

Mary T. Hill Diary 1917

January 1, Monday

St. Paul. A beautiful morning not cold 10 above. Clara is better but not yet about.

January 2, Tuesday

I went to see Mrs. Morison today and found her looking well. Annabel McQuillan was there. Clara is better she went for a little outing suffered from rough roads.

January 3, Wednesday

Mrs. Lees 86th. birthday. It is a beautiful mild sunny day. Spent part of forenoon in Mr. Toomeys Office at a Land Co. Meeting. When I brought Mrs. Wm. Lee home for luncheon she told us she was 88 years old 2 years older than I thought. I went to Minneapolis in the afternoon found Fred Phelps better.

January 4, Thursday

St. Paul. A fine mild day. Did a few errands and stayed in this afternoon to do some writing. Dorothy did not start for California as Dorothy jr. was not well enough. Norman left for school this evening.

January 5, Friday

St. Paul. Another mild pleasant day. Clara improves daily - was out this morning. Miss Trott came in this afternoon. Annabel McQuillan came in.

January 6, Saturday

St. Paul. Mild weather still with us - 32 above today. Maud Helen Bunn and Rachel took luncheon with us. Mrs. Raguet here to spend Sunday. Mittie Porter came in so did Mrs. Upham. A letter today from Mary H. Burbank from Italy - Sienna.

January 7, Sunday

Rather cold. Clara went to North Oaks in the afternoon with Georgianna [sic] and Maud. Maud left for the coast this forenoon. Charlotte in Rochester. Mrs. Raguet spending day here.

January 8, Monday - St. Paul

George and Charlotte returned from Rochester this evening. Clara ill again today. Her trip in the country too much yesterday.

January 9, Tuesday

Many callers today. Knowing we are going for the rest of the winter.

January 10, Wednesday

Busy all day preparing to leave home. The city is filling up with Carnival suits. Louis and all the children came in this evening. Fred Phelps is not better. He is ill again.

January 11, Thursday

We are leaving for New York this evening. Mr. M. Brown goes with us. Mary and Tудie Boeckmann in to say goodbye looking so well. Poor Fred Phelps suffering again. Was tapped yesterday.

January 12, Friday

Chicago. Arrived in Chicago one hour and a half late. Mr. Brown Clara and I went directly in search of 602 Arlington Place to find Ann Harrisons abode. Found her and two sisters in shabby circumstances on 3rd. floor. At the station Walter appeared and went on 20th. Century with us. He left us at Toledo. Weather mild, lots of snow.

January 13, Saturday

New York. We reached here nearly 2 hours late this morning. Mr. Brown is with us. Weather here is mild. A little rain. Mike has been ailing. Anson and Ruth dined with us. Dr. Stewart came in a minute after seeing Mike.

January 14, Sunday

New York. A fine morning. We went to 11 oclock Mass at 84th. St. I went in to see Ruths children they have not been well but are better. Mrs. Dahlgren, Mr. Lanier and Mr. Nichols called. Walter arrived this afternoon. Mike and Gertrude dined with us.

January 15, Monday

New York. Colder this morning. I met Mrs. French this morning she told me Mrs. Shradу has been ill of pneumonia she is improving. Quite a snow fall this afternoon. Wrote to Charlotte this morning. Ordered Stationary at T. Starrs.

January 16, Tuesday

New York. A cold morning. Went out toward noon. Walter left for St. Paul today. Mr. Brown left this afternoon. We hear today that Kitty Harriman has a daughter born Sunday night. Miss Denny Mr. Dickerman and Mrs. Morison called today. Mike Gertrude and Ruth dined with us this evening.

January 17, Wednesday

New York. This is a fine winter morning. Gertrude and I went shopping. This afternoon Clara Gertrude and Ruth went to see Mr. Litchfield in regard to the Reference Library furnishings. We have been alone this evening - to knit and read. Wrote to Mamie Dr. Turner and Mary Boeckmann. A letter from Mary B today.

January 18, Thursday

New York. A fine winter morning. I went with Clara and Gertrude to meet Mr. Litchfield at Caldwell's in regard to electric fixtures for Reference Library in St. Paul. This



afternoon I received a note from Mr. John F. Stevens telling me Mrs. John F. Stevens had just passed away most peacefully. Wrote to James Norman and Charlotte.

January 19, Friday

New York. A clear morning. I went down town to do some errands with Clara. Ruth brought Anson over to luncheon. He was very amusing about grape juice he took a bottle home with him. Gertrude spent the evening with us. I read Aunt Jane of Kentucky to them. Mrs. J. P. Morgan called today. She seems well.

January 20, Saturday

New York. I telegraphed Mr. Grob to Jekyll Island this morning. Clara and I went to Mrs. John F. Stevens funeral service this forenoon. She will be buried at Wood Lawn. We saw Mr. Chas. Warren there - he told us of Mrs. S. illness. This afternoon I have been to see Mrs. Sam. Thorne. She looks well but a little changed. Mr. Litchfield called today. I hear Dr. Biggs has landed.

January 21, Sunday

New York. A dark threatening day a little snow and some rain. We went to Mass to St. Leo's. Later inquired for Mr. Lanier who is not well. Gertrude spent the afternoon here. She and Clara talking of the Library at home. Wrote to Mrs. Burbank. Anson, Ruth, Mike, Gertrude, and Carl Taylor dined with us. Mr. Lindley called he was in town for a day.

January 22, Monday

New York. A rather warm morning and the day was warm. Went to see Mrs. Thorne again. Mr. and Mrs. Schiff called yesterday. Maria Taylor called to-day. Mrs. Dahlgren and Mrs. Biggs called too. Mike and Gertrude came in the evening. We see that there was a great blizzard and 15 below in St. Paul yesterday 17 inches of snow.

January 23, Tuesday

St [sic] New York. This is a bright morning and much colder here. We are preparing to leave for Jekyll at 915 tomorrow morning.

January 24, Wednesday

New York. We leave here this morning for Jekyll Island 915 a.m. train. Our train Day is mild no great crowd. From Richmond on it is raining so a clean trip.

January 25, Thursday

On train until after eleven o'clock. We reached Thalman nearly on time and found our car for Brunswick waiting for us. Emily Maurice, her husband and two children on train for Jekyll. With them a Mr. {VouTusa?} and a young [sic] Mr. McCook. Mr. [Vontasni?] is an old Exeter boy a friend of Louis. Capt Clark met us. Mrs. Finch died last evening.

January 26, Friday

Jekyll Island. Weather bright but cool beautiful. It must be that there has been unusual rain for everything on the island looks so freshly green and beautiful. Not many guests

as yet. I miss the Bournes, they were always around. They have gone to California. The Pruyns, Rockefellars [sic], Daws, Crouches, are here, some others. Walked to the beach today. Ballard Jones met us in the car.

January 27, Saturday

Jekyl Island. A fine morning and Day warmer. Went for my usual walk to beach this afternoon looked for shells to send Mary B. Clara and I had letters from her today. Wrote to Louis and to Rachel. Returned a paper signed of Okonogan [sic: Okanogan] Irrigation Bends. Mr. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Morron and Mr. Bs. Granddaughter came last night.

January 28, Sunday

Jekyl Island. A warm morning. Sun rose in Clouds. The Club and all about is in Sabbath quiet to-day. I walked to the beach and there talked with Mr. Morron for a while. Wrote to Maud and to Gertrude also to Park and Tilfords.

January 29, Monday

Jekyl Island. Not well last night and this morning. I had to go back to bed and take my breakfast there an unusual indulgence for me. This evening I am all right again. Wrote to Ruth - and read Lord Redesdale Memories. Knitting goes on between times.

January 30, Tuesday

Jekyl Island. Another fine beautiful day rather hot. 79 at 315 p. m. We had a pleasant drive on the beach. Wrote to Mary Boeckmann. George, Charlotte and Georgana [sic] will arrive in the morning. We shall have to rise early tomorrow. We saw Father Reis here this morning. He says Mass at 630 a. m.

January 31, Wednesday

Jekyl Island. We were up to 630 Mass this morning. As we were coming back sky was so clouded we looked for a rainy day but, it cleared and the day was beautiful. George Charlotte and Georgana [sic] arrive at 1145. So surprised to find all so green and Summery. In the afternoon we all went to the beach (except Clara) and picked [...] shells for Mary B. St. Paul papers are full of the Carnival pictures.

February 1, Thursday

Jekyl Island. Cloudy again this morning. To Georges surprise Mr. Loomis arrived yesterday just after they did. The Van Utusays left this morning. We went down on the beach but had to hurry home ahead of the rain. Rained all afternoon. Still George and I went for a drive in the Woods. Evening has cleared up. Mr. Loomis told more stories. Clara got a letter from Dorothy to day.

February 2, Friday

Jekyl Island. Such a wild windy night as was last night. Very cold this morning 32 wind high as ever. George must have had a rough crossing this a.m. at 730. Wind kept up all afternoon. Can not warm rooms. Evening very cold.

February 3, Saturday

Jekyl Island. Last night certainly was cold but the wind went down some. I never slept under so many covers. This morning at 830 20 above. Some say it went down to 10 above. Pipes frozen in the Ferguson Cottage and other places. Went out to walk in fur coat this forenoon.

February 4, Sunday

Jekyl Island. A bright morning. Still cold 34 at 9 a.m. Some wind. Charlotte in her room a slight cold. Clara felt effect of cold in her feet last evening. Mr. Baker (Geo, Jr.) his granddaughter Florence Lowe and Mr. and Mrs. Morron spent this evening with us. Mr. Morron told us some incidents of P. Armours life.

February 5, Monday

Jekyl Island. Cold this morning in the first 20's. ice and frost in evidence. We learn that the German Ambassador got his papers Saturday afternoon. These are troublons [sic] times. Charlottes cold better. She had a message from George last evening from Chelsea where he is hunting. I had a telegram from Rachel telling me that (section removed) were leaving for California today.

February 6, Tuesday

Jekyl Island. Less wind this morning bright still cold 32 at 830 a.m. Air sharp. Papers suggest preparations for defense. I do not want to contemplate war. Charlotte has a letter from George. He returns in a few days. Mrs. Macy called today. She is not well.

February 7, Wednesday

Jekyl Island. We are up this morning before sunrise for 630 Mass. The day promises to be fine. A cold wind left a chill in the air very cold on Beach. Finished reading Lord Redesdale this evening. He was a man of varied Experiences. Mr. Scrymser and party came today.

February 8, Thursday

Jekyl. This morning looks unsettled so much warmer. A letter from Ruth from N.C. Margaret Milbank sent me such a pretty Bag made by her own ill fingers. Reports that come to Mr. Vail via long distance are not reassuring. We still hope for peace. A rainy afternoon and night.

February 9, Friday

Jekyl Island. This is a sunny morning after yesterdays and last nights heavy rain. I do not hear from Mamie. We do not know whether Gertrude comes tomorrow. Wind rising again. Another very windy afternoon so that I did not drive out. In the evening a telegram from Gertrude telling us they will arrive tomorrow.

February 10, Saturday

Jekyl Island. A cold morning but clear and sunny. Wind has abated. Air sharp. George got here today in time for luncheon. We expect Gertrude and Mike this evening. A letter from Egil and one from Nell Finch today. Slight frost this early morning.

February 11, Sunday

Jekyl Island. A pleasant morning and mild day, lovely on the Beach this afternoon. We packed up some shells. Mike and Gertrude arrived last evening late. Mr. Lanier is here tonight. A letter from Louis and one from Mrs. Raguet also one from Mr. Pyle.

February 12, Monday

Jekyl Island. A cloudy damp morning. Telegraphed Mr. Pyle this early a.m. Afternoon very cold. Wrote to Mr. Pyle Mr. Lanier. Miss Denny and Mlle. came in this afternoon. Clara is practicing typewriting. War talk goes on. Might prove all talk.

