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A Prayer.

"Just to be pitiful and kind
is all I ask;
To help some-one who does
not love his task of living,
Or some one who is blind to
joy, or very weary or afraid.
Heart of the World, let me
more plainly feel thy
throbbing!
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is all I ask."

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Thurs. Oct. 19th, 1916.

Got up early and planned meals for two days and left for Detroit at 9-50. Surprised Helen - who was glad to see her mother after all these days.

I have wanted so to go in, but couldn't leave until the Eats. had gone home. They left last Monday afternoon; and I stayed over to go to the Quirk reception, the grandest party Ypsilanti has seen in many a day.

I found Helen feeling much better and nearly recovered from her bad attack of grippe. Both babies as dear and sweet as ever.

When Robin heard my voice, he called from the bath-room: "Ga-mamma! Turn and dess Roddie." - which I did.

Spent the time mending everything in sight. Helen is so happy now she has a little girl coming in every P.M. to help and to care for Robin. She is almost "too good to be true". In the eve. Helen & Bob went to the movies. A great treat to Arlie - who has been in the house

ever since they returned from the north.

Fri. Oct. 20. Cut off H's curtains & darned holes and hemmed them up to fit the windows. left right after lunch – reaching home 2-30.

Got supper all ready and had a taxi to take me in a driving snow storm to Shaefer's where the first course of H. M. dinner was served.

Bouillon – too peppery.
Then to Laura Sweets for potatoes meat loaf, cranberries, sandwiches pickles. Then to Clifford's for cream cake & coffee and music.

Home in pouring rain. Taxi again. Our bill this month will be fierce with all the company & parties.

Early to bed.

Sat. 21

Rainy all day. Set Leo's dress shirt – which didn't get home from the laundry in time to send to him with his dress-suit & "Tuxedo," last week.

I am greatly pleased with the way he is succeeding in Flint; both at the Buick Auto. Factory and in his music business.

Ida writes that her first week at keeping house & caring for baby Jane went off in great shape. Everything systematized just as I'd have it.

That is one of the joys of advancing years: to see my girls following my housekeeping methods so closely.

Early to bed. Glad I do not have to go out in the sloppy night to the H. M. "theatre party" at Movies. Everything nearly ready for my Sunday party.

Sun. 22d.

The girls to church with us again. I hope they are going to keep it up.

After my nap, at 3 o'c, I made a big kettle of cocoa and 5 doz. sandwiches, and got down thirty cups, plates etc. etc. & my tea-cart.

Lighted my grate fire & candles about 4-30 and they commenced coming.

Such a lot of them! Gave them creamed diced veal, sweet-breads & mushrooms on pastry croustades. [Was horrified to find that mushrooms (slices) are 45¢ a can! Because those German submarines have sent so many merchant vessels to the bottom – with tons of mushrooms among other things.

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This terrible war affects us in the way of prices — but that is nothing compared to the thousands of precious lives lost every day.]
Also gave the girls sandwiches, two kinds of pickles & olives (forgot my jelly all ready in ice-box) cokod & cookies.
Had candles all over, and it looked very festive. My candelabrum (from Mrs. Angell) showed it finely.
Had some very good music by Vera Richardson, Phoebe Jefferson & Grace Emery at the piano and two of the rushes sang wonderfully.

Mon. 23, Oct.

Whist at Batchelders.
Went to hear Billy Sunday the great evangelist talk to the students.
He is certainly a wonder and I do not see how ordinary body can criticize his slang and his peculiar methods when he does so much good.
H. M. meeting talking up the girls. I hope to goodness they wont all (eighteen) accept.
Ben & I had supper at the High School lunch room. — 15¢. a piece — cheap.

Tues. 24.

Ida's good luck continues. A friend gave her a handsome Blue beaver hat which she bought and

her husband dislikes. Cost 10.00 — and was a present to Cover! Little Jane continues to sleep nights! — hardly waking to nurse.
Here are some pictures taken last March which I found in the study.





Ben is not the least bit proud of his grandson! Oh! No!



Klara Kenyon took this last June & colored it. It will be interesting to keep after we have had our home re-modeled. When I



Here is Ben starting for college - fur lined overcoat and all.



Arlie & Robin taken last Spring 1916. on the front steps.

Wed. Oct. 25th.

Our Shakespeare day went off nicely, except sister Swayne spent 25 min. quoting exhaustively from "King Lear". That seems to be her idea of character study.

Mrs. Quirk, Brown, Humphrey & Ford took their parts well in the Shakes. Burlesque: "Place aux Dames."

In the eve. was the movie benefit of our Club. Think Mrs. Signor took advantage of us, charging 25¢ for a 10¢ show.

Thurs. 26.

Got things all ready for lunch and dinner and left for A.A. on the 9.30 car. to attend Board meeting at Mrs. Wagner's at 10.30

It was so early I made a call on Ida Wheat. She had just returned from Clem's wedding in Bay City and had a lot to tell. She certainly has an elegant home - and is all alone in it. She has the mate to my candelabrum from Mrs. Angell's, but they gave me the glass danglers that were in best condition. Hers are remnants.

Had a grand luncheon at Mrs. Wagner's to which sixteen ladies sat down.

At the business meeting I learned something of what is expected of a Pres. of a Miss. Union of Jackson Association.

Went afterwards (3-30) to Ida's but she was not at home.

Bought curtains for Arlie's sleeping porch, for which I measured when in Detroit. Will make them for the poor little motherless and send them as a surprise.

Fri. 27. Oct.

Made H's curtains and sliced tomato-pickles from some that I discovered behind the lattice all un-touched by the frost. In eve. had cab to Ellen Kishlar's where the H Ks gave a kid party, with Hallowe'en embellishments to the girls they are rushing.

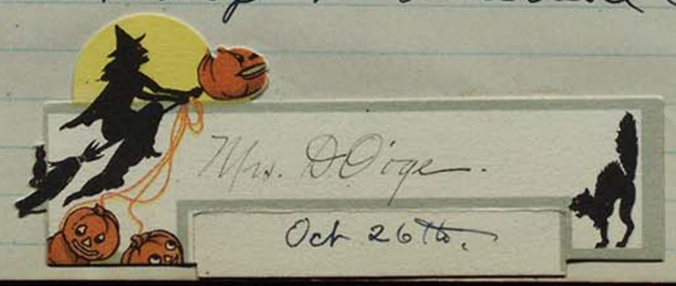
Served doughnuts, cider, apples, cookies and popcorn & nuts.

Danced some and then wended their way to Lemar's attic room for the festivities. Miss Inglis of Detroit came very late, (with Louise) dressed as a Spanish girl and told their fortunes.

Sat. 28.

At the dentist's in the morning and to the Dr. to have my eyes looked at. Found I'd been wearing these glasses twelve years, and they are not strong enough for grandma.

Mrs. Wagner's luncheon card:



Home all day till evening when we called on Gertrude Sherzer Lamb. Found her camp-fire girls there having a Hallowe'en party so didn't stay. Also called on the Moores. I don't believe their parishioners are very good about calling on them. They were out, anyway.

Sunday 29th.

Celebrated aunties birthday (tomorrow) & Clara's 19th. today. Gave auntie the elegant blk. Spanish lace mantilla that I squandered my substance on, last summer at Petoskey. She seemed much pleased, and will return the coarse white one I gave her last Christmas for me to wear. It is plenty good enough for Ypsilanti.

Gave Clara a book and let her plan the dinner, having some of her favorite dishes. Had Roast chicken

Riced sweet potatoes macaroni & cheese
Creamed salsify
pickles - olives - jelly
Chocolate cream Cake

Mon. 30

Whist at Cliffords, playing with nice little Mrs. Wortley who always leads the opponents suit with a low card, or else when they discard high - and shows they're out of a suit. In spite of it we were only -2 while Miss Pearce was -4 playing my cards!

Mrs. Daniel Lace Dairk

At Home

Wednesday.
October the eighteenth
from four to six

Twohundredandsix
North Huron Street

I got so dead tired at this one that I feel like phoning to Mrs. H. and Miss W. and ask them

Thought these might be interesting when the style is all changed fifty years hence, or less.

Mrs. John Gantt Bamland

Miss Mortley

At Home

Saturday
November the fourth
from five to six.

To meet
Mrs. George Mortley
Miss Shoemaker.

One hundred and three
Adams Street

if they will please have some chairs in the dining-room at least, so a body can be comfortable part of the time between 5 and 6 o'c.

Tues. Oct. 31st.

Nothing happened except "Alice in Wonderland" at the movies — which was simply great. How I wished Doris had been with me.
The Sherzers sat behind us, and after the show they whipped us up to their house for cider + do'nuts — and then brought us home. They have a house that is shabbier in some ways than ours. Especially the dirty carpet in the parlor.
Our floors at least are all right.

Wed. November 1st.

Mrs. Wilber came for me to go to Mrs. Wilcox's 80th birthday. Mrs. Wood + Mary, Mrs. George + Louise, Mrs. Wilber, Mrs. Spalsbury Tillie Holmes + I went down and carried our dinner. Very nice. The old lady seemed greatly pleased.
All missed Mrs. Holmes who was out of town tending a sick friend.
The old lady had scalloped oysters made, so we had first (her) grape fruits — then Scalloped oysters, salmon loaf, potatoes olives, pickles, sandwiches, coffee Apple salad — Marshmallow cream and (very) angel Cake.
At prayer-meeting in the eve. and Bess came too!!!

Thurs. Nov. 2d.

Up early - hustling - Off to Detroit on 7-30 car. Reached Arlie's long after 10 o'c - their time. and tackled a big table full of mending.

Finished everything but two of Robbie's suits, before supper. Then Arlie & I went to hear Billy Sunday.

But after standing more than an hour outside in a packed mass of people before one of the open doors, and listening to preliminaries: singing and speaking - we went home after a few minutes of Mr. Sunday. Sorry not to be able to see him climb on his pulpit etc.

But our poor backs ached too hard. I didn't think it paid, but Arlie was determined to see him at least once in all the weeks of his evangelistic work in Detroit. Early to bed.

Frid. 3d.

Up early and "at it."

Helen wanted the seven windows on the upper sleeping-porch to be cleaned so I did them, and got a side-ache reaching and leaning down so much. They were so smeared with paint and putty I didn't finish until time for baby Ben's nap.

Came home right after lunch & after cutting off & hemming the four dining-room curtains.

The dear girl has so much to do I'd like to stay longer and do more but my old back won't stand it; and I never sleep as well either. there.

I am such an old goose about going to sleep after being wakened by baby's crying.

Home in time to get dinner.

I don't see how I can possibly go to Chicago and leave them little girls unless — as Ben suggested — he goes to restaurant for noon meal.

Early to bed.

Sat. Nov. 4th

Made fifty rosettes to serve at Whist-club Monday. In the eve. Ben & I played Cribbage — and of course he beat two out of three games. First time we've played in many months and Ben proposed doing it oftener. This I approve heartily for we see so little of each other these busy days; and the days fly by — so fast!

Sun. 5th.

Mr. Morris preached the best sermon ever! on the possessed man, whose evil spirits were driven into a herd of swine. A temperance sermon, that point being that one man was worth more than a thousand swine! even at the present war prices.

Speaking of prices: everything is exactly twice as high. Butter, 40¢ eggs, 40

Mon. Nov. 6th.

Whist-club here.

Gave them things they liked, but very simple, just rosettes with creamed sweetbreads + chicken, oil pickles white and brau-bread sandwiches tea + coffee. No sweet.

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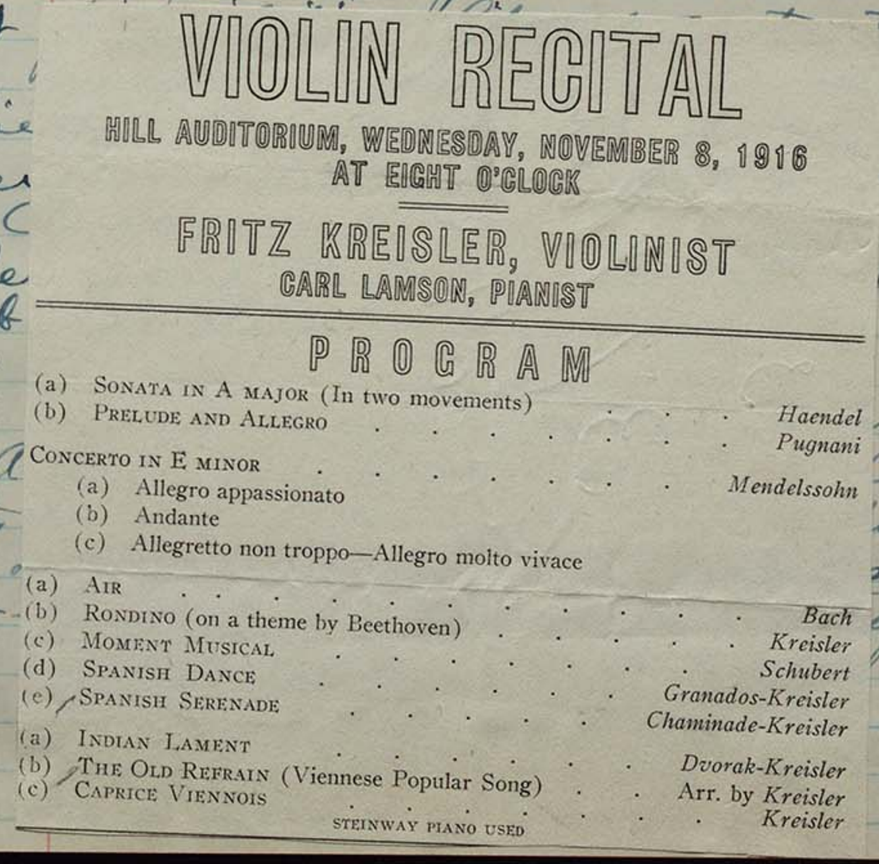
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VIOLIN RECITAL

HILL AUDITORIUM, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1916
AT EIGHT O'CLOCK

FRITZ KREISLER, VIOLINIST
CARL LAMSON, PIANIST

PROGRAM

(a) Sonata in A major (In two movements) . . . Haendel
(b) Prelude and Allegro . . . Pugnani

Concerto in E minor . . . Mendelssohn
(a) Allegro appassionato
(b) Andante
(c) Allegretto non troppo—Allegro molto vivace

(a) Air . . . Bach
(b) Rondino (on a theme by Beethoven) . . . Kreisler
(c) Moment Musical . . . Schubert
(d) Spanish Dance . . . Granados-Kreisler
(e) Spanish Serenade . . . Chaminade-Kreisler

(a) Indian Lament . . . Dvorak-Kreisler
(b) The Old Refrain (Viennese Popular Song) . . . Arr. by Kreisler
(c) Caprice Viennois . . . Kreisler

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Mrs. Hatch sent a car for Mrs. Barbour + me — to stand on a corner near the poles and hand out prohibition literature to the voters.
I got a back-ache and don't believe I did a bit of good.
Sewing all day, fixing my clothes for Chicago.
Ben gone to dinner with "Twenty Club" at Quirk's.

Wed

Sewed all day. No club for me.
At A. A. for Fritz Kreisler concert. A perfectly delightful evening. Took Mrs. Shenger on our extra ticket; and she paid our car-fares!! Made me feel cheap.

Thurs. Nov. 9th.

Aunt Ida came, on her way to Detroit, and had a mental lapse — couldn't remember anything she had said or done. — repeated questions & statements a dozen times. I had trouble persuading her that it would be dangerous to try to go to Helen's alone.

Sent for Dr. Clifford and he took a sample of urine to examine and looked at her nails, and hands & pulse etc. Said it was a symptom of several things and should be attended to at once or there might be a cerebral hemorhage.

She had a full suit-case of things for Arlie so after she went home, I left for Detroit. Reached Arlie's in time for late dinner, and she was delighted with our chocolate cake, chicken, apples, grapes, brown bread etc. as they were expecting the Christies & Ruth Bailey to dinner tomorrow. Early to bed.

Fri. 10th

Naughty Arlie was up before daylight and washing three pairs of sitting-room curtains!! They were so black from the smoky grate, she could not stand them.

I ironed them and put them up, and made & put up curtains in front bed-room & hall, mended a little and helped get the dinner ready, and left at 2 o'c. She gave them: Cr. chicken on toast, macaroni & cheese baked potatoes, buttered carrots, ol. pickle jelly, peaches & choc. cake.

The scored things from aunt & me. I don't see how the poor child could have lived there the day without my help. So many steps to take, and she is not yet strong. I wish she wouldn't begin to entertain again so soon. She had Abbie Price over last week-end.

Reached home 3-30 and napped, while my good husband went to restaurant for supper, and Helen (Laubscher) was sick from vaccination.

Found that Vera & Lucile had gone back to their room, as small-pox patient had been removed and premises fumigated.

H. Ec. informal dance at the Tyre, very simple — 3 piece orchestra ($12.00) no refreshments. 17 couples had a jolly time.

Sat. 11th

Baking up things for four or five days ahead.

Have cr. dried beef & potatoes for Mon. night — Fish pie for Tues. and carrots for Wed. Guess they'll get along.

Ben — I expect to go to Jackson for a little visit tomorrow on my way to Chicago.

Sun. 12th.

Left on 2-26 car and had a nice visit at the Smits home. All well but dear mother Hull who has an upset stomach, & retired before time to eat. Talked fast + I took notes of books to read, about church work etc. Ben left at 8-30 after a grand lunch of shrimps wiggle on toast and everything else nice. Early to bed.

Teddy is a beautiful boy.

Mon. 13. Dark + rainy.

Lee's wife, Lillian died a few weeks ago in Chicago. Was expecting to be married again. Bastian went to the train with me at 9 o'c. Had an uneventful trip. Hemmed a napkin, read & doped.

Ate my lunch of apples, bread and chicken and saved at least 50¢ by not going to dining-car.

Maud met me, with her fine electric coupé, in a slight flurry I know. Much colder.

Tues. 14. Very cold. Windows covered with frost. I like the beautiful quiet guest-room on third floor.

Went down to do a little shopping but I haven't enough money to buy my stove-coat. M. took me to see the big movie: "Birth of a Nation".

Had lunch at Marshall Fields - chicken-pie, baked potato, chocolate.

Wed. 15.

Awake at 7 o'c — down to breakfast at 8 o'c. No hurry about anything. M. took me to Kittie Hattstaedts for lunch. She invited Florence Hackett, and Louise + baby. A grand lunch: Tomato cream soup, chops, peas, stuffed potatoes, rolls, olives. Melon salad (cut into balls with veg. cutter) wafers. Whipped cream & lady-fingers.

Their sister Lou died in Leipzig this winter of pernicious anemia. They think it was worry & lack of proper food — because of the dreadful war. Families in Germany who have no children cannot have milk, and only 1 egg a week and meat once in ten days. When will it ever end!

Louise's baby behaved very well, but had about everything we did to eat! I can't imagine our Robin eating tomato soup and chops.

Maud drove for me about 4 o'c — and had Miss Crissey over to dinner.

Early to bed.

Thurs. 16.

To the city again for shopping and lunch. Maud insisted on buying new curtains for Helen's house. ($17.00)

Home early. Served some in my waist I'm fixing over, and slept.
Went with Dr. to Live at College Inn and saw some wonderful skating on ice right in the restaurant. Seemed strange to see girls in chiffon & lace dresses (very low-naked) skating. They gave regular ballet stunts.
We had roast turkey etc. and for dessert I had Bar le duc jelly and cream cheese & wafers.
I wanted to see how they served in a stylish restaurant. (Cream cheese all beaten up with whipped cream and put there in a small pastry tube in rosette with jelly in centre. Very pretty.)

Fri. 17

Down for M's marketing and to buy me some white gloves for the opera. Home for lunch and nap.
In the eve. M. & I went to hear Geraldine Farrar in "Carmen". Neither of us very enthusiastic about grand opera.
I was all fixed up in M's opera coat of gray panne velvet liked with white silk, over my blk. lace & silk with jet trimmings. Maud was lovely in white silk dress trimmed with swansdown, diamond pendant, blue Mandarin coat embroidered in colors. Home at midnight.

Sat. 18.

Maud asked Kittie H. and Lois McLaughlin over to lunch.
It was very grand — with a big bouquet of Cream roses & ferns, and a rose for each at table. Their embroidered linen, best dishes, cut-glass etc. Had grand filets of beef Creamed potatoes etc — and for dessert immense strawberries.
Took both guests home — which pleased them immensely.
Kittie is so funny and Chicago-wise-mad. Talks too much of the price of things she has — velvet dresses etc.
But she is such a dear soul I do not mind her gentle boasting except when I want her to make a good impression on strangers.
In the eve. M. & I went to hear "Hansel & Gretel" by Humperdinck.
It was pretty — and very well done, but rather monotonous. So few characters and no chorus till the very end.

Sun. 19.

M. took me to the McL's church and I sat with Andrew & Lois. None of the others there.
Came to the house and found the girls playing foot-ball in the back yard.
Jim Angell & Miriam & daughter were there to dinner also. A

wonderfully interesting family. Had two roast chickens, sweet-potatoes, sour apples baked together ("Himmel und Erde"), string beans, olives & celery, cranberries, rolls, Cheese salad, wafers. Wine jelly whipped cream & elegant sponge cake.

Had coffee served in Mr. Mc's study on the third floor. Afterwards we walked over to call on the Hiltons & then to see Jim's house. (on Mc's invitation. It is wonderfully attractive in the arrangements and furnishings. Looks a trifle bare after the rather crowded effect at McB's.

Mc & Dr were sitting in the car in front of Mc's when we returned.

Home in time to read & visit a little before lunch & rice-chicken soup, hot muffins, chicken salad! To bed.

Mon. Nov. 20

M. took me to the 9 o'c train & went way into the car to see I was all right. I told her I could never express all I felt about what they had done for me, and given to me: An old silk rain-coat, 14 spoons (left by Nan) a lace fichu to be used under chiffon for me, and two lovely party dresses for the girls - one blue lace and one pale blue embroidered Philipine dress.

M. just had six new eve. dresses sent home and showed them to me by request. She only wears them in California where some man at the hotel told her she was the best dressed woman at the "Raymond".

I got her to show me her jewels too. A ring-box filled with twenty rings - all a flage of diamonds, pearls, opals, sapphires, jade, lapis lazuli, a pink pearl of great beauty - & a necklace of graduated pearls from ○ this size to ○ cost $1250. Her ring of three large diamonds ○○○ was $1600. I didn't ask about any others.

She has worn since I came: A black messaline, dark green satin, dark blue chiffon, gray silk (dark) and light gray chiffon with blue girdle, and today a blue taffeta with small white dots. At the opera Sat. eve. she wore, cream colored silk & chiffon - and night before white silk trimmed with (recorded on p. (8) besides her various suits with chiffon waists. I think she has enjoyed my appreciation of her fine things.

I had a nice journey home, marked a napkin, made a silk work-bag and read "The Man who was Thursday" a crazy yarn by Chesterton.

Surprised Ben by getting here a few hours earlier than he had expected me.

Glad he is glad I am home. I pitched right into the ice-box for something to eat, and to get dinner. Glad to get back to business feeling rested from my change of occupation.

Hawkeit walked for a week except from the house to the car and back again — and thru the stores.

Tues. Nov 21.

Made quince jelly that did not "jell" — so put the pulp thru a press and made three qts. of sauce.

Also three glasses grape jelly out of some left-over grapes & apples.

Wrote all my Sunday letters also.

In the p.m. went to a "Group Tea" at Mrs. Cleary's. Funny how no-one seems to realize I've been away, when it seemed a month long to me.

Wed. 22.

Club in p.m. the paper and music by Lindgren. Didn't stay for coffee but went to call on poor sick Mrs. Ainsworth.

They are surely having bad luck. Mr. A. doddering and nearly helpless, Mrs. A. confined to her chair with rheumatism, the girl sick in the hospital and Jessie doing everything in that big house.

Lee's boy Oliver having "Infantile paralysis" which is going thru the country and striking children like a great monster. The small-pox here is getting so bad Ben says I must be vaccinated.

Went to see Mrs. Hoyt a while in the a.m. She had been in Detroit two days so of course I didn't get a chance to say anything about my trip.

Thurs. 23.

Raining hard all the morning so I hustled to get Stanton's clothes ironed, mended and off, and left at 3 o'c for Detroit.

Got there just before dinner. Found Mrs. Darling there sewing.

Took in the two beautiful dresses (which come in Nan's sent), for Arlie to see.

She put hers on and buttoned it up and found it a perfect fit and very becoming. Mrs. D is making a dress for herself out of her long blue coat, so she will have something warm to wear.

Fri. 24.

Slept with Arlie so was awake three times and at 6 o'c. She certainly ought to feed Boy with a bottle at night so he'll have enough to last all night. It takes her strength so.

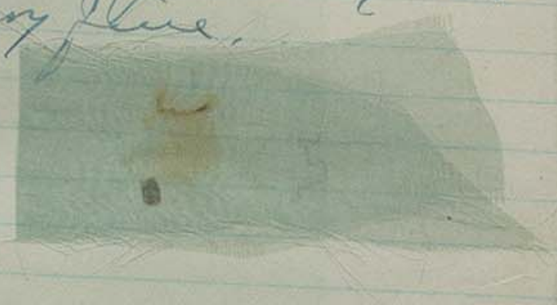
She was glad I came so she could

go down st. this a.m. and buy things for her dress, etc.
She left as soon as Bey. was bathed and didn't return till after lunch. Bless her heart.
I left after doing up the work and dressing Robin after his nap.

Sat. Nov. 25.

Was vaccinated in a.m.
Reception at Starkweather for new faculty members, given by our Faculty Dames. Very fine.





This is Helen's dress and this one Ida's from cousin Maud. Ida's has really wonderful embroidery and Helen's is trimmed with cut blue steel beads and ball fringe. Both beautiful and must have cost anywhere from $60 to $75- or perhaps more.

Sun. 26

Nothing unusual except we both went to eve. service! in response to Mrs. Morris' pathetic pleadings & at the morning service.

Mon.

Whist at Miss Pearce's, played

with Mrs. Barbour and were nines again, altho we had high score.
Mrs. Quirk & Williams played our way and had 134 to our 132 score.
Getting Stan's Thanksgiving basket ready. Sending chickens, potato chips jelly, cakes, mince dumplings (aunt's) graham crackers, butter, stuffed dates preserved ginger, cheese wafers, olives oranges & apples.
H. M. meeting in eve. at Humphreys & planning for their eternal parties.

