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. After one year at De Pauw, he returned for one term at Macon, and then, with his mother and mother’s sister, 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.

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.

2Diaries 1859-1874 of The Reverend Leonard Smith, Circuit Rider by Blanche Beal Lowe.
Tuesday, January 1

6° below this A.M. 24 hours before it had been about 30° above!

Edith came yesterday and Danforth today for New Years dinner. We had a nice but quiet time. I spent two hours or more at my desk at school this A.M. Was there again late this afternoon

Edith and D. went home at 6:30.

Groceries 1.10;

Wednesday, January 2

At 6:00 last evening the thermo read 1° below. It was 20° above at daybreak today. A gray day with not much thawing. A few flakes fell.

At school to outline some work for the painter (Curry) and to confer about digging for the flagpole.

To city on 10:38.

Visited with Mary Tyner Storch & her husband, Mrs Geo Jones & others. To Sweet-Wallach to leave some negatives. Lunch at Natalby’s. To Cent. Scientific Co. to place an order. Mr. Metzel’s office to leave treasurer’s report (Mr M. not in) To Mr Greenslade’s office. Then to Mr. Mann’s office; to Chic Transp. Co. – Fields to look up books. Supper at City Club. Home by 8:00 and to Gen Wood’s house to meeting of Aud trustees Had fine time listening to Gen Wood’s story of recent trip to Europe.

Dist 107 – Taxi 1.50; R R 84

Self – Lunch .55; supper 1.25; book 1.00

Thursday, January 3

Grew cold in the night and was down close to zero this A.M. Clear day Grew colder near nightfall.

Erectors at work still and carpenters roofing over

At school much of day Various errands.

At Library Board meeting this evening

Yesterday I found three five dollar stamps that were to be redeemed Jan 1, 1923. I took these to the post office – added 50; & bot a 25 treasury note, due in 5 years.

Barber .30;

Friday, January 4

2° above this A.M. Gray with light fall of snow crystals. Then grew clear and colder. Cold went through one’s clothes. 2° below at 6:00 P.M.

At school most of day. Had Hazel Bell help on accounts this A.M.

Erectors finished at noon and this afternoon assembled the parts of our new steel flagpole and set it up An interesting sight. A very cold job.

I went to Winnetka late this afternoon to consult the Holland Furnace Co about way of firing ours

First log fire of the winter in our grate

Oysters .45; carfare .40;

Saturday, January 5

At least 16° below this A.M. Some thermoms 18° & 20°. Official in Chic. 16° below; in Joliet 22° below!

Erectors took down their derricks about the flagpole. Things seemed to be OK. this A.M. at school. One freeze in girl’s toilet – Primary Bldg, night before last.
To city on 10:38. Visited with the Tyner family enroute.

To Dr. Lane’s office but could not wait to consult him. To Art Inst & to luncheon of W.F Pres Soc. as one of Mrs Frances Farwell’s guest. – Sat between Miss Baber & Mrs Avery. Dr. Sam’l Schmucker guest of honor. Afterwards heard a mediocre talk by him at Fullerton Hall.


R R. .30 + .07 + .07 + .32; dinner .90; book .90; photog. prints 3.00; drugs 1.05; theatre .60 concert 2.00; barber .30;

**Sunday, January 6**

Above zero at daybreak & 20° above this evening. A strong wind most of the day.

Did not go to church. This afternoon went to the second concert of Gordon String Quartette (at Mr Lytton’s this time) Then called in on the Moseleys’ a while – borrowed Mrs M’s copy of Sutton’s seed catalogue. Then spent the evening at Millards with Mr & Mrs Carr & Mr. & Mrs Seymour.

**Monday, January 7**

About 20 above this A M Balmy day. Slight melting.

Mr. Simpson called today Superintended carrying away of truckload of seats from attic of school.

Mr. Peterson did not report today.

Miss Maloney in a hospital and Miss Dorothy Franck substituting.

Long conf. with 6 – 7 – 8 teachers this evening after school.

Worked over campaign lit. for aud this evening. Planned order of seeds from Sutton’s. Called up the gardener on the Chas L. Hutchinson estate at Lake Geneva to consult him about tomato seed

**Tuesday, January 8**

Much milder. Thermo said to have reached 48° above.

Carpenters resumed work yesterday.

Mr Metzel spent an hour with me this A M. Informed me that he is building a home at Kenilworth & can not serve as Pres. of Board again.

Teachers’ meeting this evening. Then some of us took 6:32 for Chic to hear Sothern & Marlow at Gt Northern. Fine play Misses Kennedy, Densmore, Davis, Grunew., Heffron, & Mrs Taylor

R.R. .60 + .07; play 1.63; choc. 10; papers .08;

[Passed to this page is a clipping of the playbill for Shakespeare’s *Twelfth Night*. Noted Shakespearian actors Edward Hugh Sothern (1859-1933) and Julia Marlowe (1865-1950) were husband and wife. —ed.]

**Wednesday, January 9**

Rained this afternoon. Mild.

Conf. this A.M. with Mrs Pfanstiehl over P.T.A. program.

This afternoon after school had long conferences with 7 – 8 teachers & pupils whose work is below standard.

Worked with Mrs Winston this evening, revising mailing list of alumni.

**Thursday, January 10**

A rainy day turning into a light snow after night.

Agent for floor dressing; for maps, etc. Woman with new musical idea, etc.
Mr Wright invited me to dinner to meet Henry Turner Bailey. Mr & Mrs Shipness also guests. Then we all went to the new aud. at Lincoln Ave and heard Mr Bailey’s fine lecture on Educ & the higher citizenship.

Mr W. & I visited very profitably with Mr B. until 10:35.
Barber .30; bread .15;

Friday, January 11
Colder. Clearing.
A desperately busy day  Showed the Martin Johnson pictures – Trailing African Animals – this afternoon to pupils & this evening to small audience of adults – Mr. Snow paid rental - $25. Wonderful photography.
Max Thalman from Weimar came to exhibit his wood prints & etchings & preach his gospel of modern art. Showed at Winnetka yesterday. Fine work of its kind. Mr. T. talked little English. Miss Amborn of the HS. came & gave us two or three hours to interpret, etc. Mr. T. & I lunched together. He went at 5:20. Public invited. Hall open this evening.
Lunch .1.50;

Saturday, January 12
Snow flurries today and a drop in temp.
Took two bundles of Max Thalman’s pictures down to Webster Ave Station & delivered to him. Gave him ten dollars for a picture he is to select for us and deliver.
On to Dr. Lane’s office to secure copy of prescription for glasses to get an extra pair. To Dow Optical Co to leave order.
City Club for lunch with the Round Table  Discussion of training of teachers.
To Art Inst to hear Arthur L. Pillsbury’s remarkable lecture on Yosemite – motion pictures of bird (animal) & plant life, of waterfalls, etc
R.R .80 + .07; lunch 1.00, stationery .25; barber .30; meat .35; peanuts .23;

Sunday, January 13
About 0° this A M. Bright clear day. Moderating
Church. M & K at home
K & I went to concert at H-S. this afternoon. Seems remarkable the results Mr Evans gets from his orchestra. Of H.P. members, Geo Lytton & Robt Schneider, double bass; Jack Benson & Mr Conover, cello; Mr Bolle, trumpet.
Read from Pilgrims’ Progress – and from David Copperfield.
[Pasted to this page is a clipping of concert performed by the Business Men’s Orchestra, conducted by Clarence Evans. – ed.]

Monday, January 14
Fine winter day, but rising wind & colder at nightfall
Spent a lot of time with Mr. Jensen and Miss Eskil this afternoon planning for the F of O.N.L. party here on Saturday
Met with grades 2 – 3 – teachers after school. Board meeting this P.M.  All present except Mrs M.
Mr Metzel announced his retirement at end of term because of his moving to Kenilworth
Tuesday, January 15
Windy – Gradually abating. Snowing after 9:00 this evening.
Mr Beggs and a number of his teachers from Longfellow School, Oak Park, were friendly visitors today
Miss Dorsch’s pupils gave a charming play – Red Shoes – this afternoon, clearing over $26.00.
Went down this evening to the Wheelocks at Ev. this P.M to have dinner and meet Mr Bruce Horsfall, naturalist and artist. Fine time
R R. .72 + .07; papers .10; groceries .30; barber .30;

Wednesday, January 16
Four or more inches of snow by 8:00 this A.M. Turned colder in afternoon and nearly zero by 9:00 P.M. Called to serve on coroner’s jury in case of Mr. Ira J. Geer’s death this day – From 10:30 to 3:00. Went over to crossing north of Deerfield to inspect the scene. Gave in a neutral verdict – death the result of accident.
At home this evening. Much disturbed over inability to secure speaker for 8th grade exercises
Lunch .75; groceries .90;

Thursday, January 17
About 7° below this A.M. Clear & cold all day
Mr Pillsbury called for an hour today to talk over lecture dates.
I gave a lesson with the lantern in 6th grade – on colonial houses – Williamsburg
This evening at Presb. Church. Fine discussion of Bok Peace Plan. For - - Franklin Snyder of N.W.U. Against - - Rabbi Mischkind. Large attendance

Friday, January 18
About 3° below this A.M. Moderated greatly during the day
Miss Eskil came out to check up plans for the F.O.O.N.L. frolic tomorrow night. I was very much disappointed in her attitude towards a program I had outlined, but it was left to her.
Miss White’s pupils gave a Billy Bobtail play and took in 36.84.
The 8B’s entertained the 8A’s after school this A.M. A beautiful occasion.
I attended a committee meeting of Civ. Lect. Com. in my office at 8:00 and one of an Aud. comm at Gen’l Wood’s at 9:00, the latter being dominated by some women who had just taken an interest in our scheme. A great change for the better.
Barber .30;

Saturday, January 19
Little milder but grew cold again
To Wauk and at County Court – Judge Persons – at 9:00. Wm Finley brot in with parents to answer for continued truancy. Put on probation.
Conferred with Mr Simpson over school matters
Home by noon.
A very busy day after that with preparation for frolic of Friends of O.N.L. Too much detail to record. Evening a great success
The Procession singing the boar’s head song; the feast; the procession through the woods and in & out the tepee in the ravine; the corn cob torches; the speeches & the community singing in the aud.; the wassail bowl in the hall of pictures; the virginia reel, etc. Great day

Dist 107 – Wauk exp - .85
Bag .39;

Sunday, January 20
About 8° below this A.M and an icy wind blowing.
Went to school a while to see how things were.
Read “Travels with a Donkey” & “Rokeby”
Lula Herbert of Macon, one of my pupils of long ago, called me from her son-in-law’s this evening – Lloyd C. Coon of Evanston. She is now a widow and with her son has a grocery at Lovington.

Monday, January 21
15° or more below this A.M. and probably 4° to 6° below all day.
Kept warm at school Every one on hand except Mrs Taylor
Felt a touch of cold this evening & went to bed early.

Tuesday, January 22
20 or more above at dawn! Thawed some today!!
Mrs Werner of Oshkosh came this A.M. on her own volition and talked about feeding of winter birds to our children.
Board meeting – special – this evening to consider Gen. Wood’s recommendation that the Board finance seats for the new aud. Motion passed to that effect.
Few winter birds thus far. – None on my suet stand. Saw two chickadees on school grounds
Friday; a nuthatch Saturday; a redhead east of the new bldg yesterday.

Bananas & soap .36;

Wednesday, January 23
Milder still. Beautiful day
Various conferences this A.M.
Took 12:23 for Wauk. To George’s for lunch. Chat with Wm I. Lyon whom I met there. To Co. Clerk’s office to meet Mrs Dunn who referred me to Mr Pursell at Annex Bldg. After long wait had conf with him over changing our tax levy to add $12,000 to this year’s revenue. He referred me back to Mr Hendee and as latter was away I came home (4:00). - - - Helped Mr Jensen gather up some things left at the party. Then long conf. with 7 – 8 teachers
After supper got india ink & left it & diplomas at Mr. Greenslade’s.
Barber .30; tip .10; lunch .15;
Charge Dist 107 – Carfare .76; lunch .50;

Thursday, January 24
Mild. Gray. Rain after nightfall, then snow
To Wauk by 8:30. Arranged with Mr Hendee & Mr Pursall to have a new levy made out for the Board – thus giving us 12000. extra 8:45 back to H.P. Errand at school, then 9:46 to Chic. with Mrs Millard. At 11:00 we met Mr Beers & Mr. Metzel at Amer Seat. Co. Agreed on seats for new aud.
Ordered 806 at $4.95 each. Mr. Greenslade met us there and we had a vigorous conf. on issuing new levy. It was at last agreed upon Then Mrs M & I went to Art Inst for lunch & to look up pictures. I then went to
Co Supt Tobin’s office to get levy blanks; to Mr Metzel’s to get one signed, & the diplomas; to Mr Greenslade to get his signature. Home at 5:00. To school to see that all was ready. Home for shave & change. Mayor Hastings’ for dinner & to meet Mr. Moderwell. Then to ex at school. Mr. Mann presided in Mr Metzel’s absence. Mr Hastings spoke and introd Mr Moderwell.

Dist 107 - .38 + .38 + .40 + .40 + .60 + .07.

**Friday, January 25**

Cold wave came on rapidly this A.M. and zero weather by afternoon. Icy wind.

To Wauk. by 8:30 and delivered to Mr Hendee our revised levy. - - Back by 9:20.

Mr. Pillsbury began showing to grades 1 – 3 his motion pictures of Yosemite, & its plant & animal life. The grades 4 – 8 came in at 10:20

Wonderful entertainment.

At 2:00 we had honorable mentions. At 3:30 and later I photographed the 8’A’s

Then met with teachers 1 – 3 to discuss assignments.

Mr P. gave his complete lecture in our Aud. again this evening. Small audience. Bitter cold

My cold bothering me

Dist 107 - .38 + .38 + .75.

Barber .30; bread .15.

**Saturday, January 26**

About 5° below this A.M. Just zero now – 10:25 P.M.

Lay in bed until 10:00 this A.M. to nurse my cold.

This afternoon at school a while. Gathered up my mail. Chatted with Miss Williams, the drawing teacher, who has a Saturday afternoon class.

Read Stuck’s Ascent of Denali.

Pd 175 to Meierhoff for dishes, etc for F of O.N.I.

Barber .30; druggist 1.55; slippers 3.00

**Sunday, January 27**

Zero at dawn. Rose above 20° during day. Sunny.

Stayed in all day and nursed my cold which improved much.

Read most of Quaife’s work on historic trails about Chicago.

Clarence came in this evening.

**Monday, January 28**

Mild. Thawing.

Promotions today after morning exercises.

Spent much time with pupils that are conditional.

Second concert of series for children by Mr Dasch’s Little Symphony at H-S. I went to help keep order.

Enjoyed concert.

Back & to two conferences of teachers.

At home this evening.

Clarence spent the day at Kenosha

**Tuesday, January 29**

Mild. 40 or more above
Miss Fetzer, representing Thrift Incorporated, explained to each grade the new school banking system we are to start up tomorrow.

Mr. Thompson of the Highwood Schools called and picked out 38 desks in our attic which we are giving his school.

Clarence spent the day in Kenosha, returning again this evening.

Openersome of the bulb pits at school and found the bulbs (hyacinths especially) over ready.

My cold makes me feel sort of “bum.”

Bread .15;

Wednesday, January 30

Beautiful day. Sun shine warm. Ice passing rapidly.

Uncovered all our bulb pits today.

Miss Loesch, kg critic from Gertrude House visited us this A.M.

Various teacher conferences.

Went to Wilmette this evening to have conf. with Mr. Metzel

Barber .30;

Dist 107 – Trolley .70;

Thursday, January 31

Cooler than yesterday and gray, but still mild. Like a moderately raw March day.

Busy round as usual.

Conf with fifth grade teachers.

Called on the Moseleys this evening and secured Mr M’s gift of $200 to aud. fund

Conf with Mr. Beers today over aud. b’ld’g.

Barber .30; drugstore .25;

Friday, February 1

Mild. Gray. Still thawing

Visits from six Highwood teachers.

Got our 8th grade letters to the alumni in the mails today.

Mr. Metzel called and we looked over the aud. together.

Meeting at Gen Wood’s this evening. Very encouraging. About $2500. in subscriptions turned in.

Mr Beers & I afterwards went up to my office and we planned for further work if the Board OK’s it.

Weak today. Used taxi this afternoon and evening.

Saturday, February 2

Gray. Still rather mild but rawness of March

To Chic where at 11:00 I met Mr Wolfe & Prof Waterman and conferred with them over the possibility of my leading an excursion to Jasper Park. To City Club for lunch

To office of the Screen to confer about motion picture machine. Abbott’s for pictures. Devoe Reynolds. Randolph Market. Fields where I browsed among books & conferred with Miss Sands, Mr Hatch, et. al Bot gloves & ordered shoes. To Art Institute to look up swinging frames, etc. Nice visit with Miss McCauley, and Mr Frank Dudley. Then with the librarian in architecture dept.

Wrote pile of letters this evening

R R .40 + .40; lunch .75; groceries 1.40; etc. .15;

Barber 30;
Sunday, February 3

   So exhausted I lay in bed until after 10:00 this A.M.
   This afternoon K & I went to the concert of the Gordon String Quartette — last of the series — at
Mr. Forrest’s house. Especially fine the Brahm in E. Minor. Also Hayden’s A Dream.
   Clows called this evening

[Pasted to this page is a newspaper clipping written by Arthur Sears Henning, the Chicago Tribune’s
Washington correspondent, announcing the death of former President Woodrow Wilson. — ed.]

Monday, February 4

Began sleeting & snowing this A.M. Then a lull, and after 2:00 P.M. a regular whirling
northeaster, with strong wind on into the night.
   Miss Dorsch home with sinus trouble; Mrs Whitehouse substituting, Miss Tschirgi ill. I taught her
   room this A.M.
   Met Mrs Everett from 5:30 to 6:30 to talk over library matters and the work of the religious
   education classes
   At home this evening.

Tuesday, February 5

Monstrous drifts this A.M. Streets almost blocked. Electric trains got no father than Kenosha.
   Children had great fun in the snow today. Mild, almost melting. Our men had to dig snow away
   from skylights. Workmen fastening plasterboard on ceiling of aud. but two main skylights not yet closed
   up.
   Teachers’ meeting after school.
   Worked up notes for wild flower preserv. discussion at Hamilton Club for next Saturday.

Wednesday, February 6

A beautiful day. Mild. Thawed a little.
   Miss Weinland ill. I heard two of her recitations.
   Mrs Whitehouse again subbed for Miss Dorsch.
   Went to Univ. Club on 5:16 to dine with Dr Cowles and Prof Waterman, and as a committee
discuss proposition to have F or O N. L. undertake checklist of shrubs & trees of Illinois
   This afternoon had an assembly of all pupils & memorial services for ex-Pres’t Wilson.
   Committee meeting with Mrs Pfanstiehl and Mrs Wood.

Barber .30; R R. .80; dinner 1.25.

