JANUARY 1909

January 1 – Friday – 6° & up

A rather quiet day. C. busy with books - Hubert out here this A.M. Hartley party at Spalding this evening. 7 of us going.

January 2 – Saturday – Milder


January 3 – Sunday – Hazy – 26°

Four at church- Mr. Rice¹ preached but feels weak. W. & Ned went to St. Paul- Yale Banquet yesterday morning. Julia Morrow coming to dinner. C. leaves 11 for [St. ?]

January 4 – Monday Cold [??]

Helen leaving also Alfred. University school begins. (Young folks at party) M. & Ned at a dancing party- tonight. Sent golden lamp to Antoinette d’Autremont

January 5 – Tuesday – Fair – 7°

Went down town early when children went to school- Got a dress for E. & am altering it. Made list for party this [??]

January 6 – Wednesday – Wind- [-?] 28 – 32°

So cold I kept children home- Ned seems to feel his cares. Warmer later in the day- M. & E. & I went to Antoinette d’Autremont’s wedding- houseful- pretty wedding

January 7 – Thursday - -16

Kept children home again- Chester came this A.M. so pleased that green house was not hurt by yesterday’s test- Kenny was up all Tues. night watching things-

January 8 – Friday

Downtown for some shopping. Steinways agent Mr. Marshall here about piano. Miss Stratham came about acousticon. Boys had three guest upstairs.

January 9 – Saturday

Out this afternoon in brougham to buy- & made calls on Mrs. Wadhous[?] Dickinson- Blanchard & Culver- Young folks to concert & W. to Arthur House’s-

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¹ Mr. Rice was the pastor of the Methodist Church the Congdons attended.
January 10 – Sunday  -4°

Marjorie was out last night at Rebecca’s- E. & I picked her up on the way to church- Cold riding in sleigh.

January 11 – Monday – Fair clear -16

In all day- Miss Hanson here- stays over night. C. left for St. P. at 2- Young folks to Mrs. Day’s party. Kept children home. E’s neck a little frozen.

January 12 – Tuesday – Fair. Very cold

Alarm of fire in stable about 9 o’clock- In manure pit- soon subdued by Aron with hose. Miss Hanson staying nights- Downtown a little while. No celebration of M’s birthday.

January 13 – Wednesday – a little snow 20°

Downtown this A.M. to Miss Lambert. Put in most of morning (8? hrs. yesterday) over invitations & electrician- Afternoon made eleven calls in about 2 ½ hours- M. had Bridge club. Walter left tonight for Tyrone[?]

January 14 – Thursday – Changeable

Bright at times. Electrician putting lamp in centre of smoking room etc. Walter said last night he wasn’t so “stuck” on traveling over the country as he used to be. C. came home tonight seems tired. I made calls this afternoon.

January 15 – Friday –  6[?] Fair

John Race came this morning from Chicago. Brought plans of proposed house. Very good. He staid with me most of day- so I went nowhere.

January 16 – Saturday

John went down town with Chester. M. & I took lunch at Mrs. Dickinson’s with the Lelands & Mrs. Gray- I was downtown fir[st?] Called at Mrs. Morehous.

January 17 - Saturday - Lovely forenoon to look at – cold wind

John went to church with us. Cold ride in sleigh. Father & Ned went to office. C. feels better when he sleeps well. John left on 5:15. C. on 11 P.M.

January 18 - Mon. --18 degrees

I met with D.H² directors this afternoon. Some of us signed the art. of incorporation. Mr.

² Deaconess Home – Established 1908, CBC served on board
& Mrs. Little came this evening.

January 19 - Tues -- Lovely day but cold wind

Sleighing not very good. Downtown all forenoon - Still think of people to invite.

January 20 - Wed.

Muriel here at lunch. I walked with girls to see “Pine Cliff” the site of their proposed building. Snow abading pretty wet.

January 21 - Thurs. -- 23-36 degrees Cloudy

Still sending notes etc. Decorators doing dining room. Mrs. Rice called. also Mrs. Bradley & Mr. Octergren [?] about piano -

January 22 - Fri. -- Cloudy - rainy

M. did not get up till noon - headache - but felt better & we all three went downtown in Electric [with to?] do some errands. Tea at Mrs. Lelands.

January 23 - Sat. -- Cloudy about 34 degrees

Chester & Miss Laintor came this morning before breakfast. We have all worked over moving furniture & decorations - Dining room well [?].

January 24 - Sunday -- Still thawing but trying to snow.

C. and Miss Laintor went to church with E. and me. Resting mostly.

January 25 - Monday -- Lovely day - [ ? free.]

A very busy day for all hands. Many plants & flowers to arrange yet. 2 reporters interviewed by Miss Laintor. Had Miss Knauff do M’s & my hair.

January 26 - Tues. --Clear - Fine

The party was a great success everyone said & they staid long enough to prove it. Everybody took it for granted they were to stay about and did it frankly - Lights in 2 rooms went out. just before 8 - got electrician / [From chronology: “Coming out” Party for Marjorie, and house warming. Chester going often to St. Paul. Tonnage tax rising up. High winds & extremely cold.]
January 27 - Wed. -- Lovely -

Went down to St. P. on 1.55 train

January 28 - Thurs. -- Wet

C. and I spent most of day in Minneapolis arranging for M’s fur coat & looking at Quill-Jones rugs - C. came to [“Angus”?] this A.M. at breakfast time.

January 29 - Fri. -- 6 to -18 degrees Wind 72 m. an hour for a while

We (C. & I.) came home from St. Paul this evening. Not so much snow here but worse wind. Regular blizzard in St. P. Pleasant to get home.

January 30 - Sat -- Very cold - clear.

James gone to Buffalo. Lake looks like summer. Kenny says he has been up 2 nights to keep green house warm. Mrs. Buck & Mrs. Davies with the Leland-Gray & Leland family came to lunch.

January 31 - Sun -- Lovely -9 degrees

Ice forming again on lake. Ned, Marjorie R. & I went to church. C. to office.

FEBRUARY 1909

Feb. 1 Mon. [blank]

Feb. 2 - Tues.

Reception at Mrs. Sellwoods for Mrs. Grover Fitzgerald.

Feb. 3 - Wed.

Walked to Miss. meeting at church and to Mrs. St. Clair’s for a little while later after cards were over.

Feb. 4 - Thurs. [blank]

Feb. 5 - Fri.

E. had 8 girls to tea

Feb. 6 - Sat.

R. had Eugene and Allen Rice here for lunch & to spend the afternoon. I sewed quietly
upstairs: first time for months. M at Mrs. Gray’s lunch.

Feb. 7 - Sun.

Had Mr. Greenway at dinner on his way from S. West to Coleraine. He saw Walter a week ago.

Feb. 8 - Monday -

Miss Shellenberger here. Am getting things in order in store rooms etc. this week. Beda to clean milk room floor with acid. C. left for St. P. tonight.

Feb. 9 - Tues. - my rooms thoroughly cleaned - Wind 63 miles. temp. below 0


Feb. 10 - Wed. -- Still windy & cold -

Let children stay home though it moderated as the day advanced. Robert & I went downtown this afternoon. Ned & I went to hear G [?].

Feb. 11 - Thurs.

Miss Shellenberger here again. Children went to school. I fussed about house. & had M. take me downtown & made salad dressing. M. & I saw Judge Morris’ portrait. [??] Thorp[?]

Feb. 12 - Fri. - 16 degrees [?]

Holiday. C. home last night this A.M. 7:30 I sent 6 gals. cabbage salad to Miss. dinner & let children go but I came home. Still clearing odd corners.

Feb. 13 - Sat. - 18 by the weather report

Does not seem so cold to us as paper says but is warmer toward evening. Got brake on station wagon. Went to Mrs. Michaud’s party.

Feb. 14 - Sun. - 7 degrees Cloudy

No one went to church. It seemed so cold & I felt unready.

Feb. 15 - Mon. - 4 degrees

Went to D.H. business meeting & then to reception at Mrs. Barbey’s (about 15 minutes) & to Mrs. Florada’s. Went downtown before lunch.
Feb. 16 - Tues. - 4 degrees

Home all day. C. writing busily on tax questions: sent brief to printer. M. had reading club here. Lake pretty well frozen - Essie sick - sore throat etc.