February 13, Tuesday

Jekyl Island. Another cold morning and N.W. wind [sic]. In the forenoon walked to Beach to see high tide come in. Then Gertrude and I went to see the wild things in captivity here. Monkey faced olws [sic] - young wild boars - Chinese pheasants - a coon young deer Hawk, horned owl over to Mr. Laniers to hear music.

February 14, Wednesday

Jekyl Island. This is a fine morning. We were up before the sun at 6³⁰ Mass. Yesterday we had for luncheon Georges fine young wild turkey he shot at Chelsea N.C. last week it was delicious. This is a perfect afternoon and warmer. One does not know what to make out of war news. It looks as if should put our house in order. A letter from Louis says the [sic] are going to California soon.

February 15, Thursday

Jekyl Island. Threatening morning grew windy after some rain - and sun came out. Too windy all afternoon even in the Woods but quite warm. Read the "Inn Bars" between times with knitting.

February 16, Friday

Jekyl Island. A clear sunny morning. Wind from N.W. Cold wind on the Beach. This afternoon warmer. Clara is practicing typewriting. George spent today fishing - with little success. Letters from Ruth and Rachel.

February 17, Saturday {written on page for 2/19}

Jekyl Island. A beautiful morning and a fine day. It was delightful on the Beach this morning. George, Charlotte and I looked for shells and found some. Letter from Auntie, Fred is not as well. A telegram from Maud today she said Fred was not so well.

February 18, Sunday

Jekyl Island. A beautiful morning and warm - day becomes very hot - and cloudy. In the afternoon a storm threatened, there was some thunder: rained in the evening. It has been a hot day. Any news we get is not assuring of peace.

February 19, Monday {written on page for 2/17}

A foggy morning - very still.

February 20, Tuesday

Jekyl. This evening was warm but delightful. We had a fine drive on a great Beach this forenoon George Charlotte and I. A good many guests here now. Mr. Kennedy came today. A letter from Louis today. I think they start for California tomorrow. He says prospect good for Union Depot at last. Good news if true.

February 21, Wednesday

Jekyl Island. Ash Wednesday. We are up before dawn for 6³⁰ Mass. A wet morning a mist heavy as rain. Day cleared and has been beautiful. Golf keeps many of the guests busy. This is Walters birth day. He is at Pasadena Cali. A telegram from Mr. Shepard says he enter [sic] his 89th year comfortably well.

February 22, Thursday

Jekyl Island. Washingtons Birth day. Flag pole is dressed a beautiful summery morning. Some games on the beach this afternoon. I did not go to see them. A telegram from Mr. Pyle this morning. Georgiana was ill last night. She is all right again. This has been a beautiful day. Mrs. John S. Kennedy called this morning.

February 23, Friday

Jekyl Island. A fine morning and day. A golf tournament today in which there is much interest. Louis and family left St. Paul for California today. I had a telegram from him. Mrs. Porter and Miss Hageman came in this afternoon. Several guests are expected today. Mr. Dickerman amongst them. The Club is full now.

February 24, Saturday

Jekyl Island. A cloudy early morning. Mike Gertrude, the Turnbolls and Mrs. Louis Slade left this morning. Clara tells me that Eddie Gould and some one have gone over to Mr. Goulds island and that at 10 p.m. he has not returned. Anxiety is felt a party has gone in search. Mr. H. Elliott came today.

February 25, Sunday

Jekyl. A beautiful morning. Bad news from Eddie Gould. I hear his gun went off and he died almost immediately. Mrs. Dows Tutor a Mr. Reynolds who was with him nearly drowned trying to come over. It seems he went to his coon traps, found a vicious coon in one and fearing an attack stuck him with his gun butt and to gun discharged in to his obdomin [sic].

February 26, Monday

Jekyl Island. A warm beautiful morning. Mr. Dickerman left at 7³⁰ this a.m. By 1 p.m. a fine breeze came up so the afternoon was pleasant. The little black sand flies are bad. Dr. James of New York is here with Mrs. James. This is Charlottes birth day. I am glad they stayed over until tomorrow.

February 27, Tuesday

Jekyl Island. A cloudy morning rather warm and misty. George, Charlotte and Georgiana just left at 730 a.m. on way to Washington D.C first. Went for a drive this afternoon with Mrs. Morgan behind horses. Todays paper does not assure us of National Peace.

February 28, Wednesday

Jekyl. A very warm morning. We are up for 630 Mass. By noon cooling. A letter from Mike. Mrs. and Miss Ferguson came to Coffee. The Cranes came to day. This afternoon is delightful. A thunderstorm this evening - a little rain.

March 1, Thursday

Jekyl Island. A beautiful morning. The birds are out doing themselves in choruses this morning - it is charming. Weather cooled at noon. Mr. Elliott and Clara took a walk in the afternoon. He fished in the forenoon with Mr. Macy. Today looks as if we would have to take some part in the War.

March 2, Friday

Jekyl. This was an uncertain morning close and cloudy later sun came out. We went to the Beach it was foggy there letters from Charlotte. Mamie was not in Washington Charlotte said. A letter from Rachel and one from Gertrude and an old photo of me. Letter about photos to be put in Mr. Pyles books. Mr. Lee showed me his Watches.

March 3, Saturday

Jekyl. A glorious morning. The mocking birds think so. There were gym kahna sports on the Beach this forenoon. Mrs. Webster took Mr. Laniers arm to run in a race, he fell and hurt his hip.

March 4, Sunday

Jekyl. Inauguration Day by Calendar. A pleasant morning. Yesterday I had a telegram from Anson Beard telling me little Anson had been operated on Friday night for sudden attack of appendicitas [sic] by Dr. Stewart that he was doing well to day. Gertrude telegraphs he continues in well doing. Thermometer went up to 83 today with strong S.W. wind.

March 5, Monday

Jekyl Island. Thermometer down to 40 this morning! N.W. gale blowing but sun shine. 44 at 830 a.m. Wind blew all day and was cold. Mr. Lanier is more comfortable today after his fall last Saturday at gym kahna sports - at first it was found he injured his hip - he did not.

March 6, Tuesday

Jekyl. Not windy this morning but rather cold. 40 at 8 a.m. A really beautiful day on the Beach and every where. Mrs. Brewsters little girl has developed measles all the other mothers are nervous now. Clara has some trouble with a tooth. Dr. [Danely/Daudy?] here advises her to have it out.

March 7, Wednesday

Jekyll. A warmer morning. As we are up for 6³⁰ Mass - we have seen a glorious Sun rise - and heard the songs of a multitude of birds. The afternoon was fine. Mrs. Tinure went driving with me. Clara's tooth ache does not seem so bad. A letter from Maudie. A telegram eases my mind. Anson is doing well.

March 8, Thursday

Jekyll Island. A delightful morning. Clouds gathered after 12 noon - but scattered by 2³⁰ p.m. Clara has gone to Brunswick to see the Dentist. The Pruys [sic] left today. Mrs. Fisher and little Joan went driving with me this afternoon. The Dentist just treated Clara's tooth.

March 9, Friday

Jekyll Island. A fine cool morning. N. wind. Spent the morning putting papers in order ect. [sic]. Another glorious day. Mrs. Kennedy party left to day. Also Dows family. Charlotte telegraphed they left New York for St. Paul to day. The Island and Club seem very quiet. Clara has not seemed well today. A telegram about Lease of apartment. I telegraphed Mr. Nichols to sign it to day.

March 10, Saturday

Jekyll Island. A bright cold morning and followed by a beautiful day. Went to Mr. Laniers for Coffee to day. Prof. And Mrs. Osborn arrived today. Many have gone but as many come. A letter from Egil to day. His father still in the house has been ill 3 weeks. Clara does not feel well today.

March 11, Sunday

Jekyll Island. A gloriously fine morning. Growth here is rapid. The Cherokee vines are in bud all ready after the heavy frost a month ago. The Wisteria vine again in leaf. A new fruit is being introduced here called Tangelo larger than an ordinary orange, fine flavor partakes of Tangerine and grapefruit.

March 12, Monday

Jekyll Island. This is a perfectly glorious morning. Clara does not feel at all well. The neuritis in her neck or whatever that trouble is bothers her. This has been a hot day. 82 in shade. Clara went out for a drive in the afternoon. Dr. Dandy came in to see her in the evening. Mrs. Fairfield Osborn spent most of evening with me.

March 13, Tuesday

Jekyll Island. A bright warm morning and a very hot day. Clara is better this morning. We are preparing to leave here Thursday morning.

March 14, Wednesday

Jekyll Island. A very foggy warm early morning. I am up for 6³⁰ Mass fog so wet it is like rain. The both Macy families go to White Sulphur Springs to morrow. Have just said goodbye to Mrs. Ellsworth this morning to Mrs. Porter and Miss Hageman Mr. and Mrs.

Wm. Rockefeller [sic] Mrs. Morgan and Miss Blythe – went to the Scrymser Apartment they were out. We have said farewell to the Beach.

March 15, Thursday

On Train. We left Jekyl Island at 915 a.m. today on Boat took train at Brunswick for Talman made a good connection there for New York on 'Seaboard.' Dr. Shattuck came North with Clara and me. All way up through Georgia and South Carolina the woods were in new leaf and full of blossoms a hot day.

March 16, Friday

Forenoon on Train. We were $\frac{3}{4}$ of an hour late at Washington D. C. Dr. Shattuck left train at Baltimore. We arrived in New York 20 minutes late - found Ruth and Gertrude at house to greet us. Clara felt so ill leaving Jekyl [sic] Island I am thankful to see her better today. We had a good trip up. Little Anson very well. A telegram from Dorothy tells us Dorothy jr. is doing very well.

March 17, Saturday

New York. A cloudy morning. As if anxieties of the War were not enough labor leaders are developing a Strike. St. Paul paper tells us that wrebage [sic] has commenced for St. Paul Union Depot! Can it be true after all. I went to see little Anson at Roosevelt Hospital this afternoon found him looking well well [sic] and happy. Ansons sr. birthday. We took luncheon with them.

March 18, Sunday

New York. A bright pleasant morning. Went to 10- oclock Mass. Afternoon clouded over. Mary Beard went for a drive with Clara Gertrude and me. We found her imagination lively. She likes to talk better than to listen. Miss Bigelow called this afternoon full of Mr. Dickermans approaching marriage. She is a very old friend of his.

March 19, Monday

New York. To day, cold this a.m. 24 and high wind. Went for a drive in forenoon and walk in the afternoon. Decision on Adamson Law given out today. History is being so rapidly made these days it is hard to follow.

March 20, Tuesday

New York. A warmer morning. 40 at 830. Gertrude and I went to Putnams. She found a fine set of Shakespeare and I got Pilgrims Progress. Then we went to Roosevelt Hospital to see Anson jr. He was well and happy. Mike has not been well today.

March 21, Wednesday

New York. A dull morning not cold. A letter from Rachel and one from Mary Boeckmann this morning - telling me of mountains of snow in St. Paul yet.

March 22, Thursday

48 above. A fine pleasant morning. Went downtown to get some yarn found it was 2.00 a pound and not satisfying at that. A letter from Fred Phelps saying he was better. Clara and I are alone this evening. I finished reading New Ideals of Business by Ida Tarbell.

March 23, Friday

New York. A beautiful morning. Turned to a rainy evening. In the afternoon Clara and I drove out Riverside returning we saw on far out Broadway the one story "Tabernacle" they have built for Billy Sunday - covering half a Block near is a Restaurant Bldg. to serve listeners. Very business like and human arrangements. Mike, Gertrude and Ruth dined with us.

March 24, Saturday

New York. A rainy warm morning cleared about 11 a.m. Clara is not well.

March 25, Sunday

New York. A beautiful day. Gertrude and I went to 10 oclock Mass. Sent a telegram to Mr. Toomey early in regard to Northcote. Sent one to L.W. also to {crossed out: Pa Bebble} Delmonte, Monteray. Went to see Anson jr. in the afternoon he is ready to leave Roosevelt Hospital tomorrow.

