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Monday, January 1st, 1917

Rained in the night. Icy and wet all forenoon. Cleared later.

Macie and I went to the usual New Year's morning prayer-meeting at the church, led by Mr. Bush. Few present owing to unsafe streets.

Elizabeth, Mary, Macie + I went to dinner at Mrs. Manning's. Margaret Miller there also. Later we called upon Mr. + Mrs. Bush in their new home on Grant St. Then went to see Mrs. Silcox on Franklin.

Came home at 4:30. E. came later. Mary later, still. Wrote to Will but did not get the letter finished. Dwight Greene + Mary Bailey married this evening in Emporia, also Mary Geiger + John Kenneth Williamson.

Tuesday, January 2nd, 1917

Weather moderating.

Margaret returned from Kirkwood at midnight and went to school as usual this morning. She had a fine visit.

Kindergarten re-opened, also and Elizabeth began her work again.

The Ladies' Aid Society was postponed until Wednesday. Our deferred W.M.S. meeting will be omitted for Dec. + this month both programs will be given. It was postponed twice, then given up for Dec.

Wednesday, January 3rd, 1917

Weather mild and rainy in the early morning but bright in the afternoon. I swept my room in the morning then went to the Aid meeting at Mrs. Chas. Storik's new home on Franklin Ave. in the afternoon. Thirty-five present and good reports. Another turkey supper planned for February, but I have nothing to do in that.

Went to prayer-meeting as usual in the evening.

Thursday, January 4th, 1917

Damp + cloudy, not cold, a little sunshine in the morning.

Wrote to Clara Armstrong + sent letter to Virginia Greene that began last evening. Clara's birthday.

Went to W.C.T.U. at Mrs. Fowler's then to Mrs. Thompson to inquire about Mr. T. who had been hurt.

Made eight Home Dept. calls. Made on this morning when I did some errands up ton. Paid telephone bills. Wrote checks for twenty-seven dollars and a half.

Friday, January 5th, 1917

Rain, thunder + lightning last night, sunshine, clouds, rain today. Mild + windy. Went up street and did several errands. Wrote Helen Moore + Mrs. Schwartz.

Rained and hailed in the afternoon and was dark enough for gas lights at 3 P.M.

Mrs. Taylor told me that Burr has a new position, one in New York and finds he is in the same building as Will's company, at #140 Cedar St. Went to the joint meeting of church

offices + Centennial Committee. Much discussion, no decisions except to investigate certain matters. I am sec'y of Gen. Com.

Saturday, January 6th, 1917

Beautiful bright day. Home all day. Wrote to Margaret Hunt + Fannie Geiger in morning.

We had a sort of surprise party this afternoon planned by Mrs. Cadot, Mrs. Manning, Margaret Miller + Leona Labold, who asked the guests + brought refreshments. Mrs. Cotton, Grace Cane, Ethel Schwartz and Alice Dever were the special guests, outside of our family. Macie came before it was over. Girls all went out after supper. Mary went to the church to orchestra practice.

Wrote to Jane Ricker.

Sunday, January 7th, 1917

Pleasant weather.

We went to S.S. and the usual church services. Elizabeth going to the morning service + Mary staying at home. Macie here to dinner.

Mr. Bush began a series of special sermons, to continue two weeks.

His evening them was God's Invoice.

Monday, January 8th, 1917

Cloudy most of the day.

Busy at home with house hold duties. Washed my gray skirt and tried to put new facing on it but the machine beaks threads so I cannot use it. Late in afternoon went to P.O. and sent money for Assembly Herald. Then to Mrs. Patterson's and Times office.

Wrote to Clara Armstrong. Sent calendars to Ira Ricker. Got half a dozen more photos.

Tuesday, January 9th, 1917

Beautiful, spring like day. Home all forenoon.

Mary went to the farm with Margaret Miller, and returned after lunch, which Elizabeth and I had alone.

In afternoon went out to the Cemetery to see the job on the Mausoleum which Mr. Schmauk has just finished, freezing + thawing had opened cracks in the roof which needed repairs.

Wrote to Essie + sent Mary Y. Moore my photo + Edith a calendar.

Went to church in the evening. Good attendance. Wrote Mary Martin, thanks for hdkf. Letter from Miss E.V. Ricker.

Wednesday, January 10th, 1917

Cloudy + dark all day, snow indicated. Machine would not sew. Mr. Uhl took it away and I took my gray skirt over to Macie's and finished the stitching. Had letter from Miss E.V. Ricker, Mrs. Dunning and announcement cards of Dwight Greene's + Mary Bailey's wedding Jan. 1st, 1917 at Emporia Kan.

Wrote to Mary Y. Moore.
Mrs. Schwartz was here.
Went to prayer-meeting as usual.

Thursday, January 11th, 1917

Quite a snow storm and cold. Got out early and swept walks. Water works had a break and so people had no water and little gas. Schools dismissed on account of cold, + no water in buildings.

Letter from Will who has just returned to N.Y. + had my letter telling of a rumor I had heard, regarding him. We have letters + letters, so many I cannot keep track of them. Went to church. Small attendance owing to weather. Mrs. River met Mr. Scudder at Mrs. Drew's.

Friday, January 12th, 1917

Cold wind, all day. Spent most of the forenoon over home sewing on my gray dress, and then went again in afternoon. Come home and found a telegram from Carl saying Essie's mother had died this morning and Essie is coming to Cin. due there Sunday. He wanted some of us meet her but it is unwise, not knowing what the family plans are, I wrote Carl, Essie + Hazel J. Gold. Went to church in the evening.

Saturday, January 13th, 1917

Another deep snow. I swept the walks early, + Mary did so later. Snowed all day.

Had telegram saying Essie had missed connection at Jacksonville, Fla. At 2 P.M. had letters from Essie written to tell me of her mother's illness + enclosing letters from Hazel + Mrs. Isaac Crouse. I wrote Essie in case of her Wilmington Aunt, also wrote Carl again, and Will.

Finished my skirt. Took dinner with Macie.

Wrote to Charlene Hasford B. Nichols. Telegraphed to Essie on train at Lexington, KY.

Sunday, January 14th, 1917

Deep, snow, too deep for me to clear away except from porch to gate, and kitchen to coal house. Trees and bushes breaking with load of snow.

Went to S.S. and the usual church services.

Have thought of Essie all day. She should be due in Cin. at 4:15 P.M. but the snow may delay trains.

Macie here to dinner, as usual.

Monday, January 15th, 1917

Snowed all day again and is very deep now.

Have been in the house all day, until 3 P.M. No word from anyone, thus far. W.R.C. meeting postponed, on account of severe cold and snow.

Essie's mother, Mrs. Kate Crouse was buried at Wilmington, O. this afternoon, having died of pneumonia last Friday at Clarksville, O. Essie reached Cin. last night.

Mr. Bush began a two weeks' series of meetings last week.

Tuesday, January 16th, 1917

More snow than we have had in years.

Am trying to stay at home, do some mending and write letters.

Went to church in the evening.

Wednesday, January 17th, 1917

Weather very bad and walking hard, dangerous in places.

Had a few lines from Essie saying she would probably be here the first of next week.
Is still at her Aunt Carrie Thatcher's house in Clarksville.

Sent her letter to Carl, in one from myself.

Went to prayer-meeting, or rather a preaching service.

Thursday, January 18th, 1917

Cloudy, snow deep but trodden down so walking is not so difficult.

Went to reception given by Mrs. Grimes + Mrs. Taylor. Beautiful affair, largely attended. Elizabeth did not go, not feeling well, Margaret could not go on account of her work. Macie went with us.

Went to church in the evening. Mrs. Bush very lame with a boil on his knee.

Friday, January 19th, 1917

Cleaning up litter.

Home coated with ice from some leaks in the roof near the crevice.

Mary + I have been trying all day to get off as much ice as possible as it is leaking into several rooms. Great damage to many houses from the weight of snow.

Went to the closing service of the two weeks' series at the church. Better attendance.
Went to S.S. at Mr. Bush's request to went + talk to some children.

Mrs. Mary Damamin Urcrheis died.

Saturday, January 20th, 1917

Bright, snow melting, but still deep on a level.

Spent most of the morning writing. Had letter from Essie also good ones from Charlene Hasford Nichols, + Mary P. Ricker. Wrote Will + Carl. Worked on my list of pastors of 1st ch. for the past 100 years.

Wrote Will and Carl.

In afternoon went to P.O. then up to Mrs. J.J. Marsh's, not at home. Went to store Marshes + 3rd St. Mrs. Young's, Mrs. Grimes, Mrs. Scudder's. Saw Mr. S. and Mrs. Voorheis in her casket. Mrs. S. unable to see any one. Called at the Phillippi house. Ira Ricker arrived at B. to visit Carl + Essie a few days.

Sunday, January 21st, 1917

One of the worst days of the winter. We went to S.S. and remained to morning service. Communion. Eight children from S.S. rec'd. Robert B. Manning one of them. Mr. Bush suffering with boil on his knee, was obliged to omit evening service. Rain taking off the snow. Heavy fog in the afternoon + evening.

Macie + Margaret Miller here to dinner.

Went to bed early with a lame knee.

Monday, January 22nd, 1917

Most of the snow gone, after the steady rain of yesterday. Some sunshine, more clouds. Essie came in and surprised us at lunch, today.

We were delighted to see her, has had a hard trip + will not stay long. Had roof mended.

Mrs. Reiser and I went to the Court House at 1 A.M. and saw Mr. Ralph Thomas. Sec'y of the Brand of Trade who gave us some encouragement about the sale of Children's Home grounds. Institution of officers in W.R.C. today. Pres. sick, at home.

Mr. Needon called to see Macie about rooms for his mother.

Tuesday, January 23rd, 1917

Bright and pleasant though cold. Essie began making over Mary's white voile dress which she had ripped up last week. She is a mender at such work. I had an errand or two to do in afternoon + stopped to see Macie on my way home. She came home with me to see Essie who was out with Mary.

Had letter from Will from Detroit. Wrote to Carl. Mary went to Clover Club, Elizabeth did not feel well, did not go.

Essie announced that she is going home in the morning, not willing to leave Carl longer.

Wednesday, January 24th, 1917

Cloudy all day, and raw. Essie left on the 7:15 A.M. Norfolk + Western. Margaret and Mary went to train with her. I stayed to help E. get ready for school.

Wrote to Carl again.

Had letter from sister E.F.P. enclosing check for \$50.00 on taxes I have paid for them. She also sent Macie \$10.00. Hope she + E. will soon be able to practice their profession as they are nearing the end of this comm. study of osteopathy.

Thursday, January 25th, 1917

Clear and cold, but thawing in the sunshine.

Letters from Carl this morning. Essie expects to leave Cin. this evening for Bradenton, Fla. Mary finished Essie's new lavender kimono. She + E. went to Mrs. Manning's where the Priscella Club meets.

I went out to see Mrs. Bush, and Mrs. Tadge Thompson at the house of Mrs. Doerr. Called at Mrs. Capt. Little's but saw no one.

Friday, January 26th, 1917

Beautiful day, not cold.

Mary Mailed, by parcel post, Essie's kimono, which she had made for her, also goods for a new white skirt + waist from Margaret + May. I wrote to Mrs. Gephardt, in regard to W.C.T.U. literature + contests. Also wrote to Carl + enclosed his last letter to her + one from Helen Moore to us.

E + M. both went for the evening, M + I went early to bed.

Mr. J.J. Marsh died today having been operated upon five weeks ago, had one leg amputated.

Saturday, January 27th, 1917

Rather cloudy all day, rain began about 5 P.M while I was at Miss Cramer's. Busy at home all forenoon.

Washed my gray stripped waist and made part of a new sleeve for it. Dressed and went up to see Mrs. Marsh in afternoon, then made a long call upon Mrs. F.L. Johnson, afterwards to see the Misses Cramer, thus home. Letter from Fannie Geiger, answering questions relation to the Troy Pres. Ch. Centennial.

Monday, January 29th, 1917

Weather moderating and snow disappearing. Busy at home in the forenoon, except for a little while when I did a few errands.

After dinner, went to Mr. J.J. Marsh's funeral at his late home.

Mr. Bush conducted the funeral services, using the account of Hezekiah's answered prayer for a subject, saying Mr. M. had told him of his own strange experience similar to that.

Tuesday, January 30th, 1917

Fine fair day but there are still remnants of snow left in shady spots. Was up to P.O. + Marting's before dinner. Got pillow slip muslin for E's bed. Went to Missionary meeting at Mrs. Hancock's in afternoon. Good meeting.

Mr. + Mrs. Bush both present. Mrs. Young called her after the meeting and we kept her to supper. Mary + Margaret Miller walked home with her.

Letter from Will.

Wednesday, January 31st, 1917

Ther high. Today, warm and spring-like. Heavy wraps are burdensome.

Rained a little in afternoon and I took Margaret's rain outfit to her, but carried it home again as she was just coming + the rain had stopped. Had letters from Will and Essie.

Will in Pittsburg again. Wrote to Carl thanking him for the box of fruit which came yesterday. Margaret Miller here to supper. Went to prayer-meeting as usual.

Am not recording any war news. The situation is not pleasant, or encouraging and I do not care to read much about it.

Mr. Nelson Weedan engaged, rooms for himself + his mother, of Macie, this evening.

Thursday, February 1st, 1917

Light snow again with falling temperature.

Home all forenoon, busy in the house. No letters rec'd but wrote to Essie.

Went to W.C.T.U. meeting at Eighth St. Good attendance and program. Frances Willard having prominent place on program.

Mrs. Stark went with me. Dorothy came + copied from Macie's scrap-book a piece to recite at Miss Cramer's next musical recital.

Mary went to help Mrs. M. prepare for the children's birthday party Saturday.

Mr. Uhl sent a Sniger + took our Automatic away again.

Friday, February 2nd, 1917

A cold, cold day. Ther 10° this A.M. and gas failing, owing to a break in the main near Charleston, W.V.a. We have fire in the coal grate, as usual and in afternoon Mary fired up the coal range so we had a hot supper, with our lamp for light. Thankful for our comforts. Letter from Will with chk for \$60.00 to be divided among us. War news serious. Port at New York closed nights on account of cruisers and war vessels.

Saturday, February 3rd, 1917

Cold and snowy. Gas off and we cannot do much but try to keep comfortable.

Margaret has done the errands, as usual, on Saturday.

War news exciting and there have been extras out today, I think, the last one about bed times. Relations between the United States of America, and Germany are at the breaking point.

Robert's birthday party had to be postponed owing to the weather + shortage of gas.

Sunday, February 4th, 1917

One of the worst storms of the winter. Mercury below zero and gas off in the greater part of the city. We went to S.S. and both church services. Mr. Bush was sick and went home before S.S. closed. Rev. Mr. Puqle of the Home Mis. Synodical gave a fine talk in the A.M. Dr. Horst of 2nd Ch. preached to thirty-seven people in the evening.

The snow storm + wind was unusual in afternoon. Macie, Mary + I went to church in the evening.

Monday, February 5th, 1917

A bitter cold day, with the gas pressure low, and off in some places. Snow on the ground again + much wind.

Busy all day preparing for the Faculty social meeting which secured here this evening with a degree present including Mr. + Mrs. Fullerton, Miss Ball + others. The lights were very poor but the coal fire was bright and cheerful and enjoyed by those who came from cold homes, dependent upon gas, which failed.

War news very grave. Germany + the U.S. have broken.

Tuesday, February 6th, 1917

Moderating, a difference of 12° and as the gas is on again we are quite comfortable again.

Went to Bank + Reilley's this morning, and to Aid Society meeting I the afternoon, at Mrs. W. Schwartz'. Large attendance. Plans for some repairs at the church, and the purchase of a vacuum cleaner are being considered.

Girls went to Clover Club meeting at Lavine Small's this evening.

Wednesday, February 7th, 1917

Fair and warm. Ther 30° 6 A.M. Streets still icy and snowy. Snow + ice melted some but not all gone.

Helped Mary with her new house dress.

Macie + I went to prayer-meeting, as usual.

Margaret Miller here to supper. She + Mary went to prayer-meeting + Miss Burris came home with them.

Thursday, February 8th, 1917

Weather fair. Temperature warmer.

Was busy all forenoon making a curtain for Margaret's school room. Black camline upon which the pupils will pin their clippings. After dinner took curtain + the Bible she bought for Miss Cramer, up to her.

The war news is exciting. The Germans all waging a submarine war, and destroying all they can, regardless of rules of warfare.

I paid Central Grocery for goods ordered in Nov. Made a call upon Mrs. Losh. Mary had letter from Essie telling of the cold wave which killed their garden + flowers. Coldest spell in 18 years.

Friday, February 9th, 1917

Colder, with light snow in the morning. Cold wave predicted and it came, but not quite as cold as the last one.

Wrote to Jean Fuller + sent two aprons which Macie made, as samples of her work. Went to P.P. just before supper and it was bitter cold, with enough snow for good sledding.

Letter of thanks from Mary G. Williamson, now of Xenia, O.

Saturday, February 10th, 1917

All took good sleep this A.M. there being no school and it was so cold. Busy all forenoon as usual on Saturdays.

Had letter from Mattie Word with Word family record. Wrote her, also Mary Geiger Williamson, Will + Carl, sent J. Kenneth W. a calendar.

War news still exciting but undecided as to what cause will be pursued by the U.S. with Germany.

Mary went to Dorothy's + Robert's birthday party which had been postponed. She stayed to supper, but came after her violin and went to orchestra practice.

Macie here as usual.

Sunday, February 11th, 1917

Ther 10° at breakfast time. Clear. Still some snow + ice.

Went to S.S. as usual and remained to morning service.

It is Boy Scout day, observed by all the churches. Howard Lowrey made the address in our pulpit, on Three fold Preparedness, and interested his audience. Mr. Bush did not preach today, as Rev. Albert Irvin Good, Batanga Africa made an address in the evening, which was interesting.

Monday, February 12th, 1917

Ther 4° this morning. Bright + sunny but not thawing.

Home all forenoon. Busy in various ways. Did some mending. Had a lot of Hotel Chamberlain literature sent by Mrs. Bond. Wrote her at Old Point Comfort.

All at home in the evening.

