

Some notes on this transcription by Cecelia Riehl

Clara Congdon wrote almost daily in a 5-year diary. In this diary there are pages for every day of the year, divided into 5 sections, one for each year. She kept each entry to the space allotted, but occasionally squeezed lines in between other lines or wrote in the space at the top. Sometimes even turning the book sideways and writing in the margins. Sometimes when she did this it was hard to figure out the word order, but usually I could tell from the context. Sometimes when she did this I added parentheses (). If the word order was clear, I didn't bother. She used periods, dashes and the edge of the page to separate phrases. I tried to copy her punctuation, using a slash / for the edge of a page, when I thought it was needed to separate phrases. I used her spelling almost always, but when I came to a name of person or place and couldn't make out her spelling, I would look up the place or person and use that spelling. Clara used a few spellings that are no longer correct English, but I think they were at the time, such as "staid" for "stayed" and "tho" for "though" etc. She was consistent with these words, so I used her spellings. Sometimes she abbreviated names with initials and other times spelled them out. I did the same. When I just couldn't make out what she wrote, I added question marks in square brackets and occasionally added comments in italics and also in square brackets. Anything in italics or square brackets was added by me. A question mark without square brackets was written by Clara.

I added a few footnotes when I thought they helped to understand the text. I used **red** to highlight when she mentions buying something for the house or fixing or replacing something. I used **green** to highlight locations. I also added links to hotels and other things that I looked up, when I was able to find a website that I felt was accurate and permanent.

Clara went through her diary at some time much later and pulled out what she thought was most important for each year. These notes were later put into a separate condensed volume, which she referred to as her "chronology." This document was transcribed years ago by someone else, and I have a copy of that transcription. Occasionally she would write some explanation in the chronology that didn't appear in the diary, or that clarified what she wrote in the diary. When that was the case, I added her words from the chronology in square brackets and italics.

In July 1913 some of the Congdons participated in two weddings. I looked these up and found them described in The Duluth Herald. This site is not accessible to the public, so I copied the sections about the weddings and put them at the end of the document. She also mentions the opening of a Day Nursery by the King's Daughters. This was described in the same paper on the first page, so I added that as well. The King's Daughters later became the Junior League in Duluth.

There are a few abbreviations she used consistently: K.D. for King's Daughters; D.H. for Deaconess Home, (Clara was treasurer for this home for a while.); Miss. for Missionary; S.S. for Sunday School.

Cecelia Riehl – September 1, 2015

JANUARY 1913

January 1 – Wed – 30° Cloudy – South wind

(no guests) Water running all right but not fit to drink. (Strong of Chlorine) Late hours tire me. Writing letters. Two out at dinner & dance. R. to sleigh ride & night at Moore's – M. skiing at Hartley farm – Ned's rt ankle troubles him/ We took apples to Mr. Bradley (in 89th year) & flowers to [???

January 2 – Thursday – Snowing a little 25°

Head trying to ache. Sent report to Mrs. Safford for last two quarters. Took short walk with girls. C. feeling very gay. Got W. Peyton off his –“stomach” he says.

January 3 – Wintry sunshine 5° & up

(R. at party at Mrs. Stevenson's)

C. & I have studied plans for Yakima house – I weigh – undressed – 122 lbs- C. 166. He goes to Mpls (or St. P.) 1:55. I called on Mrs. Sager (very forlorn/ & Lottie this afternoon. Mr. Adams improving

January 4 – Saturday – Wind tonight

Called on Mrs. Gray this afternoon & paid for potatoes at last. Alfred left for east- In a rush- I don't like it- Late rising, work to watch on boat- trunk not ready- hardly time to say goodbye-

January 5 – Sunday -5

All females at church- R. came from S.S. sneezing- Used vibrator on him twice & gave hot lemonade at bed time. C. home at 7:30 P.M. Mr. Morehous called. Ned brt[?] Julia Morrow to supper-

January 6 – Monday - about zero

Down town shopping this A.M. with C. Sent flowers for Mrs. Chas. Bradley's funeral. E. cutting out black satin dress this afternoon – very ardent.

January 7 – 10 Calm - fine

In all day – Clearing up & clearing out. (normal [activ??] begins) Reports of cold to kill orange & lemon crop in Cal – (47°) also cold in Phoenix, Ariz. (17°) Mrs. Patterson with good miniatures, called.

January 8 – Wednesday – Fair -5°

C. & N. measured formal garden to get size of Yak. Court. I tried to call D.H. but no one was in. Afternoon I called on Mrs. Leslie & Mrs. d'Autremont.

January 9 – Thursday – wind 20° fair

Worked all day sorting, clearing out. Cleaning in store rooms 3rd floor. Moths in cedar room, must be more strict. The Stryker girls at lunch-

January 10 – Friday – Wind 20° about

Called at Deaconess Home – A.M. Mr. Pardee here at dinner- lake rough- wind S.W.

January 11 – Saturday - -1 Cold all day

In all day – Julia Morrow was asked to go to Panama with the girls but declined- Irving here at dinner. R's cold bad. Took more a few days ago-

January 12 – Sunday – Fair – 25°

Bishop [?]naylor[Quayle?] preaches this A.M. M's birthday- Deaconess Home dedicated. Helen goes to Gary to teach a class this afternoon. Lake frozen some distance from shore (only near the brewery)

January 13 – Clear

Lake frozen over as far as R's "eye can reach" He is home to nurse his cold- Helen out to Mrs. McDonald's for supper with the Westons.

January 14 – Tuesday – Ice gone – about 10° Cloudy

Chester saw a ship come in last evening- Called at Mrs. Rice's- Elaine fine baby- Find plenty to do in house- sewing & cleaning & ordering. Walked a little. Ned out at a cottillion. R. at home with cold in head.

January 15 – Wednesday 20° - 25° Cloudy

C. left for St. Paul this afternoon. The reapportionment work coming out right now. He hasn't yet been able to get passage on Panama steamers. I went to Thimble bee at church- Mrs. Haslam & Mrs. [Jacobs?], hostesses.

January 16 – Thursday – 30° Cloudy

Helen is to have Mary Weston, Irma & Jessica at lunch- as M. Weston leaves with family for Cal. Saturday. Rudolf having day off/ Sent R. to school.

January 17 – Friday – partly cloudy – 8° wind

It rained in the night but temperature went down. I went for little walk with Helen – R. at curling rink this evening.

January 18 – Saturday

Part of family at curling rink skating. R. had Irving here all night & Harriet Stryker was here also. Had flare with Atherton about pressing H's suit; very pleasant however- I think I must make him do it.

January 19 – Sunday - -10

Cold & colder tonight. C. & Ned too busy for church. C. tired – office tires him- De. & Mrs. McDonald here at supper- Mr. Marshall & Caroline came-

January 20 – Monday - -10° (about) all day

Seems very cold. C. thinks my (dressing room) radiator freezes up sometimes. I went to moving picture show with Helen & E. Went to D.H. annual meeting tonight[?] but could not stay through- Mr. Melvin was elected in my place. Mr. Dudley hurt hand skiing

January 21 – Tuesday - 0° & up to 27° Fair

Was down town on errands this A.M. to D.H. to pay checks. Miss Severance talked about project of dismissing girl. Ned left this A.M. for Butte & Beverly. C. & Mar. & Helen leave on [N?] W for Chicago & South. Mrs. Morrow & Julia called- Ath- “swallowed his pride”.

January 22 – Wednesday

Mrs. Shurick wrote yesterday about her mother's severe illness- with letter from Miss Martin. Had an exciting interview with 3 maids about Ath's report of an unlocked door and also the late hours their visitors keep. Not much accomplished. Rena said her friend couldn't get here till 9:30. Called on Mrs. Armand[?], Mrs. Buck (Mrs. Winton not in)

January 23 – Thursday – Wind 10° & up Partly Clear

Mr. Tyler broke leg ~~today~~ yesterday. He is 76. Down town & paid F[?]orward's bill for Deaconess Home. Then other errands- Sigrid came this afternoon for recommendation as a seamstress- Called on Mrs. Hartley – not home/ Saw Judith. Elis. Out tobogganing tonight.

January 24 – Friday – 5) to 20° Partly cloudy

Letters from Walter & Helen. Train Wed- 5 hrs late to Chicago. W. thinks will not be home before May. Wrote girls- Going to Wesley tea- Genie[?] this evening at Lyceum- e. & R. go with me. R. bought himself a blue serge suit, all alone.

January 25 – Saturday – about 15° half sunny

Genie very fine. In all day. Looked through Robert's stores of trash etc, with his help- E. went down to tea at Miss Listman's. R. stays with Warren tonight. Atherton at Clan Stewart's last night. Burns celebration

January 26 – Sunday – Lovely day – 12) to 200 Clear

At church- good sermon- took Mr. Morehous home. E. took M's class. Some of lake frozen. Ice boat near brewery. Dr. & Mrs. Twohy called with my waist from Mrs. Prado.

January 27 – Monday – about 11° Sunny

Busy at odds & ends- Went to tea at Miss Listman's after some shopping- Called Mrs. Briggs- she was sick.

January 28 – Tuesday – Not very cold

To lunch at Mrs. Wanless' with Mrs. Steele- Mrs. Leeds and Mrs. D. & her sister who came home with me. Telephone message from Mrs. E. Howland- but she did not say she could come this time- so much to be thankful for

January 29 – Wednesday – 25° some snow

A Mr. Demming[?] 30th Av. & 1st St. shot Tim this A.M. with bird shot. Through Rudolf a detective came up. The dog bled so they traced him back. He is not seriously hurt. Down town this afternoon & called at tea-room with Miss D.

January 30 – Thursday – Light snow- 28°

Greenhouse looks lovely- Day letter from C. He & Marjorie leave for St. Augustine tomorrow. E. is in the tea-room at Miss Listman's this afternoon.

January 31 – Friday – Cold- about zero

Mrs. Gray coming to lunch- Rudolf wanted the day off- but we had too much use for the car. Tim lively.

FEBRUARY 1913

February 1 – Saturday –

Helen telegraphed for visiting cards- sent them. Irving Moore stays all night. Mrs. D's cold rather bad- Mrs. K. better than when she came.

February 2 – Sunday - -12° - Fair a little snow

Went to church- accousticon out of order/ heard nothing. Mrs. D. went to her own church. Dorothy- Irving & Warren Moore here for dinner- Walked a little with Mrs. D.

February 3 – Monday - -10°

Mrs. D. (her cold better) & Mrs. K. left this morn. Right after breakfast- Elis. Goes to Virgil at High School- first of semester/ E. & I took a little walk. Greenhouse fine.

February 4 – Tuesday – Clear - -20° to 10°

Busy all day- hardly know how- Looking over clothes- for one thing. Essie & Anna cleaning Marjorie's room.

February 5 – Wednesday - -20 Partly cloudy

M. d'Autremont at lunch. E. arranged to go on at Normal a month more. I was down town- mostly to give away old clothes. Took four of E's friends & her to tea at Miss Listman's/ All Hartleys were there- & met Mrs. Ely. Warm & balmy in South

February 6 – Thursday – Warmer

Rudolf has day off. Writing checks & attending to bank statements- I work from morning till bedtime- sorting mending-writing- planning- pasting- sewing.

February 7 – Friday - 10°

Smoking room cleaned. In all day till about 4. Called on Mrs. Morehous & Mrs. McDonald & left an Easter lily. Got mail. Helen not coming home- going to Palm Beach to meet C. & H. there tonight. R. at hockey game. E. out at lunch.

February 8 – Saturday – 0° & up to 20°

Fine day- I did not go out. Rena left on vacation this A.M. Mary Frick at dinner/ I keep very busy- hardly see results. E. & R. at rink this evening. **My 4th evening on bookplates in books.**

February 9 – Sunday – Fine day- 10°

Seems warm compared to other days. E. & I at church. R. has some cold- as have I in chest- Walked with E. a little. Greenhouse lovely- Violets from cold frames. M. Florada has broken her engagement.

February 10 – Monday – up to 20°

Rudolf laid up with cold- I went down town on car & John brought me back. Mr. French was in office. Saw various telegrams & letters.

February 11 – Tuesday – 0° & up Clear- some wind

Fussing around about curtains & rugs/ Rudolf still sick- Not much accomplished today. E. salted nuts for tomorrow & R. began on book plates to earn a little money- 15 cents a shelf.

February 12 – Wednesday - -15° Clear or fair

E. has charge at the tea, with Dorothy Downe. [Dowse?] Had 18- I was down at church- & called on Mrs. Rice- got mail etc.