Tues. 28.

Home all day and had a good time doing things. Aunt Ida went to Flint yesterday, to return tonight. so we shall at last know how the children are getting along.
They are very poor correspondents.
Sent Ida's party dress by parcel post insured for $50.00 Such a nice rainy day.

Wed. 29.

a full day at home, sewing, baking. Went to Meeting of Federation, because Mrs. George had a report. But she shows her age by not being as selective in her material. Reported everything done at the Suffrage convention in Grand Rapids.
Came home before refreshments, to get ready for dinner at Miss Blackman's, to meet Capt. & Mrs. Fayles, relatives of

Mrs. French. He's a retired Officer on a pension. Didn't look so very old either. Mrs. F. a very pleasant and attractive Lady in Blk. Chiffon, & fur trimmings. Ben wore his dress suit by my request but we found Mr. F. and Prof. McKenney (the other men) in street suits. Ben looked the best.

Baked my turkey & brewed things for dinner at Arlie's tomorrow.

Aunt Ida came tonight so we can get an early start for Detroit.

Thurs. 30. Thanksgiving

Ida had a lot to tell about Lee & family. He is certainly doing his best & working to the utmost limit of his strength, but is discouraged about ever "getting any where" with such a load around his neck. He has left the work he was doing in the polishing room which was so thick with smoke and emery dust that his health was affected by it.

I hope the change will mean more income very soon. The poor boy was frantic to be sick and out of work for days at a time with wages stopped. It makes me fairly sick to think of our oldest son being in such straits when we have plenty and to spare.

This morning we started at 7-30 car and reached Arlie's after eleven.

Abbie came about 10 o'c and we got the dinner together. Ben brought the turkey and I took sweet potatoes (also cooked) toast for asparagus, jelly, orange pineapple pudding, cream etc. Auntie a pumpkin pie, fruit and I don't know what else. A grand dinner and we didn't feel as tho' we had "ett 'em back."

Robin & I took a walk to get away from the cigar smoke which always makes my head ache.

In the eve. we played cards & had a lunch. Papa & Ida left at 9 o'c and I stayed over night. A beautiful day.

Fri. Dec. 1st.

Reached home about 2 o'c. Both girls in Detroit, so we had a simple life. Working on my gray poplin dress from N. Y. Fixing it for the G. of H. party next week. Set bread at 9 o'c.

Sat. 2.

Clara came after my bread was ready to rise, and pitched into her share of Sat. work. Helen came late at night. Both had a fine visit in Detroit.

Sun. 3.

Auntie & I planning what to get for the children for Xmas.

Went with her to 9-26 car which came at 10½ loaded to the rails with college boys. Poor auntie!

Mon. Dec. 4, 1916

Mrs. Lyman (at last) entertained the whist club at the "Blue Bird Tea-room". First time in three years; and yet she won't resign. Poor thing! I suppose she keeps feeling she may get well enough to play.

At Mrs. French's dinner party for Capt. & Mrs. Fayles. "Covers were laid for twenty-six", as the papers say.

A very nice supper, & when I was just at the table with Mrs. Fayles, Pres. McKenney and Prof. Roberts.

Tues. 5th

Early to Detroit so Helen could go to May King's party for Abbie Price. Helen was delighted to get out in the sunshine, after so many weeks.

She was lovely in her gray broad cloth chiffon & fur, with a touch of pink at the neck. The babies were good as gold, and Mrs. Darling came to sew on H's blue dress so Robin & I went for a walk and after thread.

Helen (and Bob) returned about 7½ and I had dinner all ready and babies fed ready for bed.

Wed. 6

Came home at 11½, in time to get lunch. Down town in p.m.

and called on Mrs. Goddard who has been very ill.

Prayer-meeting alone

Thurs. 7th



Mrs. D'Ooge Dec. 4th, '16

It was so dark & rainy I didn't expect a dozen ladies to my church tea today. To my surprise there were over thirty. Collection $2.90 (for sending missionary box up north.)

Gave them hot toast & tea. Had intended to serve more but heard Mrs. Childs' feelings were hurt because she expected to have Dec. tea-party, - so I didn't try to make this a "function".

Was so tired after doing up the dishes, thought I'd have a nice quiet eve at home; but Ben announced it was the choir concert night and he wanted to go - so we went to hear Alexander's "à la cappella" music again. It was better than some years.

Fri. 8th.

Stanton had a great vacation. Went to a dance at "Hamp's" the night before Thanksgiving - to Dean Olds' for dinner

The annual meeting of the Congregational Union was held Thursday at the home of Mrs. B. L. D'Ooge.

Annual election of officers was held and resulted as follows:

President, Mrs. E. T. Green; vice president, Mrs. Carl Pray; secretary-treasuer, Mrs. M. A. Jones.

Ladies Aid Society chairman, Mrs. L. H. Bentley; secretary, Mrs. O. O. Norris; treasurer, Mrs. Geo. Holmes.

Home Missionary Society Chairman, Mrs. C. T. Clifford; secretary-treasurer, Miss Lida Gotts.

Foreign Missionary Society chairman, Mrs. M. G. Wood; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. C. W. Childs.

The Ladies Aid division is divided into seven sectons and the chairman of each section reported of having called upon every member of her division.

Each section has one or more entertainments which had been given in order to raise money for benevolent purposes.

The union will hold another meeting, December 20th.

Then they played "Blind Man's Buff" which he says is a New England custom, and then took an 8-mile hike up a mountain. They made him stay all night and to lunch next day! The son and his fiancee were there so Stanton made a fourth with the daughter.

He says Helen Marshall has asked him to a Wellesley party Feb. 8th. Good for Helen. We liked her a lot last summer, when she visited Alice Stanley in Charlevoix.

Also Stant wrote he'd called on Connie McLaughlin after our frequent reminders.

Served all day, when not cooking.

Sat. Dec. 9th.

Much colder. We went to A. A. banquet at 6 o'c and I had the cab call for me at 8 o'c to go to our Vaudeville at Humphrey's. Then had him call again for me at 9-30. A stylish lady Had good things to eat — but was seated by Prof. Pearce who is a chump anyway but especially when he was to be toastmaster later. Ben was happy, being next to Mrs. Ford.

The vaudeville was fair. They gave a scene from "Bird's Christmas Carol" — a lively lot of Ruggleses.

Sun. 10th. Benjamin cut two first teeth, 3 mo. 9 days old.

A great day at our church, when 17 teams of two men each made a house to house canvass of our members — winding up at the church for lunch and eve. of reports. I made a big pan of baked beans for 34 men. Beans at 15¢ a lb. but we have a big bag of them from the farm. Also got our potatoes there — which are selling at 60¢ a pk. now. Butter — 46¢ and eggs anywhere from 45 to 60¢.

I see, by the paper that they are investigating the food trusts and are going to stop this monopoly on necessities.

Mon. 11th.

A letter from dear Lee telling of his work and choir work which takes every night in the week. No wonder he is too tired to write when he gets home.

H. M. meeting here tonight — only four here. Played whist at Mrs. Sherger's and had a good time & low score — 2, with Mrs. Williams.

Tues. 12

Went to A. A early, leaving two tickets for my guests at Swergel's. Invited Ronie Humphrey & Phoebe Jefferson, as Ben didn't care to go — and was out to 20 Club dinner at Harvey's anyway. Found Ida was at Dean's for dinner, so I ate mine that

I had taken with me, and read a while. Then a girl came with a young man to study, and I walked the streets for half an hour, till the auditorium was open.

The concert was absolutely perfect. Never expected another pianist could play a whole evening, as Paderewsky did and be so soul-satisfying. But this Russian, Gabrilowitch did it.

Wed. Dec. 13.

A long letter from Jo explaining things in Flint and telling how hard poor Ren is working, and how tired he is at night — too tired to write. Stanton writes he comes the 19th!! Good for Taut!

At R.B. Club party, and had a good time & a cup of tea. At prayer meeting alone. I talked to sister Holmes about Xmas plans for the shut-ins of our church; Mrs. Ainsworth Sanders, Wyatt, Reed & Wilcox. We may be "shut-ins" next year, or worse.

Thurs. 14.

Hustling to get Elij. James two winter night-gowns done. Miss. meeting at Goddard's. Mrs. Wood hadn't done a single thing for the program!

Great missionary president — Old Lady Clifford told a story and read letters from the people to whom we sent a barrel. I've got them started on the birthday-bank business for S. School. That is the only bit of missionary work the children do and it hasn't half tended to, as the Supt. Wilbur isn't interested in missions.

Christmas Hymn.

Adapted from "Still wie die Nacht".

Still is the night. Angels of light
Fill all the air with song.
Dark is the night, but, lo, beaming bright
Hosts a star that guides to the fold
Wise men with gifts of gold.

In a dark stall beams over all
Light from the Christ-childs face,
Gazing in awe, the aged shepherds saw
Glory that filled the humble place
Glory that filled the place.

Joy to the world! Good will to men
Loudly the angels sing
Peace to the world and glory to God!
All thro' the night the Heavenly anthems
ring (over)

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A Prayer for Peace.

-adapted from "Du bist die Ruh"

I

Thou art the Way, the Truth the Life!
Spirit of Peace in a world of strife.
Come, Lord of Hosts, that maketh wars to cease
Come in thy mercy – oh, give us thy peace
Oh, give us peace

II In grief and pain, we turn to Thee
Thou, Prince of Peace, wilt make us free!
From war and tumult grant us release.
Father of mercy, grant us thy peace
peace – grant us thy peace.

III

Be with us Lord, tho' war and greed
Shall rule the [illegible] world –
God give us peace! God give us peace!
Banners of Christ o'er land and sea
Shall be un-furled,
In the day of peace – in the day of peace,
Thou art the Way, the Truth the Life
Spirit of peace in a world of strife
etc. etc.

to pay them a little when they come back; for they have little enough for spending money, I guess.

Sat. Dec. 16. '16

Such a nice stormy snowy day to stay at home. Am very glad I sent regrets to the James-Mullins reception. Made bread & rolls and scrubbed the bottoms of things and had a grand time. Left the noon dishes and Ben helped me do them all tonight.

Sun. 17.

Nothing unusual. Auntie & I planned our X-mas gifts and what each should take to X-mas dinner at Helen's; Roast goose, baked apples etc. No service in the eve. — Thank goodness!

Mon. 18.

Slept late-first time in months when at home. Ben & I just left our dishes and skipped off to Detroit. Went to Y.W.C.A. for lunch then Ben to get his fur coat from storage. Called up Arlie & found she wanted an errand done — which I did. Then we went to see Nagimova in movie "War-brides" — a powerful plea for peace — which was heart-breaking in some scenes.

Went to Arlies for dinner and she had a nice one. Dear babies were so sweet. Robin is so bright and seems such a little mite to know so much.

Reached home after 11 & c and poor Ben had a time with the furnaces, which were so low they would have gone out if he hadn't been here.

Tues.

Hustling to get off our boxes to Flint and St. Louis. Had great fun dressing little dolls for Doris and a boy doll for Benny. Mrs. Priddy called.

Wed. 20.

Stanton came this morning and we were glad glad to see our boy, and he is so glad to get home. Said some of the fellows didn't care to go home and said "there's nothing doing". He does errands and sweeps snow and washes dishes and is an old Blessed.

At last we have our presents off. Sent Ida & Sam: Asbestos table cover for their mahogony dining-table, six glass candlesticks and two sets of shades & candles, my silver tea-ball (by request) gloves for Sam & hdkchiefs, a box of stuffed dates, holders, Ben sent Sam a book and I sent baby two winter night-gowns & booties.

To Flint we sent warm drawers for Len & neck-tie from Stant, lace collar and pink tie & pink-bordered hdk. for Jo, stuffed dates, holders, letter paper & envelopes (stamped) and a train of cars and track for Bennie

a book, girl doll for Doris and a boy doll for Bennie, mittens for each, shoes & stockings for each, and little wee dolls to ride in Bennie's cars.
I am going to get a waist for Jo when I go to Detroit again.
Sent a red silk & crochet work-bag to Kate U. & sachet to Nell, Ben ordered a box of fish & fruits for them also.
Laular was here tonight as fresh and bright and dear as ever, but very tired, with his senior engineering course. Ellen is clerking in their store.

Thurs. 21.

Auntie came down last night with a lot of Xmas things and couldn't stay because two of her roomers are still there.
Stant is greatly worked up about the prisoners in France & Germany as described by Tinker a Y.M.C.A. man who has been going to all the colleges to get money. The poor young fellows who are in prison camps — going crazy by hundreds just because they have nothing to do.
Pres. Wilson is trying to make the powers of Europe talk "Peace" — but I don't believe the lust of blood can be conquered after fighting for nearly three years. Stant pledged $25.00 of the $1700.00 promised by Amherst.

I forgot all about Mrs. Childs' church "Tea" this p.m. but good Mrs. Kiefer called up and asked to take me & so I hustled and got dressed.
We are so lazy. Have breakfast at 10 o'c lunch at 3 o'c & dinner any time.
The boys went to the restaurant tonight so I could finish Mrs. Wilcox's bird tea-pot-holder. (Made it of red satin lining to a cape I had before I was married.)
Louise N. sang my Christmas hymn to the music of "Still wie die Nacht" and it made a big hit. Ben & Stanton down town for supper & to the movies.

Fri. 22.

Decided last night that Stanton should start at 7-30 this A.M. for Detroit and Flint. So called him at 6-30 and then we hustled.
He took a big comforter & a blanket in a shawl-strap and some left over presents for the babies. Also a suit-case full of things for Detroit. He's such a dear boy to do things, and I am glad he is responding so well to my training. Anything but a selfish, helpless, grouchy man in a family. When you want things done! (As for instance, Willard Barbour)
Mrs. Holmes came to help me fix up our L.A.S. greetings to Mrs. Ainsworth & Wilcox & Saunders.

Ben & I went down to the Mission restaurant and then to the 'Movies' and had a good laugh.

Sun. Dec. 24. 16

Nothing unusual except Xmas exercises in the p.m. at church. Ben is so good about helping in the house work it nearly paralyzes me. When I returned from S.S. there he was slaving in the kitchen!

Mon. 25.

Auntie stayed over night so she and I got an early start for Detroit with our suit cases. So early we had plenty of room - actually a seat apiece! Not so poor Ben who didn't wake up in time for the car he meant to take — and couldn't find a seat - [handly standing room] so went to the depot and came to Detroit on a belated N.Y. train.

It rather spoiled the Christmas doings but we finally did have our presents without him at 11-30 so Robbie could go to his nap on time.

Such a blessed happy little boy as he was; and so bewildered when he would just comfortably start to play with a present and folks would insist on giving him another.

Our roast-goose was the best I ever ate (cost $2.75) if I do say so. I cooked it on Sunday about 2 hrs. and then at Helen's an hour. Then we had mashed potatoes (very poor ones that they pay 60¢ a pk for.) peas and carrots baked apples, (both Arlie's too) olives, jelly, a fine salad & cabbage, olives etc in gelatine (also poor Arlie's work) Dark Beet pudding & cream which I took, then mince pie (aunties) which no one could touch except to eat a sliver to see how it was, fruit & nuts & candies.

Stant read a letter from Jo, and said mother Wright is going to send them $1000 (Jo's share) to pay their debts, so the poor children can make a new start.

Stant enjoyed his visit there, went about a third there' the Brick plant, and it took hours to do it. Must be an immense establishment. He said everyone liked Lee and spoke nicely about his work. Also his choir on Sunday was fine, and the people in the church all make a fuss over him. It is certainly a splendid chance for the boy. After having had nothing but criticism and fault finding when working on the farm, it gives him new courage.

Stanton says Jo has improved greatly

gets up early and fixes Lee's Breakfast and puts up his lunch and works about the house much more than she ever did before.

All of which is good Christmas news for me.

We came near to being spanked when papa and auntie washed up the dinner dishes, (and I tended babies) while Arlie, Bob & Stanton took a walk and carried Xmas presents.

They made auntie and me promise not to wash the dishes — so Bess washed and so we got ahead of them.

Returned home 7-50 cats — so got here about midnight — after as nice a day as we could possibly have with our other children so far away. I wanted to run over to Flint for a day, but Bess said I'd better not — it was so cold, etc.

Shall go later.

Tues. 26.

Rainy day. Stanton had a good time sleeping late. Went to take Mrs. Kiehler's present of an antique toasting-fork and stayed till the A. M. until 2 o'c. We had dinner at 3 o'c of a fricasee hen (from the farm) and brown potatoes, baked squash etc, auntie coming for a few hours — and then

home in the dark and rain — because a nuisance of a student-girl at her house didn't go home for the holidays. Too bad. How I did hate to see her go slipping away on the sloppy ice.

Wed. 27

Stanton's trunk came yesterday and a wonder it came at all — for there is such a shortage of cars.

Soop came to wash today.

Stanton at Lawrence's and home just in time to go to service with me. He was a blessed boy to go without my asking him, just because he didn't want me to go alone. I was so proud of him, after p. m. talking to all the old girls who stood in a circle looking up at him.

Thurs. 28

Had Lawrence here for 2 o'c dinner and gave them a good one.

Also made eight kitchen towels and darned nineteen prs. hose.

Fri. 29

Had a nice letter from Lee & Jo, written on the paper I sent them. Very appreciative of all their Xmas presents.

Stant. at A. A. all day helping Lawrence on some electrical work and went to supper with auntie.

I actually sewed on my own clothes a while today.

Sat. Dec. 30.

Ben gone to Detroit.
Stant. and I had a beautiful day together sweeping, cleaning and eating in the kitchen with the "Victrola" playing ~~Liebestraum~~ "Lohengrin" for us. Then did up our dishes together and he read aloud while I was sewing. Such a dear boy to have around.
Ben home in time for supper.

Sun. 31.

Used our new percolator (my X'mas to Ben) this morning, with great satisfaction. Think it is not only going to be a saving of coffee but of patience and nervous energy. Now the coffee will be neither too weak nor too strong, nor ~~roiley~~ roily nor cold - and I can breathe freely even during the process of pouring.
Stanton went around and shook hands with all the old people and I was so proud of my son. No evening service. Glad of it.

Mon. Jan. 1st. 1917.

Made five loaves of bread and 3 doz. rolls before the boys were awake.
Soup came to wash, so Stant's clothes can be ready for him to go Thursday.
After dinner they went to A. A. to call on aunt Mary & the Lloyd Douglases, and I served all the afternoon and they went to the restaurant. In the eve. We went to the "movies" as I could get out a little. Wished we had'nt gone - for it was absolutely rotten. Not a thing to make it endurable but one fat jolly baby and one Spitz dog.
It hurt me to see the room full of young girls & boys seeing such a display of anatomy and salutty acting.

Tues. 2d.

Home all day, sewing.
Stanton down to the movies with Lawan. I don't believe it is good for his old eyes to go so often. The girls came last night and Clara got a cold on the cars.
Tonight I gave them a concert of "canned music." Wrote to Ida and to Maud. Mr. & Mrs. Boucher stayed with Ida while Sam was at Cincinnati for Historical meeting. He had an offer for summer school in Texas at $350.
It will be so hot there, he will earn every dollar he gets, all night.
Stanton says every one is excited about the horrid movies pictures last night.

Wed. 3d.

At the breakfast table, it occurred to me that poor Stant. had'nt had a very lively vacation, so planned a little supper dance for tonight.
Phoned to Ellen K. Marion Schnurr Lucile Curtis and Kathleen Fitzgibbons and Stant asked Lawan, Cyril Davis, and

Harold Gandy. The two last couldn't come, so asked Malcolm Mc Gregor and young Brown.

~~December~~ January 4th, 1917.

Our growing love
for cozy quiet nooks
Where we can read ~~the best~~ again
our favorite ~~of good old~~ books,
Our strong dislike for useless
rush and noise,
Our preference for gentle
homely joys —
All tell us we are growing old.
But there is one, whose name I
need not tell
Who keeps so young because
she loves so well,
Whose days are all so full of
many things
Her gentle heart, with joy of
living, sings,
She never could grow old.

They also presented a plant to Mrs. Harvey, who has been president three years. I told Mrs. Becker I thought it was a mistake to commence doing that, for we have too many officers retiring every year.

Mrs. M. served refreshments to forty.

Friday 5th.

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Sat. 6th.

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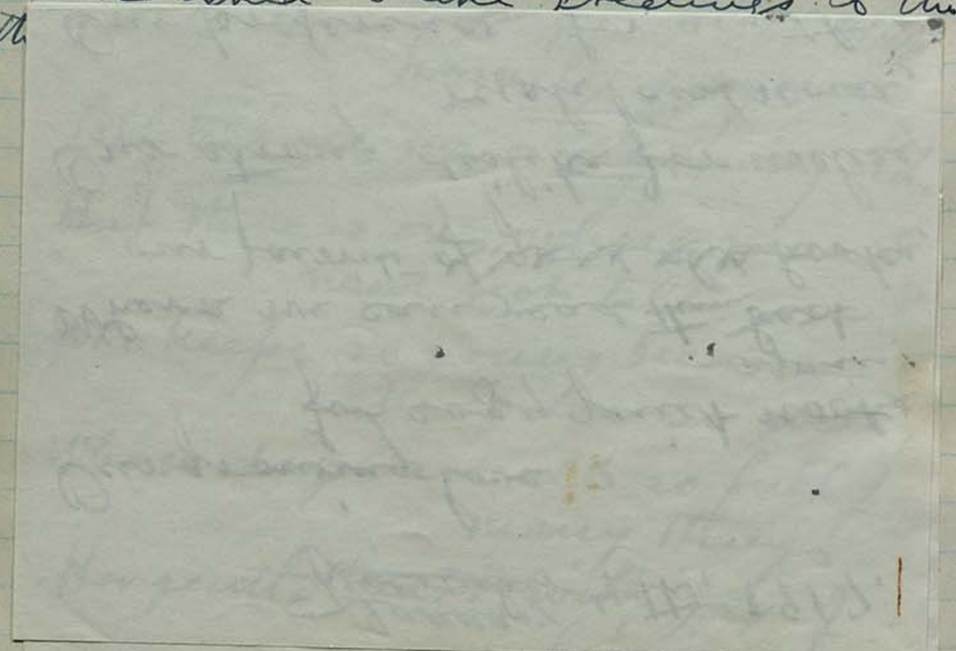
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I gave them a simple supper: Chicken (and veal) and mushrooms en rosettes Potato roses with asparagus, olives, pickles jelly, hot rolls, coffee, ice-cream, chocolate-nut sauce, Brownies, macaroons and preserved ginger. "They ate good." I

Danced to the music of Lee's Vocalphone until quarter past eight — when the girls had to go — because of college rules against mid-week parties.

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Sun. Jan. 7th, 1917.

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Mon. 8th.

A bright nice day. Hope it is as bright in Rutherford, where Ett & Nellie are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. The relatives combined and sent them $50. in gold.

At whist at Mrs. Williams, after having a taxi to Mrs. Wilcox's for an hour's visit. She looks more worn, and her cough sounds dreadfully!

Mrs. Williams served elaborate refreshments: A grand salad, hot rolls, coffee & doughnuts, and candies. Delicious.

H. M. meeting here, and A. of H. meeting also, and Ben had to go to "Latin Club"; Enough for one evening.

Tues. 9th.

Mrs. Hoyt & I went to meeting of the college "Dames" held at Sherger's. Twenty present. Mrs. Manning & Mrs. Mitchell helped her. Gave us pink ice-cream, cake, coffee & salted nuts. Mrs. D'Oge poured, as the 'Press' would say.

The Pres. Mrs. Pray had a lot of plans for our entertaining the husbands the 30th, and what we should do for a little fun.

I asked Mr. & Mrs. Sherger down for a little whist tomorrow night, to celebrate Ben's fifty-seventh birthday!! Impossible

Wed. 10.

I made a last effort, on Ben's birthday, to make him see how unkind, unfatherly and unchristian he is in his attitude towards poor Leonard.

He is not only making himself crabbed and uncomfortable by brooding and cultivating his mean feelings, but is making us all unhappy about it.

Arlie referred to it in her birthday letter, Ida's greetings came last & Leo's first (without my reminding him) but his father was absolutely indifferent to Leo's and full of excuses for Ida's delay. (just as he has always been, since Leo was born). Jo wrote that they have bought a house! It seems foolish, in a way, and yet, if they can carry it through, it is none of our business.

I had hard work keeping Ben from using some (Y. M. C. A. benefit) movie tickets, but finally he gave them to Clara & Helen, just as the Shergers came, and gave him a birthday surprise.

He & Mrs. Sherger are the same age.

We had a regular old-time whist evening — and came out even! Served hot chocolate + toasted triskits + birthday candy. Ben had a purse from Stant, a book from Ida, a loaf of brown bread from auntie, and candy, desk-blotter and nail-shears from me. (all left from his Xmas list)

Thurs. Jan. 11. '17

Up early and off for Detroit at 7-30 — in zero weather. Shouldn't have gone, but had written Arlie I was coming, and that perhaps she would count on doing something.

Had a horrid trip in cold cars, both ways and nearly froze; but felt that I helped poor Arlie, by washing dishes (from the day before) sweeping + dusting mending and tending babes while she ironed, and got ready for Helen Webber's (phoned before) visit.

It was good of her to phone, but I do wish Arlie didn't feel she had to entertain so much. She made a big plate of sandwiches, + served tea &c.

I returned at 5 o'c. Left Helen's at 5o'c their time, reached D. U. R station 6-10 Left at 6-30 reached home at quarter of 8 o'c A hard trip.

Fri. 12

I do not seem to have taken any cold — but my rheumatism is worse.

Annual supper in the eve, and all I had to do was cream a pan of potatoes for twenty people. Had the usual jolly time, and were rejoiced by Mr. Holmes telling us in his treasurers report that the church is free from debt. Every cent of our $5000 improvement having been paid.

No-one knows where he got the money but I suspect some of it came from rich men who want to sell him supplies for the M. C. R. R. Graft?

Sat 13.

Have decided to send one of our baby-beds in for Helen to use, until Robin is old enough to use a big bed.