Tuesday, February 13th, 1917

Moderated today until Ther registered 4° in A.M. + 37° in evening. Signs of rain. Ice in river. Good letter from Will. Says trouble seems near + yet it may be averted. Wrote him, also Virginia and sent valentines to Dorothy + Robert, Carl + Essie. Mary + Elizabeth both out this evening.

Wrote Margaret Hunt for her birthday on the 15th.

Wednesday, February 14th, 1917

Ther 35° this morning. Looks like rain, but proved to be a pleasant day, sunny in the afternoon. Was invited to the Auxiliary Kensington at Margaret Millers, and went. About 60 present. No letters today. Went to prayer-meeting as usual.

Mr. Weedan's mother and sister, Mrs. Plummer, arrived at Macie's this afternoon from Flemingsburg, KY. Have taken two rooms + will do light home keeping.

Thursday, February 15th, 1917

Awoke to find it snowing and it kept on until noon when there was several inches, so the girls used the new snow shovel. Letter from Essie. They do not know the extent of the injury to the trees. Says Carl surprised her with a Victrola which they will enjoy very much.

The ashes of Henry R. Tracy, cremated in Boston last week, were laid away in Greenlawn Cemetery today noon. Owing to the snow storm very few went to the burial.

Letter to Essie.

Friday, February 16th, 1917

Clear again. Ther 32° 7 A.M. Icy sidewalks in the shade slushy in the sun.

Letters from both Will + Carl. Wrote to Carl.

Sewed a black silk waist. Did several errands this A.M. Went to High School, shoe shop, Mrs. Young's, Miss Evans', Kah-Patterson's, Amann's etc. Late in afternoon was over home + up to see Mrs. Stark.

Mary went out on the ill + did not come home to supper. Margaret went to a class party.

Saturday, February 17th, 1917

Pleasant and fair.

Busy at home in the forenoon. After dinner I accepted Mary's invitations to go + see Mary Pickford in a Scotch Fisherman's scene. Mrs. Cadot had invited Margaret + Margaret Miller + Elizabeth went also. From there I went to see Mrs. L.W. Baker who has been confined to the house all winter, then to see Mrs. Stark, still sick with pneumonia.

Letter from Will with \$250.00 interest on G.C. stock for 3 yrs.

Sunday, February 18th, 1917

Fair enough to make many go out with umbrellas and then to be caught in the rain going home from church.

We went, as usual to S.S. and church. Margaret Miller came home with me and stayed to dinner, and Macie was here as usual.

Rev. Moses Breeze preached in the evening to a large audience. Good.

Monday, February 19th, 1917

Rather pleasant. Not so cold. Home most of the forenoon and at W.R.C. meeting most of the afternoon. Mrs. Punttenney unable to be present, Mrs. Rowe presided.

Came home from meeting. Called to see Mrs. Stark.

Tuesday, February 20th, 1917

Busy day as usual but with occupations which are not easily remembered, being one Tuesday when I have no regular meeting to attend.

Am over home nearly every day.

Wednesday, February 21st, 1917

Weather mending a little and I am planning for some spring work on the house. Hope to get it painted early this spring, but there must be some repairing done first.

Went to prayer-meeting as usual, Margaret Miller here to supper. Began taking cold, and remedies for it.

Letter from Will from Pittsburg. Wrote him at N.Y. Letter from Mrs. M.J. Smith.

Thursday, February 22nd, 1917

Weather fair and mild.

Girls home on account of holiday. Was out to Mrs. Baker's in afternoon and have been taking cold all evening. Wrote to Will again today, having written yesterday and not sent the letter, two went today.

Sewed on Margaret's dark red dress, making repairs.

Friday, February 23rd, 1917

Thursday lightning and hard rain this morning but Margaret reached the High School before the heavy rain fall. Elizabeth went later after it had slacked somewhat. I did not get up early on account of my cold, which is a little better, but bad enough still.

Home all day, sewed on Elizabeth's corset covers.
Letter from Carl.
Wrote to Sister Virginia.

Saturday, February 24th, 1917

Beautiful spring-like morning. Much better of the cold, but stayed in this forenoon.
Wrote to Jane Ricker, this being her birthday, and to Carl.
In afternoon sewed the trimming on Margaret's dress which had come from the cleaners. It is now about as good as new.
Macie here in the evening as usual.

Sunday, February 25th, 1917

Pleasant day, not cold.
Went to S.S. and church as usual. Had good class this morning.
Macie and Margaret Miller here to dinner. No, think I am mistaken about her being here to dinner but she was here later.
The Every member Canvas was made today and Misses B.W. Hopkins and Harry Johnson called here.
Our pledges amounted to (ends here).

Monday, February 26th, 1917

Mild and pleasant. Seems like rain. My cold almost gone. Worked on my Missionary report for the close of the year.
Was out doing errands both before, and after dinner.
Am trying to get Macie started in the making and selling of aprons. Gave her money for a ticket in Cin. Woman's Exchange.
Letter from Essie. Wrote to both of them, also to Mattie Wood, copied her Wood family record.

Tuesday, February 27th, 1917

Mild + cloudy. Rained last night. Am figuring on having the house painted.
Spent afternoon at Mrs. Hancock's at the W.M.S. it being the day for the closing up of the books, and election of officers. The entire set were re-elected unanimously.
Mrs. Young came home to supper with me, in the rain which continued all evening. She had a taxi called to take her home. Went to see Mrs. Chas Thompson who is sick.

Wednesday, February 28th, 1917

Very deep snow again. It began in the night and fell nearly all day.
I went up to Mrs. Evans' to make out the missionary assessments and send the money to Mrs. Campbell, the Pres. Treas. at Ironton.
Went to the High School first to ask M. to come home soon and read a letter I had from Will in regard to business. Macie + I went to prayer-meeting as usual. Few present owing to weather. Letters from Will and Essie.

Thursday, March 1st, 1917

Snow thawing and walking very bad. Have been busy most of the day with my missionary reports. Sent my check to Mrs. Campbell, Pres. Treas. for (ends here).

Had another letter from Will on business, and answering some questions.

Elizabeth and Mary were guests of the Priscilla Club at Margaret Miller's this afternoon. I was in to see Mrs. Jaynes about Mrs. Stark who continues very ill.

Went to W.C.T.U. at Mrs. Young's.

Friday, March 2nd, 1917

Snow again, wet snow fell all day. Dr. Schirrmann reported five inches up to 4 o'clock.

Have been in the house all day. Finished the handwork on my new gray vile which Mary made. Margaret left on the 3:20 P.M. N+ W for Cin. to see Dr. Salter about her glasses. It is a very bad day for the trip.

Elizabeth went to K-G as usual. I sent notice of prize essay contest + literature to Co. Supt. Miss Cramer is interesting her pupils in the work. Letter from Mrs. Dennis.

Saturday, March 3rd, 1917

Fair and cold. Deep snow. Worked on my W.M.S. report which is about ready for the Auditing Com. Girls both out this afternoon and I served on my dress which Mary is making for me. We sat up very late waiting for Margaret and then learned it was useless, as the train was hold up by a bad slide and so we went to bed, but were awake when she came.

Sunday, March 4th, 1917

Awake to find another foot of snow on top of the last one, and it continued nearly all day. Went to S.S. and morning service but the show was so deep I did not go out again.

Train delayed several hours so Margaret did not get home from Cin. until after 1 o'clock this morning. I did not sleep until after she came.

Monday, March 5th, 1917

Snow still deep, paths narrow and walking disagreeable. Decided to go to Bradenton and wrote Carl + Essie + Will. Expect to start Wednesday.

After dinner went to get books from Mgt. Edward's office + took them out to Mrs. Puntteney's for signature. Margaret E. very ill. Mary met me at Anderson's to see about my hat. Have spent most of my time getting reports ready to learn. Took W.M.S. books to Mrs. Hancock to be audited.

Tuesday, March 6th, 1917

Ther 10° in the morning, heavy fog. Bright + sunny, snow melted some in the sun. Was out doing errands and making sick calls in forenoon. Called to see Mrs. Young + Mgt. Miller, both in bed.

Aid Society met here this afternoon. Many absent. Much sickness. Good meeting. Voted to buy Vacuum cleaner for church, also new bulletin board. Wrote the Peebles girl of Ashland, asking them to sing at our Centennial.

Macie + I, Mr. + Mrs. Prescott + Mrs. Damon dined with Mr. + Mrs. Drew and heard about their visit to Bartons + Virginia in Bazaar. Kans.

Wednesday, March 7th, 1917

Deep snow about gone but still much left in places. Busy all day packing and getting ready to go to Florida. Train was hours late so I missed the evening start to Cin.

Dr. + Mrs. Martin were leaving in same Pullman for Key West so I had company as far as Jacksonville. Girls all went to train with me. Reached Cin. + Dr. Williams assisted me in getting settled at the Grand Hotel to stay until morning. He had gone to Cin. to meet his wife coming from Florida.

Thursday, March 8th, 1917

Wakened in Tenn. this morning and found myself in the real south. Everything different from what I saw yesterday.

Our train this evening ran into Chattanooga though a flooded district, the locomotive ploughing through water like a boat.

We passed through swampy palmetto lands today and missed the train for Tampa from Jacksonville. No - this morning we left Cin., having missed the train last night, so traveled through Ky. + Tenn. today, reaching Chattanooga late this evening in the flood. Saw snow until in the late afternoon.

Friday, March 9th, 1917

We were late arriving in Jacksonville and missed the train to Tampa. Wired Carl that I would take the night train for Tampa, then Dr. + Mrs. Martin + I went to the Jackson Hotel where they will remain until morning. I went + got Pullman ticket for Tampa. We then went to see the Ostrich farm, and other objects of interest, returned to Hotel where I had supper and after waiting an hour or more went to the train. Dr. + Mrs. Martin had planned to go to Key West but may change their plans on report of war conditions.

Saturday, March 10th, 1917

Have reached the land of sunshine. Train was late and I was met by Essie at the stadium but found we had missed the morning boat from Tampa as had to spend the day there at the Hillsboro Hotel and take the boat at 3:30 P.M.

It was an interesting trip though the boat was not the best and was crowded. We saw many pelicans diving and a man in an air ship circled around our boat several times. Boat was late arriving at Bradenton and we were glad to see Carl standing on the wharf waiting for us. He has a new car and it was delightful to reach the house so long a time.

Sunday, March 11th, 1917

Beautiful day. We went to S.S. Essie has a class, I was in the Bible Class. Dr. Ayers from Japan talked in morning, Mr. Henderson in the evening.

My first sight of Bradenton in daylight. It is very attractive and the Presbyterian Church is beautiful, the first I ever saw with brick finish inside. Well planned and furnished. Think the light brick finish will remain as it is longer than any other kind of finish.

Letter from Macie + Mary.

Monday, March 12th, 1917

Bright, warm, day. We were home in the forenoon then Essie + I went in the car to a committee meeting at Mrs. Brown's yard, also saw interesting trees + plants.

From then Essie, took Mrs. Wyman + me over to Tuna Ceia, she had an errand, and we made an informal call at Mrs. Robinson's and I saw grape-fruit in bloom, with ripe fruit on the trees, also oranges. Had letter from Elizabeth enclosing one from Will, + card from Helen Titus. Wrote Virginia + the girls. Letter from Helen Moore.

Tuesday, March 13th, 1917

Bright warm day. Essie and I went with a party on a gasoline launch about fourteen miles up the Manatee River and had a picnic lunch. People all strangers to me but it was a pleasant trip and my first experience of the kind. Reached home about 4:30 and Carl went up at the bridge + brought us home. He bought 23 hogs which arrived today.

I had letter from Mary Bailey of Rock Island, Geo.

Wednesday, March 14th, 1917

Quite warm after a foggy morning. Spent most of the forenoon writing letters to Will, Elizabeth, Mary Bailey and Mary Peebles.

Essie washed and I sewed on some dresses I am mending for her. We were home all day + in the evening, after the sun was down I trimmed down of the vincas which died after the "freeze", which has been so serious that it will make a record for fruit graves. All of Essie's flowers were killed down to the ground but they are coming up now.

Carl went to town after supper to see about plants + trees that have been ordered to take the place of those lost.

Thursday, March 15th, 1917

Quite warm but breezy. Had letters from Macie + Margaret today. Finished trimming the long row of Vincas, cut back to the ground. Finished Essie's two dresses, also. Am seeing new sights and enjoying everything.

After dinner had a nap then Essie + I drove to town with Ellen, the horse as the car is in the repair shop. She had some errands. Came home and watered the flowers, while Essie set out some plants. Spent the evening at home.

Wrote Margaret.

Friday, March 16th, 1917

Foggy + cool, early, warm in the sun. Busy about the house all forenoon. Essie has a brood of chickens coming out.

In the afternoon Essie + I went to Bradenton to attend Club meeting where I met a few where I had seen before, and other whom I had not.

Had a letter from Macie, in which was enclosed one from Mrs. Elders.

Spent the evening at home + arming socks.

Saturday, March 17th, 1917

Warm and breezy. The wind blowing through the pines, and birds singing everywhere.

Essie + I did some housework in the forenoon. Saw the new brood of fluffy little chickens.

Am writing Dorothy M. + sending her a birthday card, also then wrote to Mrs. Elder and Macie.

In the afternoon Essie asked me to go with her for an auto ride. On the way she picked up Mrs. Hollingsworth + three guests so we had good company and a most beautiful drive along the Palma Sola bay on a fine road + saw many beautiful houses. Went downtown again in evening + spent evening at Mrs. Wyman's.

Sabbath, March 18th, 1917

Quite cool and frost is feared, which might kill crops.

We finished up the morning work and went to S.S. remaining to church. Rev. Mr. Hallock from the north preached.

We went home with Mr. + Mrs. Maynard Cheney for dinner. They came from Dover, N.H. where they were neighbors of Bessie Titus. Are most hospitable people. Have also lived near Ronceverte, W.Va. but did not know the Betts family. Went to church in the evening and to bed, as soon as we returned.

Monday, March 19th, 1917

Cool. No rain, so much needed. Essie + I were busy at home all forenoon. Attended Aid meeting a 3 o'clock, W.M.S. at 4 at church. Went after Mrs. Cheney, then took her and three others home afterwards. Had two letters from Macie no others. Wrote Margaret, Bessie Titus, Mrs. Bond, + Mrs. Dennis.

Am enjoying everything greatly. Carl took us to town after supper as he had some errands to do.

Tuesday, March 20th, 1917

Clear and pleasant. Fire in the morning. After the morning work I wrote to Macie, Mrs. Sibley and Lizzie Peebles, M.E.M. and Will.

Essie had word that her Aunt Mary Noocar died last Friday. Will's letter gave Carl some concern as to his prospects here. I had letters from Elizabeth + Macie. After dinner Essie took the Henderson's + me to call upon Mrs. Brown and her guests, three cousins, husband of one of the sisters. A Mr. Wilber was here to supper and stayed all night.

Wednesday, March 21st, 1917

Still fair + warm. Rain badly needed to help out the groves and vegetable fields.

Long letter from Margaret. Have written + mailed one to her today. Also wrote Helen, and written postcards to Mrs. Scudder, Mrs. Cadot + Jno Smith. Essie + I went over to Terra Ceia after Mr. Seeley + some trees. A drive of about 20 miles by the time we got home.

After supper we went to prayer-meeting which was led by Laura Wyman. Good meeting. Letters from Jane Ricker + Miss Cramer.

Thursday, March 22nd, 1917

Very foggy. Everything dripping but no prospect of rain.

Home in the forenoon. Essie working on her blue, + Mary's white one, at odd times.

Went to Mrs. Potter's to a Mission Reading Circle, after which Essie drove to Terra Ceia after Mr. Seeley, taking Mrs. Tracy and Mrs. (no name written) and me.

Had letters and wrote to Miss Cramer and Elizabeth.

Friday, March 23rd, 1917

Weather warm + bright. Everybody wishing for rain. Have not seen a drop since I left home March 7th, when it rained, then.

Am busy all the time with mending house work, letters or trips in the car. Left the supper dishes to go over to the Sanborn home and call upon Mrs. S. and Mrs. Brinley + little Isabel, who leave in the morning for their home in Monmouth Ill. Wrote no letters today. Letter from E.V.P.

Saturday, March 24th, 1917

Beautiful day. After the morning work Essie and I went into Bradenton to do errands. Gone until noon. Found Carl had gone with the Allyea car, somewhere.

Did some mending + wrote to Macie + Margaret. Sent cards to E.V.R. + Robert M. Went into town again about 2 P.M. Essie did errands, went to food sale + later to a picnic with her class + another one, at the Park. Late when we came home. Had supper and went to town again with Carl who wanted to do errands. Came home + went to bed.

Had letters from W.T.R. + had just mailed one to her.

Sunday, March 25th, 1917

Still fair and dry + breezy.

Went to S.S. Heard Rev. Hallway, a missionary from give the quarterly review of the lessons taken from Gospel of John. Sermon by Rev. Jno Henderson on text, Ex. 20-25. A plea for the family altar as being a paver for good in training children. Good sermon. In afternoon, Mr. + Mrs. Davis, formerly from Boston, called to see Carl. Later Mr. + Mrs. Arthur Brown came.

Attended Children's Day exercise in evening, a plea for Home Mission work for mountain people. Letters from M.E.M. + M.T.R. also papers.

Monday, March 26th, 1917

Bright as ever. No prospect of rain. Busy at home all forenoon. Went to Mrs. Henderson's to the Missionary Society. Met some new people. Almost twenty present. Several good talks upon articles in the Missionary Survey. Southern Pres. Magazine.

One lady, Mrs. Hawley has recently given \$7.00 for work in China where her husband + son were killed in a riot some years ago.

Went down town again after supper. Essie had part of her chicks come out today. Wrote to Mrs. Young.

Tuesday, March 27th, 1917

Cooler in evening. Hot in the sun. Clouds but no rain.

We were busy about the house all forenoon, or rather until about 9 o'clock when Carl took Essie, Mrs. Cheney and me in to the Baptist Ch. to am all day meeting of the County Federation of Clubs. Attendance large and an interesting program.