February 13 – Thursday – about 20°

Seems quite soft. John showed me work of moths on fur robe. I have been puttering, but do get something done. R. trying to earn money by painting chairs. Has asked Virginia M. to hockey game – tickets – 1.50 for 2.

February 14 – Friday – 25 – 32° Cloudy

Met Mr. Melvin and passed over books and money as D.H. treasurer. Rudolf is out again- as R. says “back on the job.” A Valentine box of candy from E. & a bunch of lovely violets from Mrs. Hartley.

February 15 – Saturday – 15° Cloudy – snow

Down town morning & afternoon- E. & R. went to St. P. Symphony & afterwards five of us went to last tea of K.D¹'s at Miss Listman's- The Agnews have grand-son.

February 16 – Sunday – 30° Cloudy- some sun

Lake covered with ice. R. staid at the Moore's after hockey- E. reports “most exciting” games. She & I alone in our pew. Ice looks firm in lake, but rough

February 17 – Monday – snow last night wind- Cloudy- about 30°

Let Rudolf work on cars & E & I used horses. To Miss McKnight's &c. & I made calls- Hartley (not in) Mrs. Hanford[Stanford?]- Mrs. Smith- & home on street car.

February 18 – Tuesday Wednesday – cloudy 33

Miss Shellenberger² here- Let R. work till 6:20 when E. & I went to take supper at Mrs. McDonald's. Very pleasant. I went down town just before noon with John. Flowers to new Agnew.

¹ King's Daughters

² Seamstress

February 19 – Wednesday

I see I've written Wed. on Tues. page- & Tues. On Monday's- Monday was a lecture by Mr. Powell at Mrs. Hearing's (A.C.A./ & in evening D.H. meeting- Miss Severance resigned.

February 20 – Thursday – 20° Fair

A lovely day- some wind- Am going to Lyceum noon meeting with Mrs. Morehous- Went & spent most of afternoon down town. Lunched at Glass Block with Mr. & Mrs. Morehous. R. out & brings Warren home

February 21 – Friday

R. has Irving to spend night. E. out at Orpheum last evening.

February 22 – Saturday- Cold

Chester, Marjorie & Helen arrived 11 A.M. (train late) Had a delightful trip. C. lost some weight & had d- also Helen- but all well now. E. & I went Miss McKenzie's.

February 23 – Sunday – Fair – 6°

All enjoying home. Julia Morrow called & the older girls took supper at Rachel St. Clair's. Quiet day, however. Mrs. Morehous' brother has died.

February 24 – Monday - -10

Who shall go to Panama is the great question. I called on Mrs. Dickinson for I heard she was going to Phoenix. Mrs. K. has been very weak- both lungs congested. Called on Mrs. Morehouse too.

February 25 – Tuesday – windy- 20° - 28° about

Took little Walk with Helen- seemed cold- C. went to St. Paul this afternoon. Mr. Field called.

February 26 – Wednesday – Fair- about 10°

Miss Shellenberger here. I went to church (Thimble Bee) Mrs. Liewart[?] spoke- Then went to reception at Children's Home with the Moores. Hardly see Robert. Mrs. D. & Mrs. Kettering left for phoenix.

February 27 – Thursday – Clear or nearly -10°

Miss S. here. Girls go to Hockey game tonight/ Let R. go to hockey game- he takes D. Moore³ tonight.

February 28 – Friday - -10°

C. arrived this evening – 7:30. I was down town on errands A.M. Miss Shellenberger not here. Mssrs. Field & Dudley staid overnight. E. at M. Frick's for tonight.

MARCH 1913

March 1 – Saturday – Cloudy 10° Blizzard

Barney goes to Toronto – Williamson takes his place. Find Williamson has appendicitis & goes to hospital at 4 today. Ned arrived in town 6 A.M. Came to house at 6 P.M.

[*The following entry is crossed out without explanation*] We had birthday cake for Ned etc. Miss Shellenberger was here unexpectedly. So stormy, sent her to car in auto. R. goes to party at Mrs. I Moores & stays with Irving.

March 2 – Sunday - -18 Fair

C. is getting a cold. He went to office instead of church. Sermon on being busy about the wrong things. Ned told Mr. Bradley where father was - seemed to see the connection between sermon & father.

March 3 – Monday – Sunny – 10°(about)

Mr. Shuart came to stay till tomorrow.

March 4 – Tuesday – sunny

Mr. Shuart left this afternoon- I think he enjoyed the visit. The girls & I took lunch with Mrs. Gray- She goes tomorrow to Winona. Miss S. here.

March 5 – Wednesday

Went down to D.H. to see samples for chair covers- but they were not there. Wasted two hours. H's S.S. class met here last evening after a sleigh ride.

March 6 – Thursday -10 – Lovely day

Downtown & arranged to have D.H. chairs covered. Dr. McDonald & wife called this evening. Carroll Steele called. We sew hard & get little done.

March 7 – Friday - -10° & up Chilly

³ In 1923 Robert and Dorothy Moore were married.

Down town A.M. hair & dentist- Miss S. here – has raised her price to 2.00 yet she herself thinks she has not earned it here. **Fumigated cedar room as an experiment**- this evening called with C. on the Viele's & went to hockey game- lively. Two Morrrows at lunch.

March 8 – Saturday – Thaw- perhaps 40°

Busy packing- **Rugs came back from French's**. Left at 5:45- E. to have Mary Frick over night- R. took D. Moore to game yesterday& staid at the Moores overnight.

March 9 – Sunday – **Chicago** – thaw

Train late, missed connection. F. Field came with us, on way to N.Y. We go to May⁴'s to dinner- Wrote W., E, & A, (card) Leave here 5-

March 10 – Monday – Ill Central R.R.

Growing warmer. Pleasant trip. Arrived **N. Orleans** about 5:20. C. & R. rushed out to get thin suits started at tailors. [Hotel Grunewald](#)- Fair. All tired. Raining.

March 11 – Tuesday – highest 69- Pleasant weather

Tried to ride A.M. but auto gave out- water in gasoline. Shopped some- **went to pottery bought few things**. Rode all about this afternoon- Lunch at [Antoine's](#), dinner at [Louisianne](#)

March 12 – Wednesday – Cloudy- some rain

Boat started at 11 A.M. We had very comfortable start. Interesting down river. Warm & moist but wool suits not uncomfortable.

March 13 – Thursday

Ship Cartaga. *[From chronology: In March – the parents, two older daughters and Robert left New Orleans on steamer Cartaga Mar. 12 for Panama – The voyage was almost five days. Stayed at the Tivoli in Ancom. Saw much of the canal work which was not quite finished.]*

March 14

March 15 – Saturday

March 16 – Sunday

More or less seasick all through the trip but room was airy. Robert has bad cold- sore throat – headache – cough. H. somewhat seasick at times. Water rough some[?]

⁴ Probably cousin May Dyche, who lived in Evansville, Ill.

March 17 – Monday

Arrived Colon about 6 A.M. Ate breakfast aboard & landed about 9- walked about some & took train for Ancon. Very interesting all along- rooms at Tivoli in annex & far apart – hot

March 18 – Tuesday – Warm of course

Met the Pattens yesterday & as they left for Colon- took their good rooms- Rode around panama. Called on Malvina DeCamp[?]- Today rode to old Panama & took exciting voyage to Taboga – shopped

March 19 – Wednesday

To Pedro Miguel & [Mireflores dams](#), saw [Pierre Gaillard](#). Shopped with Malvina at Chinaman's - heard lecture – Afternoon to [Culebra Cut](#). & Girls visited Mrs. Gaillard. Evening ride around.

March 20 – Thursday

Had to give up the stop at Gatun but guess we saw enough. The Zacapa[?] was to sail at 10- but did not get off before noon- Shall not go to dining room- [*From chronology: Left Mar. 20 on the Zacapa for Kingston Jamaica (Myrtle Bank Hotel) Auto ride to Spanish Town, Moneague, St. Ann's Bay, Port Antonio.*]

March 21 – Friday

H. pretty sick & R. sick too. I stay on deck. No calm seas, but after all not very bad- Arrive tomorrow but are losing about 2 hrs.

March 22 – Saturday – Wind

Arrived [Kingston](#) [*probably Jamaica*] about noon. Helen felt pretty sick C. gave her Mothersill's remedy- with good effect. Hot & windy here.

March 23 – Sunday – 94° Lovely day

Beautiful after sunset, down by hotel pier- After glow, & perfectly still

March 24 – Monday

Left Myr Bank hotel [*Myrtle Bank Hotel?*] in auto about 9- first in [Spanish town](#)- went into Cathedral- Lunched at [Moneague](#)- pleasant spot – Arrived [St. Ann's Bay](#) about 5 - Fine ride.

March 25 – Tuesday

Like the Osborne House very much- all but [*nasty?*] pillows. Took lunch by sea shore cliff- Reached [Port Antonio](#) bet 5 & 6. Hot rooms- Sudden shower before dinner- Pretty place.

March 26 – Wednesday

(stores close 2 P.M. Wednesdays) Left hotel Titchfield about 8 & reached Myrtle Bank, [Kingston](#) about 1:30. after very hot ride no shade. Part of way interesting. H. & I went to Museum to see [????]

March 27 – Thursday – Hot – windy

Packed- went to some stores- not much [ex?] left at Wamins[?] Self Help- baskets- etc. Leave on Hamb. Am. Line at 3- sit up all night. [Ship Prinz Joachim](#) (It left bet. 9 & 10 P.M.) [*From chronology: Left Kingston 27th on Prince Joachim for Santiago (Hotel Venus) Then to Camaguey – Havana (Hotel Sevilla)*]

March 28 – Friday – noon- [Santiago de Cuba](#)

Had a fair night- females in ladies cabin & males in smoking room. It was really too cold on deck at 11. Went to no meals & got on well- Interesting [lo?]ading last night- Saw [San Juan Hill](#) & rode around [here?]

March 29 – Saturday – Hot of course

Met Jo Van Badlen[?] at Venus. Left our queer hotel “Venus” before 7 this A.M. Chester had hard time about baggage & seats- but we sat in sleeping car- Bot 7 kinds fruit- & ate it for lunch [Camaguey](#) about 4-

March 30 – Sunday (to my surprise) - [Camaguey](#)

We rode an hour yesterday afternoon- stopped by rain. Hotel an old barracks- but comfortable, airy & with pretty courts. Few here- Down stair rooms- horrible smells at night from out doors.

March 31 – Monday – Hotel Seville [Havana](#)

Left Camaguey Hotel about 3:30 plenty of room on sleeping car- C. had frog in bed- Rather comfortable night- adjoining compartments. Pleasant here- cooler- arrived before 7-

APRIL 1913

April 1 – Tuesday

A lovely harbor & fine city. Chester has had a good deal of fever & cough since Friday- Helen begins to have it too. R. has 2 boils. We took auto ride yesterday & shopped etc. Today the Moors & dinner [after?] Miramar[?]

April 2 – Wednesday – Refreshing air

Left at 10:30 for **Key West** on Halifax/ Got good look at harbor & city on [?exec?] side- Retired to cabin & endured 7 hrs. Key west about 7. Went on train north. lights out in compartment could see some of Keys
[From chronology: To Key West on the Halifax. Home by Jacksonville & Chattanooga Ap. 7.]

April 3 – Thursday

Jacksonville about 3 or 4. Left about 8. Fine auto ride all over city & out Riverside Av. Poor dinner at the Seminole- Interesting ride from about Fort Pierce to Jacksonville.

April 4 – Friday - Fine weather for wild flowers- dogwood- A little rain but warm

Poor car last night & porter. Helen had a good deal of fever last 2 nights/ Reached Chattanooga 12:05 & parted from R. & the girls. R. wore wool suit today.

April 5 – Saturday – **Chattanooga** 54°

(Pattens at dinner last night.) The day colder but clean & lovely. Mrs. Patton took us in her car to the site of their new house. A splendid view all around. We left at 12:05- Helen's toe after operation 2 weeks ago- somewhat better.

April 6 – Colder – **Chicago**

Arrived via Louisville(?) Indianapolis, Logansport etc. about 2 P.M. Went to Cubist picture exhibit & then dined at Blackstone & took N.W. train 6:25. Signs of floods in Tenn. & Ind.

