, September 18**

Mild. Threatening, but cleared. Warm. A vestless day.

Hopkins & Neff of Iroquois Pub. Co., and Seaver of Ginn & Co called.

Talked to various groups of children today about Japanese Relief. Planned an exhibit.

This evening at Presb. Ch. at meeting of Religious Education Assn. It was agreed to have children twice a week at 8:30 – to be permitted to come in late at opening period of school day

Ice cream .30;

### **Wednesday, September 19**

Fine day. Less sultry. Gray at times. Drizzle after night.

Miss Husenetter applied for substitute work.

Mr Davis and Mr. Bartoli building guinea pig hutch

Candy .50; fruit .40;

### **Thursday, September 20**

Rainy. Very heavy rains this afternoon.

Visited every room to adv. entertainment tomorrow.

This evening to Mrs Bacon's to look over some steel engravings she proposed to loan us.

Barber .30;

### **Friday, September 21**

Cleared. A beautiful day.

Japanese day with us. Mr. R.W. Patton talked about Japan and his experiences as follows:

10-11:00 7's

11-12 8's

1:30-2:30 – 6's.

We set up a splendid collection of Japanese material in the Hall of Pictures and each child visited it during the day. Then during the afternoon two performances of marionettes were given by Miss Watt & her helpers. A five cent fee for this was charged. Our fund for Japanese relief climbed rapidly. Over 192<sup>00</sup>, so far.

Candy .10; bread .15;

### **Saturday, September 22**

Fine day

Found when I started away from the house this A.M. that I was decidedly lame in the back. Have been humped over all day.

To city on 9:16. To Cent Sc. Co. to get supplies. City Club for lunch. While there had chat with Miss Gertrude Anthony about Glacier Park.

To Carlson-Anderson Co to leave check for 5<sup>00</sup>. Stebbins Hardware. Fair for paper bags. DeVoe-Raynolds & to Abbott's for clay. Dennison's for gummed labels. Vaughan's for plant labels.

Home at 5:00. To school & conferred with Miss Grenoble.  
At desk at school this evening  
R R. 80 + .35; labels .35; barber 30; lunch .75; groceries .40 + .15;  
107 – Taxi 1<sup>50</sup>; bags 2.10; labels (plant) 2.40; gummed labels .85

### **Sunday, September 23**

Fine day  
My back seemed better and I fared forth to school – then to church but found going slow. On the  
bed all afternoon. Then from 5:30 to 7:30 at school. Rode there & walked back slowly.  
Reading De la Mare's Memoirs of a Midget.  
Church 20;

### **Monday, September 24**

Beautiful day  
Ashes deepening; sumach beginning to blaze; woodbine flashing color; great yellow leaflets of the hickory  
spread about the ground. Warblers flit about the foliage.  
My back bothered me today some. Ate lunch across the street. Mr Metzler and I ate dinner at  
Green Tea Kettle & conferred at school bldg until Board met. All bills pending on new bldg passed after  
long discussion.  
I found my salary had been raised to \$4750<sup>00</sup>  
Enrollment to date – 786 plus kg 65.  
Lunch .65; candy .10;

### **Tuesday, September 25**

Warmer. Sultry. A little threatening at evening.  
Back a little better  
Sale of blubs began. 8A's in charge  
Teachers had a fine picnic on beach this evening  
Letter from Clarence said Junior had left for Columbia.  
Tea .90;

### **Wednesday, September 26**

Sultry. Light shower after 11:00 A.M.  
Took one group of 4B's out to study soil and had another when interrupted by rain. Had one kg  
group plant paper whites – 31.  
Some 5th grade pupils and I potted 75 or so Canterbury Bells – the plants from my own garden  
Conf. with Mrs Wood over membership of P.T.A. committees.  
Some of our supply of bulbs exhausted. Re-ordered this evening. Ordered 200 Current Event  
Topics for 7 – 8's.  
Ice cream .30

### **Thursday, September 27**

Sultry. Sudden shower about 3:00 this afternoon.  
Fine field trip with 4B-1's this A.M. to bluff and beach, Misses Dorsch and Stine accompanying.  
Miss Guiney ill this afternoon and I taught for her. Miss Key of Country Day a visitor.  
Mrs Millard gave a party after school to which nearly all of us went.

This evening Mr Silber, Mr. Eitel, Mr Geo Jones, Mrs Millard and I met at Gen'l Woods to discuss auditorium situation. Agreed to go on with the plan soon.

Barber .30;

### **Friday, September 28**

Quite sultry

Another field trip duplicating that of yesterday.

Miss Guiney unable to come, Mrs McNutt substituted.

Miss Dailey, Prin. of So School, No. Chic. with Miss Siegele and two members of their Board here this afternoon.

Conf. of Mr. Morris & committee members of the P.T.A. this afternoon. Planned activities for this year.

This evening Misses Sands, White, Bell, & I went over list of subscr. to aud., & made list of our patrons who have not yet subscribed.

Candy .10; bread .15;

### **Saturday, September 29**

Fine day. A little cooler

Great aster display everywhere. Mrs Hutchinson phoned me last night to come to Lake G. to enjoy the display but I could not make it.

At desk at home and school until 11:30 Caught 11:44 for Chicago. To Carlson-Anderson for a fitting. To Miss Nichols to talk about slides. Then home on 2:20.

At school remainder of afternoon. Met Mr Beers there this evening to talk audit. plans.

R.R 80; lunch .50; groceries .40; barber 30;

### **Sunday, September 30**

Fine day. Gray at times.

Edith & D. came this A.M. and M. went back with them this afternoon.

I went to church, then after early dinner, took 1:23 for Wauk. with Mr & Mrs McNutt, Misses Grunewald, Heffron, Densmore, Davis, Stine, and Kennedy. Then by bus to Beach Fine tramp over flats. Gentians here and there. Fine goldenrod & asters. Leaves (black oak) coloring.

Home at 9:00 Brot six of the girls to our house to "eat something"

Church .25; outing 1.91;

### **Monday, October 1**

Fine day

Aster bouquets the place of honor at morning exercises.

Field trip to Exmoor Ridge with one group of 4B's

Various conferences after school. Then with Misses Sands, White & Jones, I went in taxi to Mrs Brandt's [1541 S. St. Johns - ed.] near Ravinia Station to see a group of Sioux there - having supper on the lawn. Interesting dances, etc.

### **Tuesday, October 2**

Fine day.

Another 4B field trip.

Agent of Encyc Americana called.

Sent out vouchers and warrants for last month's bills this evening.

Groceries .24;

### **Wednesday, October 3**

Fine day.

Still another 4B trip. Planting lesson with 2B's – Miss Stuart.