Feb. 17 - Wed. - Fair

Essie still sick. C. goes to St. Paul on 4 P.M. train. Miss. Thimble bee at Mrs. I. Morris’ & dinner at Y.W.C.A.

Feb. 18 - Thurs.

Essie up.

Feb. 19 - Fri. - Cloudy

Auto (Pierce Arrow) arrived. All charmed. Miss Laintor, Miss C [lou?] & Muriel Prindle here at dinner. Muriel stays all night. I took lunch at Mrs. Comstocks. (M. went to Hibbing) with Swift party – [word order unclear]

Feb. 20 - Sat. - Some snow

Downtown in sleigh to meet Marjorie on Missabe train. Did errands. Down again auto this afternoon, stopped at Mrs. Leland’s a minute. C. home this evening.

Feb. 21 - Sun. - Cloudy

Three of us went to church in Auto.

Feb. 22 - Mon. - Cloudy - thawing

Holiday. Miss Shellenberger here. I have asked a Mrs. [Sallie] Cole to come Thursday for laundry work. C. goes to St. P. tonight.

Feb. 23 - Tues.

Library cleaned.

Feb. 24 - Wed. [blank]

Feb. 25 - Thurs. - Fair

Sallie Cole laundress came this afternoon. I was showing Mrs. Watson & Mrs. Issackson & others around the house. Miss S. here. Went to D. H. & Maggie’s this A.M.
Feb. 26 - Fri.

Am starting a 7 o’clock breakfast for maids. M. & I took Robert to the Bijou to see a jail-breaker & I did shopping.

Feb. 27 - Sat.

E. at dinner at Marjorie Shipperds & Ned & M. at the Hartley’s.

Feb. 28 - [Extra entry for Sat. 27th - Mild - Miss S. here -

C. came this A.M. Has a cold & was cross because he was not met. Looks tired. I went to lunch at Mrs. Hegardt’s. Took R. down to doctor’s second time for foot.

Feb. 29 - Sun. 28 -

C. left at 3:30. He felt somewhat better. Had [?] Jones here while we were at church. James home Mon.

MARCH 1909

Mar. 1 - Monday - Mild  Gave Miss H[?] a cover to make

In all day. Makes me feel wretched. Tried to invite company for Ned, but they could not come. Had a violet dinner for him. We took Marjorie to theater.

Mar. 2 - Tues. - Snow

Went downtown with Ned & did a few errands. Pleasant morning, but began to snow before noon. Children did not like my sending sleigh instead of auto for them. Miss S. not here. Music lessons begin.

Mar. 3 - Wed. - Charming

M. & I were out doors quite a while. She is sitting wrapped up on our balcony in the sun. Snow very soft. M’s card club meets here.

Mar. 4 - Thurs. - Lovely

M. took E. & R. to bell ringers this evening. They enjoyed it. I took a little walk nearly to
the Sebenius place³. Do not feel well nor walk enough. Blizzard in Washington.

Mar. 5 - Fri.

M. took R. to doctors, he is fine. Mrs. Dickinson & Mrs. Ketchum called this afternoon. I saw Mrs. Florada downtown & took her home, she goes to her sick mother today.

Mar. 6 - Sat. - Clear - Thawing

James is running the auto with Rudolf’s supervision. Went to [dePinna’s?] exhibit of styles & ordered suit for E. & for R. Gave little Knowlton boy a check for his mother Mrs. Fee[?] called.

Mar. 7 - Sun. - Partly cloudy  Lovely at noon

Ned, Mar., R. & I with Chester to church. M. & R. sat in gallery so M. would not have to take off hat. C. home by way of Milwaukee - 8.40

Mar. 8 - Mon. - 33 degrees?  Fair

Helen Currier came this A.M. I went to the A.C.S. at Mrs. Hoyt’s. pd. dues - Walked home, did me good. C. has a committee of legislature to dine. We others [??? at Ketchum ???]

Mar. 9 - Tues -

C. & I took lunch at Mrs. Dickinson’s pork & beans - good - Hall furniture here.

Mar. 10 - Wed. [blank]

Mar. 11 - Thurs.

Tea at Mrs. Buck’s - very pleasant  Ned ran the auto home -

Mar. 12 - Fri. [blank]

Mar. 13 - Sat.

Mr. & Mrs. Stryker called. I & others went to tea at Ray’s. The young folks are out a great deal - C. home this A.M.

Mar. 14 - Sun. -  Fair
To church, but not very good rest of day. M. took Helen Currier to see ski Tournament & had some young folks to supper. I went with C. to St. P. on 3.25 train.

³ John Uno Sebenius mining engineer for Oliver Mining C. with wife, Susan lived at London Road and 40th Ave. E.
Mar. 15 - Mon. - At A[?] St. P. - 14 degrees raw

Did some shopping - found C[hinaman?] place - Went with C. to Minneapolis, but Ranger’s pictures were packed up & Mrs. Munro was out.

Mar. 16 - St. Paul - Tues. - Clear - wind

Went to Legislature & also looked about Capitol. Took 2.30 train for home. Mr. French expected tomorrow. Older children gone skiing.

Mar. 17 - Wed. - Clear

Girls & Ned sleeping late

Mar. 18 - Thurs. [blank]

Mar. 19 - Fri.

To lunch at Mrs. Wanless’ but I heard so little. One of the days when I think it does not pay to go out.

Mar. 20 - Sat.

Alfred arrived this A.M. Chester also.

Mar. 21 - Sun -

Had Mr. Morehous to dine. Mr. & Mrs. Cole came afterwards also some young ones to see M. & N. C. left on night train.

Mar. 22 - Mon.

Miss Shellenberger here.

Mar. 23 - Tues. - Unpleasant but not cold

Miss S. here again - Makes 18 1/2 days since Feb. 1st. E. & I went to see about hats for her. Cleaned living room.

Mar. 24 - Wed. - Fair

Went to Thimble bee at church - 60 there. R. out to lunch. Carlson here & the electrician. Children to see Ben Hur - A. took May Jeffery.

Mar. 25 - Thurs. - Lovely
R. out to lunch - Marjorie rode to the Lodge. E. rode Dexter - got very sore. Alfred urging me to go somewhere - so I go down town.

Mar. 26 - Fri. - Some snow  Cloudy

Took M. down after lunch & we got five hats. Alfred at Grays most of time. Called at Mrs. Sebenius and took carnations this forenoon.

Mar. 27 - Sat. - Cloudy  33 degrees

Helen arrived. C. & Mr. French came on Early train & waited for her. Mr. F. very well delighted with house. Helen & I to dressmaker’s & Mrs. Leland’s.

Mar. 28 - Sun. - Cloudy  cold wind

Some of our men went to church. Mr. French left tonight but C’s cold was so bad he would not go.

Mar. 29 - Mon. - U. School begins.

C. left tonight. Margaret Florada came to lunch and Julia Morrow to dinner - also for the night. Mrs. F. V. Smith brought spreads. Mrs. Hartley called.

March 30 - Tues.

Busy with dressmakers. We saw Mme Burns -

March 31 - Wed.

Went to Miss. Thimble bee at D.H. Mrs. Kreidler sick with Grippe. C. came home -

APRIL 1909

April 1 - Thurs. - 33 degrees

C. went down to St. Paul again. Miss Shellenberger here tomorrow also. Ice going out or melting. We see water by the dock dimpling in sun -

April 2 - Fri. - Dreadful day. Rainy -

Went to a meeting at Deaconess Home this afternoon spent 3 hrs. where 1 would have done. C. home tonight. Walter back again. Muriel dined here.

April 3 - Sat. - Fair -
Ray at lunch. Ned’s friends Rob Noyes & Jule Hannaford arrived this A.M. to stay two
days. We went to Easter sale at Mrs. Comstock’s - A job to feed the family.

April 4 - Sun. - Cloudy - cold

White caps on lake. Ice crowded to end & soft. Got Walter to go to church but he rebelled
before & after. Alfred & C. went also.

April 5 - Mon. - Fair Springlike

Helen & C. left for Chicago this afternoon. got off comfortably.

April 6 - Tues. - Fair - muddy

Walter left this afternoon for Coleraine. I went to Easter sale at Bethel home. M. had
reading club here. Helen’s room cleaned.