Thursday, February 7

Colder but not sharp.
   Attended H.S P.T.A. this afternoon. Prof Griffith of U of I on mental hygiene.
   Conf. with Johnson Service man over location of thermostats in aud.
   Library Board this evening.
   Camera plates 1.32;

Friday, February 8

Rather mild. A little above freezing.
   Our snow sports at school very fascinating to the pupils
This afternoon Brent Dow Allison showed two reels of film to 6 – 8’s illustrating Quaker relief in Germany. Impressive statement.
8B’s had movie show for brick fund Small net profit.
I showed Mr Allison and some of his friends through our new bldg.
Izzie Smith & I went to new bldg this evening & threw some pictures on the mural space (south) in Hall of Pictures to get ideas about scale, etc.

Saturday, February 9
Gray, mild. Then a little rain in the afternoon followed by snow this evening.
To Chic on 10:16. To Art Institute, then to City Club to dine with the Round Table Club. Left there after 1:30 & went to Hamilton Club where I took part in a nature symposium their Discussion Club carried out under their chairm, Jas Edgar Brown. I talked about the Wild Flower Preserv. Soc. & showed 25 slides, including my set on the pool in the woods.
R R .40 + .30; lunch 1.00; barber .30; groceries .23;

Sunday, February 10
Only a light snow in the night. Beautiful day Sunny. Melted a little.
To school bldg a while this A.M. where Johnson Service men were putting thermostats in the new aud.
Then to church
A nap after dinner & then we three went to Presb. Church to attend Wilson memorial service
Rev Josiah Sibley gave a fine address
Afterwards we called at the Geers for an hour Wm & wife & child there, as was Mrs Sandwick.
Church .20;
[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the Memorial Service progr. Rev. Josiah Sibley was the pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church in Chicago. – ed.]

Monday, February 11
Melted considerably today.
Leonard Krehbiel, artist, came this A.M. to look over our b’ld’g and confer with Mrs Millard and me over murals for the end walls of the Hall of Pictures.
Mrs Byfield visited Miss Lund’s class and sang several songs for the pupils.
At desk at school this evening, clearing away correspondence.
Mrs Truax brot in the first snowdrop today
Groceries .68; barber .30;

Tuesday, February 12
Mild. About freezing Gray.
I met children in Lincoln talks as follows:
1’s at 9:30
2 – 3’s at 10:10
4 – 5’s at 11:10
6 – 8’s at 1:30.
School closed at 2:30.
Got bills ready for Board meeting. As this evening was dedic. of new Lincoln Ave school, and I had to go to Bd meeting, I went down and visited until 10 of 8:00. Then came back in taxi to Elm Pl.
Board had a report on contracts tentatively let by Mr Beers & members much opposed to lack of authorization for these. Things held up until Mr Metzel & Gen’l Wood confer.

Bananas .30;

Wednesday, February 13
Conf. with Mr Beers over auditorium situation
With Mr Nygaard, one of the Oak Park school principals, relative to exhibit of paintings owned by O.P. & River Forest Art League.
Two Oak Park teachers visited us today.
Showed film from Trees to Tribunes today to 5 – 6’s. Fine film.
7A’s gave short play for 6 – 8’s this afternoon – Knave of Hearts, et. al.
Bread .15;

Thursday, February 14
Bright. Thawing.
J.J. Duffy representing the Simplex machine came to advise about construction of our motion picture booth and figure upon its cost.
John E. Mellish of Wilmette, instrument maker, lectured this afternoon and evening on astronomy.
Very fine photographs.
We took up “valentine” offerings for Near East Relief today
Barber 30.

Friday, February 15
Gray. Colder. A little snow in the air
Miss , representing music dept of Amer Book Co. visited us today.
Conf with Mrs Greene. With Mrs Pfanstiehl. Met Mr Beers on street and had disquieting news about progress of auditorium.
At home this evening. K & I tried over number of hymns in the Christian Century Hymnal.
Our “Valentines” envelopes for the Near East relief brot about 75$ yesterday.

Saturday, February 16
Still cool. Below freezing.
Spent most of the day with the collection of paintings from Oak – Park – River Forest. Mr Nygaard, Princ. of the Holmes School, O.P., came with them and we hung them under his direction. There are 37 paintings and two etchings.
Mrs Millard came up to meet Mr. N. at the hanging. Mr. Morris also.
Gave Mr N. four Milwaukee Electric tickets. Took him & Mr. Butler to lunch at the Green Teapot.
Lunch 1.80
Barber 1.55; groceries .99; drugstore 1.25;

Sunday, February 17
Two inches or so of snow in the night. Gray day.
Slept late. Went to school awhile this A.M. Then this afternoon conf. with Gen’l Wood and a committee meeting at school with Carl Pfanstiehl and others to arrange for a series of two lectures by Carl on Radio. Long conf. with Mrs Millard afterward on auditorium question.
[Carl Pfanziehl (1887-1942), Highland Park resident, founded the Phanstiehl Electrical Laboratory (later Fansteel Metallurgical Corporation) in North Chicago in 1907 (See June 23, 1913 entry.), the Phanstiehl Radio Company, and the Phanstiehl Chemical Company. He received 135 patents in electricity, chemistry, and metallurgy. His pioneering work led to advances in the automobile industry, radio technology, and military equipment during both World Wars. His company later supplied specialty components for the aerospace industry. – ed.]

Monday, February 18
Milder, Thawed a little.
County Supt Simpson called this afternoon to confer about proposed visit of some school men to our school during N.E.A. week.
Got for the Press a notice of our P.T.A. meeting next week.
Had Miss Bell & Miss Watt tabulate subscribers to our brick fund, etc.
Meeting of Gen. Wood’s committee at his house this evening. Present – Mrs McKenzie, Mrs G.A. Mason, Mrs Millard, Mr. Eitel, Mr. Jones. Have 49000 about & some more in sight.
Axe handle .50;

Tuesday, February 19
A northeaster today which furnished two inches or so of snow which the wind is drifting about.
Colder tonight.
Mrs R.E. Wood’s committee on the Pfanziehl lectures met this evening in my office.
Barber .30;

Wednesday, February 20
Colder. Rather sharp by evening. Snowflakes frequently during day
Copy for H.P. Press about Pfanziehl lecture. Read proof for art exhibit.
Mr Nygaard came over and talked to our teachers about our art exhibit after school. He talked again this evening to group I had invited – I & others. Fine time.
He and I ate supper at the Moraine.

Thursday, February 21
Clear and colder. 10° above at 10:00 P.M
Gave Washington talks – three – to all but 1st grade
Sent out circulars advertising Art Exhibit.
Open this evening but only a few visitors.
Barber .30;

[Pasted at this page is the art exhibit program. It is transcribed as follows:

ART EXHIBIT
at
The Elm Place Intermediate School
Hall of Pictures
You are cordially invited to attend a
Special Exhibition
at the
Elm Place Intermediate School
of]
Paintings and Etchings
owned by the
Art League of
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FRANK McDONALD LOWE
Chairman of the Exhibit Committee
of the Elm Place P.T.A.

A Decoration………………… R. Faerweather Babcock
After School………………… Joseph P. Birren
Flowery Bank………………… Marie Blanke
When Shadows Lengthen…… Karl C. Brandner
The Willows………………… Karl A. Buehr
In the Rain………………….. Edward Butler
Oak Street Beach…………… Edgar Cameron
Ancient Town in Holland…… W. Clusman
Tangier………………………… Ethel Coe
Etching……………………… Charles Dahlgren
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The Last of Winter…………… Charles Dahlgren
The Desert…………………… Wallace DeWolf
End of a Woodland Trail…… Frank Dudley
The Old Willow……………… Harry Engle
A Portrait…………………... Gerald Frank
Ploughing the Hillside in Nova Scotia……………… Eugenie Glaman
A Summer Day……………… Edward Grigware
Frost and Fog………………… Rudolph Ingerle
The Willows………………… Holger Jensen
Far Flung Shadows…………… Holger Jensen
Fishing Boats………………… J. Allen St. John
Gloucester…………………… Irma Kohn
At Sun Down………………… Carl Krafft
The Day after Christmas…… Carl Krafft
Winter in the Forest Preserve… A.H. Krehbiel
A Flower Piece……………… Anna Lynch
Swans, a Decoration………… Irving Manoir
Portrait of an Indian………… John Nolf
A Portrait…………………... Arvid Nyholm
Miss Defiance………………… Pauline Palmer
The Pink House……………… Laura Van Papelendam
Sculpture…………………… Emory P. Seidel
Looking East………………… Oscar D. Soellner
Autumn Color………………… John Spellman
Still Life…………………… Anna Stacey
Summer Days………………… John F. Stacey
City Color…………………… Frederick Tellander
A Gust of Wind……………… James Topping
Frolic of the Winds………… James Topping
Along the Santa Fe River…… Walter Ufer
Land and Sky………………… Ellsworth Young
By the River………………… Ellsworth Young – ed.]

Friday, February 22

2° above at my therm this A.M.
Worked at school all day.
This evening opened up the school for the art exhibit, and then went to the Presb. Church where
Prof. Moulton lectured under the auspices of the Woman’s Club. A fine talk illustrated with lantern slides.
Mr & Mrs Conover – cello & piano – gave three fine numbers
Barber .30.

Saturday, February 23

Still sharply cold    Strong wind today
At school awhile this A.M. Then to city. Got my extra glasses at Dow’s. Lunch at City Club.
Went to headquarters of Dept of Superintendence at Congress Hotel, and registered. Then to Rose Room,
Gt Northern, to afternoon program of Conf. of Sup. of Nature Study. Plapp, Shinn, & Pepoon among
others on the program
Ate dinner at City Club, then to Cong. Hotel to program of Nat’l Soc. for Scientific Study of Ed
Came away with Harper. Visited today with Asa Goddard, Prof Wager, M.G. Clarke, C.E.
Douglas, F.L. Miller, et. al.
Met Lew Colwell on street.
R.R. .30 + .07 + .40; meals 2.00; dues 1.00; tips .35;
[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the National Society for Scientific Study of Education program. Dr.
H.S. Pepoon spoke on “General Science and Its Relation to Nature Study and Gardening” with Charles P.
Shinn, J.P. Eisebarger, Dr. Pieper, I.D. Phillips, and Mrs. Minnie M. Tallman leading further discussion of
that topic following Dr. Pepoon’s speech. Frederick W. Plapp participated as a discussion leader on the
topic of “Economic Botany for the Junior High School.” – ed.]

Sunday, February 24

Still cold    Gray.
Slept late. Worked at desk at school two hours. Met Mr Beers after he had a friendly conf. with
Mr Metzel and Gen’l Wood. Delayed work on aud. now all authorized.
Met Gen’l Wood at 5:30 for a conf., then took 6:16 for Chic. To Francis Parker School to hear
Frau Adele Scheiber, member of Reichstag, talk on present day conditions in Germany    Fine talk.
Introduced by Jane Adams. [Addams – ed.]
Mr B.D. Allinson then showed two reels illustrating Quaker relief work
Home on trolley with the Allinsons, Miss Davis, and Mrs Kennedy.
Trolley .40 + .40 + .07 + .21
Monday, February 25
Breakfast at Aud. Hotel.

   Sessions – A.M. & evening as per program.
   Judge Allen’s address unusually fine    McAndrew’s as good in its way.
R.R. .40 + .40; meals 5.25;  toothpaste 1.11; photos 2.10; phone .50. Tip .10;

Tuesday, February 26
   A thawing day    Mild this evening.
   To city on 8:09.  Gen’l program at aud.  Visited with Miss Nellie Nixon of Hammond.
   Took Harper & Miller to lunch at City Club.  Met Mr. Beers afterward for conf.  Agreed to let
   $1825 of Brick Fund be used for ornamental plastering in new aud.
   Spent afternoon visiting exhibits at Congress Hotel    Visited with Searles, Neff, Taber, Edwin
   This evening P.T.A.  Dr Henry Newmann of Brooklyn gave a fine address.  Reception afterward in
   new bldg.  Mr. Nygaard came and brot James Topping, the artist, with him.  A great time.
R.R. .36 + .07 + .40; lunch 2.25;

Wednesday, February 27
   Beautiful day    Thawing rapidly,
   To city on 8:09.  Spent morning in session at Cameo Room, Morrison Hotel.  Visited with Jane
   Woodley & Miss Fitch    Met Prof. Hieronymus and took him to lunch at City Club.  Everett Millard ate
   with us.
   Didn’t attend a section this afternoon.  Called on Mr Silber to consult about interview with some
   motion picture magnate    To Abbott’s Art Gallery.  To Art Inst. to see art exhibit of pupils of Chic pupils
   Home at 5:30.  Worked at desk at home this P.M.
R R. .30 + .07 + .40 + .07; lunch 2.15; barber .30;

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the Francis W. Parker School meeting, which was held in the interest of the Quaker Child-Welfare Work in Germany.  Frau Adele Schreiber spoke on “The True Situation in Germany” Following her address, a moving-picture film, “An Adventure in International Friendship,” was shown.  Miss Jane Addams presided over the meeting. – ed.]

[Pin to this page is a clipping from the National Education Association meeting, Department of Superintendence.  Following greetings from Chicago Mayor William Dever, morning addresses were presented by Olive M. Jones, President of the NEA; P.P. Claxton, Superintendent of Schools, Tulsa, Okla.; J.W. Abercrombie, Superintendent of Education, Montgomery, Ala.; and William Mather Lewis, President of George Washington University, Washington, D.C. The evening sessions included an address on “Next Steps in World-Peace” by Judge Florence Allen of the Supreme Court of the State of Ohio, followed by an address by William McAndrew, Chicago Superintendent of Schools. – ed.]

[Pin to this page is a clipping from the National Education Association meeting. The morning session began with an address on A Definition of Democracy by Walter Lippman, New York World, New York City and B.H. Bode, Professor in Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio. It was followed by addresses on The Application of Democracy to:
   The Organization and Administration of the School, by Michael H. Lucey, Principal, Julia Richman
   High School, New York City.
   The Social Studies, by Thomas J. McCormack, Principal, LaSalle-Peru Township High School,
   LaSalle, Ill.
Thursday, February 28
Beautiful. Mild. Thawing

To city on 8:09. Took unmounted picture to Abbott’s. Then to Blackstone to meeting on “objectives of the elem. curriculum. Fine program Had a chat with Dr Chas McMurry.

Home on 12:50 electric. To school & began to take up work again. At 3:20 came Mr. Simpson, Asst State Supt. Hoffman and several school men from the south. They spent an hour with me, & left on electric.

Attended committee meeting at Gen. Wood’s this evening. Present – Mr. Porter, Mrs Arthur Wood, Mrs McKenzie, Mrs Lytton, Mr. Eitel. Canvass for funds seems approaching a successful conclusion R.R. .30 + .14 + .40; lunch .65;

[Pinced to this page is a clipping from the National Education Association meeting. The morning session included the following addresses:

Reorganization of Subject-Matter in the Elementary School, by F.G. Bonser, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York City.
Reorganization of the Elementary School to Meet Major Objectives, by Charles L. Spain, Deputy Superintendent of Schools, Detroit, Mich.
Research in Relation to the Attainment of Objectives in Elementary Education, by Ernest Horn, State University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa.
How Shall We Select the Subject-Matter of the Elementary-School Curriculum?, by William H. Kilpatrick, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York City.
The Relation of Supervision to the Attainment of Major Objectives, by Fred M. Hunter, Superintendent of Schools, Oakland, Calif. – ed.]

Friday, February 29
Beautiful day. Snow going fast. Muddy

Went to Mr Simpson’s institute at Lincoln Ave School. Speakers Mr Slutz and Miss Hale of Augusta, Maine. Fine time. A guest of Mr. Wright at noon lunch in his office. Early in afternoon got phone call from my bldg & found there Miss Woodley, Miss Finch of DeKalb, & Miss Peck of Houston, Texas. Fine visit with them, showing them around. Then came thirty or more from the Institute, including Miss Hale. I showed her all about and finally saw her to the station

This evening M., K., & I went to Lincoln Ave school to hear a European travel talk by Dr. Goode
Fine as usual
Barber .30; trolley. 10;

Saturday, March 1
Mild day.

We took down the exhibit of the Oak Park River Forest Art League this A M. and loaded it on the truck for its return. Have paid truck-man $30.00 by personal check for the two trips.

Worked at school all day There awhile this evening, then took a taxi to the north end to make some inquiry about the use some of our boys are making of the old Port Clinton School b’d’g.
Groceries .20 + .25 + .15
Barber .30;

Sunday, March 2
Mild. Still thawing.

Slept much of morning. Finished Kirby Page’s War, its causes, etc.
Left on 4:16 for Hull House where F. of O.N.L. held a fireside party. Mr Lemon showed pictures of Point Au Sable, Mich., where it is proposed to have our May outing. Geo Hooker furnished fish roasted in the fire place.

**Monday, March 3**

A March day. Sunny at first. Snow flurries. A little rain.
Conferences with Mrs Millard and Mrs Greene this A.M. With Mr. Rowell who called to discuss teachers’ expenses.
Carl Pfanstiehl’s first lecture on radio. A fine event. Good audience.
Tickets 4.50; jeweler 2.00;

**Tuesday, March 4**

Another March day. A little sun. A little rain much mud.
Teachers’ meeting after school.
Began Finney’s Elementary Sociology.
Mr Fitt came in after teachers’ meeting to talk over some matters, including the report from P.C. bldg which had reached his ears.
Barber .30;

**Wednesday, March 5**

Killdeers
A beautiful day.
Lloyd Hicks came to see me this afternoon to report upon the club of young men of which he is a member which uses the Port Clinton bldg for a clubhouse. A very satisfactory report. Incidentally he reported seeing bluebirds, robins, meadowlarks, & killdeers at Rondout this A.M.
Some of the teachers and I went to R.W. [Roger Williams – ed.] avenue this evening, then walked down over Bob-o-link golf course and around to Mooney’s pond & home We found only a flock of killdeers, six or eight Saw flight of geese.
Worked at desk this evening.
Trolley .10;

**Thursday, March 6**

Gray & threatening. Colder. Then tremendous snow flurries at 5:00 P.M; blinding fall of snow for nearly an hour. Grew colder after night.
At noon I went to Chicago and was on the program for short talk on nature study before Conserv. Com of State Fed of Woman’s Clubs – by invitation of Mrs Colton. Dr. Elliot Downing and others spoke.
Called on Schantz in his office before going home.
At my home desk this evening
R.R .40 + .30 + .10 + .10; lunch .65
Barber 30;

**Friday, March 7**

About 10° above this A M Thawed a little in sunny places only today.
Visitors: Whittemore, representing Prangs, and Miss Griffiths of Country Day
Heard two civics classes.
At desk at school this evening.
Mrs Moseley reported a chewink feeding in her shelter nook today.
Saturday, March 8

Bright day    Melting.
At school until after 11:00. Then to Chic. Left pictures at Sweet Wallach to mount    Wrote note to Prof. Meikeljohn & left it for him at the Univ. Club – inviting him to speak here. Stayed down this evening & heard Stock & the orchestra in a wonderful program.

Visited with the Collins on the way out as far as Howard St. From Evanston I visited with Mrs T.W. Allinson – who attended today the funeral services of Ella Adams Moore. Mrs M. was a member of my German class at De Pauw

R.R. .40 + .77 + .21; meals .75 + .80; concert 2.00; movies .36; Lulu Bett .75; barber .30;

Sunday, March 9

Snowed off and on during the day.