March 26, Monday

New York. A fine day. Went to Dressmakers in the morning. When I came back a man from Mr. Nichols office was here with long message from Louis. Mr. Nichols came to see me in the afternoon. Clara is better. Mike is not well. Dr. Stewart is attending her.

March 27, Tuesday

New York. A rainy morning and day. I went to see Dr. Weeks this forenoon he finds my eyes doing well not changing much. Have heard from Dorothy today. Telegraphed Louis again. Jim came in this afternoon. Dr. Stewart finds Clara doing well today. Mike at home all day. Jim came in this afternoon.

March 28, Wednesday

New York. A pleasant morning some wind. Only out for airing and a walk. Anson jr. out for a drive this afternoon. Clara is better. Egil telegraphs. Unlce Phelps is quite dangerously ill that Fred is better. Mr. Lindley came in the afternoon - just over from Washington. Fred with his father is seriously ill.

March 29, Thursday

New York. A cloudy morning cleared by noon. Sun Shine. Cloudy and threatening by 2 p.m. Colder. Clara does not feel so well to day. Muller Uri came in this afternoon. Anson jr. out again today. Another telegram from Louis. Mike and Gertrude dined with me and spent the evening.

March 30, Friday

New York. A beautiful morning. We went for a drive Gertrude and I after taking luncheon with Anson jr. It has been a glorious afternoon. Mike and Gertrude dined with me. Clara improves. Jim called today while I was out. I went to see the Apartment rented for me.

March 31, Saturday

New York. A dark early morning. Cleared at 10 oclock. Norman came today on way to School all right. Mamie and Aggie Tingle came early this afternoon. A telegram just came telling me that Uncle Phelps died this morning. Charlotte sent the message. Clara is better. Poor Uncle Phelps. May he rest in peace.

April 1, Sunday

New York. Palm Sunday. Mamie and Aggie Tingle came yesterday afternoon. James called later. Today has been Summer heat. 78 and 80 in shade. Very sultry. Anson, Ruth Mike and Gertrude dined with me. Clara still in her room.

April 2, Monday

New York. A fine day not so hot. Maria Taylor and Isabella took luncheon with me today. This is Ansons and Ruths 15th. annaversary [sic]. They are happy to see Anson jr. so well again. Mamie came in today. Dr. Stewart said this evening Clara could take the air on the roof tomorrow. Pres. Wilson reading his war address at 8 oclock p.m.

April 3, Tuesday

New York. A cloudy morning. Gertrude and I went to Mr. Litchfields Office to see electric fixtures for Reference Library - and to look at furniture drawings. Mrs. Dahlgren took luncheon with me. Clara is better. She was on the roof to get air to day. Pres. Wilsons address last night is a fine paper. Now Congress will probably declare for War.

April 4, Wednesday

New York. A bright beautiful morning. Supply of flags about exhausted [sic] in this City - they fly from most homes and places. I dined at Ruths this evening. Mrs. Beard was there looking badly. Clara was on the roof quite a while today. I tried to buy a flad [sic] for St. Paul but could not get the size or even give an order for it to day.

April 5, Thursday

New York. Holy Thursday. A cloudy raw day. Went to eight oclock Mass. at St. Ignatius this morning. The service was beautiful. Clara seems improved to day - looks better. Flowers are very fine in New York at this Season.

April 6, Friday

New York. Good Friday. A dark wet morning. Clara feeling more comfortable today. Gertrude and I went to the uptown Jesuite [sic] Church to the 3 hour Service. A most impressive Service. Mamie came in this afternoon. War declared today. That is the beginning. God above knows the end.

April 7, Saturday

New York. Very windy and cold. Dr. Stewart brought Dr. Taylor to see Clara this morning. I went over to see Anson jr. this afternoon. He had a play Exhibition of his drawings. His grandmother Beard was there. George Slade came this {"afternoon" – crossed out} evening from Washington.

April 8, Sunday

New York. Easter. We George Slade Gertrude and I went to high Mass at uptown Jesuite [sic] Church. A beautiful Service. The sitting room here is a bower of beauty with blossoms. In the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Thorne called. Grenville Pauline Emmet and their children. Later Judge Spencer Mr. Hale Holden and Miss Holden. Clara feels pretty well.

April 9, Monday

New York. Cold, windy 7 inches of snow fell last night and this morning. A March like day. This afternoon Clara went to Roosevelt Hospital. I am so taken up with her that I am not following attentively War changes that is rapidly coming to this country. Charlie Maitland very ill in St. Paul.

April 10, Tuesday

New York. A bright cold morning - going over to the Hospital early. Clara was operated on for appendicitas [sic] at Roosevelt Hospital this morning. Dr. Taylor the Surgeon Dr. Stewart and Dr. Biggs were there too. I have seen her this afternoon. Gertrude saw her this evening. Dr. Biggs went in the afternoon and tells me she is in fine condition. George left us this afternoon.

April 11, Wednesday

New York. A beautiful morning. Clara has had a good night. She is doing very well - in every way. Dr. Biggs came in this forenoon to tell me so. Dr. Stewart telephoned the same this morning. Anson went over to Washington with George. James N. B. had his tonsil roots removed yesterday. He had an abscess in his throat too so he had a hard time for a while. He is much better today.

April 12, Thursday

New York. A dark threatening day. A little rain fell. Clara continues all right. This is not a comfortable day for her. Dr. Biggs came in today he found her in good condition. Sam. was here today. Mamie in bed worn out by her anxiety over James. James all right to day. I saw him. Sam just the same Sam.

April 13, Friday

New York. A very dark morning. Clara more comfortable today. James N. B. doing well too. Saw Mamie and she is some what rested. Gertrude preparing to go to French Lick tomorrow. Afternoon cleared.

April 14, Saturday

New York. A bright cold morning. Gertrude and I went to see about Library furniture and to see Mr. Litchfield. Clara has had a good night and looks better. Sam. Hill came again today. Mr. Carter and Ann arrived today. Gertrude left for French Lick Springs this afternoon.

April 15, Sunday

New York. A fine morning. Sam Hill arrived to go to church this morning. Clara is really doing surprisingly well. So is James. Mamie too is recovering from her fatigue. I took luncheon with Ann Carter today. Mrs. Dahlgren Pauline Mr. Taylor and Miss Bigelow called this afternoon.

April 16, Monday

New York. A bright morning rather cold. Clara could not be recovering better. James N. B. is getting on well too. Poor Margaret Milbank is not well at all. Dr. considering another operation. We Mr. Carter Ann Carter Mike and I dined at Ruths.

April 17, Tuesday

New York. A beautiful morning. Ann Carter and I went for a walk then we went to the Hospital to see Clara found her very well later we Ruth and I went to see James. He was partially dressed had been out: that I thought imprudent. Louise Pomeroy took luncheon here. Ruth and Anson dined here.

April 18, Wednesday

New York. A fine morning. Found Clara had a good night and enjoyed her luncheon. Mr. Carter and Ann took luncheon and dinner here. Gavin Carter, Mike Anson and Ruth joined me at dinner.

April 19, Thursday

New York. A very dark morning. Cleared by noon. Mr. Lanier and Miss Denny called this forenoon to inquire for Clara. She is all right today. A parade today called Hurry up Day to prepare for War. The parade was all right had it been allowed to move. 2 was starting time 3 saw it start than delay of an after a few sections passed.

April 20, Friday

New York. A dark threatening morning - rather raw. Went to see James N. B. and Mamie. I saw him she was not in, he is all right again. Clara has had a good night and is fine this morning. Mrs. John F Harris called while I was out. Maria and Isabella Taylor called.

April 21, Saturday

New York. Another dark morning very damp day. Mr. Carter left for Memphis this afternoon. Clara progressing well. Mamie came this afternoon. She goes to Washington for a few days. Ann Carter stays with me as Mike is absent. James came in last night and brought me the most beautiful work bag.

April 22, Sunday

New York. A fine morning. Found Clara comfortable this morning. Ann Carter and I went to ten oclock Mass at 84th Street. Mr. John D. Ryan walked back with us. Anson, Ruth, and Mike dined with Ann and me. Poor Margaret Milbank is making her family anxious again.

April 23, Monday

New York. A fine rather warm morning at noon turned cloudy sultry afternoon. I went to see Mrs. Thorne found her looking pretty well but confined pretty closely to her chair - gets out for a drive. A telegram from Louis says he will be here the 29th having to go to Washington first. Clara fine today.

April 24, Tuesday

New York. A cloudy morning and day. Clara very well this morning. Stitches taken out. I have had a lot of writing to do to day. To Louis, to Rachel Gertrude Mr. Toomey and George Slade.

April 25, Wednesday

New York. A bright morning. Colder. Dog wood blooming - in the Park, the trees coming into leaf. Mary Taylor arrived at Gertrudes this morning. Before my walk I took them to the Park green house this morning later we went to the Hospital to see Clara. Found her well. Margaret Milbank is very ill again. Ruth dined with me. Telegraphed George today.

April 26, Thursday

New York. A very dark wet morning, dark and rainy all day. Went to the Hospital twice. Gertrude Harris came over from visiting Clara and took luncheon with Ruth and me. Anson & Ruth dined with me. Gavin Carter came in to say good bye he leaves for Memphis tonight to offer himself to his country. His brother has joined the Aviators.

April 27, Friday

New York. A little rain early today sun coming out. Ansons 8th birthday. He and Mary wildly excited. Mary Taylor Ann Carter and I took luncheon there. Clara looks very well. I met Dr. Stewart there this afternoon. Ruth has gone to Tuxedo until Sunday. Mary Taylor and Ann Carter dined with me.

April 28, Saturday

New York. A bright morning rather cold last night. Found Clara fine this morning. Did not go out in the afternoon. Dined with Ann and Mary Taylor and Marys brother "Buddy". Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Schultz came in the evening and spent the evening here - with me.

April 29, Sunday

New York. A beautiful morning. Went to 11 oclock Mass expecting to hear Father La Farge he could not come his associate in mission work took his place. Found that Clara had tried sitting up and that she felt so comfortable she was not anxious to return to bed. I expect Louis in the morning.

April 30, Monday

Clara is not entirely comfortable today nothing serious however. Louis Mr. Brown and Mr. Budd arrived this morning. Margaret Milbanks operated again today. Drs. think she is in pretty good condition.

May 1, Tuesday

New York. A dark rainy morning and entire rainy day and Cold for May Day. Clara perfectly comfortable again had good sleep last night. Mamie returned to New York Saturday. She was here today. Dr. Stewart and Mrs. Stewart dined here. Later Judge Burke called on Louis.

May 2, Wednesday

New York. A bright morning and pleasant temperature. Clara all right sitting up gaining strength each day. Mamie came over looking so well. Miss Denny and Mrs. Taylor called on Clara today. Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth called here today. Archbishop Ireland and Bishop McGolrick called too.

May 3, Thursday

New York. A fair morning. Louis went over to Washington last night. An unpleasant cold day. Clara was out on roof of Hospital today. Margaret Milbanks doing well. Gertrude returned this morning from French Lick. Dined at Gertrudes. Louis telegraphed he would arrive from Washington D. C. and then lost the train 11 p.m.

May 4, Friday

New York. A bright morning. Clara was wheeled up to the roof of the Roosevelt Hospital yesterday afternoon. I am leaving for home this p.m. 245. I am sorry to leave Clara here. She will soon come over to No. 8 to recuperate.

May 5, Saturday

Chicago. Arrived ahead of time on the 20th. Century. Mrs. D. Miller met me at Station and took me over to Burlington R. R. As we arrived ten minutes before leaving time we had a little visit. Arrived home on time 1016 p.m. Rachel and Egil met me. Charlotte on her way to New York.

May 6, Sunday

St. Paul. A fine morning they tell me I brought fine weather. I hope if I did that the supply will last it is needed. Trees still bare. Shrubs without any greenness. Went to North Oaks little sign of Spring yet.