At present poor Arlie has to run up + down stairs dozens of times to see if Beg. is safe. Home all day except to make one church call. Mrs. Howworth.

Made a soft, thick cover for the baby-bed which Clark took today, and will ship on Monday.

Sun. 14.

Nothing unusual except the musical service which Mr. Alexander gave at Vespers, with about twenty of Howard Choir. Auntie stayed for it too, and then home before lunch, to tend fires.

Mon. 15.

Very cold, but I was perfectly comfortable in my Japanese under-jacket (Bess's christmas to me)

Whist at Quirks, and +3 playing with Mrs. James.

They served grape-fruit salad, toasted cheese sandwiches, & hot cheese wafers nuts, coffee & ripe olives (the best I ever tasted) They commence next Monday at Mrs. Clarks, serving 6'c lunch. before playing.

Ben at Frat. meeting tonight, and I have been having the time of me life making a suit for Robin's "baby August."

Tues. Jan. 16.

A letter from Helen that she is to entertain Dorcas girls on Thursday. Can't see how she has the time strength or money for so much of it.

Very cold. Home all day, sewing.

Wed. 17.

Was asked to be at missionary meeting in Lansing at 10 o'c this morning; but couldn't do it possibly. Mr. Morris said he left here about 7-30 and reached there 11-40.

Mrs. Lister called up to see if I'd go to prayer meeting with her. and I did.

Thurs. 18.

As we were eating lunch, in walked our dear Leonard — came because of a letter from Ben which made him sick. Said he couldn't sleep nights

until he had seen if he had it any father, any more.

Never felt so sorry for anyone. He has a constant cough — has lost 30 lbs. so I sent him to Dr. Clifford at once. At first Ben would hardly speak to him but after lunch they had a long talk and I guess Ben realized he had been too harsh to his boy. Anyway they are all right again, and my heart feels so light I want to sing again.

Dr. C. (altho) gave him a thoro examination and says there is a spot at the base of one lung and he must be very careful. As Leo said — he prescribed a lot of expensive medicine and ordered rest to give up all his music that brings in $12. a week. and told him to come here again to report in two weeks.

So that dear Ben said he would pay for the doctor & medicines!

Leo said he felt better already, to have the burden lifted from his heart.

He is such an affectionate boy. I was too upset to eat. Went to L. A. S. tea at Morris' while Leo was at the doctor's — and he called for me.

In the eve. he & Ben went to the Normal concert together.

Ida came to dinner, to see Leo.

He looks so thin and pale it just breaks my heart.

Fri. 19. Jan.

Lew left for Arlie's at 9-30, and will be home tonight. Ben suggests his bringing Doris next time. We are dragy to see our baby Dossie.

I took Mrs. Holmes' niece to the Normal entertainment Katherine Ridgeway - an elocutionist. I went with some trembling - but it was unusually good. Very good, and Miss Holmes very grateful.

Sat. 20

Invited over some ladies to bring their work and to read together a play "Gods of the Mountain" by Lord Dunsany + which the "Portmanteau" Theatre company will present at the auditorium next Wed. eve. Louise H., Mrs. George Mrs. Norris, Harvey, Risdan, Davis Keith, Hoyt, Barbour, Wellencamps Gorton + her sister. Mrs. Bowen + Priddie couldn't come nor Mrs. Quirk. Gave them tea, chicken sandwiches, toasted triskets with nut dressing, mints + ginger. all very simple and informal, but they made a great fuss over the "sitting by the fire and having such a good time." I forgot to record our dinner-party last night. Asked Miss Adams + Miss Connell, and gave them Mock Duck, stuffed with sweet potatoes, apple rings, scalloped potatoes, cabbage-tomato-jelly salad, grape jam, Charlotte, coffee. Very good eaters. The plates hardly needed washing!

Sun. Jan. 21

A bad snowy blowy rainy day and Ben put his nice cold foot down and said I couldn't go to church! And I've had a fine lazy day. Aunt Ida came for dinner as usual, and back home early.

Mon. 22

Bright + beautiful for Mrs. Clark's whist-luncheon. She was supposed to serve "a simple lunch", but said her mother "took it out of her hands" Had creamed chicken + mushrooms with toast, elegant lettuce salad with grated cheese in the dressing, hot rolls coffee, pickles, olives, jam + cream puffs with chocolate sauce. Too much, but men were all hungry and ate everything in sight.

I went in to see Mrs. Ainsworth a minute. As if poor Jessie didn't

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The Birthday of the Infanta

A play in one act

Founded on the story by Oscar Wilde

A Page	Edgar Stehli
The Infanta of Spain	Judith Lowry
The Duchess of Albuquerque	Edmond Crenshaw
An Attendant	Gregory Kelly
The Fantastic	McKay Morris
The Chamberlain	Leon Cunningham
The Count of Tierra Nueva	

The scene is the royal balcony overlooking the gardens.
The time is the sixteenth century.

The scene for "The Birthday of the Infanta" was designed by Frank J. Zimmerer.

The costumes for "The Birthday of the Infanta" were designed by Frank John W. Alexander and made by the Arden Studios.

The music for "The Birthday of the Infanta" was especially composed for the Portmanteau Theatre by Harry Gilbert.

Six Who Pass While the Lentils Boil

A play in one act

The Boy	Gregory Kelly
The Queen	Judith Lowry
The Mime	Willard Webster
The Milkmaid	Nancy Winston
The Blind-Man	Edgar Stehli
The Ballad-Singer	Stuart Walker
The Headsman	McKay Morris

The place is a kitchen.
The time is when you will.

The scenery for "Six Who Pass While the Lentils Boil" was designed by William Sheafe, Jr.

The costumes for "Six Who Pass While the Lentils Boil" were designed by Wilmot Heitland.

"Six Who Pass While the Lentils Boil" was written by Stuart Walker.

The Portmanteau Theatre was designed by Stuart Walker.

The decorations and curtains were designed by Frank J. Zimmerer.

The harp is played by Marie Woulfe.

Information regarding the Portmanteau Theatre may be had by addressing Stuart Walker's Portmanteau Theatre, Carnegie Hall, New York City.

The Gods of the Mountain

A play in three acts by Lord Dunsany

Ulf, a beggar	Edgar Stehli
Oogno, a beggar	Lew Medbury
Thahn, a beggar	Frank J. Zimmerer
An Old Woman who sells water	Judith Lowry
A Dromedary Man	Edmond Crenshaw
A Woman who sings	Mary Coates
A Charmer of Snakes	Beatrice Maude
Agmar, a beggar	Stuart Walker
Slag, a beggar	Gregory Kelly
Illanaun, a citizen	Edward Spalding
Oorander, a citizen	Freeman Wood
A Thief	Leon Cunningham
Mlan, a beggar	Agnes Rogers
Akmos, a citizen	McKay Morris
A Mother	Florence Wollersen

Scene: The East; First act outside the wall of the City of Kongros.

Second act: The Metropolitan Hall of the City of Kongros.

Third act: The same. Thrones in the shape of crags have been set up.

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Lord's Prayer.
(Arr. from "Jocelyn")
by Godard.

O Lord, my Rock, my Fortress and my Strength
I called upon the Lord.
In Him I put my trust
He heard my cry, and came to comfort my distress.
Hearken, Father to the prayer that Thou
hast taught us:
Our Father who art in Heaven
Hallowed be Thy Name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done--
On earth, even as it is done in Heaven.
Give us, this day our daily bread.
Pardon our debts, as our debtors we forgive.
Into temptation lead us not.
Deliver us from evil. Thine is the
Kingdom and the Power, and Glory, ever world
without end - Amen.
O, Father, hear the prayer we make
Grant us Thy Blessing, we
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Stopped to call on Mrs. Batchelder who is shut in with a cold, and rather forlorn. A cozy eve. reading "Mr. Britling sees it thro" by Wells.

Tues. Jan. 23.

Sewing on underwear and doilies for our lunch-trays.
At Mrs. Stricklar's concocting some funny place-cards for our "Dames Dinner" next week.
Invited Mrs. French to go to the Symphony concert with us Fri. eve.

Wed. 24. Club - subj. "Movies"

The "Portmanteau players" were delayed by the storm so didn't get their stage put up till 2-30 but in spite of that we thoroly enjoyed the performance. It was a very good-natured audience.
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Holmes, Mathilda	
Hellman, William	Worner, Crystal.
Hellman, Pearl M.	Strater, Elinor M.
Gorton, Frederick R.	Shaeter, Harry F.
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Goodison, Bertha	Steimle, Clemens F.

Sat. Jan. 27.

Home all day, sewing. In the eve. we went to Mrs. Sherger's sorority party at the Temple. Have 2 dat regrets every week, so far.

Sun. 28

Had Dr. Burton of U. of C. at the Vesper service, and I made chocolate for sixty after service; and Mrs. Packard & I did up the dishes. Mrs. Lester & Warder, the other members of the committee couldn't come.

Mon. 29.

Louise Humphrey's birthday, and had luncheon & whist there. Served a very nice salmon loaf & tartare sauce, olives, asparagus salad rolls, coffee, Pineapple Supreme & whipped cream & chocolate cake with a lot of little candles on it. That was the first we knew that it was her birthday. Was glad when Mrs. Quirk brought me home, for it is a wet & slippery day and I have a hole in my rubbers, and they have gone up so, on account of the war, that I can't afford new ones. Mrs. Sherger & I were average and Mrs. Quirk & Mrs. Clark's mother were — 5. Can't understand it.

Extract from Pres. Wilson's Peace Plan.

"I am proposing, as it were, that the nations should, with one accord, adopt the doctrine of President Monroe as the doctrine of the world: That no nation should seek to extend its polity over any other nation or people, but that every people should be left free to determine its own polity, its own way of development, unhindered, unthreatened, unafraid, the little along with the great and powerful.

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"There is no entangling alliance in a concert of power. When all unite to act in the same sense and with the same purpose, all act in the common interest and are free to live their own lives under a common protection.

"I am proposing a government by the consent of the governed; that freedom of the seas which in international conference after conference representatives of the United States have urged with the eloquence of those who are the convinced disciples of liberty and that moderation of armaments which makes of armies and navies a power for order merely, not an instrument of aggression or of selfish violence.

"These are American principles, American policies. We could stand for no others. And they are also the principles and policies of forward-looking men and women everywhere, of every modern nation, of every enlightened community. They are the principles of mankind and must prevail."

Tues. Jan. 30.

Putting some finishing touches on my gray poplin — little touches of rose-color. Result: Ben & Mrs. Gorton complimented me. Of course Mrs. Hoyt wouldn't say a word. Mrs. F. asked if I was never going to grow old?!?! I told her to put on her glasses and then she'd never say again I "had no wrinkles." We had a gay time at the "Dames" dinner.

Normal Men Entertained

The married men of the Normal college faculty were guests of honor at a supper given by the Faculty Dames Tuesday night. A delicious supper was served by the Domestic Science department of the high school. Covers were laid for 48. The men report a "right merry" evening.

Colored Views of War.

Uncle Ephraim's sympathies were all with the Allies, notes the N. Y. *Evening Post*. "Man," announced he, "has you heard 'bout them Allies? They's got a gun what kin hit you if it's twenty-three miles off."

"Lawsie, that ain't nothin'," sneered a colored partisan of the opposite camp. "De Germans, dey kin hit you if dey jess has yo' address."

The manufactured "place-cards" made a lot of fun. Then we sang our song between the courses; also had a toast to our husbands, which we gave with great effect, in unison; "Our husbands — always right and never wrong.

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But, whether right or wrong -
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"Cut the cost of living"

That is what you always hear
Purchase something cheap
When you long for something dear;
Save on sugar, eggs and fat
And if you have to must —
Wear last year's hat.
But don't forget to
cut the cost of living.

The Sorority of Faculty Dames.

Sorority Flour - Gold Medal
Sorority Color - Pink
Sorority Motto - Rejuvenation

Sorority Song

Freshen up the label
That's the thing you ought
to do -
Give them something old
When they think they've
something new -
Renovate, Rejuvenate, and
if you have to, change
the date -
But don't forget to freshen
up the label.

Served all the afternoon and didn't go to Normal recital (Brew violinist) tonight.

Had a good trip - but glad to get home again. Arlee went to the reception wearing her gray broadcloth - chiffon - fur dress instead of the new one; altho' I put on the facing in time. The blue has practically no lining nor sleeves and the thermometer was hovering around zero. Their house was 62° down stairs, as I stayed in the little room upstairs with the dear babies.

I waited and Robin played with his blocks and Bonnie banged his rattle to beat the band.

Started for Flint 6-30 A.M. Saturday, reaching Lee's about 11-30.

Their house is light and airy! (Book!) and quite a bit larger than Bob's.

The babes talked every minute while I served our late supper, sent them by Arlie. (Some that Bob's mother gave them, and Bob didn't like them)

The house looked very nice - all in order and pleasant. They need rugs, badly.

Lee had three lessons to give - $2.00 for the afternoon - as they do not work at the Brick Sat. p.m. Their boarder is a scared red-headed Irishman - very much impressed by the fact he is living at D'Doges, Doesn't eat with his knife very much and resisted holding the wheat-bowl in his hand. ($7.50 a week!)

Sun. I went to church with Lee & Doris, staying to S.S. with Doris. Lee is in a young men's Bible class. It was Communion Sunday - forty joined the church. Have added over two hundred since last April. The most business-like church I ever attended. Lee & Jo going to a S.S. banquet tomorrow night (taking the poor babes) Last Friday night they were at a Choir supper. Something doing all the time.

At three o'c we all went to a Brick band concert, given by fifty of the employees. Very good it was, too. Mr. Clark, Lee's rich friend took us home in his car, which was much nicer than waiting on street-corners with the babes.

Left Flint this morning at 8-20 and got to Detroit 11-10 just in time to step on the Ypsi. car.

Brought home the curtains to finish and a list of things which I noticed were badly needed at Lee's.

Am glad I went - and am not a bit worse. If on account of sitting in my jacket and over the register off & on the time while at Lee's.

Tues. Feb. 6th

A good quiet day at home - sewing on my big apron for Sundays.
Mrs. Wilbur telephoned would we attend her sorority - party Sat. eve. - and as it is at the Lyon, and informal perhaps we'll go.
It looks now like war for U.S. Germany's getting so ruthless in her submarine warfare - against all ships and Pres. Wilson has recalled our ambassador Gerard from Berlin.
We can only hold our breathe and think: "What next?"

Wed. 7

Much warmer. I got all ready for Club, and found it's next week so was glad to do some errands and called on Mrs. Van Wiegen and Mrs. Garreissen, taking my darning and sitting a while with the poor old Lady. She has been very sick and is just getting her strength back; but has to live in a boarding house, because she is so difficult her children can't live with her. Poor thing. Here's hoping ---
Ben & I went to see Mary Pickford in the movies. She is the dearest little thing. (B. called for me after prayer-meeting.) Finished Stant's socks - and the button-holes in Robin's pink summer suit (made from a dress Helen wore at Chicago Univ.)

Thurs. 8.

Expected Lew for lunch, but he didn't come until 4 I was home from missionary - meeting at Beardsley's. They served pop-corn and maple candy, which was a surprise.
Lew has gained ten pounds since he was here, and doctor C. tells him he is in a fair way to recover lost ground if he will keep on with his medicine and deep breathing. In the eve. Lew & I went to the movies - saw "Snow-white" given by a group of children - Rather pretty - but Hafrilling.

Fri. 9

Poor Lew caught cold again, sleeping in our cotton sheets, when he's used to blankets! "Was cold all night!" It was the coldest night of the season all right. Talk about your "old-fashioned winter"!
He went by appointment to see Lindgren at 9 A.M. and then to Detroit, for lunch with Arlie. He is off a week, on account of his lame foot! I think it is a broken ardh from walking all day on hard cement floors. Dr. C. says it may have been caused by eating so much! Such strange things our bodies are!
He gets only his $2.00 insurance this week.

Tonight we dined at the Shergers and had a cozy eve. 7 whist by the cheery grate fire. The boys lost two points. So cold I had a taxi- up - but it wasn't bad walking home down hill. We had a clear soup and wafers. Baked fish scallop Baked potatoes, hot biscuit, sweet cucumber pickles, coffee, mousse, cookies, Everything very nice.

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Mon. 12.

Lunch Had chicken - v figs coffee, Date crackers + cheese. Very nice.

Evening Hymn.
Arr. from "Sweet + Low."

Day is done, night is come
Fading the sun-set ray;
Bringing peace - sweet release
From cares that infest the day.
Father, grant thy children rest
Weary ~~souls~~ children with cares oppressed
Seeking the Father's love.
Rest ye weary ones
Rest ye lonely ones. Rest.

Look to Him! Jesus said: I am
The dark world's light,
Turn to Him, learn of Him and ye
~~All the~~ dark days ~~will be~~ bright,
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Had a good game with Mrs. Williams but – 3 score.

H. M. meeting here tonight, and I gave them a plain talk about positions in dancing. Thought it better to have a heart to heart talk before our party. Ben gone to Latin Club at Horridal.

Thermometer 14° below zero last night. How I hate to think of poor Arlie Shoving coal all day. But we're glad they have coal. So many people suffering from coal shortage. And the dealers can't get coal because of car-shortage!

Tues. Feb. 13.

Expected to go to L. H. C. sleigh-ride today – but too many backed out, because of the cold; so I had a fine long afternoon to finish my white dress for H. M. party. (The lace from a box sent by Nan about ten years ago) looks quite stunning over my white satin. A touch of blue folds at the belt, and chiffon scarf same color relieves the plainness of it. Scarf $3.00 but the rest of my rig only cost 60 cts. for crepe for vest.

Ben at Twenty Club dinner at Jefferson's.

Mrs. Holmes asked me to a Thimble party on Saturday.

Wed. 14th Ben sent valentines to Doris, Bonnie & Robin.

Helen wrote asking me to send her Ida's Spanish grammar as she & Abbie Price & Bob are to study it together!!

Sent it today. Had a nice long letter from Ida – the first one since Jan 23 when she sent a card. Had lost her glasses and waited a long time for the new ones. The Chancellor's wife invited them to join a very exclusive dinner-club of six couples! All the others are older and heads of departments! O, for stylish Boulder!

At Club today, learning about Birds. It is appalling the way they are slaughtered by the thousands, when they are so important to farms & gardens. Wish I could remember how many tons of insects, grubs and weed-seeds they eat in Mass. in one year!

Mrs. Bowen read about the bird town Meridan N. H. where they have tamed birds by the hundreds all winter about the town!

Went down town & did some errands after Club. P. M. in eve. at the parsonage, alone as usual.

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Union "Tea" at Cleary's. – a big crowd. Hostesses Mrs. C. Mrs. McKenney & Mrs. Berger!

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Tues. Feb. 20.

Dames meeting at Mrs. Smith's. Hostesses being Mrs. B., Mrs. Forton & Elliott. Pleasant time. Decided to give another dinner in April. Letters from all our children. Told Ben this was our real Letter day! Joke.

Wed. 21.

Sewing all day. At prayer-meeting until 7-45 then up to auditorium for recital by the three girls* and Vera Richardson. Fell down again when I came out of prayermeeting and found an inch of snow over the glary ice.

Annual Party

Harmonious Mystics

Masonic Temple

February Sixteenth
Nineteen Hundred Seventeen

PATRONESSES
Mrs. B. L. D'Ooge
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ACTIVE MEMBERS
Ellen Kishlar
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* Phoebe Jefferson
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* Agnes Wardroper
Nita Dennison
Grace Schenck
Mildred Hagen
Bernice Ewell
Mary Sproule
Julia Nurko
Lucile Wallace

Thurs. 22.

Forgot to even put out our flag for Washington's birthday. Mission meeting at Morris'. 13 there as usual. Very interesting reading about the wonderful work in Korea. Missions first established in 1884 and they have outraged one convert a day ever since. They just swarm from miles around for their bible classes.

Fri. 23d

A good dark rainy day to stay home and get things done up ahead as I can go to Arlie's tomorrow. Sun. night.

EPITAPH FOR A GERMAN SOLDIER

By Louis How

He thought his country right and loved her well.
He marched a hundred miles on bleeding feet.
And crouched in puddles with a crust to eat.
A bloody crust that had a powder smell.
He sang to drown the roaring of a shell:
The vision in his eyes was very sweet—
He saw a flower-bordered German street—
And with a clean French bullet-wound he fell.

And those that loved him never are to know
If he was even shoveled in a trench.
Grotesque and grim who was their fair delight
From that sweet seed but recollections grow . . .
Without a ray of hatred for the French.
He fought for what was wrong, but he was right.

How many thousands of bright and good ones are described in this poem!

Over to see Mrs. Garrissen in eve.

Just returned from Detroit on 5-15 train — 15 min. late!

Was glad we went in because dear Arlie was hungry to see us; but I didn't succeed in my wish for them to go somewhere Saturday; as Bob was sick and Arlie dead tired.

I did get her to have a nap, tho! B. was having chills, and I was afraid he'd be really sick; but this medicine helped him, so he was much better today. We took in things for dinner. (Ben bringing steak and a few potatoes (@ 3.00 pr. bu. now) and some apples; which they haven't been able to afford for some time).

It breaks our hearts to see our Helen, such a brilliant, beautiful girl, with her poor hands all chapped and discolored by hard work, and her back so tired. But never a word of complaint! Always bright & cheery.

Robin sings a lot of songs now and is a darling boy; and baby Benj. just lies and coos & jabbers all day long — good as gold, altho' has three new teeth and a second eye tooth just bumping itself.

Mon. Feb. 26

Got Ida's pink silk waist & Helen's wash-clothes for her birthday, and Stanton's laundry, a big one, on account of his Wellesley trip, I suppose.

No whist. on acct of Lent. Sewed all day, and took a book over for Mabel Britton to read. She has been in bed now nearly two months. Her tuberculosis is slowly improving by Mrs. Barbour's care and stuffing. Has steak and four eggs a day and quarts of milk — all the most expensive things. Eggs 60¢ butter 50¢ Steak 30¢

Tues. 27.

Bright and so sunny I was forced to wash some of "Johnny's. Smoker's" smoke off from the windows.

Ida came to lunch and to hear the latest from the children.

I walked down with her to the car and then made six church calls! Chairman of calling committee had to get busy. Had time because Ben was at 20th Club at Clifford's for dinner.

Wed. 28 Our first babe's 30th. birthday! I hope it was as bright in St. Louis as here, and that her presents got there today.

Stant has applied for a school position in Pa. near Phil. "a boy's private school."

At Club — but wouldn't have gone a step, had I looked in the book and found that Mrs. Geigen & Paton were to hold forth.

Took Clara & Helen to concert in A.A. as Ben's cold is too bad, to go. As they had never been in the auditorium, they enjoyed it, but the program of piano and 'cello was monotonous.

Thurs. March 1st '17.

Took one of the new people to D.A.S. at Mrs. Spalsbury's. Twenty-one there. I showed them my new egg-beater-cream-whip and got two more orders. (for D.A.S. money). It is certainly wonderful.

I took the ½ c. cream from top of our milk bottle and it whipped solid in 1 min.

Fri. 2d

Getting things ready for our dinner party tomorrow: Pres. & Mrs. McKinney & Prof. and Mrs. Cleary. Going to give them:

Creamed veg. soup. Toast bars.
Roast possum stuffed with sweet potatoes nuts
Hot apple sauce peach pickles
Creamed Veg. oysters in croustades
Lettuce Salad — cheese mayonnaise wafers
Chocolate Charlotte Russe with almonds
Coffee.

Sun. Mar. 4th

Our dinner guests had a good time and ate well. But they came before time so I had to leave some things to the girls - disastrously. The croustades were too dry and the dessert also.

Dear Mrs. Cleary got up from her bed to come, and looked like a wreck, and oh, horrors!, both of them had their hair parted on the side!!

Cold, cold again today — but these poor old W. Odges must toddle down to Vespers, because Mrs. Louis Hall is to speak on "Red Cross work in France" as she saw it during nine months stay. One of her boys was shot, and another is now there in the army ambulance corps.

Tues 6th.

Two cold days — at home all day fighting a cold id by doses. Writing sixteen letters to the different churches in Jackson Conference, and making a house-jacket out of an old dress and a crochet yoke for a dress for Doris. We are delighted to hear from Lew that he is promoted to a job of overseer and has an office to a staff and 40 men to look after! Now if he only "makes good".

Wed. Mar. 7. Another rainy, dark freezing slippery day. At home all day. Didn't even go to prayer service as Ben put his foot down.

Have nearly conquered my cold, and decided Arsenicum is the thing for running nose and sneezing.

Ben got the two rugs all ready to send to Lew tomorrow.

I am making myself a grand house-waist out of my old blue dress turned. Also finished the crochet yoke for a blue dress (or white cotton crepe) for Doris' birthday.

Thurs. 8.

Slipped and slid down to mission-meeting at Trinity (18 there) then to Normal to hear Vera Richardson's & Lucile Curtice's recital. In the eve. - up again with Ben to the last basket-ball game of the season - Norma - Alma - score 40 - 16. Alma ~~7~~ 7 Fri. 9th.

Nothing unusual except that Prof. & Mrs. Sherger came to play whist in the eve. and the 'boys' beat us by two points. So we're even, so far.

Phoned to the members of the "Dames" about our meeting here next Tuesday. Mrs. Harvey and Mrs. Stricklar to assist me.

Lew writes he weighs 185 & has no cough! Good!

Sat. Mar. 10th

I had planned to go to Detroit today so H. & B. could attend a Bridge party at Virginia's; but H. wrote that Cris. is to have his tonsils out today, so - no party.

That being the case I took the opportunity to go and have some repairing done. Dr. Westfall cleaned out my ear-wax and tested my eyes for new glasses. Have been trying to get there for that since last Sept.

Also made an appt. at the dentists for further repairs.

Rained all the p.m. Glad we did all our errands this morning.

Finished repairing yoke of one of Benjamin's white dresses. New insertion and some motifs set in where there were darned holes, on the shoulder. No one would suspect it now.

Sun. 11th.

Some headache, from having my eyes tested, I guess.

Also! Lamar came so we couldn't go to Vesper service!! He was gorgeous in a bright rose-color shirt and new eight dollar shoes. Says he'll be glad to have his pay-roll commence in July. Has the best engineering job that has been offered this year to Mich. graduate. And he can thank us and Chix.

for getting him acquainted with the Layman's. Auntie stayed to lunch and we had Dutch herring! Wish Bob and Arlie could have been here too.