I met by appointment at 10:30 this A.M. Mr Metzel & Mrs Millard at my office, and discussed with them the nomination for president and members of the Board for the coming year.

Slept this afternoon; then had a fine tramp through the snow and out over the Skokie. Surveyed once more the “island” west of the N W. corner of Exmoor where there are fine representatives of amelanchier and carpinus. Flushed up flock of chickadees and a hawk that looked like a goshawk.

Finished Lulu Bett today. Read several chapters from Tarbells in Footsteps of Lincoln.

Monday, March 10

Snowed in a fitful way all day. Mild    Almost as wet as rain.

Board meeting this evening. Much time spent in discussing the availability of Geo Jones for the presidency to succeed Mr Metzel who is to retire.

Groceries .72;

Tuesday, March 11

Snowed ceased today    Melting. Sloppy.

Teachers’ meeting today.

Carl Pfanstiehl gave his second lecture this evening. Fairly well attended. More technical but met the needs of those who have radio apparatus

Carl came to school today to confer with our boys about putting up an aerial & ordering a new radio set.

Barber .30; bread .15;

Wednesday, March 12

Cooler the A.M. Crusty. But thawed some during day    Snow flurries. Had to dig snow off walks again this A.M.

Mr Beers, Mrs Millard and I passed upon colors for walls & ceiling beams of audit

Movies at 3:15 – Tom Brown’s School Days    Rather well-done, on the whole.

Rent 200; express 2.26. House 25.00 + . 8B’s in charge

At home this evening.

Thursday, March 13

Clear. Thawing.
Mr J.U. Hoffman came this A.M. & was with me until 2:30. Edwin Grover also spent the morning. We three had lunch at the Green Tea Pot – then Mr G went back to the city. He talked over with me the possibility of my writing a home geography for publication.

This evening I went down to Powers Theatre to see Otis Skinner in Sancho Panza. Very interesting. Makes one thoughtful

Lunch 2.00, trolley .80; theater 275

[Pasted to this page is a clipping of the playbill for Sancho Panza. – ed.]

Friday, March 14
Gray. Clearing. Very little melting


Afterwards I took Miss Stine and a friend, Mrs Murray through the new bldg

Miss Towne visited Miss Rogers after school, Miss T. being Miss Gahan’s assistant at Winnetka

Saturday, March 15
Bright much of time but cool. Froze sharply this A.M.

At school most of day Conferred with Bahr over tree planting.

A little while at library this evening getting books on architecture, period furniture, etc.

Groceries .2[8?] + .45 + .15 + .20 + .70 + 1.65 + .45. Barber .30; Eggs 1.00;

Sunday, March 16
A beautiful day Cool but thawing.

Walked over Bobolink golf grounds, then to Green Bay Road, visiting with two male bluebirds in the lane. Then rode with Archie Mason. Walked east on that road (a pair of bluebirds this time) to Sheridan Road, then up to H.P. Met Mrs Millard and four of my staff at the Boynton gates – out for a walk. Shortly beyond a chauffeur picked me up & took me to Presb. Church.

Late this afternoon I visited with a robin across the street. Then went to Ravinia to spend the evening with the Kellers. (Heard meadowlarks’ evening songs) Met Ethel Goddard, Mr & Mrs Carr, and Mr Danfeld, Swedish chemist.

Church 25;

Monday, March 17
Deep rose flush at dawn. Then gray day. Chill wind. Snow flurries towards evening.

At morning exercises, Miss Tucker, a friend of Miss Dorsch, played piano numbers very acceptably.

Miss Zoe Hartman came to solicit material for a garden article

Conf. with certain teachers about backward pupils.

At my office in El. Bldg this evening

Fruit .48; bread .15;

Tuesday, March 18
Gray. Then cleared beautifully. Muddy

5th grade pupils and I planted 17 flats of Sutton’s Best of All tomatoes

Spent from 10:30 to 11:45 in Dr Earl Fritsch’s chair – one lower, left premolars re-filled.

This afternoon went with 5 teachers and 150 or so children to program of Gordon’s String Quartette at H.S. Fine concert.
Teachers’ meeting at 4:00. Wade McNutt discussed Mendelian theory, etc.

Wednesday, March 19
Beautiful day  Cool
Went with Miss Grenoble, Miss Jones & Miss Watt and 38 pupils (7B) to Art Inst. (to 12:30) and Field Museum – to 3:20. Fine day.
Home this P.M.  Reading science material
Lunch .48;

Thursday, March 20
Gray. Threatening. Then a northeaster at 5:30 – snow – into late evening.
This afternoon took nearly all pupils in Int. Bldg thru the new aud.  The workmen putting on the ornamental plaster.
Dinner at Fred Boynton’s with Rev Mr. McDonald as guest.  Then Mrs B & I went by trolley to Evanston – with Mrs A H. Wood, & Miss Davis & Miss Kennedy.  Heard Prof Meikeljohn at Fiske Hall in last of series of six lectures on Education. A brilliant finale.
Mr & Mrs Sellery brot us all home in their car
Movies this afternoon.  “Ropin’ Fool”; Our Gang; Four-footed Friends.”
Barber .30; taxi 1.50;

[Pasted to this page is a clipping of Dr. Meiklejohn’s lecture series. The clipping noted that “Dr. Alexander Meiklejohn was born in Rochdale, England, and was brought to the United States as a boy of eight. He received undergraduate training at Brown University with post-graduate work at Cornell. After four years of teaching at Brown, he became Dean in 1901. Eleven years later he was elected President of Amherst College.” Dr. Meiklejohn’s six lectures were in a series entitled “Education for Democracy.” They were:

What Have We to Teach?
Thinking and Its Difficulties
Conduct and Its Difficulties
Democracy As An Experiment
Thinking in a Democracy
Learning What to Teach – ed.]

Friday, March 21
Snowed a little. But melted more  Slushy
Mrs Wenban reporting for the Christian Science Monitor visited us this A.M.
I went to the city on the 2:46 – to meeting of Board of D. of the Geog Soc.  Caught 5:50 for home Ate sandwich at station.  Brot along some bird slides Mr Schantz got for me.  Arranged them & took (bus) auto for Deerfield Presb. Church where I talked to the Boy Scouts.  A fine time.  Messrs Jacobson & Mason in charge.  Came back in bus.
R.R. 40 + 40; lunch .45;

Saturday, March 22
Gray but rather mild
Spent much of the day with Mr Frank Dudley, the “painter of the dunes”. We hung 25 of his paintings in the Hall of Pictures – Mr Butler and Amadeo doing the work.  Mr D. stayed until nearly 4:00.
At my desk at school an hour this evening.  Got out copy of a folder announcing the coming Dudley exhibit.
Lunch 2.00; barber .30; groceries .92 + .15
ART EXHIBIT
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The Elm Place Intermediate School
Hall of Pictures

You are cordially invited to attend a
Special Exhibition
of
Paintings
By Frank V. Dudley

March 25 to April 8, 1924

The Exhibit Committee of the Elm Place P.T.A. is pleased to announce
a special exhibit of paintings by Frank V. Dudley, the “painter of the dunes.”
These are to be on display in the Hall of Pictures at the Elm Place Intermediate
School for two weeks, beginning March 25, 1924. The exhibition will be open
to the public without charge during the afternoon of each day that the school is
in session and on the following special occasions: From seven to nine of the
evenings of Tuesday, March 25, Thursday, March 27, Tuesday, April 1 and
Thursday, April 3, and from two to five in the afternoons of Sunday, March 30,
and Sunday, April 6. The pictures are for sale at the prices indicated.

FRANK McDONALD LOWE,
Chairman

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Low-flung Clouds. ......................................... 200
At the Turn of Day. ........................................ 100
Still Life – Flowers. ....................................... 75

FRANK V. DUDLEY

Mr. Dudley is an alumnus of the Art Institute of Chicago and a member of various art organizations of that city. He has in recent years found his chief inspiration in the sand dunes of northern Indiana and he is now regarded as the foremost interpreter of the beauty of the dunes.

Awards:
- Municipal Art League Prize, 1907.
- Butler Prize, 1914.
- Municipal Art League Purchase Prize, 1915.
- Martin B. Kahn Prize, 1920.
- Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Logan Medal and First Prize, 1921.

Represented:
- Collection of the Friends of American Art.
- Chicago Art Institute.
- Collection of the Municipal Art League of Chicago.
- Many other public and private collections. – ed.]

Sunday, March 23

Gray. Mild.
- Did no go to church    Rested up.
- At school late this afternoon.
- Went down to spend the evening with Tot and Charles Scrogin.

R R .30 + .40; lunch .20

Monday, March 24

Beautiful day.
- Four teacher visitors from Winnetka schools
- Caucus of teachers relative to P.T.A. meeting of tomorrow evening

Tuesday, March 25

Rained some – then a fall of wet snow – a March day.
- Miss Tschirgi’s pupils gave an Ivanhoe play this afternoon
- Twelve of our teachers and I went over to Ossoli Club to hear Frank Dudley’s lecture on the art of the painter which he illustrated while his wife sang    Then I entertained him & Mrs D & her mother, Mrs Lewis, at the Green Tea Pot.
- Then we went to the school – where the evening session of the P.T.A came off. Assembly in the aud. – then parents went to the various rooms to hear the teachers outline the work    Then all assembled in the Hall of Pictures to meet the Dudleys & drink cider & eat doughnuts.

Dinner 4.00; barber .30;
Wednesday, March 26
Gray. Clearing.
Routine work today Auditorium interior not drying fast enough for the calciminers.
We started out the petitions for school board members today.

Thursday, March 27
Mild. A model Spring day.
Mr Jensen came before noon to see the pictures and stayed to lunch with 12 or more of us - - - Miss Kerr & Miss Davis preparing the lunch at our expense. It was our first botany conference – those of us who are reading Ganong’s The Living Plant together.
Mr Ha[nn?]ly of the Service Studio came in the afternoon to confer with Mrs Millard and me about stage hangings.
Twelve of us were invited to a dinner party at the Loewenstein’s last evening. I came away early to be at Hall of Pictures – it was open evening. Mrs Greene had opened up for me and was still there. Mrs Card, Mary & Evelyn F. were there.

Friday, March 28
Mild. Then gray & cooler. At noon & later some lightning & thunder. Later on heavy rain continuing at intervals into the night.
Lennie & Edith & Ruth came this A.M. L & R. visited my school this afternoon. So did Mrs Goodspeed, dean of Noyes Hall, U. of C.
Various conferences this A.M. with electricians.
As L & R & I were coming home from school we saw men lifting Miss Rogers into Dr. Robert’s auto, he having knocked her down. I got in with her and went to the hospital and stayed until it developed that she had only minor bruises – yet severe nervous shock. I arranged for one or more of our staff to visit her this evening.
Groceries .15 + .23; barber .30; lunch bill of yesterday .37;

Saturday, March 29
Rained frequently – sometimes heavily during the day. Thunder storm for a time. Began to snow late this evening.
At school a while this A.M. To the city on the 12:15. Conf. with Dr Whalen over proposed trip to Alaska. Took election notices to Mr Metzel’s office to secure his signature. Went to Carson Pirie’s galleries to see Mr Peyraud’s paintings of Switzerland scenery. Had visit with Mrs Pingry there & Mr Peyraud – also with Mr Smith of Winnetka – the rep. of Carson Pirie.
This evening Lennie & I went down to Skokie School to see Mary. Dr & Mrs Byfield invited us to ride home with them. Miss Phillips was in their party.
R.R. .80; groceries 1.55; taxi .75; pictures at Sweet Wallach 5.10
[Pasted to this page is a clipping of The North Shore Theatre Guild playbill for Mary the Third. – ed.]

Sunday, March 30
Snow flurries. Finally much colder.
None of us went to Church this A.M
I kept open house this afternoon at school for those who wished to visit the Dudley paintings. A number of families came. Mrs Harper of Wilmette came with Mr & Mrs & Miss Bentley. Mr. B. an official of Amer. Seating Co. I showed them & others the auditorium. Mrs Taylor & her father and some other relatives came.
This evening the girls and I went over to the Deckers to hear the Sunday Evening Club Service by radio.

**Monday, March 31**
Gray & forbidding. But at noon sun shone a while — then it turned cold and gray again.
Visitors today: Two agents for paper towels, etc; Miss Griffith of Country Day; Marian Keagel to ask advice about getting a position;
At morning exercises Mrs Jones and Elizabeth played on piano first movement of Beethoven’s Fifth Symphony.
Lennie, Edith & Ruth went home this A.M.
Barber .30;

**Tuesday, April 1**
Sun shone only part of time and was barely able to melt the inch of granular snow which lay on frozen surfaces. Snow flurries
Tp. election. I spent considerable time with the civics classes today.
Mr Metzel came for an half hour and inspected the auditorium.
Teachers’ meeting. Discussed a chapter in Finney’s Element. Sociology.
At school bldg a while this evening. A few visitors to Hall of Pictures.

**Wednesday, April 2**
Bright day. More like Spring
Elizabeth Johnson a visitor.
Mother not well. In bed much of day
Some 5A’s planted ten or more flats of John Baer tomatoes.
Carl Pfanstiehl came this afternoon and installed a new radio set in science room
Conf with Mr Beers over auditorium matters.
At desk at school this evening.
Barber .30; bread .15;

**Thursday, April 3**
A beautiful Spring day. Let the breeze blow through the aud. Carpenters began to prepare for wainscot. Plasterers gone. One painter on the job
Gave Miss Crum, Thrift agent, chance to talk at three or four assemblies
Conf. with Mrs Greene & Mrs Millard
Showed Mrs Thomas and Mrs Bedore — artist — about the building.
At noon 16 of us ate lunch served by 8B girls & worked over Chapter IV of Ganong.
I went up to skunk cabbage woods after school and walked up to Bill Sweeney’s to have a chat with him.
This evening Library Board. Afterwards I went up to school — Art gallery open in charge of Sam Smith & Miss Kennedy, - Then I worked an hour on Joe Venturi’s naturalization papers
Frogs sang.

**Friday, April 4**
Another very fine day
Some of the 5’s planted cabbage seed — Sutton’s
Various discipline matters — one involving a neighborhood terror.
Pkg of stuff from Griesemer – mertensia, smilacina – pyrola sanguinaria
Sent out nursery lists with prices today.
Barber 1.50; candy .10;

Saturday, April 5
Mild and balmy Gray. Finally showers after nightfall.
   (Pope & Johnson); movie house ( ) for conference on movies; Vaughn’s for dibbles & nasturtium seed;
   lunch at City Club; R R. offices for rates over I.C. & the C. & E.I.
   Home at 2:30. To school where I set out supply of bloodroot, mertensia, pyrola & smilacina from
   Hopedale. Interview with Jeanette Harper, Kg teacher.
   At desk awhile this evening.
Dist 107 – dibbles 3.20;
R.R. .80 + .07; lunch .75; groceries .72 + .30 + .45; + [3?]0. Barber 30;

Sunday, April 6
Fine day in every way
At school much of the morning. Long conference with Mr Beers.
   Slept most of afternoon but at 5:00 or later got message from Miss Heffron and Miss Grunewald
   who were keeping open house in the Hall of Pictures that Mr & Mrs Dudley & Mrs Lewis were there. So I
   went right up there and after while brot them all to our house for the evening. Fine time.

Monday, April 7
Light shower in night. Clear & cool. Sharp wind at evening.
   Miss Lund at music convention in Cincinnati. Miss Miles at the piano. Miss Wagner of Milwaukee
   a visitor.
   Mrs Sanford of Winnetka spent an hour with me after lunch. Mrs James Loeb called for a time.
   Miss Sands & I took a 6A class out to look at colonial types of architecture.
   Teachers’ meeting at 4:00.
   At school this evening.
Barber .30; bread .15;

Tuesday, April 8
Mild – then gray. In afternoon thunderstorm & heavy rain. Evening, do.
   The janitors & several boys and I set out a great many seedling willows, witch hazel, elder berry, &
   sumachs on ravine slopes.
   I went to Lake Bluff and talked nearly an hour to all the school children on flowers – then to
   P.T.A., Garden & Woman’s Club. Mrs Durand then talked about her “wild-life sanctuary.”
   Took express on electric for Chic & visited with Mrs Durand all the way in
   Went to meeting of Directors of Aud. Soc. Then to movie The Ten Commandments.
R.R. .21 + .21 + .40 + .40; supper 1.25; show 1.65; ice cream .15.

Wednesday, April 9
Gave two talks on the primary election to the 8A’s.
This evening took my slides & lantern with Isadore and Alex Perry to help over to Area and gave a
flower talk at the Community Hall. A very small audience.
R.R. .63 + .63 + .60; barber .30; candy .15; bananas .30;
Thursday, April 10
Gray.
Talked on home landscape work at H-S. assembly this A.M.
Miss Watt and some of the 6th graders reset our S – B. of A tomato plants.
Miss Mackintosh of Joliet schools visited us.
This evening Mr & Mrs Flynn, Mr & Mrs Holmes, Mrs Smoot, & Miss Wyckoff & Mrs Egan used the lantern in the Music Room to show some reprod. of old-time pictures I visited with Mrs Smoot at the time.

Friday, April 11
Oak Park
Gray. Then snow flurries for two or three hours, melting at once
We all went to meeting of Lake Shore Division at Oak Park today. I got back at 6:30.
Visited a short time today with Miss Ford, Miss Blair, Miss Reat, et. al.
Looked in at exhibit of pictures in Grace Church Parish house; then visited the Library, etc
R.R. .30 + .10 + .10 + 30; lunch 1.00
papers .05 + .02

Saturday, April 12
Fine day Cool wind.
At school nearly all day and after supper.
Looked after little details of bldg. Conf with the architect
School election this afternoon. Only 31 votes cast. No contest.
Mrs Jewett and Miss Annis came to see new bldg and talk over planting schemes
Miss Merryweather and I conferred about the Dudley pictures and decided to buy for the Library the one called The Trail to Arcady.
Groceries 1.05; cells .80; drugs .55
barber .30; bread .15;

Sunday, April 13
A fine warm Spring day
Too fagged to go to church Slept refreshingly instead. This aft. went by bus to Co. Line; south of Deerfield and walked to the Jewett farm. Looked it over with reference to recommending its planting (ornamental), then rode back to H.P. with Lawrence Mills & Sarah. To school to water plants & confer with Geo. Jones
Then to Millards for supper – Dr Rollin Woodyat and his Mother & Ralph Seymour Fine evening
Bus .21;

Monday, April 14
[no entry on this day – ed.]

Tuesday, April 15
[no entry on this day – ed.]

Wednesday, April 16
[no entry on this day – ed.]
Thursday, April 17
[no entry on this day – ed.]

Friday, April 18
[no entry on this day – ed.]