May 7, Monday

St. Paul. Busy all day putting things to order after 4 months absence. A flag pole came today - seems to be of interest to the neighborhood. Quite a piece of work to take out 10 feet of cement that was in after the old pole came down from lightning. War preparations go on actively here.

May 8, Tuesday

St. Paul. A fine day but still some cooler. Rachel has been staying here nights since I came home. Major Wilson and Mr. Macpherson called {crossed out: "to day"} this evening. Georgiana and I went to Minnehaha this afternoon and to call on Mrs. Raguet find Mrs. De Mers better.

May 9, Wednesday

St. Paul. A beautiful day busy all forenoon. Went to Minneapolis this afternoon. Did not see Fred, Auntie did not invite me to. She said he was about the same.

May 10, Thursday

St. Paul. A beautiful day. Perhaps rain is needed the foliage is so slow coming out. I went to Echo Lake with Rachel and the children this afternoon to see the new house. I had a pleasant surprise. It is a remarkably successful house and wonders have been accomplished in grading.

May 11, Friday

St. Paul. Another bright fine day - perhaps not enough - for vegetation - met Dr. Schafer this forenoon and had a little visit with him. Annabel McQuillan called this afternoon and went with me for a drive. George and Charlotte returned this evening. She ill with a cold.

May 12, Saturday

St. Paul. Another fine day dry and dusty. I am staying in today as I have a cold. Maudie and Georgiana took luncheon with me today. George came in this morning to tell me news of Clara in New York and to tell me of the New York reception to French Commissioners.

May 13, Sunday

St. Paul. A perfect morning but of course too dry. We do need rain very much. Went to 9 oclock Mass stayed in all rest of the day, as I have a slight cold. Louis took luncheon with me. Egil christened the Echo Lake house today they dined with me.

May 14, Monday

St. Paul. A gloriously warm day. I have been very busy all day getting ready to put away furs. Sending Piano to North Oaks and sending off an old Sohmer Piano. Mrs. Raguet came today to stay a while.

May 15, Tuesday

St. Paul. Went to bed last night feeling so ill just after I thought I was about over my cold.

May 16, Wednesday

St. Paul. Feeling wretched after a wakeful disturbed sleep. Bronchial colds are miserable. To stay in bed today. 85 to day, very hot and sultry.

May 17, Thursday

St. Paul. A little rain at 6 this a.m. Fruit blossoms out now beautifully. Another restless night and uncomfortable early morning. I feel better at noon.

May 18, Friday

St. Paul. Still up stairs suffering from a cold. Watched them put up the new P.C. flag pole to day. It is a fine one and worth waiting for. I am improving. It is a trying day such thick atmosphere not invigorating. Mary and Tудie Boeckmann saw flag put up.

May 19, Saturday

St. Paul. A fine beautiful day. Clear after thunder and a little rain. Had a wretched night because of medicine that disagreed with me feeling better today. This Liberty Loan and McAdoo Day a Parade this afternoon. It is Louis W. and Louis birthday. 45 and 15.

May 20, Sunday

St. Paul. A beautiful but much cooler day. Had good rest last night. So feel better to-day must cough for a while I presume. Lilacs coming out. Fruit blossoms passing.

May 21, Monday

St. Paul. A dark cold morning raining. Rachels birthday. The anniversary of our arrival in St. Paul in 1850 – 67 years to day. My new door mat is out. I have not seen it as I am in my room recovering from a cold and bronchitis [sic]. Raining all day it is what the country needs.

May 22, Tuesday

St. Paul. A bright pleasant day but cold I am told. I feel stronger and some better. I am knitting on Sailor Sweater for the Minnesota. Maud went to Rochester today with Mrs. Chas. Mayo frost is predicted for to night.

May 23, Wednesday

St. Paul. A beautiful morning some warmer: less wind. Rachel went to Minneapolis yesterday {crossed out: this morning}. She says Fred looks very badly. Charlotte came to town to-day. She is not strong yet after her cold. A telegram from Walter today enquiring about me.

May 24, Thursday

St. Paul. A fine day but winds are still cold. Mrs. Schell came over to luncheon and spent the afternoon a remarkably sharp woman for 84 years. Maud got back from Rochester this evening. A telegram today from Jim. to say he will arrive the 28th.

May 25, Friday

St. Paul. A fine morning some warmer, yet out of sun air cold winds from Lake Superior ice inclement. My cough gave me little rest last night otherwise I am better. Rachel gone to Echo Lake. Charlotte in from Dellwood to stay until Sunday.

May 26, Saturday

St. Paul. A cloudy rainy day. I had a restful night and feel so much better today. A letter from Clara also one from Ruth. All seems to be well with them. Charlotte spending a couple of days with me. George came up to luncheon today. He looks rested.

May 27, Sunday

St. Paul. A beautiful morning and warmer. Charlotte went home after Mass taking Major Wilson with her. I sat on the upper terrace in the sun for a while. I am living over again Papas last days one year ago.

May 28, Monday

St. Paul. A fine morning rather cold. Jim. arrived this morning looking well. He says James N. B. came from Chicago with him going to Minneapolis. James N.B. came down with Mrs. Richard Hill this afternoon and left at 8³⁰ p.m on Burlington R. R. for Washington.

May 29, Tuesday

St. Paul. A dark after 9 a.m. the early morning gloriously bright and warm. Papa left us one year ago today. A tedious year to look back on. I was not able to go out to North Oaks today. Charlotte and Rachel went and the floral remembrances are beautiful they tell me.

May 30, Wednesday

St. Paul. A very dark rainy day but the rain is a great blessing. We should be thankful. Archbishop Ireland and Bishop OGorman called this afternoon. Later Major Wilson came. Many old friends send telegrams and messages in remembrance of Papa.

May 31, Thursday

St. Paul. This morning was still dark and wet. The afternoon has cleared and is beautiful every thing so washed and clean. Beautiful floral offerings are many on papas grave. I am not yet able to get out to North Oaks.

June 1, Friday

St. Paul. A rather uncertain day and quite cool. Went for a ride for the first time in over two weeks as far as the River. My strength is slow to return after bronchitis [sic]. Maudies birthday. Mauds {sr. inserted below} parrot got out but was recovered in time from a tree top.

June 2, Saturday

St. Paul. A most glorious day. A real June day - in the afternoon we went to North Oaks Charlotte Mrs. Raguet and I everything out there beautiful. Sky, Lake wood ect. [sic]. Papas grave covered with sweet blossoms - and all around it so serene.

June 3, Sunday

St. Paul. A fine morning. Mrs. Raguet Charlotte and I went to 9 oclock Mass. St. Lukes. Later Mrs. R and I went for a drive across High Bridge through Mendota back via Dodd Road - by 2 p.m. there was a shower: Cloudy.

June 4, Monday

St. Paul. A very trying day. Last nights electric storm in all its fearfulness has not cleared the atmosphere, on the contrary. Very damp and cold a deluge of rain last night. Ben Morison and Mrs. Ben left for California today. Dorothy and Dorothy jr. arrived this morning looking so well.

June 5, Tuesday

St. Paul. A cloudy morning. Some wind and cold. Louis and Mauds 16th. anniversary. He is in Washington D. C. today. I went down town for the first time in weeks today. Mrs. Dan. S. Lamont died last night at Millbrook N. Y.

June 6, Wednesday

St. Paul. A really discouraging day. So dark and wet rained all day - rather cold too. Could not get out at all. Charlotte came in town.

June 7, Thursday

St. Paul. This morning promised better weather and Mrs. Raguet and I went for a drive through and around Como Park. This afternoon is threatening and dark again. Mrs. Schultze came in this afternoon and told me poor Margaret not so well again.

June 8, Friday

St. Paul. At last a beautiful day. A memorable anniversary to me. 53 years ago in 1864 Papa and I were engaged to be married. This is my second lonely commemoration. Mrs. Raguet and I went to visit Uncle Phelps grave today. Rachel moved out to Echo Lake this afternoon. Clara will return early next week.

June 9, Saturday

St. Paul. A fine day. Mrs. Raguet and I went to North Oaks this forenoon - everything out there looks well. Louis and the boys took dinner with us this evening later they saw another lot of Marines off.

June 10, Sunday

St. Paul. A fine morning rather windy. We hear Clara will return Wednesday morning. Charlotte and Nell Finch will meet her in Chicago Tuesday. Mrs. Raguet and I went through Fort Snelling and to Minnehaha this forenoon. The Falls are beautiful.

June 11, Monday

St. Paul. A cloudy windy day quite hot. Mrs. Raguet and I went over to the Phalen Sanitorium the Crippled Childrens Hospital. 140 patients there - fine looking children. It seemed strange to me they were all so quiet. Dorothy jr. had her tonsils removed today at St. Josephs Hospital.

June 12, Tuesday

St. Paul. An uncertain forenoon beautiful afternoon. Mrs. Raguet and I went to Oakland Cemetery to visit Mrs. Finchs grave. The Country looks beautiful now. Mr. Nichols and Jim. arrive Thursday morning. Clara returns tomorrow.

June 13, Wednesday

St. Paul. A very windy Cold day. Clara came home this forenoon. She does not look so well or strong as I hoped she might. Mrs. Raguet left for home today. Louis family have moved to North Oaks this wind will be disagreeable there.

June 14, Thursday

St. Paul. A cold windy morning. Jim. and Mr. Nichols arrived this morning. Mr. N does not look very well. Sam. passed through the City this forenoon. I saw him a few moments.

June 15, Friday

St. Paul. A really beautiful day and warmer a frost reported of last night. We are all thankful the wind has gone down. Clara looks and seems better to day. Bertha Sturgis called today very happy over Sams promotion. A Major General.

June 16, Saturday

St. Paul. A cool day. Went out to Good Shepherd Sisters left curtain material there. 1.15 yds. 40-40-30. Went to call on Mrs. Schultze. She was not at home. A family meeting here at 4 p.m. Mr. Nichols and Jim. left this {crossed out: afternoon} evening 830.

June 17, Sunday

St. Paul. A very hot morning and day. After Mass I went to Minneapolis to see Fred. Phelps. He seemed no worse to me than last Winter. Clara does not feel well today. Louis came in a while in the afternoon. Mr. Lindley called in the evening.

June 18, Monday

St. Paul. A hot morning. 88 yesterday. Clara went out this forenoon far as River. She seems better than yesterday. This afternoon Archbishop Ireland came here with the Papal Ablegate and a Bishop from Australia.

June 19, Tuesday

St. Paul. A cloudy morning. Dorothy sr. went to Chicago on her way East. Dorothy jr. and a nurse leave this morning to join her on trip to Manchester Sea Side. From Jackson St. to Broadway and all back from 9th St. looks as if a cyclone struck it. {crossed out: Such is progress!}

June 20, Wednesday

St. Paul. A hot forenoon. Admiral Peary in town today. This afternoon I went over to see Mrs. Schell. Coming back we drove through the district that is being demolished for Ry improvements. Such is progress! Old St. Paul is pretty well eradicated.

June 21, Thursday

St. Paul. The longest day of the year. Cloudy. Afternoon fine but cold. Dr. Schafer called this afternoon. I went for a drive in Winter wraps.

June 22, Friday

St. Paul. A cold windy morning. I feel anxious about the fields and the harvest - foliage and green are wonderfully fine. Norman took luncheon with me - to day. Clara looks better. She took luncheon with Nell. Finch.

June 23, Saturday

St. Paul. A dark cold morning warmer by noon. Last evening I went with Louis to see a party of Marines leave for Philadelphia to be trained a sobering sight. An engineer off a S. Boat starting for New Orleans came and spoke to me and told me he was confined with Walter his name was Cominski.

June 24, Sunday

St. Paul. A fine forenoon. Cloudy afternoon. Day rather cool. Minnesota Strawberries in market since Friday. I went to North Oaks this forenoon. Country looks charming. Gardens backward. Charlotte, George and Norman in to luncheon.