Mrs. Goodman gave a fine talk on Audubon Society work in the conservation of birds. She gave good imitations of bird notes and calls. I wrote to Mary, also Macie and sent cards to Madame Taylor. Losh and Whitney.

Wednesday, March 28th, 1917

Still dry, pleasant but rain is badly needed. Washed + ironed two thin dresses + did some mending. About two o'clock Carl brought out Mrs. Wyman + Laura + Mr. + Mrs. Henderson to spend the day, Mr. Wyman came later. We had a fine rabbit dinner and we all sewed all afternoon. I helped Mrs. W. on Laura's carpet rags for rugs. To take to S. America. In the afternoon Mr. Henderson killed a rattle snake in the garden. All went to town to take the guests home. Went to prayer-meeting later.

Had letters from Will + Mary. Wrote to Elizabeth.

Thursday, March 29th, 1917

Still clear and dry. Home all forenoon, busy with mending + letters. Wrote Jane Ricker, Will + Mary R. + Gladys Doty.

Went to Mrs. Potter's - no - it was somewhere else, but we are going somewhere every day and I get names mixed, it was Mrs. Tipton's this week. Sewed blue rags for rugs for the Aid Circle, while Miss Strong read aloud from Mary Slessor of Calabar, life of a Scotch Missionary in Africa.

Friday, March 30th, 1917

Still clear and dry, but pleasant, though dusty for driving.

Letter from E.N.R. She mentioned on of my childhoods friends, Hattie Prewitt McLaren who was referred to in a letter from Yager City, so I wrote at once to Hattie, myself. Have not heard from her for perhaps 30 or 40 years. Wrote to M.E.M. also Mr. + Mrs. Maywood Cheney were here to evening dinner, and spent this evening. Mr. + Mrs. Sanborn called after dinner and James Duke, her son, came later.

Had Victrola music and a very social time.

Saturday, March 31st, 1917

Fine day but no sign of rain. Busy as usual, every minute. In afternoon Mrs. Judd and Mrs. (not named) called. Afterwards Essie + I went to Mrs. Brunis for dinner + the evening. She had to come back after Carl at 5:30. She could not go sooner. Other guests were calling

them when we arrived. Mrs. Tracy + two nieces, + Mrs. Harris. Dinner guests were Mr. + Mrs. Robinson, + Mr. + Mrs. Reasoner. Dinner was served at Mrs. Foster's where the Browns board, as they do no cooking at home.

Had several letters. Wrote M.J.R.

Sabbath, April 1st, 1917

Dry and breezy. No prospect of rain. Went to S.S. and church. A visitor, Dr. Lawrence preached in the morning.

In the afternoon Mr. + Mrs. Garrison called + stayed until tea time. We all went into town to the patriotic meeting held in Baptist Ch. for the benefit of the Red Cross Society work which is being done here. Offering taken to buy others for hospitals in France, or U.S. as may be needed.

Letter from M.E.M.

Monday, April 2nd, 1917

Still no signs of rain and Carl has the water wagons busy with the trees and vegetable fields. Had letter from Elizabeth just after I had sealed one to her. Essie gone all morning on an errand for Carl. I stayed at home and made up a cushion cover, black + red, which has been ready to make up for years. Sent cards to Mrs. Cotton, Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Draper. Went to social at church in evening. Wrote to M.E.M.

Essie has some very fine roses. Have grown + began flowering since the "freeze", in Feb.

Tuesday, April 3rd, 1917

Another beautiful day, foggy in morning which indicates dry day. Essie busy with chickens + rabbits. Had to go to town for Carl. I stayed at home. Mended socks got Carl.

In afternoon, Essie had to take the car to have the tire changed. Went with her. Rec'd the sugar spoon which I asked Mary to get for Laura Wyman.

After supper we all went in and met Mr. Luslee who came on the boat. Was most welcome as Carl has wanted him for consultation. I am glad to see him, having heard so much about him.

Letter from Macie this A.M.

Wednesday, April 4th, 1917

Beautiful day. No signs of rain this morning. Mr. Luslee had breakfast + then started out on his tour of inspection. He + Carl spent the day walking + riding over the place + visiting.

I wrote to Margaret, had a letter from her later, then sent her a card. After supper we all went into town. Essie + I to prayer-meeting, Carl + Mr. L went to call upon Mr. Brown at his home.

I finished the black + red cushion. Played a few pieces on the victrola.

Thursday, April 5th, 1917

Cloudy this morning, but no rain though some fell in the vicinity. Breezy and delightful. Carl + Mr. Lusless spent the day looking over the Estate and talking business. After dinner we had quite a shower, the only rain since I came. E + I went to Mrs. Bogg's to the Reading Circle but only one other person came as the reading was omitted.

Carl + M. L. came after us and took a drive over to Sarasota + saw the new bridge which is not yet open so we had some trouble, had to back the car half a mile to get on to the road where we could turn.

Had letter from Mrs. Manning. Did not write any today.

Mr. Luslee had long conference with a man in the morning in regard to a bridge to be built.

Friday, April 6th, 1917

Much cooler + bright again.

All up early as Mr. Lusless left on the morning train. He said he was sorry to leave, is very fond of the place, and is a pleasant guest. Essie + I went in later to do some shopping. Easter card from Mrs. Behrens. Sent postcards to Will + Elizabeth. In afternoon Essie + I went to see Mrs. Sanborn. Came home with flowers + fruit.

Spent the evening at home. Very cool this evening.

Saturday, April 7th, 1917

Very cool. Ther 44° this A.M. Fine in living room. Put on warmer clothing.

People begin fearing frost again. Busy all day in various ways.

After supper Carl took Essie and me for a ride. It was so cool I feared I'd take cold and was glad to get home to the fire.

Easter Sabbath, April 8th, 1917

Cloudy. Good rain began just as we headed home from church. Found Mr. + Mrs. Dowd + 3 grandchildren, Mrs. Dr. Herbert + 2 children here taking refuge from the hard rain. Cool and rainy the rest of the day. Had been to S.S. + church so did not venture out again but went early to bed. Had Easter cards from M.A. Silcox, Mrs. Cadot, M. Firmstone, Mrs. Taylor, Miss Cramer.

Mr. Ross is 98 today.

Essie's chicks began coming out this evening.

Monday, April 9th, 1917

Cleared up against this afternoon.

We made arrangements, by phone, with John Smith to go to St. Petersburg to visit him + his wife in their home, tomorrow.

Chicks coming out all day, had letters from Macie + Will. Sent him a postcard, no time to write a letter. Wrote Macie, Margaret + Sister E.F.P.

Went to Mrs. Bogg's in the afternoon, but the rain kept everybody else, excepting Mrs. Tipton so the reading was omitted. I finished the silk stitching on a second red + white sofa cushion, ready for the lace.

Tuesday, April 10th, 1917

Fine day after the late rain. All up early, had breakfast + Carl took us to the dock. He went by train to Tampa, E + I went on boat Pokamoket to St. Petersburg. John + Retta Smith met us + we had a delightful day. Rode around the city in the forenoon. Went to Gulf port and Passa Grille in afternoon.

Walked a mile + the beach gathering shells. Decide we could not return home tonight. They have a nice house and made us most welcome.

Wednesday, April 11th, 1917

Arose this morning at 6:30. Went riding, then among the stores where Essie did some shopping. In the afternoon we went in the auto again, saw more of the city, went to Davista, and the Jungle.

Saw many beautiful homes and were shown through some new houses by the agent Mr. Cottman. Were in there, one having rugs, curtains, furniture, even dishes in the china cabinet. Delightful trip home. Carl met us at wharf.

Letters from M.J.R., W.W.R., M.F.R., M.E.P., M.E.Y., M.Y.M., C.A.B.

Thursday, April 12th, 1917

Beautiful day again. Home in forenoon. Wrote letters + did some mending. Began on Essie's quilt which Elizabeth sent her last year. Went to Aid Circle at Mrs. Tracy's in afternoon.

In evening went to Mrs. Wyman's to a dinner party. Met people whom I had met several times before. Misses Laura Wyman and Miriam Rood served the very delicious dinner.

We were late reaching home. A letter of thanks to Retta Smith was all I could manage to write today.

Friday, April 13th, 1917

Another beautiful day which we spent at home until late in the day. Essie busy with her chickens + rabbits + work. I did some sewing but more writing. It was "write letter day" with me. I wrote to Will + Elizabeth, Mrs. Evans, Helen Boardman, Ada Carson, Mrs. Frank, + began a letter to Margaret.

After supper Carl went to a Board of Trade meeting and Essie + I went to the High School play at the Opera House.

Saturday, April 14th, 1917

Fine day, cool in morning + evening. Essie + I busy all forenoon, about the house and yard. I washed + ironed, dried dishes, made beds, then washed the sea shells which I brought from Pass-a-Grille, for Elizabeth. Had letters from Elizabeth, Macie enclosing one from Virginia, Will and a long one from Hattie (Miss Prewitt McLaren) of Yazoo City.

About 3 o'clock Essie + I went to do errands. She had rags for rugs, eggs, a live chicken, four live rabbits, lumber for sewing racks, seeds etc. We also made a call upon Mrs. Majouy at Manatee. Wrote Margaret + Macie. Sent card to Will.

Sabbath, April 15th, 1917

Beautiful day. Went to S.S. and the usual church services. Dr. + Mrs. Hollingsworth were here to dinner.

After church Carl drove to the P.O. and I rec'd letters from Macie, and Sister Elizabeth.

Monday, April 16th, 1917

Beautiful morning. Up early and began writing as soon as the beds were made. Have to write to Will + Mary in regard to the taxes. Spent all forenoon writing to Will, Mary, Macie, E.F.P. + M.E.P.

In afternoon Essie + I went to Aid meeting at the church, afterwards taking several ladies t their homes. After supper we, Carl, E + I went down to town after the mail and to have the auto oiled + peet in order for the trip to Tampa tomorrow.

Tuesday, April 17th, 1917

Beautiful day. All up early + ready for the start at 6:30. Got Rev. Wallace downtown and started. Went by Bay Shore way, which was not a road, much of the way. Got lost in the pine woods two or three times. Crossed two ferries, operated with ropes. Finally reached Tampa after about five hours. Had dinner + a rest at Hillsborough Hotel which the men attended to business.

Left at 3:45 by way of the other road. Had 22 miles of brick + about six or eight shell road, after which it was mostly deep sand ruts + roots. We were like pop-corn in a popper, but got home safely, about 8:30 + had supper. Sent postal cards to Mary, Helen + Will. Saw about reservation for next Mon.

Wednesday, April 18th, 1917

Another bright, breezy, beautiful day. Beginning to prepare for the homeward trip, packing shells.

Busy all forenoon. Essie + I made a long call upon Mrs. Hawley, then went to Mrs. Dr. Hollingsworth's where Carl met us. Had dinner + spent the evening. Met Mr. + Mrs. + Billy Patten. The latter hopes to go to Annapolis + enter Navy.

Had letter from Mary in A.M. + Will in evening. Dr. + Mrs. H. came from Brazil 2nd.

Thursday, April 19th, 1917

Up early. Fine day. Wrote to Mary + Jean Fuller in morning. Sewed a little and packed some of the shells which I have, to take home.

In afternoon E + I went to Mrs. Diston's to Circle meeting. I did the reading from Mary Slessor.

A tire blew out + had to have a new one put on before we could come home. Were late. After supper we went to the Ch. to a Poverty Social given by one of the Circle #1, I think. Had some good music.

Wrote to Mary, + Jean Fuller. Had letters from Macie + Mary.

Friday, April 20th, 1917

Beautiful morning. After the morning work was done I sewed on Essie's quilt + finished one large square of the design, which is applied in colors. Then wrote Macie, + Mrs. Young.

In afternoon Essie took Mrs. Cheney + children to Oneco to see the nursery of tropical plants, trees, vines, flowers + fruits. Mr. + Mrs. Reasoner, were not at home. Mr. Palmer + Miss Emma called before supper, + we did not go downtown.

Wrote to M.Y.M. + Will, but letters did not get off.

Saturday, April 21st, 1917 (6 weeks)

Beautiful day. Spent all morning writing to E.V.R. + Will and in packing clothes + shells into my trunk. In afternoon we went to Cortez Beach, Essie taking the Cheney family + me in auto. Had my first experience in wading in salt water, gathering more shells.

Moses Cradles to take to the to the S.S. + K-G children. It was a delightful afternoon. After supper we drove to town + spent the evening in the auto, waiting for Carl + watching the people.

Made a call at Mrs. Wyman's and I gave Laura the gift I had for her, silver sugar apron which she will take to South America when she is married + goes as a missionary.

Sunday, April 22nd, 1917

Beautiful day. Clouds + thunder in evening but no rain here.

Had letter from Will, E.F.P. + M.E.M. + went to S.S. + church. Mr. Henderson preached in P.M. not morning. Spent afternoon reading. Mr. + Mrs. Sanborn called to say good-bye to me. Many of the friends express regret that I am going away. Have several invitations which I shall miss. Mrs. Cheney, Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. Wyman.

Monday, April 23rd, 1917

Another beautiful day. Warm. Spent forenoon packing trunk. Expect to leave on boat this afternoon, Carl + Essie going with me to Tampa.

Later. Had a fine farewell dinner at Mrs. Henderson's then left on Pocauoket, for Tampa. Pleasant trip. Saw John + Retta S. at St. Petersburg, just a moment. Had supper at Hillsborough Hotel, where Carl + Essie would remain until tomorrow.

They walked with me to the train and Carl saw me on the train, comfortably fixed for the trip to Jacksonville. Have had a most delightful visit of six weeks with C + E and their many friends.

Had letters on boat, from Macie, Mary R. + Helen M.

Tuesday, April 24th, 1917

Had a very comfortable night, and this morning an acquaintance of Carl's from Cin. came to pay his respects to me, and when train reached Jacksonville, he saw me safely on board the sleeper for Cin. Watched the changing scenery, all day, and made tatting, until I used up my thread. Went to bed early and will soon be home.

There were many going north today. Last night I was the only woman on the Pullman from Tampa to Jacksonville.

Wednesday, April 25th, 1917

Reached Cin. on time + was ready to leave the train, having had my breakfast from Essie's good lunch box.

Phone Jean Fuller, as soon as I arrived. Arranged a meeting with her at Woman's Exchange and then made several visits to stores to inquire about the sale of furniture, to see if Macie could sell any to advantage. Had a good visit with Mrs. Fuller, Jean, Lillie + Laura DeMar. Reached home at 9:35 P.M. and was met by Margaret, Mary + M. Miller. Elizabeth waited at home for me. My visit has been a joy all through.

Thursday, April 26th, 1917

Awoke early, thankful to be at home again and find the family all here. Unpacked my trunk and gave Elizabeth the shells I had gathered for her. Also gave the others the little gifts I brought for them. Found some letters + cards awaiting me.

My first business will be to see Mr. Sam Johnson and fill out the tax blank. Talked with Mr. Prescott. Arranged for seeing Sam tomorrow. Have had a most cordial welcome home. Mary has almost finished cleaning.

Friday, April 27th, 1917

Cool enough for warm wraps. Went to see Sam Johnson who advised me about filling the blank + then took charge of it to hand it in.

The girls have the repairs on the house well under way.

This is Father Ricker's birthday and I have written to Carl.

Saturday, April 28th, 1917

Rained and was very cold and chilly. Had good fires in hall + sitting room. Was clear in afternoon.

Margaret Miller intended taking Margaret Ricker out to far away had it been pleasant. She took Mary + Elizabeth for a buggy ride in the afternoon, in the sunshine.

Painters worked on the house, and carpenter did some work, made a new gate, and frame for an awning over the kitchen door. I wrote to Carl + Will.

Sunday, April 29th, 1917

Rained in the night. Cool today. Cleared in afternoon. Went to S.S. and had fifteen pupils present. Took each one a shell, called Moses' Cradle which I gathered on the beach, some at Cortez, some at Passa Grille, on the Gulf of Mexico.

In the evening Dr. McKibben of Lane Seminary spoke in the intent of the Anti-Salem work. Mr. Bush preached for Dr. Horst at Second Church.

Monday, April 30th, 1917

Rained in the night, this A.M. and again in the evening. Mary cleaned the library + I helped her by washing and cleaning things which belong there. Had letters from Essie + answered it.

Painters worked all day, also one carpenter who made a new front gate, rack for clematis, fixed the kitchen door and made frame over it for canvas awning. Miss Cramer

came to see me + the shells I brought home from Florida. Macie sent a silk quilt to Cin. W. Ex.

Tuesday, May 1st, 1917

Cloudy, cool. Ther 46° at six A.M. Margaret went to the May Morning Breakfast at 2nd. Pres. Ch. given by the Y.M.C.A. so I did not see her until night. I wrote to Essie. Did errands before dinner. Went to Aid meeting at Margaret Miller's. More talk about the war, and the organizations to help with knitting, etc. Then about the real object of the meeting.

It was the Experience Social + \$32.00 was brought in. I agreed to knit a sweater for Mrs. Harry Miller who wants to finish the material, but cannot knit. Rec'd another box of grape fruit from Carl.

Wednesday, May 2nd, 1917

Cool enough for fires and heavy wraps. Was busy all forenoon with Missionary papers + reports, going over them with Mrs. N.W. Evans to get information for Mr. Bush. He came in afternoon + went over it with me, trying to find the total of money raised by the Missionary Society of the 1st Pres. CH. Money records were lost in the floods, when study was in the basement + library kept there. Wrote to Sister E.F.P. answering her question about taxes I had paid.

Went to prayer-meeting.

Thursday, May 3rd, 1917

Still cold and raw, but more like snow, than rain.

Went to W.C.T.U. meeting at Mrs. Lowrey's in afternoon. Mrs. Small went with me + on the way I telephone + gas bills then afterwards went to pay bills at Anderson's + Water Wks. office. Stopped to see Mabel Ruggles while Carl Zoellner was changing the bows on my glasses.

Began knitting the sweater which I am to do for Mrs. H.W. Miller, she furnishing the yarn.

Friday, May 4th, 1917

Cool. Fires still needed, and winter wraps in use.

Elizabeth had a large party at K-g-n. given by Mrs. Geo Schirman for her son Harry, about forty present, including a few visitors.