Saturday, April 19
Reached Chic. at 7:15. Taxi to Adams St. Breakfast .60; taxi .60; & then electric for home.
A few errands and a look-in at school, then took train to Chic. At meeting of Round Table at City Club. Harper and I talked about our new bldgs. Then shopped a while & electric for home.
Worked on my accumulated mail this evening.
Porter .50; taxi .60; breakf .65; R.R. .40 + .40 + .40; lunch 1.00; barber .30; groceries .68; flowers 1.50

Sunday, April 20
Easter Sunday – bright, on the whole. Rather cool
To church with the folks. We went again this evening to a pageant – well presented
Mr Parrat called with his machine about five and I went with him & Mrs P and the grandson for a drive west and south of Deerfield.
Church .80;

Monday, April 21
Rather threatening. A little rain. Chilly
Miss Shaw of Racine visited us all day. The girls who were here when she was on the staff gave her a little dinner this evening.
Miss Moon of the Evanst Pub. Library visited this A M
Rev Wm Patton and Mr Hoy of Rogers Park visited late in the day.
Board meeting this evening. Geo Jones, the new Pres; Gen Wood the new member. Amicable meeting
Bird seed .30;

Tuesday, April 22
Fine day Cool.
Long conf with Mr Beers & Mrs Millard & Mrs Greene over aud. affairs & proposed front for new bldg.
Then the ladies & I discussed teaching budget.
Burhorn, movie distributor, took some time this afternoon.
Teachers’ meeting.
This evening had a conference with Miss Grunewald over relations between the teachers. Then I attended a lecture on dental hygiene at Woman’s Club. Then Mrs Greene and I went over to my office and discussed the teacher situation.
Barber .30;

Wednesday, April 23
Fine. Milder.
John Baer tomato plants reset by Miss White’s 6’s. Cabbage plants in flats sent out to cold frames
Began distributing the red maple seedlings (700) Mr Bahr donated
Talked with Mrs Millard over phone about salary schedule. She left for East at 10:00.
Mr Krehbiel, the artist, came out to confer about murals. He took back three of my books on early history of this state, etc.

At Dr Fritsch’s from 11:15 to 11:45.

Ticket .25;

[Albert Henry Krehbiel (1873-1945), American impressionist and muralist. –ed.]

Thursday, April 24

Lovely day. Blew up cool after sunset.
Mrs Sands of Country Day school an appreciative visitor. Miss Maloney visited us also.
Mr Duffy of the Exhibitors Supply Co. came and I gave him contract for our new movie plant.

Check for $800 to begin with
Rep of Cyclone Fence Co. came & figured on enclosing our playground on the north 8A’s – gave movie this afternoon & evening – The Sky Pilot “Botany Lunch” today.

Barber .30; lunch .40.

Friday, April 25

Heavy rainstorm with thunder from 10 to 12 this A.M.
Miss Irene Herman & Miss Bulger of Woodstock visitors this A.M.
Mrs Mary Hastings Bradley gave her lecture on the gorilla trails before the 6 – 8 grades & 100 or more pupils of Ravinia, Lincoln Ave., & Ridge in our aud. this afternoon. Repeated this in Woman’s Club Aud. this P.M. to fine aud. My boys ran the lantern I took up tickets with Miss Morrison’s assistance Messenger fares to Winnetka – Dist. 107 - 60¢

Saturday, April 26

Rained at intervals during afternoon & evening.
At school until 10:00. Then to Wauk to Dow Lumber Co. Lunch. Then to Chicago. Seeds at Vaughn’s & negatives at Sweet Wallach. Hoped to find Geo B. Carpenter’s open but this was not so.

Home by 3:35 and at 4:00 conf. with Mrs Greene & Mr. Jones over teachers’ schedule.
This P.M. – barbers & then the movies at Pearls
Daniel Boone (Chronicles)
Hoosier School Master.

Dist 107 – Waukegan trip 1.85 + .40
Chic – 30 + 40 + .07; sundries .45
Negatives 1.75; seeds - .55.
Barber .90; groceries .53

Sunday, April 27

A light shower this morning after 11:00 – then heavy shower off & on the rest of the day.
Walked out West Park Ave to look over native shrubbery, going as far as Koller’s farm
This afternoon Wm Denzel took me to the home of the Bolen’s in L. Forest where Edward, act. 18, is dead of Bright’s Disease. Fine lad. Mr. D. picked up his children on the way back – they were at Catholic S.S in Highwood – & we came down to our school & then home after a short ride about town.
At 6:15 I took taxi for Millard’s where F. of O.N. were holding a “fireside meeting.” Fine time.

Millard & Jensen spoke & Ralph Seymour

Monday, April 28
Cleared late in day. Mild
Mrs Whitehouse sub-ing for Miss Kennedy who has gone to the hospital for a few days.
Left on 2:46 for Chic. To Geo B. Carpenters to contract for two flagpoles for aud. Supper at City
Club — then 7:15 I.C.R.R. for Riverdale — where Mr J.C. Williams of the Dolton H-S. picked me up &
took me to the D. theatre. Here I talked — when my turn came — on Spring flowers. Got home at 1:00
A.M.!
R R. .40 + .38 + 12 + 60; supper 1.25 + .20; taxi .60 (Dist 107) + .07.

Tuesday, April 29
Beautiful day.
Mr Patton & two of his friends and Mr Meredith visited us to see our school in session, this A M
Miss Moore of Country Day also came.
Many activities. P.T.A. this evening. Discussion of topics by various parents. Fine meeting.
Barber .30;

Wednesday, April 30
A chill wind blew most of the day. Gray at first. Clearing late.
Before 8:00 A.M., Butler & Santi & I took a taxi for the low woodlands over Ridge Road & I
selected shrubs & small trees to be dug up. I came back at 9:00. The men at 10:30, and Koller brot in the
trees this afternoon.
Miss Helen Harris visited us today. Also three Chicago teachers.
The 8th A’s gave Twelfth Night this afternoon to the upper graders.
At 3:30 I had all pupils assemble in the new aud to test the acoustics. The H.S. orchestra came and
played a few numbers. Mrs Annette Jones, Geo & Mrs Jones, Mr & Mrs Beers, Miss Carver, Mrs Lytton,
Mrs Wood, et. al. were the jury and they pronounced the acoustics O.K.

Thursday, May 1
A fine day. A distracting one.
Miss Hartman came to get data for an article and used up two hours of my time
Mrs Holmes of the Kenilworth Board came to ask for ideas about a new sup’t.
Jens Jensen called a while.
Miss Schermerhorn came to ask my advice.
I sent a letter by messenger to Mr. C.M. Moderwell, Pres. Bd of Educ’n, Chicago, asking him to
try to persuade Mr McAndrews to come to the dedic of our aud.

Lots of work about the new bldg.
Our 8A’s gave Twelfth Night this evening. Fine performance
Barber .30;

Friday, May 2
A fine day Sprinkle late in day.
One very busy day.
Visitors: some friends of Mr. Dudley.
Mr Peyraud’s paintings came and he was on hand this afternoon to direct their hanging.
Feverish activity in the finishing stages of the audit. Lattice work at entrance built. I had grading
done and my staff of janitors set out masses of shrubbery.
A painter fell from ladder and almost dislocated his ankle.
Mrs Millard back and at bldg to help.
Mrs Whitehouse has subbed all week for Miss Kennedy.
At school awhile this evening.

Saturday, May 3
A fine day, though a light shower at the beginning
Big work day continued until after 6:00 P.M
Borchardt’s man with horses and scraper for three hours. Ugolini and three men all day grading,
making cinder walk coated with crushed stone, setting shrubs, etc. Five school boys helped all day.
Mrs Millard and Mrs Lytton were there nearly all afternoon Mr & Mrs Beers on the job, et. al.
Barber .30; ice cream .30, groceries 1.05 + .95;

Sunday, May 4
A rush for day? Cool
Edith & D. spent part of the day with us.
We had to work hard at school all morning to get Aud in shape. But we had our reward. The
building was beautiful in every way.
The Chicago Civic Orchestra gave us a most inspiring concert in the midst of which Mr Stock
congratulated us on the perfect acoustics of the room - - There were more than 900 people in the audience.
It was a great triumph. - - - Afterwards the Hall of Pictures was crowded and people visited the rooms.
I went afterwards with Mr & Mrs Alschuler of Winn & Mr & Mrs Rubens to Mr Wolf’s for tea with
Mr & Mrs Stock.
[Pasted to this page is a clipping of the 3:30 p.m. concert program of the Civic Orchestra of Chicago under
the direction of Frederick Stock at the Elm Place School Auditorium. – ed.]

Monday, May 5
Fine day. A cool wind succeeded late in the day, and almost suddenly, by a warm wind.
First assembly in the aud. a fine spectacle – a great success. Our orchestra played and we sang from
words thrown up by the stereopticon.
Late this afternoon Mr Bartoli & Isadore & I opened our bundles of stock from the Onarga Nursery
Co. and puddled & heeled it in.
I planted beets, radishes & two rows of string beans at home
After supper Miss Jewett took me out to their farm to advise about planting shrubbery.
Ice cream .30;

Tuesday, May 6
Cool. Clear. Warmed up. After 9:00 a thunderstorm and heavy rain
Distributed nearly all our nursery stock today. Another shipment to come
Teachers’ meeting.
K and I went to very successful rendition by N.S. Theater Guild players of Icebound
Barber .30;
[Pasted to this page is a clipping of the playbill for The North Shore Theatre Guild production of Icebound,
the Pulitzer Prize play of 1923, by Owen Davis. – ed.]

Wednesday, May 7
Showery.
Went to River Forest – Mrs James Dick’s house, 255 Edgwood Place to talk on spring flowers
before Oak P. & River F. Garden Club. Had a fine time.
This evening met with Gen’l Wood’s Committee to talk over campaign wind-up. Still short 2,000.
Check recd for 25¢
R.R. .40 + .10 + .10 + 30; taxi 1¢
lunch .75; barber 30.

Thursday, May 8
Rained most of morning.
Liebe Zapler, recommended by Miss Dwyer and Miss Conyne, called to apply for a position.
Miss Margaret Nason wrote on a U. of C. examination paper in my office.
Considerable time spent on aud. matters & plans for a “celebration”.
Mr. Taylor, representing the Exhibitors Supply Co set up our gold-fiber movie screen
“Botany lunch” today.
Lunch .50.

Friday, May 9
Threatening, much of day.
Shortly after 8:00 I went out west in taxi with Butler & Santi to Muzik’s strip of land along R.R & directed
the digging of a load of shrubbery. Beautiful display of cowslips, trilliums, etc Wild plum almost open.
Flushed up pair of woodcocks.
Back again, I got plant house ready, Then 8A’s, one group, potted S-b-of-A tomato plants from
about 25 flats. At 1:15 I gave a flower talk to Lincoln Ave. children – and they gave $2500 to our Brick
Fund –
Miss Davis & three other teachers from St. Charles were with us this afternoon. Mr. Watkins &
three of his teachers from Homewood. - - - We distributed nearly all our nursery stock. - - Miss Ducker
came to visit us. - - I went to Art Inst to hear Cox’s lecture on Mts of N.C.
Trolley .30 + .40; sundries .10 + .10 + .38 + .05

Saturday, May 10
Drizzly most of A M. Clearing afternoon.
Worked with two of Ugolini’s men until 11:00. Then to City Club to meeting of Round Table.
Address by Dean Kent.
Back by four. Heeled in our shrubbery. Watered tomato plants. Various errands this evening.
Phoned Fiske Allen at Urbana Charleston, Miss Fargo at Evanston. Phone call from Dicey Moore at
Urbana.
R.R. 40 + 40; dinner 1.00; groceries .30 + .23; barber .30;

Sunday, May 11
Fine day.
“Mothers’ Day.” Last evening Lennie phoned me to get a dozen and a half of fine roses at her
expense for Mother. Roses were scarce when I applied, so I took a potted “Rambler” instead
To church. This afternoon I spent at the schoolhouse. Thrown open to visitors to the Peyraud
exhibit, etc. Not great many visitors but a fine interest. Miss Edith Smith, - - the Gourleys, Bergmans,
Blanche Mason & her husband (Russian) and brother-in-law, et. al.
Gen Wood & Mrs Millard came to confer over work on the pool, etc.
Collection 1.00;
[Inserted at the back of the diary is a copy of the exhibit program. It is transcribed as follows:
ART EXHIBIT

at
The Elm Place Intermediate School
Hall of Pictures
Highland Park, Illinois

You are cordially invited to attend a
Special Exhibition
of
Paintings
By Frank C. Peyraud

May 4 to May 23, 1924

The Exhibit Committee of the Elm Place P.T.A. is pleased to announce a special exhibit of paintings, these coming directly from the Carson-Pirie galleries and representing some of the fine results of Mr. Frank C. Peyraud’s recent prolonged sojourn among the Swiss Alps. These are to be on display in the Hall of Pictures at the Elm Place Intermediate School for three weeks beginning Sunday, May 4, 1924. The exhibit will be open to the public without charge during the afternoon of each day that school is in session and on the following special occasions: From seven to nine of the evenings of Tuesday, May 6, Thursday, May 8, Tuesday, May 13, Thursday, May 15, Tuesday, May 20, and May 22, and from two to five in the afternoons of Sunday, May 4, Sunday, May 11, Sunday, May 18.

FRANK McDONALD LOWE,
Chairman

Eternal Snows, Findelen Glacier
After the Rain, Gruyeres
Morning in the Woods
Winter Afternoon
A Medieval Town
Alpine Valley
Autumn Afternoon
Spring Day
Bellegarde
Moonlight, Gruyeres
A Mountain Hamlet
Close to the Glaciers
Narcissus Field
In the Sunshine, Enney
La Villette
The Path in the Wood
A Mountain Brook
First Snow
Les Granges, Winter  
Chapelle near Zermatt  
Near Zermatt  
Spring, near Gruyeres

FRANK C. PEYRAUD

The paintings presented here are the result of Mr. Peyraud’s work during a recent visit of three years to his native land, Switzerland. Mr. Peyraud has studied at the Art Institute of Chicago, and at the Ecole des Beaux Arts in Paris under Bonnet and Fribourg.

Awards:

- Butler Prize, 1912.
- Municipal Art League Purchase Prize, 1912.
- Chicago Society of Arts Medal, 1912.
- Cahn Honorable Mention, 1912.
- Carr Prize, 1913.
- Grower Prize, 1915.
- The Bronze Medal, Panama Pacific Exhibition at San Francisco, 1915.
- The Silver Medal at the Hamilton Club Exhibition, 1920.

Represented:

- Collection of the Friends of American Art, Chicago Art Institute.
- Collection of the Municipal Art League, Art Institute of Chicago.
- Collection of the Union League Club.
- And many other public and private collections. – ed.]

[Mr. Peyraud’s painting, A Medieval Town, is currently (2011) on display in the Jesse Lowe Smith Historical Room of the Highland Park Public Library. – ed.]

Monday, May 12

Fine, mild day.

Wild plum and shad coming into bloom. White trillium out.

Had three of Ugolini’s men all day and one, with the auto truck this afternoon. We (Butler & the workmen) all went out for another load of shrubbery this afternoon.

The man who photographs our pupils every other year began on us today.

Schantz & Mr Gilbert, his friend from Hinsdale, came at 3:00 & were with me until 6:00.

Borrowed our lantern for Mr S. to use in a lecture at Deerfield.

Board meeting this evening. Ratified increases in salary of $150 for nearly all the teachers.

Barber .30; supper .35;

Tuesday, May 13

Auditorium Exercises

Threatening. A little rain. Cooler.

Had Ugolini’s men finish our landscaping.
Expert set up our new movie machines.
Electrician fixed our outside lights
Tonight the new auditorium thrown open. Exercises a great success.
Children gave pledge to flag & sang one verse of the star-spangled banner. Then they sang five fine selections & marched down to their seats. Prof. Tenney sang three numbers and then conducted community singing. I talked five minutes – Mayor Hastings 10 or 15. Mr Jones read resolutions. We showed our school movies. A great affair

**Wednesday, May 14**
Gray at times. Rather cool.
Ugolini’s men graded along north side of new bldg. Made additional cement step.
After school Ugolini & I went down to Becker’s & then to Millard’s to look over stone work on sloping banks
Went to Dr Eisenstadt’s to spend evening. Edgar showed his slides & photographs, etc
Shad in full bloom White trillium wide open
Barber 50.

**Thursday, May 15**
Fine day.
Some of the larger pupils helped prepare ground and 2’s, 3’s & 4’s planted wheat, oats, rye & barley, flax and buckwheat today.
I went down below Beech St this afternoon late and took four photos of shad trees.
At school this evening. Marjorie Buhrer called to talk kg position
Lunch .50;

**Friday, May 16**
Fine day.
Kept garden work going. 5’s planted forage grasses; 6’s some corn. Some of 5’s set elm seedlings in nursery; 6’s under Miss White set out red maple seedlings Mr. Bahr had given us. Miss Nixon with 8B’s & 8A’s re-set more tomato plants into pots.
Mrs Millard & Ugolini & I conferred over proposed rock work
Miss Ashby called to apply for art position.
Miss Watt & I went after school to Skokie west of Exmoor to get shad photos Unsuccessful but made one exposure of white trillium
Lunch .75;
Labor .50 (boys). Charge to D. 107.

**Saturday, May 17**
Another. Threatened rain did not come until after nine o’clock.
Planted onion sets at home. Worked at school nearly all day. Ugolini began laying stone wall above pool. Mrs Millard looked on and advised, both morning & afternoon. I pruned back the later planting of shrubbery, Isadore Smith drenched it with the hose He worked all day, most of the time re-setting tomato plants.
Barber .90; ice cream .30; groceries .75 + .60 + .23 + .15;

**Sunday, May 18**
Clear. Windy. Had been rain in the night
Slept late. Went to my office and worked over accumulated mail.  
Spent afternoon at school. Peyraud paintings on exhibition. Mr Peyraud himself came and spent an 
hour or so. Only a few visitors. Mr Carver & his mother, Miss Carver & Priscilla, Mr & Mrs Whitman & 
daughter of Winnetka were interested visitors.  
I photographed a potted beet & a carrot & a blackboard picture in Miss Grunewald’s room.  
This evening developed ten successful pictures, including four shad bush photos.

Monday, May 19
A rain in the night. A little during the morning. Turned off cold during day.  
Ugolini’s men worked on rock wall, Mrs Millard looking on.  
I sent Hazel Bell to Wauk. on errand for Board.  
Specimen of scarlet tanager came in. Also b.b. cuckoo. Snapping turtle.  
This eve. The Sedgwicks took Isadore & me to Arden Shore where I gave a flower-bird talk to the 
group of very much interested boys.  
Errand .20 (Dist 107).  
Barber .30;

Tuesday, May 20
Moderated. Fine day.  
Work continued on rock wall, Mrs M. on the job.  
Lots of desk work.  
Mrs Webber of Glencoe came to try for a secretarial position.  
A 7A group planted tobacco seed.  
Teachers’ meeting at 4:00. Outlined functions for close of school.  
At my desk this evening  
Talked to Mr Gilbert of DeKalb over phone this evening.