June 25, Monday

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June 26, Tuesday

St. Paul. Made Straw berries preserves. Jam and sunned. Went {Wednesday inserted above} out to Rachels today. Her new house is a surprise it is such success in every way. The grounds too are coming out so well over.

June 27, Wednesday

Echo Lake. The children after all is the crowning joy of it all. Charlotte came over to luncheon.

June 28, Thursday

Echo Lake. A fine morning and day. A little rain to [sic] this early morning. Clara seems not to mind the trip out yesterday. Mr. Macpherson and Walter came out to dinner and spent the evening. I am knitting a helmet for Navy Sailor.

June 29, Friday

St. Paul. We came in to town early today. Clara to keep Dentist appointment. Mrs. Boeckmann came in this afternoon. She seems depressed over the Drs. illness.

June 30, Saturday

St. Paul. put up some more Strawberries today busy preparing to leave for North Oaks. A hot day. George and Nell Finch dined with us this evening. Walter left for Washington D.C. this evening.

July 1, Sunday

St. Paul. A delightful day Not too hot. My 71st. birthday. Such a lot of flowers. Charlotte presented me with two fine large flags – a most welcome gift - at this time. Rachel came in to Mass this morning, Charlotte George and Georgiana and Norman for luncheon.

July 2, Monday

St. Paul. A windy cold day down to 49. Went to North Oaks found it cold drive. Gertrude Peet very ill. Ann Polk arrived today. Arthur Driscoll and John Upham came in yesterday {crossed out: to} day both look well. Fort Snelling agrees with them.

July 3, Tuesday

St. Paul. A cloudy morning. We are moving to North Oaks to day. Dr. and Mrs. Biggs came in with Charlotte. As they were leaving on evening train we were late starting for North Oaks. A cold day and evening.

July 4, Wednesday

North Oaks. A beautiful morning for which we are thankful. As the Belgian Mission are in town today and will take luncheon with us and stay until 4 p.m. At 130 p.m. arrived Archbishop Ireland – Baron Ludoric Moncheur - General Mathieu LeCercq – Major Leon Osterreith - Count Louis d'Ursee – (a lieutenant) Mr. James G. Whitely (the Barons Sec.) Mr. Hugh Gibson rep (S. Dept. Washington) Capt. D. C. Cook – U. S. A. – Adjutant Maurice Thennart (Sec. of Gen. Leclercq) Orderly Edgar Dangois. See page after page 365. Gen. Sage came too.

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nex [sic] to page 365 1917 Belgian Mission. At luncheon at North Oaks July 4th. Mr. and Mrs. C Severence Mr. Macpherson Mrs. [sic] and Mrs. Geo. T. Slade (George and Charlotte) Egil and Rachel Clara and myself. Louis could not come. St. Paul did them honor. They went from us to a reception at University Club. They were delightful gentlemen.

July 5, Thursday

North Oaks. Quite an electric storm all last night. Very windy this morning - still Cloudy warmer. I went to town this early afternoon to Mrs. Wm. F. Peets funeral service. Nell Finch went with me. Another rain and electric storm going on now at 5 p.m.

July 6, Friday

North Oaks. A warmer morning. Clara went to town this forenoon to Dentist. Norman came over to spend the day and night. George and Charlotte came to dinner and for the evening. Afternoon temperature 74. Maud telephones Cortie is doing finely. Children went down to spend a few days with him.

July 7, Saturday

North Oaks. This is a misty damp morning beads of water everywhere very still. I went over to White Bear to get an electric stove to avoid heat of wood range this hot weather.

Came back via Bald Eagle Lake and past N. end of North Oaks fields and gardens all promising - haying late. Mrs. Beals, Helen Bunn and Mr. Lindley out for Sunday.

July 8, Sunday

North Oaks. A bright hot morning and a threatening of a storm at 10 a.m. high wind and some rain at 11 a.m. - as we were coming from Mass. Mr. Lindley and Mrs. Beals here since last evening to spend to day and to night. Helen Bunn over for luncheon and dinner.

July 9, Monday

North Oaks. A perfectly beautiful day. Clara went to town. To Dentist ect. [sic]. In the afternoon Rachel brought the children over. Tini Meagher and Annabel came out for a while.

July 10, Tuesday

North Oaks. I went to town to do some errands and to put up some Cherries - a rain storm came up and the afternoon got very dark. In the evening we had a severe electric storm. An evergreen tree was struck and splintered.

July 11, Wednesday

North Oaks. A fine day after the storm. In the afternoon I went around the garden. All is backward as we have had little growing weather rains interfere with haying. Charlotte and Nell Finch came out. Mr. John Meagher and 'Tine' and Egil and Rachel came over to dinner. Cortie is running about as if no appendix out.

July 12, Thursday

North Oaks. A fine bright morning - and a pleasant day but cool. In my looking about I found the apple trees are not doing well and the winds have broken so many limbs. Charlotte spent the afternoon and dined with us. We are knitting helmets for the Navy and how the yarn disappears.

July 13, Friday

North Oaks. A cloudy rainy morning - too many showers no chance for haying! Tried making this years currants into jelly. They are unusual in some way jelly too stiff. Dr. Fisher is out. He is Captain Fisher now.

July 14, Saturday

North Oaks. A beautiful morning it will be a hotter day. Finished putting cherries and went to Minneapolis found Fred improved in some ways he gets out doors some. Charlotte came over for dinner. Dr. Chas E. Smith and Major Wilson came out in the evening.

July 15, Sunday

North Oaks. A perfectly delightful Summer morning. We saw Charlotte and Rachel at Mass at White Bear. Louis Maud and Nell Finch are off with Dr. Wm. Mayo on the River for the day. Dr. Fisher left us for Rochester at 3 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. John Meagher drove

out this afternoon. This has been a changeable afternoon rain and thunderstorms fine now at 6 p.m. Began to read Pilgrims Progress.

July 16, Monday

North Oaks. A perfect day uninterruptedly such days are rare this Season. We finished making currant jelly this morning. Mr. Helion called this afternoon he comes from San Diego Cal. Clara has gone to town for the night. Maud and Louis spent the evening here.

July 17, Tuesday

North Oaks. A hot morning. 74 in my room at 8 a.m. Clara brought Nell Finch back with her. Jerome and Cortie took luncheon with us. Maud and Louis dined and spent the evening with us. The night is comfortable.

July 18, Wednesday

North Oaks. A hot morning. 76 at 745. Gertrude arrived this morning, very well. Mr. Lindley and Mr. Toomey came out to conduct a family meeting in regard to Farm Lands in Kitson Co. Northcote ect. [sic]. Mrs. Bunn Mr. C. Bunns mother and Helen came over also Rachel and the children.

July 19, Thursday

North Oaks. Cloudy a little rain early this a.m. Later a fine hot day. Gertrude and I drove around the "Island" and via "new Road" around farm by "Rapps" place. Clara left for White Mts. this evening. Rachel and Egil missed seeing her as we left for station before they arrived.

July 20, Friday

North Oaks. 92 at 4 p.m. An electric storm last night from 11 to after 1 oclock. Hot this morning. Gertrude made currant jelly. Currants a large crop. She and I went to town after luncheon at 4 p.m. at the Cathedral George was received into the Catholic Church by Archbishop Ireland. Dr. Schaefer and I were sponsors. We dined at Charlottes.

July 21, Saturday

North Oaks. A bright beautiful morning. These bright sunny, hot days are blessings to mature the produce of the fields in the War days of great need. Fred Phelps is very ill today. Mrs. Raguet came out for Sunday. Maud and the children left for Glacier Park tonight. Louis left for Washington D.C.

July 22, Sunday

North Oaks. A cloudy hot morning. Mr. Lindley out for the day. Fred Phelps about the same. A hot day. We called on Mrs. Upham and John at Rachels where they were spending the day and saw the children. Mr. Lindley went to town in the evening. I finished reading John Bunyans Life.

July 23, Monday

North Oaks. A hot morning. 80 on east side of screened porch. Gertrude and I took Mrs. Raguet home and went to Minneapolis to see how Fred Phelps was, he is very uncomfortable and unhappy not promising. We did some errands. Very hot afternoon. 94 in shade at 2 p.m.

July 24, Tuesday

North Oaks. A hot morning. How the Corn grows! Today has been a very hot day - nearly 90 on N. side here. Charlotte came over in the evening. We are still knitting helmets for sailors.

July 25, Wednesday

North Oaks. A hot morning. Last night very little air stirred. Gertrude and I went over to Rachels for luncheon. It was "Tudies" second birthday. She sat at the table and was good as possible. Mr. Macpherson was there. Charlotte came over for the night. A telegram from Walter from New York. Letter from Mr. Carroll. Telegram from Maud from Glacier Park. Heat about 90.

July 26, Thursday

North Oaks. Last night very hot. This morning hottest yet. A telegram from Clara reports White Mts. moderate temperature. This is the most trying day yet. Gertrude and I went up to Spring Farm to see hay Stacking with the Stacker it was 92 in shade at 3 p.m. in the evening there was slight stir of air. Mr. Lindley and Nell Finch came out.

July 27, Friday

North Oaks. This morning is some cooler. Gertrude and I went to Town this forenoon - took in 20 helmets (knitted) for the sailors - on S. S. Minnesota to day has been delightful - after great heat. Rachel brought over Mary and 'Tudie' they are so well. We hear that Dr. Stewart may come up from Rochester with Mrs. and Miss S.

July 28, Saturday

North Oaks. A good breeze this morning, rather hot. The day has been the hottest yet was 100 outside front door in shade at 3 p.m. Mrs. Upham and John came out in the late afternoon, the evening did not cool off much.

July 29, Sunday

North Oaks. A good breeze but a hot one this morning. Father Gibbons dead one year to day. Gertrude and I went in to the Jubilee [sic] Mass at St. Marys 50 years - since it was dedicated few present that witnessed that ceremony a very hot day. Mrs. Upham and John left us at 4 p.m. Mr. Macpherson Rachel Nell and George Finch Mrs. Raguet dined with us.

July 30, Monday

North Oaks. A hot morning, rain did not come seriously. Gertrude and I went in to Requiem [sic] Mass at St. Marys. The morning ride in was pleasant. Dr. Mrs. Stewart and

Marjorie arrived this forenoon. In the evening Mr. Alex McKensie and Mr. Macpherson came out. Quite a wind and electric storm in the evening.

July 31, Tuesday

North Oaks. At one this morning a high wind and electric storm some rain. A shower this morning in bright sunshine. Afternoon quite moderate some rain. Mr. Hewitt came out today we went to head of the Lake. George and Charlotte came over in the evening.

August 1, Wednesday

North Oaks. Much cooler this morning clear. Dr. Mrs. Stewart Marjory Gertrude and I went to Minneapolis on way back to Minnehaha and Fort Snelling. The forenoon was quite windy and cold for the season. Mr. Macpherson came out to luncheon and he and Gertrude went to Dellwood for Golf. In the evening the Stewarts and Gertrude dined at Charlottes. Egil and Rachel came over in the evening.

August 2, Thursday

North Oaks. A beautiful morning. I took the Stewarts to Town this morning to see St. Paul - and to the house. In the evening Egil and Rachel came to dinner. James N. B. Hill arrived in St. Paul today and is out here for the night. He has a commission in the Navy assistant Paymaster. Mr. Bunn and Helen Bunn came over.

August 3, Friday

North Oaks. A beautiful morning. Perfect temperature and the day has been perfect. Dr. Stewart went "a fishing" caught a bass enjoyed it immensely so well that he went again in the afternoon. Rachel and the children came over in the afternoon. James left us in the evening - as he has an appointment in the Navy when shall we see him again?

August 4, Saturday

North Oaks. Last night was so windy that I could not sleep. It is still blowing this morning. The day was changeable but on the whole rather hot. Egil and Rachel came over to say good bye to Dr. Stewart and Mrs. S and Marjorie. The Stewarts left us in the evening. We thought he had improved in every way.