April 7 – Monday – About 32-

Arrived **home** on 9:25 train- Ned, Alfred, Helen & Elisabeth to meet us & new chauffeur (substitute). News is the small car burned up in paint shop fire. Ice on bay to walk on- Ice in lake. C's & H's fevers gone

April 8 – Tuesday – Cloudy About 32°

House cold- Busy at desk- **Ate the pineapple that ripened on our plant in hall. Alfred working on vacuum pump. C. will get a new one.** Good to be home but E. makes bad report of W. A. & the cooking.

April 9 – Wednesday – a little snow melting

Lottie has little girl born Saturday. Rena says she wants to leave the 19th. My trunk came today- all right. Catherine Hunter here most of day- Girls trimming hats.

April 10 – Thursday – Pleasant- 50° about

Had Lie [Lu?] DeCamp lunch with us today- Very pleasant afternoon with her.

April 11 – Friday

Chester went to St. P. & Alfred to Chicago on his way to Ithaca. I was at a tea at Mrs. I. Moore's to arrange for the chain of teas. C's cough better, but bad mornings- M. coughing too.

April 12 – Saturday

Heard of a cook (Catharine Murphy) in S.F. Said I'd try her. Called at Mrs. Buck's with Mrs. Gray who lunched with us. Called to ask Mrs. Morehous for Friday but she was already asked.

April 13 – Sunday – Fine day

C. got back this A.M. & went to church with me. This afternoon all out more or less. Mr. Dudley came, also the Hartley girls & Mr. Field. Mr. F. at supper.

April 14 – Monday – Fine & summery-

Went to see about hats & found pretty dresses at Mme Warde's. This afternoon at Mrs. Moore's "Progressive" thimble bee - very pleasant/ Girls went to hear [Evan Williams](#) this evening. Rudolf again at work.

April 15 – Tuesday – Lovely quiet day- 65° here 75) at 19th Av.

Was down town this morning for fitting & hats at Warde's. This afternoon tried to get ladies for my party, but did not get one.

April 16 – Wednesday

Went to thimble bee at church- rather late because expected a cook to call- she did not come. Got Mrs. Haslam for my party but she is an extra. C. went to Minn. Late train.

April 17 - Thursday – land wind – 62°

Ice blown out & three or four ships started east. Out on hat & clothes business with girls. John elected to Book Concern in place of Mr. Jennings who takes place of Eaton deceased.

April 18 – Friday – about 40°

Had my "chari" tea today- nine present/ Helen helped me well. Had collection 1.20 Mr. French here at lunch- Irving Moore at dinner & Mr. Field- Warren spends the night. R. pledged to Sigma Phi?

April 19 – Saturday 40° about- Fine

Busy in house all day- though it is fine out. Rena left. I gave fans from Cuba to maids. C. home this morning from Mr. Haynes' funeral. C. cough almost gone (Had the ducks' eggs Mrs. Gray sent)

April 20 – Sunday Clear – 40°

All but R. at church. Ice back on this side. Mrs. Darling (Mrs. Davidson's daughter) died a day or two ago.

April 21 – Monday

Down town A.M. with H. She got very cross over clothes & wished she was dead. Ice back on this side. Rena was married Sat. eve[?] to Jacobson- I found C's shirt studs.

April 22 – Tuesday – 40° - all sorts of weather

E's birthday- C. gave her \$100 for trip east & I promised bookshelves. 6 girls came to tea/ M. d'Autremont brought a cake made by herself & Judith Turl etc- Margaret – flowers- Judith & Mary d'A staid to dinner. & Mary all night. Some of us went to movies-

April 23 – Wednesday – Cloudy 42°

C. slept well last night & so is more cheerful/ E. & I went to have fittings at Miss Burn's also did other errands.

April 24 – Thursday – Cloudy- showery

Miss Hanson here- Had Emma Schrieber get dinner but she can't do it again- has place. Called at Mrs. Hartley's- not in. Sent flowers Mrs. Davidson. **Girls found hepaticas back of Craggen-croft.**

April 25 – Friday – Pleasant- wind 40° +

In all day- head shampooed. Kenney getting gardens in shape- taking off covers. Some leaves out- Fear they will come to grief.

April 26 – Saturday

Got bundles ready for Bertha & for ~~[??] the out west day~~ – (embroidery) 2 doz napkins stamped.

April 27 – Sunday

Chester left at 10 A.M. on new train for Staples & Yakima. Mr. Field here at supper- All at church.

April 28 – Monday – Fair

Walked in Park with Helen- warm away from lake. Called on Mrs. Longley- & also took her to station for 11 o'clock train. H. at church scrubbing club room. James has measles – on Park pt.

April 29 – Tuesday – Fine weather

Fifty nine⁵. (Telegram from C.) Girls had pleasant surprise for me – Mrs. Morehous & Grace, Mrs. Moore & Tyler, were invited to tea & Marjorie made two small birthday cakes for G. & me. All very pretty & Mrs. Wanless called with children- H. planned the dinner too.

April 30 – ~~Wednesday~~ Thursday⁶ - Warm afternoon

Was getting ready to go to May breakfast at Baptist church- with Mrs. Steele when felt sick- pain above belt. Better by one or 2 o'clock but spoiled the day- Ned reported he felt sick too/ headache [? spots?] Sent bundles minster-Mont??? & Bertha Grace sent me a [???] loa[?]

MAY 1913

May 1 – ~~Thursday~~ – Friday

Had Mrs. Moore come out a few minutes to see the black calla – a fine blossom, but unpleasant in house- Julia Morrow called. Clara Currier's father died very lately.

May 2 – Friday – Rainy 34°

Stays cold- Were down town A.M. & three had fittings at Mrs. McKenzie's. This evening Mr. Dudley brought out S. America pictures- Sat up late. Saw Dr. McCoy about E.

May 3 – Saturday – Rain & thunderstorm last night- Fair afternoon

Called at Mrs. Morehous' took cheese[?] & books- She is far from well. Walked to Mrs. Elder's Pleasant party- Mrs. Hu[go?] Mrs. Karper & Mrs. Cullum there (among others). E. had dessert of progressive dinner for 10- then dance – 5 others came for older girls. Beany brought arbutus from [ca Sib???

May 4 – Sunday – Fair 40°

All but Ned at church- he left at 5:55 for east. Maurice & Mary d'Autremont here for supper- also Mr. Field.

⁵ C.B.C.'s 59th birthday

⁶ She appears to be mistaken about the day

May 5 – Monday – fine 60°

Down town A.M. and saw Mr. Riegel in office/ He is with Crane in The Senator Keeps House which 3 of us went to see tonight. M. staying with Frances Swift overnight. Kenny disabled with drink for 3 days. New men don't have any one to manage them.

6 – Tuesday 40

Miss Shellenberger here. H. & I talked with Kenney & told him to dismiss Geo. H. said "We are not going to have any drinking around here." He took it well. I went to Mrs. Smith's this afternoon. Tried dresses – Burns' & McKenzie

May 7 – Wednesday – 40° some rain

Miss S. here- It was today we talked to Kenney. I was at Miss- meeting at church afternoon. Met Miss Brethorst.

May 8 – Thursday – 40° Fair

Down town for supplies for kitchen & pantry. Afternoon at Mrs. E. Bradley's.

May 9 – Friday

Took Miss Brethorst to ride this forenoon for an hour. Had fitting- Miss Shellenberger here. Kings' Daughters met here – 30 present.

May 10 – Saturday – Sunny- but cold from ice

Ice near shore still. Mrs. Watterworth's party this afternoon- very pleasant. Robert spending the day at Solon Springs with a party invited by Margaret Rice. Miss S. here.

May 11 – Sunday – Fair

James back last day or two. "Mothers day." Quiet for us- Robert aching from yesterday's disporting. Beeny[?] came this evening.

May 12 – Monday – Warm

Called on Grace this A.M. Mrs. M. went to St. Luke's on Sunday for some treatment & complete quiet. Dr. Stewart was called. Evening three of us at buffet supper for S.S. teachers, & staid for Dr. Rice's pictures

May 13 – Tuesday – about 50° cloudy

Mr. Coffins funeral today. Miss H. here yesterday & today. Called at Mrs. Agnew's/ Mr. A. failing. H. took lunch at the Hunters- She & I went to funeral. Miss Hanson finishes.

May 14 – Wednesday – cold & wind

H. busy packing & left on 5:50 train for East/ Ned arrived this morning- Mrs. Morehous improves but too soon to tell how much. Miss Nelson here.

May 15 – Thursday – Rain last night & $\frac{3}{4}$ of day

Mrs. Peterson cook, called- I was down town A.M. opened box at bank for Ned- helped M. about coat- Miss Nelson here. Sent telegram to Catherine Murphy-

May 16 – Friday – Rain aft. about 40° - Cloudy – rain last night

Down this afternoon to get R. new suit. Got word from Mary & Margaret Murphy (mistake about Catherine) They want to work in one house cook & maid so shall give them up. Miss Nelson sews very slowly-

May 17 – Saturday – some cloud- some sun

Took R. to Zweifel's for photograph for Hill⁷. Also paid bills etc. Mrs. Anna Petersen sent word she would come Tuesday- A dead man face gone & naked found on lake shore- 35th Av. M. & E. out dinner & evening dif. places.

May 18 – Sunday – 40° Cloudy

Wore my new grey suit to church- Brt Mr. Morehous as far as St. Luke's- Mrs. M. is about the same I think- He doesn't see her/ Ned left for Beverly- Mr. Morehous called & staid to supper.

May 19 – Monday – partly cloudy 45°

Corpse found proves to be Abelson- diseased brain. Miss Nelson here today & tomorrow/ Is careful but very slow.

May 20 – Tuesday – Rain- all day

Cook coming- Anna Peterson. I sent (car) for her while E. & I were at the A.C.A. annual reception/ Commercial Club. Dr. Vincent spoke & there was a little play. Thot E. might go as well as seniors of H.S.

May 21 – Wednesday – Much rain

Amount of money to be announced from chain of teas. (about \$70) I went to social but did not stay long enough to hear announcement. M. has sore throat, but was at Camp-fire meeting this aft. I called on Mrs. Steele.

⁷ Congdon boys attended Hill School in PA.

May 22 – Thursday – Clearing but some rain

R. sat again for photograph. M. has bad sick headache & is in bed. E. reads to her.

May 23 – Friday – Fine- 50° - 60°

Called at Lottie's & She & baby (7 wks old) look very well. Took her cream & cottage cheese & 5[?] for baby- Took cheese to D.H. but left it on porch. M. left early for party at Virginia. Mr. Cutter's funeral.

May 24 – Saturday – colder- wind- cloud

Ice not all gone though mushy & packed on other side from us & on point. Rudolf put in new spring & we did not use car. Was down town with linens [?] & laces/ M. returned- was up all last night. Zeissle[?] called

May 25 – Sunday – Partly cloudy

M. home with headache & cold. Three of us at church- R. yawning after two evenings out late. Mr. Field- Mr. Dudley, the McDonalds (to supper) and Carroll Steele were here this afternoon.

May 26 – Monday – fair - 40°

Busy at home all day- sewing, writing etc. Margaret McKindley with E. this afternoon. Chester came 7:25 train. Cook doing well.

May 27 – Tuesday

Went to Y.M.C.A. May breakfast (lunch) rather pleasant- Errands & visit with E. to Dr. Lynam. He thinks her bone etc. in excellent shape- all right. Worked hard all day- M. gone to Brule.

May 28 – Wednesday – Fine- about 60°

We leave for Chicago & Bisbee 5:50- C. & I. Ned arrives from West. Busy packing etc. Told Ath- thought he went out too much, but laid down no rule.

May 29 – Thursday – **Chicago** – Fine day

Am tired- C. sick in night from duck at dinner. Ptomaine poison. All right today. Late arriving- shopped some & went to gallery- Leave at 9. R. Is.

May 30 – Friday – 98° in car

Lovely country. Kansas- but car is hot & cindery- Otherwise comfortable. So sleepy- legs still ache. Mr. Hovland on board.

May 31 – Saturday – Clear & fine – 68° to 94°

Rose early- wrote Mrs. Dickinson/ Compartment nice. Change at El Paso where arrived 3:30. hot– Went with Mr. Hovland to Hotel Paso del Norte till 10 P.M. rode about.

JUNE 1913

June 1 – Sunday – Clear & fine

Arrived [Osborn](#) 7:30- Walter met us with Mr. G.'s car. Lovely ride to [Warren](#) in morning air- Mr. Greenway's mother & sister & sister in law (who keep house for him) are here.