Paid Clarus Wood \$8.90, being the last payment in the work he has done, repairing house for painting. Total cost \$93.98 check dated 5th instead of 4th.

Saturday, May 5th, 1917

Cool and damp. Cloudy and more like winter than May. Too cool for gardens to grow. Margaret had hoped to go to the country with Margaret Miller to look after the place, but it was too unpleasant to drive so far.

This is the anniversary of father + mother Ricker's wedding. A pleased memory.

Margaret Miller spent evening here. Everybody knitting for the army, or navy.

Was down to Mrs. Kinsey's to see a lady who wanted a room at Mary's. She took it. Mrs. Behrens has been at Macie's 30 years today.

Sunday, May 6th, 1917

Cloudy, chilly, light sprinkles. Went to S.S., had large class. Attended usual church services. Mr. Bush preached on Children of Light in morning, it being Cradle Roll day.

In the evening he preached a strong sermon in the Tragedy of Sin, from Gen. 42nd using the story of Joseph as the bases of a strong patriotic sermon.

The air seems charged with patriotism in view of the situation in our country.

Monday, May 7th, 1917

Ther 41° at 6:30 A.M. Sun shone brightly awhile.

Wrote to Hattie McLaren + Helen M. After supper Mrs. Manning + the children came + spent the evening knitting, E + I also were knitting. Robert has just learned and was practicing on white cotton crochet card. He worked industriously all evening on his piece. It was surprising for a boy to keep so still + so busy in that way.

Tuesday, May 8th, 1917

Cloudy in A.M. Sunshine in afternoon. Mary + M. Miller drove to the Caldwell farm to spend the day. I was busy with work in kitchen + did some laundry work. Mary had letter from Mrs. Dunning saying she will be here last of next week to stay two days. I went to Mrs. Putteney's to meet joint Com. of Post + Corps in evening.

Had letters from Will + Essie, ans'd both.

Wednesday, May 9th, 1917

Partly cloudy. Cool. Sunny in afternoon. Painters came early to put second coat on house. Mr. Bush brought his manuscript of the History of the First Pres. Ch. for me to look over, which I did + returned to him at prayer-meeting. Spent about two hours with Mrs. Katharine Gebhardt, talking over the S.T.J. prize essays.

Letter from Will, asking me to wire him at Pittsburg, when to come for the Centennial. Ans'd.

Thursday, May 10th, 1917

Beautiful morning. Cool. The painters here early. Mrs. H. here to lean kitchen. I busy with phone arranging for W.C.T.U. prizes to be given for Scientific Temp. Essays and High School.

After dinner Macie and I went out to spend the afternoon with Mrs. Silcox. Took our work.

I accepted an invitation to stay to supper and have some of Janeth's pork bread. Macie came home + found Mrs. Chilton + her baby had arrived. Mr. C. had been expecting them several days.

Friday, May 11th, 1917

Beautiful morning but clouded up again and is still cold.

J.S. Cunningham + Sons finished painting the house today, all but changing some shutters that were on wrong. Color light gray with dark green trimmings. Cost \$139.70.

All at home in the evening with our work, expecting Mary who had to go to the Navy League Headquarters and attend to the finances.

Saturday, May 12th, 1917

Bright in morning, then the sun disappeared again.

Busy all morning about the house. Helping Mr. C. put on the shutters, seeing to it that they were right. Paid him by check \$139.70.

While we were at lunch, Will came in, surprising us most pleasantly. After lunch, Margaret went to Dr. R's, Mary to the Navy League, I had to go to Mr. Finney + office after the essays which were finished. Will went with me and we took a walk later + watched a ball game. Will surprised us at noon today to spend Sunday.

Sunday, May 13th, 1917

Fine day, but rather windy. Went to S.S. and later Will joined me at church. Macie here to dinner. It was raw + chilly in afternoon when Will + Mary took a short drive with Margaret M's horse.

In the evening a Mother's service was held, Mrs. Bush presiding, Ethel S. + I assisted her. Mr. Bush preached an appropriate sermon.

Monday, May 14th, 1917

Fine day. Mary + Margaret Miller left early, about 7 o'clock to drive to Chillicothe today, stay all night there + then go on to Lancaster to visit Bertha Dutton.

At 8 o'clock Mrs. Gebhardt, State Supt of Essay Contest work of W.C.T.U., Mrs. Coverston + Mrs. Damron + I attended the chapel operations at High School and Mts. Gebhardt presented prizes to four winners in the H.S. Freda Henqoke, Howard Menke, Alberta Locher, + Winifred Duis. Mr. Fullerton, Mrs. Coverston, Mrs. D. + Mrs. Gebhardt + I arranged for Mrs. G. to return in the fall.

Tuesday, May 15th, 1917

Busy all day, warmer than it has been. Went up street in the forenoon, then to Second St. Bldg. to present the prizes to Helen Smith who won the 2nd prize, \$1.00 in 8th grade essay contest given by W.C.T.U.

From then, went to the Garfield Bldg. + presented the 1st prize \$1.50 to Gwendolyn Vaughn, Mrs. Coverton met m there.

Came home + got super. Was very tired tonight.

Wednesday, May 16th, 1917

Beautiful day. Had card from Mary saying they arrived safely + had pleasant trip to Lancaster.

Have had a busy day, went to P.O. + Bank, Navy League, to look at a finished sweater. Elizabeth was gone all afternoon, with Leona, in the machine.

Mary Moore + I went to prayer-meeting, the last one of the closing County of the 1st Pres. Ch. of Portsmouth. Fifty-one present. Rob't Manning represented his family + I ours. Many of our regular attendants were absent. Mr. Bush had a roll made, of them present. Sent Essie a package. Table liners + aprons.

Thursday, May 17th, 1917

Quite warm, and bright. Have been home all day expecting when Elizabeth and I went over to take dinner with Macie.

Sisters being at school + Mary away. Was very busy all day making preparations for our guest who will be here tomorrow.

Letter from Carl, enclosing are to me from Mrs. Helen Boardman. The Children's Home Grounds one up for consideration again + some citizen, workman, has offered the city \$25.00 towards the purchase of the grounds for Park purposes. Card from Mary. Sent.

Friday, May 18th, 1917

Fine day. Up early and got ready to receive Mrs. Dunning and the baby. I went to the 10:30 train, waited for the 11:20 and missed her after all, she having arrived on train a few minutes later. I probably met the Col. instead of the Cin. train. We are delighted with the baby + she seems to like us equally as well.

Mary Peebles, with Mary Y. Moon arrived this afternoon from Honolulu, Fannie Geiger came on same train from Cin + all met Lucy at South Ports. not having planned for it.

Saturday, May 19th, 1917

Busy forenoon as Mary did not return until the noon train, having left Margaret M. + the horse + buggy at Waverly, being anxious to reach home. M. got in about 5 P.M.

We are all enjoying our guests very much. The baby, Catharine is as dear as she can be, so friendly and good natured. We all went out to Mrs. Manning's for supper, but did not go together, having other errands on the way. Margaret could not go at all owing to her work.

Letter from Essie + E.F.P.

Sunday, May 20th, 1917

Fine day. S.S. as usual. Mr. Bush preached the first sermon of the Centennial Celebration on the "Tides of Time", texts Eccl. 1-11. Po 103. in the morning. In the evening he preached upon the Ascension of the Knights Templar, it being Ascension Day + he a Knight himself. Both fine sermons.

In afternoon Mr. Scudder came to see Mrs. Dunning and baby Catharine.

Monday, May 21st, 1917

Fine day. Mrs. Reiser, Miss Ross + Miss Kinney + I went to Court House to meet Com. about the C.H. Grounds. Mr. Bannon said he would represent us at the meeting in afternoon.

Spent the afternoon at W.R.C. meeting. Large attendance + the new members. Mrs. Davis + two daughters.

Spent evening at home. Wrote to Will + Laura L. Sonthard. Mrs. Scudder, Mrs. Kehoe, the Misses Newton called to see Mrs. Dunning. Macie + I went out to Arthur Moore's to see Fannie + Lucy but they were away.

Letter from Will.

Tuesday, May 22nd, 1917

Beautiful, cool day. Rain in the night was good for gardens. Home all forenoon, busy. Mr. Bush called to have me help him with the names of the Teachers Group of the S.S. in ?

Clouded up at noon. Hail storm about 4 P.M. detained Margaret from the little party which Mrs. M.E. Young had for our family guests. Helen M. arrived at 11:20 C + O to visit Mrs. S. so was here in time to meet Fannie, Mary, Lucy, Macie, me, E + M + Gertrude of the family. Mrs. Bush, her friend Mrs. Post, M.E. Peebles, Margaret + Anise Miller + the Young Family.

Wednesday, May 23rd, 1917

Beautiful day for our first Centennial program, given in the audience room, 2nd Central Pres. + Bigelow omitted their usual meetings (Wed) to attend our Historical address given by Rev M.S. Bush. Full house. Fine meeting. Dr. Elder present. Is guest of Mary E. Peebles.

A.O. Bing of Cin. present, also, united with this ch. March 1st, 1869.

Thursday, May 24th, 1917

Beautiful weather, but cool. This is a great day for our church. The 100th anniversary of its organization. The afternoon has given up to all informal reception, in which other congregations joined us. Mr. Ross was there. Mrs. Dunning + baby Catharine were the center of attraction. In the evening the Oritons, Sang of Thanksgiving was rendered. Ruth + Margaret Peebles of Ashland sang a duet O Divine Redeemer. Mr. Nelson Weedon had trained + led the chorus. The Times published a special edition containing full reports, instead of having a souvenir booklet.

Sent Oella a program + card. Mrs Young, Fannie + Lucy came home with us for supper.

Friday, May 25th, 1917

Beautiful day, but cool. Letter from Will. Answered it. Home in morning. Went to Bank before dinner, with Mary's Navy League money. Mr. Dunning came at noon. Dr. Elder accepted invitation to supper, came early and soon after Mr. + Mrs. Maurice Coe came to see him + us. Fannie + Lucy here at same time. For supper, we had Mr. + Mrs. D., Dr. Elder, Margaret Miller + Macie.

In evening attended the Historical Pageant at S.S. room. It was prepared by Mrs. Bush, and she had assistants in presenting the tableaux. Mrs. Ethel Schwartz, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Manning, and many others. I took part in the Home Dept scene.

Saturday, May 26th, 1917

Cloudy, with rain before noon.

Mr. Sam Wise here before Mr. D. had his breakfast, postman came in to see him. Eleanor Ruggles brought Catharine a kewpie. Letter from Essie.

This was a day off for visiting. No program. In afternoon our family, including the Dunning's went to Margaret Miller's to a beautiful supper, served in "lap style" there being about 30 people present, Grace Cone, Mr. + Mrs. Coe, Mr. + Mrs. Bush + their two guests being present. It was a delightful occasion.

Sunday, May 27th, 1917

Hard rain storm, with wind in afternoon. Dr. White of Wooster preached in A.M. Union Communion service at 2 P.M. Annual Memorial Day service at Geo. Evan. Ch. at 3:30 when Rev Lindeniver preached to a full house. Fannie + Lucy here to dinner + supper, + went to evening services.

Mr. Dunning preach in the evening to a large audience. It has been a wonderful celebration. I have the unusual record of having taken part in the 50th, 75th, 90th and 100th anniversaries of the First Pres. Ch. of Ports. O.

About 35 people called after service to see the Dunning's.

Monday, May 28th, 1917

Still raining + cool. Need fire in the morning. The storm of yesterday was destructive in four states + more than 200 people were killed in different places.

The Dunning family left this afternoon. Mrs. Scudder + Miss came with machines to take them to the train. I did not go out. Was taken ill, after they left + was in bed when the girls came home. Sent for Dr. A.R. Moore who prescribed.

Letter from Carl saying he was shipping tomatoes. Essie's brother Geo + wife are there. Mrs. Rebecca Micklethwait + Mrs. Ben Richardson died.

Tuesday, May 29th, 1917

Most beautiful day. Sick last night but better this morning. Up by 8 o'clock. Wrote to Carl.

Kept quiet until time to go to Gertrude Moore's reception at three o'clock when Ada Carson called for me with their auto and took Macie, also. Then she called for her cousin Mary Smith on Offnere. It was a beautiful occasion + there were many of our family present. Leona took Mary, Elizabeth went with Helen in Mrs. Scudder's auto. Fannie, Mary Y. + Lucy Carpenter were there also. The girls remained to spend the evening. Margaret could not leave her work at this time.

Wednesday, May 30th, 1917

A most beautiful Memorial Day. Weather perfect. Went to the cemetery early with flowers and me the other members of the Committee there before the arrival of the precession.

Bailey Relief Corps + S.O.V. Auxiliary assisted by G.A.R. veterans placed flowers on 176 graves in Circle, then the new cenotaph, or Monument to the Unknown Dead was unveiled + dedicated.

Comrade Davidson making the brief address, Mrs. Putteney, the W.R.C. President + I as chairman of Com. drew the cards, lifting the flag above the monument.

Thursday, May 31st, 1917

Pleasant until late in afternoon when it rained quite hard.

Mrs. Cotton called. In the evening Fannie + Mary, little Mary Ann Moore, the Manning family + later Dr. Arthur Moore were here.

W.J. Lampton, a school mate + friend in the long ago, a poet and writer of note of the present died in New York City today, at the age of fifty-eight, as stated in papers.

Friday, June 1st, 1917

While washing breakfast dishes, word came that Louis Coron had died suddenly in a street car near Sciotoville about 8 o'clock. Heart trouble. I dressed and went at once to the stricken hoe where a few of his relatives had already arrived. His mother, brothers + his wife + his cousin Mrs. Varner. The body had been taken to Lynn's + was brought home at noon.

Arthur Moore will do all he can for her.

Miss Margaret Lloyd buried today. Have known her many years.

Saturday, June 2nd, 1917

Fair but breezy. Did not go up to Ada's until afternoon where I stayed some time. It is certainly sad to see the happy little home so sadly and suddenly bereft of the husband and father.

This afternoon a case of tomatoes, six baskets came from Carl. They are fine and I hope he has a good crop which will pay well.

Letter from Will with notice of Will Lampton's death.

Sunday, June 3rd, 1917

Pleasant day. Attended S.S. and usual services.

Did not go to see Ada today as she would have many callers. The three girls went in the afternoon, then E + M went to Arthur Moore's and remained there to tea, Sam + Ralph, Fannie + Mary being there.

One week ago today Louis, Ada and baby Louis were here, while I was at Memorial service, so I missed seeing them. Two very patriotic sermons today from Mr. Bush.

Monday, June 4th, 1917

Beautiful day. Home all morning so Ada went to Mrs. Carson's where Louis' funeral was held in the afternoon. Helen + I went to the house together, Macie went with Mrs. Young. E + M went to the house, Arthur wanted me to go to the country, so I went in the carriage with Mr. + Mrs. Frank Carson, Fannie + Mary Y. Moore. Only four carriages of relatives went to cemetery.

Mary suggested that Fannie + Mary come here to supper which they did and we had a good visit. They leave for Troy in the morning.

Went to Mrs. Evans' after tea to meet Mrs. Young + have an Executive meeting.

Tuesday, June 5th, 1917

Cloudy, with rain in morning. This is National Conscription Day where men are called to the colors, registering for service.

The War is now a service matter and the scenes of 181-65 are again being enacted. My one recollections of the time are clear.

No mail today, but I have written letters of sympathy to Nannie L. Sympson + Mrs. Wales.

Wednesday, June 6th, 1917

Pleasant. Paper from Nannie Sympson with account of her brother Will's death. Glad I wrote her yesterday.

Went to Sallie + Laura Knowles' home to the Aid meeting. Helen went with me. Mrs. Bush + Mrs. Post were there and went to Mary Peebles for supper afterwards. I had asked them here but was too late asking.

Went to prayer-meeting as usual.

Sister Elizabeth Peebles + her daughter Elizabeth graduated today from the Phila. Osteopathy College after 5 years study.

Thursday, June 7th, 1917

Rained again last night. Have had much thunder + lightning lately, also much rain + high water.

Went to Mrs. Sellard's to the W.C.T.U. meeting, then to Mrs. Cotton's to a small party for her cousin Mrs. Clark. Came home to see Mrs. Bannon + Miss Riggs but missed them. Margaret went out to take supper with Charlotte Bannon, then to H.S. to the Commencement. She got me a ticket so I went to see Curtis Bellamy graduate.

84 graduates in class.

Friday, June 8th, 1917

Rained hard last night. Fine today. Helen came to spend the day + pack the trunk for the girls. E. was in K.G. in forenoon. Schools closed today. She + Mary left on 3:25 N + W train for Columbus. Will take sleeper then for Boston. We went to train with them.

I did not go to Alumni meeting at High School tonight. Was too tired. None of us went.

Had letter from Essie.

Saturday, June 9th, 1917

Light rain again in forenoon. Lettuce, radishes + peas doing finely. Gathered pansies + roses which I took to Y.M.C.A. before supper as this is Flower Museum day. Before noon Mr. Bush called up to ask if Miss Moon had a room she could let to Rev. Lawrence Cross. She had none so I took him, temporarily + he came before noon. Is to assist Mr. Bush this

summer. After supper Macie + I went out to see Mr. + Mrs. Prescott + took them some Florida tomatoes.

Sent Mrs. Joseph Reed a birthday card. E + M reached Newtonville safely and found Mg't all right.

Rented room to Rec. L. Lawrence Cross who is to be assistant pastor to the two Res. Chs. this summer.

Sunday, June 10th, 1917

Beautiful day, until late in afternoon when there was a heavy rain.

Children's Day was observed in the Bible School Room. Good program. Mr. Scudder in charge. Mr. Bush, Revs. L.L. Cross + Sharp present also.

In afternoon I went with Mr. + Mrs. Heer, Mr. + Mrs. J.T. Breece to the Harrisonville M.E. church to meet some women and tell them how they can help in the Dry Campaign this summer.

Monday, June 11th, 1917

Rains come frequently and are soon over.

Today the Vacation Bible School opened with an attendance of 85. Mr. Sharp + Mr. Cross in charge, with Mr. Bush. Just after noon I had a telegram from Harold announcing the birth of his son, this morning. Margaret + baby doing well. Had tea party for Mrs. Post.