Short but fine visit from Mrs Thomas Clements.

Taught 5B's this afternoon to permit Miss Foreman to go together with Miss Grunewald, Miss Behrens and Mrs Truax to see encampment of Indians at Palatine.

Went in on 4:46 to Chic. & down to Quadrangle Club to complimentary dinner given by Directors of Geog. Soc. to Henry J. Patten – his return from trip around the world.

R.R 40 + 40 + 28 + .20; barber .30

### **Thursday, October 4**

Fine day. Cooler.

Spent considerable time conferring with Mrs Brandt of Ravinia and planning to have a group of Sioux Indians here tomorrow morning, but late this afternoon a phone from the commissioner at Camp Reinberg, Palatine, dashed our hopes. The Indians are to be at Armour & Co's instead.

This evening the program committee of the P.T.A. met in office of I.S. Mrs Pfanstiehl, Mrs Silber, Mr Morris, Mr Meyer.

Candy .10;

### **Friday, October 5**

Fine day

Busy one

Closed earlier this afternoon and a party of 14 of us left for Tremont on 6:22 I C R R. from Chicago. There at 8:02. Some went to Duneside Inn. I and Misses Watt, Grunewald, and White went to Tremont House

Tschirgi, Nixon, Behrens, Kennedy, Densmore, Wheelock, Turpin, Grenoble, & Mr & Mrs McNutt at D.S. Inn.

### **Saturday, October 6**

At Tremont – Dunes

Fine day

Misses Jones, Dorsch, and Foreman came on today – meeting us at evening.

Great tramp. To Prairie Club House, called on Margaret Wilson; then to Tamarack Swamp (Ate dinner on beach near third blowout). Back through the enclosed prairie lanes between the dunes, & over first blowout to Waverly Beach. Dark by this time. Kindled a fire along Dune Creek. Ate supper. Then hiked in the dark along the back trail out to the road to D.S. Inn & Tremont House. All of us crowded into the little Sweet Shop & ate ice cream

Very delightful day.

### **Sunday, October 7**

Dunes

Another beautiful day.

Off at 9:00 We went up Mt Greene & Mt Holden. Then down along the beach to Mr. Dudley's cottage where we were cordially received. Mr D. spent over an hour showing his paintings to us. A great treat.

Then down shore to Waverly Beach where we fried eggs & bacon and ate our meal. A half hour on the blowout, then back to D.S. & Tremont.

Caught 4:04 for Chicago. On way out on electric we visited with Mrs Brandt & husband and talked Indian affairs

Dune trip

.40 + .40 + .25 + 1.55 + 3.50 + 1.68 + 1.25 + .10

### **Monday, October 8**

Fine day

Caucus of teachers after school to plan for Indian Day tomorrow. The Exec. Comm of the P.T.A. present and helped plan for the dinner.

School Board meeting this evening. Report from our finances rather depressing.

I talked about fire prevention today and had fire drill in new bldg for first time.

### **Tuesday, October 9**

Indian Day.

Fine day.

Saw Mrs Brandt and the bus off for Camp Reinberg, Palatine at 8:00 to get our Sioux guests. They came at 10:00. Set up our tepee. Danced some, then we had dinner together, teachers and all, in the art room. Yellow Hawk made a speech of thanks, interpreted by Steele. Then had grades 4 – 8 in the aud. after dinner. Y H. told of the Custer fight as he saw it. There were sign-language talks, dances, etc. Then Indians went out on lawn and gave program for 1 – 3. Lincoln Avenue 1 – 3's present.

Party left at 4:00. Gave them 117<sup>00</sup> & tickets to Chicago.

Conf. with Mr. Beers over aud. plans at 7:00. Then met with Gen'l Wood's committee at 8:15. Barber .30;

### **Wednesday, October 10**

Fine day.

This afternoon after school the H.P. teachers had the autumn picnic to the Des Plaines woods. The initiative came from the h-s. teachers. We left by busses and otherwise at 4:00. Got back at 7:30. Visited Folsom's shack, then went over into the wooded pasture south and east of the bridge. A beautiful late afternoon and evening. A delightful picnic.

### **Thursday, October 11**

Fine, mild day

Rev Mr Suhr visited us awhile this A.M. & Miss Kirschner this afternoon, in the interests of their plans for religious education.

Spent some time helping to plant bulbs – Kg & other rooms.

Mr Barnum, photographer, came to take three more interior views.

Committee meeting at Mrs Luther's this evening to plan community lecture course. Also for a time at Gen'l Wood's to confer over aud. plans and canvas of town for funds.

### **Friday, October 12**

Fine day. Gray at sunset.

Bulb planting a big interest.

Unedas .60;

### **Saturday, October 13**

Rained much of day

To Chic on 8:44. To Vaughans for bag of rye. Fields to leave a buckle for repairs. Joint ticket office to secure folders. Rand McNally to look up maps. Called at Turtle's but specimens not ready. City Club for lunch with Round Table Club. Discussion by Hamilton, Lewton, Rowell.

Miss Nichols for slides (23<sup>00</sup>). Anderson-Carlson for new business suit (115<sup>00</sup>) At office this evening

District 107 – Rye .50 + 14 + 10.

R.R. .40 + .40 + .07; lunch 1.00; barber 1.65; bread .15;

### **Sunday, October 14**

Fine day.

Down to Chic. & at 10:00 caught one of the busses ready to take members of F. of O.N L. to dunes Fine ride but got off our road and finally stalled two miles east of our destination, Dune Park. Ate lunch there. Later two of our busses hopelessly mired when turning around. I left to round up some of our members who had gone on to Dune Park and came back with them to Chic on the Lake Shore.

R R 40 + 40; + 1.75 + 1.29; lunch .25

### **Monday, October 15**

Fine day

After morning exercises Rev. Wolcott, McDonald, Keagle, Cardwill, Weichelt and Mrs Kirschner met in my office to plan for the opening of the religious education courses.

More planting work today

At desk this evening. Some attention to community lecture course.

### **Tuesday, October 16**

Fine day, growing rather sultry. Drizzling rain after 9:00 P.M

Religious Education groups met at 8:30. I assisted in assigning them to temporary rooms.

Miss Kirschner – Presb.

Mr McDonald – Episc.

Mr. Weichelt - - Evangelical

Mr. Cardwill ———

Mr. Keagel – Evangelical

Mr Suhr – Lutheran

Rep. of Motion Pict. Co. came & I took one program from her.

Two map lessons with 4B's. Floor map

Mrs Millard called.

More bulb planting.

Conf with 5 – 8's after school about maps and our autumn festival.