August 5, Sunday

North Oaks. A fine morning some wind. The day has been fine. We saw Charlotte and Rachel at Mass at White Bear. Afterwards Charlotte brought Mrs. Dousman and Virginia Cosby over to see us. After luncheon Gertrude and I looked over old letters for a while. Mr. and Mrs. Severance came out to call. Egil and Rachel came over to dinner the night is beautiful so quiet and so bright.

August 6, Monday

North Oaks. A glorious morning - and cool. Went to Town, day began to cloud. Saw Rose Schurmeier she said Margaret Milbank was so much better and that Mr. Schultze was injured. Dr. Schaefer came out in the afternoon to spend few days. Charlotte came over for the night. She is interested in Red Cross work. 57 early this a.m. too cold for the season. Cold to night.

August 7, Tuesday

North Oaks. Very high wind in the night turned to rain. Rain this morning. Cold – down to 50 in early part of day - did not clear all day. Dr. Schaefer went to Centerville to say Mass in the rain this a.m. Norman returned from the Glacier Park this morning. Gertrude went to Town for the day. Rachel and Helen Bunn came over and we all enjoyed a fire in the fire place.

August 8, Wednesday

North Oaks. A bright beautiful morning. Cool. The day fine, not warm enough for corn and vegetables. Gertrude spent the afternoon with Charlotte in interest of the Red Cross organization – she spent the evening with Rachel and Egil at Fort Snelling took Supper to some of the [] officers there.

August 9, Thursday

North Oaks. A beautiful sunny morning some warmer a fine day. In the forenoon we went over to Rachels (Gertrude and I) stayed for luncheon and spent the afternoon there. In the evening Egil and Rachel came over to dinner. Charlotte came over in the evening. Mr. Macpherson is ill at St. Pauls Hospital. Had Carbuncles, has erysipelas [sic] {erysipelas; a strep infection of the skin} was better some today. This page should be Friday the 10th.

August 10, Friday

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August 11, Saturday

North Oaks. A misty morning - warm. Went to Town back for luncheon. Rachel brought over the children in the afternoon. Louis returned in the morning after a three weeks absence in the east.

August 12, Sunday

North Oaks. A dark rainy morning - cool. Gertrude and I passed a quiet Sunday. Went to Little Canada to High Mass. Then to head of the Lake the rest of the day. We had no callers as it rained all day greatly. Egil, George Finch and Rachel with Louis came to dinner. Gertrude left for New York taking Georgiana with her.

August 13, Monday

North Oaks. A cloudy morning cool and very calm. This afternoon was beautiful. Miss Van - and I drove over to Stillwater. On the way the fields of corn, harvested grain, and vegetables were fine indeed the best I have seen. Good farmers over there some already plowing. Louis took dinner here.

August 14, Tuesday

North Oaks. A delightful morning, warmer. A fine day for corn and other things. Charlotte came out after Red Cross new organization Meeting. Rachel brought Mrs. Boeckmann out. We hear Mr. Macpherson is doing well had a good day.

August 15, Wednesday

North Oaks. Another fine warm morning hotter and a hot day. Went in to Town to Mass this morning - brought Mrs. Schell out to stay overnight. Mr. Macpherson is reported better. Louis came over to dinner and leaves for Glacier Park tonight. Egil and Rachel came over in the evening.

August 16, Thursday

North Oaks. A hot morning and bright. These evenings there are beautiful Northern lights. We have seen them the last three summers. Mrs. Schell went home today and Annabel McQuillan came out for the day and night. Charlotte and Norman came to dine and spend the evening. Mr. Macpherson is really improving.

August 17, Friday

North Oaks. This morning is another blessing - for the fields bright and will be hot. Annabel McQuillan went to Town, Mrs. Raguet came out this forenoon. Mrs. Wm. P. Warner and Mrs. Cyrus P. Brown came out in the afternoon. Mr. Macpherson is reported to be much improved this evening. All farmers should be smiling weather is so favorable.

August 18, Saturday

North Oaks. Weather pleasant some signs of clouds this morning. Poor Fred Phelps ill again was ill a year yesterday. He will be 36 years old tomorrow. All day to day I am living over 50 years ago and all that was before us then. We were married on the 19th. at 630 a.m. Rachel came over to spend the night with me.

August 19, Sunday

North Oaks. This is our Fiftieth anniversary. Papa expressed a desire to see to day more than once. God willed otherwise. Many flowers came out and we put them on and around papas grave. Egil and Rachel with their children stayed for luncheon. George Charlotte and Norman came for dinner. It has been a hot day above 85.

August 20, Monday

North Oaks. A hot morning but fine for corn and the rest. Went to town. Saw Katherine Abbott who came this morning from Clara at White Mts. Brought Mrs. Lee back for the night. This afternoon we went to see the Threshing Machine at work in the Barley field. They say the barley is a. no. 1.

August 21, Tuesday

North Oaks. A misty cool morning. Turned at 11 a.m. to a fine Summer day. Mrs. M. R. Morgan and Miss Fannie Prince came out to spend the day. After a drive we all worked on the porch except Mrs. Lee who wandered around. In the late afternoon they all went home. Mr. Macpherson continues to improve.

August 22, Wednesday

North Oaks. A fine morning after a windy night. The day has been very changeable, clouds, high winds and showers - cold in the evening. Mr. Lindley came out in the evening he returned yesterday from White Mts. and New York. A letter from James tells that he has been ordered to New York and may sail soon will get his training at Sea as a Paymaster in Navy.

August 23 Thursday {entry for 8/24 on this page, no entry for 8/23}

August 24, Friday {on page for 8/23}

North Oaks. A bright windy morning cold - high wind all last night. Went to Minneapolis this morning, not bad going there but such wind! coming back - called on Mrs. Mittie Porter learned she is still in Alabama - with Louise Hill and her graphite. Found Fred. about the same. Rachel and Mrs. Raguet here for luncheon a letter from Walter today.

August 25, Saturday

North Oaks. A beautiful morning. I went to town in the afternoon heard Mr. Kenneth Clark was very ill. Mrs. Raguet came back with me. George Charlotte and Norman came over to dine and spend the evening.

August 26, Sunday

North Oaks. A very beautiful morning. Mrs. Raguet and I went to 8 oclock Mass at Little Canada. Mr. Lindley came out later. Mr. and Mrs. Barrows and a Miss Mahoney came with them. A slight frost in parts of North Oaks.

August 27, Monday

North Oaks. A lovely morning everything looks so charming now that it is a pity all will so soon fade. Mrs. James Markoe came out to spend the night. Rachel and the children came over they are so well. "Tudie" calls the apples in the orchard 'apple pie.'

August 28, Tuesday

North Oaks. A fine morning. Mrs. Raguet is here it is her 73rd. birth-day. She has been in St. Paul 70 years. She had a surprise party, her sisters Mrs. Demers and Miss Lolie Morison came out to luncheon. Mrs. Markoe was here. Rachel came. A telegram from Gertrude from Murray Bay . A telegram from Louis from Glacier Park all well there.

August 29, Wednesday

North Oaks. A beautiful morning. I went to Town and took to Red Cross for Navy League 36 helmets for sailors they were glad to get the knitting. Have had a telegram from Clara she will return Friday morning. Mrs. Tarbox and her daughter Marion Stemble came out this afternoon a quiet evening reading a Russian Book.

August 30, Thursday

North Oaks. It was cold last night. 54 in my room this morning. I am troubled about the corn and the other garden things. A very quiet day alone all day - in the afternoon went

to Little Canada to deliver a cincture to Father Combete that Mrs. Raguet made. We went on seven Roads and saw good gardens everywhere. Clara comes tomorrow. 54 this morning.

August 31, Friday

North Oaks. A sunny fine morning. Warmer. Went in to town this morning. Clara returned from the White Mts. looking quite well. I met Lady Kingston at Red Cross Bldg. (The Irish lady Charlottes guest.) Charlotte Norman and George here to dine. Later he went to Town to a patriotic meeting returned for Charlotte and said meeting was fine.

September 1, Saturday

North Oaks. After windy afternoon and very little rain a glorious morning quite warm. Clara and I went to Rachels for luncheon. Met Mrs. Boeckmann there and spent the afternoon. Rachel had some out door photos taken. Clara was very tired when we returned.

September 2, Sunday

North Oaks. A fine morning and a fine day. Charlie Maitland and Mrs. M and Walter Maitland came out with Joe. and spent the day here. Egil and Rachel came for dinner. In the evening Dr. Smith (Chas. E.) and Major Wilson came over. Turned quite cold tonight in the 50s easy.

September 3, Monday

North Oaks. Rained very little last night. Cloudy this morning. Labor Day. State Fair opens today. Rachel came over to sew for Red Cross - on power machine. Louis returned from Glacier Park last evening looking very well. Mr. Lindley came back this morning from Washington and tells me that James N. B. has sailed for France.

September 4, Tuesday

North Oaks. After a cold night for the season a beautiful morning. Did not feel well this morning but went to Town to do shopping for soldiers Christmas Bags. Town very full of Fair people. A letter from Gertrude today from Murray Bay. They seem to be happy.

September 5, Wednesday

North Oaks. An electric storm came up suddenly last night about midnight with no warning. Some badly needed rain. Cloudy this morning - cold from the East. So far State Fair a great success this year. Rachel came over to luncheon and hurried to Town to Red Cross work. Clara and I went over to see Mary and Tудie Boeckmann.

September 6, Thursday

North Oaks. A cloudy wet morning. Windy too, a little rain. In the afternoon Clara and I went to the Fair to see a Military Parade of four regiments 3 regulars. Mostly all look so young. How important music is the Army. Louis took dinner and spent the evening with us. He expects his family back in a day or so. (Have lost a day. This should be of Friday.)

September 7, Friday

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September 8, Saturday

North Oaks. A cloudy cool morning. In the afternoon Clara and I went over to Charlotte's. The only afternoon (Saturday) that she is at home these days, every other she work at Red Cross Shop. Slades all came over to dine and spend the evening. Quite cold tonight.

September 9, Sunday

North Oaks. A cold morning. 50 at 830 a.m. North wind. Cold all day and cold wind. Maud and the children returned this afternoon all looking pictures of health. Clara not well to day. Rachel and the children with Egil came in the afternoon. The orchard fascinates the little ones.

September 10, Monday

North Oaks. After a cold night a bright still morning. Quite a damaging frost last night. The day did not warm much out of the sun. I went to Town and while there went to Charlottes work "Shop" for Red Cross. They are doing remarkably well with sewing garments and folding bandages. 40 at 8 a.m.

September 11, Tuesday

North Oaks. A misty sunny, cold morning. The day has been fine much warmer. Frost did much damage in the garden. This is the 3rd. year gardens have had heavy disappointments in several ways. Cold this evening - fire is necessary. Letter from Mike from Murray Bay.

September 12, Wednesday

North Oaks. This is a cold windy rainy morning - the day most disagreeable - foggy and rainy all day and lasts this evening. Very like the equinoxial storms. We have been knitting madly all day. Louis left for New York this evening. I wrote to Gaspard Farrer to day.

September 13, Thursday

North Oaks. Clouds are breaking this morning. It is warmer. I went to Town this forenoon. Took in Christmas bags for the 1st American Expeditionary Force in France. Poor fellows many houses will be lonely at the holidays without them. Afternoon fine, evening cloudy. We hear the Silve {?} cutter singing these days.

September 14, Friday

North Oaks. A mild cloudy damp morning. Clara does not look or feel well very nervous. Rachel came over to luncheon the afternoon proved so fine she sent for the children - they love the orchard. George Norman and Charlotte came over to dinner.

September 15, Saturday

North Oaks. Still cloudy and very damp this morning. Cleared later in the day. Clara not at all well. In the afternoon Charlotte and George came over bringing Mr. and Mrs. Victor Robertson - and Mr. Swayne Mr. and Mrs. John Meagher came out to dinner. Mrs. Beals came to spend Sunday.