Mon. 12. Jo writes they are going to a swell Shakespeare Club for Ken to sing & Jo play his acc. I wonder what she wears. Have sent to Chicago for a pretty dress for her birthday. She says our rugs have arrived in Flint, but they don't deliver things that are pre-paid! Great system.

Tues. 13.

Had a very pleasant & profitable meeting of College Dames here. Decided to give another supper in April. (the 10th?)

Exchanged recipes and discussed the high cost of living. It is hard to tell what we are facing in this country. Now that Germany has commenced sub-marine war on American vessels - without warning or search or help to survivors. Also a threatened railroad strike may interfere with our trip to the Southland. Also Russia has had a revolution and they are forming a "United States of Russia" as the Czar has abdicated.

We are living thru' the most thrilling history that the world ever had - and we go right along —— At the movies, with the Shergers.

Wed. 14. Went to Club and heard a very unusual paper on "Women & War" by Miss Shultes. Showed immense research-

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Union Tea at George's — about fifty there. Very pleasant. Clara Mc Andrew brought me home. Nice to have a car, but a great expense and responsibility.

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Sunday 18th. Written up.

I left on early car Thurs. morning, and got to Artie's about 11 o'c. Hustled her off, soon after lunch, so she made two calls before the party at a Mrs. Gardiner's, where she had a fine time with some nice young married women. I made an awful cake salad dressing, custard & apple sauce &

got supper and the baby ready for bed before H. came home. Bob always puts Robin to bed.

Helen had asked the whole Christie crowd over to Sunday dinner. Virginia's birthday. Early to bed, too tired to do any mending.

Sat. 17th.

Slept so hard I never heard little Benj. cry in the night, in the next room.

Left early — after darning the stockings. Those blessed boys are such a lot of comfort. Robin trots around, playing and singing "Slumber Boat" "Marching thro' Georgia" and the "Lorelei". Benj. creeps all over his blanket on the floor and is so noisy!

I did some shopping. Got me a dark blue Spring coat, a veil, hat-trimming etc.

Home about 2 o'c and ready for some of the rice-chicken stew.

Ben says Clara fried the eggs & bacon for him and his guest all night.

A good thing they went to the Normal banquet at night, or I couldn't have left home.

In the eve. we heartily enjoyed the "Portmanto Players," again.

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GAMMER GURTON'S NEEDLE THE VERY NAKED BOY
KING ARGIMENES AND THE UNKNOWN WARRIOR
(Produced Under the Personal Direction of Stuart Walker)

Saturday Evening, March 17, 1917

PROGRAM

The right pithy, pleasant and merry comedy entitled
GAMMER GURTON'S NEEDLE
Mary Coates will speak the Prologue
The Speakers in this Comedy:

Diccon, the bedlam.....Edgar Stehli
Hodge, Gammer Gurton's Servant.....McKay Morris
Tyb, Gammer Gurton's Maid.....Nancy Winston
Gammer Gurton.....Judith Lowry
Cocke, Gammer Gurton's Boy.....Leon Cunningham
Dame Chat.....Florence Wollersen
Doctor Rat, the Curate.....Gregory Kelly
Doll, Dame Chat's Maid.....Agnes Rogers
Master Baylye.....Lew Medbury
Scrapethrift, Master Baylye's Servant.....Morgan Farley

The scene of the five acts is laid in an English village
There will be no intermission between the acts
("God Save the Queen")

Music for the drinking Song in Act. II was arranged from the old English original by Cecil Sharp.

The scenery and costumes for "Gammer Gurton's Needle" were designed by Wilmot Heitland.

During the period when the play was written (about 1560) a steel needle was treasured as few family possessions are today, and when Gammer Gurton lost hers—the only one she possessed—the misfortune took on the importance of a genuine calamity.

THE VERY NAKED BOY
An Interlude Before the Curtains

She.....Mary Coates
He.....Freeman Wood
The Boy.....Gregory Kelly

The scene is half-way to a proposal

KING ARGIMENES AND THE UNKNOWN WARRIOR
A play in two acts by Lord Dunsany

King Argimenes.....McKay Morris
Zarb, a slave born of slaves.....Gregory Kelly
A Prophet.....Edgar Stehli
The King's Overseer.....Lew Medbury
An Old Slave.....Frank J. Zimmerer
A Young Slave.....Leon Cunningham
King Darniak.....Noel Tearle
Queen Atharlia.....Beatrice Maude
Queen Cahafra.....Nancy Winston
Queen Thragolind.....Judith Lowry
Queen Oxara.....Florence Wollersen
The Idol-Guard.....Edward Spalding
Servant of the King's Dog.....Agnes Rogers

Time: A long time ago. Place: Ancient Ithara.
Scenes: The slave-fields of King Darniak.
The throne-hall of King Darniak.

The lights will be lowered during the second act to indicate a lapse of time.

The scene, costumes and properties for "King Argimenes and the Unknown Warrior" were designed by Frank J. Zimmerer.

Executive Staff For the Portmanteau Theatre

Company Manager.....Harold Holstein
Representative in Advance.....Neil McCune Martin
Stage Manager.....Gregory Kelly
Electrical Department.....John Hodgins
Master Carpenter.....Ernest Sole
Master of Properties.....Michael Fitzgibbon
Costumer.....Francis Broich
Wig Maker.....William Broich

Information regarding the Portmanteau Theatre may be had by addressing Stuart Walker's Portmanteau Theatre, Carnegie Hall, New York City.

The strolling players of pre-Shakesperian times in spite of their restricted means, had a charm of expression, and made an appeal to the imagination by the very simplicity of the ensemble. The Portmanteau Theatre represents a return to the simplicity of the past, placing the emphasis on the play itself rather than on scenery. The charm of this small theatre lies in its intimacy. The audience is not witnessing a spectacle which matches pennies with nature, but is treated to a phase of human nature transformed by the magic touch of the artist's hand and the poet's imagination. The presentation is simple and direct with only such aid from scenery as shall stimulate the imagination to create its own illusions.

Also gave a dear little One-act comedy: "Never-the-Less."

Sun. Mar. 18

Nothing unusual except Pres. McKinney talked at Vesper Service - interminably.
Have asked Miss Pearce to entertain Whist Club the 9th as I expect to return from St L. the 8th, - and could better have them the 16th.

Mon. 19.

Sewing all day.

Tues. 20.

At the same job - fixing over blk. poplin dress for St. L. I imagine that black will be most serviceable in that dirty city. Lou & Jo want us to come to Flint this week-end for their long-talked-of dinner to the Clarks, who have done so much for Lou. Ben dining at "20 Club" meeting at McKinneys. In the eve. Mrs. Hoyt & I went to mov. is to see "Prince of Graustark". Very pretty & as it was Club Federation benefit we were glad to see a packed house.

Wed 21.

Went down to Club meeting (Study Club?) at Temple - but it was full to the doors, (a Spanish student from S. America talking) so I didn't go in but did my errands and called on Mrs. Spalsbury & Mrs. Becker - both sick.

Prayer-meeting - then Ben came for me and we went to see Mary Pickford in a pretty Scotch play. She is certainly the movie queen, and deserves her $1000 a month.

Too much "movie" for me. Last night we could only get seats way up in front - result my eyes are troubling me today.

Thurs. 22

Rec. word yesterday of the death of our good friend Prof. Walter Dennison of Swarthmore. Ben was exceedingly fond of him, and I grew to love dear Mrs. D. during our winter in Rome, and our travels with them. Such a terrible pity to see a brilliant life cut off at forty-six.

We met them at the depot and attended the service at the chapel in the cemetery. David, (8 yrs. old, is to graduate from Swarthmore in June! Is over six ft. tall, and doesn't weigh more than 120 lbs.! When I saw that poor round-shouldered transparent looking fellow, I couldn't help contrasting him with my two straight, pink boys. (Altho' Stant is going to be 22 before he graduates in June.)

Friday Mar. 23d

And whigg! I go past another mile-stone. No. 6body's business how old I am. I do not feel a minute older than I did twenty yrs. ago.

Lou telephoned last night that so many of their dishes are broken and they can't

afford to give the dinner-party. This I consider the most encouraging thing those children have done since 1911. Len also writes that his income at Brick factory, his choir and his pupils bring in $85. a week, of which they save $8.50 — besides living expenses and house payments.

Ben & I go tomorrow at 1 to Detroit & Flint. Clara to the hospital to have her tonsils out and Helen H. goes home to Elk Rapids for vacation, as she has to stay for summer school in order to graduate in August.

Ben gave me a beautiful plant — a primula — with 18 bunches of blossoms, and more coming. The girls surprised me by giving me a pretty handkerchief. Aunt Ida a book and an underwaist (not yet finished). She came out this P.M. and we went to the Blue Bird tea-room, taking Clara also.

My Corey sent me an embroidered & crochet-bordered towel for my guest-room and some little crochett clasps & cord for my underwaist. Stanton asked Mrs. Kishlar to get me a cream whip.

Off for Detroit & Flint tomorrow, early.

(Sat. Mar. 24) Mon. 26th.

Reached Helen's at 11-45 and she went to the city right after lunch. Had cleaned and cooked all the morning — so nothing for me to do but darn and

keep an eye on the Babes. Beautiful sunny day for Arlie to be out. Robin out playing with nice little girl next door. I sat out on the piazza & darned with Benj. in his cab by me. How he loves to watch Robin play! And R. is so good to him, too.

Helen came a little while after Ben got there. She was too excited to even sit down — telling of her purchases and of her experiences. Got a blue coat and skirt, hat & gloves, — all very stunning.

Ben couldn't stay over night as he had to speak in A. A. at a classical conference. (I see I've left out a lot.)

Sat. I went to H's and stayed till Papa came and we started soon after for Flint, getting there about 30c. [Left D. at 3-15]

Len was at his studio giving lessons not coming home till night. So, after supper Ben went down to the church and came home with him.

The babes were so dear, and Ben so happy, especially with "Dossie".

Sun. 25

Went to church and heard Len sing a grand solo. He looks so handsome and big and straight in the flowing blk. robe; and the tenor looked like an accidental.

Met their friend Mrs. Clark & family, and found her a fine woman.

The church was crowded and in the S.S. there were 500.
Missionary collection - by classes - was $2.54
In the afternoon we went to Y.M.C.A. building for the municipal singing which Lee conducted.
Also he sang my "Prayer for Peace" and told them his mother wrote the words
In the eve. Ben & Jo went to service and I put the babes to bed, and read and got lunch. Lee ate nothing but his beaten egg & milk. Was all upset because his tenor had a solo and "slumped like the devil" he said.
Jo is resplendent this Spring in a new tan color suit, bright blue hat with a big pink rose, yellow & white waist (from auntie) and yellow tie from me. Wish she had made her hat from stuff.
Also she has a new blue satin and crêpe dinner-gown. Beautiful.
No wonder Lee is "ninety dollars behind" in his payments on his piano.
Mon. (back a page) A big snow-storm that melted in an hour.

Tues. Mar. 27

We are drifting every day towards war with Germany.
It makes me have lumps in the throat to think of what may be ahead of our own boys.
The Kaiser is taking treatment in Hamburg for diabetes. Should think he would have something.
The German armies are retreating before the French, thro' northern France; and always, before leaving towns, they kill old (and young) women & men and children, and carry off young women. cut down orchards, burn & blow-up all buildings. Absolutely ruthless.

Wed. Today I've sewed all day, except when I had to go to Club, to make a report. Came home, soon, to finish my blue waist to wear on the pass.
Mrs. Farreissen over a while, bringing a present for the Club-house kitchen.
Clara is getting well, fast from having her tonsils out. She is a dear little maid, and very appreciative.
Wrote to Ida, Rex & Arlie - just cards.

Fri. night Mar 30.

I feel like the little Chicago girl who closed her prayer: "Good bye, God, I'm going to St. Louis."
Auntie came down at the last and helped on Stant's clothes - so they are in the bag ready for the express man tomorrow. I have everything packed and will sleep hard tonight. Ben actually wonders why I have so much work to do, because I'm going away!
To this day he is surprised when he sees how much work I do; for I really think he

can't ~~really~~ believe I work as hard as he does every day.

Just because I don't harp on it and drone over it as Jen always does, he doesn't understand it. Bless his old heart, how could he? It is part of my creed not to "fuss".

Sat. Mar. 31st.

Clara left, early, to visit her cousin in Wayne (?) and Bau & I at 10-30 only the train was late, as usual.

Telephoned Arlie that Bau would be there for supper; then we snooped around T.B. Ray's home-supply store, and got an egg-boiler glass and 1 doz. aluminum cups for jelly molds.

I left Detroit at 2-30 after a good lunch, and an attempt to see a moving picture of Mary Pickford in "Poor little Rich girl."

Left Toledo about 6 o'c, reaching St. L. 4 hours late. Sam met me and after 40 min. ride in St. cars we reached 6000 Waterman, and found that dear Corey and her little fudgey baby Jane. - both good to squeeze.

Their rooms are very fine and attractive. The handsome mahogony dining-room set being the crowning feature. Glad we gave it to them. ~~Mon. Apr. 1st.~~ Went with Ida to the meeting of their College club, at McMillan Hall. A pleasant reception, where I met a lot of Ida's friends. Served cream cakes.

#. The trees & shrubs in St. L. are not as far advanced as I expected; but the bright yellow Forsythia is beginning to bloom.

To our distress, the landlord sent two men to clean the ceilings (with rolls of dough) so I might as well have left the sweeping & dusting this morning. Everything covered with newspapers, as far as possible but rolls of black dough everywhere, on the floor & furniture and Ida had a French pupil 5-6 o'c!

Tues Apr. 2d

Billy Sunday commenced holding services in N. Y. city on Sunday and declares that every cent he receives will be given to Red Cross & Y. M. C. A. work among the soldiers. It is settled that the U. S. must enter this terrible world's war, or be trampled on by Germany.

The Pres. Wilson's War message to congress is a classic, which I shall try to save for my diary. I can think of nothing but my boys used for "Kanonen Futter."

We had a woman to clean & help - and I spent most of the morning making fruit-nut salad for 20 people.

Ida's "At Home" was a great success, as everyone had such a good time they stayed and stayed.

Served the salad, hot buttered biscuit olives, coffee. Very pleasant Faculty ladies callers, who couldn't say enough about our Ida's being such a favorite.

One of the neighbors borrowed "Baby Bunch" for the afternoon.

Wed. 4th.

We were asked to a thimble party at one of the neighbor's - Mrs. Coey's. Her husband's mother was there - two grandmas. Left Jane at home with Sam, because it was raining.

Thurs. 5th

Ida & I went to the city at 10 o'c leaving Jane asleep and the key with Mrs. Maestre, down stairs.

After a long struggle I bought me a hat which they tell me is becoming. Also a neck-tie for Lew's birthday (26 on Saturday) also tickets for our return $12.00 and drawing-room $9.00 as the cars are so crowded I couldn't engage berths.

Had tea at Maestre's after our return, and she showed me thirty-six dresses of her babe's - many of which will be Jane's, later.



Fri. 6th

A full day.

Ida & I were asked to Prof. Lebhards for lunch and to Lippincott's for tea. and all of us were at Prof. Swetzer's for dinner. All prof's wives and all. very nice to Ida's mother.

Sat. 7.

Ben came from Louisville about 20'c. Rainy but after a grand dinner, Ida, Papa & I went in a Ford to view the city. So cold I wore Ida's sweater under my cloak. When we returned, found that nice Sam had the dinner dishes nearly finished, and babe was asleep - this past her eating time. She is the best, jolliest little rogue - not any trouble at all compared to most babes.

We left, in the rain at 5-15 and as they announced there was no dining-car on our train, we loaded up with sandwiches at the depot restaurant and ate them in our drawing-room. Such luxury we are not accustomed to.

Sun. 8th.

We had the lower berth and the sofa made up, and then read a while in bed!! and then as good a night's sleep as was possible on the worst road-bed of any rail-road I ever saw.

Of course we were hours late again, so had for breakfast only one lonely apple that I found in my suit-case.

Reached Toledo about 12 o'c (instead of 8-30) and had a lunch in the station.

There were two cars full of soldier boys going east, and I wanted to cry to see how young they were.

Reached Detroit about 4 o'c and went to Arlie's where we found aunt Ida. Had a good visit, and told them about our trip. After a grand lunch Ben & auntie left, and I stayed all night, to get my blk. waist to wear with my new blk. skirt which Ben gave me for my birthday.

Robin & Bay. are darlings, but they look small and puny compared with Jane, whom I call "Bouncing Bess". Bay. is cutting teeth and is pathetically good about it.

Mon. Apr. 9th. Left, after doing up the dishes from last eve. Bought a pretty lace and chiffon waist and some little beads to trim it up a little with blue.

Reached home about 10-30, and found things in good shape — only the house smells so from the-aired cellars, as it always does at this time of year.

Mrs. Lott phoned about meeting of Faculty Dames tomorrow & Mrs. Bentley came to see about church supper on Friday.

Tues. 10th

Finished my blue crêpe waist and wore it to Mrs. Lott's. Reg St. Louis hat makes a great hit with folks. Declare it makes me look ten yrs younger! Mrs. Lott, Ford & Samson were the hostesses & served cookies & fruit-cup. Very nice. Called afterwards on Mrs. Pierson, whose name Mr. Morris gave me. Found she is episcopalean & her husband presbyterian! Just went to our church once. However, she seemed so lonesome and forlorn I asked her to go to Club with me tomorrow. Also asked Jessie Laird. Poor Jessies health is so poor she resigned her position in H. S. last month.

Concert tonight, but we do not have to go.

Wed. 11th

Planned our May party yesterday. A dinner to which we ask our husbands, given by the "Science" girls at college.

Today we had a real treat at Club. — a Russian program in charge of Miss Lowden. Called on Mrs. Sample & Mrs. Wilson, on my way home. In the eve. we went to hear lecture by Judge Ben. Lindsay of Denver, who has done fine work in reforming wayward boys & girls.

Thurs. 12

Arlie telephoned that Florence Brotherton died in her bed yesterday morning. [Was taking a course in nurse training in N. Y. City.] Autopsy revealed a growth on her heart that closed the valve.

At missionary Thank-offering meeting at Mrs. Holmes'. Everybody talking of the Red Cross organization here, & all over the country.

Since our declaration of war with Germany we never know what a day may bring forth. German spies are being arrested every day — ammunition plants being blown up all over the country — companies drilling in all colleges — all athletic engagements cancelled — all girls

and women taking Red Cross training. They say the Kaiser has diabetes and is taking treatment at Hamburg. Today I read that there are signs of a union between catholic Austria & Bavaria against Prussia. Also rumors that Germany is fast losing ground and that the people may rise against the government as they did in Russia last month.

Fri. 13. Thermometer 34°

Last eve. Went to the Red Cross meeting (only about 150 present) to organize for the work. The Barbours brought me home. and so cold we shivered in furs!

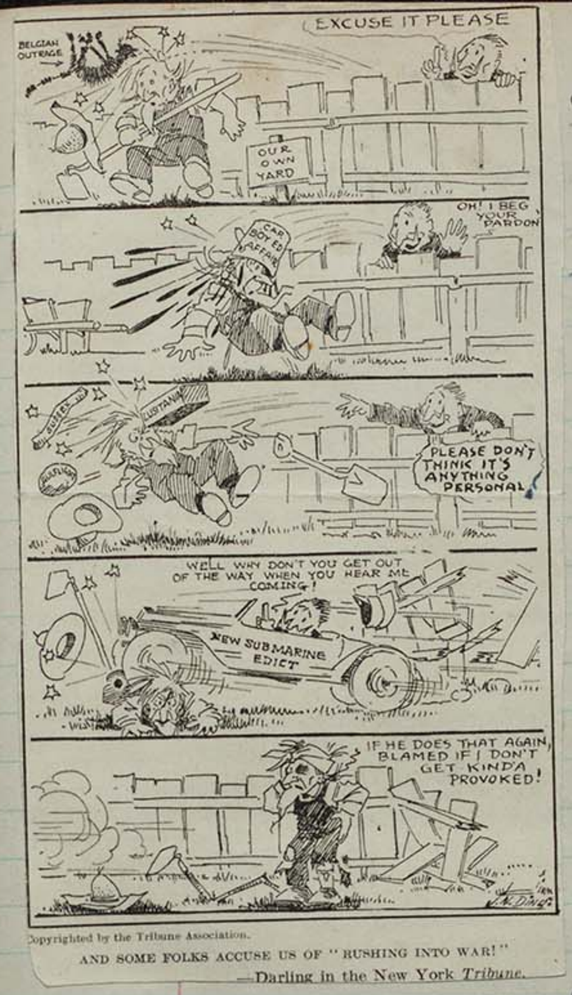
Today I made cake for next Monday's whist luncheon, washed the lettuce, got my nuts ready etc. Church supper was unusually good. The first under Mrs. Bentley's management and a great success.

I took mashed potatoes for 24 people. Could do it because I outs from the farm. They sell at $1.00 a pk. down town.

Sat 14

An exciting letter from Stauk that he has a $1000. job in Hotchkiss Boy's school in north-western Ct. Also including board, room & washing! Also has about 4 mo. vacations and only fourteen hrs. a wk. recitations!

We are delighted; and Ben says:



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AND SOME FOLKS ACCUSE US OF "RUSHING INTO WAR!"

—Darling in the New York *Tribune*.

One of the best cartoons I've been showing some of the German outrages which the Kaiser 'deprecates' — but goes right on — doing worse.

"Now I'm sure it paid to send Stauk to Amherst."

In the eve. I chaperoned H. H. party at Club-house, and Ben went to "Stoic" banquet and came out at 10 o'c.

Sun. 15

Prof. Barbour gave his very impressive sermon on "Pontius Pilate" this morning at church. All very fine until the last 15 min. when he couldn't keep back his 'ego'. He is so naive about thinking anyone cares how he has been feeling about Wilson's policy in the last two years, etc. etc.

Dr. & Mrs. Ford made us a nice long call this p.m. They are such bright, jolly people. Wish we might see more of them. I can never reconcile myself to their being methodists.

Mon. Apr. 16th.

Hustling times at 420 Forest Ave.
I asked the whist ladies to come early so Clara would have time to serve.
Gave them nut timbales with almond sauce, hot rolls, jelly, coffee.
Head lettuce with egg-cups filled with mayonnaise, pimento trimmings, hot cheese crackers. + Chocolate cream cake.
They seemed very hungry + appreciative.
I didn't get the dishes done until 4 o'c.
In the eve. Ben + I went to see sweet Mary Pickford in the "Poor little Rich Girl," and it rested me. Benj. commenced garden.

Tues. 17.

Stanton writes that the boys' school near Philadelphia wants him to visit there before deciding to take the other job. He says the name D'Orge seems to be very potent in the east. (They rise Ben's books at Hotchkiss)
Today - just to use up salad etc, I had my group of ladies and one or two others to plan for an entertainment to earn some money, and to hear Mrs. Howorth give some recitations.
Gave them nut-cheese salad, wafers, tea. There were thirteen here - which was more than I'd expected in this rainy day.
Asked Mrs. George Wood + Fiddler extra. Also Mrs. Knapp who didn't come, on sick & the rain.

Wed 18th.

Committee meeting at Clifford's.
My back ached so, I had a taxi. Can't think what makes such a sharp pain under my left shoulder.
Heavy thunder showers and hail-stones.

Thurs. 19.

Bright and serene today, as if no one ever was kept awake by thunder-crashes and egg-sized hail-stones. At least they sounded as big as eggs.
Getting off Stant's laundry, and tucked in a few apples. Potatoes 4.00 a bu. now.
Sent a bu. to Arlie + Bob, + a bag of beans to Lew. Dr. Clifford says to take Bry. every two hrs, + rest with analgesique balm. and I hope my back won't hurt so tomorrow.
Went to Union tea at Pray's. 25 there + they prepared for 60! but didn't phone people to jog their memory.
Went to hear lecture on "Patriotism" by Dr. Cadman of Brooklyn. The best one of the whole course. He said a lot of fine things, and some funny ones, too.
Of a Scotchman said "He keeps the sabbath" and everything else he can lay his hands on."
An Irishman "never mentions a rope in a house where a man has been hung."
Also spoke of Oliver Cromwell being "now where he could light his cigar with the end of his finger."
He said many people were so patriotic

they used so much steam for cheering there was none left to "run the machines". Also the man who cheers the loudest for the dear old flag is sometimes found in the coal cellar when it comes to enlisting".

Friday Apr. 20. A nice rainy day, at home sewing. Sold seven tickets for Mrs. Sharpless who is helping along the L.H.C. play at H.S. hall Wednesday eve.

Called on Mrs. Priddis and worked one off on her.

Sat. 21. Sewing all day.

Only out doors long enough to pick some flowers for the table. We have so many crocus, Scylla, blood-root, hyacinth blossoms that everyone walks backwards to look at them.

My back is a little better.

Sun. 22.

Bright & beautiful until eve, when the rain came again. Have had a lot of it this last week.

Drew a plan for a bungalow on the lake front at "Shore Acres" where we can be as free & easy as old Clx. used to be.

If the children agree, we'll sell our cottage ($10000.) and move to the woods, where the babes can wear overalls the whole summer. Clx. is too stylish.

We'd be near the farm, for supplies, and have a boat and Frank's auto. to get around,

and would be absolutely independent of hotel people and swells.

My day has been spent hunting quotations for the Club Year book. Also worked all yesterday afternoon & eve. on them.

Mon. 23.

Had a taxi, to carry me and the whist trays to Mrs. Williams' where we had fine lunch and a good game — & average score with L. Humphrey. Went afterwards to call on old Lady Wilcox and found her stitching up a skirt on the machine.

Had been for a long auto. ride, the day before and saw twelve callers!

In the eve. we went to L.H.C. play given at H.S. hall. Very good indeed. "Social Aspirations" with Louise Humphrey Mrs. Davis, Mrs. (Prof) Morris, Mary James, Mrs. Mulvihill and Miss Lowden.

Tues. 24

Left (with Mrs. Holmes) on the 8-50 train for Muskegon, reaching G.R. about 10 & M. about 2-40.

Were met by numerous ladies with cars to take us to the church.