Wrote copy for Press about lecture series

Ice cream .30

### **Wednesday, October 17**

Rainy day. Great piles of leaves borne down in the night by the heavy rain and much of the autumn pageant over. The hard maples have been unusually brilliant in color this year – sumachs, also. One of the most beautiful autumn spectacles.

Assigned the five religious education classes to their respective stations this A.M.

Agent for Baker Paper Co. called.

Two 4B classes in Geog

Two planting lessons

Interviews with two mothers.

This evening at a gathering at Earl Purdy's to hear radio of Lloyd George's speech at Dexter Pavilion, Chicago.

### **Thursday, October 18**

Rained all day, sometimes heavily. Various leaks in basement of Int. Bld'g. Great crowd of children at lunch period.

Lessons with 4B's in geog.

Miss Lund's father died yesterday. We wired flowers for the funeral at Moline.

This evening spent some time at desk at home on notes for P.T.A. meeting.

Capt Otho H. Morgan buried this afternoon. Impressive funeral at Presb. Church.

Barber .30;

[Otho H. Morgan, former Highland Park mayor, was born in Lawrenceburg, Indiana in 1838 and came to Highland Park in 1873. He was captain of the Seventh Indiana Battery in the Civil War. His home was located on Sheridan Road near the Elm Place School. – ed.]

### **Friday, October 19**

Chilly. Gray, but clearing. Much cooler at evening.

Mr. Adams of Big Creek school, Clay Co., Ky., a friend of Mrs Greene, talked with lantern slides, to our 7 – 8's at 10:00 and to 5 – 6's at 11:30 – telling about mountain whites, etc. A fine piece of work Mr. A is doing. Once mn'l tr. teacher in Evanston.

More planting this afternoon. Some boys and I reset some tobacco plants in pots – from school garden.

Before school went up to Markowitz' on Highwood Ave to contract for some cabbages on the stalk – to pot for winter blooming.

At home this evening

### **Saturday, October 20**

Sunny part of the day. Gray and cold later on

Worked much of the day around home. Planted tulips and added 10 Tulipe noire. Also set out 6 Glory of Leiden & 6 Leeds White Lady. Set out some of my potted canterbury bells Dug up Tigridias and gladioli. Buried in a pit some potted hyacinths, tulips & Van Sions.

At school much of afternoon.

Heavy frost. Ice in pan on stump (bird bath) over one eighth of an inch.

Barber .30; bread .15;

### **Sunday, October 21**

Frost that "finished" things last night. Grass nipped this time

Bright day. Cool.

Started to church but was "intercepted" by Raymond and Charlotte Geer and asked to join them and Mr & Mrs Geer and their guest, Mrs Petrie, for a "ride". So we rode nearly all the remainder of the day – L. Zurich where we dined, Wauconda, Volo, Libertyville, Half Day, & home

Beautiful landscape, the oaks furnishing most of the color.

Expense .30;

### **Monday, October 22**

Fine day.

Busy day. Prepared for P.T.A. this evening. Held in Hall of Pictures Great success apparently.

### **Tuesday, October 23**

Fine day.

Visitors: Mr. Lawrence, a friend of Billie Parks, publisher of kg. books.

Miss \_\_\_\_\_, composer & pianist – friend of Mrs Byfield

Field trip with Misses Heffron & Weinland & the 8A's – to Skokie. "Buster," Ned Winston's dog, went along & disgraced himself by killing a skunk and getting gloriously perfumed

Miss Everett & Mrs Grundy & I at Comm Center, late this afternoon. Gave me for the school three Windsor arm chairs, two tables, a broken Victrola

Barber .30; chocolate .10;

### **Wednesday, October 24**

Fine day.

Went to Ziesing and Grove Farms with Miss Behren's 3A's. Miss Turpin accompanied us This afternoon Miss Davis & Miss Densmore went with Miss Densmore's group to Rudolph farm I did not go with them.

Spent some time planning Festival of Falling Leaf for tomorrow.

Mr. Jensen and I had lunch together at the Liza Bee Inn

Lunch .65; chocolate .10; bread .15;

### **Thursday, October 25**

Festival of the Falling Leaf.

Fine day

Bertha Douglas Mahan walked into my office before nine this A.M. Was visiting an uncle and aunt in Ev. & they brot her in an auto. Showed her about and had a good chat. She told how Tot's marriage had disrupted things at home, etc.

Mr Rowell came and spent an hour.

Then – I had to put on full steam to get ready for afternoon program.

Spent afternoon on our celebration: Order of procession:

Vase bearers (ten) with asters, autumn leaves, etc; ten men-at-arms with cornstalk staves; king & queen; the "actors" (about 60); grades 1 – 8. Bagpiper in lead. Bass drum & snare drums. - - - Program on space north of new bldg. Episode 1 – Hebrew celebration of harvest. 2 – Greek. 3. English – the hocking cart. Songs. Recitations. Folk dances. Ceremony of awarding prizes (bulbs for Sept. exhibit, etc

This evening Aud. com. meeting at Gen Woods.

### **Friday, October 26**

Hull House

Gray, dark, with some drizzle in the afternoon

Mrs Taylor, Miss Heffron, and I took 31 – 8A's to city this A M To immigrant quarters in C & N.W. station. To Hull House. Very profitably entertained in textile room by Miss Sorensen & her star spinner. Paid 4<sup>50</sup> for two samples of spinning to be owned by school Mary Crane Nursery & Mrs Ya[r?]row. To Dore School where Miss Dorn, Prin., received us cordially. Made us three eat in teachers' room. Our children ate in penny lunch room & were served cocoa

Afterwards Miss Dorn and Mr McCabe took us to Detention School. Then Mr McC. went on with us to Maxwell St. Market. We got back on the 3:20-4:14 train

This evening at Col Winstons. Talked over auditorium plans.

Dist 107 – Textiles 4<sup>50</sup>; carfare 1.80 + .84;

Oysters .55; Salv. Army .50;

### **Saturday, October 27**

Gray. Threatening. Drizzly.

A little work in the garden To city for post-vacation luncheon of Geog. Soc. at LaSalle Hotel. Big crowd. Fine program. Yard, Cowles, Sutherland, Waterman, Cox. Sat at table with Schantz, Mrs Waterman, Cowles, Sutherland, et. al. & Mr Hutchinson.

Then to program of W.F.P. Soc. at Art Inst. where Mrs Hutchinson, Mr McCutcheon, & Mr Geo F. Morse spoke on new zoo for Cook Co.

Lunch 1.50 + .35; Salv. Army .50

R.R. 80;

### **Sunday, October 28**

Fine day.