September 16, Sunday

North Oaks. Papas 79th. birth day. A misty morning and warmer. This has been a very hot day. Before eleven oclock this morning about 100 of the Great Northern Veterans came out to visit and scatter flowers on Papas grave. A most impressive tribut [sic] of their affection and loyalty. So many old men. Fred. Phelps is very low to day. I went there in the afternoon. Bishop Carroll of Helena came out with Dr. Schafer. Mr. {inserted above: "Senator"} and Mrs. Kellogg came out.

September 17, Monday

North Oaks. 82 today. A warm morning and a hot day. Clara does not look well or feel well today sleeps little and eats little. Mr. Macpherson and George Finch came out today. Mr. Mac. looks well after his illness. I hear Walter passed through St. Paul today and will return later in the week. Maud saw Fred Phelps today. He had regained consciousness.

September 18, Tuesday

North Oaks. A beautiful morning. Went to town to put up Peaches. Fred was very low today, had a bad night. Charlotte came out to spend the night. Clara seems better some looks better. I have finished reading Andre Cheradames Book "Pangurnanish Plot Unmasked" it is enlightening. About 80 today.

September 19, Wednesday

North Oaks. A dark wet morning very mild - an entire dark and rainy day. This is knitting weather. We Clara and I have been alone all day. Reading Judge Priest.

September 20, Thursday

North Oaks. A cloudy morning not wet. A pleasant day. 50 at 8 a. m. Went to town to get some knitting yarn - it is soaring in price - now about \$3.60 a pound. Maud and Louis came over to dinner. Clara and I are having a quiet time.

September 21, Friday

North Oaks. 44 at 8 a. m. A misty foggy morning and cold. Day turned out beautiful and quite warm. Mrs. Raguet came out to spend Sunday. Walter came out for a few minutes - looking well he had been West and {crossed out: "was"} is going East to night. Egil Rachel and the children came over in the afternoon nights are cold.

September 22, Saturday

North Oaks. A bright morning. A beautiful day. Bertha Sturgis and Nell Finch came out to luncheon and spent the afternoon. Egil Rachel and Maud came to dinner. Mr. Macpherson is out here to spend Sunday. A telegram from Ruth from Tuxedo Park.

September 23, Sunday

North Oaks. A fine morning. Went to White Bear to Mass saw George and Rachel there. Norman came back with us. Clara did not feel well so did not go over to Mass. Mr. and Mrs. J. Meagher came out in the afternoon.

September 24, Monday

North Oaks. A fine warm morning. Mr. Macpherson went to town this a.m. I took Mrs. Raguet home and went on to Minneapolis - found Fred Phelps conscious and quiet. Auntie was in her room with a cold. Afternoon hot - 78. Mrs. Guthrie and Mrs. F. Bass came out in the afternoon.

September 25, Tuesday

North Oaks. A cloudy morning. High wind last night. A changeable dark day made green Tomato pickle. And some grate [sic] juice. George and Charlotte came over to dinner. Rachel and Annabel McQuillan came in the afternoon. Louis returned from New York yesterday.

September 26, Wednesday

North Oaks. Sun rose beautifully now at 8 a.m. very cloudy - cold and threatening all day. Made grape jelly and finished grape juice. Mr. Lindley and Katherine Abbott came out in the evening.

September 27, Thursday

North Oaks. A sunny lovely morning. Went to Town to get some yarn. It gets more scarce every week. 340 per. lb. now. Norman still in his room with cold and {blank space left on page} Rachel and Egil came over in the evening. Minnie Oakes is at Mauds for a few days .

September 28, Friday

North Oaks. A cloudy morning {"54" – inserted above} 8 a.m. A little rain last night - rather cold all day. We had grapes picked for making a little wine – to day, they are sweeter than usual this year. Finished reading Judge Priest this evening: rather entertaining. (By Irvin Cobb.) Norman is better today. Wrote to little Dorothy today.

September 29, Saturday

North Oaks. A bright cold morning - and cold all day. Clara went to town. Mr. Geo. Finch came back with her: later Mr. Lindley and Katherine Abbott came to spend Sunday. Egil Rachel and Mr. Macpherson came over to dinner. Louis children Georganna [sic] and the boys company came in the evening and played games.

September 30, Sunday

North Oaks. 38 this a.m. A bright beautiful morning, cold N. wind. After Mass we went to see Norman, he is much better. Then we went over to see Rachels children found them very well. Mary raking leaves, Tудie watering flowers. George and Charlotte came over to dinner and later they all played Geography game.

October 1, Monday

North Oaks. A clear sunny cold morning - such searching S. E. wind all day. Clara is busy working on Bags for Christmas to send soldiers leaves are turning so woods take on an autumn appearance. I am reading Treasure Island L. Sts. first book. Thrilling for boys.

October 2, Tuesday

North Oaks. A fine warmer morning no wind. A very beautiful forenoon. Mrs. C.E. Furness came out today to stay until tomorrow. Maud and Louis came over to dinner. Clara is busy on Christmas bags for French Soldiers.

October 3, Wednesday

North Oaks. A fine morning. Went into town with Mrs. Furness and attended to some affairs. Second Loan being invested in now. Finished reading Treasure Island this evening. Not the kind of a story that entertains.

October 4, Thursday

North Oaks. A fine warmer morning. Clara went to town this morning to find the things to put in Christmas bags for Soldiers. She brought Myra Grover back with her. A very windy day. Charlotte came out to dine and spend the evening.

October 5, Friday

North Oaks. 42. A sunny fine morning. Every day clouds in the afternoon. Again very windy and cold. We Myra Grover Clara and I went over to Rachels and to Manitou Island to see the foliage - it has turned beautifully.

October 6, Saturday

North Oaks. 38 at 8 a.m. A clear sunny morning heavy frost last night cold this a.m. Went to town with Myra Grover and Clara. They worked all day filling 149 Bags to send to French 'wounded.' Katherine Abbott came home with Clara. Heavy frost last night.

October 7, Sunday

North Oaks. 40 8 a.m. A cold windy morning. We saw Charlotte and Rachel at Mass at White Bear. Dan Morrison and Mr. M. Boyle walked over from White Bear. Katherine Abbott was here. Mr. Lindley and Geo. Finch came out. Maud Louis Mr. Macpherson Maudie the boys and two visiting boys all got together for a picnic on the 'Island.' It has been such a windy cold day they found shelter and made a fire. Egil and Rachel came in the evening.

October 8, Monday

North Oaks. 27 8 a.m. A bright morning and warmer. Went to town took Katherine Abbott in. Louis' family moved to town this forenoon. The day was pleasant rather cold little wind. Mrs. J. B. Rice came out with Mrs. Chas. Greene. Mrs. R. looked nice for her age. Helen Bunn came out - looks like snow tonight so dark and so cold.

October 9, Tuesday

North Oaks. A dark morning. A few flakes of snow fell before 8 a.m. The whole day cheerless. We made the Concord wine today. This year the grapes are fine. Charlotte, Rachel and Mary Boeckmann came over to luncheon. Clara went to Town. She is filling more bags for Soldiers.

October 10, Wednesday

North Oaks. 30 8 a.m. A very foggy morning not cold. Fog lifted gradually. I went to Town and to Minneapolis. Found Fred Phelps going back to former conditions - very weak and irritable. Afternoon again cloudy and so damp. Bad weather for the season.

October 11, Thursday

North Oaks. 26 at 8 a.m. A rainy morning after a windy night. The day was cold but I went in to Town to see to some things at the house and to meet Mr. Hay and Mr. Toomey at the Barn to see to som [sic] necessary changes - to make room for Autos ect. [sic]. Later went to Charlottes Red Cross workshop to hear a Father Molinis Pres. of Marquette Seminary in Millwaukee [sic]. He addressed the ladies.

October 12, Friday {page for 10/13} {Blank}

October 13, Saturday {"Friday" crossed out, "Saturday" written in}

North Oaks. Still cloudy- and cold. Clara went to town in the forenoon. When she returned she brought the morning paper which told us that Margaret Milbank had died last night at Rochester. Poor child. After all she suffered. Rachel brought Mary and Tudie over this afternoon. Charlotte George Mr. Macpherson George and Nell Finch Mr. Lindley and Mrs. Beals with Georganna [sic] dined here this evening.

October 14, Sunday

North Oaks. 44 at 8 a.m. A fine warmer morning. Mrs. Beals went over to Mass at White Bear with me. Mr. Lindley took Clara over there later they went to Town to Mrs. Schultze and saw Louise Pomeroy saw Mr. and Mrs. Schultse too. Lou. and his children had a picnic out here to day. They saw snakes in plenty. Killed over 60 for some reason the Frogs were out in great numbers.

October 15, Monday

North Oaks. A fine morning. 44 at 8 a.m. Maud and Mary Oakes jr. were out here yesterday. We went in to Margaret Milbanks funeral service this afternoon. She is to be buried in New York. After we returned Mrs. Chas. E. Smith came out and brought me a little gift from Mrs. Chas. Thompson who died in California more than a year ago. Mrs. Thompson spends part of her time there.

October 16, Tuesday – North Oaks

N. Oaks. A fine morning. 34 8 a.m. and fine forenoon not warm however. 42 at noon. Made Delaware wine today. It seems late in the season for doing it. Clara went to Town

to hear a lady tell of Belgian childrens needs and destitution Annabel McQuillan came home with her. Quite and [sic] electric and wind storm with some rain this evening.

October 17, Wednesday

North Oaks. High wind this morning. Cloudy. Last night was stormy all night. Went to town today to go to Office and see about 2nd. Loan ect. [sic]. This has been the most depressing afternoon - dark almost as night rain and wind some electricity the evening is stormy too hardly one fine day this month.

October 18, Thursday

North Oaks. 40 8 a.m. dark wind has gone down cold all day windy again. Went in to town to Library Meeting at Office. Clara filled more Christmas Bags for Soldiers. Walter has been in town to day but I have not seen him he is busy buying Gov. horses. Egil and Rachel came out to dinner.

October 19, Friday

North Oaks. Yesterdays paper reported 17 million subscribe to 2nd Liberty Loan in St. Paul. This is another dark morning - flurries of snow down to 28 last night at 930. In the afternoon I went over to Rachels to see the children found them in the Barn seeing the calves. Helen Bunn and Annita [sic] Furness came out for the night.

October 20, Saturday

North Oaks. Dark and snowing this morning. Went to town in the morning to keep an engagement with Mrs. Evans of New York - and to attend to some matters. Annabel came back with me. Enough snow to whiten trees shrubs ect. [sic]. Louis boys came out to spend tomorrow.

October 21, Sunday

North Oaks. A cloudy cold morning. Clara stayed in town last night. Annabel and I went to White Bear to Mass. Saw Rachel there. Clara left with George and Charlotte this evening. She going to New York and Charlotte to French Lick. Cold all day. No October weather this month.

October 22, Monday

North Oaks. A dark threatening morning. Annabel went to town early. I busied myself putting things to order to go back to town. I went in after luncheon quite a fall of snow but calm and not cold in the evening a high wind came up very like a blizzard. Finished reading Gerards Book. He was Ambassador to Germany before and early part of the War.

October 23, Tuesday

North Oaks. A bright quiet morning. Everything White. Down to 20 this morning. The afternoon fine. Went to town to look about house and put some things to rights. Miss 'Van' and I had a quiet evening. Wrote to Mamie.

October 24, Wednesday

North Oaks. A bright morning wind came up last night - again. Have to go in to Town this afternoon to see to some changes at the Barn and affairs at the house. Wrote to Clara and to Charlotte. The evening is calm. As usual reading and knitting.

October 25, Thursday

North Oaks. A fine morning. I am moving to Town today. George Slade and Mr. Toomey after looking over North Oaks affairs took luncheon with me. Later I went to town. Weather so cold and cheerless it is not too soon.

October 26, Friday

St. Paul. As usual this month another dark day. So far this month one bright day. That day frogs swarmed every where and snakes innumerable came out. The Louis Hill children killed 89! near Deep Lake.