Every one very cordial and did everything possible to make our stay pleasant.

We were with Mrs. Wm. Carpenter — 66 Peck St. Very kind, hospitable people.

We had very pleasant meetings morning, noon and night; taking lunch (a poor one) at 3 (to fill in the time) (sound asleep)

Friday Apr. 27

Reached home yesterday pm, — today. Too sleepy to write.

Sat. eve. 28.

Helen, Bob & babies came this afternoon. The blessed babes were so good — when the train was hours late and so hot — enough to upset any other children. B. & H. gone to the "movies". It must be months since they have been able to do it.

Arlie looks worn and tired, but we are going to make her rest & eat for a week at least. The precious girl!

Sun. 29. Rainy

Arlie & Bob at home, resting. We stayed home from Vespers as aunt Ida Lancaster & Loudy were here. The latter brought two beautiful pictures of Arlie & her boys, and gave them to us.

It transpired later that he wanted Ben to go in a Stock Co.! Nothing doing!

Mon. 30

Stanton is settled for next year but Later not to enlist when all his friends are going. We hope he will be sent to the Farm work instead of enlisting. "Here's Hopin"

At Mrs. Worley's for lunch & whist (asleep)

Very few substitutes these days of luncheons.

I don't like to leave Helen — but — (asleep) (asleep) (asleep)

Robin & Boy. were "good as gold."
At Church 3

Arlie & Babes went for a long walk in the blessed sunshine and I to C.E. 3. at Mrs. Bentley's. — tying a comfort for the missionary box. Arlie to C.E. for concert again. A note from Jane Stanley that Alice is to be married Sat. afternoon and asking us all.

It was to be in June but her husband is to be in the army and may have to leave any minute.

It was such a surprise to us, we have not time to get a present for them. But will do it later.

Fri. May 4.

Gave our Festival tickets to the girls in the afternoon and the Hoyts in the eve ($6.00) We paid $21.00 for all four tickets. Sold one for $6.00 and expected to sell some more, but couldn't.

I thought of course the Hoyts would pay for theirs! Who else would have offered us Hanks only for $3.00 tickets. (Not $3. each) Bad rainy evening. So we were glad to be at home.

Sat. 5th.

Off at 9-50 for Detroit - Ben taking his sable-lined overcoat to Becker's for the summer. Had our lunch at the Y.M.C.A. and then I got some white

gloves for the wedding and some shoes. Found they had gone up $2.00 and the clerk said they'd be $7. next month — so I bought two prs. ($14.00) because they say it is going to be impossible to get shoes next year if this horrid war lasts.

Now that Russia has disposed of her Czar and there are signs of upheaval in Germany, we hope, any morning to wake up and find Germany turned against Wm II the ruthless destroyer of everything that stands in his way.

Reached the church in plenty of time, tho' Ben was fussing for fear we'd be late. Fannie Angell came down and sat with us and Eck. & Sara were there. Also Emily Stebbins Collins and husband. The Angells took us over to the Stanleys, altho' they were'nt asked to the house. Alice was beautiful in rose-colored suit & blk. hat — and immense corsage bouquet of lillies of valley and orchids. The groom's brother was to be best man but was sick as his sister came and was best man, coming out of the chancel door with her brother to meet the bride on her father's arm.

Sara being bride's maid — in a plain dark silk suit & dark hat.

Jane was beautiful in an old purplish plaid silk and large hat with a gay wreath of flowers. Much gayer than the girls.

At the reception they served chicken salad, rolls, coffee — icecream in molds, and assorted cakes.
Found Bob here when we returned.
Tonight H. & B. gone to A. A. for the last concert. I didn't feel like going. In fact I feel like crawling away out of sight somewhere. My heart is so heavy I can hardly breathe, sometimes. Raining again. I hope Arlie won't spoil her pretty new suit & hat.
Tonight I finished arranging the "Prayer for Peace" into a trio. Helen says it sounds "great"!

Sun. May 6.

The children didn't get home till midnight, as Arlie had a nap today while we were at church; and Bob slept late this morning while that blessed Robin lay still so as not to disturb him.
Rains every few minutes.

Mon. 7

Lunch & whist at James'. What a smelling house!
Played with Mrs. Batchelder — score — 4
Mrs. Quirk & Mrs. Sherper — 5
In the eve. the Shepers took me to the movies to see Cohan in "Broadway Jones". Quite funny. Sorry Ben & Arlie couldn't have gone too.

Tues. 8.

Ida came down.
Helen & auntie down town with the babes. Dr & Lu. Clifford & Robbie called. Mrs. Beck & Barbour came over to practice our Dutch Trio for the Nonsense party, Fri. eve.

Also Anna Wakeman came to see the babies and Zerda Pederson came to say she could go north with us this summer. Showers all day. The tulips, hyacinths & jonquils are in full bloom; but the trees are very slow about getting on their new Spring suits. Auntie brought down samples of spoons which we are going to give to Alice Stanley Atchinson.
Home Assoc. supper, but we do not have to go. Can't leave Arlie every day.

Wed. 9.

At last Club of the season. Officers' day, with annual reports and refreshments.
At prayer meeting alone, as dear Arlie was too tired to go with me.
I hope she will stay another week, as it seems to be getting a little warmer.

Thurs. 10.

Arlie & babes walked down to missionary meeting at Mereness' and then to return Bobbie Clifford's call.
H. says the Clifford baby seems so immature compared to Robin, and so nervous and pale compared to our little rosy-cheeked boy.
Rehearsing for the Nonsense party, a Trio which I harmonized from an old Dutch

"Meet For Nonsense"

A "Nonsense" party was given by the Forest avenue division of the Congregational Ladies' Aid society Friday evening in the church parlors The program was an unusually enjoyable one and consisted of a Dutch song impersonation, with Mrs. B. L. D'Ooge, Mrs. F. A. Barbour and Mrs. C. J. Becker singing in costume. Miss Mary Wood sang an old fashioned version of "Yanke Doodle" with Miss Matilda Holmes as accompanist; Mrs. Hauseman and Mrs. Cora F. Knight both gave appropriate readings; Dr. N. A. Harvey recited "The Arkansas Traveler" and Mrs. Gareissen played the piano while little Miss Marian Morris in a Dutch costume swept up the "dropped notes."

song I had heard Ben sing. They made a great fuss over it — and it did sound well.

Fri. May 11th.

A full day. Phoning, rehearsing etc. The Press didn't publish our notice. Said they "lost it!" So they put in a notice tonight for nothing. Didn't do much good — for there were only about fifty there — and we'd expected about a hundred. An enthusiastic audience, however.

Uncle Wilson was down for dinner tonight — and certainly enjoyed it.

Had: tomato bouillon. Wafers. Sliced ham, cream-horse-radish sauce. Potato roses with cr. asparagus, fresh rolls, jelly. Peach-cream puddings. After-dinner coffee. My heart is so much lighter and the ache is gone.

Sat. 12.

Tired head-ache, so I didn't do much but mend stockings, and sleep. Didn't even plan my Sunday dinner till afternoon. Aunt Ida + Bob here for dinner.

Sun. 13 Mother's Day

Helen went with us, and Bob gladly stayed home with the babies.

After dinner Helen went to A. A.

to see Unity, and Blanche Anderson Moore's new baby. Had a fine ride in the Wilson's car, all over A. A. Took Blanche some of our beautiful pink tulips. Ruth Dailey came out and stayed for lunch — Bob also staying over till the 8-50 train.

Mon. 14.

We have persuaded Arlie to stay yet another week, for it surely will be warmer now. Our furnaces have been run continuously since October.

Big luncheon at Lakins today: Creamed chicken in pastry rosettes, baked rice and tomatoes, nut bread, ripe olives, jelly coffee, Grape-fruit salad, Angel cake with whipped cream (and wine) poured over it!!

Went down to do a little shopping after + ordered the frames for our pictures for the children, $2.00 a piece!!! Would have been $1.25 last year at this time.

Tues. 15.

A lovely bright day, so I had a carriage and an old nag and we went for a drive. Next time I'll order a surrey as it was rather close quarters. But Arlie enjoyed being out in the sunshine, without having to walk + push a cab.

Wed. 16.

Too windy to ride again, as I'd hoped to do. Aunt Ida came to

spend the afternoon.
All sewing and mending Stanton's socks and getting his laundry ready, for the last time, I hope.
His letter sounds so lonesome and so unhappy because everyone of his friends enlist and he can't.
I hope Ben will send for him to come and work on the farm, so he will feel as if he was doing something to help. The government is calling for farmers even more than soldiers - saying we have got to feed the allies as well as ourselves, next year. Everyone is making gardens in every waste corner and field.
Ida sent some kodak pictures of Jake, expecting to have them back; but here is one she'll never have.
I would be a pity if her grandmother couldn't have one.



The sun-parlor looks very natural to me, and the lounge where I slept, at Ida's,

Thurs. 17.
Cloudy & threatening, but not a drop of rain - and the farmers need some, very much, on the young plantings of garden truck.
I took dear Robin to L. A. S. tea at Mrs. Spalsbury's. He sailed into the room and went around shaking hands with every woman there. Then, after watching the gold fish and talking to the canary a while, he sat in the little rocking chair they brought him, and sang all his songs to the surprise & delight of his grandmother. Little Morris sat on his mother's lap, wouldn't budge nor say a word to anyone. Acted more like a baby of two instead of three yrs.
We took little Marion Morris down with us, to get Robin some brown sandals and stockings; but couldn't find a sandal in town to fit him.
Arlie took Baby to see Miss Adams and had a good visit. Robin had a lot of new experiences - When we passed a yard where there were a lot of chickens we went in and he held one in his hand and was perfectly happy.
The dearest, gentlest baby boy - and loves all little helpless things. The way he went up to all the babies and cooed over them and patted their cheeks - while they (oysters for the most part) gaped at him with open mouths.

Fri. May 18

I went to luncheon at A. A. Cong. church. It was a Union function. Had 12 tables decorated to rep. the months and all having birthdays in same month sat at one table. Decorated boxes in the centre, to contain offerings of as many pennies as years of age. At the March table were eight — none of whom I had ever met, but Mrs. Toddard.

Decorations of shamrocks and small green banners (St. Patrick's Day?)

My toast was the first on the list, so I left at 2-30 and went to Ida's for a call until car time. Hurried home so Arlie could go to the May Dance, and found them all gone. Ben rolled the cab so both babes went.

Gertrude (Sherger) Lamb called up asking Helen there tomorrow with the babes, as she was having Florence (Vliet) Sweet & babe there. But Helen didn't want to go and leave Bob, and anyway Gertrude had'nt been to see her.

She was done having her eyes tested again & getting glasses; so I hope her headaches will disappear soon.

Poor Stanton is very unhappy because he feels like a slacker — not to enlist.

A card from him sounded as tho' he was about to resign his $1000 job at Hotchkiss School next year; so Ben tele-

graphed for him not to do it. After all he is of age and ought to be allowed to decide for himself — 'tho it should tear our heart-strings.

Sat. 19.

I had a ticket for a Red Cross Card-party today — and H. M. girls have a picnic also — but I got out of both as it is Arlie's last day. Took care of Babe while Arlie & Bob took Robin to get Arlie's glasses — and to the movies.

His first experience — and he liked the animal show — but didn't care for the rest. Early to bed, as usual.

Sun. 20

Bright & lovely last day for the children. We tried to convince H. she could as well stay another week but she feels her duty calls her home.

Says she has gained 10# in her feelings since coming. I think she was nearly at the end of her endurance.

Says she feels like a new woman.

Mon. 21.

Auntie gave H. a set of silver butter-spreaders for her birthday; and Bob brought her a Blk. jet hat pin. I am sending her a lace collar & jabot and she says we have given her a month of birthdays — and we have.

Went to whist-luncheon at Mrs Pearce's given by Mrs. Barbour. Of course there were

twice too many things: Cold tongue stuffed eggs, creamed potatoes, pickles, rolls coffee, icecream, frosted cakes, oat-meal cookies candies! Guess we'll have to adopt the plan of fining for overdoing it next year! Went over to see if Mrs. Priddy was going to the "Players" this week, & found her laid up with a sprained ankle. Guess I won't go, after all, as Ben doesn't seem interested in them at all.

Rainy day makes the Faculty picnic for tomorrow impossible Postponed until next week.

Tues. May 22d

Our dear Arlie's 28th birthday. Hope she gets my note & package today for it is a dark, cold, rainy birthday.

I sewed all day when not cooking or ironing. Must get my sewing & cleaning done up before Ida & Jane come (June 3d or 4th?) Haven't really had a chance to do much house-cleaning yet, as Clara was sick - with tonsils - in Spring vacation; then the Muskegon trip followed - then Helen's visit. And now it is colder than Greenland's Icy Mountains!

Wed. 23

Went in to see my neighbor Mrs. Priddy who sprained her ankle yesterday. We are going together Friday night to see the Players. I almost believe I'm going to have a congenial neighbor, after all.

PLAYERS TO MAKE SECOND PUBLIC APPEARANCE SOON

Have Prepared Three Offerings For Presentation This Month

ONE DUNSANY PLAY AMONG THEM

Selection Is From a Total Of Seventeen Which Have Been Given This Year

In the second annual public appearance of the Ypsilanti Players, at the Plyahouse Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 23, 24, 25 and 26, Ypsilanti will be afforded another opportunity of gaining an insight into the aims and attainments of this comparatively recent and certainly remarkable organization. Three plays will be presented, representing the Players' choice from a total of seventeen which they have worked out during the past year.

The three which have been selected are Lord Dunsany's "Glittering Gate," Philip Moeller's "Helena's Husband," a buresque upon Helen of Troy, in which the heroine elopes with Paris much to the delight of Menelaus, and "Suppressed Desires," by Susan Glaspell and George C. Cook. "Suppressed Desires" is a satire upon present day cults, and particularly upon so-called psycho-analysis.

Professors Lathers and Ford, who last year provoked admiration by the manner in which they carried off "The Workhouse Ward," will this year appear in the Dunsany play, while Mrs. C. V. Brown, F. R. Gorton, C. P. Steimle, Mrs. R. C. Ford, and Harry Shaefer comprise the cast for "Helena's Husband," Mrs. Brown, Prof. Gorton, and Mr. Shaefer being allotted the Helena, Menelaus, and Paris roles respectively. Mrs. Humphrey, Mrs. Shaefer, and C. V. Brown appear in the satire.

It is of interest to note that all the scenery for these playlets was built and painted by the Players themselves, a fact in harmony with the originality which has been displayed in all of their ctivities, and which seems to be more or less of a keynote in the entire Little Theatre movement

meeting, but I didn't go, as here cleaning house
Hamrick - two H. S. boys who herbert's place as our helpers in house. Do very good work, & direction. So I got over. Went to p. m. Child at M. E. church dedication. Not a soul terwards, but the pastor. ow them the difference if they have another rainy meeting, at our church. Thurs. 24.

Woke with a splitting head-ache, such as I have not had for years. Just dragged around and did nothing but iron the napkins, get the meals and make over one quilt. Adams St. Group gave a tea today at the parsonage, but I sent my 10¢.

Was especially anxious to go because not one of that crowd but Mrs. Morris attended our party.

Glad to have a long long nap - afterwards felt better. and early to bed.

twice too many things: Cold tongue stuffed eggs, creamed potatoes, pickles, rolls coffee, icecream, frosted cakes, oat-meal cookies candies! Guess we'll have to adopt the plan of fining for overdoing it next year! Went over to see if Mrs. Priddy was going to the "Players" this week, & found her laid up with a sprained ankle.

Guess I won't go, after all, as Ben doesn't seem interested in them at all.

Rainy day makes the Faculty picnic for tomorrow impossible Postponed until next week.

Tues. May 22d

Our dear Arlie's 28th birthday. Hope she gets my note & package today for it is a dark, cold, rainy birthday.

I sewed all day when not cooking or ironing. Must get my sewing & cleaning done up before Ida & Jane come June 3d or 4th!) Haven't really had a chance to do much house-cleaning yet, as Clara was sick - with tonsils - in Spring vacation; then the Muskegon trip followed - then Helen's visit. And now it is colder than Greenland's Icy Mountains!

Wed. 23

Went in to see my neighbor Mrs. Priddy who sprained her ankle yesterday. We are going together Friday night to see the Players. I almost believe I'm going to have a congenial neighbor, after all.

Federation meeting, but I didn't go, as I had the boys here cleaning house. Glen & Clarence Hamrick - two H. S. boys who have taken Herbert's place as our helpers in the garden & house. Do very good work but need a lot of direction. So I got over-tired.

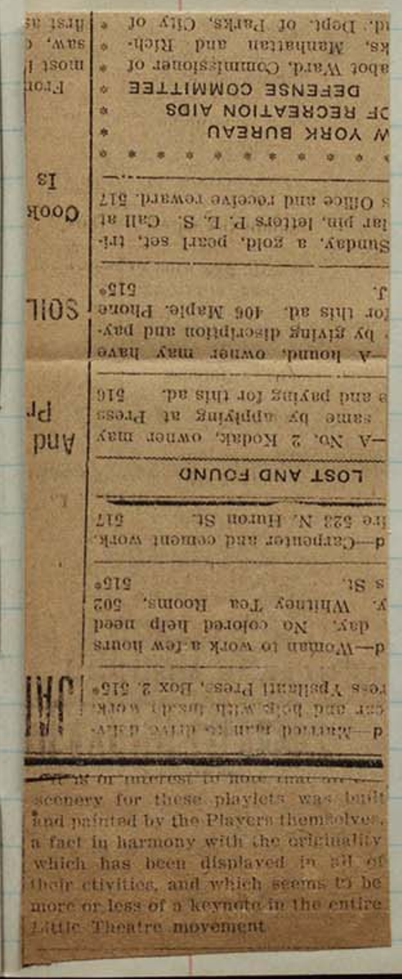
Went to p. m. Child St. M. E. church with Mrs. Hutchins. Not a soul greeted us afterwards, but the pastor. We'll show them the difference if they have another rainy meeting, at our church.

Thurs. 24

Woke with a splitting head-ache, such as I have not had for years. Just dragged around and did nothing but iron the napkins, get the meals and make over one guilt. Adams St. Group gave a tea today at the parsonage, but I sent my 10¢.

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Fri. May 25th.

Feeling all right again – but took my house-cleaning more easily today – and went tonight and enjoyed the "Players" immensely. They are really wonderful. Especially Mrs. Ford as an African slave and Harry Shaefer as "Paris." Just can't see how Mrs. Ford could wear tights & such abbreviated skirts and black her face four nights running!

Mrs. Priddy invited me to a luncheon Sat. June 2d – but that is the day of our trip to Sheiper's cottage, with the Twenty Club.

Sat. 26.

Cleaned house again – the boys helping only a little in the p.m. after mowing the lawn, cutting down the dead privet hedge, trimming beds etc. We have certainly given California privet a fair trial and spent dollars and dollars on it, only to have it winter-killed. Now Bee has decided to use ~~Bobby~~ barberry bushes, which will be beautiful.

Our Darwin tulips are coming on fast & the lilies of the valley will be out after one day of sunshine. Had our first little mess radishes from the garden today, in spite of the cold, late Spring. Furnace fire still going – and needed too.

Sun. 27.

The "Prayer for Peace" which I arranged as a trio, was sung today at church, with great effect. A bad rainy Sunday, but the church was full because of having the Patriotic Societies of the city at service.

Of course Mr. Norris had to announce that the trio "was arranged and words written by our friend Mrs. D'Oge." If he wasn't such a clacker!

Have just been reading an article in Sat. Eve. Post by Sam'l Blythe on the Japanese, telling how they are slyly encroaching in China, with the same methods Germany used in Turkey, and with the same end in view — absorption and conquest. Stanton writes that the Commencements at Amherst will be so poor a farce – with so many absent – that we have decided not to go east.

He certainly has a 'crush' on the friend of Alice Stanley's – Romola Johnson.

Just had a letter from Jane Stanley thanking for our family's present to Alice of silver spoons ($18.00)

Says that Alice & Dean are living at a hotel in Wellesley – he going to Harvard and she to W. each morning.

Mon. 28. Rain again.

Lunch at Miss Pearce's. Banquet again instead of simple lunch. Creamed salmon on toast, boiled rice, rolls, pickles. Elegant tomato-lettuce salad, coffee. Little tartlets with cream. More sensible than

than last week – but too much.
Played with Mrs. Barbour & had a good time visiting. Mrs. Lyman should have the next one, but when interviewed she couldn't, for many reasons – among other's "provisions are so high"!!! They are rich & have no children to educate. No-one can tell why she doesn't resign and give us a chance to elect someone we'd like to take her place. Mrs. Priddy had money & watch stolen yesterday from her desk in her study, while she was in the house!

PATRIOTIC MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE AT CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH SUNDAY

Following is the program which will take place at the Congregational church Sunday morning:
Prelude.
Pilgrim's Chorus .....Wagner
Star Spangled Banner.
Quartette and audience.
Responsive Reading.
Hymn—"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past."
Scripture Lesson.
Anthem—"Peace I Leave With You," Roberts.
Quartette.
Prayer.
Notices and Offertory.
Solo—"The Recessional," Miss Whipple.
Hymn—"Eternal Father" (Prayer for Sailors).
Address—"The Flag."
Prayer and Response.
Trio—"Prayer for Peace."
Adapted from Schubert; words and arrangement by Mrs. B. L. D'Oogo.
America.
Benediction.
Postlude.

Behooves us to lock up better than we have been doing.

Tues. May 29.

Absolutely the sun shone most all day! The boys came at 5 & cleaned mattress & pillows till 7 & c.

H. M. meeting here – deciding not to have the lawn party here – but give the money to Red Cross work. Also to give Grace Emory, at her graduating recital a basket of roses & lillies of the valley. They had nearly decided to give her six dollars worth of roses! but some of the girls felt they couldn't afford it – and I suggested having them the lillies to fill out

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE—

To lay aside city cares for a day?
To visit the home of the oven bird and hoot-owl?
To hear the partridge drum and the wood thrush sing?
To gather wild flowers on their native heath?
To see where lie the storage basins of the Huron?
To view the great moraines of the ancient ice-sheet?
If you can swin and are very, very careful, to paddle your own canoe?

If you and the good wife can come, then plan for a trip to Fernwood, Base Line Lake, Saturday, June 2nd.

Kindly reply. Details to follow.

MR. AND MRS. W. H. SHERZER.

with 1 doz. roses instead of four doz. @ $1.50 pr. Thank goodness Grace is our only one giving a recital this June.
Have just put down 15 doz. eggs @ 29¢ in water glass, for next winter.
We gave away so many potatoes we are out – so have them only two or three times a wk. as a great treat. ($4.00 per. bu.)
We must use more corn meal. I read yesterday that one lb. of it has more nutritive value than – 2 doz. eggs or 1/2 lb. cheese or 1/2 bu. potatoes or 1 3/4 lb. steak or 3 qts milk.
Ida writes that they start Friday and will stay at Arlie's till Monday p. m.
Ben – I went to the movies.

Wed. 30.

Memorial Day – and no rain until late at night!
Cleaned house and sewed. The girls went to the exercises. Ida

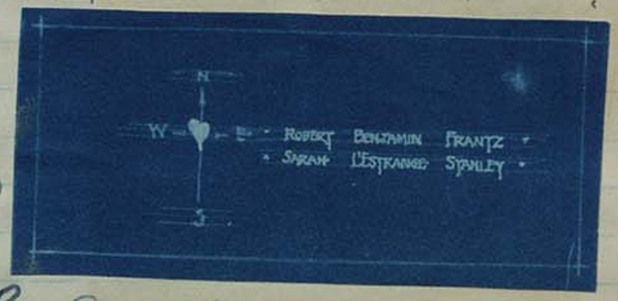
came to stay all night and get an early start for Detroit.

Thurs. May 31.

Raining again, by spells. Furnace fire out!

I sent Helen a lot of flowers by auntie. Yesterday Cris. & Virginia stopped en route to A. A. She starts Fri. for Cal. with three babies. Says they save money by going. Guess they will - as she pays about $15. a wk. for service.

Put up nine cans of pieplant in plain cold water. Now we'll see!



I suppose this is an informal announcement of Sara's engagement, which came today.

Unique to say the least.

Got off Stant's laundry, ironing most of it, as Loop couldn't come till afternoon.

Fri. June 1st. '17.

Aunt Ida telephoned that Helen expected us there to dinner Sunday; so I phoned Detroit at once, to tell her we expected Mr. Smits Sunday - so the dear girl wouldn't be planning dinner for five. She wants Ida to stay a few days - So I'll go in Wed. for her.

Today I put up some more pieplant - cooked. Now we shall see! Also sewed some, cooked a lot and planned my meals until Tues. morning - thinking I was going to Detroit on Monday.

Took old Lady Farrenner some tulips and lilies of the valley, and sent some to Mrs. Laird. Our Darwin tulips are wonderful; all the pastel shades and some black ones!



Sat. 2d.

Started out dark and cold, but we left at 8 o'c with Mr & Mrs Gorton & Mrs. Barbour; and it rained hard while on our way to Fernwood, but stopped in time, and the sun came out and we had a glorious day.

Walked thru the beautiful woods and got flowers & plants (hepaticas) and heard the birds. Dr. Ford is a great woodsman and good company.

Had a grand dinner, served on our trays: Ham, rice & tomatoes, asparagus rolls, nut: bread, pickles - lettuce - coffee & tea, ice-cream & cake & cookies.

Everything beautifully served & very bountiful. - Nuts to close, I nearly forgot to record.

Sat with Dan Quirk and had a splendid visit. It is immensely interesting to talk with intelligent women and to watch them with their problems - especially the young people and their young families. Ben never has time to talk to me, so I like to get out with folks, as we did today and have conversations.

After dinner we went out again to see an oven-bird's nest which Pres. McKenney had found; built like a Dutch oven with a door in the front - and right on the ground where anything might get the four dear little eggs.

Sat on the verandah a while and knitted and visited with Mrs. McK, and then home at 3-30

Stopped en route at Prof. Davis' place near Portage - to see his flowers.

Home about 6 o'c and found Bastian's satchel in the hall.

After waiting dinner a while I phoned to Holmes' and Tillie said he had eaten supper with them! They thought they were awfully cute.