June 2 – Monday – Warm of course

We went to [Douglas](#) for the firing of the "1st unit" of the smelter which was about 11 A.M. Miss Greenway lit the waste- Band played, a great many there. Then turkey dinner at the Supt. Mr. Wood's. Then back-

June 3 – Tuesday – A little cooler

[Mr. Greenway](#) has many visitors. Fine cool mornings here. Today did not seem oppressive/ We rode to Bisbee & then Naco after 5- It made Mrs. Greenway mire[?] sick. Walter here at half the meals.

June 4 – Wednesday –

My head aches all day- but not too badly- Mrs. G. better. Mr. Herford was here at lunch, lawyer for C. & A, a Mr. Johnson here yesterday, studying birds. I called on Walter, he came to dinner/ Mrs. Patton & son called.

June 5 – Thursday – Partly cloudy

Some of us including Mrs. Patton went to [Bisbee](#) this A.M. shopping- Sun hot & gave me some headache not much. Afternoon we saw beautiful lime cave in Shattuck mine- discovered 2 ms. ago. Mr. Walker guided us.

June 6 - Friday –

Passed into Mule Pass. Huachuca, Whetstone Mustang in forenoon/ Start for [Ajo](#) about 9 A.M. Passed Greene's ranch, Huachuca mountains, post & fort & station- Empire ranch- where we lunched under live oaks. Afternoon in Santa Rita mts.- passed Vail to [Tucson](#) about 4:30- fine roads & scenery- Plenty of cacti. Santa Rita Hotel fair- Dinner at Rossi's.

June 7 – Saturday –

Arrival **Ajo**- about 8. before dark- saw few landmarks – Some Ind. Villages. (3 cars) Left Tucson 8 A.M. Some trouble about breakfast in rooms. I went down to d. r. Desert dryer & less varied than yesterday but full- Stopped at Indian oasis about 12. rested- **Bought baskets at store**- Lunched under an Ind. Shelter later/ Hot. Last 3rd of way hot, rough- road hard to follow at times- Scratched up Mr. Rickett's new auto. Mrs. Patton's hand struck with cholla.

June 8 – Sunday – **Ajo** – Cool morning- hot from 11-5- about 90° at 5-

After late supper [?] slept well- Miss G. & I in tent- Mr. Curley got lot of ice from Gila. A pleasant little patio- not pretty. We rode a little 11 – 12- Men inspected mines early. Read- napped- rode to new well- 7 miles- hot water, about five or 6. Supper- bed. A Mr. Meyers(?) at supper. W's forehead blistered. Mrs. Patton's hand much better.

June 9 – Monday

Left about 9-, 45 miles to Gila Bend- Hot ride & very dusty also ruts bad. Rode through crater. Mountains interesting. Hot Int especially- No town or house anywhere/ train at Gila- for ladies & Mr. Patten. I changed at Maricopa & parted from them, arrived **Phoenix** 4:45.

June 10 – Tuesday – Temp. yesterday in **Phoenix** 68° - 9

Room and piazza cool this A.M.- I am all right alone so far. Saw L.W. Powell at dinner last night. Chester came with Mr. G. and Walter about 5- Had a pleasant ride- the coolest yet- almost cold- Temp today 60-80

June 11 – Wednesday – Fine day-

Mr. Dwight Heard took us for long ride (ran off road) south westerly – 11- 2 or thereabouts. Saw [pumps?] as well as lands- Mounds where prehistoric things were dug out. Rode a little about 6 – also shopped some. **Got Aztec idol for C's birthday.**

June 12 – Thursday – Very warm- No wind

Rode again- northerly- fine but not as attractive as yesterday. Mr. Heard went/ Dopped him at his home. Mr. Page called/ Mr. G. & Walter went to Jerome. C. is 60.

June 13 – Friday – Hot last night- slept on porch

Leave for **Grand Cañon** 7:30. Quite an interesting ride through Prescott etc. Met Walter & Mr. Greenway at place beyond Jerome. Arrived Williams for late dinner-

June 14 – Saturday

Left Williams – 5:30 [?] A.M. after hasty cup coffee- Arrived El Tovar [[hotel](#)] about 8:30 & had breakfast. Everything lovely here & Rooms fine- had #74 & Walter next. I walked about went to Hopi Dance-[pro?] show. Much to see all about. C. & I walked before dinner to Maricopa pt. Could see trail from there, Mr. Douglas & Mr. Johnson (botanist?) here. Cool this evening-

June 15 – Sunday

Walter, Dr. Ricketts & Mr. Greenway rode down to the river today. C. got up for sunrise. I only looked from window. Not much of an effect. We lounged during A.M. Walked to Yavapai Pt. after lunch. Well repaid by view. C. walked off his blues. After dinner C. took all to Hopi Pt. for sunset – fine view & pleasant ride. Mr. Douglas left last night.

June 16 – Monday

Dr. Ricketts & Mr. Greenway went with C. W. & me in auto to Grand View. Mr. Berry ran the car- & the others had some fun over him/ We were a little crowded. Lovely ride however & splendid views- Rain came up – we sheltered under a ledge. Rainbow in Canon- Came to El. T. about 5 finished packing- dined **bought 2 baskets**- took train 7:55. Parted from others at Williams.

June 17 – Tuesday - Not too warm- Mountain

We really left Williams about 5 A.M. The scenery has been interesting. Never saw so many Indian villages. **Bought earthenware at Albuquerque.**

June 18 – Wednesday - Decidedly warm

Kansas not so interesting as Arizona- Feel stupid. Comfortable compartment.

June 19 – Thursday – Cloudy- 94°to 100°

Reached **Chicago** 11 A.M. C. had business. I went to **Evanston**- lunched with May & Ruth- They go to [Summer?] Cottage Sunday night. Hot in Chi- but cooler in Evanston. Did not see Will.

June 20 – Friday – Duluth- 70° Lovely day

Reached home about 9- Marjorie & Ned met us with the new electric- fine. Grace Graff was on train. Place looks lovely & is all right. R. is up at Coleraine visiting T[?] Field.

June 21 – Saturday – Fine

Plenty to do as usual. Afternoon C. & I took launch to bay. Tried to get Dr. & Mrs. Brown- also the Billsons couldn't go. Lovely on water- not enough wind for races. M. & N. at C. McLennon's picnic- R. came home 3:30 Looks so big.

June 22 – Sunday – Cooler

Ned would not go to church- Thinks he must exercise. Mr. Field at dinner. Mr. Dudley supper, but our young folks all out. C. & I walked about in afternoon, **up glen etc. Place looks well, but much to be done. Water in Tischer's creek very low.**

June 23 – Monday – Lovely

Have begun to get R. ready for summer camp. He did not do well in exams for entrance. Alfred telegraphed advised to attend summer school. Made calls on Mmes Brown (not in) Leland, Billson, Ketchum/ After dinner we took Browns & Joneses to ride, Snively Road etc. Mr. Morehous called while we were out.

June 24 – Tuesday – Fine warm weather

Maids wanted to go to some national festival so I let all go out & got dinner with M's help- Ned & R. out. Bought clothes for Robert this A.M. Dr. says Essie getting goiter but thinks medicine will cure it.

June 25 – Wednesday Rain last night. Fair warm

Lunch at Mrs. Buck's. Called on Mrs. McDonald on way home. & walked home. Mrs. M. went to Fergus- Sunday or Monday morn- All felt bad.

June 26 – Thursday – fine weather, looked a little like thunder

R's picnic came off successfully- 5 boys – 5 girls Marjorie & Ray and the Magnets arrived in time. So lovely in grounds today. Sat out in Circle. Mr. Knapp at dinner.

June 27 – Friday – Cloudy- Sharp thunder storms last night

Alfred came this A.M. rather unexpected. Irving staid with Robert last night. Four of us went to see [Maude Adams in Peter Pan](#)- tonight. Came home in heavy fog. Called on Mrs. Florida before dinner.

June 28 – Saturday – Fog – 55°

To Dr. Barnard for teeth. Sent Alfred too. **Mrs. Jones sent sort of wild honeysuckle vine.** Children down to bay to see hydroplane fly - "[Lark o' Lake](#)" afternoon. Maurice d'Autremont home with them

June 29 – Sunday – Fair 50° to 80°

C. & I rode in Victoria to church- very pleasant. Fine sermon on "This poor man" etc. Mr. Briggs' son-in-law Clarke is very sick. Took Mr. Morehous & 2 McD's to Island Lake Inn- hot in woods.

June 30 – Monday 83° Lightening in night fair & windy moist

Robert starts for Hill Camp at Wolfeboro- C. goes with him. I find James left last Friday.

JULY 1913

July 1 – Tuesday 70°

Down town most of forenoon with Marjorie on errands & to buy small Victor- She & Alfred at Mrs. Andrews party. S. Myers here with linens after lunch.

July 2 – Wednesday – 60° fair

A little windy for Marjorie's picnic on launch- but very clear- Usual trouble about Atherton when asked to help. Rained after supper on boat ride home.

July 3 – Thursday

Everyone, including Marjorie seemed to enjoy the picnic yesterday & said supper was so good. M. & I went to look at Kitchi Gamee linen at Freimuth's- also called H. Steele- Grace McD. & later on Mrs. Brown.

July 4 – Friday – Fair A.M. rain & storm (thunder) evening

Let all servants go. Mr. Field came for tennis but it rained. He staid & played duets with M. After supper they went to country Club. Alfred took May Jeffery & 2 others in launch to boat Club. Williams [collage J. Du L.?] farm destroyed by lightening this afternoon. Mr. F. stays night.

July 5 – Saturday 60° Fair

Elisabeth & Emma Wylly arrived at 10 A.M. happy to be here. I was down to meet them & get groceries- Alfred also. Mr. Dudley's recommended man does not turn up. Alfred leaves for Ithaca. I was one of small party to meet Mrs. Krentzer, at Mrs. Winton's/ Ruth K. came to dinner

July 6 – Sunday – fine

Helen came this A.M. - Glad to get home- Beeny telephoned first thing & came this afternoon. Mr. Rice's throat very husky-

July 7 – Monday – Partly Cloudy – 78°

Down town A.M. Girls inviting for Friday. Mrs. Brown gone home.

July 8 – Tuesday

Fine day- we rode in country after dinner taking Margaret Whipple

July 9 – Wednesday – Fine – 70°

I went to Mrs. Edward's tea for her sister Mrs. Norpell[?] Mr. Bradley had quite long talk with me- talks well. Girls at K.D. society- Dentist this A.M. Virginia Frick's wedding this evening

July 10 – Thursday – Fair- 60° Wind N.E.

Girls out at Elcey Cole's lunch- I did errands about 3. Paying bills etc. Marjorie & Helen took Mrs. Leland & Ray to see Frances Starr in (the case of) Becky/ Had fire in grate. Lent car to music teachers assn' (also Bankers)

July 11 – Friday – Rain all day- about 50°

Busy about party preparations- Such a disappointing day for weather. H. & I had hair treatment at Miss Horrigan's. Girls tea at M. d'Autremont's. Party went off well/ too many men.

July 12 – Saturday – Fair- 55° rain evening

Went down to meet C. at 10- train late- came at 12:30- Everybody rather tired this A.M. 3 out at lunch (M d'Autremont's) I had Mrs. Rice come- She told me about the call to Detroit- Woodward Av. Margaret F. at dinner- M. went to picnic at C. FitzG's cottage. Pike Lake

July 13 – Sunday – Fair- cool

Have grate fires these days. Brought Major Espy home from church- He is somewhat deaf half blind & has been paralyzed- but bright & cheerful. Beanny Field this evening.

July 14 – Monday – Fair- windy- about 50°

Poor day for anything outdoors. I went down town with E. & Emma on errands & to Mrs. Gruno's- Card party at Mrs. Collin's- Miss Hofmeister returns to Tucson.

July 15 – Tuesday – 50°- rain half the time

Had a [Harper treatment](#) this A.M. Busy at home- making drop skirt for E. She & Emma at Judith's (?) Julia & M. Morrow at lunch- I called on Mrs. Ketchum.