April 7 - Wed. - Snow last night - melting.

Downtown on errands all forenoon. Read at Miss. meeting this afternoon. M. had right
ear treated again. (We went to Mme Burns this morn.)

April 8 - Thurs. - Snow & wind last night

They say ice is about out of harbors. Has melted instead of breaking only. C. made 3 hr.
speech yesterday in Senate against tonnage tax.

April 9 - Fri. - Variable

E. has her eight boys & girls to dine (for Elcey Cole & Alfred) M. R. & I went to church
this evening & the young folks carried the Victorola downstairs & danced. When inviting I
forgot it was Good Friday.

April 10 - Sat. - Windy 28 degrees

Busy as usual. We went to see about shoes at Frank’s; agent at the Spalding/ I
ordered 1 for self - 3 for E: M - 2. Eugene & Allen were here-

April 11 - Sun. - Cloudy - cold

Elizabeth joined the church as a probationer today. M. goes to Chicago with Rebecca and
April 12 - Mon. - 28 - 35 degrees

Quiet enough. did a lot of desk work. A.C.A. at Washburn House entertained by the Chicago & Cornell ladies. Talked with Mrs. Denkler (High Sc/ [?])

April 13 - Tues. - Partly cloudy

Downtown A.M. Reception room & lavatory cleaned - Robert says I’ve been nice today - so “jolly” - and yet I’ve said “no” to him a good many times.

April 14 - Wed. - Clear-

Going to Mrs. Johnson’s about dresses, etc. and out all afternoon - hair shampooed. E. to stay all night with Muriel. Ned troubled about men at stable. Scots don’t speak to [Swe/?]

April 15 - Thurs. - Clear - spring like

Beda & Essie report Atherton very rude & horrid yesterday. Mrs. Dickinson brought the pretty table cover Anna made.

April 16 - Fri.

Spoke to Atherton. He seemed surprised & subdued. Judith here at dinner. Ned at Ralph Hubbell’s & then to party at Golf Club. Mr. & Mrs. Sellwood - Am sewing & planning work.

April 17 - Sat. - Some rain

Called at Mrs. Hartley’s. she & Irma on point of leaving for Chicago. Spent few minutes at Mrs. Dickinson’s.

April 18 - Sun. - Lovely

Ned & Robt. with me at church. Mr. Morehous called in afternoon. Boys were going to fish but could not find bait-

April 19 - Mon. - Clear finally

D.H. trustee meeting - I have so many things to keep me out & busy. R. is neglected. Got wedding present for Miss Sellwood. Ned gone to Payton Cotillion.

April 20 - Tues. - Charming

Still an ice line on the Wisconsin side of lake end. Whistles screeched etc.- at noon when news came Gov. Johnson vetoed Tonnage tax bill- Great rejoicings tonight.
April 21        [blank]

April 22 - E’s birthday

Had Mrs. Florada to lunch & for the afternoon- E. had Muriel & Judith at dinner. Chester home from last of Legislature this evening.

April 23 - Fri. [blank]

April 24 - Sat. [blank]

April 25 - Sun.

Marjorie arrived from Chicago late. Too tired to go to church. Some of us went. Mr. Greenway dined with us.

April 26 - Mon.

Walter still here, leaves tomorrow A.M. Atherton showing skill [ru?]bbing furniture etc.

April 27 - [blank]

April 28 - Wed. - 30 degrees Beginning of Northeaster-

My traveling trunk from C. came up - looks promising. Let Essie go to Mpls. till Monday to see mother. Bad weather. Went to Miss Johnson’s. Cow sick.

April 29 - Thurs. - 28 degrees Blizzard & much snow

A day to stay home. Busy packing trunk - left about 3- Marjorie went with Irma up to sugar camp. Children remembered birthday. 2 p. cushions, writing case(M)[?], [?] box trunk, both from [???]

April 30 - Fri. - Snowy all day-

Left in auto for 8.15 train. C. Elis. Rbt. & I - It plowed through deep [wet?] snow most of way to depot - 12 minutes - 1 hour to [?] Staples then comfortable drawing room. [From chronology: Chester, Elisabeth, Robt & I left for Yakima via Homestake – visiting the new home of Edward A. Bannister & Emily. We were in the house on the Hebard place at the ranch. Essie with us. Hope visited us there. We had the horse Seantor. Staid till June 2. The Heermans & others visited us there.]
MAY 1909

May 1 - Sat.

Arrived Homestake about 7.35. drove to camp 3 mi. over pretty bad & muddy roads. Edward & Emily gave us good welcome & little home looking nice. E. & I sleep here. C. & R at office.

May 2 - Sun. - Their first spring day. charming

The air is fine. Elis. helps Emily & they talk all the time. We went into the Gold Flint tunnel & the Clara shaft tunnel - not very promising. Mandolin, moonshine & firelight evening.

May 3 - Mon. - Lovely

Left camp about 10 A.M. & drove all way to Butte. Staid at Thornton hotel till about 8 P.M. Met Mr. Durston. Sent back to Emily some candy, [?] & clove oil.

May 4 - Tues. - Wind [?]

Arrived in Yakima about 3.45 & rode out to L’s house - all clean & ready for us. with cooked food to begin. Great fun. Dreadful pain in head. Took me when in bath tub.

May 5 - Wed. - Rather cold. Wind

Essie arrived this afternoon & we got kitchen table [chairs?] & some supplies. Have done a good deal of settling today. E. takes hold well & enjoys it. We all do. Found cat & kit[?].

May 6 - Thurs.

Mr. Speyers & a Mr. Bentley were at house. Mr. S. & Hope at dinner. Mr. Bentley took Elis. R. & me to car line in his buggy. We went to town & to aunt W’s [saw the Pratts W?]

May 7 - Friday - Warmer.

Mr. Speyers left on afternoon train. I called at Mrs. Barrager’s. My head aches all the time. We use Sun rooms for warmth R. studies every morning.

May 8 - Sat. - Lovely

E. is getting well acquainted with the cat. R. making mud pies with Valina & Helen (Sparger). Mr. Heermans & Bertie at a scant lunch. Then they went to Toppenish.
May 9 - Sun. - Very high wind.

First day my head has felt right. It rained some last night but the dust today is very bad. Wrote 5 letters. C. & Mr. Heermans went to the Ahtanum with Bertie about noon. Glad of their horse.

May 10 - Monday

C. has horse to drive - Senator S. very good - Mr. Speyers here again but took afternoon train [?] We all went into town.

May 11 - Tues.

Got E. to covering 2 boxes for her room. She is very enthusiastic over all work - just now. Taming a cat with kittens.

May 12 - Wed. - Lovely.

Bertie brought his family & Mrs. P[rat?] to call this A.M. I was sitting in sun room. Showed them the house. Hope came late in afternoon. R. & I spent time by creek. Essie & E. went to town.

May 13 - Thurs.

Hope hears from Tacoma that she is to go there May 31 instead of in Sept. Quite flustered.

May 14 - Fri. [blank]

May 15 - Sat.

Very busy as usual. E. & I walked over to barn yard & she found eggs & made mud pies. Cold wind. Hope gone till dinner.

May 16 - Sunday Cloudy - a few showers

Cold this A.M. Went to the little church. Heard a Mr. Green. Met Mrs. Strick[?] & husband - who had this home - Mr. Kester, Mrs. Childress - All took dinner at Pratt house. Met Mr. Mac Donald & [Dr. H?] Essie rode all [????]

May 17 - Monday - Fair

E. complains so much of being tired. Don’t know how much is acting - but I am a little worried.
May 18 - Tues. - Lovely

Walked to the Harris house with R. for cream. E. is all right.

May 19 - Wed. - Lovely but cool

We all went early to Bertie’s & took lunch there. I staid all afternoon too. Hope is to be there after a day at [San?]

May 20 - Thurs. - High wind tonight

E. & R. drove to town for groceries & lamp chimneys. Scrapped by the way. Am very busy mending up E’s clothes & letting down dress.

May 21 - Fri. - Cold forenoon, warmed PM

Had all the A.S.C’s here. Meant they should come about 10 A.M. Waited lunch for them nearly an hour. All sorts of troubles & hindrances in getting ready. but turned out well.