October 27, Saturday

St. Paul. Same view as the steward of the Wacouta said to Mr. Geo. C. Clark after too much rough dark weather on the water.

October 28, Sunday

St. Paul. Cloudy and cold. After Mass I went in to see Georganna [sic] who has bronchitis [sic]. She seemed pretty comfortable. Charlotte returns from French Lick this evening. To day in all the churches [sic] were prayers for Arms of the U.S.

October 29, Monday

St. Paul. A cold cloudy day. Very dark. Went to North Oaks in the {crossed out: "fore"} afternoon. 24 - out there looked deserted. Charlotte was an hour late getting in last night on account of snow East of La Crosse.

October 30, Tuesday

St. Paul. 20 this morning. No wind however. It is predicted that sun may shine today. To-day is meatless day. I do not mind it.

October 31, Wednesday

Dark and as cheerless as any day yet - very threatening in the afternoon.

November 1, Thursday

St. Paul. All Saints Day. After Mass went to see Georganna [sic]. She does not recover as quickly as was expected. This continued dark weather is not helpful. Clara leaves for home from New York to day.

November 2, Friday

St. Paul. At last the Sun shines this morning. Georganna [sic] seems some better. Went to Minneapolis found Fred. more comfortable. Took Auntie out for a drive.

November 3, Saturday

St. Paul. A beautiful morning. Dorothy and Dorothy jr. came in this morning, both look unusually well. Clara returned from New York at noon to day - in good spirits.

November 4, Sunday

St. Paul. A perfect day. After Mass Clara and I went to Minnehaha the Falls nearly dry. We came back via Fort Snelling. I did not think it was in trim shape. Lena who has been ill was brought in to St. Josephs Hospital this evening.

November 5, Monday

St. Paul. Still very fine weather. Went to Minneapolis in the forenoon, brought Auntie back for the day. Fred. some more comfortable. Lena operated today. 'Van' says she is all right as could be expected. George returned from the coast to night.

November 6, Tuesday

St. Paul. Very fine day busy all day doing very little. Lena doing well. Georganna improved. Louis does not seem perfectly well. Major Wilson called this evening. Dr. Schafer called today. Father Byrne brought the Architect of St. Lukes new church to call.

November 7, Wednesday

St. Paul. Weather has changed to cloudy after 6 fine days.

November 8, Thursday

St. Paul. Again cloudy and foggy not cold. Went to inquire for Dorothy who has had chicken pox. She is sitting up. Georganna [sic] is better too.

November 9, Friday

St. Paul. Very dark and heavy wet fog. Afternoon cleared a little. Went out to see Holman Olsens - Chrysanthemums they have an endless number of very fine blossoms. The day added nothing to their beauty.

November 10, Saturday

St. Paul. Morning fine. Afternoon cloudy so misty not cold. 55. I took Maudie Jerome and Cortie to Como to see the display of Chrysanthemums there. Very good.

November 11, Sunday

St. Paul. This morning was bright and beautiful by noon cloudy colder and raw. Clara and I after Mass went out to Como to see the Chrysanthemums the other flowers.

November 12, Monday

St. Paul. A very dark foggy morning. 35 at 8¹⁵ a.m. Dined at Rachels this evening. Clara and I talked a while before I went out to do an errand at noon. Clara went to French Lecture with the Meaghers.

November 13, Tuesday

St. Paul. Dark and foggy as several days have been little change in temperature. Went to Minneapolis to bring Auntie down this forenoon. Flower Show for Red Cross Yarn Fund opened today. Sister Mary Josephine Mrs. Furness, Mrs. D. Day and Tine Meagher called today. I went to Mr. K Clarks funeral service this p.m.

November 14, Wednesday

St. Paul. Clara and Mr. Lindley came to a conclusion last evening both look very happy. Of course there is excitement in the family. I can go on knitting. The 8 hundred prs. of socks are completed and the 9th. hundred commenced on.

November 15, Thursday

St. Paul. And still cloudy but mild. Hoping for a fine day tomorrow for the Loyalty Parade.

November 16, Friday

St. Paul. A glorious day. We hear Father Perigord is in town as one of the speakers at the Auditorium today. The parade a great success in every way - every county in the state sent delegations. The Red Cross Flower Show a triumph made five thousand dollars!

November 17, Saturday

St. Paul. A fine morning turned to a cloudy afternoon and so dark - not cold. Maud leaves for New York this evening for ten days absence.

November 19, Monday {on page for 11/18}

St. Paul. A bright morning later changeable - colder. A clouded afternoon and evening. I went to Minneapolis in the forenoon found Fred. about the same.

November 19, Monday

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November 20, Tuesday

St. Paul. A bright morning and warmer. 42 at 9 a.m. A very warm day. I went out to North Oaks in the forenoon. Major Wilson called this evening told us Dr. Chas. E. Smith has been quite ill. Many came to see Clara today.

November 21, Wednesday

St. Paul. This has been a beautiful morning. 50 at 9 a.m. Cloudy in the evening. Clara is getting letters from friends in all parts. Went to see Mrs. Kenneth Clarke and to inquire for Dr. Chas. E. Smith he was some more comfortable.

November 22, Thursday

St. Paul. A cold day and so dark. Made mince meat to-day - so as to observe Thanksgiving. England is doing so well we are looking up.

November 23, Friday

St. Paul. A pleasant bright day colder busy all forenoon as usual to day look over the Blanket Closet. I find I must be content to take 2 or 3 days to accomplish what I used to do in a forenoon.

November 24 & 25

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November 26, Monday

St. Paul. A slight fall of snow today enough to lay like dust which is a blessing. Small pox chicken pox and measles are around.

November 27, Tuesday

This week everyday has been cloudy dark and damp, not very cold - knitting keeps us busy with other duties. I went to Minneapolis this afternoon found Fred. Phelps comfortable for him.

November 28, Wednesday

A dark morning. Sun came out beautifully at noon. The day mild. Clara and I drove out to Minnehaha little water much ice.

November 29, Thursday

A dubious morning. Sun shone from 11 to noon. 30 at 830 a.m. Maud Hill back from New York this early morning. Maud her children Miss. Archibald and Georganna [sic] Slade took luncheon with me. Rachel Egil and Mr. Lindley dined with us.

November 30, Friday

St. Paul. A foggy morning. Sun came out at 11 a.m. a beautiful day. A very fine afternoon.

December 1, Saturday - St. Paul

20 at 830. A dark foggy morning - very dark all day - not cold. Tine Meagher came in looking better I thought. George returned from New York Friday. He looks well.

December 2, Sunday

St. Paul. A depressingly dark morning. 32 at 830 a.m. - dark all day not cold. Mr. Lindley and Clara spent afternoon at North Oaks. We dined at Charlottes. Mr. and Mrs. Woodworth were there.

December 3, Monday

St. Paul. This morning was bright and beautiful. 22 at 830 a.m. Afternoon again cloudy. Spent most of forenoon putting books to rights in library.

December 4, Tuesday

St. Paul. Claras birthday. The family here gathered to dine with us. Louis Hills Slades - and Egil Boeckmanns - and Mr. Lindley.

December 5 & 6 Wednesday

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December 7, Friday

St. Paul. Rachel and I went to Minneapolis this forenoon. To Miss Helens to Aunties we found Fred. poorly. We also went to Woolen Mills.

December 8, Saturday

St. Paul. 16 above zero this morning as sun shines it looks like a fine day.

December 9, Sunday

St. Paul. A very cold raw day. Thermometer not so low yet cold penetrating.

December 10, Monday

St. Paul. Cold. 12 below yet so still one does not sense degree of cold.

December 11, Tuesday

St. Paul. 16 below zero winter with a vengeance [sic].

December 12, Wednesday

St. Paul. Thermometer indicates less cold but day most disagreeably cold damp and dark.

December 13, Thursday

St. Paul. 16 below zero at 9 a.m. was 20 below last night they say. Sun dazzlingly bright no wind. Fred Phelps is very low today.

December 14, Friday

St. Paul. Not so cold and Sun shining. Fred. Phelps died this afternoon at 2 oclock after after [sic] 16 months illness. Clara and Rachel have gone to Minneapolis. I just sent telegrams to the absent members of the family.

December 15, Saturday

St. Paul. A cloudy day. Raw not so cold. I wanted to go to Minneapolis today but can not. I do not feel well.

December 16, Sunday

St. Paul. A cloudy morning. Went to 9 oclock Mass and from there went to Minneapolis. Sun came out at 11 a.m. so day is fine. 12 above zero at 830 a.m. Of course Auntie is heart broken.

December 17, Monday -- December 19, Wednesday

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December 20, Thursday

St. Paul. A very dark morning. 34 above at 830 a.m. All this week spring like. I have not been up to par this week. Went to see Dr. Gifillan today.

December 21, Friday

St. Paul. This is a colder but sunny morning. Went to dentist had an exray [sic] taken. Norman home this morning.

December 22, Saturday

St. Paul. A sunny morning not cold. Afternoon cloudy. Went out to St. Lukes in the Afternoon after Mrs. Upham and Dr. Schafer was here. Had bad news today that most of the cattle at North Oaks have tuberculosis. Even the Kerry cows. Seems the disease stays there from previous times.

December 23, Sunday

A cold morning. Mr. Lindley and Clara went to Aunties in the afternoon. I went in the forenoon. Rachel went with me. Began to arrange for tree trimming in the afternoon.

December 24, Monday

St. Paul. Was busy in the forenoon and tree trimmed in the afternoon. Tree at 430 p.m. All the children well a great blessing. Norman and Georganna [sic] Louis, Maudie Jerome Cortie, Mary B and Tудie B. enjoyed the tree and took supper here.

December 25, Tuesday

St. Paul. 4 below. Christmas Day. Mass at 11 oclock. Telegrams from the absent ones. Mr. Lindley and Clara went too. Luncheon at Rachels then to Charlottes to see Rev. Father 'Captain' Perigord from France in War more the 3 years. All my children and the in laws at dinner. Capt Dr. Fisher the only outsider. Children played games later. Louis spent most of the p.m. visiting Hospitals.

December 26, Wednesday

St. Paul. A more moderate morning. 14 above. Monday night Christmas eve. The old house at North Oaks burned between 12 and 1 a.m. It was part of our old residence that we went to in summer 33 years ago.

December 27, Thursday

Clara ill of a cold today. Miss Trott left for Hospital Service today.

December 28, Friday

St. Paul. 23 below this morning early - very cold all day. Clara better. Dr. Fisher came in to say goodbye this afternoon - he goes only far as Georgia now. Fort Macpherson Ga. Mr. Machpherson is ill.

December 29, Saturday

St. Paul. Still cold. 20 below at 9 a.m. bright sunshine. I am grieved this day at hearing that George and Charlottes house at Dellwood burned down last night. Clara still better.

December 30, Sunday

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December 31, Monday

St. Paul. The last day of 1917. God above knows what another year may bring us. Went to Minneapolis with Rachel this morning. We watched the old year out. Louis Maud Mr. Lindley Charlotte Clara and Gertrude. It was ushered in rather quietly.

MEMORANDA

Gen. Sage from Fort Snelling came out to luncheon with the Belgian Mission.

SEPTEMBER - CASH

1917

May 2nd

to Maria Prebyl

to April 20th 30.00

8.00 for Clara

OCTOBER - CASH

533780 Dr. Elliot

1-2-3-11

547528 Dr. Weeks

2-20-12

Frazers

586211

1-22-17

Dr. Stewart

Rhubarb

NOVEMBER - CASH

Sent Nov. 20th 1916

for French wounded

122 Madison Ave.

nr. 30th St. New York

Jan. 16th to Maria

Prebyl to Jan. 20th.

25.00

or Feb. 20th.?

March 5th. to

Maria Prebyl to

Feb. 20th. 25.00

March 30th

to Maria Prebyl to



March 20th 25.00

DECEMBER - CASH

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