Tuesday, June 12th, 1917

Fine day again. Busy all A.M. at home.

Mr. + Mrs. Bush, Mrs. Post, Mr. L.L. Cross, Helen, + Macie took supper with Margaret + me, last evening and this evening Macie + I went out to Mr. Bush's after supper to make a call, as Mrs. Post leaves for her home in Phila. tomorrow.

Letter from Mary telling of their arrival at Newtonville.

Wednesday, June 13th, 1917

Fine day. Margaret up early + Margaret Miller took her to Faraway to see how things are, before they go to stay. I had dinner over home.

Finished the Navy sweater I have been knitting for Mrs. Harry Miller. Had letter from Elizabeth telling us more about Margaret Hunt + her new son. Mrs. Henry Heer here in afternoon.

Helen here after supper. Mg't + Mg't Miller, Macie + Ada Carson here to supper. Went to prayer-meeting as usual.

Thursday, June 14th, 1917

Beautiful morning. Mg't has Jno Belzar cleaning up yard + cellar today. Helen here. Heavy clouds in north + north east in afternoon indicating heavy rain, or storm, and temperature fell ere, to 67°. No letter from anywhere. Wrote to Elizabeth.

Fourteen W.R.C.'s met at Cemetery at 4 P.M. with flowers for our deceased members. Roses were scarce for Memorial Day but all fine now.

Flag Day was observed by a great display of the colors.

Friday, June 15th, 1917

Beautiful day. Carl is forty-one years old today. Margaret and I sent him a good bunting flag for his birthday, not large but good, costing \$4.00. I had written him in time for this day.

Mrs. Behrens is (blank) years old today. I gave her an umbrella.

Our third Mis. Social was held here today with a large attendance. Mrs. Young was sick + could not come. Helen helped serve the orange cream + cakes.

Saturday, June 16th, 1917

Fine day. Margaret busy preparing to go to the country next week. I was busy as I could be all day. We did some work in the yard and garden, as well as in the house.

Put the strawberry sunshine preserves away. They are fine.

Mr. Bush brought Rev. Luther Lawrence Cross here, looking for a room and I agreed to take him temporarily as Macie has no room vacant at present. He gets his meals elsewhere.

Sunday, June 17th, 1917

Fine day, but quite cool. Wore coat + winter waist.

Went to S.S. as usual. Had a large class. Mr. Bush preached in morning. In the evening Mr. L.L. Cross preached, as Mr. Bush went to Lucasville on Red Cross work.

Margaret, Helen + I had dinner over home with Macie.

Monday, June 18th, 1917

Beautiful day. Up early as Margaret + Miss Cramer went to the farm for the summer. Were driven out by man from the Brides stable. Took express load of permission. I secured from Mr. Appel, the statement sister Elizabeth wants in regard to her High School graduation as she wants to take Penn. State exam next week. Sent Mr. A's statement, with note. Had letters from Elizabeth and Essie. Answered former, had note from Margaret + sent reply. Had lunch + supper over home. Spent afternoon at W.R.C.

Tuesday, June 19th, 1917

Very warm. Busy at home in forenoon. In afternoon Helen + I went to the W.M.S. meeting at Mrs. Wall's, where Miss May Little was hostess. Small attendance. Mrs. Marsh took me up part way, Will Richardson brought Helen and me home, saw us as he was passing in his car.

Had letter from E.F.P. and Essie, also E.V.R.

Wednesday, June 20th, 1917

Somewhat cloudy but no rain. Worked in the yard most of the day. Had Will Shackelford cut the grass + help me plant some things.

The Vacation Bible School grows in numbers and interest each day, now numbers over 150.

Wrote to Essie.

Went to prayer-meeting as usual. Helen, Macie and I. Letter from M.T.R.

Thursday, June 21st, 1917

Bright, clear + warm.

Busy at home all morning. Went to County W.C.T.U Institute at Manley Ch. in afternoon, and to the county C.E. Convention at our church in evening.

Had letter from Margaret, + Elizabeth, also E.F.P. Sister Elizabeth + Elizabeth S. are preparing for the State Board Exams of both Penn. + Mass. They have done a wonderful work in (?) a College course together, in Phila. College of Osteopathy. Helen went to Williamson bungalow.

Friday, June 22nd, 1917

Beautiful day. Home all day, did not even go over to Macie's. Helen made some calls in the afternoon.

I had letters from Mary Cook, Mrs. Dennis + sister Elizabeth. She sent in a letter to Macie \$100.00 to pay taxes, etc and balance for Macie.

Wrote letters to Mrs. + Mrs. Dunning, Margaret + E.F.P.

Busy all day. Invited Dorothy Manning to lunch as she attends the Bible Vacation School in morning and wanted to go to the Junior Rally in the afternoon. She is a dear girl. Dyed hammock cord red + blue for the Vacation School.

Saturday, June 23rd, 1917

Pleasant. Busy at home most of the day. Helen did some errands in morning for me.

Mr. Cross decided to take his meals here, beginning tomorrow as he cannot get them where he needs them, at the Boarding house. Misses many altogether + I shall try it for a week.

Sunday, June 24th, 1917

Fine day. Mr. Bush's last day before his vacation.

We had communion service in the morning. Mr. Cross was sent, by Mr. Horst to preach at Allen Chapel, both morning and evening, the colored preacher having lost his wife last week.

It seems strange that Mr. H. should feel in anyway responsible for that church, or why he should send Mr. C. there.

Monday, June 25th, 1917

Weather fair.

Helen + I busy all day. We went to the school where I have charge of the catechism class. Two are now studying, the Bigelow class having Miss Chandler as teacher.

In the evening Helen + Macie went with me to Mrs. Evans' home to a special meeting of the W.M.S. in memory of Mrs. Rebecca Crees Micklethwait from June 2nd, 1903 until her death May 28th, 1917.

Tuesday, June 26th, 1917

Fine day for the annual S.S. picnic. Helen went but I did not. Mr. Cross went also, but came home for his supper. Later the Manning's called + took me for a ride. They asked Mr.

C. also, and while we were out a hard storm came up, so we waited on their porch for the rain to subside then they brought us home. Helen was waiting on the porch for me.

Mr. + Mrs. Bush left for their summer vacation.

Wednesday, June 27th, 1917

More rain and wind in the afternoon.

Went to Bible Vacation School in forenoon and did some errands.

Went to prayer-meeting in evening and saw Mrs. Hattie Peebles who is here on a visit.

Had letters from Elizabeth.

Thursday, June 28th, 1917

Hard thunder storm today. Wrote to Mrs. Bond so it is the thirty-third anniversary of our sailing from New York to Europe. Wrote other letters but forget to whom. Went to the Vacation School to teach Catechism class at 9:15 A.M.

After leaving the class I went to see Mrs. Peebles but she was at Dr. Ruggles' + I missed her.

Mr. + Mrs. Manning called for me + urged me to take a ride in the evening. Asked Mr. Cross also. Hard thunder storm while we were out. Helen had gone to Mrs. S.S. (no it was Thursday after the picnic that we went).

Friday, June 29th, 1917

Very warm. Busy all forenoon, went to Bank + P.O. before noon. Went to Mrs. Puntteney's at 2 P.M. to W.R.C. meeting and from there to 2nd Pres. Ch. to Home Dept meeting, upon invitation of Mrs. Zull. Too late for program. Sent Margaret some purchases she had asked for + wrote her a letter. Dyed four more skins of hammock cord.

Saturday, June 30th, 1917

Very warm day.

Helen and I were busy all forenoon about the home. In the afternoon she went with Mrs. S. + Mrs. Kehoe to take a ride in the Scudder's new Cadillac automobile.

I had letters from Margaret, Mary, and Mrs. Bond, Helen did my errands so I did not go up street in the evening.

Margaret Miller + Miss Burriss called in the morning.

Sunday, July 1st, 1917

Pleasant day. I went to S.S. and the usual church services. Had dinner her at home as Mrs. B. was away for the day.

Helen + Mr. C. were at Mrs. Scudder's for dinner. Margaret Hunt and her young son Otis were to have gone home today from the hospital + I suppose they did so.

Monday, July 2nd, 1917

Rained again in the night. Comfortably cool + cloudy today.

Helen + I went to Vacation School in morning then she packed up her things + went back to Mrs. Scudder's for another visit. Letter from Elizabeth. Wrote her. Mr. C. + I had dinner with Macie + he went to Harry Smith's for supper. Mrs. Pennywit was here to make out W.R.C. reports.

Mr. Steire put up the awning over kitchen door. Cost \$2.90.

Tuesday, July 3rd, 1917

Beautiful day. Went to the Vacation School then came home and did my work. Letters from Margaret ad Mary. Answered Mary's. Helen was here.

Nothing special in way of news. Margaret Miller here in afternoon.

Macie + I went up to Public Library after supper and I got a book which contained an old favorite poem of Father's. Darby + Joan by St. John Honey wood. Only a part of it hoverer.

Wednesday, July 4th, 1917

Beautiful day and very quiet for the National Holiday. No mail today excepting what I wrote. Letters to Elizabeth, Frank H.R. + Margaret. Sent paper to Carl.

Spent a quiet day at home, enjoying the delightful weather. Mr. Cross did not go anywhere, because he could not do so + return in time for prayer-meeting.

Thursday, July 5th, 1917

Fine day. Did some work in the yard early. After breakfast + morning work went to my Catechism class. The Vacation Bible School is fine. Very busy all day. Letter from Will with check for Mary + me. \$45.00, as usual.

Did a little mending. Mr. Uhl brought home our machine which has been away for weeks + weeks. Wrote to Will + mailed it at bed time.

Friday, July 6th, 1917

Beautiful, warm day. Went to class and had a fine recitation from some of the girls. Gave them roses.

Did several errands and was out until time for dinner which we had our house. Letter from Margaret in morning + Mary in afternoon. Wrote Mary. She told of Harold + Margaret giving her a beautiful little wrist watch in the names of the two babies, Mary Margaret + Otis Eugene.

Saturday, July 7th, 1917

A very warm day and I have been very busy all day. Did some work in the yard, more in the house. Had dinner over home.

Wrote to Margaret.

Sunday, July 8th, 1917

Bright and pleasant. Went to S.S. and church as usual. Over home to dinner. Mr. C. went to Mr. Scudder's for dinner. Home all afternoon.

Judge Noah Dever died this afternoon.

Monday, July 9th, 1917

Beautiful day, but warm. Went to Vacation School as usual. Had letters from Essie, Margaret and Elizabeth. E's letter said the X-ray examination disclosed one cause of her trouble being pyorrhea. Seems strange as she has had no trouble with her teeth. Took letter to Dr. Ruggles. Wrote Margaret, Essie and Laura Wyman Henderson, also Mr. + Mrs. Bush. Called at the Dever home after supper.

Mr. Cross took supper at L.C. Murphy's. Mr. Sharpe called here for her, just in from Columbus.

Tuesday, July 10th, 1917

Fine day. Went early to school as Mr. Cross had planned to surprise the school with Mr. Sharpe who came in during morning program and was greeted with great applause.

Wednesday, July 11th, 1917

Fine day. Work in yard early. Pulled up pea vines + planted corn. Went to school and had a good time.

Mr. Cross went to lunch with Mr. Sharpe who left for Col. in afternoon. He is quite excited about our Vacation Bible School + says the while State is watching us as it is a new experiment.

Went to prayer-meeting as usual. Had letters from Margaret + Carl. Answered both.

Thursday, July 12th, 1917

Ideal day, delightful as a summer resort.

Went to the Vacation School and remained to the close of the morning exercises. Had letters this A.M. from Will + Margaret, read one from E. to Margaret. Wrote to Will, Margaret and Mary.

Rained last night on my newly planted corn.

Friday, July 13th, 1917

Somewhat cloudy, with signs of rain but it did not interfere with the Vacation Bible School Auto ride at 4:30 this afternoon. Twenty autos were filled with the members of the school. 160 tickets were given out and must have been nearly all used. I sent letters to Mary. Wrote to Mrs. Campbell. Treas. at Ironton, concerning out quarterly payment to Pres. Treas.

Saturday, July 14th, 1917

Fair in the forenoon and I worked in the garden. Took out the last pea vines and in the afternoon it rained. Every growing thing is doing well. Was very busy all day both in and out of the house. Letter from Margaret + began a letter to her which was not finished.

Went up street after supper and brought home half of a quarter's worth of ice-cream. Called Bessie S. to help Macie + me eat it as Mr. Cross did not take any.

Sunday, July 15th, 1917

Fine day. Rain early in the morning affected the attendance at S.S. + church. Mr. Cross preached in the morning on the Peril of answered Prayer. In the evening on Sheep in Wolves Clothing. We had dinner at Mary's.

In the afternoon Georgia May West came and recited to me seventy of the Catechism answers + did it well.

Monday, July 16th, 1917

Rained in the night and sprinkled during the day.

Went to Vacation Bible School in morning. Had letters from Elizabeth + Margaret. Wrote the latter. E's letter says Dr. Brown of Boston is treating her gums and is pleased with progress + hopes general conditions will soon respond to treatment.

W.R.C. in afternoon. Mrs. M. and the children here in the evening. Letter from Virginia Arthur Moore told me today that he is going to France.

The Posts Co. K. is in camp here now, in the old Temper Shoe Factory.

Tuesday, July 17th, 1917

Delightful day which is now ending with a thunderstorm and rain.

Went to Vacation School early and came home about 10 o'clock. Ironed tablecloths, etc until time to go over home to dinner. Letter from Margaret. Miss Anna C. took Billie Bauman to Lucasville where he would be met by his Aunt Emma. Wrote to Elizabeth + sent letter to Margaret.

Had a most delightful auto ride this afternoon, Mrs. S. taking Helen, Mary, Mr. C. and me. Went out Mumu's Run road, which was closed for the summer at 6 o'clock this evening. Lucy Carpenter here.

Thursday, July 19th, 1917

Went to S.S. room where school was formed in line and marched to Bigelow to rehearse the program.

In the afternoon I sat on the davenport from about 1:30 to 6 P.M. and heard catechism recitations. Page Gear recited the entire 107 answers correctly and is to receive the Bible promised by the Board for it. Several others, seven girls + boys in all were ere, Robert Manning + John Craynor Smith being the two boys.

Friday, July 20th, 1917

Fine day. All met at Bigelow Church this A.M. and rehearsed for the Commencement to be held this evening. In the afternoon I heard Georgia May West recite the entire 107 answers of the West minster Shorts Catechism, with Jno Carpenter + Miss M.E. Peebles a witnesses and she did it well. Had no help from any one. The program in the evening was fine. Audience large + enthusiastic. My class of twenty-eight did well + received each a silk flag from me, + a copy of Psalms from Miss Peebles.

Saturday, July 21st, 1917

Weather warm + damp. Was very sick from 1 o'clock this morning until about six o'clock. Nothing serious but very uncomfortable. Did not get up until after 7 o'clock, though I came down + put some breakfast on the table for Mrs. Cross, whom I did not see until later in the day. Kept quiet all day + hope to be all right soon.

Sunday, July 22nd, 1917

Warm and sultry.

Went to S.S. as usual though I hardly expected to be able to go.

Mr. Cross preached both morning and evening, at great disadvantage not having had time to prepare sermons last week. He went to Chas. Scudder's to dinner. I was over home with Macie.

Mrs. B. is not well.

Monday, July 23rd, 1917

More rain. Vacation School being over it would seem I had nothing to do but am as busy as ever. Helen was here and I had several letters to write. Thought I should go see Gertrude today but could not.

Tuesday, July 24th, 1917

Very hard thunder + rain storm about noon. Mr. Manning was to have taken Robert out to Far-away but the storm prevented.

After it was over I went out to see Dorothy, who is sick, and spent part of the afternoon with her. This is Mrs. Young's birthday. After supper Macie + I went to see her but she was not at home. Mr. Cross went to Cin. on 3:40 N + W train to meet + big good-bye to his special friend who goes to France on Y.M.C.A. work.

I shall stay over at Macie's nights. Had letters from Margaret, Elizabeth + one for M. from Jane Ricker.

Wednesday, July 25th, 1917

Hard rain last night and again at noon today, east of Washington, but not a drop below the alley west of it.

A day of surprises. Mr. M. took Robert to visit Margaret + asked me to go with them. Met her at her mailbox, so did not go to the house. Went back before 10 A.M. John + Lucy Carpenter brought me a blank to fill out + sign for Arthur Moore so he could get his passport to France. Did it + wrote him at once.

Mr. Cross did not return, Dr. K. led the prayer-meeting.

Thursday, July 26th, 1917

Rain again, early and late.

Had grass cut. Weeds thrive in this weather. Breakfast + dinner over home, supper here with Macie. Mr. C. did not come. Very busy all day in house + yard. No letters excepting from Essie. Wrote to Miss Hoeser, Essie and Margaret.

Went to Red Cross Hdqrs to learn how the night shirts must be made, preparatory to a W.R.C. sewing meeting tomorrow.

Friday, July 27th, 1917

Warm + damp. Came home from Macie's + found Mr. C. had returned last night. Helen came to say good-bye. Leaves this afternoon. Letter from Margaret in A.M.

I went to a social meeting of the W.R.C. at Mrs. Johnson's to sew for the Red Cross work. Had a bundle of ten hospital shirts to distribute. Made me, the first sewing I have done, as I have been knitting for the Navy League.

Saturday, July 28th, 1917

Warm. Had a busy day getting the house ready for my guest, Lucy Carpenter who came before supper time, from Dr. Ruggles' office.

Margaret Miller brought her suit case in her buggy. Am glad to have Lucy with me for a week.

Sunday, July 29th, 1917

Warm day.

Went to S.S. as usual, and Lucy went with me + taught the class Helen has had.

Rev. Dr. Haskins of Beirut Syria gave us a talk in the morning, telling of the needs of native Christians in Turkey.

In the evening Mr. Cross conducted his last service in our church, his work at the 2nd begins Monday.

Elizabeth's birthday has been well remembered. I sent her a check for \$10.00.

Lucy went with Manning after Robert, after S.S. M.M. went also.