May 22 - Sat. - Fair - wind

Went to town with Elis. and pony for groceries & white crockery. Afternoon walked over the ranch place with Chester looking at ornamental trees alive & dead.

May 23 - Sunday. - Perfect - warm

We all started off at 9 A.M. with the wagon & Senator & went up the Wide Hollow a long way. Crossed to the Ahtanum - went up the South Fork. Ate lunch 2.30 - drove back. Lovely.

May 24 - Monday - Cloudy - warm

Walked about - sewed - don’t know what I did.

May 25 - Tues. - Fair

Mrs. Heermans arrived this morn but not Mr. H. A quiet day - transplanted some hollyhocks & weeded roses. Elis. went to Bertie’s. Alfred has broken collarbone -

May 26 - Wed. - Partly cloudy. warm

Had a ride to town with C. lunch at hotel - call on Mrs. Whitson on the street in carriage - Long ride home almost to Naches gap. A little rain - saw berry picking
May 27 - Thurs. - Changeable - some rain

Took some Kodak views. got some wild flowers. Mrs. H. & I made a nightgown for E. by hand. E. returned. We plan a ride to Tieton tomorrow.

May 28 - Fri. - Cloudy - warm sun

We C. Mrs. H. Robert & I started at 6.20 for Tieton - Charming morning. Enjoyed trip. Concluded to come home instead of stopping at [Nachez?] City hotel. Arrived about [?]

May 29 - Sat. - Fair & warmer

Mr. Heermans drove. To town after lunch for calls on Mrs. Pratt & Winifred. Then home hard at work till dinner. Pratt’s & Mrs. Hovland here. Essie not much of a cook & her feel hurt They seemed to enjoy dinner

May 30 - Thurs. - Lovely but cloudy

A quiet day. Mr. Hovland slept at the Barragers’ & was here at breakfast & lunch. Took 2 P.M. Train - C. & Mr. H. did not return till very late for dinner.

May 31 - Mon - Very warm. Heat lightning

Took a lot of photos this A.M. Sent Essie to town for bread etc. Lovely morning on porch. Good bath & rest this afternoon. Mr. Heermans not well.

**JUNE 1909**

June 1 - Tues - Very warm

Trying to pack & finish up. Winifred & 5 others have dancing party tonight.

June 2 - Wed. - Very warm

We wound up affairs & went to town before noon. I called on Mrs. Steinway. out. Bertie & Win lunched with us at hotel. Parted from the Heermans & Essie & [?]

June 3 - Thrus -Lovely

Staid at the Tacoma overnight Till 5 P.m. Very pleasant. Out to Park on pt. Defiance - Then called at Fanny Paddock hospital & saw Hope. Came to Seattle by electric Mr. & Mrs. [Heermans?] called.
June 4 - Fri. - At Washington hotel. - Fair warm

We waited in hotel for father till after 11. Then shopped 1 half hour. Went to lunch at Rainer Club with Mr. Douglas & Mr. Evanson[?]. Got auto ride to country Club -Then to Exposition. Dinner on Seward house porch.

June 5 - Sat. - Warm - fine.

Got out to Expo before noon. after seeing Mr. Field & Mr. Speyers who took us on roof. Met Speyers family at Expo. Got so tired - we going up starting tomorrow.

June 6 - Sun. - Lovely

Started after all, on 9 A.M. boat for Victoria. Mssers. Field & House on board. An hour at Victoria & then on to Vancouver. arr. 7 or before (steamer Princess Victoria)

June 7 - Mon. - Clear - lovely

Wrote Helen & Alfred. shopped a little. Left at 7 on train for Glacier. C. says he has done a Man’s work in getting the trunks from Seattle on train.

June 8 - Tues. - Clear - warm

Pleasant journey tho’ had headache all day. E. not feeling just right. Arrived late at Glacier - about 4. Tried to go to the Gt. Glacier Trail not all open. much snow. feet wet. Lovely here.

June 9 - Wed. - Perfect weather


June 10 - Thurs. - Lovely -

Woke this A.M. to find lake Louise in front of our windows, frozen - Breaking up but ice 10” thick toward glacier. Lovely though. Mrs. Mills took R. in boat around edge - got jammed

[Extra entry for June 10 in Memorandum at end of diaries]

R. said as we walked along shore of Lake Louise that he would like to invent something.- “Why? Because he wanted “his name” to live.’

June 11 - Friday - Fair & lovely. warm

Left Lake Louise about 8 - arrived Banff about 10.30 - Enjoyed day here - long ride after noon - took photos - C. & R. took sulphur bath.
June 12 - Sat. - Fair

Riding all day on train. Mr. Patterson had Elis. meet some girls from Hong Kong. Grass & plains everywhere. Celebrated C.s birthday with cake & cold tea this afternoon.

June 13 - Sunday - Fair - cool

Arrived Winnipeg about 7.30 A.M. Hotel part of depot - Rode around town. [read?] [walked?] - left at about 6. Mr. Patterson of [?] goes to St. Paul. Mr. Mills of New Zealand on to N.Y.

June 14 - Monday - Clear - cool

We arrived in St. P. early - saw Mr. French at depot. took 9 o’clock train home rather tedious - Lovely to get home but house lonesome. M. left the 3rd. Everything [?] [?]eft some plants.

June 15 - Tues. - Essie arrived - Lovely

Place looks so beautiful. Ned & Robert brought sail boat late this afternoon in fact evening. Chester left for N.Y. E. & I bought piazza furniture. F & B.

June 16 - Wed. - Rain warm

A thunderstorm but settling to steady rain & fog - Porch furniture came.

June 17 - Thurs. Warm

Enjoyed the porch today - Callers all afternoon.

June 18 - Fri. Clear warm

Down town this afternoon with E. & [?] - ant we went in auto to Mrs. Leland’s. Mrs. Van Loo & son. Mr. & Mrs. Marble - called after dinner just as E. & I came from canoeing.

June 19 - Clear - warm

Downtown with E. She goes to dinner at Boat Club with Margaret McK. & Mr. L[?] R - to party at Mrs. Knox’s - Ned went to St. Paul last night.

June 20 - Sun.

Had Mr. & Mrs. Morehous dine with us.
June 21 - Mon -  [blank]

June 22 - Tues.
D.H. meeting this afternoon. also Mrs. Fryberger’s musicale.

June 23 - Thunderstorms
R. & I took Mrs. Gray out to Balsam Lodge in auto. Hard rain just before we started home.

June 24 - Thurs.
Dined at Mrs. Billson’s - Anna & Harford there. Quite unexpected, meant only to spend afternoon.

June 25 - Fri. - Warm
E. & Robt. & I lunched with Mrs. Gray in her barn house. Lovely there.

June 26 - Sat.  [blank]

June 27 - Sun.
Rather thought party might arrive today but they come early tomorrow. E & I hunted up wild roses for Helen’s room.

June 28 - Monday - Wind - clear
Wilpin passed our dock about 7.25 - Chester & girls had to come on street car. Too windy for launch. Tried to bring trunk & launch broke a connection. Tug came to rescue.

June 29 - Tues. - Got hot
Girls all settled and happy. Sara McDavitt did not stay over night - Ruth stays till Friday - Vera - Florence, Ella. Helen & Clara are “The party.

June 30  [blank]
JULY 1909

July 1 - Thurs.  [blank]

July 2 - Fri.

Girls went to picnic at Pike Lake with ever so many others - Christine Shuart visiting Francis Swift. Ruth left this A.M. (Ruth Heermanns.)

July 3 - Sat. - Lovely - Full moon -

We had our picnic near Lakewood. All seemed to enjoy it - Fine time for it - six now besides Ned. C. has draft ready for Alfred’s journey-

July 4 - Sun. - Lovely


July 5 - Mon -

Atherton decorated with flower flag yesterday. Tonight we got supper alone. Mr. Whyte here. Fireworks at club. C. home this evening. Tennis often.

July 6 - Tues.

Had our fireworks on the pier tonight with 2 men to assist - Soon over. Marjorie rather used up at noon. Mrs. Brown & Mrs. Heimbach called.

July 7 - Wed. – Lovely

(D.H. met at Mrs. Larson’s) E. at lunch dinner & evening party (Margaret McK) Girls all at matinee - Took them to Country Club to dine - C. did not want to go - Mr. Greenway dined with [??] here.