July 16 - Wednesday Thunder A.M. 42° up- rainy

Busy with letters & checks. C. says going west via St. Paul tonight perhaps- Ned to arrive about noon. E. & E. at lunch at Judith's- Fred's dance tonight. Mrs. Danvers[?] tea

July 17 – Thursday – Cloudy 60° damp

Ned gone to St. P. M- spending day in bed- The two Es late abed. I was down town & to D.H. Found Mrs. Gilbert there. H. at tennis tournament Two E's at D. Bakers aft. C. returns tomorrow morn

July 18 – Friday – Warm – sultry

Had Mrs. Billson & niece (Miss Wass) with the Lelands- Mrs. Little – Mrs. Ketchum & Miss Meek (Mrs. Little's niece) for lunch. Pleasant day. The Peytons called in the evening- Emma & Elis. At Dorothy Baker's party (dinner-dance) They took lunch at Boat Club

July 19 Saturday – Variable- fine & then heavy showers

Young folks all day with launch at Oatka. H. playing last of tennis matches – lost today- won twice before. Mrs. Florada for lunch & dinner-

July 20 – Sunday – Lovely 70°

E. took wedding party in launch to camp near Spirit Lake where Mrs. Copeland gives dinner at 2. I didn't like the plan. M. feeling sick- rest of us at church.

July 21 – Monday – Fine day & evening

C. left this evening for Yakima by St. Paul. Went first to an official meeting at church. Settled that Mr. Rice is to go to Detroit. All sorry. Successful pageant at Woodland/ 1600 there. M. sick all day & dizzy.

July 22 – Tuesday – Fine day

The wedding of Margaret McKindley & Walter Amundson- The whole affair very pretty. E. looked very well. Church full & two houses more than full. We all went

July 23 – Wednesday – Fair

Party for Mrs. McVey on Mrs. Moore's lawn- very pleasant. Girls keep on with gaieties. Bridesmaids photographs taken. Hair shampooed-

July 24 – Thursday – Fair

To dentist A.M. Called on Mrs. Robinson this afternoon. & rode to Sucker river this evening- found it decidedly cold to ride-

July 25 – Friday – Dark clouds aft. Fair & warm enough

Mrs. Dickinson and Ashley arrived in town/ A. stays here. Mrs. D. called with Mrs. Billson & Mrs. Ketchum. I rode down town with them/ The picnic on beach of girls Auxiliary was a success- They took in 17 dollars- Party at the Hunters.

July 26 – Saturday – 70° wind N.E.

Mr. Ted Chapin came just after lunch for weekend. About 17 were on lawn & tennis court this afternoon. Tim fought with the d'Autremont dog & Hubert got a slight bite, separating them-

July 27 – Sunday – Fair Thunder st. last night

Only girls at church. Ned went to office and Mr. Field came up to play tennis with Mr. Chapin & to dinner. Mr. Morehous & the McDonalds called this afternoon- also Carroll & Helen S.

July 28 – Monday – N.E. wind 60°

Went a little way up river with Emma- May Jeffery, Mary d'A. & her friend Miss Gorham- Not a successful tr[?]/ Went aground a little- Mrs. Peytons bridge [?] went late. Mrs. Wells & Mrs. Ellis her friends there.

July 29 – Tuesday – Cloudy- windy 55°

Florence Bracq & Miss Carr came 9[?]:25. All but M. were out at "Fine Feathers" last night & late. Reported play as harrowing. M. d'A. has dance tonight. 11 at dinner Mr. Field's cousin- Mitchell- Mrs. Balwin's tea- met Mrs. Rude & Mrs. Thorpe- Emma tead [??] at Miss Listman's

July 30 – Wednesday Fog & rain

Emma Wylly left on 7:25 G.N. train- 5 of us to see her off. They were all home from dance by 12:30 & gay- Rud. having day off. I feel dull & think the rest do also. Girls at College tea & moving picture show. Dentist-

July 31 – Thursday – Fair- windy 60° to 70°

Ashley gone- Cleared off after 2 thunder storms in night. To grocery[?] This afternoon girls went to Miss Culkin's M. & I with Grace McD. To Day Nursery opening. E. lunched with Muriel & goes to Mrs. Wood's dance this evening.

AUGUST 1913

August 1 – 80°

To tea at Mrs. Wanless with the usual set including Mrs. Winton. (& the Little[?] family (Meeks)) This evening we all went in launch to see Venetian display- Lovely evening.

August 2 – Saturday – 60° - 84° Partly cloudy.

Tea at Mrs. Florada's- Hurried home to meet the deaconesses- 3 & a friend (Swords.) & take them on launch around bay & serve supper aboard- Lovely sunset & reflections- glassy lake/ **A Thos Congdon, artist called.**

August 3 – Sunday – 60° & up. Fine day

Air fresh today. Mr. Chapin spending weekend- till this evening. Ned gone to Deerwood, also Ashley, who goes with auto party to Hall-Hale wedding. Brought Mr. Morehous from church. Mr. Field called after dinner with Clarence Mitchell & a friend Mr. Kingsford- Also Hubert & Maurice d'Autremont.

August 4 – Monday – Fair. 60° - Warmer.

Went down town- sent unguents to R. for his itching feet- Girls playing tennis. H. went to Epworth League yesterday- read something- Rode this afternoon. Ned returns from Deerwood tomorrow.

August 5 – Tuesday – Fine. 70° or more

We rode from 4 to 6 or so (yesterday). I called first on Mrs. Barnum having forgotten her tea Sat. & at Mrs. Fryberger's but did not see her nor her garden. Fine ride on Howard & Gniesen rd. etc. Snively road dangerously rutty. Mr. Dudley & Hubert here this evening & girls dancing in living room- romping.

August 6 – Wednesday – Fair- cloudy A.M. cool

Girls out at Lodge- Kings' Daughters' picnic, pleasant afternoon. I went to the Miss. Birthday party at Mrs. Rice's- They took in \$50- & agreed to raise \$500 for the West China home- Elis began with Mr. Custome[?]. M. playing tennis in tournament.

August 7 – Thursday – 70° - 80°

Helen, Florence & Gladys went to Deerwood to the Hall-Hale wedding- reported it pleasant there. M. & I took Mrs. Moore & Mrs. Tyler to a lunch at Balsam Lodge- Mrs. & Miss Staples of Fargo & Mrs. Richards of Seattle visiting there. Rained going. Girls home 11:25

August 8 – Friday- partly cloudy 75°

E. took dinner at Mrs. McDonald's- Bruce McD. there last evening- They report Mrs. Morehous writing letters well & has been out doors. E. begins lessons with Mrs. St. Clair [?]. M. & I took dinner at Country Club with Dr. Robinson- Mrs. R. Mrs. Wellington & Beatrice. Mrs. McDonald & Bruce dined at our house & had auto ride after.

August 9 – Saturday Showery 75° - sultry

Down town A.M. E. had Satin [Latin?]. Afternoon busy getting picnic supper ready & going to College day picnic- Oatka. Took the Robinson group & picked up a number of others.

August 10 – Sunday – fair, high N.E. wind – cool

Chester came about 3. Mr. French came this evening to talk business- went back 11. Eight or nine young people around fire in living room this evening. Mr. Field, Ashley, his friend Thiebault, Hubert d'A besides the girls, rather noisy- Ned supped at Deerwood a week ago with Salisbury Adams & now he is dead.

August 11 – Monday – Cloudy 52°

Walter expected & Sarah McD. Ned bearer at Salisbury Adams' funeral. Gladys Carr heard of death of her grandfather on last Sat. Furnace fire so Mr. Ireland could try vacuum pump- very comfortable. A rainy day- Hubert & Ashley came to play tennis but could not, all walked instead.

August 12 – Tuesday – Fog- Cloudy 70°

Walter came today. Sarah put off her visit - inflamed eye. Man came with brushes- At Frances Swifts lunch yesterday (M. there) her sister Bob's engagement was announced. Mrs. Duncan's lawn party today.

August 13 – Wednesday – Fog & rain- clearing – 70°

Day began unfavorably- About one the Country Fair was postponed till tomorrow. Then sun came out & the girls went on with preparations- All went off very well. They took in \$1600- E. make about \$25 at her booth for guessing weight & number. Sarah McDavitt came 6:55/ Ned at ducking pond. W. & Mr. Dudley actively throwing.

August 14 – Thursday – Fog

Florence Bracq & Gladys Carr leaving today. Atherton's Clan Stewart picnic. Prizes for guessing

August 15 – Friday – Fair- warmer- lightening evening

(Paradise called) Mrs. St. Clair & Mrs. Ketchum called this afternoon. Mr. & Mrs. Rice, Mr. & Mrs. Watsn[?] Moore at dinner. The Rices came early & we walked about. We're going on lake after dinner but it lightened so much tho' quiet & was dark. E. went Coleraine with M. Stricker & Zender[?] in Mr. McGonagle's car.

August 16 – Saturday – Fine – warm (very)

Mar. & Sarah out at the [?tair winter?] home at noon. Dr. & Mrs. Long called this afternoon. Had the Robinsons to dine with us. (C & me) The rest of the family picnicking. E. returned before 8 with Marion Stricker & took her to train. Cook hasn't "time" for things. Walter picnicked with Hartleys

August 17 – Sunday – Cloudy- 76° still

Mr. Rice taken sick before end of sermon Ptomaine poison someone said. Said he had felt bad 3 days. I feel worried. Alfred came this A.M. Grace McD. & Mr. Morehous rode from church with us. Much encouraged about Mrs. M. Mr. Rice better in evening – going to Vermillion Lake.

August 18 – Monday – Partly cloudy- shower 60°

C. went to Minneapolis tonight. A rather dull day- was down town this A.M.

August 19 – Tuesday – Wind – cloud- 53°

Girls lunch at Mary Paine's cabin. I went to tea at Mrs. Viele's- also called Mrs. Billson's & went into Miss Listman's.

August 20 – Wednesday – Cloudy foggy- cool- 55° & up

Called at Deaconess Home & Mrs. Armand's/ Things are rather disheartening. Sarah McD. left 3:30- Mary d'Autremont at dinner & evening. H. rode with Hubert in fog. Chester returned. Mr. Ireland & fitter here.

August 21 – Thursday – Fair- humid. 75°

Down town A.M. Mr. E. Adams & son at lunch. M. gone to Balsam Lodge till tomorrow. H. & E. at Mrs. Seth Marshall's dinner.

August 22 – Friday – Fair-warm 80°?

Rudolf had aft. off- Alfred took me to make calls- see vacuum cleaners & get Rice children for a boat ride- Shanna Ruskin & Robert- They also staid to dinner. Anna had to help me on the boat- lively lot. C. & I called when we took [???] home

August 23 – Saturday – Variable- but fair. Warm

Mr. French came this A.M. also Mr. Lacroix- a little later. Girls got up picnic to Knife Island & we all went- Shower about six but lovely after. Had supper on the rocks & came home by moonlight- Very pleasant. Took from 4:45 to 10:30- Tried to start at 4.

August 24 – Sunday – Fair- wind 55°

Only women at church- Too bad. Mr. Morehous reports encouraging news from his wife. Mr. Theron Hawkes died Friday. Mr. French left on 11 P.M. train [??] supper with Arthur House

August 25 – Monday – Fair- lovely forenoon & afternoon 75°

Mrs. Dickinson has tea this afternoon. I am inviting some for tomorrow. We came home a little early & C. & I took ride in Hudson Car demonstrated by Alfred. Good- but not like Pierce.

August 26 – Tuesday – Lovely day- some wind- 75°

Feel nervous- C. showed me a letter to Mr. Sp. I had Mrs. Rice & sister- Mrs. Edwards & daughter in law- also the Billson & Dickinson families/ Mrs. I. Moore & Mrs. Wanless this afternoon. Mrs. Rice brought Elaine. Had refreshments on the circle & some went out on Hesperia a little- Rode in New Pierce Arrow after dinner. Mr. LaCroix went to [dance?]

August 27 – Wednesday – Cloudy- 60° Rain forenoon wind N. E. & variable

Clara Currier & Louis [Seaveres?] come this A.M. Quite a housefull. Tennis, golf & cards for amusement. I went to talk with Mrs. Longley- not much new. Did not go to D.H. meeting this evening.

August 28 – Thursday – Fair 60° Wind N.W.?

E. at dinner Country Club with the Wolvins. Ned & Louis Seaverns went to Range on 7 A.M. train. Call from Mrs. Billson & the Stapleses/ The Lelands did not come so we went out about 5 to say good-bye to them- They leave Sunday evening.

August 29 – Friday – Lovely morning wind then cloud

We go to dinner at the Rices- I tea at Mrs. Billson's/ The young men return. The festival for C. Home tonight. Walter left for Yakima. Alfred a Roman in festival Mrs. Dickinson's birthday.

August 30 – Saturday –

Young people went to the Spirit Lake Annex for dinner- had a pleasant time. C. & I staid home. Hard to get the young folks off the tennis court.