Lolled at home this A M Left for Chic to catch 2:00 for Dune Park Found the train would not stop at D.P. – so got off at Gary and waited for a local. About 5:00 got off & struck over to the Beach. Searched for an hour but could not find the party. Then built a fire, ate my lunch, & stayed until 7:00. Then made my way back to the trolley, where in short time came the missing Friends of O.N.L. who had been back in the dunes out of sight. Had a pleasant visit homewards.

Reading Elwood's Reconstruction of Religion

R.R 40 + 1.75 + .40.

### **Monday, October 29**

Fine day

At A.M. spoke of Roosevelt & showed his picture – his birthday the 27th. Also spoke of Steinmetz – the Jew, the cripple

Miss Weinland brot in fine specimen of horned owl from No. Wisconsin

Mr Jensen came and talked about himself as an immigrant to the 8th graders.

He and I had lunch together

Subscribers to Aud. Fund met tonight and elected 7 trustees and decided to go ahead with bldg aud.

Lunch .65; ice cream .15;

### **Tuesday, October 30**

Snow

Three inches or so of snow on ground at dawn! This surprised some of the trees that still had some green leaves – silver maples, catalpas, lilacs. Day remained cool but most of snow disappeared.

Agent for Book House took some time. Mrs Sellery came to give us a French poster.

Hazel Bell and I cleared away the bookstore bills. Teachers' meeting after school.

At noon I went up to Mrs Rhinesmith's garden and set aside some cabbages, beets, etc. for use at school and Mr Peterson went after them after school.

### **Wednesday, October 31**

24° above this A M. Chilly day.

Had bulb pits repacked today.

Mr Metzel called for a good conference.

Mr Church spent the afternoon with 6 – 8's talking about bees

Hallowee'n this evening. Butler, Bartoli, & Santi on the job until late. I was at my desk until 10:00.

Some of the teachers had a party in 6th colonial room.  
Dist 107 – D[uc?]k .45;

### **Thursday, November 1**

Moderated Sunny. Snow still lingers in shade  
Field trip with 4B's to Sheehan's coal yard and head of moraine ravine – this A.M.  
Waukegan trip of 4A's this afternoon – Exmoor bus – about 36 pupils. Miss Dorsch and Miss Turpin.  
Fishing tugs unloaded catch. We brot home some eggs. Chat with Mr Kern.  
Tugs and scows in evidence. Coal yard very interesting. Salt warehouse closed  
Library Board this evening.

### **Friday, November 2**

Fine day. Very light frost.  
4B field trip – to Sheahen's yards & head of ravine. Had 35 hy., 16 Kaiserkr & 150 camper-potted and 100 Dar[wins?] & 100 G of L. planted out-of-doors. 3rd graders with Mr Butler's help made a vegetable pit  
Showed lantern slides about Drainage Canal to 5B's.  
Movie – Proceeds 33.20. Hoosier School Master (5R) & Chaplin – Immigrant (2). Very good  
Met with Aud. Trustees this evening. Let contracts up to \$43,000. Much interest shown.  
Bread .15; chocolate .10;

### **Saturday, November 3**

Gray. Rain after nightfall.  
I gave a talk at 10:30 to the Kg. Club of Chi in their rooms on 18th floor of Stevens Bldg.  
Announced as a nature study talk, I confined myself to illustrations Carried in my suitcase a bag of soil, a paper white, a hyac. bulb, two flower pots, a cabbage, beet, carrot, potato, & onion, some twigs, nature notebooks, etc. My talk seemed to take very well.  
Lunch at Art Inst. and a visit to new exhibit. Shopped at Fields, Mandels, & Fair. Home at 4:30.  
At home desk this evening.  
R.R. .80; lunch .49 + .15 + .10; Relief fund .50; groceries .36 + 1.28; barber .30;

### **Sunday, November 4**

A rainy day.  
To church this A M. About the house the rest of the day.  
Finished Quick's The Hawkeye.  
{ Church .25  
  Christmas missionary gift 1<sup>00</sup>  
  Flower fund 1.00

### **Monday, November 5**

Gray. Clearing.  
Visitors: Dr & Mrs Cutler of Chicago, friends of Miss Tschirgi, attended aud. ex. & expressed great interest.  
Four students from Chic. Kg. College. Mrs Millard brot two ladies, patrons of Country Day School  
Taught a 5B geog. class this afternoon.  
P.T.A. exec. com. met in my office after school. Live discussions.

I called on Mrs R E Wood this evening to talk over details of aud. campaign  
Highwood M.E. concert tickets .70  
Civic Lecture Series - - - 6.00

### **Tuesday, November 6**

Mild.

Miss Grunewald ill and I heard three of her classes.

Miss Thompson (Virginia) now teaching in Wilmette called on us this A.M.

A Mrs Whitehouse called to offer her services as substitute teacher.

Mr Hancock came to try to interest me in investments.

Miss Williams and Miss Norman of the Art Institute met some of our pupils after school to try to organize classes in drawing on Saturday, etc.

Mrs Winston and I conferred this evening over aud. fund matters.

Barber .30; ticket .25;

### **Wednesday, November 7**

Cool. Windy. Sunny & gray, alternating.

Met Mr. Beers, Mr. Sandstrom, the gen'l contractor for the new aud, Christ Loomis, his foreman, and Paul Borchardt at school this A.M. They staked off the new aud. & signed contracts, etc.

I had our men dig up some shrubs threatened with destruction & reset elsewhere.

Took 11:15 to City. Lunch at City Club. Met Mr. Beers at C.B. & Q and we went to Lagrange to study the Cossit Ave. School and its auditorium. Supt Davies gave us some time. Then we went over things carefully for ourselves. Home at 5:44.

At desk at school for a while this evening

All of the staff had this for visiting day

R.R. 40 + 30 + 1.02; lunch .65;

### **Thursday, November 8**

Clear. Quite cool.

Work began in earnest on the aud. They began the tool house. Borchardt's men felled three oak trees. Outlines staked off.

Miss McManus ill and Mrs J.L. Whitehouse subbed.

The "new teachers" entertained the "old" this evening – until 11:00. Fine time

Barber .30;

### **Friday, November 9**

Channing Pollock.

Milder.

Visitors: Agent for Chemical Co., Mrs. Gardner, a teacher from Beloit, agent for Scott, F. & Co.

Set out 20 willows on slope before terrace.

Movies: Knud Rasmussen (4 reels) Chaplain (2).

300 at Pollock lecture this evening. Very interesting.

The Pattees present as my guest and afterwards they & Miss Olsen of Ev. & Miss Hayes of Wilm. went with me through new bldg.

Barber .30;

### **Saturday, November 10**

Beautiful day. Mild

Led excursion of Geog Soc. 26 of us left City Club at 9:45 in a bus for Elgin via Roosevelt Road, Geneva, etc., and ate lunch in Trout Park. After exploring the Park we went on to Hill's nursery at Dundee & were shown about there. Back to Chic. at 6:00

Miss Densmore & Miss Kennedy went along, and we three dined at the City Club together Home by 9:00.