July 8 - Thurs. - Mr. Walter Brown at lunch. - Fair & cool-

Assembly tonight. Helen & Edith Dunn arrived this A.M. They do not go to lunch at Julia Hunters. [nor?] Assembly - Mr. Greenway staid last night-

July 9 - Fri. - Sultry. Warm [?]

Alfred came this A.M. Lunch at Katie Richardson’s. Tea at Julia Morrow’s. Mr. Washburn here for dinner & night.

July 10 - Sat. - Warm. land breeze
Girls all going in launch to Spirit lake. on invitation of J. McLennon. Fire in lumberyard near Grassy Pt.

July 11 - Sunday - some rain. Cloudy- [blank]

July 12 - Monday. - Rain in night - Clearing

We all left on “Soudan” at 7:45 A.M- for Coleraine. Mr. Greenway very kind to us. Picnic at Mr. Hartley’s grove[?]. Walter there. Late to bed. Walter climbing shows no [sign?] of false foot.

July 13 – Tuesday - Fair A.M. Rain P.M.

Were hauled to Marble- Rode around on flat car - walked - called on Mr. Dudley & party - Then the nine girls joined us for home. Thunder & lightning.

July 14 - Wed. - Showery -

Girls leaving. Helen C. goes home - Clara to St. Paul - Ella & Florence to Katie Richardson’s. Vera to visit near Chicago - Mrs. H. C. Marshall had reception for Mrs. & Miss Marcus -

July 15 - Thurs. - Like April but warm.

Edith left at 5.15 - Mr. French here at lunch & dinner. Mrs. [Simond’s?] reception for Mrs. & Miss Daniels. Launch ride to bay & back.

July 16 - Fri. - Lovely

Head shampooed - new hat - etc - & headache.

July 17 - Sat. [blank]

July 18 - Sun -

Rather quiet -

July 19 - Mon. - Rainy - cool.

Had Mrs. Leland & Ray & Mrs. Gray here for lunch & afternoon. Mr. Rice at dinner. D.H. meeting - Was there 10 min.

July 20 - Tues. - Still. Sultry. Cloudy -

Marjorie left this A.M. for Wright: cottage of Washburns. Alfred had Fred Barker & Mr.
Left here at lunch & took party in launch to Boat Club. I did not let Elis. go. Gus [Beantren?] here.

July 21 - Wed - Storm last night. Sultry - cloudy Thunderstorm.

Mrs. Markell’s tea. Seemed to clear but about 9 P.M. storm without wind came up - Lightening struck kitchen chimney - Scared maids in Lydia’s room. Sallie fainted. Alfred worked in water up to hips on London rd. viaduct - 2 slides on creek.

July 22 - Thurs. - 7”? rain in last 3 days - Fair

We rode around to see effects of the storm. Very bad on 15th, ninth & Lake Av - & First St torn a good deal. Our adventures seemed slight.

July 23 - Fri. - Fair & lovely

Mrs. Day called. Wrote to Helen Currier & Vera. The Billsons were here this evening.

July 24 - Sat. - Warm

Stupid these days. Marjorie returned this evening - Mr. & Mrs. Johnston & Mr. French came. Mr. Tomlinson & Mr. - [blank] here at lunch.

July 25 - Sun - Warm. cloudy - cooling -

Walked about - did not go to church but children did. Hear that Mrs. Munro is in town. The guests leave this evening. Had long ride from 5 - 7 -

July 26 - Mon. - Cloudy cooler

Mrs. Dutton telephoned that Mrs. Knox died this A.M. Ned left last night for White Earth res[?]. to look at some iron land. Called at Mrs. Winton’s

July 27 - Tues. - Warm Sultry -

Mrs. Munro came this A.M. M- Miss Man here getting photo of Helen - E - & me. Mr. Powell at dinner & for night


We rode on Boulevard this A.M. Alf took Mrs. M. & Helen for long ride. C. & I to Mrs. Knox’s funeral - C. one of pall-bearers. Pageant this evening broken open up by rain.

July 29 - Thurs. - Cooler - but damp

Tea at Mrs. Washburns - Mrs. Munro left for pt - Two trees snapped off by wind last
night - M. & [H?] gone to Rays. C. goes to Milwaukee this aft. Mrs. Gilbert & party came this forenoon to see house.

July 30 - Fri.

Tea at Mrs. Walker’s - M. & I called on Grace G[u?]ff & Frank’s wife.

July 31 -

Called at Mrs. Winton’s after dinner - H. running electric -

AUGUST 1909

August 1 -

Sick girl - Mrs. DeGroat’s little boy died of tuberculosis of throat yesterday I think.)

August 2 -

Elisabeth Morris engagement announced (to El[mer?] Whyte) Took Mrs. Kriedler & mother to ride -

August 3 - Tues.

Alfred Emma & Dorothea⁴ arrived on 9.15 N.P. train, but over an hour late. Elmer & Bertha⁵ came on North west at 7.15 - All well -

August 4 - Wed.  [blank]

August 5 - Thurs.

Mary, John & Alice⁶ came 8.40 from Chicago - party complete.

August 6 - Fri.  [blank]

August 7 – Sat. - Cloudy - close - warm

Women rode to Mrs. Leland’s, Dorothy sick - auto ditched before we got in to start back - late home - Men at boat club. Walter came.

August 8 - Sun - Partly cloudy

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⁴ Alfred Bannister, brother of CBC, wife Emma, daughter Dorothea
⁵ Bertha Bannister Buckman, sister of CBC and husband Elmer Buckman
⁶ Mary Bannister, sister of CBC; Alice Bannister Race, sister of CBC and husband John Race
Auto & station wagon loads to church 9 - Mr. Morehous called this P.M. Had Kodak views taken. (17 at dinner)

August 9 - Mon - Fair - pleasant

Had Dickinson family, Billson & Wanless to “lemonade”  Elmer - Alice. C. & I took ride with horses this forenoon. Others played tennis. All went in launch (May Jaffery also) to Venetian display boat club. Hard to find pier coming home.

August 10 - Tues. - Rain

Alfred to Coleraine with Walter this A.M.  All shopped this A.M. in rain. Quiet day. Elmer & B. left in a down pour about 10 P.M. but rather better when N. West started. They all gave C. & me a Reunion book.

August 11 - Wed. - Cloudy - 60 degrees

2 1/2 inches rain fell yesterday & evening.

August 12 - Thurs. - Rainy - Warm

Trying weather.

August 13 - Fri-

Alice & John left this A.M. for Seattle per Gt. Northern. Billiards this evening. Boulevard land slide near Chester Creek.

August 14 - Sat. - Warm - damp

Dinner at K.G. Club - Still unpleasant - have to stay in house. Go out to shop & on errands - Marjorie & Ned went to the Brule till Monday. Took guests length of point R. [poured?]

August 15 - Sun - Warm - clear

Rode on boulevard afternoon late. Alfred - Emma - Mary, I at our church - strange preacher. Helen & Robert went to Episcopal church - Hot waiting for them. Little Agnes Wanless was baptized C. left for Yakima -

August 16 - Mon. - Charming

Took launch ride up river - Fond du Lac - Current very strong- Took from 9:10 to 12:30 - at least/ Rudolf met us at one - also Ned & part of us came home by auto – 50m. Alf. & E[m?] got off at 5.15 - Trouble about trunk, [?]
August 17 - Tues. - Fine weather

Rested some today - sewing - Ned’s friends the Mallorys came this eve[?]

August 18 - Wed. - Warm - Clear

Mrs. Bull & cousin called. Am worried about the subscription list. Mrs. Whiteside asked me to head - Dinner at Mrs. Dutton’s.

August 19 - Lovely

Miss Hanson here. Mesers Mallory here [?] tonight. Mrs. A.W. Bradley called. Mr. Young took the Tryon picture. H,

August 20 - Fri. - Clear - some wind

Alfred planning the French river trip this A.M. Mary & I tried to get some one of 3 ladies to ride. failed - Helen up shore on picnic this evening.

[August 20 entry from Memoranda at end of diary] Ordered of Mrs. LaVaque 2 brown baskets - one with handle rather large - 2 flat tea baskets - 18 individual baskets gilded - (25 a piece)

August 21 - Sat. - Wind - but clear

Mary & I took Mrs. Bull & her cousin to ride in the country. Took lunch with Mrs. Paull. Three oldest went to picnic in autos at Wak[enan?] farm.