Wednesday, May 21
Another, but cool  
Some more planting in school garden. etc.  
Miss Wheelock’s pupils gave a stunning circus this afternoon.  
I went to No. Chicago & gave bird-flower talk in the South School. I did this for Miss  
Schermerhorn. A good crowd. Rather noisy. Worth while, though.  
Barber .30;

Thursday, May 22
Yet another.  
We began to plant in the pockets of our stone wall. Mr Butler & I with Junior Croke went out to  
Koller’s farm & brot back some more gooseberry bushes to set out. A wonderful display of white trilliums  
in the woods these days. Got our rock work about completed today. Mrs Millard leaves for a three weeks’  
vacation – New Mexico.  
More gardening today. Miss Watt supervised it.  
I was at school this evening while a few enthusiastic visitors looked over the exhibit of paintings.  
Lunch .50; ice cream .30;

Friday, May 23
Began to rain about 10: this A M & get it up at intervals into the night
Special visitors: Miss Sickels of Lincoln School, Evanston this A.M. Afternoon Mr Skiles, Mr Walker, & Mrs Crosswell (?) of Evanston.
    Movies afternoon & evening.
    Johnnie Jones Comedy.
    Call of the Wild.
    Also – we ran a Camp Michigamme film for the benefit of some of our girls who attended this camp.
Bananas .55; Uneedas .60;

Saturday, May 24
Fine day after the rain
At school long enough to set Isadore at some work – filling flats, making frames to hold water plants, etc.
Then to Chic. To Chic Transp. Co to leave negatives. McIntosh Stereopt Co. Turtle’s to get some stuffed specimens. Dist 107 – 25.75 These include a loon I bot of him To Sweet Wallach. To Field’s to buy a cap & some shoes. City Club for lunch. Anderson’s (for) to order a summer suit (110<sup>20</sup>); Vaughn’s for seeds.
    Home at 3:30. Set to work with help of one of Ugolini’s men – John Firaldo. Planted about the walls of the bldg & along the rock terrace 40 vines – woodbine in part, mostly Boston ivy. Then I planted in the flats the seeds we had intended the pupils to plant. Asters & zinnias – 16 flats of asters, 9 flats of zinnias, & 6 flats of Eng. zinnias.
    R.R. .30 + .07 + .40; phone .15; lunch .75; groceries .77 + .30
    barber .30. Sundries .90; seeds .30
    Panchros 1.75; Ortho 1.34

Sunday, May 25
Beautiful day
I slept most of the A.M. Spent this afternoon at school. Few visitors. Miss Davis & her friend from Glen Ellyn and Miss Densmore. Geo Bowden and a friend. I cleared away a lot of correspondence
    Then went down to the Moseleys. Had tea Visited lawn and garden.
    Mrs Balke & Miss Behrens called a while this evening.
    Tulips at their height – or nearly so. Light frost last night.

Monday, May 26
Fine day  Light frost, possibly.
Curry painted wall under arch before rock pond
    Various duties - - Also visitors  Mrs Dorsch and Mrs Foreman. Mr Brand and Miss Adams, dancing teacher.
    Gave away all remaining cabbage plants. Also almost last of currants & gooseberries, etc.
    Showed bird slides in morning talk.
    Richards called and arranged for the delivery of our newly purchased Steinway upright.
    Planted gladioli and beans at home.
Ice cream .30;

Tuesday, May 27
Light shower in the night. Fine day.
Went with Mrs Taylor and Miss Heffron & half of 8A’s to Chic. To immigrant quarters at the N.W. station, then to Hull House, the Nursery, the small park at Jackson School where we ate lunch, then down to Maxwell St. to Ghetto Market. Home at 2:40.

At school – helped 6th graders start off with matinee. Then took part in P.T.A. meeting until about 5:20. Then spent some time with Messrs Skiles and Walker and group of Evanston teachers. Then with Mrs Walton, helping her to plan a schoolroom. Then with Billie Morgan, former student. At desk again this evening.

R.R .60 + .14 (Dist 107).

Wednesday, May 28
Fine, mild day. Apple trees in full bloom. Fragrance everywhere.
Katherine McMunn, a fourth grade-teacher-to-be, visited us today.
My shipment of trees and shrubs from Harbor Springs arrived this afternoon – two weeks late!
6th grade plays this evening. Beautiful scenes.
Barber .30;

Thursday, May 29
Fine day but so cool. Chill North-easter.
Talked for five minutes or so before the assembly this A.M. of all the pupils that have been attending the classes in religious educ. This ends the work for the year.
We unpacked the bundles of red maples, alders, and shad bushes which came from Olaf Sorensen, Harbor Springs, Mich. yesterday. Fine specimens. Planted five maples and ten each of the a. and s. on school grounds. Sowed rye on slope above rock wall.
Memorial ex. in aud. this aft. All rooms present.
Pd Miss McMunn’s expenses ($15.00) this afternoon
Dist. some trees and shrubs.

Friday, May 30
A fine day. Mild but not warm.
Attended memorial day exercises held at 10:30 at flagpole on Central Avenue under auspices of American Legion – Mr Weichelt speaker of the day.
Then to school where Santi and I set out two more red maples and a lot of alders and Juneberry trees. This took nearly all afternoon. Have set out altogether
7 red maples
35 alders
35 Juneberries
Put on screen doors today. Scarcely needed them before.
Wild crab showing beautiful buds.
Ice cream .30;

Saturday, May 31
Fine day. A light shower after sunset.
Another day of hard labor on school grounds. Mr Butler and I went up to Sweeney’s woods to try to secure pond plants for our pool. Only partly successful.
We cleaned the pool; set out seven water lilies (one being native lotus) and some mermaid weed, & turned the water on. Mr B & Mr Davis left at 3:30. Then I used the hose, soaking trees & shrubs – for three hours
Barber 1.65; groceries .90.

**Sunday, June 1**

Gray – but pleasant. Light shower in afternoon.
Slept this morning & afternoon then went to Wauk. Taxi to Johns-Mandeville plant then botanized along track half mile north, then back to Wauk. Found large colony of Menyanthes in full bloom – little north of the J – M lagoon & on other side of track. Puccoon, red phlox, arabis, eriophorum, marsh marigold, great sheets of y. water crowfoot, shooting star.
Brot home some flowers and some stalks of cat tail & sweet flag.
R.R. .38 + 1.00 + .38.

**Monday, June 2**

Mild. But rained heavily at 4:00 & occasionally afterwards.
Began distributing tomatoes today
Lots of things to do.
Barber 30;

**Tuesday, June 3**

A cool day though clear much of time
Set out at home 12 S-B. of A. tomato plants and 7 J.B’s. Planted a row each of S’s Favorite lettuce & S.’s radishes
Teachers’ meeting. Discussed events of next week, etc.
At school desk this evening.

**Wednesday, June 4**

Still cool. Frost was reported last night, but not near our home.
Detective from N.W.R.R. spent some time at my office questioning the Perry boys & Romanello U. about breaking a car window.
A boy brot a perch to turn into our new pound, the first inhabitant.
A very full day

**Thursday, June 5**

Rain in the night. A shower after 3:00 this afternoon.
Some 5A’s under my direction planted peanuts
We had our annual music festival this evening – a brilliant affair
Our bird exhibit on in the Hall of Pictures. Some nests loaned by Mrs Wheelock there.
“Botany lunch” today

[Pasted to this page is a clipping of the Annual Music Festival program. The chorus and orchestra were under the direction of Miss Lund. The performances included a violin and cello duet by Julian and Tom Southerland, a xylophone solo by Peter Grimson, and a saxophone solo by Stillman Chapman. – ed.]

**Friday, June 6**

A fine day. Rather cool.
Festival of wild crab apple this afternoon. Lantern slides (flowers), then a parade through the woods (We crossed Miss White’s yard to see a fine w.c. tree); then massing of pupils in front of Int Bldg – Various songs & dances – Then a group of eighth graders gave the mask – The Friends of Our Native Landscape
Barber .30; ice cream .20;

Saturday, June 7
Threatening. Then a shower in the afternoon. Heavy rain with thunder in the evening.
To city on 8:43. To Gt. Northern office to talk over Glacier Park affairs with Mr. Moot and Mr. Webber. To Schantz’ office where I visited with him & Supt. Hamilton. To Anderson to have a try-on. To Stephen Mather’s office where I had a conf. with him and Mr Mitchell over transportation in Glacier Park. Sweet Wallach’s. Fields – hat, books, etc V.L. & A. for shoe dressing. Lunch at City Club. To Mueller’s.
At Miss Taylor’s pupils’ recital in the aud. this evening
R.R. 40 + 40; lunch .75; groceries .98 + .25 + .15; strap .50; photogr. supplies .50; barber .30; sundries 1.20 + .78 + 2.20. Umbrella 2.00

Sunday, June 8
Threatening and cool all day
Slept all morning & some of afternoon
At school late afternoon at odd jobs in my office
Read some from Sullivan’s The AutoBiog of an Idea
Wrote letters this evening.

Monday, June 9
Clearing. Still cool.
Wm E Cunningham, our new mn’l tr. teacher spent the day with us
Board meeting this evening. Mann and Mrs Millard absent.
Mr Harley & his pupils gave a violin recital in the aud. this evening. Mr Brand, & Salome, Mr. Schneider and Mr & Mrs Adams, dancing teachers, came afterwards to plan for a public recital on Saturday evening.
Barber .30;
lunch 1.40 (Dist 107).

Tuesday, June 10
Cleared. A beautiful moonlight evening – as I write.
Very full day again.
Agent for brot some fine reproductions to show us and we gave him a “summer order” for Abbey’s King Lear scene - $100\textsuperscript{2} - A Mrs Smith and two of the Sisters of Loretto called to see our aud. with a view to using it for the play given by the parochial pupils.
Mr Morris came for me at 5:30 and took me into the Skokie west of Hwd – With hip boots we waded into a bullrush swamp to the nest of a bittern – three eggs. The bird scolded vigorously and finally flew off as I was preparing to photograph. Took picture of nest. - - Brot away three nests of winter marsh wrens - -
At school this evening until late.
Disquieting rumor about one of the staff.
**Wednesday, June 11**
Beautiful day.
The matinee and evening performances of the “Radio show” a great success.
Barber .30;

**Thursday, June 12**
A warm day – a real June day.
Various activities
Botany lunch – last of the series.
Miss Lund announced that she would wish to leave us – to our great regret.
6th graders finished planting corn – planted castor beans & petunias. Miss Stewart’s 1B’s planted popcorn.
High-school commencement ex. in our new aud. Fine event

**Friday, June 13**
A beautiful day. Had been a little rain in the night and the day was cooler
8B’s entertained the 8A’s at a delightful picnic in Sweeny’s woods.
Various interruptions today.

**Saturday, June 14**
Fine day. Not too warm
Home at 3:00 & in office until 6:00.
Aunt Eva arrived today.
At school this evening. Looked in now and then at fancy dancing entertainment by pupils of Mildred Joyce Adams
Mending tissue 50¢ (Dist 107
R.R. .40 + .40; lunch .75; V.L.&A 13 50; Barber .30; groceries 1.20

**Sunday, June 15**
Rained in the night and light showers today. Cleared cool
Slept all morning and much of afternoon.
Refreshed myself by re-reading Rudder Grange
At desk at school a while this evening.

**Monday, June 16**
Cool and foggy, but cleared away. A fine day.
Flag Day exercises with the H-S band to lead. The usual parade after preliminary exercises in the aud.
Then picnic – a very successful one, though too cool to make perfect sales of lemo & ice cream. 60 gal. of latter sold. Popcorn, “bargains”, lemo, ice cream & candy sold.
Nonsense movies and a teachers’ show in the afternoon
Margaret arrived this morning
Expenses .25; barber .30;
Tuesday, June 17  
Last day of school.
Warm morning – showery afternoon and evening
Assembly & honorable mentions very successful, this A.M. Aunt Eva & Mother & Margaret present.
Teachers’ meeting at 2:00. Conferences with teachers filled out the afternoon
John Brown, a DeKalb graduate, called to apply for a position.
8th grade exercises this evening fine. Prof. Soper’s address very good.
Aunt Eva & Marg present.
This afternoon Dr Lanphere called to see Kittie and found her blood pressure very high – and ordered her to bed.
Bread .15;

Wednesday, June 18  
A fine day.
At school most of day. Various teachers checking up. Cyclone Fence people at work on north fence.
Margaret went to the city for a while today.
Kittie resting well in bed.
The Peyraud paintings were moved to Chicago today.
I set out asters and zinnias this evening Some of the zinnias were from seed I got from Sutton.
Committee meeting of P.T.A. officials to canvass our funds.
Barber .30; ice cream .30;

Thursday, June 19  
A very warm and muggy day.
I overhauled things in the school attic.
This afternoon Borchardt sent me two men and a team with plow & scraper Ugolini came with five men and our new playground began to take form.
Margaret and I went to Chic. late this afternoon Spent a half hour in the Chicago Theater; then went to the Great Northern to see all-star production of Leah Kleschna. Fine work
Chic. trip .80 + .80 + .14 + .14; .60 + .60 + 2.20 + 2.20. Ice cream 60;
[Pasted to this page is a clipping of the playbill for Leah Kleschna. Among the all-star cast were Arnold Daly, Helen Gahagan, Claudette Colbert, and William Faversham. – ed.]

Friday, June 20  
Cooler this A.M.
Busy at school this A.M. Went down with Margaret to see her off for B.H. this afternoon. We were caught for a while in a big local rain & hail storm in the city. Nothing of it at H.P.
I shopped at Vaughn’s. Then at State-Lake theater a while. Dinner at City Club. One act of the Were-Wolf at the Adelphi – enough for me. Then home
Chic 1.20 + .14 + .14; 1.25 + .60 + 1.65.

Saturday, June 21  
A fine day. Warmed up – but a good breeze.
At school most of day. Hazel and I worked over some of our records of funds
I set out some more asters & zinnias at home.
Kittie some better today. Edith came this A.M.
Groceries .72 + 1.30 + .30 +

**Sunday, June 22**
To church this A M – I represented “the house”. Rev. Geo Kilbey preached.
A very heavy rain and thunderstorm this afternoon, after which Edith and I walked up to the school and then over to Mr Mann’s on an errand.
This day finished Sullivan’s The Autobiog of an Idea
Church 2.00

**Monday, June 23**
Another heavy rain in the night. Everything a-drip.
Our pool brimming with muddy water. Mr Davis and Santi opened the pipe to drain it off.
I went down with Mother and Aunt Eva and saw them off on the Pere Marquette for B.H.
R.R 1.60; taxi 1.00; chair car 1.50.

**Tuesday, June 24**
To Whitehall.
Rain. Left at 11:14 for Chic Lunch at City Club. Then took 1:00 D.S.T for Whitehall – P.M.R.R. Raining heavily as I started. Country water soaked most of way.
A wait of one hour at Muskegon Supper at Diana Cafe
At Whitehall at 8:33 D.S.T. Went to Hotel Mears. Real country hotel.
R.R. 40; lunch .75; taxi .60;
R R. 7.48; supper 1.00. Taxi .35

**Wednesday, June 25**
At Whitehall. Then Muskegon?
Beautiful day.
After breakfast lounged at pier & read a while. Then took a taxi for Camp Owasippi, three miles or so away. Found Mr Leech, the camp naturalist, about to start off with group of boys on nature hike. Went along. Then he and I visited until noon. We ate at one of the scout tables. Afterwards Mr L. took me over to meet his wife at the home tent, then we got into his Ford & drove back to Whitehall. - - - Liked Mr Leech’s appearance, that of his wife also. - - Took bus for Muskegon, and after supper left at 7:00 on the Indiana for Chic An ideal early evening trip down the shore and into harbor of So. Haven
Taxi $2.00; bus .70; hotel 1.75; sup. 1.05
Boat 6.25; porter .40;

**Thursday, June 26**
Threatening at times but a fine day on the whole.
My sleep on board the Indiana was much broken – the man in the upper berth came in late on an errand, then did not come in again until considerably later. - - - At dock at 6:00. Breakfast at North Shore Restaurant. Home at 8:30.
At school all day – a nap at 11:30. - - - Mr Davis & Santi had made a new outlet at the pool and were repairing drains and catch basins in the yard.
I worked on my bills against the Board. Mrs Noerenberg and I closed up the Alumni Acct. Had a balance of 186.00 to give to the aud. fund.
Breakfast .60; trolley .40; barber .30

**Friday, June 27**
[no entry on this day – ed.]
Saturday, June 28
Threatening at times. The storm in the night (about 5:00 A M) had deluged the pool with muddy water again
Worked awhile with Santi & Amadio in clearing the attic.
Worked once more at accounts. Bills, etc.
Mowed my lawn this evening.
Rather sultry today.
Barber 1.65; ice cream .30; groceries .33.

Sunday, June 29
Turned out a beautiful day Pleasedly cool.
Clarence D. came at nine. He had started from G. in his machine, but turned back at Indiana Harbor because of a storm. So came by train. Went back at 6:30.
I slept most of the A.M. At 4:00 Clarence, Edith & I walked over to Millards’ and back up Ravine Drive. I visited my colony of pink lady slipper and found three stalks – but no bloom this year!
At 6:30 I went down to spend the evening with Mrs T.C. Boynton and Miss Edith. Other guests – Mr Polasek, the sculptor, Mr & Mrs Oumiroff, musicians, Mr & Mrs Ralph Seymour - & Theodore Boynton
A delightful evening. Music. Discussions
Lovely walk home

Monday, June 30
A fine day, but threatening, then a thunderstorm & short dash of rain this evening. Clearing To Waukegan to get figures on wall cases & blanks from Co Supt
At school most of day, then Hudson of C.E. Merrill & Co and Field of World Book Co. came
Miss Weinland, a visitor. Gen”l Wood and I had a short conf. this evening over aud. affairs
Aunt Eva phoned out from Chic. today. She was on her way back to Omaha.
Bananas .40; barber .30;

Tuesday, July 1
A beautiful day So cool that a fire to take off the chill was acceptable
At school all day. Visited by agent for brushes.
I looked on this A M. while Mr Church opened our beehive and took out the sections to examine for queen bee cells. He set in an extra super. Bees were crowding the hive
Mr Anderson, surveyor, came at my request and had his two assistants establish levels for us in grading our playground
Ugolini put in catch-basin.

Wednesday, July 2
A fine day. Still a little cool. A fire of burnt paper & kindling felt good
At school most of day.
Arthur & Lennie & Ruth with Mother came by auto from B.H., getting here by five P.M.
Mr Plummer from Montgomery, Ward & Co came at Gen’l Wood’s suggestion to advise me about budget making.
Barber .30;

Thursday, July 3
As yesterday.
Arthur, Lennie, & Ruth left this A.M. with Edith.
K. better today. Mother fine although her hip bothers a little.
Ruth took two adult male guinea pigs home with her today.
Got all my reports practically through today.
Library Board this evening. Discussed the hanging of our two paintings.

Ice cream .30; groceries .45

Friday, July 4
A beautiful day. Still a little cool.
I worked at school about all day. Then at 6:13 I went to Chic. to Gt. Northern to see Lucille La Verne in Sun-up – a moving and valuable play

Ice Cream .30; R.R 40 + 40; play 2.75.

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the playbill for Sun Up, a play in three acts by Lula Vollmer with Lucille La Verne in the role of the Widow Cagle. – ed.]

Saturday, July 5
A fine day. Warmer
At school all day. Went back late this evening to take in the flag, & watered the flowers in the urn.
Settled up the accounts with the P.T.A. – Mrs Guyot, treasurer, this afternoon
Visitors this afternoon included Mr Bray – and then Mrs Thomas & Hester Ann & Dr & Mrs Thomas of Cincinnati – Hester’s grandparents.
Listened with pleasure this evening to concert of H-S. band – before the flagpole – Central & Sheridan

Groceries .75 + .49

Sunday, July 6
A beautiful day.
Did not go to church, but Mother went with the Clows
Slept & read much Late afternoon M & I had a long auto ride with Mr. Parrat, getting as far away as Libertyville

Monday, July 7
A fine day at first. Then gray, a thunderstorm and brisk rain, a clear evening.
At school as usual. This afternoon an agent for soap, etc. Mr. Longfeather visited awhile.