R.R. 40 + 1.20 + Dinner 3.75. Chocolate .30; hardware 1.00. Groceries 1.38

### **Sunday, November 11**

A most beautiful day

To church. Then took 1:23 for Wauk & a tramp on the flats. Miss C. White, Jones, Densmore, Davis & Kennedy. A great afternoon & evening. Found a number of belated fringed gentian blossoms and gathered a quantity of seed. One fine birch was laden with pistillate cones that showered off, scales & seeds, to the touch

Reached mouth of Dead R. almost dusk & found water knee deep. Dragged log part way across, then dashed over. Built a fire & ate pieces of cake Kittie had contributed Made our way along beach & back up the Wauk., past the Johns' Mannville Plant, etc Home at 8:45.

Trolley .66;

### **Monday, November 12**

Another fine day, growing gray at times.

Had armistice day exercises this A M.

Miss Dorn, Prin. of the Dore School, visited us today, with Mr McCabe of her school. We visited with them freely. I had them & Miss Foreman to lunch.

This afternoon Miss Dorsch, Miss Meyers, & I took Miss M's 4B's to Wauk. To our great delight there was a freighter unloading hard coal – The Clifford Moll, and one, the Wotan, unloading salt. A lighthouse tender was leaving the harbor as we arrived. Fishing tugs came in, etc

Board meeting this evening. Mrs Greene only absent.

Lunch 3.00;

### **Tuesday, November 13**

Gray. Some cooler.

School business of various kinds

Miss Tschirgi ill, but her work carried by her associates

I read my correspondence of three days' arrears

Took second group of 4B's to Wauk. this afternoon, Miss Stine & Miss Dorsch in charge.

Freighters still there Fine time.

Meeting of Civic Lecture committee this evening to tabulate results. More than 650<sup>00</sup> in the treasury.

Barber .30;

### **Wednesday, November 14**

Gray. Light rain during day

Had warning notices put up around auditorium site. Work progressing well.

Planted 100 Cynosura along east wall of [L?] of El. Bldg.

Mrs Truax told of early history of H.P. to 7A's.

P.A. Thelin, from Alaska, came with reels, costumes, etc., to give two afternoon talks to children, and one for adults this evening. A Swede, he was not easy to understand, but he brot out some valuable material.

Receipts over \$144<sup>00</sup>, of which Thelin recd 70%.

Mr. Jensen & I had lunch at Mrs Tipton's.

Barber .30; bread .15; lunch .65.

### **Thursday, November 15**

Mild. Threatening. Drizzle after 9:30 P.M.

Got ready a letter to patrons urging patronage for children's concerts.

Conferred with workmen on the aud. project.

Various letters

Miss White's 6's gave fine performance of Robin Hood this afternoon.

Miss Dorsch and I worked over 4th geog. material after school.

At office this evening I studied various maps of Great Lakes areas. While there Mr Morris & Earl Fritsch came and we agreed upon a letter to the P.T.A.

Mailed box of seeds to Prof. Edith Roberts of Vassar – lead plant, orange butterfly weed, false indigo, fringed gentian.

Barber .30;

### **Friday, November 16**

Threatening. A short drizzle. Clearing. Cooler

We got out one circular to patrons advertising the Civic Series of Children's concerts and another for the P.T.A. advertising the next meeting.

The 6B's, Miss White, & I dug up the elm seedlings – a year old last Spring - , the hard maple seedlings, planted last Spring, & the red maple seedlings (4), also last Spring. These we heeled in in a box and two pots & stored in a cold frame. Dug up sage and horehound and gave away plants. Gathered popcorn & p carrots.

Went to Board meeting (Geog. Soc.) this afternoon. Supper at City Club. Home at 7:00. At library a while & then at school

Dist 107 – taxi .75 (to Rand McNally)

R.R. .40 + .40; supper 1.25;

### **Saturday, November 17**

Fine day. Windy.

Worked around yard until 10:30. Raked leaves and banked up ferns, my bulb pits, etc. Reset rhubarb. Burned sunflower stalks, etc Spaded up gladioli beds. Worked fertilizer into soil where tulips are, etc.

At school this afternoon. Conferred with Mrs Millard over various school matters. Looked on a short time in Miss Williams' special drawing class.

This evening went down to University Club of Evanston to hear Prof. Goode lecture on America's economic opportunity. Visited with Kingsley, Dr Smith, Mr Nichols, et. al.

Barber .80; bread .33; trolley. 36 + 36

Colliers .05

### **Sunday, November 18**

Fine day. Cool.

Left for Chic. on 10:50. To Quadrangle Club at U. of C. to attend a dinner in honor of Fridtjof Nansen – given by directors of Geog Soc. Mrs & Miss Nansen present and I was directed to escort her to the table. At close of dinner Prof. Grant announced that Nansen had been elected honorary member of Geog Soc & awarded its gold medal. Miss Baber, Ex-Pres. Judson & Dr. Goode also spoke. In reply Nansen commented upon present status of arctic exploration and the need of scientific studies of those areas.

Came away with Grant & Schantz & the latter and I went to Art Inst. for awhile Then I read awhile from Elwood's Reconstr of Religion – then went to a wonderful concert at Aud – Sistine choir. Expenses \$5.77

[Inserted at this page is a clipping of the Auditorium Theatre program for the concert by the Sistine Chapel Choir. – ed.]

### **Monday, November 19**

Fine day.

Miss Rogers' mother visiting here today.

First children's concert of the Civic Series this afternoon at the H-S. Probably over 100 of my pupils went. Mr Dasch & The Little Symphony. I sat in the gallery and tried to keep order. Conduct fairly good on lower floor.

This evening concert for adults. Splendid. M & K and I went.

### **Tuesday, November 20**

Fine day.

Busy, too.

P.T.A. this evening. A fine crowd. Dr. McNeal spoke on children's health habits. Splendid talk. This in the aud. Reception afterwards in Hall of Pictures. Great success. Barber .30:

### **Wednesday, November 21**

Fine. Mild

Went with group of 6'B's & Miss Sands & Miss Jones to city. Bus to Art Institute. Lunch there. Then to Field Museum where we stayed until 3:30. Home at 4:35.

Edward Ayer interested himself in our group and talked about his personal investment in the various collections.

Mr Harper, some of his teachers, and Mrs Jones of his P.T.A. were at our b'ld'g when I got home, and I entertained them.