August 22 - Sunday. - Charming.

Coming from church we thought we saw launch. Lake lovely today - but no launch arrived then. Came about 5 -

August 23 - Monday - [blank]

August 24 [blank]

August 25 - Close. Rainy - Warm

Tea at Mrs. Tyler’s & Mrs. Moores - Mary not feeling well enough to go. Margaret Florada & Christine Smith at dinner. also Ashley.

August 26 - Thurs -

Mr. Billson & Sons went to St. Mary’s. Mrs. B. to Maine.
August 27 - Friday. - Lovely


August 28 - Saturday

Miss Hanson & Miss Shellenberger here. Walter came but I have not seen him at the house.

August 29 - Sunday - Fine weather

6 of us at church - Communion. quiet day - C. came this A.M. via St. Paul - left John & A. in Minneap.

August 30 - Mon. - Cloudy

John & Alice came back A.M. Walter left - They had fine trip.- Alice has cold. Peter the deer back again.

August 31 - Tues. John left 5.15 - Chilly down to 47

Dr. Arthur Copeland & family here Came on Nottingham- Nice people - Had 2 guests for Alf. & Elis. supper on shore - moonlight & firelight. More or less dissension among servants. (Wordsworth, Dorothy & Robt).

SEPTEMBER 1909

September 1 - Wed. - Wind - cold -

Rode to J. Duluth Farm- cold rather- Recep. to Mrs. St. John - I went but had to leave so as to go to Mrs. Dickinson’s to tea. The Copeland’s left this A.M. 10 -

September 2 - Thurs - Cloudy -

Shopped - calls - Miss Scheffel, Mrs. Dutton, Mrs. Paull - C. left for Tyrone -

September 3 - Fri. - Fair - warmer

Went down to see Mr. Young’s pictures a little while. Mary & Alice left on 5:15. We rode after dinner but air feels cold to me.
September 4 - Sat. - Land breeze - Fair

R’s 11th birthday. He had Eugene, Irvin & Warren lunch with him & spend afternoon. Tom & deer had fight. Letter from C. proposes tour in N.Y. & N. E.

September 5 - Sun. - Clear -

Staid from church as acousticon needs new battery. R staid up last night as long as he pleased - which was after 11 - as we were up too. All in favor of tour.

September 6 - Monday. - Charming

Labor day, so we labored. 3 girls at lunch - & one at dinner. Helen got most of dinner. She & I went to see Mrs. Florada’s house -

September 7 - Tues. - Fine


September 8 - Wed.

Very busy - sewing too - Arranged to have servants take vacation while we are away -

September 9 - Thurs -

Lydia staid in to sew, of her own accord.

September 10 - Fri. - Charming

M. H. E. - Alfred, R. & I leave on 5.15 for Buffalo. Ned is to start on camping trip Monday or Tues - R. still has boils, small -

September 11 - Sat. - Cool - fair

E. has cold - We just [carry by?] our train on Lake Shore this A.M. Hubert with us. Rudolf met us in Buffalo.

September 12 - Sunday - Clear -

At Iroquois Hotel. Some of us went to nearest Episcopal church - Rode to Falls this afternoon, picture - Talk of a new style pump.

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7 Alice Florada residence built in 1908 at 221 N. 23rd Ave. E. Alice Florada widow of mining executive Edward Florada. [Historic Duluth’s East End Walking Tour]
September 13 - Monday - Warm Clear

Late getting started - !0.30 - Had to turn back to express trunk. Lunch at Batavia - Night at Canandaigua. Tea at Vera Shantz.

September 14 - Tues - Very warm -

Telegram from C. Started 8:30 or a little earlier. Phelps, Geneva (an early lunch at the Knapps’ - Ovid, Auburn, Syracuse. 6 P.M. Town full - took rooms at Mrs. Park’s 702 S. [Crouse Av?]}

September 15 - Wed - Cloudy

Lovely scenery. Started about 8.45, rode around town & through Fayetteville, Cazenovia, Bridgewater, Richfield Springs. (Late lunch) to Schenectady via Canajoharie - Stopped at Edison [hotel].

September 16 - Thurs. - Cloudy

C. arrives Duluth today- Left Schenectady hotel in good time but did not get out of city easily. Albany before noon. Helen bought a lunch at every eatery on the way. Tried to reach Lake Mohawk - lovely road - fog - Stop at New Paltz.

September 17 - Fri. - Clearing - cooler

Sunset House New Paltz - comfortable Supper at Steen’s good too - Rained all night - roads pretty muddy but not far to Po’keepsie. [Poughkeepsie] Saw Mrs. B[racq?] & family Left Helen cheerful. Again ate lunch on way. Hartford tonight.

September 18 - Sat. - Clear - cool -


Sept. 19 - Sunday - Lovely Cool

Established at Louraine. Met Mr. Whitcomb after breakfast, looking for C. Chester arrived 11.50 & we went to Wellesley to dine with Miss Cooke. E. seems pretty contented. Pleasant. E. took [May,? Marie, Nurram?] with Alfred ride afternoon.

Sept. 20 - Mon. - Clear

To shop. Met Elisabeth. About 3 left taking Mr. Whitcomb for his farm. - near Exeter. Cold ride but interesting. Arrived 7 - met Mrs. Whitcomb Dorothy & Mrs. [H?]
Sept. 21 - Tues. - Clear -

Not so cold. Enjoyed looking around house & farm. lovely place. Went to an antique place. Littlefields at Newfield - Fine things. Took 3 of family to Portsmouth & lunched at [H?] on to S[?] tonight – Walter unexpected at lunch.

Sept. 22 - Wed. - Cloudy - some rain


Sept. 23 - Thurs. Sultry – Cloudy

Mt. Pleasant down from White Mountains through Conn. Valley to Bellows Falls - Lunch at N. [Thetford ?] Most lovely autumn coloring for two or three days. Some rain. Noisy[?]greenplace for hotel -

Sept. 24 - Fri. - Rain all day -

Not a bad ride in spite of rain - Arrived Springfield after stopping at Greenfield (lunch) & Deerfield - Call on Shuarts this evening -

Sept. 25 - Sat. - Clear - cool-

Left Springfield 6.45 (instead of 8) Fine ride through Berkshires Lenox & Stockbridge - lunch at Gt. Barrington - Called at Vassar but did not see H. till after dinner. All at Nelson home (written in right margin)

Sept. 26 - Sunday - Clear - some wind

Good rest. Went to Chapel at 11 with Helen - calls at rooms - to dinner at [?] taking Julia & Ruth K. Then rode to Rhinebeck where C’s father was born. Supper at hotel. Called at Linden Hall. [Carrie?] Crawford [?] Va[?]. Alfred disappeared to N.Y.

Sept. 27 - Monday - Cloudy rain

Arrived N.Y. about 2 P.M. in rain. City full but we have good rooms Holland. Got suit[?] etc for Robt. 2 letters from E. desperately homesick.

Sept. 28 - Tues. - Clear - Cool

Shopped. saw pageant, called Lelands

Sept. 29 - Wed. - Warmer - Clear p
Shopped - Letter from E. each morning - 3 today - sometimes better, sometimes begging to go home. Lunch at Mrs. L’s.

Sept. 30 - Thurs. - Clear - warm

M. & I out a while - Mary Torrey came, & staid for parade. Can not go with us to Kingston. No letter from E. She must feel better. Mr. Lener here.

OCTOBER 1909

Oct. 1 - Fri. - Partly cloudy

A busy day, Higgins & Seiter, Caldwells & shopping. Helen Currier & Margaret Glass here - R. & Chester to Hippodrome. I packed - wrote E. & H.

Oct. 2 - Sat. - Cloudy

Left early (soon after 8) went by 34 st ferry - through N.J. to Water Gap - lunched there about 2. Then on through Pocono Mts to Kingston - 7 P.M. Cold & dark.

Oct. 3 - Sun. - Cloudy

Did not go to church. Called on Mrs. Speyer Allen Pringle & Mrs. Carhart. Mrs. Laycock[?] called in morning[?] & Mr. & Mrs. Ives- Others rode & had 2 punctures.