Monday, July 30th, 1917

Another warm, very warm day which I celebrated by visiting Margaret Miller to tea with Lucy Carpenter. Mr. Cross was here also.

Margaret spent the evening with us. Had no letter from Margaret as Lucy C. promised her yesterday to be the letter.

We take our dinners over with Macie so I get along nicely and am fine to go, and do what I wish.

Grandmother Moore was born July 30th, 1793.

Tuesday, July 31st, 1917

Weather hot, but we have had enough rains to keep things green + growing. Busy day as usual, writing letters and visiting with Lucy.

Capt. Cread Milstead died.

Wednesday, August 1st, 1917

Ther 100° today here and heat wave all over the country. Many died of heat. Mrs. Drew here in the A.M. Lucy at Red Cross all forenoon rolling bandages.

In the evening Leona L. took her for a long moonlight auto ride.

Macie + I went to prayer-meeting. Small meeting led by Mrs. Gear of the C.E. Society, good meeting.

Mr. Cross's first service at the 2nd church.

Mrs. Scudder was here.

Thursday, August 2nd, 1917

A little relief. Ther 91° today with some breeze.

Letters from M.T.W. + I wrote here + Essie. Went to W.C.T.U. at Mrs. Lancaster's, only a few present. M.E.P. + I went together. Capt Milstead was buried today, but I did not go. House small + many people.

Lucy went to Red Cross Rooms in forenoon. Had dinner over home and then she went to Dr. Ruggles', to Ruth Thompson's and lastly to Miss Mann Reed's to tea.

Friday, August 3rd, 1917

Not as hot as yesterday, Ther (blank) but hot enough.

John Carpenter came on the afternoon C + O train, went to Dr. R's, + came here later. Lucy went across the river twice, to meet him + missed, both times. I visited Gertrude + Marianna here to tea, also Macie, and John + Mr. Cross had a fine visit together. All had a pleasant evening.

Letter from Margaret with one from Mary enclosed. Letter from Elizabeth.

Saturday, August 4th, 1917

Another warm day. After late breakfast John + Lucy went to make calls + I to do up the work.

All three went over to Macie's to dinner, after which J + L went to finish packing as they leave for home this afternoon. I have enjoyed their visit. Had letter from Margaret enclosing one from Mary. This is Edith Moore Loe's 13th wedding anniversary. Wrote to Mary Ricker.

Sunday, August 5th, 1917

Very warm.

Went to S.S. and the usual church services. Rev. W. Houston preached in the morning, and Mr. L.L. Cross in the evening. The two exchanged pulpits, that Dr. Houston might speak in both churches.

Mr. Cross and I were over to Macie's for dinner.

Monday, August 6th, 1917

Hot day. Arose early and was ready when Margaret Miller came with Lang + the buggy, + Cleinker, the dog, to go to Bear Creek + see Margaret on her birthday. Took watermelon + other things. A dress from Macie, her silver fork which she had broken + I had had mended. We surprised her and we all had a pleasant day. Came home at 7:20 P.M. + I found three letters. One from Will stating he had offered his services to the Gov't + been accepted. Is placed in the Ordnance Dept. and will be in uniform during the war.

Tuesday, August 7th, 1917

Hot again and I have been very busy all day. House work, letters, errands and so on. Am trying now to prepare for the home coming of the girls, + perhaps Will, for a brief night.

Wrote to Margaret + Carl, sending letters from Will and the girls.

Letters from Helen says Enos is in Hattiesburg, Miss. on a Gov't job in constructing the cantonment there for 40,000 soldiers.

Wednesday, August 8th, 1917

Warm, 82° reported officially.

Home all day except when I went over to Macie's for dinner. Did a little of everything, except writing. Worked in the yard with Will Shackelford who cut the grass yesterday + finished up today.

Had letters from Will, Margaret and Mrs. M.S. Cotton. Think from Will's letter that the girls will soon be home as he said he + they would go to Washington Monday night to see the capital during the war activities which are intense now. Had Mrs. Young here to supper. We intended going to prayer-meeting but a very hard rain storm was coming so she went home + we stayed home.

Thursday, August 9th, 1917

Warm. Busy with the regular work and trying to finish five shirts, half of the package taken by the W.R.C. to do for the Red Cross. E + M are in Washington with Will and have sent me post card messages only. Will soon be home. Am trying to have house + yard + garden ready for them to see.

The rain last night made work in the yard easy.

Friday, August 10th, 1917

Hot and fair.

The girls arrived late this afternoon from Washington, the train being so late that I had given them up for today. They spent several days in New York + Washington with Will who is just now closing up his business in New York, having entered the army, with service in the Ordnance Dept. and rank as Major.

Sewed on the shirts today, doing the work over home on Macie's machine as the Red Cross will not accept chain stitching on shirts.

Will was commissioned as Major in U.S.A. Ordnance Dept. today by Gen'l Crozier.

Saturday, August 11th, 1917

A hot, busy day.

The girls are unpacking and getting settled again at home.

Father + Mother's wedding anniversary.

Sunday, August 12th, 1917

Fair and warm.

Followed the usual Sunday program of S.S. + church. Mrs. M.S. Bush was in his place again after a long vacation, his last service being June 24th.

Mrs. Bush was not present, their trunk not having come. Mr. Cross took dinner at the Y.M.C.A. and had dinner there.

Monday, August 13th, 1917

Warm. Finished off the last of the five Red Cross hospital shirts and took the lot of them to the Red Cross Rooms this evening.

Did not get my usual letter off to Mary Y., do not know where she is, as she + Fannie were in Washington Saturday. Miss Fause spent the evening here. Sister Mary has a beautiful old time daguerreotype of Mrs. Duval Young to give to Mary young Moore for her birthday.

Tuesday, August 14th, 1917

Warm. Worked in the yard, in the morning.

Did some mending and a little house work, and some writing which is a part of nearly every days work.

Wednesday, August 15th, 1917

A cloudy forenoon which I spent in the garden, weeding and preparing for, then planting white wax beans.

Weeded again in afternoon in the rose beds.

Had letters from Margaret and Carl, wrote to Carl and Jane Ricker.

Went to prayer-meeting. Mr. Bush was present and conducted the meeting, using the first three Psalms as a lesson.

Thursday, August 16th, 1917

A delightful day. Temperature comfortable. Worked about the house today until late in the afternoon when I went to the Aid Society picnic supper at Mrs. Losh's where we all gathered in the beautiful backyard where supper was served. No so many present as last year, but a good company. Mrs. Young + I went upstairs to see Mrs. Losh. Sr.

Had letter from Will, wrote him and Margaret. He says he has been sworn into the service, has been examined and commissioned as a Major in the Ordnance Dept.

Mr. Cross went to the New farm to spend the night.

Ans'd letters rec'd from Will.

Friday, August 17th, 1917

Delightful day. Mr. Cross came back from his visit to the Lloyd's country home, early this morning. Had letters from Margaret and Will in morning, + Essie + Margaret Hunt in afternoon. Mary Peebles and Bessie Martin made long call this morning. I wrote to Margaret + sent it out by Mr. C. Taylor.

Also wrote to Enos, Mrs. Fuller, Mary Y. Moore + Essie today.

Saturday, August 18th, 1917

Pleasant. Usual Saturday employments, always busy with so many things that I cannot keep track of them.

This afternoon Elizabeth + Mary went auto riding with Mrs. Scudder, and I went with Mary Peebles + Bessie Martin.

Sunday, August 19th, 1917

Pleasant. Went to S.S. as usual and remained to church. Nothing unusual.

Macie here to dinner, Mr. Cross went to Mr. Heinisch's for dinner. Was over home for awhile in afternoon.

Monday, August 20th, 1917

Still pleasant. Beaus up.

Enos' birthday and I had a letter for him on time this year, written to Hattiesburg, Miss., where he is working on the large cantonment for 40,000 troops. Superintending work, under the contractor "Rick" Alger.

Went to Relief Corps meeting in the afternoon. Our new member received, Mrs. Agnes Roe.

Bessie Martin here for the afternoon. Her brother Donald is in France.

Tuesday, August 21st, 1917

Fine weather. A little rain has just made it more pleasant.

After supper I went up to see Abigail + the children. They were out riding and I sat with Mrs. Folson awhile then came home.

Wednesday, August 22nd, 1917

Pleasant. Wrote to Will, a birthday letter, though I had written home only Monday.

The Baumans went out this afternoon and brought Margaret + Miss Cramer in for a little visit. Still uncertain as to when Will can come home. Reports being very busy with his new work in the Ordnance Dept. at Washington.

Thursday, August 23rd, 1917

Fine weather which I am enjoying. Circus parade in the forenoon, passed the house while Gertrude Moore was here with goods from which she wants Mary to make dresses for Marianne, four of them.

Friday, August 24th, 1917

Another fine day.

In afternoon took some sewing, button holes for Marianne, and went out to see Mrs. Silcox. Janette asked me to stay to tea. Did so and came home about 8 o'clock in their new car, Hudson Six.

Saturday, August 25th, 1917

Fine day, cool enough for silk waist, until evening + grew cooler again.

Have been helping Mary with her little dresses for Gertrude's Marianne, working button holes.

Margaret went with the Bowmans + Miss Anna C. to country, was back before noon. Letters from C + E, wrote. Mr. Cross performed his first wedding ceremony this afternoon, Paul Harsha + Virginia Fairtrace at Second Pres. Ch.

Made several calls, Kate Reilly among others.

Mrs. Cadot + Charlotte Bannon here in P.M.

Sunday, August 26th, 1917

Beautiful day. Attended S.S. and the usual services. Enjoyed having all three of the girls home. Macie here to dinner, as usual. Mr. C. went to Mr. T.M. Patterson's to dinner.

Harry Wagner + W. Hopkins waited here, after church to see him + invite him to go to Serpent Mound with the Boy Scouts tomorrow. He did not come in until eleven o'clock, + they had just gone.

Monday, August 27th, 1917

Most delightful weather. Cool, bright and comfortable.

Had double letter from Will with copies of his official papers, and saying he has his uniform but cannot come home now, and it may be a long time before he can come so I had better go there to see him. Wrote to him + Helen Moore.

Tuesday, August 28th, 1917

Pleasant. Mr. Cross's brother R.C. Cross was on the porch this morning when I opened the door. Went to W.M.S. at Mrs. Evans' in afternoon.

When I came home, found a telegram from Will for Margaret + me, asking us to on to Washington to see him.

Wednesday, August 29th, 1917

Rained in the night, and again at evening, quite hard. Margaret + I decided to go on to Washington for a short visit. Wrote to Mary Y. Moore and Essie.

Went to prayer-meeting. Letter from Helen saying Enos has the position he has long been wanting, with a furnace Co. near B'ham, at Sheffield.

Furnaces are being repaired, enlarged and put into action again, as one result of the great War.

Thursday, August 30th, 1917

Rained again this morning. Mr. R.C. Cross left on an early train for Battle Creek, Mich.

Had a busy day preparing for our trip and as it was wet we went in the bus to take the C + O train for Washington and it was behind time. Had my knitting and expect to put in all my spare moments knitting wristlets.

Friday, August 31st, 1917

Fine day. Arrived in Washington a little late. Will met us at the station, wearing his new uniform which he had only been wearing a few days. Mr. Luslee was at breakfast in the dining room, having come over to Will's room + Will went with us to find our hotel, the Grafton where we were nicely settled.

Will then went to his office + we went to look around until lunch. After finding a place, the Tea Cup, we walked awhile + then saw Jack + the Beanstalk at Belasco's. Met Will for dinner, so late that we tried several places, + finally went to the Cochran Hotel. See many soldiers and great activity everywhere, of a military nature.

Little else is talked about and it is an interesting time to see Washington.

Saturday, September 1st, 1917

Fine day. Began the day with a good breakfast at the "Tea Cup".

Spent most of the forenoon in the Capital, visiting both Senate + House. M. had telephone talk with Minnie Miller Hillman and made plans for seeing them. Will had a dinner engagement so we had ours alone then had a call from Mr. + Mrs. Hillman in the evening.

Went out awhile in the afternoon. The Hotel is pleasant and we are enjoying our visit greatly.

Sunday, September 2nd, 1917

Fine morning. Will came to Hotel to go to church with us + learned that the Hillmans were expecting us at noon, he said he could not go there, so he + I went out to their home + re-arranged the program. We went to the church of the Covenant (Pres) and saw + heard much about the soldiers. Went to Hotel, after lunch at the Wallis, + in the evening M + I went out to Mr. Hillman's where Will met us later. Had a fine dinner + visit with Mr. + Mrs. H. their daughters Katherine, Margaret + Dorothy + Mr. Miller. Reached Hotel about 11 P.M.

Monday, September 3rd, 1917

Beautiful weather. Had breakfast with Will then he went to his work and we went to the Capital. Saw the Senate convene, hold a brief session and dismiss. Then went to the House of Representatives and listened awhile to the speakers.

Today we got in the Gray Line Auto ride about the city, then stayed in our seats and took the Arlington trip, seeing the great Nat'l Cemetery. Had dinner with the Camerons in the evening and went to a picture show afterwards. Am wrong about this being the day we was in the Senate, it must have been Sat.

Tuesday, September 4th, 1917

Fine day. Spent the forenoon among the sores + buildings, the great parade, in honor of the "selective draft" men of the District of Columbia, occupied us all the afternoon. We walked to the White House + stood opposite it on Pen. Ave. in a park, against the wire from about 2:15 to 5 P.M. with barely room for our feet.

Saw about 28,000 people pass in the parade, Will being in the Officers Reserve of the Ordnance Dept. Saw the Pres. his wife and the notables from various embassies. Had dinner at Army + Navy Club with Col + Mrs. King, Will's superior officer.

Wednesday, September 5th, 1917

Beautiful day. After breakfast and a talk with Will we went to the wharf and took the boat ride to Mt. Vernon. Scenery fine, on river, and returned by boat, by 1:30. Went to lunch, then took car and went to Soldier's Home. Walked about the grounds, saw the Country + heard the band. Returned. Met Will + the Camerons and spent the evening in the car, having a delightful ride.

Church of the Covenant bulletin says this is the evening for knitting at the church. Prayer service on Thursday, sorry to miss it.

Thursday, September 6th, 1917

Rained most of the day. We met Will at the Tea Cup (?), had breakfast then we returned to the hotel where Capt. Toothe's auto came for us and we spent the forenoon sightseeing. Had a fine ride in spite of rain. Had lunch at the Tea Cup and then packed up for home, having enjoyed our stay at the Grafton Hotel.

Met Will downtown for dinner. Spent the evening walking, and in the Congressional Library, then went to station and waited for 11 P.M. train and very very tired. Was sorry to say good-bye not knowing when we would see home again.

Friday, September 7th, 1917

Arose early this morning to see the fine scenery in the mountains of Va. along the C + O. R.R. Rained all day and at times mist hid the beautiful views.

Train left Washington late last night and was two hours, or more, late reaching S. Portsmouth. Came home in the bus + found the girls on the porch looking for us. Macie came soon after.

Found letters from Sister Elizabeth + Virginia and a long one from W. Ruby Moore of San Diego, Calif.

Saturday, September 8th, 1917

My birthday has been a wet dismal day, and before it was over I began taking cold, and remedies for it.

My birthday was remembered by the girls with gifts, Elizabeth gave me two net fitches, Mary made me a cake, Essie sent me a pine needle vase which arrived this morning, Sister Virginia sent me skirt hangers + an hdkg. I wrote her + Carl. Had letters from him + Essie. Macie gave me an apron. Wrote to Will.

Sent daguerreotype of "Uncle Joe" Moore to W. Ruby Moore Calif.

Sunday, September 9th, 1917

Rainy and I am taking a bad cold. Went to S.S. and morning service but did not go out again.

The Memorial Tablet was unveiled at close of morning service, Dr. W. Brown, son of Rev A.B. Brown, one of the early pastors gave the address, and Frank Baggs Jr., grandson of Dr. E.P. Pratt unveiled the tablet on which is carved the names of the sixteen pastors who have served the church during the century of 1817-1917.

Mr. Scudder present.

Dr. J.J. Blackburn died in Detroit, Mich. today, where he had gone to preach. His name is on the tablet unveiled today in memory of pastors.

Monday, September 10th, 1917

Beautiful, sunny morning but cool + breezy. Cold a little better but far from well.

Schools re-opened and Margaret off early to her work. Am trying to catch up on my diary, letters and bills.

Macie + I went out for awhile and I paid some bills. We called at Mrs. Prescott's but she was not at home.

Letters from Virginia + Helen, Mrs. Bond, + Mary B. Ricker. Mr. Cross returned from Oak Hill at noon and then went on to Ripley to Pres. in the afternoon.

Tuesday, September 11th, 1917

Fair, but cool + breezy. Miserable with my cold. Home in forenoon. Went out to attend to business in afternoon. Wrote to Will, Essie and Virginia, and finished up my diary.

Knit in the evening. The girls went out to Mrs. Mannings.

Mary started fires in stoves to take chill off the home.

Wednesday, September 12th, 1917

Bright + cold. Need fires for comfort. Cold a little better. Spent the entire forenoon with my letters. Rec'd postcard from Lieut Arthur Moore M.D. from Paris. Arrived safely. Have written to Helen, Mrs. Bond, and Mary B. Ricker this A.M. and Lizzie P. later. Was not well enough to go to prayer-meeting.

Girls went, and Mrs. Cross went, also, his first time when not on duty.

Thursday, September 13th, 1917

Weather slightly warmer. Cold still troublesome. Went out for a little fresh air this afternoon.

Macie and I went to call on Mary Y. Moore at Miss Mame Reed's. No one there. Went to Mrs. Young's, she was out. Went to see Ada Carson who was at home. Walked up + came back on the car.

Friday, September 14th, 1917

Weather somewhat warmer. Cold still bad, but getting better. Was out to dinner with Mary Y. Moore at Mary Peebles' home. They talked over their oriental trip + Mary showed us her collection of beads, lace tree and Cream of Tartar tree.

Have been knitting on Mary's rose sweater collar, trying to help her finish it. Margaret + Miss Cramer went to the country. Wrote to Mary P. Ricker whose brother died this week in Ironton.

Letter from Essie.