The I had for an hour or more various experiences in conf. with Mr. Bartoli & Mrs Greene and phone interviews with Mrs Falley & Dr. Rogers over situation in Mr B's home. Mrs B (sister-in-law) today taken to hospital for operation; two of her boys down with scarlet fever, etc

Lunch .74; ,etc.

### **Thursday, November 22**

Fine day. Hazy at evening.

Dr Hans Nachtigal called to ask help in getting ready bundles of clothes for the Blackfeet. I met him two summers ago in Lone Wolf's studio.

This evening I called at The Finleys to discuss Wm's truancy.

### **Friday, November 23**

Another birthday

A little rain in the night. Threatening but a good working day. Brick wall of east side of aud. 5 feet high.

Mr. Jensen visited with me for twenty minutes.

Mrs Carley and Miss Valentine of Francis Parker School came at 11:00 and we had a fine visit until noon. Took them and Miss Fargo and Miss Maloney to lunch at Liza Bee Inn.

Movies at 3:30.

At home this evening

Lunch 3.00;

### **Saturday, November 24**

Fine day on the whole.

Put up storm doors. Then at school until noon.

Fastened suet in oak on parkway and one on oak back of Mr. Decker's house.

At school all afternoon. Cleared away in the "old" office.

This evening worked over mailing list of alumni.

Groceries 1.63. barber .30;

### **Sunday, November 25**

Still rather mild. Gray at times

To church & heard fine talk by Mr Merrit of Erie Chapel.

Nap this afternoon.

K & I left on 5:15 for Chic. & went to Wendell Phillips Aud to hear colored people sing.

Interesting.

R.R. 1.60 + .28; collection .75;

### **Monday, November 26**

Threatening, turning colder.

M & K. went to the city this A.M.

By order of Board of H. we closed kg for this week. Had three cases of sc. fever in that room last week. Had no aud. ex. this A.M. to avoid crowd.

Miss Lund began drilling boys & girls for parts in the Christmas plays.

Had a long session with the 7 – 8 teachers this evening in passing on grades of pupils.

At home this evening working on plans for drive for aud. funds.

### **Tuesday, November 27**

Gray & sunny – mostly gray

Work progressing rapidly upon aud. but I had to protest the color of the bricks at noon & held up work on the front walls

Mrs Millard, Mrs Greene, & I had conf. over janitor work, etc

Dallas Lore Sharpe & wife came this afternoon & Mr. Sharpe talked to our 5 – 8 grades. A fine impressive talk. Then he had 20 minutes to visit classes at work in the int. school A long visit with us ensued & they were enthusiastic over our school. At 6:00 I met them at dinner at Mrs Munro's. At 8:00 Mr S. lectured before a large audience in the aud. A great success.

Barber .30;

### **Wednesday, November 28**

Gray. A busy day.

First a conf. with Mr Beers and Mr Loomis, the foreman, over the bricks. A test of the cleaning power of acid & I yielded my criticism - - Mr. Metzler came to sign teachers' warrants and I distributed them.

I met the 1's at 10:00 and the 2 - 4's at 11:00 in the aud. They sang and I talked about the pilgrims, using slides.

I met 5 - 8's at 1:30. They talked about some of the slides, I about others. Fine songs were sung, etc. Went home at 2:30 so teachers could get early train.

"Shows" I did not see included Myles Standish scenes in Hall of Pictures; 3rd graders in pioneer & pilgrim stunts - made two pounds of butter, etc.

Three autos carried away to Lake Bluff our gifts - Also \$6<sup>50</sup> sent in cash.

Clarence came in this evening to go on to Gary with us tomorrow

Barber .30; bread .25;

### **Thursday, November 29**                      Thanksgiving Day

Left early for Gary - M., K., Clarence & I. There by 10:00. Fine dinner. The Enders there.

Rain began at 2:00 and kept it up. C.D, Arthur, C., & I drove around for an hour, visiting for one thing the municipal park at Millers.

We left at 4:47 - home by 7:30.

I took camera along today & photographed ourselves, but when I came to develop negatives this evening found them hopelessly under exposed

R.R. 3.20 + 7.60 + 2.00.

### **Friday, November 30**

Threatening but clearing late in day.

Clarence spent most of the day in Kenosha.

I was at school most of the day. Conferred with the foreman - with St Peter - with Borchardt about clearing away trees. Koller brot two loads of manure & Butler & Amadio banked cold frames, guinea pig hutches, etc. I piled more leaves in cold frames.

Bartoli not able to be at school - third day. Sub. worked with Mr Davis. Mr B. gave some of his blood two days ago to his sister-in-law, Mrs Angelo Bartolai, who is very ill in Chicago.

Worked on plans for aud. drive this evening

Barber .30; bread .15; stamps .15

### **Saturday, December 1**

Mild. Sunny at times.

To city on 8:44. To former stand of Stearns Bros to see Pattee - but with no result. To Fair store to look over calendars, etc. Brentano's, do. To 831 So Wab. - Educ. Film Exchange to see showing of three of Louis H. Tolhurst's films - Bees, Spider, Ants. Finest work I have seen.

City Club for lunch. Afterwards had a visit on the street with Charles Scrogin.

To Fields to look over books and calendars. To Cameron Amberg's for a calendar pad. To Turtle's to get 9 mounted specimens. Home on 4:14.

Bot flat boquet (10<sup>00</sup>) at Mangel's to be sent to funeral of Ruth Koenig McNutt's mother  
R.R. 40 + 40 + .21; tablets .18; bread .15; groceries .58; shave .30; calendar pad .45; lunch .65;

### **Sunday, December 2**

A fine, mild day.

None of us went to church today. Mother had a disordered stomach and spent the day in bed.

K. & I went to hear the Gordon String Quartette at Millards', this afternoon.

### **Monday, December 3**

Gray. Chilly. Moderating.

Had assembly only with 6 – 8's as some people have been apprehensive. There are cases of scarlet fever, etc. Subject: Monroe Doctrine centenary; opening of Congress etc.

Had our compost pile moved from woods (it was in the way of the builders) to back of coal drive.

Bartoli still away. His sister-in-law very low. He submitted to blood transfusion in her behalf the other day but to no avail.

Teachers' meeting after school. We discussed plans for Buy a Brick drive. I went down to Evanston this evening to consult Fred Pattee about the advertising.

R.R. .64 + .14; chocolate .10;

### **Tuesday, December 4**

Threatening. High winds.

Ralph F. Seymour came this A.M & talked about etchings to our 8's assembled in the Hall of Pictures. Mrs Millard present.

Callers included three parents concerned about children's marks, etc.

Worked on scheme for issuing "brick" coupons. Called on Miss Rogers, Miss Turpin, & Miss Grenoble.

Spent evening on work of this sort.