Went to bed early, after a good visit with B. Poor Helen Smith is all worn out from caring for mother Hull - but she is quite well again, and able to be around. It is surprising - because erysipelas & the fake is dangerous especially for an elderly person.

Sun. June 3.

a glorious day, and Bastian had a good sermon on the "Art of Listening". This p.m. Mr. Smith had to take a 5 o'c train, so Mr. Barbour took him & us to A. A. auntie going with us, and back here for lunch. It was a nice ride, but bumpy & dusty.

Lamar & Mary Sproal called. We phoned to Detroit just to hear Copley's voice. It sounded good to us, and worth 25 ¢.

Mon. 4th

Mrs. Lyman's day at Club - i.e. we used $2.15 from the treasury and each added 10 ¢ and Mrs. Barbour & Clark and Williams were the committee for our lunch - which was very good indeed: Spaghetti & tomato with a little meat, lettuce salad brown bread, tea, coffee. Cornstarch pudding with chocolate sauce.

I proposed that we follow the plan next year of making our lunches 25 ¢ per.

and seeing how nicely we could do it. Mrs. Williams brought me home in her new car. Ben & I were going to see Douglas Fairbanks in "Oat again, in again" but the Jeffersons (and Babe) called and stayed till long after 8 o'c.

Ida called up tonight to say Ruby Allen is going to bring her out on Wednesday and stay over night. Guess I'll go back with her Thursday.

Tues. June 5th.

Didn't rain until after dinner tonight — which is remarkable. Finished Doris' pink dress and will send it tomorrow (Rummage sale — 10¢)

It is a great success and will be becoming to the little maid.

Mrs. Wood & Mary called tonight and stayed till after eight o'c. Mercy! Callers two nights running!

Stanton is determined to enter service and thinks he should give up his job at Hotchkiss school.

It doesn't seem as tho' that crazy Kaiser William could keep it up all summer.

Wed. 6th.

A busy day. Ida P. came down to dinner + Ruby & Ida B. came quite late, just a little before dinner time. Old Prudey cried a little at so many strange faces but auntie + I got in a good hug before she broke down.

After dinner Ruby took us for a little ride, leaving me at the auditorium for Grace Emory's recital. She did very well but oh, dear! a whole eve. of piano! with only some solos by Lindegren — is a bore.

Thurs. 7.

Aunt Ida stayed over night & Ruby Ida & Babe took her home this a.m. while I hustled and got things ready for two days. They returned with good appetites for my shrimp-cucumber-cress salad & nice croquettes.

After my nap we started for Detroit loaded with bundles & packages. A good chance to take in Robin's tools and my winter suit to be dyed, and my seal furs to be stored, and Arlie's umbrella and my shoes to be changed, etc. etc.

Had a pleasant ride reaching Arlie's about 5-30 o'c. Ruby is to come out some Saturday and bring her latest young man.

Cris came to dinner and for the night, too. Quite a house-party.

The boys played cards, while Helen & I walked thru' a table full of mending, and early to bed.

Fri. 8. Left at 8 something — did my errands and found a car just starting reached home 10.30, found Ida getting my "beans for twenty" into the Caloric.

We were going to the

"Dames" meeting at Reed's but didn't get around to it - because of an accident on our corner - a woman thrown down by horse-back riders and seriously injured.

The H. Ns picnic was a great success, on our lawn. Had a grand spread of baked beans, veg. salad, pickles, radishes rolls, coffee, ice cream, strawberry sauce & cookies. Mr. Alexander & Mrs Lindgrin came, and gave us some music. Baby Jane behaved beautifully - not crying at the strangers at all. Everyone said she was the "cutest baby."

Tonight Ida & I went over to the Hoyts a few minutes with our knitting.

Sat. June 9th

Made a grand dessert from left-over H. N. coffee ice cream with gelatine.

Had my L. L. C. committee over to discuss plans for next year's meeting which comes in April. Subj: Eccentricities in Art." The Com. consists of: Mrs. Laura Sweet, Todd, Hoyt, Wilbur, Miss Clark & Miss Dickerson. Gave them chicken sandwiches tea, ginger & orange (preserved - not candied.

Sun. 10.

Children's Day. - but we do not have as much interest in it as we did twenty yrs. ago.

Mrs. Barbour over to see Ida, in the eve. and returning borrowed books.

Mon. 11.

Ben had the Ann A Hover Boys in the eve. - giving them: 2 gals cream 6 qts. berries, 3 lbs. cookies.

I went to H. N. meeting, the last of the year - at Humphrey's. Took my knitting and stayed for a good old visit.

Tues. 12th

At Red Cross meeting, and found about forty women there, sewing for the soldiers. I basted up two nurse uniforms, and several caps - ready to stitch. Must go every week and help all I can.

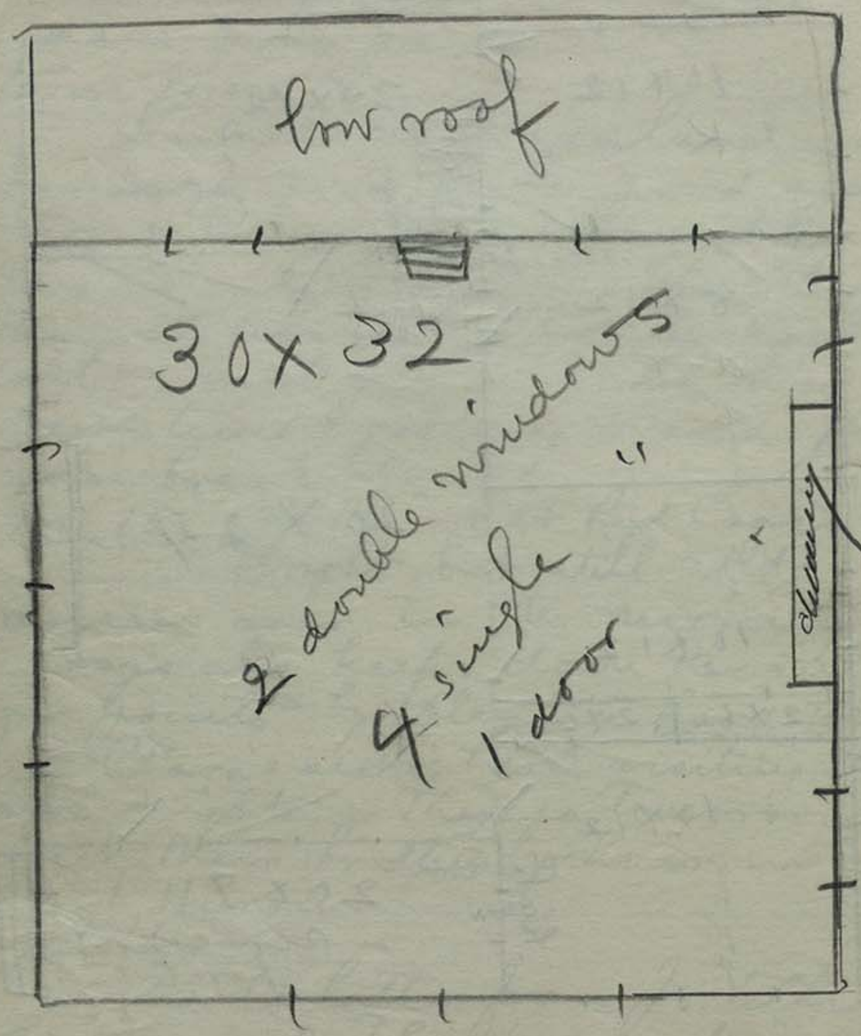
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Started out hot and gradually clouded up, so that we should have been warned of sudden change in temperature. I wore thin dress, and low shoes for the first time this season; and should have really suffered if Mrs. Gorton had'nt been more provident. They came for us about 3 o'c and took the Sherpers also, to their farm at Ridgeway (22 miles) to have supper with her sister Miss Osgood, who lives there.

There was a regular cyclone on a small scale, and we should have been drenched if we had'nt reached a shelter under some church sheds.

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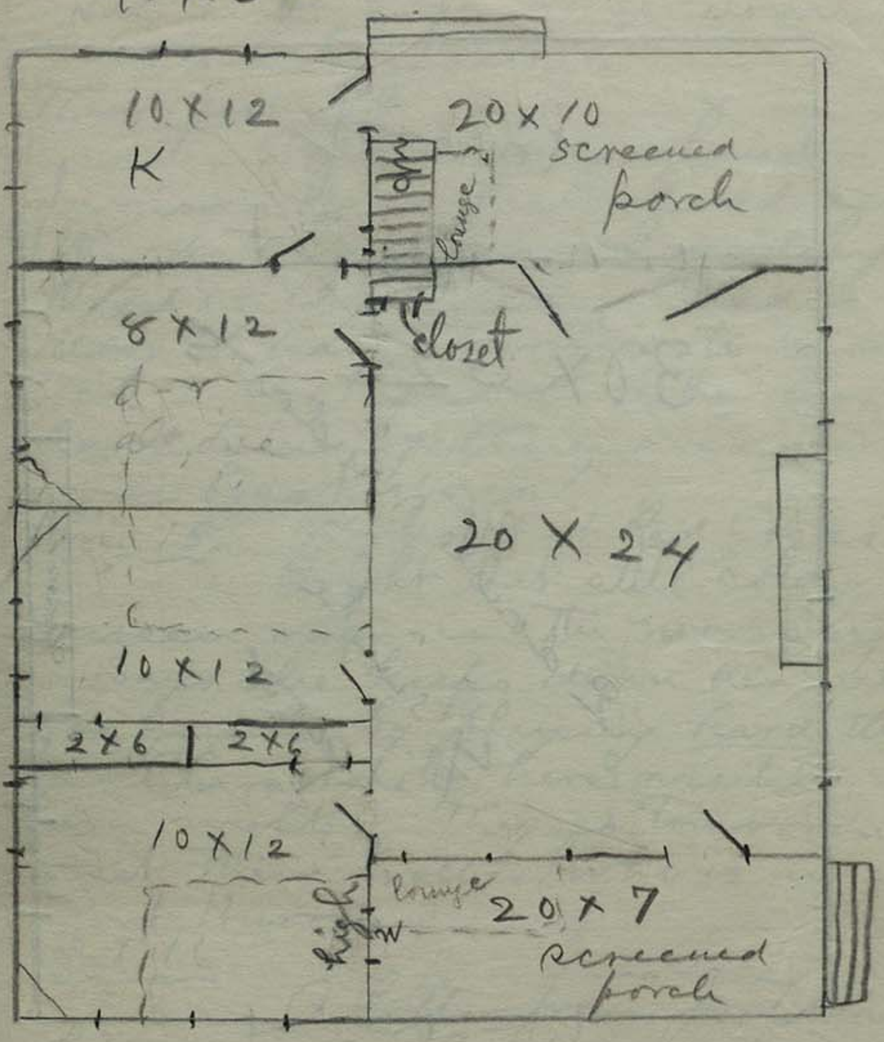
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Thurs. June 14.

Cold as Greenland - and the furnace fire feels good again.
Went to missionary meetings at Mrs Wood's. 12 present. Glad to hear that Mary W. has a position to teach in Detroit next year. She has had a hard time getting over a mental-nervous break-down.

Fri. 15. Working at Red Cross rooms.
Bright but still cold. Mrs. Gaireissen over in the morning to practice.
Says she keeps down her enlarged finger joints by playing hard things.
Clara's sister here visiting, but only stays here nights. They go tomorrow at 2 o'c - to visit their brother, who is in camps, at Port Huron.

Sat. 16.

A letter from Jo, telling how the big men of Flint are doing nice things for them - and it must develop into some-thing bigger for less than 3.50 per. day

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She is so fascinating to look at and to talk to - I love to watch her.

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Grandpa and Grandma D'Ooge and the watering-pot.

Taken by Francis Priddy.

Mon. June 18.

Conservatory Commencement + Class Day. but we didn't go to anything.

Tues. 19

Alumni Day. Ben went - but I stayed home, preparing for his party this afternoon, when we had about thirty of his senior girls over - ostensibly for a lawn-party. When it poured at 4 o'c, I thot it might better be a 'porch-party' - but then it got so cold and dark, I lighted up and had them in the house for their ice-cream, berries and cakes. They presented Ben with a thermos-bottle for food, which will be very nice this summer with our liquid thermos bottle as a mate.

Was too tired to go to the reception - so Ben went late - and alone.

We weren't asked to assist in the receiving line - so didn't feel needed, and gladly stayed away.

Wed. 20.

Our dear Stanton will be home tomorrow - and I imagine will be a changed boy. We must do all we can to make his stay at home as happy as possible.

The Aristocratic Potato

HOW dear to my heart are the dreams of my childhood
When fond recollection presents them to view;
The ax and the sawbuck, the great cord of piled wood
I looked at with horror—that I must saw through.
The jam jars, the apples, the shellbarks, the bacon
That hung in the cellar in slabs long and thin—
What wonderful dreams at this time they awaken;
The old fall potatoes we dumped in the bin.

The plain old potatoes,
The cheap fall potatoes,
The big smooth potatoes
We dumped in the bin.

We bought them by bushels—some fifteen or twenty—
And had them boiled, baked, creamed, sliced, diced, stewed and fried.
The pies might be few, but of spuds there were plenty
For all of us boys and the neighbors beside.
We called them but spuds—'twas no honor to be one;
And some called them murphies, so common they were.
But now I take off my tall hat when I see one,
And greet it with pleasure and always say, Sir.

The much-sought potato,
The ten-cent potato,
The high-priced potato
I always call Sir.

How old Farmer Si, with his boots and tucked trousers,
Came creaking and swaying upon the highroad,
With bushels of spuds that were certainly rousers
For size, shape and flavor, and sold the whole load
For three or four dollars; and Hod Griggs, the grocer,
Gave Si half in cash and he traded the rest.
I bought me a dollar's worth yesterday. Oh, Sir!
I lost both of them through a hole in my vest.

The precious potato,
One-carat potato,
Gem-studded potato—
And that is no jest.

—James W. Foley.

Appropriate to the present time - when potatoes are $1.25 per pk.

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Heard a splendid talk at Commencement today by Pres. King of Oberlin. All Com. addresses were requested to be on patriotic subjects, and he certainly did his duty by his country.

Also gave a good toast at the Alumni dinner.

Aunt Ida down for the p.m. - also Miss White called tonight.

Thurs. 21.

Stanton came this morning and glad we are to see our boy.

Lamar up - and Mrs. K. showed and Ellen went by in a car with someone and dropped in, quite in-

formally.
Had Lamar here to dinner tonight. and Ben + I left early - to ride with the Fords to A.A. and around.
Mrs. Holmes had the L.A.S. tea this p.m. and Ida + baby Jane came, late, after a ride with Mr. Morris.
a card from dear Lee - that he has a new position (as assistant to the "Efficiency engineer)" — and $25. more a month. ✓

Fri. 22. Ida to A.A. for a reception, + I had baby Jane all to myself.
We called on Mrs. Ainsworth and on Miss Adams and she was good as gold. Ida was delayed by a heavy rain and didn't get home until seven o'c. I had Babe in bed and was giving her a bottle of milk.
She was all right and took it eagerly till she caught sight of her mother — and then she was delighted. Such a blessed little girl!

Sat. 23
Stanton stayed at Lamar's last night so they could take the 10 o'c car this morning for Detroit to go to St. Clair flats with the Harris fam. Ilg.
It was a dark rainy morning but they went, and had rather a good time, tho' Mrs. H. was sick and they didn't go to the flats after all -

Were proud to have our boy at church with us. But it is hard to forget — even for a minute — that he may have to go to war.
His physical exam. yesterday was absolutely satisfactory. He is in perfect condition. (Too perfect to be shot down by those German "Huns")
Miss Adams called, and we made her stay for lunch. The poor little soul gets so lonely, and is very appreciative.

Mon. 25.
At last a warm day with sun and our winter clothes in it, all day.
Have been trying for weeks to get some help, but there was always more important work in the yard.
Now my dear boy is here, I have someone to do things for me.
He mended the sweeper, and oiled the squeaks and washed windows and "fetched and carried" — and always willing.
He was at Kishlair's for supper, and the rest of us at Whitney Tea-room; then down to see Mary Pickford in a "Tale of the Red lands" and a bag of pop-corn afterwards! A regular Toot!! Felt tested, altho' had a big back-ache from cleaning and going up + down stairs so much.

Tues. June 26 32d

Yesterday was our wedding day but we all forgot about it. Were so busy putting away furs etc - and Ben working in the garden. Picked our first strawberries (rather green) (They cost 20¢ at the store). Canned 2 qts. chard. Must can everything in sight, this year.

Ea letter from Helen that Ruby Allen is to bring them out next week for the day. Here's hoping they will have good weather.

Ida at Jessie Laird's party today and baby Jane good as a little kitten.

Ida put the finishing touches on her new dress, and wore it tonight. Old lady Garreissen here, on the piazza after dinner, so we didn't call on Mrs. Priddy as we'd planned.

Stanton gone to A.A. with Lamar and Allen and some other girls in their car to the U. of M. Vaudeville & Campus illumination.

Wed. 27.

Did a lot of ironing, because the Goop dawdles so over plain pieces, and the wash (Stant's) was so immense. Cost $1.40 just the wash - but she did two blankets & two spreads.

Stanton goes to Brown's for dinner tonight.

Ida at Alumni luncheon at A. A. and to the old Sewing Club this afternoon.

Baby at aunt Ida's - good as always - but delighted to see her mamma when she came. Tonight she has gone to the alumni reception with Walter & Ethel Hoyt. Wore her blue Philipine dress & white Navadarin coat, and an elegant rose pinned with her diamond sun-burst, and her Egyptian moon-stone necklace - and looked very sumptuous compared to Ethel in a plain white.

Ben & I went again to the Whitney Tea-room, having our dessert at home afterwards. Another letter from Arkie that they want to come Sunday so Bob can come, too. So we shall have ten in our family that day.

I asked the Goop to come and do up the work.

Lem telephoned Stanton that he goes to Chx. on a business trip - to testify in a lawsuit for a friend + expenses paid and asked Stanley to go with him. This of course he can't do it, he will try and go to Flint some Sunday, perhaps next.

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We had some fine pan-broiled chickens brown potatoes, new peas (from our garden) grape jelly (the last bowl) Elegant vegetable salad and mayonnaise, wafers.

Ice cream — cookies.

They were a satisfactory table full, and ate till they "felt like Thanksgiving day."

Then Ruby took us out to Detroit to see the ruins of the cyclone. Every house seems to have a new roof at least, and thousands of great trees were flattened and up-rooted.

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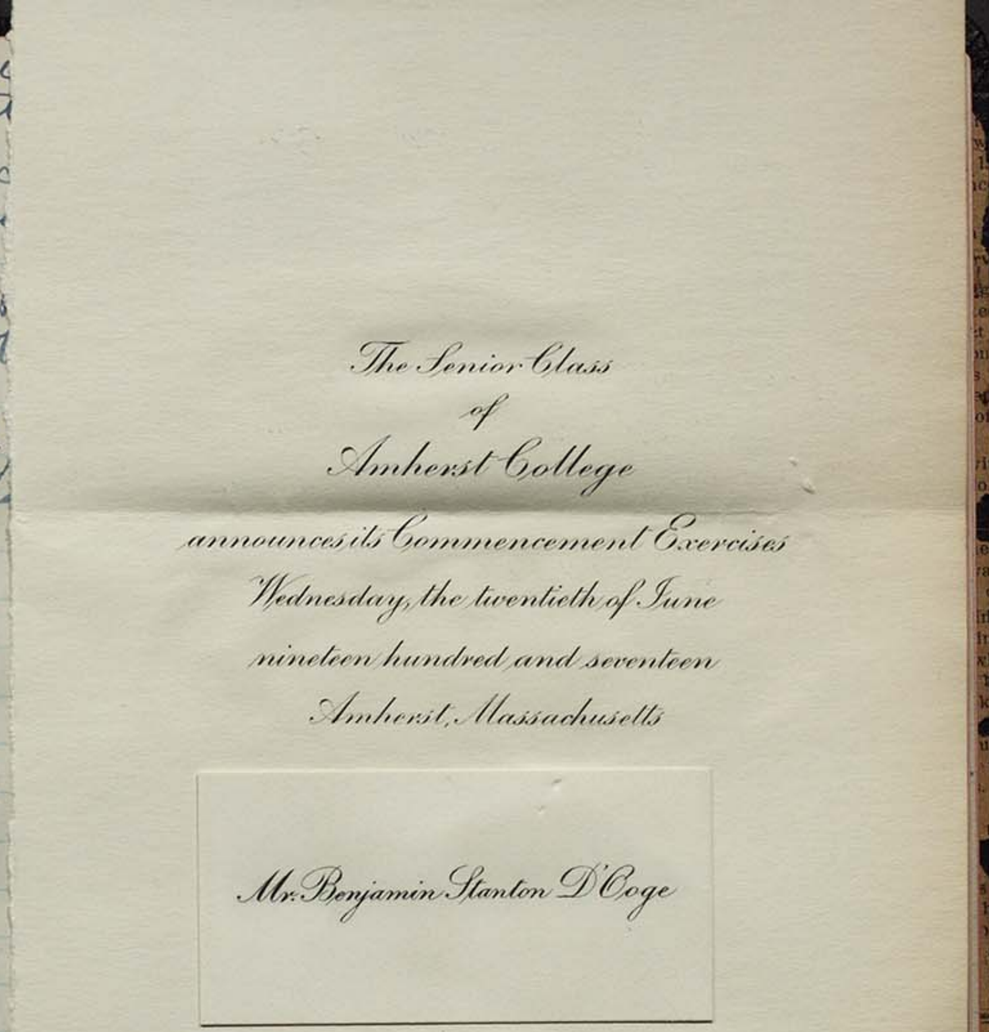
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2. Keep away from hedges, ponds and streams.

3. Keep away from isolated trees. Oak trees are frequently struck; beech are seldom struck. It is safe in a dense forest.

4. Keep away from herds of cattle and crowds of people.

5. Do not hold an umbrella over you.

6. It is safer to sit or lie down in an open field than to stand.

7. Drivers should dismount and not stay close to their horses.

8. Do not work with any large metal tool or implement.

If you are indoors:

1. Keep away from the stove and chimney. The hot gases from the chimney may conduct the lightning to and down the chimney.

2. Do not take a position between two bodies of metal, as the stove and water pipe, for example. An exception to being near metals is the case of an iron bed. One of the safest places is on a mattress in an iron bed, provided you do not touch the metal. The metal surrounding you makes a safe cage which will prevent the lightning from reaching a person inside.

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Tues. July 3d.

At home all day. In the eve. we tried to make a call at Hoyt's (Ida's dinner call) and Priddy's (my luncheon call) but no-one at home.

Thank goodness I could eat my supper tonight without any "tummy-ake."

Have been writing out the Pease ancestry from a book just received for inspection from Mrs. Max. Pease.

The children may like to know sometime that they are "Colonial Dames".

Poor Tout had to be up at 4-30 this a.m. in order to reach A.A. for first class at 7-0'c Eastern time (6 o'c. ours) The cars run so badly. I advised him to stay at aunt Ida's the night that his friend Perry Holmes doesn't return with his car. He came home at 4 o'c as they haven't the classes started yet, July 4th

Baby Jane has six teeth and no symptoms, except that she wants to bite on everything in sight, and wakes up earlier in the mornings.

At home all day. Aunt Ida came down, and we sewed and played with the baby. It is a delight to see her eat her orange juice. She is so eager for it, she just quivers and puts her head forward and throws out her arms and waves them like a little robin being fed by the mother bird.

Stanton went to A.A. tonight with young Holmes, so he won't have to get up at 4 p.m. in the morning.

Thurs. July 5.

Another glorious day. Miss Shultes called and Mr. Morris, and, in the eve. Miss Adams and her sister. I made two collars for Janie's travelling coat, and put little French knots around them. How we shall miss them, when they go, Saturday.

From today's papers the Russians seem to have taken a new start against the Germans. In three days they have taken 300 officers and 18000 men, prisoners. in Galicia.

Since the Russian revolt from the Czar (whom they now hold a prisoner) the people have been wild, and there have been all sorts of excesses; but since we sent Mr. Root and the commission to Russia, things have changed.

Gen. Pershing's first army of U.S. troops have all arrived safely in France to the wonder of everybody. The Teutons would like nothing better than to sink our troops with their sub-marine

WARS WAGED BY UNITED STATES

	Date.	U. S. Troops Engaged.
War of the revolution	1775-1782	209,781
Northwestern Indian wars	1790-1795	8,983
War with France	1798-1800	4,593
War with Tripoli	1801-1805	3,330
Creek Indian war	1813-1814	13,781
War of 1812	1812-1815	576,622
Seminole Indian war	1817-1818	7,911
Black Hawk Indian war	1831-1832	6,465
Cherokee disturbance	1836-1837	9,494
Creek Indian war	1836-1837	13,418
Florida Indian war	1835-1842	41,122
Aroostook disturbance	1838-1839	1,500
*War with Mexico	1846-1848	112,230
Apache-Navajo and Utah war	1849-1855	2,501
Seminole Indian war	1856-1858	3,687
Civil war	1861-1865	2,772,408
Spanish-American war,	April-December, 1898	274,717
Philippine insurrection	1899-1900	60,000

*Of this number, 30,964 were regulars and the remainder militia and volunteers. War began April 24, 1846; ended July 4, 1848.

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Letter

Fri. July 6th

Spent the day sewing for Ida- getting her all mended up- and getting things ready for Clx. Aunt Ida down and stayed all night.

Sat. 7th.

Ida off on 8-55 train. The blessed baby- Jane seemed to know something was up- and wouldn't let her mother out of her sight a minute.

Bert Parks meets them in E.R. and takes them to their cottage, where she will stay 'till next Wed. morning. when they go on, to Clx.

Stanton came home yesterday a- bout 2 o'c- and packed up Lee's photo- graph and off he went, to Detroit and Flint. If These prints are a good proof that one shouldn't take pictures af- ter 3 o'c. We did these Sunday, and it was too dark.

[illegible] Mrs. Priddy tonight, with



Baby Jane



Jane - Robin - Benjamin

Sun. 8th

A big crowd of Summer-school people at Church. The Barbours brought home in their "Tin Lizzie", which seems to be the latest for the much-abused Fords cars. Stanton returned about 8 o'c from Lee's. All well there. Poor Doris wore the white dress I sent her and had nose-bleed on it the first thing. Jo's mother is a great help to her. Lee drove his car home from Clx. last week, so they had a nice ride on Sunday to hear the Brick band concert.