Barber .30;

Tuesday, July 8
Sultry late this evening Rained heavily at times today.
This afternoon I went to N.W. Univ. to summer session of Silver Burdett school Visited with Miss Collins, Mrs Farr, Mrs Cotton, & met & had chat with Mr. Cate who was once our music supervisor Inspected the public library.
This evening I copied my school budget on my typewriter in the office – then took a copy to Geo Jones’ house. Stayed there nearly until eleven, occasionally listening in on the Democratic Nat’l convention.
Dist 107 – Evanst. trip - .72.
Groceries, etc. .90.
**Wednesday, July 9**

Threatened Then rained much of the afternoon. Sultry.

Brown & his men cut openings in the floor of the old aud. so that we could examine underneath.

They put up fixtures for our swinging frames.

I went to the city this afternoon and interviewed Miss Trimmingham and Mrs Vernon of the Columbia School of Music about a successor to Miss Lund

Board meeting this evening. Authorized various changes & some new equipment.

Analyzed some specimens for J. Griesemer of Hopedale

Dist 107 – Chic. trip .94

Barber .30; expense .38

**Thursday, July 10**

A splendid rendering of Aida. I was the guest of Mrs Boynton.

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

**Friday, July 11**

A fine warm day

Mr Wilbraham, chief engineer of Montgomery, Ward and Chas Lamb, a heating engineer, came this A M. and looked over heating plant in the Int. Bldg. Mr. Beers present and the engineers

Recommendations as to changes made

Mr. Church came and took out each section of the lower part of the hive, putting in new sections and shaking off the bees into the fresh hive. This was to forestall swarming, if possible.

I worked latter part of afternoon and all evening at school

Mowed most of my yard

Ice cream .20; bananas .30; barber .30;

**Saturday, July 12**

A warm day. Rain at first. Clearing.

To Chic. by 10:00 Rand McN. to leave 20 war posters and 15 French posters to be backed. To Fields to order filing cabinets. Ordered shirts. Wardrobe hooks

To Columbia School of Music to meet Miss Wienke, candidate for music position. Fine appearance. Then to Miss Nichols’ studio for a lantern slide. Lunch at City Club. - - Read & wrote a while. To Majestic theatre a half hour or so. Then to B. & O. station to meet Gamb & his friend Silsbee, enroute to Jasper Park. Entertained them a while after they checked their baggage at N.W. station – Dinner at Tip Top Inn. Saw them on the Duluth Special. At Chic. Theater a while. Home at 10:33

Dist 107 – Expenses 1.00 –

**Sunday, July 13**

Fine day Cool breeze.

At home until noon Took 1:13 for Chic & to Municipal Pier – to exhibit of Wild Flower Preserv. Soc. Mrs Avery & Mrs Hendricks in charge. Mrs Thorpe at the desk. I helped receive people, talked about wild flowers, etc.

Stayed there until 8:30, talking things over with the ladies

R.R. 80 + .14; lunch .45;

**Monday, July 14**
A fine, pleasant day.

Mr D & Mr S. & I “tackled” the school garden this afternoon to good effect. Very weedy and very hard-baked on the surface

Mrs Davidson of Ravinia & her niece, Miss Birch, called – the latter a Canadian teacher wishing to teach here

The North Ave. M.E. Church people gave a movie – Too Much Business to a large aud. in our aud. this A M

Barber .30; ice cream .30; groceries .38; ticket .30;

**Tuesday, July 15**

A fine day Rather warm.

I went down St Johns Ave and then down to Stipe’s Woods and collected bundle of wild flowers which I took down to the Munic. Pier, getting there at 12:30. Stayed there until 4:30 – without lunch. At first helped get exhibit together. Then I talked with groups about certain of specimens.

Caught 5:19 home. Visited with Cath. Mitchell who got off at Ravinia Station. Ate supper, slept a while, then down to Julius Rosenwald’s to meeting of Board of F. of O. N. Present Jensen, Hooker, Wheeler, Von O[v?]en, Mrs R., Misses McIlwain, Monroe, & Mitchell. Adopted resolut. on forestry & state parks policy.

R R & Trolley .40 + .21 + .30; lunch .55; ice cream .15;

**Wednesday, July 16**

A warm day but a cool breeze blew up early evening.

At school. Interrupted by soap salesman and dancing teachers.

Worked late this evening, entering the bills.

Groceries .48 + .15; ice cream .30

**Thursday, July 17**

A fine day. Cool. Strong wind.

At school until 11:00. Started Santi weeding out the seedlings on G.B. grounds.

Conferred with Miss Lund over music cabinets, a music scrapbook, and a successor for next year

To Chic. on 11:51. Lunch at C & N.W. station. Shopped at Channons. Then Ed Music Co & Brentano’s. Bartell’s to have Mother’s glasses cleaned Municipal pier to help at the exhibit a while. Met Mrs Ghislin, formerly Park Ridge, now Norwood Park

Home by 8:50. Went to office & worked until 11:15. Mailed warrants.

R.R. .30 + .40 + 14; Taxi .80; Meals .45 + .45 + .10; Bartells .75;

**Friday, July 18**

Fine day. Cool.

At school day and until 9:30 this P.M. Made considerable progress with my work.

Bread .15;

**Saturday, July 19**

[no entry on this day – ed.]

**Sunday, July 20**

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Thursday, August 21
Friday, August 22  
At Glacier Park
A fine day and I set out at 8:00 for Going-to-the-Sun Camp. During the day was in company with a Dr. Maurer of New York City and his friend. Got to Sun Camp at noon and had two hours there. Gathered & brought away some specimens of adenocaulon bicolor. Back to G.P. hotel by six. Packed dunnage bag, paid bills & then had dinner with Prof. Oumiroff. After dinner I introduced him to Mr. & Mrs. Noble and after a friendly chat he sang three songs most effectively. Later I had to say goodbye and take my train.

[Bogea Oumiroff, opera singer from Bohemia, was a professor at the Bush Conservatory of Music in Chicago. - ed.]

Saturday, August 23
An uneventful but not uninteresting day in eastern Montana, and then No. Dakota. I read much from Kirkwood's book on the distribution of trees in northern Rockies.

Sunday, August 24
Return from 30 days outing  
At St Paul at 7:35. Got breakfast in station. Then took C & N.W. at 8:50. Beautiful farming country on view about all day. At Milwaukee at 6:45. At home at 8:31. Folks well. Report terrible scourge of mosquitoes caused by tropic rainfall of past four weeks. Expense $3.10 + 1.50.

Monday, August 25
Dug into my basket of correspondence and another of circulars, pamphlets, etc. At school a while this A.M. Noted with pleasure progress in installing equipment. Spent much time this afternoon trying to photograph blossoms of adenocaulon bicolor. Magnified 5x. Exposure 5 or 6 minutes. Went in on 7:32 this evening to re-check my dunnage bag. R.R. $0.30 + .40.

Tuesday, August 26
A light shower today and the day turned out very sultry. Mosquitoes common topic. At school all day. Wrote some letters. Dug away at correspondence. Confined with janitors. Examined some of the blossoms of adenocaulon b. under low power of microscope. Dunnage bag came and contents overhauled. Groceries .26; ice cream 30. Express.50.

Wednesday, August 27
Again hot but this afternoon a pleasantly cool wind came up and the evening was delightful. At school all day. Sent, much against my inclinations, a draft to Jasper Park to pay duty on my missing glasses - $3.65. This evening to grand opera. A wonderful performance of Andrea Chenier. Mosquitoes not very troublesome, to my surprise. Mr. Eckstein introduced Otto H. Kahn of N Y – the financier who is chairman of directors of the Metrop. Grand Opera Co. Inspiring talk. Visited with John & Mrs. Grant of Glencoe. Soap .35; ice cream .30 + .05; trolley .18; garters .75; opera 3.25.

[Pasted to this page is a newspaper clipping of the Ravinia Park program. - ed.]
Thursday, August 28
Rather pleasant day.
At school most of day. Mr & Mrs Richards (latter Mattie Bottomfield) had dinner with us and I went with them to Ravinia Park where we saw Samson & Dalila. Fine show
Trolley .30; ice cream .60; bread .30
tickets 6.75;
[Pasted to this page is a newspaper clipping of the Ravinia Park program. – ed.]

Friday, August 29
A hot day.
This evening called at the Greene’s & visited with the girls – Talked over outing plans of Lois & Alden
Tried to reach Mr Wright today by phone and in person as Miss Wienke phoned from the city that she wished to know definitely whether her engagement was for four or five days. Got Mr W. after six & had understanding with him, but Miss W. had left Chic by that time
Ice cream .30 +

Saturday, August 30
A hot day
To city on 8:09. To Turtle’s to take a dead warbler to mount. To Columb. Sch. of Music to get Miss Wienke’s Beloit address. Brentano’s for notebook; Fair for groceries; Sweet Wallach’s for plates; home on M. Elect.
This afternoon potted 3 or 4 doz. calendulas at school
This evening made four official copies of list of teachers, etc – Sent one to Mr. Simpson, etc
Talked over phone with Miss W. this evening. She agrees to give full time for $2100.00.
R.R. .70; groceries .39 + .13 + .46 + .33 + .75 + .75; book .25 + .15; ice cream .30 + .20
Plates 1.72

Sunday, August 31
Turned off cool. A fine day
To church and heard Dr McClure preach a good sermon.
Then to Mr Moseley’s for dinner. Mr M’s sister there. Mrs M & I used our opera glasses on birds.
Went all over the grounds, noting the flowers, but mosquitoes attacked us fiercely.
This evening called on Mrs Geer. Raymond & Charlotte there
Church .25; trolley .18;

Monday, September 1
A cool day. Rain late afternoon. A chilling wind after nightfall.
At school. Called this A.M – Mr. Drake, Mr. Sam Holmes, Mr. Adamson, Mr. Beneke & son Henry, Mr. Geo. Jones.
This evening to the final concert at Ravinia. Brilliant affair
Moose had a picnic in Sunset Woods but I was not interested.
Trolley .08; chocolate .10;
[Pasted to this page is a newspaper clipping announcing the Gala Concert of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and the Opera Chorus at Ravinia Park. – ed.]
**Tuesday, September 2**
Fine day  Cool enough for vests
At school as usual.  Long conf. with Mrs Winston over the work of the P.T.A
Florence Clark came today and stayed until four.  Then I went up to the school again.  Trying to trim up some of the plants in one of the big urns, I sliced the ball & nail of one my left thumb.  I walked home & had Dr. Lanphere come to dress it.
At school this evening.  Prepared copy for the Press about the opening of school
Barber .55;

**Wednesday, September 3**
Fine day.  Still cool
At school all day except when I sat in the dentist’s chair, this A.M.  Dr. Earl Fritsch.
Visitors this afternoon:  School committee from west of Libertyville – Mr Bulkley, Mrs Allinson, Mrs Reuse; Mrs H.E. Smith of Fort Sheridan; Mrs Wrenn
Barber .30;

**Thursday, September 4**
Cool.  Gray at times.  A light shower in the afternoon
At school.  Hazel Bell began work again
Miss Sands, Miss Rogers and Miss Stewart appeared today.
Conf. with Mrs Hussey over a retarded child.
Library Board this evening.
Mr Cunningham – mn’l tr. & wife and friends came in by auto this evening while I was a Library Board meeting.
yesterday.  Ink & library paste .90

**Friday, September 5**
Fine day.  Cool!
At school.  Various teachers called.  Some looked up rooms.
Barber .40; bread 15;

**Saturday, September 6**
Fine.  Cool.
Teachers’ meeting at 10:00  Telegram from Miss Tschirgi announcing necessity of being one week late.  Mr. Leach & his wife got in just before noon
Met again at 2:00 for a while.  Busy afternoon.
This aftern evening worked over School Board budget.
Groceries 1.00 + .23 + .15 + .19
Barber .55

**Sunday, September 7**
Rain in the night and at times today.  Cool.  A little fire has felt good the last few days
Met Mr Beers at school for a while and then to church  Mr Fitt preached.
Nap after dinner.  Then walked down Ravine Drive, then along lake shore to Ft. Sheridan & took trolley home
Went to church this evening with M. to hear Howard Kuist preach.  Very interesting sermon
The Clows were at our house when M & I got home
Monday, September 8

First day of school  Rainy and cool
Interesting beginning. Introduced the new teachers – Miss Wienke – music – Luther, 3rd;
McMunn, 4th; Mr Cunningham, Mnl Tr; Mr Leech, science. Large audience of visitors  No school after
noon. Teachers meeting.

Board meeting this evening. Afterwards Howard Kuist and I called on Mr Lichtensten to consult

Tuesday, September 9

Cleared. Cool.
A busy day, of course.
This included meeting of exec. com. of P.T.A. from 3:30 to 6:00, etc.
Went down to Mr Jensen’s – The Clearing – to committee meeting – F of O N.L. – only the
Jensens & the Bleys present. A fine time. Saw some of Mr. J’s wonderful landscape plans for Columbus
Park & for schools at Mason City, etc

Edith came this afternoon

Wednesday, September 10

Sunny. Then gray in afternoon. Rain this evening
Mother went to Gary with Edith this afternoon
Miss David of the Houston schools visited us this A M
Conf. with third grade teachers. With various pupils.
Ladies of St John’s Evangelical church sponsored a fine concert in the aud. this evening.

Edith came this afternoon

Thursday, September 11

Threatening. Cold. Rained a little.
Geog lesson in Miss McMunn’s room.
Mr Leech and I went over the grounds to look up points of interest.
This evening I spent examining the social science pamphlets by Rudd, et. al.

Groceries 1.02;

Friday, September 12

Turned out clear and sunny today
Two field trips with 4B’s to lake to make map.
Mrs Balmer of Evanston called with an Emery print we had ordered & I paid her $100 for it
(advanced the money temporarily).
Called grades 4 – 8 to aud. exercises to read to them Gen Harry Hale’s message about defense day.
We sang some patriotic songs.

This evening Mr Cunningham & I and Lloyd Moon & Geo Sieffert set up lantern & screen &
showed song slides for patriotic assembly at flagstaff on Cent. Ave. Afterwards I went to meeting of
religious educ. assn at Presb Church.

Groceries .83; ice cream .30

Saturday, September 13
Fine day.
At school most of day
At 4:30 went with Mr. Leech to locate collecting places in the Skokie – out W. Park Ave to Ridge Road & on to Deerfield, then to Mooney’s Pond where we collected some specimens
Groceries 2.53 + .33 + .35; Barber .55;

Sunday, September 14
A fine day tho gray & threateng in the afternoon
To church.
After dinner Mr & Mrs Leech came in their flivver & we went up on the Waukegan Flats. Magnificent displays of liatris, purple gerardia, goldenrod, etc. There was spiranthes, lobelia, hieracium, bone set, jo pye, et. al. A delightful time although the mosquitoes chased us out of some areas.
Back to the schoolhouse to put our specimens in water Mr & Mrs Taylor came with Miss Taylor of Seattle & Miss Graebel of Chic - & I visited with these awhile

Monday, September 15
Pleasant though gray
Junior Smith came out from Chic & had lunch with K & me. Then back to catch the 4:00 for New York & Columbia Univ.
Miss Tschirgi on the job today. Miss Dorsch a visitor.
Mr Leech & I went over to Mr Egan’s and had a long visit with him on his grounds

Tuesday, September 16
Gray – but pleasant.
Field trip to Mrs Rudolph’s garden with Miss Luther’s 3B’s.
With one group of 4B’s (Miss McMunn’s geog. pupils) to Vine Ave. viaduct & Exmoor Ridge this A.M. & another group this P.M.
Teachers’ meeting at 4:00. At 5:15 I met with the program comm. of religious educ. group in my office
This evening prowled about in the public library awhile
Yesterday – tag .50 (Federated charities)
Barber .30; candy .10;

Wednesday, September 17
Fine day.
Had annual exhibit of flowers & vegetables today. Mrs Greene had charge, as usual.
Mary Davis visited us yesterday & today, having with her late this afternoon her sister who is just back from two years in Europe
Groceries .39;

Thursday, September 18
Delightful weather
Two field trips with 4B’s to W. Park Ave & Sheahen’s pasture.
Flower, f. & v. exhibit came to a close.
Mrs M. & Mr Leech & I conferred upon playground apparatus.
Teachers had fine beach party this evening – near Moraine hotel. Miss Weinland came to it.
Just learned of disappearance, Aug. 4, of Charlotte Bergman!
Doctor Lanphere took off bandage from my thumb, today.
Group of church workers in the aud. this P. M.

Friday, September 19
Mild all A.M. Began to rain in the afternoon A great downpour in the evening.
Went to funeral of Mr Lenfesty of Highwood Catholic Church this A.M.
To city this afternoon Left Emery print at Abbott’s to be framed. Then taxied to Tothill’s to figure on playground apparatus. Then at 4:30 was at Mr Ewing’s office – 5 No. La Salle to Directors’ meeting of Geog. Soc Coxe in Europe; Goode absent. Nearly everyone else there.
Left Chic at 6:45. Arrived at H.P. in great downpour. Taxi to school where a group of boy scouts & Mr Leech and Jerry Leaming awaited me. Talked over plans & sent all home. Took Mr L home in taxi.
Dist 107 – 1.35 (taxi) + .14
Phone .25; lunch .10 + .65 + .10 + .25

Saturday, September 20
Turned off decidedly sultry.
To city on 9:13 after consulting Dr Fritsch about an aching tooth.
Visited on the way with Mr. Wright. To Abbot’s to consult about framing a picture. To World Book Co to look up arith & writing tests.
To Mr Mann’s office to look over catalogues of chairs, etc. To Schantz’ office for a few minutes
Lunch at City Club. To Art Inst. to see Cizek’s ex. of art work of Vienna school children. Field’s for collars. Randolph Mkt for sugar. Kaemper’s for bird seed. Home
Mr Frint George came to secure rental of aud for radio artist – Oct 13.
At school this evening
Dist 107 – R R. .70
Self .28
Lunch .85; pamph at Art Inst 120
Groceries .40 + .25 + .75 + .15;

Sunday, September 21
Warm – warm, then a great deluge this afternoon Blew up cool at nightfall
Clarence & Edith came with Mother in their auto this A.M They brought “Miss Emma” with them
M. had had a fine and eventful stay with them, including one day at B.H, an afternoon fair at the fair at Crown Point, etc.
C & E & Miss E. went back at 2:30.
Mr Fitt with Jerry Leaming & Mr Babcock called this evening on boy scout business.

Monday, September 22
Cool in the night. Beautiful day, this, & warmer.
Busy as usual.
This evening looked in at the Boy Scout meeting in the Play Hall. Then helped receive the men and women who came to the Americanization classes under the auspices of the Y W.C.A
Trouble with a tooth that Dr Fritsch filled in June.

Tuesday, September 23
Beautiful day.
Visitor – Mr Holt representing lantern slides.
Thompson and ass’t to put up curtain before movie screen.
Taylor – from Exhibitor’s Supply Co – to overhaul movie machine.
Conference with Mrs M & Mrs Greene
Short teachers’ meeting at 4:00
P.T.A. this evening, Mrs Winston presiding. Reception to teachers, etc. Great success.