Mrs Bartoli died last night.

Chocolate .10; tickets to dinner 1.50

### **Wednesday, December 5**

Gray. Cool.

Met 8th grade boys in groups to talk over plays. Before school got ready copy for the Press about the aud. drive.

Met fourth grade teachers after school to discuss their work.

Late yesterday afternoon an auto driven by Edna Vercoe & containing her father, Mr Bletsch, Mr Geer, & Mrs Grundy was struck by a train north of Deerfield. Mr. Geer was picked up unconscious & remains so. Mr. Bletch had some bad cuts, the rest fared better.

I called at the Geers after 5:00 P.M.

Worked on plans for Christmas Play this evening.

Bread .15; barber .30;

### **Thursday, December 6**

Turned out clear.

Mr Thayer called about his investment proposition; Mr Simonds about N.S. bonds; agent for World Book; Mr Titmarsh, Princ. of Whittier School at Oak Park visited an hour or so.

Mr. J. Adams Puffer came at 1:30 to talk to boys of 7 – 8 grades. Lincoln Ave. boys present. A fine talk on how to make most of one's self. This evening H-S. P.T.A. invited rep. of all P.T.A's to dinner at H-S. with Mr Puffer. Mr Wright & I came away at 7:30 to spend half hour at library, I in the book com., then back to H-S to hear wonderful talk by Mr P. on parenthood.

### **Friday, December 7**

Mild. Threatening.

Borchardt's began to remove extra trees.

Eight brick masons on job. Mr B & I conferred over auditorium.  
Talked to 7's, 4's, & 3's about the Buy a Brick campaign.  
7's gave fine Thanksgiving Cantata this afternoon.  
Movies after school. Rather punk.  
Meeting of Trustees of the E.P.S.A.A. this ~~after~~ evening in my office.  
Mr Geer, still unconscious at hospital, grew worse this afternoon

Barber .30;

### **Saturday, December 8**

Very mild.

At school most of day. Remington agent came and I bought for Clarence & me a baby Rem. for Junior - \$54<sup>00</sup>

Helped Bartolai make out application for passport to permit his wife to come from Italy.

Spent some time with the construction work on the aud.

Sworn in as member of coroner's jury to pass on the death of Mr. Geer.

Went with M. to chicken supper in benefit of North Ave M.E. Church. Later I spent some time at the Bartolai House. Funeral to be tomorrow.

Pd \$50<sup>00</sup> on Bld'g Loan. Was paid up to Jan. 1, prior to this, Chas Grant said

Groceries \$1.02 + .70 + .15.

Barber .30;

### **Sunday, December 9**

Mild. Balmy.

To church this A.M. Slept this afternoon. Read most of the three little books on Great Musician by Scholes

At my office awhile, this P.M. then called in at the Geers. Saw Raymond for a few minutes.

### **Monday, December 10**

Fine day. Grew clear & crisp at evening.

Busy A.M. At noon went to lunch with Mr. Jensen and Miss Eskil – the latter having charge of masques & out-of-doors functions of the F of O.N.L.

At 2:30 at the funeral of Mr. Geer. I was one of the six active pallbearers. Sermon by Dr McClure. Very fitting. Burial at Graceland. Early dusk when we got there. Beautiful setting of flowers. Mr Vercoe attended the funeral with bandaged head.

School Board meeting this P.M. Mr. Greenslade absent (sore throat), Mr. Jones also.

We began our drive for the sale of "bricks" today.

### **Tuesday, December 11**

Sharp. About 22° above at dawn. Fine day

Miss Heinroth, Princ. of the Morris School in Chic., spent an hour or so with me this A.M. Mrs Millard called for a time.

Helped promote sale of "bricks today"

Met with 8th boys after school to plan parts for the play. Spent an hour or more with Misses H., G. & Grenoble about it

Worked over Mss this evening.

### **Wednesday, December 12**

Drizzly this A.M., then real rain during afternoon and evening.

We took 77 pupils, 8th Grade, to Warfield's Shylock at the Illinois this afternoon. Miss Heffron, Mrs Taylor, Miss Watt, Miss Nixon, Miss Grunewald, and I. Beautiful setting. A very interesting Shylock. The support not uniformly good. Our pupils behaved well, as a rule.

[Pasted to this page is a newspaper clipping listing the cast and David Warfield as Shylock in *The Merchant of Venice*. – ed.]

### **Thursday, December 13**

Cleared Colder

Work on new bldg delayed only yesterday afternoon.

Various jobs today. Mentally fagged; forgetful.

Children had sold 235 bricks by this evening.

At dinner this evening with the Harmon's. Misses Guiney, Nixon, Grenoble, Heffron, & Mrs McWhinney, guests.

### **Friday, December 14**

Sharp in night About 18° above at daylight. Moderated greatly.

Movies at 3:30. Much better than last week. Small house.

This evening made "parish calls" – Perrys and Ludlows.

232 bricks sold to date.

Started portable Remington to Clarence Jr. yesterday, & a Compton's Pictured Knowledge today to Harvey Lowe.

Drugs 1.05; chocolate .10; barber .30;

### **Saturday, December 15**

Chilly wind, clear at sunset.

At school most of day. Dr. Nachtigall called to remind me of the collecting of clothing for the Blackfeet Indians.

Groceries .83

Shoes 2.00; shade .15; barber 1.65

### **Sunday, December 16**

Beautiful day. Balmy.

Walked to Deerfield to church & back. Mr Thomas preached.

Saw a few goldfinches; a song sparrow, perhaps. Nothing else. We see no nuthatches, woodpeckers, or chickadees these days.

This afternoon went down to Orchestra Hall & heard a wonderful concert – The Ukrainian Chorus,

This evening called on Robt Schneider to arrange for some of my boys carrying mn'l tr. work in H.S.

R.R .80; concert 2.20 + .50.

Church .50.

### **Monday, December 17**

Another mild, beautiful day

A.M. talk about remembering needy at Christmas – (including Indians); about selling bricks, Steel erectors on job today. Girder dragged into alley yesterday.

Spent considerable time this evening looking up truancy cases, etc.  
Mother on her fourth day of neuralgia in neck muscles.  
Kittee – violent cold

### **Tuesday, December 18**

A beautiful day. Mild.  
Had 5 concrete posts on Sheridan Rd Parkway taken out to make room for unloading girders. Also had several bushes & one tree lifted temporarily.  
Workers set in place the huge girder to support the balcony.  
Shirley of Winston's called. Worked much on Christmas Play today  
P.T.A. this evening. Grades 3 – 7 sang carols. Some children during interlude acted out sale of bricks. Large crowd. Fine time.  
M & K both better. Got box of raisins from Robt Enders  
Tonight mild as April.