This morning Lee & Stant stood up in the choir above, in black robes and led the Cong. singing! (No choir in the summer.) Wish we might have seen them.

Stant & auntie to A.A. at 10 o'c.

Mon. 9.

Up early and packing eggs flowers and vegetables for Arlie's. Left on 9-30 ~~[illegible]~~ car for Detroit. Had lunch at our same restaurant and then Ben went to Arlie's with the things, and I did a little shopping.

It was really hot for a change. Found the blessed girl looking rather peaked, and Benjamin too. The doctor says she should be circumcized and it is to be done next Sunday. They think he will gain, then.

Home about 11 o'c — and how nice and quiet everything seemed.!

Tues. July 10.

Canned cherries and sewed and slept off a head-ache. Got too tired yesterday.
Miss Blount called in the eve.

Wed. 11th

Finished writing 14 Missionary letters to my societies in Jackson Assoc, also ironed & sewed and made a can of strawberry juice to put with apples for jelly in the Fall — and three cups of strawberry jam. + burnt my lip on the spoon!

Mrs. Hoyt over and gave us one of her cordial (?) invitations to go in the woods tomorrow. I hope it will rain, for I have a lot to do, if I go to Detroit Friday.

Today I fixed Helen's chaille dress and mended her white skirt, after ironing it. called on Mrs. Wilcox, with roses.

Fri. 13

Off on 8:30 car to D. taking whatever I could scramble of lettuce flowers etc. besides H's white skirts.
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UNIVERSITY BULLETIN

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Course in Army Stores Methods

In accordance with a request from the Ordnance and Quartermasters Departments, a special course of instruction will be given during the Summer Session of 1917 in order to fit men for service in the Enlisted Reserve Corps of one or the other of these sections of the army.

Applicants for this course will be given a physical examination and, if they pass, enlisted as privates in the Enlisted Reserve Corps before beginning work. Men may choose between the Ordnance and Quartermasters Corps, provided there is room in both at the time the application is received. The Ordnance Department needs particularly a number of men for repair work on motor trucks and machine guns, as well as men for handling supplies. The work in the Quartermasters Department may be in connection with supplies, transportation or finance.

The work will consist of lectures, recitations and laboratory instruction in the best industrial practice of handling stores, the principles of army accountability and

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Due to the fact that efforts are being made by the War Department to get as many college men as possible into this work, the enlisted personnel of both the Ordnance and Quartermasters Corps will be of an unusually high grade, and men admitted to these Departments will be associated with others of similar training and interests. The present plans contemplate the assignment of all men from one college in a unit, an arrangement which will permit of friends remaining together.

FEES.

The general fee for instruction during the Summer Session is $21.

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS.

No entrance examination (except the physical one) will be held, but candidates must have completed their junior year in college, or have had several years of real business experience. The attendance will be limited to 100 men.

All inquiries for further information and applications for admission should be addressed to Prof. J. A. Bursley, Room 239, Engineering Building, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

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then to the theatre to see
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Sat. 14th

I was very glad she could go -
especially as Benj's operation was
today instead of tomorrow as first
planned.

I slept in Robin's room, and
was wakened this morning by
a soft, gentle little voice calling:
"Gaumama". He is such a
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Sun. July 15.

Sent a big bunch of lilies to the church today. Hard we do hate to leave our beautiful yard & garden! This was our last day with our dear Stanton, unless he can get off for a few days at Clx. before going into the service. How we love him! The Hoyts were over tonight and insist on our going up the river tomorrow for supper. It promises to be a full day all night. Early to bed.

Mon. 16.

Dawned bright & glorious. Went at 9 to see a demonstration of canning vegetables at the Science building.

Got some ideas, but nearly everything he said is in my U. S. Bulletin which Ben sent for, to Washington.

Rained & poured so we didn't go to A. A. with the Hoyts as I'd planned.

Too wet for our picnic, so we ate it on Hoyt's piazza like a lot of kids.

Then rode a while and went to see Douglas Fairbanks in "Wild & Woolly". He was that all right. I really wanted to go up to see the Coburn players at the Normal in "Yellow Jacket", but the rest preferred the movie.

Tues. 17

Rain again. Canned 7 pts. of Dutch (Pewlerwedel) pea in the pod - canned the new process, using a ☐ of cheese cloth, plunging them into hot and then cold - then stood in boiling water 3 hrs.

Took some flowers to Mrs. Mellencamp who is sick with typhoid fever. There are five cases - traced to the city water. Glad we are soon going where the water is pure.

Finished Robin's little suit (made from an old gingham of Arlie) and put it in the wash today.

Wed. 18.

Went to A. A. with the Hoyts and got a pretty pink & white dress for Doris' birthday and a thin white waist for myself.

Then back to work again. Made a few jars of gooseberry jam from our garden.

Fri. July 20.

We got off very comfortably Stanton coming down to say good bye and to Kiskiacs for supper. He was

hot and tired from drilling in this awful heat. Said he was glad he was the leader in the marching as he chose the shady side of the streets. Said most of the boys had headache after the setting-up drill on Ferry field - but he didn't. He's certainly in good shape. We had a hot & dirty trip but didn't mind it after we were in our berths at 9. R. Slept well - reached Clay safe & sound the morning of

Sat. July 21st.

Ida & baby Jane came along the walk to meet us - sweet as ever. Jane soon knew us, and gave us sunny smiles.

The girls certainly did a lot of work last few days - and everything looks nice in the cottage.

Sara Stanley came, soon after breakfast and took me off with their crowd in the car, around Pine Lake, - before I had un-packed my trunk!! Such utter irresponsibility!

After lunch they drove me to my nap on the front balcony and I slept until nearly six o'c.

In the eve. Mrs. Birge, Miss Hess and Ada B. called - and we had a great discussion about whether it is better for a boy to marry before going to war.

Sara Stanley is facing that problem. Practically I do not approve unless the girl has ample means of support in case of necessity. Sentimentally I suppose I am wrong - as has been proved by the hundreds of marriages in the last months.

Sun. 22.

Hot again, but a cool breeze on the north porch, where I sit to write.

The Stanleys came and Mr. Moss & his secretary whom we think he'll marry before the year passes. His wife died July 4th.

Mon. 23.

Finishing up Doris' dress.

Mrs. Warner & Mrs. Baird here & Jane Stanley with whom I went home and stayed an hour, with my knitting. She read the paper - telling of the Germans' last raid of airplanes upon England, dropping bombs on houses & people, before being driven off by the Eng. punks.

Tues. 24

Down to the village. Mrs. Ransom took me down and Mrs. Stanley brought me home - which was nice on a hot day.

At the Dows to call, in the eve.

Got blk. crepe de chine for a skirt and took it to the dress-maker, who says she will make it next week. Will wear with my new blk. lace-chiffon waist instead of getting a cool dress this summer.

Wed. July 25. Hot again.
Baby Jane stands the weather very well in spite of her fatness.
Working at Ida's Pillsbury dress and mending her stockings. Ben says the 'Argo' will be ready tomorrow.
Expect Arlie & family a week from today and will be glad to have them away from the city heat. My dear Ida is giving me the best kind of a vacation - planning the meals.

Thurs. 26
Doris' fifth birthday.
Mrs. Stanley came down and suggested supper on the beach, it was so hot.
Asked Mrs. Dow & three babes - so we expected thirteen - but Gerda had a headache & Stanley's girl was sick too, & Ida decided it was too late start for Jane - so there were nine, all in the Stanley auto.
Had a big supper & a beautiful sunset. Mrs. Mahon (90 yrs old) seemed to enjoy it too. tho' she didn't want to sit on the steamer rug, or be waited on. Said: "I'm not sold as they try to make out" Home about 8-30.

Fri. 27.
Beautiful. Working on Ida's lace waist - enlarging, and made a summer nightie for Jane; & piped my chiffon waist to wear with my nice new skirt.
Ida went to Petoskey with the Stanleys at 11 o'c and didn't get home 'till 4 o'c! Babe was good as gold. I gave her half milk & water at 2 o'c and she took 8 oz. of it - also prune juice at 4-30
But oh, how tickled she was to see her mamma after the history lesson - 5-30
Ida commenced today tutoring Mary Woodruff in Am. History ($2.00 per) every day but Wed & Sun.
Mrs. Mahon & Jane down with 1½ of Stanton's war socks already done.
She wants three more balls of yarn.
The Hattstaedts came today, and stayed on our piazza 'till I had to be excused to see to Ben's early lunch, so he could go to Traverse City at 12-30
Is to sail back in the Stanley's new boat tomorrow with Louis & George.

Sat. 28
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Made another nightie for baby Jane, & finished darning the stockings.
Today I assume charge of the house again after a week's vacation.
Ben came back on the train - as the Stanley boat isn't nearly finished.
Poor Louis S. is wildly struggling to get men to work on it.

We walked up to the Stanleys after supper, taking three more balls of khaki colored yarn for Stanleys socks, which will cost a bout $1.00 a pair. (40¢ a ball)

Sunday — Hot.

Glad it is poor Arlie's last Sun. in Detroit for a time; but it was 98° on the front porch at Inita cottage.

I shall not let another Sunday pass without a good book from the library.

Baby Jane is attired chiefly in a broad smile and lots of talcum powder.

Ida to ride with the Birges

Mon. 30. Hot.

I finished Jane's nighties and a pr. of d— s mended. for Ida and a ruler back in her white skirt

Walked up to Mrs. Warner's after supper, taking my knitting.

Tues. Stanleys here while I was away. Abbie Price here to supper, and I went to the village with the Stanleys in the eve.

Tues 31. Hot. Abbie P. here to supper.

A picture of the Commissary Station boys in yesterday's paper. They all look very young, about 16 yrs.

A letter today says he is sworn in to the army. I hate to think about it. I only hope he can have a

chance to come north for a little visit before going into camp.

Wed. Aug. 1st.

Arlie Bob & babies came on the morning train, and we all rejoice to have it much cooler today. Poor little Bey looks thin and pale, but we hope to send him back in much better condition. The heat in Detroit has been terrific.

H. & B. have the Chx. fever and have walked to the village and back twice today. Prof. Dow called, also the Hatstaedts.

Thurs 2

So cool the babes all wear sweaters, but the glorious sunshine is putting the pink in Bey's face already.

Mrs. Birge took Ida & me for a ride — and Baby Jane.

Fri. 3.

An application for helper next year — but Gerda thinks she wants to come to us — bringing her sister next winter. She is such a good one that I will take her sister on her recommendation, and be glad to.

The folks went down to a bonfire supper on Lake M. with the Stanleys, and Gerda & I took care of the three babies. Never a whimper from one of them.

Sat. Aug 4th

Ben & Bob went fishing to Phelps and brot home sprouts for Saturday dinner; as Frank didn't bring the chickens in time. Prof. Dow went too — taking them in his Ford car. They had a beautiful time. We were happy at home with the three lively youngsters. Mrs. Dow and youngsters were here and Mrs. Morehead and Kittie H. and Mrs. Rupert were here.

Arlie & Ida went to the village in the eve. How the two girlies love to be together & play with each others dolls. Gerda's little brother came to visit her.

Sun. 5th

Another perfect Chx. day, but the farmers need rain. There has been none since we came. Abbie Price called this afternoon and the Birges.

Bay feels a little better — does not cry as much since his last tooth came. If he would only get a little flesh on this poor little bones!

Mon. 6.

Bright & glorious. Cold morning. I take baby Jane up at 6-30 so Ida has a nice morning nap. Helen up at 7:30 getting Bay's breakfast, and then I guess they had a nap too, as all is quiet up on the sleeping-porch.



Stant & Jenny Holmes, Forest Ave.

Eve. Ben and Bob went to the farm and to fish at Susan Lake. No bites even. Brought a lot of things from the farm: radishes, onions, beets, potatoes, carrots beans, peas, eggs and cream.

Helen & babies went to the village this afternoon. Moonlight excursion to Bayne tonight — Gerda & little brother have gone. Mrs. Mahon sent down Stant's socks today.

I made a pr. of overalls for Ben, and darned stockings, and started currant jelly. (10¢ pr. qt.) Stant wants to have Percy Holmes to come north...

Wed. Ben & Bob to the farm.

I went to have my new skirt tried on and rode both ways this time — so didn't get so tired. Finished currant jelly & jam. First apples from the farm. Rain in the p.m.

Bay is feeling much better these cool days. We had Mr. McLaughlin and Mabel to lunch. They came ahead — the rest of the family will be here later. Jane asked us to a 'Tea' on Sat. and Mrs. Warner for tomorrow. Mrs. Heaton over in the eve. and I went with her to call at Birges'. But didn't

stay as they were expecting to have a Red Cross Bridge party at 25¢ per.

Came home & Bob. H. Ben & I played Bridge, while poor Ida had to study her history lesson (?) She is earning her $2.00 per. — as Mary Woodruff is not so terribly bright at history.

Thurs. Aug. 9-

Rainy day, as B. & B. can not go fishing as planned.

Had a fine time at Mrs. Warner's party for Mrs. Baird. Sat in their lovely new sun-parlor and had tea & sandwiches - and work at our Red Cross knitting.

Early to bed.

Fri. 10.

Up at 5°C and off with the Stanleys at 6-30 to pick wild raspberries. Pretty small because of lack of rain but we picked about two packs.

Sara making jam for Alice's birthday. She has made dozens of glasses for herself, too. Home and hustling to get ready for picnic for our two families and some of the Warshalls. — 14 besides the three babies. Went in our two sail-boats, to "Boer's Bay" and had a grand day.

The babies were good as gold too and very happy. Gerda's first picnic with us. She is such a dear,

The party started back about 5°C and after we came home (with the engine) we saw the Stanley's boat still way off the other side of the lake — so Ben & Bob went back and towed them home. Ben said our little engine worked so hard she was all sweat when she reached the dock.

Bob stopped on his way up to the cottage to rescue two ladies who had run their car up on a big flat stone, and could not get off. I call him Sir Knight of the Rounded Table. Early to bed.

Sat. 11.

Up early to help Arlie & Bob off on the 7-20 train for Phelps — for a day of fishing.

This P.M. Ida went, first, to the Stanley party, then I went, and, later, Helen. Was proud of my daughters.

It was a very elegant party (with all sorts of things and tea) given for Mr. & Mrs. Marshall of Detroit who have the Beaman cottage.

H. & B. had a grand day, and brought home a lot of fish.

Our Stanton will be here tomorrow! Today, all the Hallstaedts were here and Sara Stanley dropped in, and stayed to supper. & Le Mc Rs are here tonight - reading. We

love to have folks "dropping in". It is so different from Upsi.

Sun. 12.

Our poor Stant has had a bad week, with terrible head-ache from sinus infection, and having final exams. His attempts to be cheerful are pathetic. Lots of people in to see him. The Marshalls took all of the children riding.

Mon. 13.

Ida's last teaching. Earned $20.00. Rained so we couldn't go on a picnic. Bob & Arlie took their babes out in the 'Argo'. Bob left at 7-20 and then we three girls went to the casino to hear Louise Hattstaedt Winter sing. She is almost a wonder.

Tues. 14.

All off with Stanleys & Marshalls to the Price farm for a picnic dinner. About thirty sat down, including babies. Mrs. Price made a ~~rice~~ potato pepper combination and short cake & coffee. Their Fall strawberries commenced last week. They certainly have a wonderful garden.

Ida & baby Jane left tonight. The dear little babe was so good, and so interested in seeing things and never a cry or whine, all the hours past her usual bed-time.

Arlie & I went in to return electric pad and things. Mrs. Birge brot over for Stanton. He feels much better. Went to a dance tonight. We objected, thinking it would be bad for his head — but he declared he'd go if he had to do it on crutches.

Wed. 15.

Bright and glorious. Arlie bo't a crate of berries and is going to make jam. Ben & I went to the sand taking the Dows and Mrs. Mc. & Isabel. Stant. invited to the Treasure party tonight.

Thurs. 16

Another five Oct. day. Ben and Stant went with the Stanleys to sail their boat, and I to Petoskey with Dows. Found some brown sandals for Robin. Helen made 20 lbs. jam. Kittie & Chou came for a last call to-night, as they leave tomorrow. So cold, and no grate fire at the Hotel. Chou says he goes to his room and puts on his overcoat, evenings, to keep warm. (At $8.00 pr. day) Don't wonder they are going home.

Fri. 17.

It doesn't seem possible that we are at war with Germany all the time, and we go on just as usual. Roland Mc L. and bride came yesterday.

Stanton is sore because he isn't in the officers camp, too.

Ted Disbett is here with his bride. - He's a very tall, round shouldered boy. It looks as tho' his training in camp this summer had'nt helped his shoulders much.

Hallstaedts left tonight. After seeing them off Helen & I called on Roland Mc. & bride and on the Marshalls.

Sat. 18 Aug.

We had planned to pick cherries at the farm & mulberries etc. but it looks too rainy in the sky.

Helen & Laura Clement Beltzner took their babies to the children's cotillion (25 ct. per.) & Ben & I had a long walk and a good time together. Cribbage in the eve. as it rained so Stant. didn't go on the "Labrador trail."

Sun. 19.

Pretty warm again.

Nothing doing except Ben & I called at Stanleys'. No one to church.

Mon. 20.

Ben, Helen Stant & Gerda went (taking Robin too) and picked about a pk. of cherries and apples too.

Stant & six other soldier boys took part in a Red Cross show at the casino, and danced afterwards.

Tues. 21.

All to beach picnic - with

Stanleys, Marshalls etc. I came home with the first load and found Arlie entertaining two Detroit friends; and I served tea and cookies. Lois Mc. came.

Wed. 22.

Helen & I were asked to a porch party at Marshalls'. Very bright jolly lot of Detroit women.

Stanton at a beach picnic with hotdogs and to card party afterwards.

Helen & I called at Clements & Dow's.

Thurs.

Looks like rain, but Stanleys wanted to have us go to Holy Island for a picnic. Nothing doing.

Roland Mc. called to Fort Sheridan. His wife feeling some better.

Young Heaton here with Stant. A beautiful southern boy who is in the Quartermaster's work too. Laura C. took Helen & Abbie to Petoskey for the day and they had a fine time. Both the girls stayed to supper and Abbie all night. Reading aloud letters which Mrs. Birge gave me - from a Red Cross nurse at the front.

It makes the war seem much nearer. Told of a boy brot to their hospital with one leg gone & shrapnel wounds - who had'nt been in a bed for eleven months. Said it was so comfortable that he couldn't sleep.

They are all so cheerful and patient it is pathetic to hear of it. We are surprised to hear that the nurses and doctors have such social functions - teas - ball - games etc.

Fri. Aug. 24 Rainy again.
Asked the neighbors (8 Stanleys, 6 Marshalls, 2 McLaughlins. Mrs. Warner, Miss Smith & Mrs. Baird) for an old-fashioned Stunt-party. Gave them raspberry ice-cream & fancy cakes. Had some very good charades. The Stanleys gave: "High-draw-lick" and I gave: "Ma-try-mony" with the little boys. Stanton & Helen gave the Performing Dwarf with great effect. And we read some more of the nurse's letters.

Sat Rainy again.
Stunt to Walloon with young Heaton, for a house-party.
I am trying to finish up H's chaille dress before she goes back.
Gerda's beau came to see her.

Sun. 26.
Ben actually went to church! We had Gerda's beau to dinner. A nice, quiet self-respecting farmer, named Anderson. First time we have had our Help & guests at our table. But why not?
Ben & I had a nice row, out to Lake Mich. First time I've been out on Round Lake this year and for a boat ride with my husband. It was beautiful.

Mon. 27.
Helen gone, with the girls to a Kitchen shower for Sara Stanley, at the Prices'. Had a lot of kitchen things and "fowes". After supper the Marshall kids came for H. & Stunt. to go to Lake M. in their car for the sunset. Glad Arlie can have these care-free days before going back to business on Wed. night. The war news is a little more encouraging for the Allies.

Tues. Aug. 28
Stanley-Marshall picnic, with the two boats — but Arlie & I didn't go. I had a sore throat — and she wouldn't go without me. Bennie's cold is loosening up, so he feels much better.
The people came home about 6-30 and had a glorious day. Stanton sailed our boat with a load of young folks, and did it so well, his father couldn't criticize him!!
Got Robin some shoes & a necktie for his birthday today. Frank came with our car, so took us down to the village.
Arlie and I called at the Heaton's.

Wed. 29.
Such a full day that I forgot to put on a tie all day. Shortened some of H's skirts and made a chintz bed-spread for her guest-room and mended and ironed her things that were ready. The babies were so good but Beej is a live wire, all right.

He is only safe when tied to some thing, and is then straining at his tether most of the time.

The Marshalls took us all down to the station and held the babies all the time. They're all so fond of babies.

A big crowd of our friends down to see them off. I shall be glad to hear how poor Arlie got along alone with two lively youngsters in the sleeper.

Tuesday 30.

Ben & Stant brought a lot of stuff from the farm yesterday, so Arlie had enough in her truck to last them a while. The cottage is terribly large and orderly today - but Stanton could sleep undisturbed this morning and he goes thru the house slamming doors - because "there are no babes asleep".

Stanley's gone to their farm at Northport and asked Ben & Stant - but they didn't [Lanker]. Ben, Gerda & I out rowing. Stant took Helen Marshall to sail and in the eve. she & Rich came for him to go down town, and they went over to the Inn & danced a little.

We called at Dow's & Marshalls - who go tomorrow.

Fri. 31

Mrs. Warner & Miss Smith called bringing a letter from Mrs. Baird to read. She was on Helen's train and looked her up - and helped her with the babies.

There's always someone to look after Arlie. Mr. Marshall & the boys left early for home - in the car; and we asked Mrs. M. & Helen to supper. Seemed more grateful than it deserved. Ben & I called at Bemis'. They have a beautifully furnished cottage.

Sat. Sept. 1st. '17.

Gerda scrubbing things up before going home tomorrow to stay until Mon-night.

Ben & I went to the farm in our car, taking Louis & Jane B. We had great times, digging ferns picking mulberries & apples & blackberries. It did poor Jane a lot of good, she said, to run away from things a while. Ross' invalid wife and two rambunctious children came this A.M. - and with mother M. and Mrs. Wilbur Jr. there it makes quite a combination of in-laws. In addition Jane is worried over Sara's plans trying to decide if she should be married this autumn - or later.

glad to get home - of the Bemis

Sara + Stanton + H. Marshall gone to visit
H's friends in Harbor Point — and to Love tree Inn
for dinner. Phoned at 9°c tonight say-
ing they had missed the train, and would stay
there over night. We went up to tell
the Stanleys and found them here when we
came home. All went in to Mc L's a
few minutes. Corinne + Esther just came this A.M.

Sun. Sep. 2.

A quiet day for us. Ben went for a
walk with Mr. Stanley and Mr. Mc L. and Stant. + I
walked thru' the ravine + sat a while on one of the
rustic Benches. He came home from H. Point on the
'Hamilton' about 4.0°c.

Mon. 3.

Too wet for a picnic — so Lois Mc, asked
us there to lunch — saying we might bring
whatever we wished!! Like a picnic.
I took a bottle of ripe olives, 3 eggs + some bacon, and a
big dish of chili con carne. They had a big lay-out
of sweet potatoes; scrambled eggs + bacon, and musk-
melons for dessert. A jolly table-full.
Took them sailing afterwards + Sara Stanley and
Zerda back about 8°c — Glad
Mrs. Beman.
to see her.

Tues. 4 All off to picnic on Pine Lake, at one of our
old camp grounds. Took the Mc L's + Dows, 14 in all,
and had a beautiful day. Prof. Dow cooked the fish and
potatoes in his camp stove. It took all right but the fish
wasn't seasoned at all and not brown, and the potatoes
were cooked too hard. — but we praised the cook to
the skies, and he had a fine time doing it.
Home about 5-30. Stant + Sara Stanley left at 7°c
this morning to go with some kids who wanted to ca-
noe down the Jordan river — shooting the rapids
They had no mis-haps and enjoyed it, altho little Les-
Stanley had to go along. Stant says he's always
reaching for things and tipping the canoe.
glad to get home — it the house was the dirtiest ever.

In the eve Mrs. Birge came for me to go up to Stanley's cottage and call. She is practically blind at night. Lorie has a scheme for taking us and the McLs to Northport some time this week. Just the six of us. We have no great desire for touring on Lake Mich at this time of the year.

Wed. 5th. Stanton's orders came to report at Camp Dodge Iowa, Sept. 10th. so there's the end of his good vacation. He is more than ready to be at work again. He & Ben piling wood today. which Frank brought from the farm. Pretty nice, when people are having great trouble getting any wood, and it is $12 to $14 a cord. Called on Mrs. Aikin. I finished Baby Ben's overalls and waists & blue to wear with them & sent them. Stant got his reservation on sleeper for Fri. night. The McLs came in when we were playing "Rhemi" after dinner. Wish we had such neighbors at Home.

Thurs. 6.

Marking & mending up Stanton's clothes. He bewails the fact that it is too cold for another sail; but yesterdays is a grand one to remember. Took Hannah Bemis & cousin and two swell friends from Harbor Pt. Connie, Isabel, Esther & her beau from Chicago and Mrs. Roland. Stant. says E's beau must have won his sweater playing "Tiddle de winks". He's an anemic, pimply cig. smoking type - hollow-chested and lanky. But he has heaps of money - says Lois. We never had so many platinum-diamond rings in our boat at one time. Friday Stant got off all right, with a big gathering of the Clarks to see him off. Dear Lois squeezed my hand all the way back to the cottage and kissed me good night. Bless her heart. Wrote to Stant. before going to bed.

Sat. 8.

A bright day - too good to stay at Home. Lois started us up - to go to Lake M. shore for 4 o'c tea. The Dows, Hicks - Stanleys & us. Ben & I went with the Stanleys - nine in the car & George on the running-board. I took a box of jam-sandwiches, & they had tea & coffee & bakers crackers & cookies. Home in time for late supper, and a cozy evening in front of our roaring grate.

Sun. Sept. 9.