Wednesday, September 24
Fine day. A little warmer.
Woman member of Glencoe Board a visitor to enquire about bus privileges, etc.
Sent out warrants for bills, today.
Much desk work
Rec’d pkg with four specimens from Mr. Griesemer of Hopedale. Spent some time trying to analyze two of them
Barber 30; school .50;

Thursday, September 25
Fine day. Mild.
Visitor – Miss Wortley of Winnetka, interested in position.
First thing this A.M. we showed two Public Service films relating to uses of electricity, etc.
After school 18 of us took autos to the Boynton estate, walked over it, the Woolf, & the Mrs McG Adams estate, down to the beach, up Ravine Drive & to Millards where Mrs M. entertained us a while
Walked home. A fine time.
At school a while this P.M

Friday, September 26
Fine day. Warmer.
Ashes here and there colored. Maples, do. Amer. Horn Beam beginning to color. Also waahoo.
Woodbine aflame, and sumach here & there.
Miss Lackey of Thrift Inc. made the rounds.
Shirley of Winston here
Spent much of afternoon in Miss Cramer’s room with half sections while she took other half on field trip.

Saturday, September 27
Threatening all day with a light shower here at 11:00 – then very heavy rain between 7 and 9 P.M.
At school until 11:00 – then to city to a luncheon at Fields in honor of Homer H. Kingsley who will soon make his home on the Pacific Coast. Fine time. Then to Fields to order books, some pitchers for school, tablets, & confer with Mr Gasahl over office furniture.
Home at 6:30.
This morning I reset the red lilies, hoed the madonna lilies, and cleared up some of the garden
Barber .30; groceries .43 + .81
Tailor .75; luncheon 1.00 + .10;
R.R. .80; tablets .38; watch repair 3.50;

Sunday, September 28
A beautiful day    Cool.
To church. Then this afternoon to Aud. where the La Follette group – Mrs Clarence Balke, chairman, - had political meeting addressed by Helen Todd, formerly of Hull House, and Oswald Garrison Villard, editor of The Nation. Small crowd – but unusually intelligent.

Reading some of Dean Inge’s essays.

Monday, September 29

Cool. Very chilly towards evening. Overcoat weather
Rep of Geo B. Carpenter inspected our scheme for curtaining our aud. skylights and recommended changes
Eight of us went to Winnetka at four to hear a lecture by an associate of Prof. Cizek. Was a display of pupils’ work. We had a fine visit with Miss Gahan.
Americaniz. classes at Int. School – 50 present. I showed some lantern slides
Trolley .43;

Tuesday, September 30

Two lantern lessons with 6B’s about pollen, etc.
Superintended potting of some tobacco and cotton plants & their removing to the plant house
Sent out notices for 3rd grade conference
Worked until midnight on accounts of Board.
Barber .30;

Wednesday, October 1

Conspicuous frost this A M but did not seem to do much damage here. Grew warmer during day
Lantern lesson with 6A’s with pollen slides, etc.
This afternoon with 5B’s on drainage canal.
Conf. with 3rd grade parents this afternoon in Miss Densmore’s room. Good attendance. Mrs R. there and took opportunity to bait us about arith, writing, & grammar.
Conf with 7th – 8th teachers over marking report cards
Worked on books & accounts of Board again this evening
Ice cream .30;

Thursday, October 2

Fine day.
Met 8th grade mothers this afternoon. Splendid meeting.
Lantern lesson in 6th on flowers – in 5B on mining of iron
Mr. Baggett visited us a little while.

Friday, October 3

Fine day
Borchardt’s men resurfaced north playground – pulverizing, dragging, etc.
Distributed several dozen iris roots among certain grades. Mrs Millard furnished the roots.
Began sale of bulbs today. Met 5B’s with another lantern lesson – iron & steel
Barber 1.50. Tailor .50 Shoes .30

Saturday, October 4

Light shower in night. Mild day
At school most of day, working on my budget sheet.
Sunday, October 5
Light shower in night. Cleared. A fine day
My tooth bothered me and I stayed in all day until late afternoon when I walked up to call on Mrs Lenfesty.
Read Hooker’s The Bullwhackers.

Monday, October 6
Fine day
Under handicap because of my troublesome tooth. Dr F put in new dressing.
New pupils and various extras.
Met at 7:00 with Misses Grunewald, Guiney, and Nixon to discuss social pamphlets.
Big enrolment of foreigners at evening class
High school group of boy scouts used the play hall.

Tuesday, October 7
Fine day
Still bothered with tooth Teachers’ meeting at 4:00. At home this evening.

Wednesday, October 8
Another – also.
Tooth a little better. Full day – but managed to take an hour’s walk at end of day across Skokie and back, Miss Clara White with me.
At home this evening

Thursday, October 9
Another.
6th grade conf. this afternoon which was very successful.
Afterwards 12 or so of us rode in (a bus) autos to the Julius Rosenwald estate, and then walked all around & finally came out of the Sheridan Rd. entrance. A few of us went to Ravinia station and rode home. The others walked back on Sheridan Road.
This evening I spent in a conf. of Ravinia people & with Mr Wright going over bldg plans & discussing revenue situation. Present Mrs Davison (hostess), Wolff, Porter, We[m?]per, ______, & Carr, & Wright.

Friday, October 10
Fine day
Conf of second grade parents this afternoon – quite successful. 37 present.
Conf of religious educ. leaders at 9:30 this A M. Their attendance low and interest poor. Our quarters not most favorable for their work
At dentist again, and as a result my tooth rather rebellious

Saturday, October 11
Another
Worked in my garden a little while Then to Chic At Fields – some books, pair of shoes, a hat.
To City Club to Round Table Luncheon. Seven or eight of us talked of vacation experiences.
Mr Wright and I then went to the Illinois Products Expo. on Lake Shore Drive. Met Mrs Aleshire again. Fine affair—my tooth hurting me again. Was to have gone to Polly Wyles’ reception, but felt too wretched.

R R 40 + 40 + .21; lunch 1.00; dues 1.00; Expo .50; hat $8.00; barber .30;

Sunday, October 12

Beautiful day.
My tooth hurt me so much that I had to visit Dr Fritsch at 9:00 & then at 1:30. After that it did not bother me much. So I went with Mr & Mrs Leech and Mr & Mrs Cunningham in Mr L’s auto to the Flats beyond Beach. A beautiful trip. Found some fringed gentians—Oaks in fine color there.

Finished “So Big” today. Read from the Journal of Geo Fox.

Monday, October 13

Fine day.
Spent much time on school accounts. Then Geo Jones came at 5:00 and we went over the budget until 6:00. Ate dinner at his house; came back & had Board meeting until 9:30.

Meantime Americaniz. classes – 70 in attendance. Then Radio Artists’ show in aud., management of Flint George—Fine of its kind

Tuesday, October 14

Fine day.
Tothill’s men came and set up playground apparatus.
Burborn rep. movies, a book man (Silver B), a would-be lecturer, a janitor supplies man.
Teachers meeting
Went to city to meeting of directors of Aud Soc – at City Club. Of no consequence.

R.R .80; supper 1.10; sandwich, etc .30 + .65;

Wednesday, October 15

Fine day. Gray at close—Showers after 9:00 P.M.
Sent out notices for P.T.A.
Worked at desk this P.M.
Planned dune trip
Barber .30;

Thursday, October 16

Rained in the night, but clear today
P.T.A this afternoon Mrs Munro spoke on social adjustment of child. Good attendance. Mrs Guyot presided.
Luce for Rand McNally.
Mrs Balmer – Emery prints
Peanuts .23;

Friday, October 17

Fine day. A busy one.
Subbed two periods in Miss Cramer’s room so that she could go on field trips.
Some of us left this evening on the 7:43 for the Dunes. Caught 9:15 train for Tremont, changing cars at Kensington. At T. at 11:2[5?] I went to Tremont Hotel. The girls to Duneside
Misses White, Grenoble, Nixon, Fallstad, Watt, Bell, & Kennedy.

R.R. .40 + 3.10;

**Saturday, October 18**
Dune Park to Tremont

Beautiful day. Warm. Got up at 6:00. We took 7:00 o’clock trolley to Dune Park (Wilson) and began our day’s tramp from there.

Sassafras, sumacs, oaks, et. al. in fine color. Occasional sour gums retained their leaves. Visited dunes & blow-outs. Worked our way eastward. Went back in behind the dunes to visit Walker Lake. Ate our supper at dusk on beach at Waverley. Had a chat with Mrs Dudley & her mother. Went to Maggie Wilson’s cottage, but no one at home. Followed trail along Dune Creek in the dark back to hotels. Miss Watt & Miss Bell stayed at Tremont Hotel this night.

Trolley .23.

**Sunday, October 19**

A fine day. Warm, still

Made our way leisurely to the beach & along shore to the “Big Blow-out” where we ate lunch. Visited “Furnessville Blow-out” on way back. Ate light supper on beach near “Beach Blow-out”. Fed great flock of gulls on bread & cookies. Delightful walk back in late afternoon through woods. Caught 5:38 back to Chic.

Fine visit with Caroline McIlvane & her sister all way to Chic.

Hotel 2.50; supplies .40; supper .30;

**Monday, October 20**

Blew up cooler today. Fall-like.

Began sale of new instalment of bulbs.

Had toothache in the night & at breakfast time. Dr. Fritsch treated my tooth again this A.M.

Conf with Miss Guiney and Miss Grunewald this evening after supper.

Conf with Mrs Millard this A.M.

Tag day .50;

**Tuesday, October 21**

Cool. Showery dashes once in a while. Clearing.

A number of Mr Wright’s teachers visited us today.

8th grade teachers conferred with Miss Moore this afternoon about 8th grade graduates we had sent over in September.

**Wednesday, October 22**

Clear. Cool.

Conf of first grade mothers this afternoon. Fine time.

Young of Sanborn called.

M & K went to city, M. getting back by noon with her new glasses.

At library a while this evening – then at school.

**Thursday, October 23**

Fine day. Sharp frost last night but little damage.

5th grade conf. this afternoon. Very successful.
Our corn & forage grasses harvested today and set up as decorations in hall of pictures.

Bread .18; peanuts .23;

**Friday, October 24**

Beautiful day

Helped Rose Talano – Italian girl with arithmetic lesson. Had conf. with religious education group. Showed Miss Fargo’s friend, Mrs Marcus of Montclare about; went to the dentist – all before noon.

Oh yes – also gave planting lesson to Kg pupils – paper white narcissus.

This afternoon we pulled off the annual festival of the falling leaf. A pageant with Hebrew, Greek, & old English episodes. Gave a paper w.n. bulb to each of the exhibitors at the Sept. display of fruits & flowers.

Helped take tepee down. Came home, dug a pit for bulb pots, lined with leaves & stored away 20 pots.

Barber .30;

**Saturday, October 25**

Fine day

Planted our tulips which had been stored since June. Then to Chic.

To Fox Film Co to confer with Mr. Smith. To Pathe, do, and Mr. Ott. Amer Seat. Co to see Mr. Paullen about folding chairs. To La Salle Hotel to luncheon of Geog Soc. 409 present. Fine program.

Immediately after, a conf. with Dr. Waterman’s excursion committee. Then to City Club to be interviewed by Zoe Hartman about our garden activities. Home at 6:34.

R.R .40 + .28 + .30 + .70; luncheon 1.25 + 25;

**Sunday, October 26**

Another fine day

Spent all morning on the bed, having a sound sleep.

Late this afternoon Miss Jewett came for me and took me over to Deerfield to look over a subdivision she and her mother had bought. I brot back some duckweed from a pool on her property.

Read from Fox’s Journal, & got in outline Burnham’s The Normal Mind & Mateer’s The Unstable Child.

**Monday, October 27**

Another.

Helped Mr. Davies open up the aud. this evening for political meeting to be addressed by Col. Sprague – this under auspices of Ind. Rep. Club. But date had been cancelled without our knowledge & that of 25 or so persons who came.

Americanization classes had a party which lasted late. A fine time.

Barber .30;

**Tuesday, October 28**

One more.

Aunt Emma came in this A.M. from Huron, So Dak. Had visited her brother, Geo Miller, there. Previously several months with Harvey’s family at Ft Washakie and Casper.

Some time distributing bulbs today.

Teachers’ meeting
Wednesday, October 29
Fine day
Began filling pits with bulbs.
Trip to Arcady Dairy near Rondout this afternoon. The company furnished a N.S. bus and Mrs Schneider & Mrs Norcross took several pupils in their machines. Mr Layson, Supt., & Miss Mowry, welfare director, met us and gave us a fine time. First a bottle of milk each and a wafer. Then inspection, then ice cream cones, a souvenir (bottle) cap remover, then home. 39 pupils. Misses Behrens, Turpin & Luther. 3A’s.
Short conf this evening at Gen’l Woods over aud funds
Barber .30; candy .10.

Thursday, October 30
Almost warm. Strong south wind.
More bulb planting.
Visitors representing Wadsworth school in Chic – Mrs George, Palmer, Espina[w?], et. al. Very appreciative. Came to study art decorations
7th grade conference. Well attended. Fine time
Then – took Aunt Emma, M & K. for a ride about H-P until dusk.
At school for a time this evening. Worked up some notes for talk at Kenwood Club.

Friday, October 31
Got up at 4:30 to take Aunt Emma to 5:00 o’clock trolley to catch 7:10 C & E.I from Chicago.
Raining then briskly but over by 5:15 and day broke clear. A beautiful day
 Took 9:43 for Chic. & went down to Kenwood Club where I spoke to Conserv. Comm of Arche Club at 11:30 on Nature Study. Guest a lunch with Mrs Edw L. Murfey, Miss Bridges (of Gads Hill) et. al. Nice time
 Then over to Shakespeare School where the principal, Mr Comstock showed me around. Met Mischa Zukowski, son of the violinist, & sent message to his parents. Found Angeline Bergey teaching fourth grade in this school
 Then to Wendell Phillips Jr High (100% negro) where I had fine chat with Miss Holbrook
 - To Anderson-Carlson’s for a try-on of my Tuxedo. – Home on electric. This P.M at school until 9:00.
R.R. .40 + .40 + .28; lunch .25 + .10; cheese .50; Rat poison (Dist 107) .25;

Saturday, November 1
Beautiful day.
At school nearly all day. Worked on budget & finished it. Mr Green & I went out beyond Koller’s farm to cut some branches of leaves for decoration of aud.
 Prof Wood of Lake Forest College called to get some statistics of school administration.
 Repub. rally in aud. this P.M. Poorly attended but a choice audience. Speakers: Maj. Rathbone, Rep. Francis, Mr. Swift, the Mayor. Geo. Allen Mason presided
Barber .30; groceries .63 + .10 + .50 + .35

Sunday, November 2
Beautiful day. Cooler
To church. Before that spent some time at school planning for the afternoon.
First concert of the Civic Series this afternoon – The Little Symphony – Mr. Dasch. Fine concert.

House not more than half full

Afterwards Mr & Mrs Leech came home with us and spent the evening.

Church .25;

Monday, November 3

Fine day.

Busy.

At school until after 10:00 P.M.

Tuesday, November 4

Election

Fine day   Great activity in voting. Friendly

Of the children that took part in a school election, 219 voted for Coolidge, only 11 for Davis, & 10 for LaFollette!

Dudley Crafts Watson lectured before the Woman’s Club in our aud at 3:00 – on architecture of today   Inspiring. Our teachers present.

Nine of us went down to hear Jane Cowl in Romeo and Juliette this evening – five of us taking dinner at City Club. A very interesting & beautiful performance

We mingled a while on State St. with election revellers, then left on the 11:55

A landslide for Coolidge reported

40 + 30 + 1.25 + 2.75;

[Inserted at the back of the diary in a clipping of the playbill of the Garrick Theatre production of *Romeo and Juliet* with Jane Cowl and Rollo Peters. – ed.]

Wednesday, November 5

Fine. Rising wind.

Conf with upper graders this afternoon over armistice day program, etc.

Charge school expense acct .45.

Thursday, November 6

Sultry, almost.

This evening to Winnetka to be present at formation of N.S. Art League at Commun. House

Pres. Rudolph Ingerle; Sec. Allen Philbrick. Present Mr & Mrs Peyraud, Miss Wood, Mr Lavenant, H.L. Timmons, Hugo Van Hoffsten, Dillon, Ewell, et. al.

Children gave a Robin Hood Play this afternoon. Charged 10¢ admiss. & took in over 330.

Miss Watrous of Lake Bluff school called

Our boys played fine football game with Lake Bluff    Score 18 to 16 for L. Bluff. I witnessed last half.

Barber .30;

Trolley .40; ice cream .30;

Friday, November 7

Turned much cooler after a little rain in the night.

Movies this afternoon # and evening – fine program. – Why elephants leave home, etc

N.S. Guild Players at Woman’s Club this evening. K & I went. Very interesting work.

Tailor (yesterday) 2.25;
Saturday, November 8
   Cold. Sleet storm of a few minutes. Milder at evening. Saw Mother off for B.H at Harrison St. station, then went to City Club to luncheon of Round Table. Pres Felmley talked of the work of his normal school. Went to ex. at Art Institute and hunted up the pieces of sculpture by John L. Clarke, the Blackfoot sculptor of Glacier Park. While there visited with Mr Woltersdorf, arch., Gutherz of Art Inst. staff, Mr Nygaard & Mr Felmley, and Miss Van Pappelendam [Laura Van Pappelendam (1883-1974), artist]. Home at 6:30. R.R. .80 + .50 + .35 + .50 + .14; lunch 1.00; book .95; groc. 56; barber 1.65; cloth .97.

Sunday, November 9
   Fine day. K. went to church; I slept at home. Edith & Clarence D. came at 11:30 & left at 2:10, I with them. Got off at Lincoln Park & made my way to Lelia Goddard’s apartments, 828 No. Clark where I was invited to tea with former Lexingtonians. Had very enjoyable time with Ida Strickland Scott & husband, Olive Enoch Clark, Myrtle English, Ethel Goddard, Nell Weaver, Nell McLean Roberts & husband & two gifted daughters, Stella & Marian, & others. R.R. .07 + .21 + .21 + .32; lunch .15.

Monday, November 10
   Mild. Shower at 3:00. Cleared awhile – then a 9:00 thunder & l. & heavy rain. Miss Clara White wired from Essex this A.M. the death of her mother. Mrs Whitehouse, a sub. Board meeting this evening.

Tuesday, November 11
   Armistice Day. Rain at intervals during day with heavy thunderstorms. Great downpour. Met 6 – 8’s at 11:00 for armistice day exercises; 4 – 5’s at 10:00; 2 – 3’s at 2:30. Teachers’ meeting at 4:00. Miss Sands left this afternoon to represent us at Essex – the funeral of Miss White’s mother. Amer. Legion post held exercises in aud. this P.M. Addressed by Mayor Hastings and a Mr Claxon of Ev. H-S. band. Shave .30.