### **Wednesday, December 19**

Drizzle much of the day. Light rain after nightfall.  
Men unloaded some girders on parkway. Brick masons all gone save one who is finishing up.  
Practiced much on the play today. Miss Heffron ill & in bed.  
Misses Grenoble, Nixon, and Grunewald worked until after ten this evening getting the costumes ready.  
I sent Lawrence Van Blaricon, Robt Perry, and Earl Ludlow over to Mr. Schneider at the H-S this A.M. to begin their vocational work – mornings shop, & afternoons with us.  
Barber .30; cuff buttons 3.00;

### **Thursday, December 20**

Mild. A beautiful sunset. Fog late in evening.  
Our Christmas Play given this afternoon and evening. A great success. \$53<sup>00</sup> at door this evening  
Special new feature;  
Mummers.  
Christmas Rioters  
Dame Skylark, mistress of wardrobe.  
  
M & K. better today but unable to go to the play.

### **Friday, December 21**

Still mild – Foggy  
Had our carols and the story of the Christ Child this morning  
School closed at 2:30 this afternoon.  
Miss Kennedy and I tramped out over Exmoor Links to the Skokie woods west of the club house – after school. A good walk but not much incident.  
Developing something of a cold.

### **Saturday, December 22**

In bed most of the day About 4:00 P.M. the distemper began to set in in my right nostril

### **Sunday, December 23**

In bed all day. Distemper bad.

### **Monday, December 24**

My cold began to ease up during day. I was on the bed most of the time

### **Tuesday, December 25**                      Christmas

Evidently a little snow in the night for there was a light crust on the roofs this A.M – hardly anything else to show for it. A beautiful day    Fine full moon this evening and the Christmas trees in doors and on verandas gaily alight.

My cold much better. Clarence & I went to school bldg this A.M and packed three packages of clothing to send to Heart Butte – Tim No Runner and Calf Robe – and to Wolf Fish Robe at Browning. This was according to advice from Dr Hans Nachtigall of Chic. who is especially interested.

Turkey dinner. A restful day    Neighbors called and we exchanged presents.  
Ice cream .30;

### **Wednesday, December 26**

Mild. Gray. Finally drizzly towards evening.

Sent packages of yesterday and with an overcoat, a cape & some socks for Last Star on their way.  
Parcels post \$5.48

C. & I went to city on 10:16. Shopped at Fields, Fair, The Hub. Lunch at City Club. Got back to New Trier H.S. before four and heard splendid concert by Harvard Glee Club. I was proud of both program & performance.

This evening after nine I met with Dr Wolcott & Mr Fitt in latter's study to consider plans for pushing a local referendum on the Bok peace plan soon. Then we talked over religious situation for a long time

R.R 1.60; lunch 1.30; at Fields 1.25; Fair 2.28 + .36;

[Pasted to this page is a clipping of the Christmas Concert of the Harvard Glee Club. – ed.]

### **Thursday, December 27**

Rained in the night. Drizzly at times today. Blew up cold after dark.

At school most of A.M. Mr McLuckie called on me.

Clarence & I went in on the 12:53. To Anderson's to leave trousers for repairs. To Mr. Metzel's for a conference. Then C. went shopping & to the City Club. I conferred with Mr Mann and then went to 1446 No Wells to meet the Sioux people – Mrs Brandt, Mr & Mrs Kuhn, et. al. Interesting conf. about proposed Indian gathering at H.P. next Sept.

Met Clarence at 5:30. We ate at City Club. Then went to see Harold Lloyd in Why Worry – which did not please us at all. Then to the Chauve Souris – which was real – worthwhile fun.

R.R. 1.60 + .75 + .07; dinner 2.50; theater 5.20;

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from Balieff's Chauve-Souris. – ed.]

### **Friday, December 28**

Colder. Bracing

Clarence went home this A.M.

I went to Wauk to confer with Mr Simpson but did not find him.

This afternoon I went down to the Broadway Nat'l Bank to confer with Mr Dooley about the finances of the Dist. Then on downtown to Allerton Clarke Co. about hardware for the school. Then to Turtle's to bring away three specimens – horned owl – jay, & short eared owl.

This evening I called on Lois & Mrs Greene.  
Charge Dist 107. - .38 + .38 + 48 + 30.  
Barber .30:  
Groceries yest. .75 + .15;

### **Saturday, December 29**

Mild. Threatening.

At school until 11:00. Took trolley for Chic. Visited with Mrs Jones & Eliz. on the way and went with them to Fields to buy some books. Then I ate lunch & went to Art Inst. to hear Miss Rose, Mr Beebe's ass't, lecture on life of Galapagos Island. Afterwards viewed exhibit of W.F. Preserv. Soc. & visited with Schantz, the Collins, et al. Ate supper at City Club and went to hear Lynne Fontane in "In Love with Love." Miss F. a clever comedienne. Visited with Mary Louise Bournique & her father and mother on the way home.

R.R. .80; lunch .75; dinner 1.25; Theater 2.75 + .55

[Pasted to this page is a clipping of the La Salle Theater playbill for *In Love with Love* with Lynn Fontanne in the role of Ann Jordan. - ed.]

### **Sunday, December 30**

Drizzly later after threatening conditions. Anticipating snow.

Church. Brot home by Mrs Moseley, Marion, & Miss Francis. Then went to dinner at the Creigh's. Mr C's mother there. Afterwards walked to schoolhouse to look over things. Went on up to the Moraine to call on the McWhinneys but found to my regret that they had gone to N.Y. Went down to lake shore to enjoy the heavy surf and walked as far as Park Ave. Then back to town - met Mr Moseley who invited me to go with his party to the Chic Sunday Evening Club. - Took R.R. at once. Supper at N W. station. Then to Mr M's box at Orchestra Hall. Great evening. Wonderful address by Rev. Mr Kennedy. R.R. .30 + .40; church .30

[Pasted to this page is a clipping of the Chicago Sunday Evening Club program. The Rev. G. Studdert Kennedy gave "A New Year's Message." - ed.]

### **Monday, December 31**

Last night of the year. The coldest of the season. Snow four or five inches. Drifting about. Began fitfully this morning, then came down heavily in afternoon

I spent most of the day at school. Conferred with plumber & gas meter man

Overhauled contents of drawers and files.

Edith came today.

Worked at desk at home this evening

Our structural steel men quit at noon today. They had one girder to set up and a number of steel beams, but the snow was too much for them. - Since Nov. 9 when work began on the new aud. work has not been interrupted until today. This has been a remarkable winter. For the first time today children began to coast down hill. - - - One's ears tingled this evening - - -

Groceries 1.18; barber .30; .15. - -