Saturday, September 15th, 1917

Quite warm again + bright. Feeling better, but coughed hard last night. No letters today. Mr. Cross left on 2:10 N + W for West Union where he will preach tomorrow.

In afternoon Mrs. Kate Jordan invited E + M to go with her + the family for an auto ride. I gave Macie \$5.00 for her birthday to buy what she wants.

Sunday, September 16th, 1917

Beautiful day. S.S. and church as usual.

Macie, and Margaret Miller here to dinner. Went over home in the afternoon.

Margaret + Miss Cramer returned this evening.

Monday, September 17th, 1917

Pleasant weather.

Elizabeth and Mary left on the very early N + W train for Cin. + from there will go to Kalamazoo, Mich. to visit Mr. + Mrs. Dunning + Marguerite.

I spent the afternoon at the W.R.C. meeting. Mr. Cross returned from West Union.

Tuesday, September 18th, 1917

Beautiful day. Was busy in forenoon. After dinner Macie and I went out on the hill. I made a call at Mrs. Pennywit's on an errand, then we stopped at Mrs. Kennard's but she was not at home.

Went to Mrs. Silcox's and found Mrs. Murfin and her son Gordan's wife there. Came home + got supper.

Wednesday, September 19th, 1917

Fine weather, and a busy day, about the house.

Prayer-meeting in the evening as usual, after which Mr. Scudder held a Teacher's meeting which was long + we did not get home until after 9 o'clock. Mr. Cross went with us, Macie + I.

Thursday, September 20th, 1917

Pleasant day, and a busy one. Mary's birthday + I wrote her. Had given her a birthday present before she left.

I wrote to Mrs. J.I. Blackburn a letter of sympathy. We all feel a personal loss in the death of Dr. Blackburn, who was a much loved pastor of the First Pres. church from July 1886 to Dec. 1889. Mrs. Bennett here. Went to see about a hat.

Friday, September 21st, 1917

Pleasant until about 1:30 when heavy clouds + thunder brought rain.

Was busy at home all forenoon. Went to W.C.T.U. meeting at Lala Wiseman in afternoon. The West Ports. Union held their first meeting, a called one, there today and Miss

M.E. Peebles wants the Union to hold all the business meeting there, hereafter + she will furnish the room rent full with heat and care. Wrote to Mrs. Cotton today.

Margaret took supper at the Bannon's.

Mrs. Bennett here today.

Saturday, September 22nd, 1917

Beautiful day, contrast to yesterday. Grew cool in the evening.

Mr. Cross' brother Frank arrived at midnight + will be here until Monday though Mr. L.L.C. left on afternoon train for Oak Hill where he will preach tomorrow, then he will come back Monday and both will go to Cin.

Had letters from Will, from Washington. Wrote him and Elizabeth.

Margaret put up plums this evening.

Miss Lucy Noland died last night. I was there today.

Sunday, September 23rd, 1917

Fine day, rally an ideal fall day.

Went to S.S. as usual, Mr. Frank Cross went with me and remained to church. Mr. Bush insisted upon his sitting in the pulpit + having a share in the service.

In the evening he went to the Second Pres. Church. Mr. L.L Cross preached at Oak Hill again today.

Monday, September 24th, 1917

Beautiful day.

Mr. L.L Cross returned from Oak Hill in time for noon dinner, which I served as a lunch, having waffles.

In the afternoon he took his final leave from Portsmouth having been in our home since June 9th. Hi youngest brother, Frank, returned to Lane Seminary, after a pleasant visit here since Friday night. The older brother spent a day + night here with him recently.

Tuesday, September 25th, 1917

Beautiful day. Spent the forenoon preparing or the Missionary meeting which met here.

Not many present. Mrs. Evans could not come as her machine is out of order + she cannot walk. Others were sick, or away or had sick ones in the family.

Mrs. Young came early and Margaret prepared. Macie was here also.

Wednesday, September 26th, 1917

Fine day. Have been busy all day and in the evening took up yesterday's paper to look for a notice, and saw that Mr. + Mrs. George D. Selby are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary today in an informal way and had asked friends to call, so I went, while Margaret was getting supper ready. Made short call, and after super, went to prayer-meeting.

Have heard from the girls from Kalamazoo. Also Carl and Essie.

Thursday, September 27th, 1917

Fine morning but just about 11:30 a dismal rain began to fall. I was expecting to go over home to lunch with Macie and was surprised by a call from Addie Morton and Ella Ricker who had come on St. cars from Ironton. Ella was on her way to West Union so after a good dinner over at Macie's, on her invitation, we came home + I went with them to St. car + train to see them off. Train was 2 ½ hours late.

Friday, September 28th, 1917

Beautiful day, great contrast to yesterday. Korn Karnival in full swing. Some of our ladies have a booth, serving meals and are doing well. I have been busy at home. Had Mrs. Bennett cleaning Mary's room, and mine. Macie and I went to Mary Peebles' to ask about knitting socks. She had just returned from Cin.

Had my dinner over home, Macie + I had supper here then I went over there to sleep as Margaret + Miss C. went to the country after school. Wrote to Carl and Addie M. also card to Mr. W. R. Moore, San Diego, Cal.

Saturday, September 29th, 1917

Fine day. Came home from Macie's and began making the final preparations for the home coming of the three girls this evening.

Macie and I were up street twice to do errands and see the Korn Karnival which is a small affair of the kind. Margaret came home in an auto with Dorothy Kinney who with a friend had gone out to see her + Miss Cramer.

Sunday, September 30th, 1917

Fine day. Usual program followed today. S.S. + church in the forenoon.

Went to Second CH. at 2 P.M. to hear Mrs. Mary Harris Armor but had to come home before she finished because I had an engagement with my S.S. class, and only two of them came, Helen Hopkins (does not finish).

Monday, October 1st, 1917

Weather fair and pleasant. Busy all morning with my book + papers. Took them to Mrs. Rowe's where they were inspected by Mrs. Bishop of Williamsburg. W.R.C. meeting occupied all afternoon. M.E. Peebles rec'd cablegram from Mr. McCullech of Melbourne, Australia saying Agnes died last Friday.

The tea-cart Margaret gave the girls, + which they selected in Cin. came today.

Tuesday, October 2nd, 1917

Fine day. Home all forenoon. Interesting letter from Will. Tells of a visit to Gettysburg with two officers who were there during the great battle, one of them fired the last shot. Last week Will had dinner with a great-granddaughter of Francis S. Key, author of Star Spangled Banner. Went to W. Wamser's funeral at 2. After that to the Aid meeting at Mrs. Scudder's, + from there to see Mary Peebles.

After supper M + I attended the Annual meeting of the Magazine Club at Miss Firmstone's. E + M went to Clover Club at Janette Silcox's.

Carl + Essie's fifth anniversary.

Wednesday, October 3rd, 1917

Warmer this morning. Attended the funeral of Mr. E.M. Funk at 10 A.M. + did some Home Dept. work. Home all afternoon.

Mary went with Margaret M. to the farm, starting at 12:30 and rain began about the same time. Have fire in the grate. M.M. here to supper. Letter from Carl which I answered, also wrote L.L. Cross, acknowledging receipt of key.

Thursday, October 4th, 1917

Pleasant fall day.

A full day of outside work. Helped Mr. Scudder with his Rally Day work. Made out report for State W.C.T.U. Convention.

Distributed Home Dept. books. Wrote Carl + L.L.C. today instead of yesterday. Mr. Scudder here twice. My knitting goes very slowly, there are so many other things to be done. W.C.T.U. meeting at Zala Mission this afternoon.

Friday, October 5th, 1917

Clouds blew away and the sun came out. Breezy all day. Was out in forenoon on S.S. work + called to see Mrs. Funk. Wrote to Helen Moore. E + M went with Leona L. to Lucasville to Mr. C.J. Morton's funeral.

Margaret + Miss C. went to the farm, one of the girls took them in an auto.

Saturday, October 6th, 1917

Fair and cool. We put up some peaches today and have been busy as could be all day. Had letter this morning from Mary Y. Moore at Malden. Essie, Mrs. Bond and Mr. L.L.C. sending stamps for packages I forwarded to him.

Wrote to Lucy Carpenter saying I would go to Malden Tuesday if not prevented. Wrote to Mabel Ruggles, Essie + L.L.C. about his papers which still came here + have to be forwarded.

Sunday, October 7th, 1917

Fine day. Rally Day in Bible School well attended. Eighteen promoted from my class to Mrs. Chas. Nichols who begins today as teacher in our school. Taught in Columbus.

Mr. Bush preached an excellent sermon on "An Old Subscription List" Exodus 35-21 Margaret returned from the country in the evening.

Monday, October 8th, 1917

Father, William Moore was born in Alexandria (across the Scioto), O. 102 years ago today and died June 22nd, 1902, 84 years.

Rain and chilly. No frost to kill things in the yard yet, but thin ice in the country. Wrote to Margaret Hunt + ailed the letters I wrote Saturday. Letter from Will with check. \$45.00. Answered it.

Tuesday, October 9th, 1917

Fine day. Spent the morning preparing for my trip to Malden and after dinner Mary walked over to the train with me. Had a pleasant but train was late. Was met at station by Lucy + Mary Y. who had been brought over by Mrs. Dickinson's and her Aunt Miss Price, and they took us home to Malden where Aunt Mary Ellen was waiting for us. John went to Synod yesterday + will not return until Friday. Had a most cordial welcome.

Wednesday, October 10th, 1917

Beautiful weather. S.S. Convention in Pres. Ch. Lucy and I attended all day. M.E. in the A.M. She + Mary Y. went to Mrs. Dickinson's afternoon tea early, Lucy + I went later and all remained to supper, on Mrs. D's invitation given previously. Spent the evening there. No prayer-meeting as John was away. Met some pleasant people.

Wrote home, and had a letter from Mary in regard to anniversary gift for Lucy. She bought a pyrex casserole in nickel (?). Rained after we got home. Dates mixed. This should be Thursday the 11th.

Thursday, October 11th, 1917

Pleasant day. Today, the S.S. Convention + afternoon Mrs. Dickinson's. Yesterday (the 10th) Mrs. Dickinson + Miss Price took supper at Lucy's and spent the evening, all of us knitting. It rained before the ladies went home, but the auto came for them. Mr. D. + John both away.

Friday, October 12th, 1917

Pleasant, after the rain of last night. Georgia Schoolfield and her father were here to dinner + spent most of the afternoon with us. Courin Will Young is losing his eyesight, having cataracts growing, which he refers to have reworded though he has two good eye specialists in the family, Dr. Hopple Young, his son, and Dr. Clarence Schoolfield, his son-in-law.

John came home from Synod early this morning so was here for the company.

Saturday, October 13th, 1917

Beautiful day, which we have enjoyed greatly. In the afternoon we all went to Charleston, excepting Aunt M.E. Mary Y. + I did some shopping together, she got a present for Lucy, large clothes hamper, John + Lucy went to do errands together, and later John took me to see the First Pres. Ch. which is a beautiful church. Spent the evening knitting.

Wrote home.

Sunday, October 14th, 1917

Fine day. Went with John to S.S. Lucy followed later. All went to church and heard John preach a good sermon.

He went to Dana to S.S. after dinner + remained for the evening service. Lucy + I walked down to Dana after supper and heard John preach from the text "Have ye received the Holy Spirit since ye believed". We walked home and retired soon after.

A pleasant day.

Monday, October 15th, 1917

A beautiful day. In the afternoon Lucy took Mary Y. and me on the train to the Putney coal mines.

The ride was through the mountain road to Putney, seven hundred feet above Malden. The autumn foliage is at its best and is gorgeous beyond description. The vines are very rich and it was an interesting trip. Reached home at supper time. Spent the evening knitting.

Tuesday, October 16th, 1917

Beautiful day, weather warm. Mary Ellen took me to the Bible Class taught by Mrs. Bledsoe. Mrs. Dickinson + Miss Price were going to Charleston + invited us to ride in with them. After the lesson, M.E. + I had lunch at the Y.M.C.A. and from then went by car to call upon Cousin Will Young + Georgia. She was not at home, but came later. Cousin Will's eyesight has failed until he is nearly blind. Dr. Schoolfield's home is very beautiful within and without. Georgiana Schoolfield is about nine, I think. Spent the evening knitting. Write home every day. Letter from Mary.

Wednesday, October 17th, 1917

Most delightful, warm fall day. As part of a plan for surprise for John + Lucy's 10th anniversary, Mrs. Cole came + took John, Lucy + me for a long ride to Dunbar.

Mr. + Mrs. Dickinson + Mary Price had dinner with us. Mrs. D., Mary Ellen + Mary Y. stayed home + after prayer-meeting a houseful of friends came bringing gifts, cake and ice-cream and celebrated the anniversary joyfully.

I had letter from Will. The package I expected did not come. In the Morning John took me to see the Dickinson Salt Works.

Thursday, October 18th, 1917

Pleasant, signs of rain but none fell until night. This morning John counted the gifts brought by the friends last night. There were 61 with several not in, mine among others. Packed for home. Mrs. Dickinson came with auto and took all five of us to Charleston, the driver taking us to the train. Arrived on time, Mary was at S. Ports. Waiting for me, then she went to Mrs. Manning's to the Priscilla Club, where E. had gone. I went to see Macie.

Margaret came home from H.S. Found letter from Essie. Isabel Murray Sellew called up before I came. Mr. + Mrs. Prescott here. Raining when they left.

Friday, October 19th, 1917

A dismal rainy day, grew colder and we covered things lest it night frost tonight. I wrote to Will and Essie + Lucy Carpenter. Had letter from Helen from Sheffield, Ala. Finished sock for Will all but taking off the needles.

Got Margaret's things ready for her to take to the country and Mr. Appel brought her home in his auto, with a sprained ankle. Dr. LeBaron came, examined + bandaged it, but cannot tell just how serious the injury is for a few days.

Saturday, October 20th, 1917

Bright and cooler.

Busy at home all day, until nearly six o'clock when I went to the P.O. the baker's, Zoelleer's + Woolworth's. Had letter from Carl saying the Bradenton church was vacant so I wrote to him + put letter with one to Essie. Wrote to Jno Carpenter + Frank Cross. Sent night letter to L.L. Cross, at Mr. Bush's suggestion.

Gathered about a quart of lima beans + shelled them. Hulled Mary's walnuts. Got Margaret's silver fork from Fuellner's. Margaret got a pair of crutches from Jean Clark and has been using them a little today. Sent sock to Will.

Sent second sock to Will.

Sent night message to L.L.C. Wrote John C., Essie, Carl.

Sunday, October 21st, 1917

Fine day. Went to S.S. and had my first session with my new class of first year Juniors. Good prospect. Mr. Bush preached a strong war sermon from Numbers, upon service.

In the evening he began a series of sermons on the Reformation in anticipation of the 400th anniversary of Luther's part in the history of the church.

Margaret spent the day bathing + bandaging and resting her foot. No bones broken but a bad sprain in her ankle.

Monday, October 22nd, 1917

Pleasant day. Up early + helped Margaret get ready for school. Went in taxi. In the evening the Teacher's, or rather the Faculty Social Club met here, as previously planned. Twenty came and secured to have a pleasant evening.

Mary, Elizabeth, + I served the refreshments of salad, hot biscuits + coffee. I spent the forenoon polishing brass + silver. Will's golf trophies are beautiful after being polished. Wrote up my diary. Mrs. Scudder was here.

Tuesday, October 23rd, 1917

Rainy and colder. Margaret was taken to school by one of her pupils. Is doing very well. Had short letter from Jno Carpenter this morning, saying he had written to two persons about J.L.L.C. and the Bradenton church.

Wednesday, October 24th, 1917

Pleasant. Telegram from L.L. Cross saying he has accepted offer in California. Am sorry it is too late for the Bradenton church.

Prayer-meeting in the evening as usual.

Thursday, October 25th, 1917

Pleasant. Worked in the yard, in the forenoon. In the afternoon Mrs. Pennywit was here, also one or two others.

Mrs. Cadot came to see how Margaret was and then asked her for supper, informally.

Friday, October 26th, 1917

Pleasant. Mild. Rain threatened. War news favorable to Allies, but reports not very reliable in papers.

Letter from Carl to Margaret. She finished her first week at school on crutches.

Dr. LeBaron here to give E. a sermon treatment,

Busy at home until evening when I went to P.O. with a letter to Will.

Margaret Miller took E. in the buggy to do errands for the K-G and we kept here to supper.

Margaret had letter from Carl. Wrote M.E.Y.

Saturday, October 27th, 1917

Rainy + mild. Mary and Margaret Miller started before the rain to drive to the Miller farm to stay overnight. The Manning's were to follow in auto later.

Letter from Will saying the sock was rec'd + was fine. He now has two, but not a pair, as they are not the same shade of gray. Was out both before and after dinner doing marketing and errands.

Sunday, October 28th, 1917

Beautiful day. S.S. and church as usual.

Mary did not come home until evening, Macie took her class in the morning.

Monday, October 29th, 1917

Pleasant weather.

Busy at home most of the day.

Tuesday, October 30th, 1917

Fine day. Was surprised today by a letter from Russel Jarvis, new in Shingleton Mich. Was a member of my S.S. class in 1st year Juniors but never seemed interested + was only present seven times in a year. He now laments that they have no S.S. where he lives. I wrote him + sent a quarterly + some papers.

Missionary meeting at Mrs. Thompson's, good attendance + interesting meeting.

Wednesday, October 31st, 1917

Still pleasant fall weather.

Wrote to Russell Jarvis today and sent him some S.S. papers and a quarterly, suggesting that he try to gather together a few people + start a S.S.

Small beginnings sometime bring a good result.

I shall write Mr. Dunning about the needs of Shingleton, Mich.

Thursday, November 1st, 1917

Beautiful day.

W.C.T.U. meeting at Zala Mission in the afternoon. After supper I went up to Maria Keer's to call upon Mrs. Anna Hempstead, who is on her way to California on a visit to my old time friend Hattie Hempstead Norton.

Bought three brooms today, of Philip Bauer, paid \$1.00 a piece for three, and gave one to Macie.

I wrote several letters and took some to the Post Office at 10:10 tonight. Elizabeth finished her first Navy League sweater.