Oct. 4 - Monday - Cloudy

Had to wait for tires from N.Y. Went to W. Pittston this afternoon & called also on Jessie McFarlane. Saw Mrs. Dean – Dr. [Ma?] to dinner.

Oct. 5 - Tues. - Clear – Lovely

Bertha & Helen started with us about 8. & we had lovely ride through mountains by Binghamton to Ithaca. Alfred dined with us. He is “crazy” over the place. Got pledged to 2 fraternities. Theta D. Phi &

Oct. 6 - Wed. - Clear -

Another lovely day. Saw campus before breakfast & parted from A. Went to Ovid - Lodi - etc. & Watkins[?] Glen - Walked down that & went on to Elmira & Corning. Wellingtons called.

Oct. 7 - Thurs. - Clear - lovely

8 Alfred Bannister attended Cornell University in Ithaca, NY.
Going to Glass works - Mr. Heermans here. Helen took bad cold yesterday (Probably after Glen) I have one to fight also. Luncheoned by the road side (started about 12) - Mr. H with us. Bath for night.

Oct. 8 - Fri. - Clear - warm middle of day

All left Bath about 8 - rode to Dansville where B. & H. left us to go home by D. L. & W. Not quite so fine a day as yesterday but good. Lunch at Leroy Buffalo about 5 - Mr. H. goes back to Corning.

Oct. 9 - Sat. - Cloudy - warm

Reached Chicago about 8 - M. & I shopped - got our Electrophones - Went to Evanston for about an hour - Took 6.25 train -

Oct. 10 - Sun. - Cloudy - rain tonight

Arrived 8.40 & Aron met us. Place looks lovely no more brown than in N.Y. House all right. Mr. Hovland at dinner - Mr. French at supper - Letter shows E. contented.

Oct. 11 - Mon.- Storming - cold -

Went to A.C.A. at Mrs. Klines - pd. dues - only, 3 there. M. to stay at Rebecca’s tonight. Peter, the deer, had to be shot while we were away.

Oct. 12 - Tues. - Stormy - a little snow

Busy hunting things as usual. Talk of changing schools for Robt. shows he might as well stay where he is. Called at Mrs. Morehous, [but?] have moved. Smoking room cleaned.

Oct. 13 - Wed. - Cloudy

Are to have the Morehous family to dinner including Florence Higman & Retty.


Hear Mrs. Billson has gone. Mrs. Kreidler came to talk about plan for Mr. Corydon to buy Dea. House & they buy of him. Asked her to lunch but she had had it then. [misunderstanding??]

Oct. 15 - Friday - Tiny showers - partly cloudy

Down town with Mr. & got E’s bath robe - Called Mrs. Gray - Took needlework G. [things?] to Mrs. Elston. Heard Mrs. Michaud died while we were away. Tea at Mrs. [Ketchum?]. Mrs. Burbank [read?]
Oct. 16 - Saturday - Cloudy -

Down town for the forenoon & took Mrs. Kreidler to see the Peterson house, (for D.H) The Mitchells & Mrs. Burbank dined with us. Ned goes to St. P. for Sunday.

Oct. 17 - Sunday, Cloudy -

All to church - Acousticon not as loud as usual - Chester went to NE games[?] this afternoon.

Oct. 18 - Mon. -

Ned home - D. House meeting rather long - discussion animated as to whether this is a Conference or a district House. Mrs. Smith & Mrs. Bretton called to try [aurophones?]

Oct. 19. - Tues. - Clear

Chester home this forenoon - Trying to decide about buying a house for D.H. Chester helping. Time does not seem to be ripe. Marjorie & I go to Minneapolis.

Oct. 20 - Wed. - Cloudy - raw

Fine aurora last night as we went to station. Been waiting around at Mme Boyd’s most of day.

Oct. 21 - Thurs. - Cloudy - windy

Got over to St. Paul, but accomplished very little. Called on Mrs. Munro. Rest of day at Boyd’s - Hotel Plaza comfortable. C. leaves home for N. Yakima today.

Oct. 22 - Fri. - Cloudy - warmer

Went with Mrs. M. to the Chicago store (Germany) & got a few things - saw many more - M. & I left on 4 o’clock train - R. still up when we arrived - Had rained here.

Oct. 23 - Sat. - Cloudy -

Since Rudolf is back & M’s eclectic therefore in order - she has gone out. Needlework G. wound up today. Cook’s lecture. Took Rebecca Bailey.


To church with M. Mr. & Mrs. Billson & Mrs. Dutton called. Wrote some letters - Green house lovely now.

Clearing up - M. went through her highboys etc. This afternoon went down town - Told Aron he & John must go out at once. Called Mrs. Larsen flat for D.H. - flat -

Oct. 26 - Tues. - Fair - windy

Miss Shellenberger here - Round - up this afternoon. The scalloped napkins arrived yesterday from Wanamaker’s - don’t under stand. Bought them at McCutcheon’s.

Oct. 27 - Wed. -

Went to W.H.M.S. thimble bee at Mrs. I. Moore’s - took Mrs. Morehous & Miss Shellenberger.

Oct. 28 - Thurs. - Fair -

I went to Mrs. Ed[?] Bradley’s to tea party - all knitting or crocheting. Called at Mrs. Billson’s took flowers to Miss Hoalgrim[?]

Oct. 29 - Fri. - Fine day

We should have ridden into country it is so pleasant, but instead had callers & M went to Julia Hunter’s. Ned arrived today. R. to Halloween party at Margaret Crosby’s.

Oct. 30 - Sat. - Lovely

Marjorie & I took Mrs. Gray & Mrs. Ketchum out to Cloquet river this A.M. Last part of road frightful - glad to get back safe. R. to Spirit Lake Annex for supper. R. wanted to go out but made [??] in instead. [in margin]

Oct. 31 - Sun - Cloudy

Ned, R. & I at church. M staid last night with Isabel. Thermostat [?] here yesterday.

NOVEMBER 1909

Nov. 1 - Mon. - Rainy - dark

Had Mrs. Billson, Dickinson, Ketchum, Wanless & Gray lunch with me. Mrs. Phelps did not come. I think we all enjoyed it. Miss S. here.

Nov. 2 - Tues. - Charming -

Ned & M went to Cotillion last evening & Rebecca staid all night. Had callers[?] & went to call this afternoon. Esther here at dinner. Ned out.
Nov. 3 - Wed. - Fine day -

Miss S. away yesterday - here today. M. & I went to Dite.[?] & West about her silk cashmere & then rode up the river road to New Duluth.

Nov. 4 - Thurs. - Lovely - [?]


Nov. 5 - Fri. - Find day - 35 - 60 degrees

Had Mrs. Florada for a little ride (rather a failure - waited so much for others by mistake) & dinner - Were down town this A.M. about M’s dress etc.

Nov. 6 - Sat. - Fine day

Miss S. not here. Lunch at Mrs. Graff’s (A.C.A) very pleasant. Marjorie went to a tea & then in evening for straw ride with Mr. Hanchett & the Patricks. I called Mrs. P[?]

Nov. 7 - Sunday  - Partly cloudy -

Ned - M. & I to church. Took Mrs. & Mrs. Morehous around boulevard & so home.

Nov. 8 - Mon - Clear 35 - 38 degrees

Took Mrs. Wanless & Children out on Howard & Gnesen road & Rice Lake &[?] to Boulevard - Cold but pleasant. This evening to Bessie Bailey’s benefit - good. Ned went to see G[us?] B[eanle?]

Nov. 9 - Tues. - Cloudy - 38 degrees

Ned gone East. Took a long ride this A.M. - out Snively rd. & L. River road to Normanna & tried French R. road Came back same. Julia Hunter with us. M. has reading Club. A cartoon lecturer Pad[?] this pm -

Nov. 10 - Wed. -

Went to a lecture by O Flaherty with stereopticon views for D.H. Ashamed of it at $1.00 a ticket - Had nothing to do with it. Walter arrived 10 P.M. leaves for East tonight.

Nov. 11 - Thurs.

C. returned this evening - train late. M. & I went to hear Sch[uman?] Think - enjoyed it pretty well- C. had some confidences[?] of Walter’s about himself & Ned too.
Nov. 12 - Fri. - Fair -

M. left early before breakfast for Trout Lake with Mrs. Hartley - R. & I went to doctor’s about his small boils - & to pure food show. also Mrs. Ketchum.