Wednesday, November 12

Thursday, November 13
   Gray Light rain in afternoon.
The men & I dug up tree seedlings and brot over to Elm Place to heel in.
Showed my war scrapbooks to a group of 7B’s
A book display on in Hall of Pictures.
At school this evening.
2 Flash lights - 2nd

Friday, November 14
Cleared. Cold. Fine
Talked war scrapbook with another group of 7B’s
Conferred with carpenters about adjusting doors to specimen cases, etc.
Movies this afternoon and evening. Small attendance this evening.
Barber .30;

Saturday, November 15
Dunes
About 25 above this A.M. Thin ice as well as last few mornings. Beautiful day.
Left on 6:37 to catch 8:00 I C R R for Tremont – Dr Cowles’ excursion of Geog. Soc. Splendid trip. Waterman, Schantz, Tothill, A.F. Smith, Miss Helen Dwyer, our Miss Kennedy, - about 28 in all. Took Tremont trail first, then followed east along swamp edge to the Pineries & The Furnessville blow-out. Lunch there Then over dune edge & along swamp edge east until we came to a new road straight across swamp & through virgin timber to trolley tracks a half mile west of Keiser. This new area thus opened up – of major interest botannically. A great hunting ground
Reach H.P. – 4:53 – 6:00 – 7:00
R.R. 40 + 40 + 2.00;

Sunday, November 16
A fine day. Frosty.
To church Heard vice-pres. of Nanking Univ., a Mr Williams, on present polit. situation in China
At home most of afternoon
This evening K & I went to school & listened in on the radio set while the program at Orchestra Hall was given.

Monday, November 17
Snow
Began to snow this A.M & kept it up almost all day although most of it melted About an inch remained in sheltered places
Misses Jones & Stine ill. Miss Clara White back Mrs Whitehouse a sub for Miss Jones. I taught Miss Stine’s room this A.M.
Ventilating engineer, Mr. Stockenberg, went over new plant with me this afternoon. - - Mr Santi let water get too low in one boiler and blew out a fuse plug - - I left at 3:00 to go to Wilmette to talk before teachers’ club. Used my milkweed & orchid slides. A nice time.
This evening I attended a lecture by Horace Bridges at Mrs Munro’s – Spiritual needs of the age. - - R.R. .27 + .27;

Tuesday, November 18
Cleared Sloppy
Miss Margaret Smith sub’d for Miss Stine Mrs Whiteh’se for Miss Jones
Miss Genevieve Qualey for A.B.Co – Music dept – called
Teachers’ meeting.
Wednesday, November 19
Fine day. Mild. Snow vanished under a south wind
P.T.A. this evening. Prof Edwin Starbuck – The worth of a child. P.T.A’s of H-S, Lincoln, Ravinia, & Elm Place About 350 present. I represented our Mrs Thomas Winston who was ill Fine lecture. Afterwards I showed Prof. Starbuck over new b’ld’g. Said he had never seen the like.
K & I went to turkey dinner at Presb. Church this evening. Mr Fitt came afterwards & introduced Prof Starbuck.

Thursday, November 20
Mild. Pleasant
From 10 to 12 I spent at the H.P. Press with the two sections of the 8B’s.
Various other duties. This evening at meeting of North Shore Art League at Winnetka.
R.R .20 + .20; shave .30; dues of Art League 3.00

Friday, November 21
Threatening – Finally rain late afternoon. Had rained a little in the night.
Visiting day at our school. Most of the staff went to Lincoln & Ravinia I spent much of the morning at R. & finished up at L. Ave. Then to city. Had lunch with Mr Metzel and a nice visit. Then chatted with Mr. Greene, editor of the Screen – about movies. Then with Mr. Ott at Pathe.
To Mr Ewing’s office to a meeting of directors of Geog Soc. Supper at City Club. Kittie came in at 7:10 & we saw Abies’ Irish Rose at Studebaker. Funny show.
R.R. .40 + .21 + .80; Taxi .50 + .75; dinner 1.25 + .20; show 3.30.

Saturday, November 22
Threatening. Colder
To city on 10:13. To Vitagraph where I interviewed Mr. Laith. To Sam Lewis’ office to arrange for testing volume of flow of air in Int. Bld’g. To Art Inst for lunch & to visit galleries. Chat with Mabel Medora Williams about Ky pottery, chairs, etc. Visited with Mabel & Harriet Vincent, et al. To Anderson-Carlson to get my tuxedo & to order overcoat. To Vaughan’s to buy a p.w. narcissus. Home at 4:45.
R.R. .40 + .30 + .21; lunch .65; groceries .83 + .10 + .95; barber .30; drugstore 1.00 + .69; Fair 2.00;

Sunday, November 23
Another birthday
Gray. A few snow flakes
Slept much of A.M. After dinner went to Wauk, took taxi to Beach, & had a grand tramp over the dune ridges & along the shore to Zion City & home by trolley.
Expense 2.85;

Monday, November 24
Flakes of snow – then turned much colder
Field trip with group of 4B’s. Sheahen’s coal yard.
Called 8th grade boys together to plan Christmas play.
Conf. of 8th grade teachers after school.
Attended second lecture by Horace Bridges at Mrs Munro’s this evening. How churches meet & fail to meet present-day spiritual needs.

**Tuesday, November 25**
- Winter overcoat. Moderated late today.
- Dobson representing Opalograph.
- Mrs Millard and Miss Helen Hoyne looked over aud. stage with me and planned for coming production
  - Teachers’ meeting for third & 4th grades only
  - Conf. with Miss Wienke over Christmas music.
  - Mr Nevitt over his small son
  - Tried to solve mystery of a stolen wheel

Barber 30; groc. .30 + .42

**Wednesday, November 26**
- Usual Thanksgiving Day exercises in aud.
- Collected two truck loads of provisions which William (Billie) Witten & other boys took in W’s truck to Lake Bluff.

**Thursday, November 27**
- Thanksgiving Day
  - K. & I caught the 8:15 Gary Express at Randolph St. Station & K. got off at Gary at 9:30. I went on to Dune Park & struck off toward the lake, working my way back towards Gary. A fine walk…
  - Late – nearly one o’clock when I got to Millers station, so I took bus to Gary, getting in for late dinner. Arthur, Lennie & Ruth there also.
  - M & K. left for home at 5:00 but I stayed all night.

**Friday, November 28**
- Michigan City
  - Left for Tremont at 9:30. Expected Miss Kennedy & Miss Densmore on train, but latter missed it and so Miss K. & I set out from Tremont on a grand tramp to Mich. City.
  - Cooked wienies & coffee at noon in Furnessville blow-out. Reached Michigan City at 5:00. Saw Miss K. off on 5:30 then I went to Hotel for night (Through mistake I missed evening train for B.H.

**Saturday, November 29**
- At Benton Harbor
  - We all ate at Crookseses this evening. Snowing as we went to train
  - Got home about 12:30. Found inch or more of snow here.

R.R 3.48 + .05; hotel 1.50 + .10; breakfast .65; magaz .35 + .10;

**Sunday, November 30**
- Cold. Clear. Thawed a little
  - Arthur Webb showed up about 10 this A.M. & had dinner with us, leaving at 12:53. He had motored from Leroy to Bloomington this A.M. and caught the Alton. – Fat Stock show and business deals tomorrow.
  - Went up to school a little while this afternoon

**Monday, December 1**
Fine day  Cold
Mr Bartolai on job. Arrived Thursday from Italy with his wife.
Carpenters fastened 4 x 4’s on stage ceiling.
Conf. with teachers to assign parts for Christmas play

**Tuesday, December 2**
- Clear. Cold.
- Conf with Mrs Millard over work to be done at Play Room to fit it for athletics.
- Several of us started pupils on the Christmas play
- I worked at desk until 10:15.
- Miss M[ch] sewed for K. today
- Chickadees exploring our sunflower heads now for several days.

Barber .30; candy .50;

**Wednesday, December 3**
- Gray. Milder
- Committee on Wizard of Oz play & Exec. Committee of P.T.A both met at Int. School this A M. – much of the morning.
- Service Studio people finished installing ropes & pulleys on stage.
- Long conf with Mrs Steele & Mrs Weinberg on teaching lit. in school
- Worked at desk until 10:15 P.M.
- Miss White unable to come & Mrs Whitehouse sub.  Sent Miss Sands home with bad cold & used Mrs Musser.

**Thursday, December 4**
- Threatening. Milder. Light rain after 9:00 P.M.
- Gave considerable attention to promoting the Wizard of Oz show today. This came off at 4:00 today – managed by “society” ladies largely. May have netted over 800. The Junior League Players of Chic. Mostly society girls. Three men stage handlers & a man pianist. All the parts taken by girls. A fine show.
- Library Board this P.M.

Ice cream .15;

**Friday, December 5**
- Rained heavily in the night. Heavy mist at times today.
- Movies not well patronized 17.00 at door

Candy .10; barber .30;

**Saturday, December 6**
- Did some hard work sifting pile of ashes & carting hard coal thus recovered into the basement – a half ton or more. Wheeled sifted ashes over the garden
- Took trolley for Chic, getting in a little before one
- To McIntosh to confer about silvering a reflector. To Art Inst. for lunch where I met Miss Harriet & Mabel Vincent & Mrs Morris & three children. In the galleries I met Mrs Julius Rosenwald & spent a half hour or more with her going over the pictures. Then I explored some of the new exhibits. Then to Carlson-Anderson to have a fitting for an overcoat. Home at 6:15. Went out for evening at the Paul Wrights’  Took some lantern slides Mr & Mrs Ed Laing there. Fine time Stayed until 12:30
R.R .80; lunch .57; toy .75; catalog .25

Sunday, December 7
    Gray. Drizzly at times
    At school at 10:00 to show Mr Rowell and the Glencoe school board around
    To church where “older boys conf.” had been in session  Good sermon
    This aft. at school to help pull off the wonderful concert by Maier & Patterson, pianist.  A very
great treat. After it was over I showed Mr & Mrs Patterson about & their friends, Maj & Mrs Schwartz.
Then I went to a committee meeting at Gen’l Woods. Then a walk in the fog & dark to the lake front park.
Then to Presb. church to overhaul lantern slides
    Church 25;

Monday, December 8
    Rather mild & with sunny intervals until late afternoon when high wind came out of N.W – and
blew blizzard like into the night.
    S.R. Lewis came this afternoon & we went over the heating & ventilating proposition together. He
crawled about in the attic & pushed up or detached each of the “valves” in the exhaust ducts.
Recommended changes in the steam lines
    Board meeting this evening.

Tuesday, December 9
    The blizzard-like wind died down in the night & today was more or less clear. Moderately cold.
    Things moved well today. Christmas Play working out favorably.
    K & I at my office an hour or so this evening. She cleaned & sorted the Yellowstone slides I showed
the sixth graders today.
    Nuts .50; barber .30;

Wednesday, December 10
    Moderately cold. Milder at evening & snow began to fall after 9:00.
    Went this evening to Mr Steele’s on Linden & Vine to hear a lecture by Prof Jastrow on “Moral
Emotional Age”. Fine. Audience mostly Jewish people
    Barber .30; tickets 1 50 (North Ave M E. Church);

Thursday, December 11
    Moderately cold About an inch of snow on ground, & this partially melted
    Went this evening to N.S. Art League meeting at Comm. House, Winnetka  Percy Eckhart spoke,
etc. A fine time  Met Mr Stehlin, et. al
    Trolley .42; stamps 1 00;

Friday, December 12
    Drizzly & some rain at times
    Had a sketchy rehearsal today of the Christmas Play.
    Movies – A Gang Comedy and Nanook. Only a two dollar house this evening.

Saturday, December 13
    Rather sharp drop in temp. late this afternoon.
Took 9:13 for Chic. Carried box of films & with taxi from LaSalle St. station went to Pathe Exchg. To Dow Optical to get new rim for glasses. Art Inst. for one more glance at remarkable group of paintings to be removed Monday. Chat with Mr Gutherz about John Clarke’s animal sculptures. Also chat with Miss Graciella, artist, whom I first met out here.

To City Club & Round Table for luncheon. Fine address by Pres. Livingston Lord.
To “Iron Horse” – remarkable movie of const of Union Pacif. R.R.
This evening to the Paul Wrights’ with school lantern where Mr W. showed slides of Siberia Present – Mr & Mrs H.E Mason, Tullis, Millard & Ware, the latter from Chic.

R.R. .80 + .50 – Show 1.10; luncheon 1.00; stationery 1.60; groceries .90 + .23;

Sunday, December 14
Fine day. Growing milder towards evening
Rested at home all morning. Read from Pupin’s From Immigrant to Inventor.
Served supper. Addresses by Prof. Forbes, Cowles, Jensen, et al. Some were in pioneer costumes, particularly Misses McIlvain, Eskil, Akins, Mitchell – Mrs Dudley, Mr Dudley, Eames McVeagh, - - Fine time
R.R. .80; dinner 1.00.

Monday, December 15
Fine wintry day
Showed to 4th – 5th’s two reels – one on wheat & flour, & one on deep sea dwellers – aquarium views – both being Urban Classics
Christmas play drills.
At school late tonight because the Americanization classes were having a party.

Tuesday, December 16
Gray. Mist after nightfall and frozen, slippery walks.
Busy with the play and other things.
Mrs Everett came with Miss Glick who is to have classes in religious educ. after the holidays.
Mr. Leach and I spent two hours at school this evening going over the matter of general science
Afterwards I stayed on until nearly eleven with the teachers who were putting out costumes for the boys in the play.
Barber .30;

Wednesday, December 17
Very icy underfoot. After 7:00 P.M. relief through small fall of sleet & snow.
Showed four steel films to 6’s. U.S. Bureau of mines. Fine.
Busy with details of play
P.T.A. this afternoon. Short session in Hall of Pictures. Then visits to see Christmas exhibits & to hear 2 – 3’s carols around a tree in hall of Elementary Bldg.
At school again this evening while teachers worked at costumes
Lunch .40;

Thursday, December 18
A glare of ice. Travel difficult & dangerous.
Pulled off our Christmas Play very successfully this afternoon and evening. The evening crowd not so large because of the icy walks, etc. Miss Collins and Miss Weinland came.

**Friday, December 19**

Zero weather

Temp. dropped sharply during day. Enough snow had fallen to crust over the icy covering. A little below zero after nightfall.

Met to have the carols and to see the pictures of the Christ Child – this A.M.

A quiet afternoon. Dismissed earlier.

Movies at 3:00 – A Front Page Story.

Went back to building at nine to note temp. of halls & elsewhere.

**Saturday, December 20**

My thermo read 7° below at 6:30 A.M. Others lower.

At school at 7:30 to see how things went. No low temps but plants by cold windows affected. Had cracks in metal frames pasted over with thick paper. Moved palms to safe place, etc.

At bank a while to help any teacher who might need a check – our warrants not yet ready. Have made out three.


R.R. .80; lunch .60; dinner 1.25

Chic Theat .75; groceries 1.25 + .15

Ear muffs .30; shave .30; glasses 1.00

**Sunday, December 21**

About 3 below this A.M. Moderated during day

To church this A.M.

Slept most of afternoon. At 5:30 to school where I met Bartoli at 6:00 and we spent two hours studying the heating situation, shutting out a down draft in a room, etc

**Monday, December 22**

A little above zero. At school until noon. Miss Bell mailed out warrants & vouchers I sent out pay roll to teachers

To city at 1:13. To Field Museum where I had a long conf with Miss Conwell, Sec. of Geog Soc

To Fields to shop To City Club. A nap – then dinner. Then to Blackstone & heard Julia Arthur & company in a wonderful rendering of Shaw’s Saint Joan

R.R. .80 + .14; dinner 1.25; theatre 2.75 + .25; barber .30; groceries .50;

[Pasted to this page is a clipping from the playbill for *Saint Joan*. – ed.]

**Tuesday, December 23**

Milder. Snowed a little in the night and then fitfully during the day

At school awhile this A.M. Then to city. Visited with Mrs Geer to Wilson Ave – then had to backtrack to get a book list I had left at home.

At 12:30 luncheon at City Club with Jensen, Brinley, Von Ofen, Hooker, Mrs Bley, Miss McCauley, Miss Mitchell. Considered proposed state parks bill, etc. Left there at 3:00. Browsed at Field’s Book Store and brot out bundle of books for Mrs Greenlee.
Mrs Bowen Schumacher died of pneumonia in the city. A splendid woman.
R.R. .80 + .80 + .07; lunch .85;

Wednesday, December 24
Clear. Turned off very cold late in the day.
At home most of day. At schoolhouse only a little while after 5:00 P.M.
Put up my movable feeding shelf and scattered peanuts on it. While at this two chickadees & a
downy came up close
Finished Pupin’s From Immigrant to Inventor”.
Barber .30; nuts .33; carrots .25

Thursday, December 25 Christmas!
Nine or ten below this A.M. Beautiful day.
At home all day – except twice to post office and once to school to see if rooms were warm.
Clarence & Edith came before eleven and stayed all day
Very cold this evening.

Friday, December 26
3 or 4 below this A.M. but 17 above this evening
At home nearly all day. Wrote pile of letters Read in Wiggan’s Decalogue of Science &
Morrison’s Technique of Secondary Education. Greatly impressed with the latter.
At school bld’g at 7:00 P.M. to open up for Scouts, but came away before 8:00 and spent from
then until eleven writing out family history under Mother’s dictation.
Groceries .40 + .50 + .84
Barber .30.

Saturday, December 27
Thermom. began to drop this morning and by bed time it was 10 below.
To Chic. on 9:43. Conf at Schantz office – Pattee, Miss Mitchell, Mrs Frederick Smith & I about
flower photographs to be reproduced for postcards under auspices of W.F. Preserv. Soc. Then Pattee went
on & Schantz joined us in lunch at Child’s. State-Lake Theater, etc. Home at 7:00.
Clarence came this evening
R.R. .80 + .07; lunch 2.25; theatre .75; book – St. Joan – 25;

Sunday, December 28
18 below at 6:00 by our thermo. Only zero at 10:00 P.M
I represented the family at church.
This evening we listened in on the radio at Mr Decker’s. Heard Bishop Hughes’ sermon at
Orchestra Hall.
Church .25.

Monday, December 29
About zero and moderated much during day
Clarence spent the day in Kenosha, coming back this evening.
I worked at school until noon. Went to Wauk this afternoon to look up our tax levy, etc
Trolley .38 + .42 (Dist 107.
Barber .30;
Tuesday, December 30
Much milder today.

   Clarence went home this A.M.
   I went to city after spending considerable time at school & met Kittie at one o’clock. We went to
   the Orpheum to see Douglas Fairbanks in The Thief of Bagdad, shopped at the Fair, and then spent some
time at the Art Institute. Kittie went home then & I stayed on and went to McVicker’s to see a fine picture
   version of Peter Pan – Betty Bronson
R.R. .40 + .80; supper .60; theatres 1.00 + .50;

Wednesday, December 31
Moderated. Almost melting.

   Fixed up my trolley food shelf & pulled it away from the tree. Chickadees patronized it well. Blue
   jays. Downies feeding on suet fastened to tree.
   Butler, Santi & I opened three of our pits & carried in all the pots. Everything seemed in fine
   shape. Very few pots frosted. - - I took two pots out of my pit at home
   At school some of the afternoon. This evening sorted over some of my negatives.
   As is my custom, read from In Memoriam and the Death of the Old Year
Groceries .83 + .25 + .28 + .50