August 31 – Sunday – Fine

All at church except Alfred- 10- C. left for East (N.Y.) at 5:45. Alfred took party on launch for supper. The rest played tennis- Meals rather noisy. We hear Col Gaillard has broken [down?]

SEPTEMBER 1913

September 1 – Monday – Cool morning- becoming very warm

Planned for picnic at Sullivan lake- 2 automobiles- Mrs. D. & Ashley & Durand Hall- Arthur House & Dorothy besides us. Hot there but young folks lively/ nearly killed myself cooking, so hot & hurried. Mssrs La Croix & Seavers left bet 5 & 7. Supper late.

September 2 – Tuesday – Sultry- cloudy

At home all day- Ordered stockings etc. of Miss ~~(or Mrs.) Page or (Pegg deck)~~- **Chalmers Agnew bid[?] model for fountain**. Alf. took party on launch out till 1:30- riding after landing. We rode this evening out on county road. Lovely night.

September 3 – Wednesday – Windy N.E. 60°

Went to Miss. Meetings this afternoon. Talked to Alfred about late hours etc. made no impression apparently. Girls & boys at tennis & golf- E. at Elcey Cole's dinner.

September 4 – Thursday – Cloudy- storm in night- 50°

Clara Currier leaving for Chicago. Muriel Prindle's party. E. goes with Wendell Moore/ Dorothy & Constance Crawford come.

September 5 – Friday – Wind- 60°

Seems cold but much warmer down town & walking. Tried to find Mrs. Sager-could not find number. Chester & Robert arrived by Soo train from St. Paul- 7:20- Quite a fuss over R.

September 6 – Saturday – Hazy- 60° to 80°

Down town twice. Got plates for Peggy's wedding present to complete Helen's tea set. H. has tennis party this afternoon & 12 at table without C. & me. Or Alfred, who goes to a picnic. They went to moving picture show later- new _____ theater. C. ate no dinner.

September 7 – Sunday – Lovely 79°

All but Ned & Dorothy C. at church. Alfred came in the old electric which he has repaired. C. wishes he had opposed Mr. Rice's going & feels much depressed about it too. Marjorie goes east this evening via Lake Forest with Clara

September 8 – Monday – Clear- wind N.E. 60°

We went up to Fond du Lac- 11 to 4- Irving Moore & the two Strykers went too. E. had to stay home for lessons. A. staid also. Lovely day, but waves high especially last ten minutes. **Mr. Agnew & Chalmers came with fountain model.** Party, C. Marshall, tonight

September 9 – Tuesday – Clear- 60°

Much such a day as yesterday. I bought things at U. S. sale, & arranged for dress for E. This afternoon Mrs. Britts & Mrs. W. H. Richardson called. Mr. Field returns to Coleraine.

September 10 – Wednesday – 57°- 60° Cloudy- cool- Steady rain

Alfred leaving today. [Hanna?] Billson called to say good-bye- Mrs. Speyers with her. Alfred changed mind- going tomorrow/ Young people went to Orpheum-

September 11 – Thursday – Clear- West wind 69°

Went with E. to see about her dress & hat. Girls rode to Pike Lake- I took Mrs. D. & Mrs. Speyers- Mrs. Winton around bay on Hesperia- lovely aft. Invited 11.

September 12 – Friday – Fine clear day- wind N.W.

Mr. & Mrs. Billson called this evening. Girls lunch up north shore & dine with Mary Paine at cabin- Alfred did not go yesterday. Left today. Grace McD. came this afternoon. Car ran into another at gate (no hur/ to us.) C [E?]. & Rudolph arrested on Greysolon *[there is a bit more in the fold, that I can't read – CSR]*

September 13 – Saturday – Fine warm at noon

Busy with E's lunch- which went off very well- All out but me. Girls at Stryker cabin. I sewed & packed for E. After the tennis lunch (12 girls) they all went to Muriel dansant 4 ½ to 7. Packed this evening. Pretty tired. Cold evening

September 14 – Sunday – Fine weather 50° to 70°

R. sick with feverish cold- Dr. McKinley preached. Ned & two Crawfords went to St. Paul's. Mr. Field called & staid to supper. Had to finish E's trunks today. She left 5:45/ Many boys going to Hotchkiss & some few girls [???] to see her off. Mrs. Winton taking Frances.

September 15 – Monday – Fine. 54-74

C. spoke at meeting for Hicken ordinance- The days & moonlight nights are lovely- Had prairie chickens Mr. Hartley sent, for dinner. Busy clearing out E's room. H. had tea on terrace- Miss McGrath (nurse) Miss Potter & Miss Bradley/

September 16 – Tuesday – 50° up

R. much better but has little appetite; out all day- We went around bay in the Hesperia- found it a little chilly- not bad. Still busy with E's room & things. She telegraphs Still happy [word order?] Rudolph acquitted of speeding.

September 17 – Wednesday – Lovely 60°

A beautiful day- Leaves not dropping but many reddening. We rode via Vermillion rd. & Eagle lake, to Cloquet river & lunched at Island Lake- Saw Hartley farm retuning. Girls tead at the Hartleys' & rode by moonlight after dinner.

September 18 – Thursday – 50° hazy

A lovely morning. The Misses Crawford leave today for Julia Lovejoy's. Feels like rain. Had tea

September 19 – Friday – 50° & up - some rain dark

Down town shopping with H. At 12 started for Mrs. Gray's- C. Robt, Helen & I. Nice dinner there on porch- Rained later & we came home soon after 3- road rather slippery- Mr. G. started to go with us to gate- had pain [??] back[?]

September 20 – Saturday – Cloudy 40° to 55- wind- cold

C. went last evening to Mr. Wood's dinner for Dr. Rice- Said Allen had a stone in his appendix. Took R. to Dr. Tuohy for general advice- Says R. is very healthy appearing, but should have tonsils out. R. took Dorothy Moore to Orpheum this afternoon/ I made 5 calls – went in only at Mrs. Florada's.

September 21 – Sunday – Partly cloudy- 40 & up

A trifle warmer today, but cold wind & strong frost didn't hurt us- Killed Mrs. Florada's nasturtiums- We all went to church. Ned has some sore throat & I put hot water on swellings of neck like boils starting. Margaret F. called. Nice quiet day. Allen Rice was in bad way when operated on.

September 22 – Monday – Cloudy & some rain, cold

Ned better. Robert left on N.W. train 5:45 in good spirits. Seemed rather pleased to go alone. He went to exposition & also played tennis with H. Elis. Telegraphs admitted, condition & a half. We sent 2 banana plants with bunches, [???] to expo[?]

September 23 – Tuesday – Still cold & windy

C. Helen & I went to Exposition- very good. Fine potatoes- Crowds go. Telegram from R. at Chicago all right. Down town P.M. Mrs. Gray says Mr. G. has very high blood pressure & must be kept quiet- so she will not come to lunch- Furnace fire lighted.

September 24 – Wednesday – Rainy

Chester & Ned left for Canadian N.W. at 1:45 via St. P. Letter from Elisabeth- is happy- finds plenty of nice girls. Condition in Latin & the half in Alg. In which she had not gone quite far enough. H. & I went to dinner at church- H. & I out most of day.

September 25 – Thursday – 50° Cloudy- heavy rain in night

Had Mrs. D., K. & Speyers, Mrs. Peyton- Mrs. Buck, Agnew, at lunch- They enjoyed it apparently. Mrs. P. said they ran off road near Pine city, where we did- Busy morning. Caller, Mr. Colburn this evening/ H. & I in electric ran into an auto in turning, *[can't make out rest]*

September 26 – Friday – Clear – 40° (at 8 o'clock)

Miss Hanson here- H. at lunch with Julia & Marjorie Morrow. The servants are scattering soon for vacation. Essie & Anna plan to go tomorrow A.M. also Atherton before 8 A.M.

September 27 – Saturday – Lovely 60° - 70°

Helen out this A.M. arranging club room for girls. This afternoon we took small nosegay to Marjorie Morrow & said good-bye- then called at Mrs. Gillette's – out. No extra work yet as cook & laundress are still here.

September 28 – Sunday – Fine – 60° - 70°

On the run all day- We had housework & two services at church (communion at 3). B. Field- M. Florada & Warren Starkey came to supper- Let Rudolf take car for pleasure ride.

September 29 – Monday – Cloudy- colder

Down to parsonage at 9:30 to meet committee of furnishing. Some covering & freshening to do. Went also to Glass Block & lunched there with 2 Moores. Again to the Rices'- Met H. at 2:15 & bought hat.

September 30 – Tuesday – Cloudy 50° - 68° - rainy morning

At five maid & baby from the Parsonage came to stay overnight- the baby Elaine is wonderfully sweet- Mr. & Mrs. R. came late for the night. In the afternoon Helen & I (& the horses) took Mrs. Morrow on Snively road.

OCTOBER 1913

October 1 – Wednesday – rain at noon 60 – 70° Lovely

The air & woods are lovely now. The Rices had to go down town immediately after breakfast. The two little boys- Ruskin & Robert came for morning & lunch then all tea peaty. H. & I to Mrs. Ketchum's departure lunch for Mrs. Speyers & in evening to [?]akewell for the Rices- I was in rec. line- Many there

October 2 – Thursday – 60° to 69° Fine

Miss Hanson here- Mr. Field sent partridges/ 2 went to see Allen Rice in afternoon. Get pretty tired over housework. Went to see the Rices off on 5:55 train. Many others there, all feeling funereal but smiling. Let them have use of our car for last three days. Allen walking a little. Grace & her [mother?] called. Mrs. M. at May's now.

October 3 – Friday – Lovely – 60° to 70°

Cleaned up some- Miss H. staying nights & got us fine cream toast this A.M. Susan Stryker & Miss H. went with us for 2 hrs. lovely ride on Vermilion rd- Met a car- close- H. & Susan got dinner-

October 4 – Saturday – Thunderstorm last night. Rainy

A dark day- Mrs. Peterson here most of day- I was in all day- H. out a food deal with Susan till after Kings' Daughters'. Letter from Alfred- Is at Boston Tech.

October 5 – Sunday – Rainy 50° up

Came from church in street-car- Mr. Morehous accompanying to his av. Dr. Powell preached- Mr. Dudley here this afternoon. Air is spring like.

October 6 – Monday – Cloud & rain- 50° & up

Miss Hanson here & for night preferring to leave in the morning. H. & I managed to get down town just before noon- Took cream etc. Gave milk to the Camerons. H. & I tired. H. better after nap.

October 7 – Tuesday – Fair- 40° & up

Thunder- lightening- heavy rain & wind last night. Fred said he was up all night with boat- Told him to put it into boathouse. Place lovely this A.M. H. at the Day Nursery. Mr. Field at dinner goes to California-

October 8 – Wednesday – Lovely- about 60°

Mr. & Mrs. Viele came out this afternoon. Lovely outdoors- Had tea in sun room-

October 9 – Thursday – Partly cloudy- rain tonight

Rode to Balsam Lodge. Found Mr. Gray better, but keeping very quiet- pain when he lies down. Made butter this afternoon but b. milk more like real milk. M. Telephoned from Winona to Helen. Went to prayer meeting.

October 10 – Friday – Hard rain. Th. & lightning 50°

Went to committee meeting at Mrs. Schilling's Took Mrs. Moore. Mrs. Ganser there. Helen packing & getting ticket etc. New man Will Shannon- at work. **Thermostat man here.**

October 11 – Saturday – Partly cloudy- 34° up

Lovely moonlight tonight. Essie & Anna back at 6- H. & I had shampoos & tea'd at Mrs. Florida's. M Frick to marry John Savage. Lent bedding to Mrs. Hoffman. Picked nasturtiums to keep for Tues.

October 12 – Sunday – bright morning 35°

Large Congregation at church. Good sermon. Nothing startling or very noteworthy- Helen leaves at 5:45. **We transplanted harebells into rock garden.** Rudolf having day off.

October 13 – Monday – 50° Fair- wind

Fine day but cold riding- Rudolf's wife sick & he is home. John took me down town this A.M. & will go for Marjorie at 7:25. Trying to accomplish work about house etc. John says the cow "Beauty" is all right. Is still at J.D.[*Jean Duluth*] farm. One coming in in Dec.