I hope our Stanton is having a nice visit today with cousin Maud and the dear doctor in Chicago. We had the Prices & Ebbie here

glad to get Home — it's the dirtiest ever

to dinner, and they just left — 4°C.
They were really quite talkative today.
Mon. Sep. 10. Stanton's first day in camp.
Worked on table cover for Gerda's sitting room. Very windy.
Mrs. Warner brought me a book of short stories. + Mrs. Beaumont
Winfred here with their knitting. Very cold, and fears of frost on
our beans. Jack Stanley home on week's furlough.
Tues. 11th Ben to the farm with Frank all day till 3°C, so no
sailing on the beautiful warm day. There were frosts all a-
round us, but none at "Shore Acres" last night.
Went to the village and bought Sara Stanley a pretty pair of
brass candle-sticks + put candles in, so they might use them
on their cottage writing-desk, which is dark as a pocket.
Sara down in the eve. to thank me — also Mr. L. + Mrs. B.
in for a minute. Early to bed. tired.
Wed. 12. Sewing, and picking up for packing. Down to village
with the Boat — and out on Lake M. to rise up the gasoline
so Roy won't get so much! In the eve. down to
movies — only time this summer! Brought all the im-
pedimenta from the Argo, to store in cottage. Louis + George
Stanley helped us — also Gerda, the Faithful.
Thurs. Got all packed. Stan's first letter from camp

eight feet apart, and they are happy together.
Stan is acting as Orderly (errand boy) but means to get
a "change from such a kid's job."
Friday Sep. 14.
Gerda went home on the early train, to stay till next
week. We got comfortably ready + left at 10°C - something
Rois over and assisted in finishing sweeping the kitchen while
we talked. She is a Dear. A lot of people down to see us
off — to our surprise. The crowds generally go down to
the station in the eve, but very few people leave at noon.
We had a comfortable trip. I read and knitted and we had
two meals from our box. Reached T. R. after 10°C and there
was that poor little Jew Westerhoff waiting for us. For some
reason neither of the three Verdier Boys or their cars were in
evidence. Jew mad about it. We had a taxi up to the
house, and wine + cookies + crackers for those who want-
ed them. I took water — for we never drink the ice-
water on the cars. It tasted good to me!
Sat. 15. Jew + I went to call on Anna Verdier, while Ben
went to see Susan Jones about some work she is doing for
him on a book. Anna looks real well in spite of her
six babies — the last three (in 2½ years) of which I hadn't seen.
Also has had a recent operation!
We left T. R. at 11-3°C — and were
glad to get home — if the house was the dirtiest ever.

XZ

THESE MEN MUST REGISTER JUNE 5

Who are now 21 years old.

Whose 21st birthday comes before June 5.

Whose 21st birthday comes on June 5.

Excepting,

Men now 31 years old.

Men whose 31st birthday comes before June 5.

Men whose 31st birthday comes on June 5.

Men in the navy or regular army of the United States, the marine corps, the offic serve corps.

Members of the natio and naval militia actua service of the United S June 5

Men in the enlisted corps actively in the ser the United States on Ju

Sickness, physical di of any kind or absence home does not excuse fail register. National guard not mustered into the servi the United States before 5 must register.

A year's imprisonment enforced registration are penalty for failure to regi A year's imprisonment is penalty for making false st ments at registration whe about oneself or another per Where the person registerin subject to military law he be court martialled.

Dr. B. L. D'Ooge Has a New Book in Print

The News is in receipt of a circular from Ginn and Company, Publishers, announcing "a new and notable book, Caesar in Gaul," by Dr. B. L. D'Ooge of our faculty and Professor Frederick C. Eastman of the University of Iowa. Dr. D'Ooge is recognized as one of the country's leading authorities in Latin and is the author of many notable works.

In regard to the book the circular states: "It would be difficult to imagine a volume which provided more at-

NOTES ABOUT NOTABLE BOOKS

JANUARY 1914

BENJAMIN L. D'OOGE

THE agents of Ginn and Company are fully aware of the unusual merits of the books by Dr. D'Ooge which the firm has published, but it has been the privilege of only a few to know the more intimate record of Dr. D'Ooge's career. A statement of the chief events and honors in it, given in the "American Blue Book," is as follows:

"D'Ooge, Benjamin Leonard:

"Professor of Latin; born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, January 10, 1860; son of Leonard D'Ooge and Johanna (Quintus) D'Ooge. He was graduated from the University of Michigan as B.A. in 1881 and M.A. in 1884, and from the University of Bonn, Germany, as Ph.D. in 1901. He was principal of the high school at Coldwater, Michigan, from 1881 to 1883, instructor in Latin at the University of Michigan in 1884 and 1885, and has been professor of Latin at the Michigan State Normal College since 1886. He was also nonresident lecturer in the University of Michigan from 1888 to 1890. Dr. D'Ooge is editor and author of a large number of Latin textbooks. He traveled in Europe, especially in Italy, Greece, and Sicily, from 1899 to 1901, and again in 1909 and 1910. Dr. D'Ooge is a member of the American

The Stars.

"Some day
I shall be just a little heap of dust,
And then a few years more, you will be dust,
And all your children and your children's babes,
All of them will be dust; but those white ships
Will still be sailing nightly, and in worlds
That have forgotten Agamemnon—yes,
And even sweet Electra—men will still
Watch their slow journey through that waveless deep,
And holding close their little girls be glad
That in this grim, sad world there still are stars."

1915



Buick Motor Company Band

Geo. Dunbar, Director

7 Vocal Solo, Pilgrims Song

Words from the Russian of Count Tolstoi

Music by Tschaikowsky

LEONARD D'OOGE

Masonic Temple, Flint, Michigan

January 7th, 1917

...en" This Afternoon at 2:30

...asing challenge to fuller and ...nking and living.

...ground, health, and to lay the phy- ...sical foundation for an intellectual ...efficiency, approaching that of ancient Athens at the zenith of her glory.

...grounds, two football gridirons, five baseball diamonds, and twenty tennis courts. We certainly strive to put fire ... beauty and health, and to lay the phy- ...sical foundation for an intellectual ...efficiency, approaching that of ancient Athens at the zenith of her glory.

...esent war, delivered before ...ongress in extraordinary session, April 2, 1917, said by critics to rank with the greatest American State Papers.

"I have called the congress into extraordinary session because there are serious, very serious choices of policy to be made, and made immediately, which it was neither right nor constitutionally permissible that I should assume the responsibility of making.

"On the third of February last, I officially laid before you the extraordinary announcement of the imperial German government that on and after the first day of February it was its purpose to put aside all restraints of law or of humanity and use its submarines to sink every vessel that sought to approach either the ports of Great Britain and Ireland or the western coast of Europe, or any of the ports controlled by the enemies of Germany within the Mediterrarean. That had seemed to be the object of the German submarine warfare earlier in the war, but since April of last year the imperial government had somewhat restrained the commanders of its undersea craft in conformity with its promise then given to us that passenger boats should not be sunk, and that due warning would be given to all other vessels which its submarines might seek to destroy, when no resistance was offered or escape attempted, and care taken that their crews were given at least a fair chance to save their lives in their open boats. The precautions taken were meager and haphazard enough, as was proved in distressing instance after instance in the progress of the cruel and unmanly business, but a certain degree of restraint was observed.

Every Restriction Swept Aside; Ruthlessness Holds Sway

"The new policy has swept every restriction aside. Vessels of every kind, whatever their flag, their character, their cargo, their destination, their errand, have been ruthlessly sent to the bottom without warning, and without thought of help or mercy for those on board, the vessels of friendly neutrals along with those of belligerents. Even hospital ships and ships carrying relief to the sorely bereaved and stricken people of Belgium, though the latter were provided with safe conduct through the proscribed areas by the German go[illegible] itself, have been sunk with the same reckless lack of compassion or of principle.

"I was for a little while unable to believe that such things would, in fact, be done by any government that had hitherto subscribed to the humane practices of civilized nations. International law had its origin in the attempt to set up some law, which would be respected and observed upon the seas, where no nation had right of dominion and where lay the free highways of the world. By painful stage after stage has that law been built up with meager enough results, indeed. After all was accomplished that could be accomplished, but always with a clear view, at least, of what the heart and conscience of mankind demanded.

Germany Makes Necessity Excuse For Ruthless War

"This minimum of right the German government has swept aside under the plea of retaliation and necessity, and because it had no weapons which it could use at sea except these, which it is impossible to employ as it is employing them without throwing to the winds of scruples of humanity or of respect for the understandings that were supposed to underlie the intercourse of the world.

"I am not now thinking of the loss of property involved, immense and serious as that is, but only of the wanton and wholesale destruction of the lives of non-combatants, men, women and children, engaged in pursuits which have always, even in the darkest periods of modern history, been deemed innocent and legitimate. Property can be paid for; the lives of peaceful and innocent people can not be.

"The present German submarine warfare against commerce is a warfare against mankind. It is a war against all nations. American ships have been sunk, American lives taken, in ways which it has stirred us very deeply to learn of, but the ships and people of other neutral and friendly nations have been sunk and overwhelmed in the waters in the same way. There has been no discrimination. The challenge is to all mankind. Each nation must decide for itself how ...ateness of judgment befitting ... ...acter and our motives as a nation. We must put excited feeling away. Our motive will not be revenge or the victorious assertion of the physical might of the nation, but only the vindication of right, of human right, of which we are only a single champion.

Armed Neutrality Fails Against Unlawful Attacks

"When I addressed the congress on the 26th of February last I thought that it would suffice to assert our neutral rights with arms, our right to use the seas against unlawful interference, our right to keep our people safe against unlawful violence. But armed neutrality, it now appears, is impracticable. Because submarines are in effect outlaws when used as the German submarines have been used against merchant shipping, it is impossible to defend ships against their attacks as the law of nations has assumed that merchantmen would defend themselves against privateers or cruisers, visible craft giving chase upon the open sea. It is common prudence in such circumstances, grim necessity indeed, to endeavor to destroy them before they have shown their own intention. They must be dealt with upon sight, if dealt with at all.

"The German government denies the right of neutrals to use arms at all within the areas of the sea which it has proscribed, even in the defense of rights which no modern publicist has ever before questioned their right to defend. The intimation is conveyed that the armed guards which we have placed on our merchant ships will be treated as beyond the pale of law and subject to be dealt with as pirates would be. Armed neutrality is ineffectual enough at best; in such circumstances and in the fact of such pretensions, it is worse than ineffectual; it is likely at once to produce what it was meant to prevent. It is practically certain to draw us into the war without either the rights or the effectiveness of belligerents.

"There is one choice we cannot make, we are incapable of making. We will not choose the path of submission and suffer the most sacred rights of our nation and our people to be ignored or violated. The wrongs against which we now array ourselves are not common wrongs; they cut to the very roots of human life.

"With a profound sense of the solemn and even tragical character of the step I am taking and of the grave responsibilities which it involves, but in unhesitating obedience to what I deem my final duty, I advise that the congress declare the recent course of the Imperial German government to be in fact nothing less than war against the government and people of the United States; that it formally accept the status of belligerent which has thus been thrust upon it and that it take immediate steps not only to put the country in a more thorough state of defense, but also to exert all its power and employ all its resources to bring the government of the German empire to terms and end the war.

Involves Active Cooperation With Nations of Entente

"What this will involve is clear. It will involve the utmost practicable cooperation in counsel and action with the governments now at war with Germany, and, as incident to that, the extension to those governments of the most liberal financial credits, in order that our resources may, so far as possible, be added to theirs. It will involve the organization and mobilization of all the material resources of the country to supply the materials of war and serve the incidental needs of the nation in the most abundant, and yet the most economical and efficient way possible. It will involve the immediate full equipment of the navy in all respects but particularly in supplying it with the best means of dealing with the enemy's submarines. It will involve the immediate addition to the armed forces of the United States, already provided for by law in case of war, at least 500,000 men, who should, in my opinion, be chosen upon the principle of universal liability service, and also the authorization of subsequent additional increments of equal force so soon as they may be needed and can be handled in training.

"It will involve also, of course, the granting of adequate credits to the government, sustained, I hope, so far as they can equitably be sustained by the present generation, by well conceived taxation. I say sustained so far as may be equitable by taxation, because it seems to me that it would be most unwise to base the credits which will now be necessary entirely on money borrowed. It is our duty, ...the inflation which would be p... by vast loans.

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"I shall take the liberty ... gesting, through the several e... departments of the governme... consideration of your com... measures for the accomplish... the several objects I have me... I hope that it will be your ... to deal with them as having be... ed after very careful thought ... branch of the government upo... the responsibilty of conduct... war and safeguarding the na... most directly fall.

Must Make Clear To World America's Motive

"While we do these thing... deeply momentous things, le... very clear and make very cle... the world what our motives ... objects are. My own thought ... been driven from its habitual ... mal course by the unhappy e... the last two months, and I d... lieve that the thought of th... has been altered or clouded ...

"I have exactly the same ... mind now that I had in min... addressed the senate on ... January last; the same that ... mind when I addressed the ... on the 3rd of February and o... of February. Our object now ... is to vindicate the principles ... and the justice in the ... as against the selfish ... power and to set up an... ly free and self-governed ... the world such a concert ... and of action as will hencef... the observance of those prin...

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Friends Do Not Set ... Against Neigh...

"Self-governed nations ... their neighbor states with... the course of intrigue to ... some critical posture of ... will give them an opportu... and make conquest. Suc... be successfully worked o... where no one has the ... questions.

"Cunningly contrived ... ception or aggression, ca... be, from generation to ge... be worked out and kept ... only within the privacy ... behind the carefully g... dences of a narrow a... class. They are happi... where public opinion ... insists upon full inform... ing all the nation's affa...

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THE agents of Ginn and Company are fully aware of the unusual merits of the books by Dr. D'Ooge which the firm has published, but it has been the privilege of only a few to know the more intimate record of Dr. D'Ooge's career. A statement of the chief events and honors in it, given in the "American Blue Book," is as follows:

"D'Ooge, Benjamin Leonard:

"Professor of Latin; born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, January 10, 1860; son of Leonard D'Ooge and Johanna (Quintus) D'Ooge. He was graduated from the University of Michigan as B.A. in 1881 and M.A. in 1884, and from the University of Bonn, Germany, as Ph.D. in 1901. He was principal of the high school at Coldwater, Michigan, from 1881 to 1883, instructor in Latin at the University of Michigan in 1884 and 1885, and has been professor of Latin at the Michigan State Normal College since 1886. He was also nonresident lecturer in the University of Michigan from 1888 to 1890. Dr. D'Ooge is editor and author of a large number of Latin textbooks. He traveled in Europe, especially in Italy, Greece, and Sicily, from 1899 to 1901, and again in 1909 and 1910. Dr. D'Ooge is a member of the American

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This is the bare outline, but, like all such records, it fails to give any idea of the man himself. We are able, fortunately, to print a more complete account, which we believe will be found the next best thing to a personal visit with Dr. D'Ooge.

As a proper introduction to an account of Dr. D'Ooge's literary activity, a word should be said about his early education. He was born of Dutch ancestry, — his father with his family coming to this country from Holland in 1846, — and Dutch was the language he first learned to speak. But he soon combined English with it, and as a child it was quite usual for him to begin a sentence in one language and finish it in the other. Probably this early training had something to do with his interest and aptitude for language study.

During his progress through the grades of the public schools of Grand Rapids, Michigan, his sisters were in the high school and his brother was attending the University of Michigan. His father, though without much education himself, was so strong a believer in it that his chief purpose in coming to America was that his children might get what he could not have given them in his native land. It was early impressed upon Benjamin by his brother and by his sisters that, when he reached the high school, he was to choose the classical course. While he was still in the eighth grade the superintendent of the city schools, Mr. A. J. Daniels, for the purpose of giving his son a start in Latin, formed a private Latin class of half a dozen boys, of whom D'Ooge was one. The class met but once a week during the winter months and did not make much progress. Dr. D'Ooge did not find the subject very interesting. In fact, during that year and the two years following, he was growing very fast and was an indifferent student in all his studies, so that he was barely able to pass into the high school.

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There he took up the subject of Latin in a formal way, but it was his misfortune that during the first year there were frequent changes of teachers, and the last were worse than the first. The subject was pursued in the old-fashioned wooden way. There was an utter lack of human interest in the work assigned, and its chief value was supposed to lie in its mental discipline. There was no connected reading during the first year, and the lessons were chiefly from the Latin grammar, with special emphasis placed upon the fine print and lists of exceptions. By the end of the first year the future author of famous Latin textbooks had become thoroughly befogged and indifferent and would have dropped the subject had not his brother insisted on his continuing. It was a surprise even to him that he managed to pass into Cæsar, but somehow he was allowed to do so.

It was at this point that he fell into the hands of a first-class teacher. Professor Calvin Thomas, now Professor of German at Columbia, came to Grand Rapids immediately after his graduation to teach Latin and Greek. Dr. D'Ooge says that whatever he may since have attained as a student of language he owes especially to Professor Thomas.

During his four years in college Dr. D'Ooge specialized in languages, making Latin and Greek his majors. His inclination toward teaching became stronger, and he asserts that it must have been a call of the blood, for his mother's father and one of her brothers were schoolmasters in Holland. He also made up his mind that if he ever taught Latin and Greek, he would not pursue the old treadmill process, by which he had been taught, but that he would endeavor to humanize them.

When he began teaching in the high school at Coldwater, Michigan, in the fall of 1881, he immediately began to try out his theories, used a good deal of conversation in the classroom, organized a lively classical club, and tried to find interesting and varied reading matter for the beginners' classes. All these ideas were new at that time, and there is no doubt that the

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In 1893 came the famous report of the Committee of Ten, which did so much to break up the rigidity of the course, and soon thereafter Ginn and Company began the publication of the School Classics, which pointed the way to better things. It was about this time that Mr. Henry H. Hilton first met Dr. D'Ooge. One day at Ann Arbor, at a meeting of the Michigan Schoolmasters Club, Mr. Hilton and Dr. D'Ooge arranged for the preparation of "Viri Romae," with which Dr. D'Ooge at once proceeded.

It was published in 1895. Mr. Ginn was much pleased and wrote Dr. D'Ooge, "Your work is so good that we want all we can get of it," and thereafter Dr. D'Ooge never got his fingers out of printer's ink. In 1897 "Easy Latin for Sight Reading" was published. In the same year he was invited to collaborate with Professor James B. Greenough and Mr. M. Grant Daniell in the revision of Allen and Greenough's "Cæsar," and after this was published they prepared "Second Year Latin," which was published in 1899. A little later he was asked to assist in the revision of Allen and Greenough's "Latin Grammar." This was published in 1903. Next the house asked him to prepare a Latin Composition. In this some original ideas on the subject were put into execution. The book was published in 1904 and was very cordially received. All this time the now successful author had been planning, when the time should be favorable, to prepare a book for beginners, for he felt that here especially there was a chance to do something useful and original. Since the arid days of his boyhood he had seen nothing that seemed to be adapted entirely to the capacity and interest of the child. "Latin for Beginners" was begun in

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the fall of 1908. Another reason that actuated Dr. D'Ooge was that his son was ready to begin the study of Latin, and he desired that his boy should have a happier time of it than his father had had before him. The boy and the father began together. The pages were studied by the pupil as they came fresh from the pen, and whenever anything blind or difficult was found, it was revised and simplified to suit his comprehension. It was for good reason, therefore, that when all was done, the book was dedicated to the son. The two things that interest children most, perhaps, are stories and pictures, and that is why the book is so rich in both. The pictures were prepared especially for the book, and to no feature did the author devote more attention. The four colored plates and the story of Publius Lentulus are the climax of the book. In 1908-1909 the author was in Italy, and while there he saw the originals of the frontispiece and the picture facing page 52. They were so fine that he determined that he must have them, so he secured fine photographs of them (which were afterwards colored by the artist) and wove them into the story. The success of the book in the short time since the publication has been so pronounced that the author feels assured that he has achieved his object, namely, to give the children something alive and interesting, something attractive and easy to understand.

It may be wondered how Dr. D'Ooge, with a heavy teaching schedule, committee work, and other outside interests is able to accomplish so much literary work. One reason is that he is blessed with splendid health and can work more hours a day than most men. Another is that he does not scatter his energies, but follows a definite plan and divides his time carefully, so that every hour has its appointed task.

Do not get the impression that Dr. D'Ooge works all the time. He enjoys outdoor sports, especially golf, tennis, sailing, and fishing, and he is a master hand at loafing when he gets the chance. He also likes to garden, and he spends a good deal of time working on his place. In these various ways he keeps

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Freedom of Russia Adds Assurance to American Hope

"Does not every American feel that assurance has been added to our hope for the future peace of the world by the wonderful and heartening things that have been happening within the last few weeks in Russia?

"Russia was known by those who knew it best to have been always in fact democratic at heart, in all the vital habits of her thought, in all the intimate relationships of her people that spoke their natural instinct, their habitual attitude toward life.

"The autocracy that crowned the summit of her political structure, long as it had stood and terrible as was the reality of its power, was not in fact Russian in origin, in character or purpose; and now it has been shaken off and the great, generous Russian people have been added, in all their naive majesty and might, to the forces that are fighting for freedom in the world, for justice and for peace. Here is a fit partner for a league of honor.

German Spies In United States Even Before War In Europe Began

"One of the things that has served to convince us that the Prussian autocracy was not and could never be our friend, is that from the very outset of the present war it has filled our unsuspecting communities and even our offices of government with spies and set criminal intrigues everywhere afoot against our national unity of council, our peace within and without, our industries and our commerce.

"Indeed, it is now evident that its spies were here even before the war began; and it is unhappily not a matter of conjecture but a fact proved in our courts of justice that the intrigues which have more than once come perilously near to disturbing the peace and dislocating the industries of the country, have been carried on at the instigation, with the support, and even under the personal direction of official agents of the imperial government accredited to the government of the United States.

"Even in checking these things and trying to extirpate them, we have sought to put the most generous interpretation possible upon them because we knew that their source lay, not in any hostile feeling or purpose of the German people toward us (who were, no doubt, as ignorant of them as we ourselves were), but only in the selfish designs of a government that did what it pleased and told its people nothing. But they have played their part in serving to convince us, at least, that that government entertains no real friendship for us and means to act against our peace and security at its convenience. That it means to stir up enemies against us at our very doors, the intercepted note to the German minister at Mexico City is eloquent evidence.

U. S. Can Never Have Friend In Government of Germany

"We are accepting this challenge of hostile purpose because we know that in such a government, following such methods, we can never have a friend; and that in the presence of its organized power, always lying in wait to accomplish we know not what purpose, there can be no assured security for the democratic governments of the world.

"We are now about to accept gauge of battle with this natural foe to liberty and shall, if necessary, spend the whole force of the nation to check and nullify its pretensions and its power. We are glad, now that we see the facts with no veil of false pretense about them, to fight thus for the ultimate peace of the world and for the liberation of its peoples, the German peoples included; for the rights of nations great and small and the privilege of men everywhere to choose their way of life and of obedience. The world must be made safe for democracy. Its peace must be planted upon the trusted foundations of political liberty.

"We have no selfish ends to serve. We desire no conquest, no dominion. We seek no indemnities for ourselves, no material compensation for the sacrifices we shall freely make. We are but one of the champions of the rights of mankind. We shall be satisfied when those rights have been as secure as the faith and the freedom of the nations can make them.

Would Observe Principles of Right and Fair Play in War

"Just because we fight without rancour and without selfish objects, seeking nothing for ourselves but what we shall wish to share with all free peoples, we shall, I feel confident, conduct our operations as belligerents without passion and ourselves observe with proud punctilio the principles of right and of fair play we profess to be fighting for.

"I have said nothing of the governments allied with the imperial government of Germany, because they have not made war upon us or challenged us to defend our right and our honor. The Austro-Hungarian government has indeed, avowed its unqualified indorsement and acceptance of the reckless and lawless submarine warfare adopted now without disguise by the imperial German government, and it has, therefore, not been possible for this government to receive Count Tarnowski, the ambassador recently accredited to this government by the imperial and royal government of Austria-Hungary; but that government has not actually engaged in warfare against citizens of the United States on the seas, and I take the liberty, for the present at least, of postponing a discussion of our relations with the authorities at Vienna. We enter this war only where we are clearly forced into it, because there are no other means of defending our rights.

"It will be all the easier for us to conduct ourselves as belligerents in a high spirit of right and fairness because we act without animus, not in enmity towards a people or with the desire to bring any injury or disadvantage upon them, but only in armed opposition to an irresponsible government which has thrown aside all considerations of humanity and of right and is running amuck.

Sincere Friends of German People; Would Prove It

"We are, let me say again, the sincere friends of the German people, and shall desire nothing so much as the early re-establishment of intimate relations of mutual advantage between us—however hard it may be for them, for the time being, to believe that this is spoken from our hearts. We have borne with their present rulers through all these bitter months because of that friendship—exercising a patience and forbearance which would otherwise have been impossible. We shall, happily, still have an opportunity to prove that friendship in our daily attitude and actions toward the millions of men and women of German birth and native sympathy who live amongst us and share our life, and we shall be proud to prove it toward all who are in fact loyal to their neighbors and to the government in the hour of test. They are, most of them, as true and loyal Americans as if they had never known any other fealty or allegiance. They will be prompt to stand with us in rebuking and restraining the few who may be of a different mind and purpose.

"If there should be disloyalty, it will be dealt with with a firm hand of stern repression; but, if it lifts its head at all, it will lift it only here and there and without countenance except from a lawless and malignant few.

Finds It Oppressive Duty To Lead Nation Into War

"It is a distressing and oppressive duty, gentlemen of the congress, which I have performed in thus addressing you. There are, it may be, many months of fiery trial and sacrifice ahead of us. It is a fearful thing to lead this great peaceful people into war, into the most terrible and disastrous of all wars, civilization itself seeming to be in the balance. But the right is more precious than peace, and we shall fight for the things which we have always carried nearest our hearts—for democracy, for the right of those who submit to authority to have a voice in their own government, for the rights and liberties of small nations, for a universal dominion of right by such a concert of free peoples as shall bring peace and safety to all nations and make the world itself at last free. To such a task we can dedicate our lives and our fortunes, everything that we are and everything that we have, with the pride of those who know that the day has come when America is privileged to spend her blood and her might for the principles that gave her birth and happiness and the peace which she has treasured. God helping her, she can do no other."