Nov. 13 - Sat. - Cloudy, Rainy 40 degrees

Walked about place but otherwise staid home all day - Mr. Willcutts dined with us -

Nov. 14 - Sunday - Rain 40

Storming this A.M. waves very high - C. & R. & I at church.

Nov. 15 - Mon. - Snowy this A.M.

Snow stops storm window work. C. says things have been put off too late this year. M. returned 3 P.M. - I went to D.H. meeting. Dissatisfaction about lecture, rather general. (Miss Hanson here)

Nov. 16 - Tues. - Snow & blow -

R. began music lessons again & I went with him. Some complaint from him. “What’s the use etc.” Miss Hoalgrives[?] goes home in a few days - feels better than she ever did-

Nov. 17 - Wed. - Cloudy - Sun out

C. & I go to lunch at Mrs. Dickinsons

Nov. 18 - Thurs.

Lunch at Mrs. Howe’s - Could not hear very well - Weather perhaps. M. out at lunch too.

Nov. 19 - Fri. - Cloudy Wet.

Mr. Dyche⁹ came this A.M. Seems to like the house - grounds too. Have headache - Sick & went to bed without dinner. Dizzy -

Nov. 20 - Sat.

Better but light headed yet. Weather heavy & dull & yet Mr. D. seems happy.

Nov. 21 - Sun

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⁹ David Dyche, husband of May Bennet, cousin to CBC, was Methodist Minister.
Had Morehouses come home with us to dinner to meet Mr. D. Too bad Dr. Rice\textsuperscript{10} is away.

Nov. 22 - Mon

Sallie had word her sister was sick with diptheria - so I let her go home - Sister in hospital.

Nov. 23 - Tues.

C. left for Calumet - will be back Thurs. A.M.

Nov. 24 - Wed. - Cloudy & rain

Ned home - Did errands & took some flowers around Miss Hoalgrives leaves hospital tomorrow or Sat. (about six wks.)

Nov. 25 - Thurs. Dark - damp

Thanksgiving day. Took R. to church much against his will. Mr. Powell at Baptist. Took some flowers - hospital & Y.W.C.A. Mrs. Ketchum & Mrs. Dickinson [dined here?] 

Nov. 26 - Fri. - Cloudy - wet

A Miss Brewer here with pretty things - asked for deposit.

Nov. 27 - Sat. - Cloudy

R. had Irving & Warren Moore at lunch. C. & I & Marjorie go to dinner at Mrs. Florada’s.

Nov. 28 - Sun - Fine.

Went to church with Ned & M- Chester slipped away when he saw a stranger in pulpit. Mr. Vaughn. Leave this evening for St. P.

Nov. 29 - Mon. - Fair -

Arrived in St. Paul, had breakfast - went to French’s store. I shopped a little - We took his auto to Mpls & back - dined at Club. left for Milwaukee.

Nov. 30 - Tues. Milwaukee. - Clear

Did some shopping (Arrived before breakfast) C. was with me part of the time. Took dinner at Dr. Brown’s - She fainted & alarmed him[?] recently - has to rest -

\textsuperscript{10} Dr. Rice was pastor of Methodist Church in Duluth.
DECEMBER 1909

Dec. 1 - Wed. - Fair

Left Milwaukee 11.40? arrived Chicago 1.25 - Went to galleries etc. got a picture & a few other things - I left on 6.25 train - C. takes 8 something East.

Dec. 2 - Thurs. - rain.

Arrived on morning train from Chicago - but at least 1/2 hour late. M. troubled with bad feelings but out - Sallie returned Monday

Dec. 3 - Fri.


Dec. 4 Sat.

Miss [L?]aintor here at lunch - I went to sale on way home - Episcopal -

Dec. 5 Sun - Very stormy all day -

All staid home. Wind & rain. Ned out this evening a while.

Dec. 6 Mon. [blank]

Dec. 7 Tues. - Very cold -

Went down town when R. went to school & did not return till about four. R. & I took lunch at church - accomplished a good deal. Call on Miss Hoalgrives

Dec. 8 Wed.

These cold days are pretty hard for Aron driving - Ned went with me to Gov. Hoch’s lecture after a good deal of persuasion & then I couldn’t hear.

Dec. 9 Thurs.

Mrs. Shackel & mother came & I gave them tea yesterday - I went today to Matinee musical with Mrs. Gray - enjoyed it. [?] program.

Dec. 10 Fri. [blank]
Dec. 11 - Sat. - Cold -

Marjorie & I spent afternoon at Mrs. Gray’s - Telegram tonight from Alice Knapp - doctor\(^{12}\) died at 4.15 - this afternoon. suddenly

Dec. 12 - Sunday

C. reached home about 12.30 broken piston rod - Did not get telegram in time to turn back.

Dec. 13 - Mon. -

C. left for Geneva this afternoon. I am not feeling fine - some dizziness.

Dec. 14 - Tues. - Very cold wind

Took lunch at Mrs. Hartley’s - said it was first she ever gave.

Dec. 15 - Wed. - Clear

Sallie sick - Was invited to a party at Mrs. Brown’s but declined because of the Knapp funeral. Marjorie is going to Hibbing to party. Walter to Coleraine. Hartley girls at sugar camp.

Dec. 16 - Thurs. - Auto back - Cloudy

Sent off packages by Atherton & wrote a number of letters. Marjorie returned from Hibbing had good time. Men doing floor of amusement room.

Dec. 17 - Fri.

Sallie well since yesterday morn. Chester & Elisabeth came about ten. Good to see them. E. has rheumatism or something like it in right leg - C. says Alice Knapp thinks must sell the San.

Dec. 18 - Sat.

Every day cold - about zero - We were down town a little while. E. went to rink this evening - had Dorothy at dinner. Made 3 calls -

Dec. 19 - Sunday - -6 to - 9 degrees Fair -

Train late & arrived about 1.30 but well & bright as ever. Elis. suffering with her rheumatism but out at church.

\[^{12}\text{Dr. James Chester Knapp – cousin to CAC- lived in Geneva NY}\]
Dec. 20 - Monday - Cloudy a little snow

E. with bad cold & still lame - is to have some girls to tea this afternoon. Walter home - Deaconess House meeting. money slow.

Dec. 21 - Tues. - Fair

Elisabeth has finally had interview with doctor - says she has sciatica. C. went to Chicago. Walter out at dinner. Margaret Florada dined here.

Dec. 22 - Wed. - [blank]

Dec. 23 - Thurs.

Helen has Julia Morrow & Catherine Hunter to dine & stay all night & enjoy her grate fire in bedroom.

Dec. 24 - Fri.

Alfred arrived A.M. Trains are always late. I went with C. to call on the Greenways at hotel. They will not come up to the house. Distributed presents in town.

Dec. 25 - Sat. Sleigh ride - poor sleighing but fun - Bright day

Got down about 8 - R’s things nearly all hidden - including candy - Breakfast 8.30 or near that - Great fun - No company. Some came at evening - E. goes to bed feverish

Dec. 26 - Sun -

M. has headache, but not very bad. Had doctor come to look at E. took a culture as her throat looks bad & fever 102. To church but acous. not working.

Dec. 27 - Monday -

Helen left this afternoon. Hard to let her go so soon. Will be in Rochester M.Y. five days - E. feeling a little better - tonsilitis

Dec. 28 - Tues. - Very cold -

The Café Chantant tonight - all girls busy - M - tired - E. sat up two hours. has some appetite but a little feverish

Dec. 29 - Wed. -18
Let E. go to Caroline Marshall’s lunch & matinee party. Seemed to brace her up. Hates the thought of school - Chester brought Mr. Wallace to dinner. I was at Mrs. Martin’s tea.

Dec. 30 - Thurs. - Fair - 2 degrees

Mr. O. H. [Simmonds?] is buried today. Did not go out. E. has gone to snow shoe party. R. at Eugene’s & at Irvings.

Dec. 31 - Fri.

The Assembly tonight - four of the family there. Wrote - sewed for E. etc. Beda has cold.

MEMORANDA

1909. Vassar vacation begins Mar. 26 - 13 days - Hill about Mar. 24 - 2w/