October 14 – Tuesday – Fair- 60° fine Oct. weather almost 70°

Marjorie came last night- Soo road 7:20- train a little late. Out at Mary Paine's cabin today. Rudolf has little girl. M. & I got little pins to give it/ Note from Helen- Chicago. Tried to call at Mrs. Dickinson's

October 15 – Wednesday – Fair 34° up

The storm which threatened last night blew away- **The dam at creek mouth being taken out.**
Went to Mr. Hoffman's reception last night/ Very pleasant. M. & I down town A.M. Rode with
Morrows P.M. to Fitger Elmshurst

October 16 – Thursday – 40° - 53°

Mrs. Gray came to lunch- but had headache. We had some of fish Mr. Sebenius sent yesterday.
Mr. Gray had excellent night (at hotel) Carroll Steele called this evening.

October 17 – Friday – Fair- rather cold

Called on Mrs. Phelps (out) Tuohy (out) Elston/ Dickinson & did errands down town. M. at K.D.
& to see Irma.

October 18 – Saturday – about 40° - 50° Fair.

Marjorie spent day with auto party to Grand Lake Ely Gridleys cottage. I called Mrs. Sebenius,
Mrs. Briggs' at (Edith's) & took Edith flowers but she was out. Then got mail etc.

October 19 – Sunday – Cloudy 35° - 40°

To church with Marjorie & walked from 24th home. A quiet afternoon- Wrote four letters. Jo
Van Baalen shot in S.F.

October 20 – Monday – Fair- cold wind 30°

Coldest night yet- **Mallows & hollyhocks drop & trees look more bare. Kenny took bay trees
from terrace. We gathered willow boughs & asparagus to decorate** for Senta Erd's[?] recital. &
M. has gone to help at Cong. Church. M. & I to recital this evening. Miss Erd had enthusiastic
greeting & flowers.

October 21 – Tuesday – Clear nearly- 30° (18° at 7 A.M.)

Busy nearly all day at Old People's party at church. 69 there- Seems to enjoy it so much & like
to go early. Took (M. in electric) Mrs. Church & Mrs. Mars. **Sun room not heating- West end of
house warm-**

October 22 – Wednesday – Cloudy about 30° all day

Down A.M. Stopped at Mrs. Dick- to have Julia pin on my belt. Had Miss. thimble bees this
afternoon. 75 here. Miss Spurbeck played- Mrs. Milton Fish spoke. Chester & Ned came N. P.
7:25 M. & I met them

October 23 – Thursday – Cloudy – 40° rain & hail

Not so cold. Marjorie went to Burnithfeld 7:30. I work in store rooms. Mr. Jule Hannaford here at dinner-

October 24 – Friday – 40° partly cloudy

Down town A.M. & sewed this afternoon/ Nothing much going on. Chester had 2nd furnace fire started- house hot enough, but not even.

October 25 – Saturday – Rainy- 35° or 40°

The sudden death of L. [W?]. Powell- in N. Y. noted in morning paper.

October 26 – Sunday – Almost Clear Fine day. 35°

C. & I walked to 18th Av. This A.M. & got some peaches to put up. Sewing etc. this Afternoon- Dr. Forbes' funeral at 2 P.M. Mr. Moore brought Mr. Hoffman & other men to call this evening.

October 27 – Monday

Read entry for Sunday- What we did Sun- was go to church. & then I poulticed Ned's neck for old boils- not much result. Weather fine.

October 28 – Tuesday – 33°

Miss Shellenberger here. I called at the Dickinsons this afternoon. Mrs. K. not very well lately- nor Mrs. D. either. Only beginning to put on storm windows.

October 29 – Wednesday – 30° & up

First snow last night. C. & I go to Mpls on 1:50 train. I go to Mme Boyd. Mrs. Geo. Spencer on train.

October 30 – Thursday – Fair

More snow here than at home & colder, I think. Stopped at Radisson. Mme Boyd attended to me rapidly before 9 A.M. Also had fitting at 3 P.M. Called on Mrs. Shurick half an hour- Taxicab \$4.70! Took dinner with Mr. French at his flat- Miss Taintor there.

October 31 – Friday

Visited French store. We reached Duluth (train late) about 8:25. Marjorie out at M. Paine's cabin- Saw big bonfire at 14th Ave E. playground & thought it was Curl. Club. M. Boyd fitted me at 12 – 1[?] Mrs. Hartley there.

NOVEMBER 1913

November 1 – Saturday – Fair- 40°?

Marjorie returned from M. Paine's cabin about 9:30. Looked fine & had a good time just "fooling- Miss Shellenberger here. I feel tired- trip I suppose. Down town twice gave crysan- to Mrs. Moore/ Mrs. Walbank & the D.M.

November 2 – Sunday – Almost clear-

Good sermon- Ned did not go. I heard well. Made arrangements for Miss. Meetings. Met a new member from Iowa[?] Miss Noon.

November 3 – Monday

November 4 – Tuesday – 45°

We go this evening to Minneapolis- **The Am- heater Co.s man was here this afternoon & says our furnace is all right but we manage it wrong.** Miss Shellenberger here.

November 5 – Wednesday – 55-

We took morning N.P. train from St. Paul- after sleeping at the St. P. hotel. Arrived here about 2:40- m. & Ned go to reception- Frick-Savage wedding.

November 6 – Thursday – Cloudy- 55°

Met Mr. Gevist maaper[?] – brother of Mrs. Lindsay/ Rode to Jean Duluth Farm- with Chester this A.M. (about cow Beauty) not cold- Afternoon called at Mrs. Gray's- They leave in a week for Texas. Met her new sister in law- Mrs. McKay. Mrs. & Miss Husted were here a while- Mrs. Ryan & Margaret called!

November 7 – Friday – Soft rain- warm

After a day of packing & other preparations, we left (C. & I) on N. W. 5:45. It turned cold & windy with promise of snow before we left. M. & Ned at home- Miss Sh. Last day

November 8 – Saturday – **Chicago** & Penn. Train to **Cin.**

Had time in Chicago to go to Electrophone office. Walked back to station. Comfortable journey- train 1 ½ hrs late. Arrived Cincinnati about 6 7:30. John met us- all well

November 9 – Sunday – **Cincinnati**. 32° - (28° - 33°) snow

Went to 11 o'clock church- Glad to stay in & keep warm rest of day- Pleasant house here-
Germangirl- Gas for fuel furnace & all. Dr. Downey preached. Met pastor Dr. Langdale

November 10 – Monday – Clearing but windy-

Going to Book Rooms- (Later) Took lunch at Business Men's Club. & then **went to Rookwood
pottery**- All very interesting. The Book Concern a very busy place. Leave about 7.

November 11 – Tuesday

The severe storm (not in Cincinnati) gave us a wait of over two hours at suburban station with
Alice B. & John. Ten when we left. Felt sick/ this A.M. but better later. Snow heavier &
beautiful on west side of mountains; little snow & fall appearance east side. Arrived **Washington**
6 P.M.

November 12 – Wednesday – Clear

Helen at the Pattons'. She left note for us on arrival. She called & we went with Rebecca to long-
Library & lunched together. Afternoon I rested & C. & I dined very pleasantly with the
Pattons[?]

November 13 – Thursday – Pleasant day- mild

Rode to Rock Crk. Park with Mrs. P. & we also visited D.A.R. & Pan Am. [B???dys?] Aft. H. &
I called on Anna Mc[?]olm[?] Saw Winifred & Mr. M.[Food Show??] tea.

November 14 – Friday – Cloudy

C. & I left on 9.A.M. train for Pottstown/ Thought we were getting 8 o'clock train forgot watch 1
hr. slow. Saw R. an hour or so 5:15 I came to Kingston- C. went Pittsburg after supper.

November 15 – Saturday – Cloudy- mild

Bertha had some old acquaintances in for tea this afternoon, Mrs. Dean, Ives (& daughter
Marion) Pringle (& Elizabeth) Carhart, Wood, Lizzie Buckman, Sprague, Taylor, Fanny
Loveland Broadhead/ M. Buckley Reiley. and a Mrs. Noble-Korea-who happened in. Very
pleasant. Henry big boy. All seem well

November 16 – Sunday – Rain

I staid from church- wrote letters. C. came about one. Bertha & I walked up street about 5- rain had stopped. I called Jennie Laycock's & the L. boys took me to Jessie McFarlane's for a minute's call. She is so much better. The Laycocks called after church-

November 17 – Monday – Fair

Left Kingston on 7:10 train/ D.L. & W. after early breakfast. Reached **New York** Hotel Vanderbilt, about 12:30- Found Ned here. About to start home. Has been usher Berger wedding/ Pittsburg- I went out to look at shops-

November 18 – Fair- mild

Need no furs – though everybody wears them/ Shopped all day- bought little. Ned staid till this afternoon- comfortable hotel- good service. Rooms 1715-16.

November 19 – Wednesday – Cloudy

C. had no business so went with me to see to acousticon & then we went into the **McHugh Willow works; bought Scheveningen beach chair**. Lunched at the Savoy- Went to (Met) Museum Walked a great deal- Feet ache- Ellen Meriman & John Race this evening.

November 20 – Thursday – 74°

Went to Vassar & spent 11-3:50 with E- a lovely day & satisfactory. Like summer. Called on Mrs. Bragg. Saw death of aunt Libbie Edwards Bannister in paper

November 21 – Friday – Still warm but cooler

C. & I out together a while. Dorothy Crawford lunched with me. Mary Torrey away from Brooklyn. Called on Mrs. M[??]win (& Prissie-not in) Horse Show this evening

November 22 – Saturday – Warm

Left New York 9:15- arrived Springfield for lunch- (at club) with the Shuarts. Fine auto ride to Park & into Co[un?]. by river road, etc.

November 23 – Sunday – Cloudy- wind

To church with Mrs. & Miss S. read etc. wrote letters.

November 24 – Monday – Cloudy- cooler

Chester & Mr. Shuart went to N.Y. to Psi U. banquet- I shopped a little- visited museum- Mrs. Irving Shuart called.

November 25 – Tuesday – Almost clear

Shopped at Hall's this A.M. & saw the fine new municipal building. Took train at 1:05- Mr. Shuart was at station. C. got on at Syracuse. (A little) Snow around Pittsfield

November 26 – Wednesday – Cloudy

Moving along quietly on time- Arrive at Chicago 11:50 A.M. We lunched at U. Club Then I shopped & C. met men- Dark misty rain. May telephoned to C's inquiries that Mrs. H. Dyche was very low/ Mr. D. better. Playing golf.

November 27 – Thursday – 40° – 50° – rainy

We arrived promptly- met by all three of family & the limousine. A pleasant quiet day with no company for once-

November 28 – Friday – Cloudy- little rain

Unpacking etc- M. reports that Nov. weather has been very mild- even warm while we were away- C. goes to St. Paul.

November 29 – Saturday –

Busy for Christmas principally. Mary sent leaves for Calendar for John- so I'm getting family to write them.

November 30 – Sunday – Fine weather 40° up

C. home- all went to church.

DECEMBER 1913

December 1 – Monday –

C. declared his bronchitis has "come back." I don't see any signs but he fills up- is going to Calumet tomorrow. We called on the Hoffmans tonight- staid 1 hr 20".

December 2 – Tuesday – Fair- cloudy- warm

A very busy day- Could not get down to lunch or dinner at church- but was there a little while in afternoon. Called at D.H. to see Mrs. Langley. There is a "campaign" this wk. for D.H. money.

December 3 – Wednesday – Fair- about 40°

Went to Missionary meetings this afternoon- & shopped some. This A.M.- also shopped & did errands- wrote letters etc.

December 4 – Thursday – Clear- fine- warm

C. not sleeping well- makes him feel badly- C. returned from Calumet- A.M.

December 5 – Friday – ~~Clear~~ & lovely about 50°

Had five ladies at lunch Mdmes A. W. Bradley, Edwards, Watson Moore, Hoffman, Langley. Seemed very pleasant-

December 6 – Saturday – Clear P.M. 32°? Some wind Misty A.M.

Was down town A.M. Rudolph having day off. To Christmas sale at Mrs. Cotton's & then tea at Mrs. Jesse Bradley's for her mother-in-law. Girls at sale took in about \$225. H. & Ned at surprise this evening to Muriel Prindle.

December 7 – Sunday – Fair- windy 10° – 15°

Decidedly cold. A little snow down town. Chester has bad cold but slept better last night. Walked about this afternoon. Mr. Dudley & Mr. Marshall both called- M. & Ned supped at the Hartleys'

December 8 – Monday – Fair- wind- 15° – 32°

Before we finished breakfast, Mrs. Howland sent in a card- She wanted money for a little church she attends. Also sold me a pair of garters. Gave her breakfast & lunch- Left on 1:55.

December 9 – Tuesday – Fine

Tea at Mrs. Edwards' Mr. Bradley had another "private" talk with me about building on church lots. Cavour Hartley & Carolyn Munger are engaged. C. sleeping better. **Great time settling the stone by driveway- that C. had brought from Graysolon rd.**

December 10 – Wednesday – About clear- 30°

Fine days, sunrises, & sunsets. In all day- Expected H.M. Bradley to lunch- but he could not come- Susan Stryker & Miss Clausen here at tea. Am packing Xmas boxes- **Plumber mending leaks**

December 11 – Thursday – almost clear 28° up

Mr. Kenyon at breakfast & lunch- plans for the Yakima house are perfectly lovely tho' it looks large.

December 12 – Friday

December 13 – Saturday – Fine

The Heermans visit began this A.M. after breakfast. Ruth is to live in Oklahoma. C. took them to ride. Mrs. H. has bad cold. H's cold better. ~~Margaret Florada at tea~~

December 14 – Sunday – Fine – a little colder

Mr. Hoffman gave us an excellent sermon. C. & Mr. Heermans said they would go this evening but did not. We visited the Kitchi Gami Club house this afternoon & Rudolph's house

December 15 – Monday – Lovely

The Heermanses left at ten to go home by way of Minneapolis. C. left for Chicago 5:15- We shopped some this A.M. Crocheted etc. Rudolph moving into his house. Margaret Florada this afternoon

December 16 – Tuesday – About 32°

Threatened snow- but cleared- Busy with packages etc. began to arrange for party next Monday.

December 17 – Wednesday – About 32°

Great mass meeting about Hicken- Our three tried to go, but could not get in. Busy with errands & Chr. Cards & packages-

December 18 – Thursday – Nearly clear- 28° & up

Walter came at 5:10 & Beeny Field with him/ C. came 7:25. Nice to have house full. Alfred not coming. Did ordering for party. Walked about 3 m. altogether.

December 19 – Friday – Clear- 30° up

These days are charming, but Robert arrived this A.M. disgusted with such warm weather. He looks well- taller- First & only one in 1st trial to pass Latin. But French & Eng. Comp. kept him for repeated trials.

December 20 – Saturday –

Busy getting all done necessary for party on Monday. Before E. comes.

December 21 – Sunday – Fine. 10°- 20°

Went with M. H. & R. to meet Elis. At 10- but train was late so H. staid & the rest walked up to church- Then E. came with H. She is so glad to be at home- Callers this afternoon & evening- seeing Dr. Robinson, Marie d'Autremont, Judith- Hubert- Mr. Dudley.

December 22 – Monday –Fine about 30°

Another snowless day- Got E. out for afternoon with Marie & May- & so finished all preparations/ (Dinner) Party went off pretty well, but smoking at dinner provoked me- Ned gave out the cigarettes. Don't like it. 37 here- Some(others) came after dinner.

December 23 – Tuesday – Light cloud clearing 12° up

Much to do yet- one way or another. Am rather tired of meals. Do not get out. Found Hubert very much at home in library while Helen worked- when I went down once

December 24 – Wednesday – Some wind About 15° afternoon

Went out this afternoon distrib. gifts & called on Mrs. Florada (out) Mrs. C. & Ketchum (weak) Sager- very sick again for a month- Spite of efforts I am busy & tired today. Girls & Robt to church entertainment SS. Sent plants.

December 25 – Thursday – Fair- snow in afternoon 14°

In all day- no sleigh ride this year, but C. went out with M. & H. in carriage. No great enthusiasm but a pleasant day. Beeny Field & the Hoffmans at dinner- & 3 d'Autremonts & Mr. F. at supper/ Let all servants go out.

December 26 – Friday – Fair 16°

Not much snow fell, but looks pretty. Assembly tonight. All the younger part of family (except Robert) go.

December 27 – Saturday –

Writing letters. Sat up till 2:30 last night at it & then children were not home. But soon came.

December 28 – Sunday – 20° & up Fair

C. Tried to get all to church but W. was not up. Callers in afternoon- including McDonalds. C. & I went to supper at the Vieles' - E. at Margaret Amundson's. & R. at the Moores- Ned [??????] Hartleys.

December 29 – Monday – about 20°

Have to think of E's clothes- shopped a little with her

December 30 – Tuesday

Down town about rug for back hall at Freimuth's. Helping E. some- but she was out all the afternoon. They slept late & then go out. R. too. Mr. W. Brown at dinner

December 31 – Wednesday – about 20

Helen had the Strykers & Miss Clausen & Katherine Hunter at lunch- (Tough steak- overcooked) (otherwise good). Warren here at dinner/ Marjorie sick headache all day. E, W. & N. seeing year in at K.G. club I sat up till 2/ (Miss Hanson here. Tea at D.H.)

Memorandum

[The following are entries at the end of the diary that appear to belong to 1913, either by being placed at that position on the page or by the date 1913 preceding the entry.]

Robert writes mem. “ I, Robert Congdon on the 30th day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand, nine hundred & thirteen/ of the Independence of the United States, the one hundred & thirty-second weight 130 lbs without vest and am 5 ft. 5 ¼ inches tall/ Marjorie signs as witness but “don’t know whether it is true or not.

June 30. Robert weight 130 lbs without vest, but dressed- height 5 ft 5 ½ inches-

1913 – Winter Nellis[?] pears- last of box Feb 14 very good about ½ box a few partly spoiled & the rest bad. Box of Wagner apples after that, very good indeed- a fine apple. Feb 18. Rome Beauties- good.

Alice’s bed size 79 X 56 * G.room 77 X 56.

Children shd learn. System- Penmanship & spelling- light gymnastics- neatness- accounts- Music- Drawing- Singing- purchasing. Some astronomy- chemistry.

Get life preservers to put around the place (Got them July 1915)

Oct. 17. A. Mrs L. Hampstead Knife River, applied for work- housekeeper- cook- any kind. Daughter in Normal

Animal in Ajo- Chug walla- Trees- Palo Verde- mesquite, willow, ironwood- creosote (bush) Cactus: Luwarron- Cholla, bisnaga, plant with white flowers (cinchona or juniper?)

Shall a Man Live Again/ Grenfell *[last line of a list of books, might belong to 1912]*

June 1913- in Ariz- rode via Greene’s ranch- Huachaca Mts, post foot & station- Empire ranch (lunch) By Mule Pass Mts- Huachaca, Whetstone & Mustang- Sta. Rita Mts- Then Vail & Tucson

Flowers from Cal. That Mrs. Billson sent- “Brodacia”

Jamaica fruits- Niseberries (not right spelling) mamee,

Clan St. No. 50. O.S.E? Made 9 hexagons from one half bunch Letzner. “Camp fires on Desert- & Lava” – Wm T. Hornaday/(Scribners) Pd. 1.75 & 1.50 for books- 6.50 Apache basket old (12 yds) 2.50 new Pima. Idol 10.00 bowl & saucer- 3.50

Man doing floors May 23 to June 4. 11 days/ Chauncey- Arber called Ned up.

Emma Wylly 15-30. 81 Hillyer st. East Orange

Anna Shurick- 3405 15th Av. So. Mpls.

Lent Mrs. Hoffman. 2 table cloths Dandelion- & new del. Pattern- 1 husher/ 3 blankets (red border, brown plaid, thin grey) Alfred's putt – new comforter, 2 white spreads

The following from the Duluth Herald July 23, 1913

One of the prettiest social affairs of the season was the wedding of Miss Margaret McKindley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McKindley, to Walter Gilmore Amundson which took place last evening at the new St. Paul's Episcopal church at 8:30 o'clock, Dr. A. W. Ryan, rector of that church, officiating. This was the first wedding to be performed in the new edifice and the friends of the bridal couple completely filled the church.

Miss Isabel Pearson played a program of organ music during the seating of the guests—Wagner's introduction to the third act of "Lohengrin" and the Mendelssohn wedding march from "Midsummer Night's Dream" being played for the entrance and exit of the bridal party. During the ceremony she played Nevin's "The Rosary." The other organ numbers were:

•VorspieT to Lohengrin".....Wagner
"Spring Song"Hollins
"At Twilight"Frysinger
"Bridal Song From Wedding Symphony"Goldmark
"To a Wild Rose".....MacDowell
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The bridal procession was led by the six ushers, Fred Wolvln, Miron Bunnell, Edwin Sykes of Canton, N. Y., Carlisle Helmbach, Earl Maul and Otto Davies of Minneapolis, followed by the six bridesmaids, who wore gowns of white satin with shadow lace and tulle over drapes fashioned alike. Tiny rosebuds adorned the accordion pleated lace flounces put on midway to the hem and the skirts were caught up in front with rhinestone ornaments to show accordion-pleated tulle. Ribbons caught

in a bow just above the waist in front were draped to the tip of the train ending in a square bow, and the bows on their shower bouquets of white sweet peas matched. Miss Dorothy Dowse and Miss Dorothy Baker were the first of the bridesmaids, their ribbons being blue. Miss Leslie Brown of Lexington, Mass.. and Miss Helen Gallup of Sandusky, Ohio, were next, green being the color of their ribbons, and Miss May Jeffery and Miss Elizabeth Congdon, with pink ribbons on their gowns, were last.

Miss Ruth A. Gibbons of Ardmore, Pa., maid of honor, followed, and her gown was of pink satin with draped overdress of chiffon and she carried an arm bouquet of white daisies.

The bride entered on the arm of her father and she wore an exquisitely becoming gown of white satin with court train, the drapings caught with orange blossoms and her veil, which fell to the hem, was caught in cap effect with the blossoms. Her bouquet was a shower arrangement of brides' roses and lilies of the valley.

Mr. Amundson, attended by his brother, Dr. F. A. Amundson, awaited the party at the foot of the chancel, where the betrothal service was performed, the party then proceeding to the altar for the wedding service.

Ferns, palms and white flowers were used in decorating the chancel and altar and bouquets, of white flowers tied with long bows marked pews reserved for the family.

Intimate friends of the bridal couple were invited to a reception at the McKindley home, after the ceremony, where they were received by the bride and groom, Mr. and Mrs. McKindley and the bridegroom's mother and sister, Mrs. C. Amundson and Mibs Lyda

Amundson of St. Peter, Minn. American beauty roses, Easter lilies and daisies were used in decorating the home, and assisting were Mrs. A. B. Wolvln, Mrs. James E. Granger, Mrs. B. S. Myers of St. Paul, Mrs. C. E. Lum, Mrs. A. C. Hubbell, Mrs. Margaret Copeland, Mrs. T. F. Cole, Mrs. John Millen, Mrs. Frederick W. Paine, Mrs. Homer Collins, Mrs. Charles A. Duncan, Mrs. John H. Dight, Mrs. Frederick B. Spelman and Mrs. Katherine Van Loo. After a wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Amundson will be at home in Duluth, no date having been set.

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The King's Daughters have planned a reception for Thursday afternoon and evening of next week at their **day nursery** at the new Patrick factory, Twenty-ninth avenue west and Superior street, and the public is cordially invited to call any time between 3 and 9 o'clock to see the rooms and learn of the work there.

The members of the King's Daughters society have established this nursery where mothers who work can leave their babies and little children in good care during the working hours and the girls of the society will take turns in presiding over the rooms. Refreshments will be served during the reception hours and all interested will be welcome. The members of the society will be there to explain the work and welcome the visitors.

Miss Dorothy Olcott is chairman of the day nursery committee of the society and the new officers of the King's Daughters, elected last week, are: President. Miss Katherine Hubbell: first vice president, Miss Esther

Adams; second vice president, Miss Julia Morrow; secretary, Miss Judith Hartley; treasurer. Miss Lucille Bradley; custodian. Miss Helen Wall. Miss Mary Paine is chairman of the relief committee and Miss Barbara Rupley. chairman of the. Junior league. The county fair, which is planned for this summer, has been set for Aug. 13.

HALL-HALE.

Wedding at Deerwood Aug. 7.

Invitations have been received here from Mr. and Mrs. William Chester White, formerly of Duluth, now of Milwaukee, for the marriage of their niece. Miss Caroline Durand Hall to James Tracy Halé, Jr., on Thursday, Aug. 7, at Deerwood. Tjlb ceremony will be performed at W o'clock at Wyuka lodge,

Miss Hall is a graduate of Vassar college and Tracy Hale studied at Williams college, graduating in 1911. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hale of Deerwood and he and his bride will make their home in Minneapolis after Oct. 1.