Friday, November 2nd, 1917

Another beautiful day. Mary went to the Red Cross Rooms as usual. Elizabeth to a Mother's Club meeting at the Fourth St School. I had Mrs. Hempstead and Maria Keer here for afternoon tea. Mary had prepared the tea-cart for me and it was sewed in the sitting room.

We had a pleasant visit together.

Bought comfort calico at Branner's, at 12 ½ cts, but it had been laid aside for me. It is 15th a yard today. Three cent postage began today.

Saturday, November 3rd, 1917

Pleasant. Had a telegram of congratulations from Will upon this my wedding anniversary. Mary gave me a fine large knitting bag which she made for me. I finished the fourth sock for Will, washed, ironed + mailed them after 10 o'clock tonight. Macie, and Margaret Miller were here to supper.

Sunday, November 4th, 1917

Beautiful day. S.S. in the morning, then church.

In afternoon Mr. Sprague came with his auto, Mr. Harry Smith + Mr. Kurt and took me over to the Old Town church to a Township Convention which was very poorly attended. I presented the Home Department.

Went to church in the evening.

Monday, November 5th, 1917

Fine day. Did some washing in the forenoon. Letter from Will which I answered.

In afternoon went to 2nd Pres. church to hear Miss Blanche Bovine talk of missions work in Mexico. She will be here three days the guest of Mrs. Drew, who pays all the time expenses of this three day study class. Letter from V.M.J. Five boxes of fruit, etc from the little Bear Creek farm were brought in today. Mary went with Margaret Miller + Mrs. Manning to the Miller farm for walnuts.

Card from Mrs. Bond.

Tuesday, November 6th, 1917

Beautiful day, mild, pleasant. Busy at home in forenoon.

Election day when the Wet + Dry fight will be close. All day prayer-meetings will be held at two churches, 2nd Pres. + Manly M.E. I did not go until afternoon. Miss Blanche Bovine, missionary from Mexico talked on the study book, The African Trail and I remained until the close. In the evening, went to Mrs. Schwartz' to the Aid Soc. meeting, held in the evening as a kind of Halloween affair. No bazaar, or supper will be held this fall. Money will be given instead.

Wednesday, November 7th, 1917

Still mild and very hazy. Election Rep. in Scioto Co. and Dry, but State returns no yet decisive.

Busy at home most of the day. Ironed comfort cover for Mary, and helped Macie quilt a new comfort. Letter from Essie.

Did not go to hear Miss Bovine today. Meeting kept me too late, + no one was here to help Margaret when she came home.

Thursday, November 8th, 1917

Heavy fog.

John's birthday. I wrote to him + sent \$5.00 for him to get what he wants most. Washed the cover to my wool comfort, and several other things.

Friday, November 9th, 1917

Fine day, mild. Fog in the morning.

Have been at home and working hard all day.

Washed my wool comfort, after taking off the cover. Mary went with Miss Blake's orchestra + some other entertainers to Chillicothe to play the Camp this evening, Camp Sherman. I got supper and was very tired at night.

Saturday, November 10th, 1917

Fine day after a foggy morning. Have been at home all day working on bed clothes. Making over some comforts.

Sunday, November 11th, 1917

Another fine day.

S.S. as usual, followed by church services which were interesting.

A beautiful service flag, about four x seven feet, silk, containing nineteen stars for the nineteen soldiers from our church, was raised at morning service by Sherrard + Kenyon Johnson, sons of Mr. + Mrs. Sam. M. Johnson. Sherrard, of the army + Kenyon of the Navy having the honor. It was an impressive service.

Monday, November 12th, 1917

Weather still pleasant though mornings are cold, + winter wraps worn.

An event of more than usual interest is celebrated today in an article, written by Mrs. Mary S. Cotton + published as a kind of recognition of this the 50th anniversary of the organization of the Portsmouth Magazine Club organized by Mrs. Cotton who served as its

sec'y for more than forty years, being succeeded by Miss Margaret Firmstone several years ago.

Went to see Mr. Fullerton about S.T.I. essay work + called on Mrs. Chas. Mylster at Mrs. Smith's in Gallia.

Ward Miller came to stay with us until Jinnie recovers from Scarlet Fever.

Tuesday, November 13th, 1917

Weather still fair and quite pleasant, though mornings are foggy. Navy goes to the Red Cross Rooms at 9 A.M. each Tuesday to work with a class on surgical dressings.

Margaret Edwards died on the street this evening, on her way to payer-meeting, with Mrs. Clugh. Meeting was held this evening on account of the wedding of Ralph Molster + Lydia Appel which is to be Wed. evening at Second ch.

Wednesday, November 14th, 1917

Fine day.

Home in forenoon. At two o'clock went to Mrs. Sibley's, at her request, and she took me to call upon Mrs. Bonney, visiting at the home of Mrs. Bonney's son Alfred, in Sunnyside. Found them pleasant ladies, and Mrs. Bonney, Sr. living at Mrs. Wyman's in Bradenton six years until they built their own home in Bradenton, Fl.

Prayer meeting in evening. Miss Welty began the Teacher Training class with only three present. L.C. Murphy, Carl Walker + myself.

Thursday, November 15th, 1917

Beautiful day.

Union meeting of all the Missionary societies of our church at Mrs. Schwartz' in afternoon. I took Mrs. Bonney + her daughter-in-law Mrs. Bonney. Offering takes for David Tappan's Christmas gift amounted to over \$18.00.

Friday, November 16th, 1917

Fine day.

Went to Margaret Edwards's funeral at Mrs. Clough's in afternoon. Stopped to see Mary Peebles on my way home. She has just returned from a visit to Margaret Hunt in Newtonville, Mass.

In evening May + I went to H.S. Auditorium and heard the Red Cross workers took upon the subject.

They praised Scioto County work but begged for more of it, the need being great.

Saturday, November 17th, 1917

Bright and clear.

Mary and I had a busy day. Cleaning, and washing. Had one of the roosters killed, for tomorrow.

The white yarn came. I washed it and set up the first white sock after supper. E. got the yarn from Cin. + I will do the knitting for Will. Wrote to John again, also to Mary Y. Moore at Malden.

Sunday, November 18th, 1917

Fine day. Went to S.S. + church as usual. Mary Peebles told me of death of Tracy Field in Boston.

In evening Miss Goodrich and Mr. McNutt talked of Home Mission work in the mountains, + the rural churches, making a long service.

Monday, November 19th, 1917

Bright, clear day, after the fog was gone. Very busy until I left at 10 A.M. to go to the country to meet Mary Y. Moore + go to the funeral of Libbie Lloyd Field's son Tracy who died in Boston. Mary Peebles, with John's wife + daughter took Libbie out in their machine. Mr. Horst conducted services. I was Libbie's bridesmaid when she married Dr. Field. Oct. 13th, 1868.

Went to W.R.C. in afternoon. Had another letter from John M. Very cheerful. Knit in evening. Margaret went to H.S. Faculty meeting, at Miss Ball's.

Tuesday, November 20th, 1917

Beautiful, bright day. Ther 24°.

Home all forenoon, busy with house work + letters. Wrote Mrs. Gebhardt + Mrs. Pavers of W.C.T.U. + finished letters to my old time school mate Calla Scott Willard of Evanston, Ill.

Mary went to Red Cross Rooms to work. Margaret to H.S. + Elizabeth to K-G. Letter from Alwina Jenkins, I answered it, and wrote, also, to Will, making five letters. Spent the evening knitting.

Went to Maria Keer's to say good-bye to Mrs. Anna Hempstead who left today for Riverside, Cal.

Wednesday, November 21st, 1917

Cloudy but no rain up to four o'clock.

Went to have Mrs. Laue give my hair a shampoo and treatment, this morning. No mail today. Mrs. Pennywit came after dinner to finish up some W.R.C. work.

Went to prayer-meeting and remained to Teaches T. Class. Miss Welty had only Carl Walker and myself as pupils, another men's meeting interfered again.

Thursday, November 22nd, 1917

Gray day, a little snow in the evening. House-cleaning hard all day with Mrs. Calvin to help, in forenoon.

Mary at Red Cross at 1 P.M. and in the evening E + M went with the Miller's + Manning's to turkey supper at Trinity M.E. church. Ward took them in their car. No letters from the boys + it seems long since I had one from Will.

Mary Y. Moore has invited all of us to dine with her at the Washington Hotel Thanksgiving Day, + we accepted with pleasure. Special meeting for prayer, at 1st ch. this afternoon. Mrs. Evans in charge.

Friday, November 23rd, 1917

Light snow, cloudy and colder. Ther 30° this morning.
Spent forenoon on sitting room curtains.

Saturday, November 24th, 1917

Quite wintry.
Swept my room in the forenoon.
Bought a new kind of mop for cleaning, cost \$1.50.
Mary Y. Moore called up to say she would come to us Monday.

Sunday, November 25th, 1917

Quite cold. Ther 26° this A.M. Snow on housetops + ground. Went to S.S. and the usual church services.

Mr. Bush preached two strong patriotic sermons. Evening theme being on Calvinism and referring to the Presbyterian Church, the government, and play in history of the nation + world.

Went over home in afternoon.

Monday, November 26th, 1917

Quite cold. Ther 22° ice an inch thick on cup of water out of doors. Mary Y. Moore came from Gertrude's with all her baggage, for a shirt visit. So glad to have her with us. Wrote to Will.

In afternoon tacked the new cover on my wool comfort.

Mary + I finished the sitting room curtains and have them up again.

Tuesday, November 27th, 1917

Cold, rainy day. I gave Mary Y. a lot of letters, records etc from the oak chest and she was interested in them all day. I went to W.M.S. at Miss Peebles in afternoon. Only eight present but several sent in their thank offerings + we had \$20.75, with more to come. I got some yarn from M.E.M. to begin on socks. Girls went to Clover Club.

I began trying to plan for M.Y.M. to go to Bradenton, Fla. With Mr. + Mrs. Bonney, who leave Friday + M.Y.M. will go to Carl's for a while, if she gets off.

I wrote Essie. M.Y.M. wrote Frank + Lucy.

Wednesday, November 28th, 1917

Dismal day. Light rain in morning.

Home all forenoon. Mary went with Mary Y. to attend to some Banking business then M.Y. went to Dr. William's office. Mary had letter from Mr. B. T. Wyman. Ward Miller leaves us today, having been here two weeks. All enjoyed having him. We invited Ada Carson and little Louis to spend the afternoon + take supper with us, + visit with Mary Y. Moore. She came and we had a pleasant afternoon.

In the evening Macie + I went to prayer-meeting, as usual.

Thursday, November 29th, 1917

Weather rather mild and cloudy, part of the day. I represented the family, with Macie, at 2nd Pres. Ch. where Mr. Bush delivered a very strong sermon, referring to war conditions, at present, and urging patriotic work.

Mary. Y. Moore entertained our family + Gertrude's at the Washington hotel at noon. All came here for the afternoon. Later Manning family, Mrs. Cadot, Margaret Miller + Miss Burris came to tea + spent the evening. Mrs. Seaman + Mame Reed called to see Mary Y.

Friday, November 30th, 1917

Pleasant. A busy day. Mary and Mary Y. were up street to buy tickets + do errands for the trip to Bradenton. Margaret did the packing + put up the lunch. Also prepared lunch for the family at noon.

The girls left on the 1:40 C + O this afternoon, intending to stay all night in Cin. + leave via L + N. Road at 8 A.M. tomorrow.

Fine box of oranges + grape-fruit from Carl came today. Sent from the Terra Cica grove. All tired + went early to bed. Girls were up so late last night.

Saturday, December 1st, 1917

Weather fair and mild.

Busy day for us with Mary away. Margaret wants to do the cooking as much of the time as possible. I finished, washed + mailed the first pair of white wool socks to Will. It is the third pair I have sent him.

Elizabeth began taking a new remedy for rheumatism, Glidden's vegetable compound which is helping Mrs. Thompson. She wrote Mary, sending letter to Bradenton.

Sunday, December 2nd, 1917

Pleasant day. S.S. as usual. Mr. U.K. Loose, elder in Pres. Ch. of Seattle began a series of Bible lessons, to be given twice daily this week. Mr. Bush in Phila. attending funeral. Mrs. Bush + Miss Welty here to dinner. Mrs. B., Mary + I went to Bible class in afternoon. In evening Dr. Korst filled the pulpit, talked about fifteen minutes. Special music occupied most of the hour. Mr. Loose at 2nd church.

Monday, December 3rd, 1917

Cloudy all day, mild. Letter from Carl, saying he had shipped the box of oranges + grape-fruit. Wrote him our thanks.

Went to High School + took M's umbrella + magazines. Saw Mr. Fullerton about the S.T.I. talks from Mrs. Gebhardt. School Board noted it down so we must give up the plan for the present.

In afternoon attended Mr. U.K. Loose's Bible Class in our Bible School room.

Margaret walked to school for first time in six weeks, used one crutch. Card from John M. Letter from Mary to E.V.R.

Tuesday, December 4th, 1917

Weather uncertain.

Busy at home in forenoon. Bible Class in afternoon and again in evening. Few of our own church people, but quite a number from several other churches. Mr. Bush returned from Phila. + was present this evening.

Margaret is preparing the evening meal and enjoys planning for it, making it as saving as possible. Everybody is helping win the war by economizing ford products. It has become a national slogan.

Wednesday, December 5th, 1917

Weather quite pleasant for the season.

Busy all forenoon. Went to Mrs. Lane's at 1 o'clock P.M. and from then to the Bible Class. Cannot do much else this week.

The prayer-meeting time was occupied by Mr. Loose, Miss Welty's class preceded the regular service and I was present at both.

Thursday, December 6th, 1917

Busy at home all forenoon with housework. Letters from Will + Carl. Will's contained check, + Carl's told of the safe arrival of Mary + Mary Y. Moore at his home, a happy surprise for him + Essie. In afternoon, went to W.C.T.U. meeting at Zala Mission + from there to Bible Class, then home.

After supper Macie + I went again to the Bible Class. Rained today. Elizabeth went over to do some work in her school room in afternoon.

Friday, December 7th, 1917

Weather rather indicating snow. Growing colder. Was busy ironing in forenoon. Had good letter from Mary telling of their arrival at Carl's after a trip prolonged by missing connections.

Letter from Mrs. Curtis and a long one from Calla Scott Willard, also from Mrs. Bond. Went to Bible Class, afternoon + evening, which closed the services of lessons given by Mr. Loose on prophecy etc. A few people have been deeply interested. Wrote Mary.

Saturday, December 8th, 1917

Snow about six inches deep + more falling when I arose. Followed by rain, slush, wind and falling temperature until it froze. Neither Margaret nor Elizabeth could go out so I did errands both before and after dinner. Bought a few things for Christmas, because it was a good time to do it. None of us will do much this year, on account of the war. Friends are writing letters asking us not to send them gifts, only letters.

Wrote to Mrs. Young.

Sunday, December 9th, 1917

Thermometer -4°, snow three or four inches deep again this morning. Few at S.S. and church. I had no one but little Katherine Wear.

Went to church in the evening again, Macie + I. Very cold. Margaret Miller + Macie here to dinner.

Monday, December 10th, 1917

Ther. -4° again this morning. Gas pressure so low we could not cook dinner at noon, + it was very little better in evening. Imposed later.

Had pkg, of photos of Will, eight sent for destitutions. Also book from Mrs. Dunning + letter from Mr. L.L. Cross from Los Angeles. Had busy day, could not keep home warm. In afternoon went to P.O. + both banks, Navy League to turn in sweater Elizabeth had finished + Red Cross to get yarn for another, for her. Bought fountain pen for Mary Y. M. + wrist watch case, leather. Sent Mrs. Campbell \$44.00 from W.M.S. Attended Com. meeting in Mr. Kurisey's office to plan for the Lawrence-Thomas S.S. Retreat + County Convention.

Tuesday, December 11th, 1917

Very cold, and snow deep. Keeps me busy trying to heat the house. Elizabeth had to dismiss early because her room was too cold for the children. She went to the Clover Club at Mavis Bridges', Kate Jordan having told her she would call for her with her auto.

Wrote to Essie.

Wednesday, December 12th, 1917

Still cold. Busy at home all forenoon. Went to Mrs. Lane's at one o'clock and from there to see County Supt. McCowen about the S.T.O. work in the County.

Then went to see Mary Peebles who cannot leave the house on account of the weather. She read me a letter from Mary Y. Moore saying she is much pleased with Bradenton. Went to prayer-meeting as usual. Had note from Will mailed at Chicago.

Wrote him, sending it to Rock Island. Wrote to L.L. Cross at Los Angeles.

Thursday, December 13th, 1917

Very cold, and more snow. Ther below zero again.

Coal supply very low and no prospect of getting more very soon.

Was up street doing errands and came home to shovel snow and keep up fire. Wrote to Lucy Carpenter and Mary Ricker.

Friday, December 14th, 1917

Ther 10°, a little more snow, some sunshine. After the girls had gone to school, I went to P.O. and mailed the box to Helen at Sheffield, Ala. Sent aprons + ginger snap for Macie, bed-spread, and Will's photo. Did several errands and hurried home. Had a letter from Will written from Rock Island, Ill., or rather at Velie-Villa in Moline, Ill. where he is a guest with his Col. Col King. Also had letter from Mary Y. + Margaret had one from Mary. Frost in Florida. Wrote to Will and Mary Y.

Saturday, December 15th, 1917

Severely cold.

One cannot do much but try to keep comfortable, and the supply of coal is very low in town. We did not get our usual supply last summer + are almost out of it now.

Sunday, December 16th, 1917

Still cold and clear. Went to S.S. and the usual church services.

The second Red Cross membership "drive" began today in the churches. Harry Miller is Pres. and I paid \$5.00 which made our family a star family.

Mr. Bush preached upon Jerusalem this evening, a brief history of the times it has changed owners. Its recent capture from the Turks, etc.

Monday, December 17th, 1917

Still very cold. Ther (didn't put it down).

Busy all forenoon at home and doing errands. Went to W.R.C. in afternoon. Only eight members present. Election of offices. Mrs. Rowe elected Pres. Mrs. Puntenney absent, unable to be out. Wrote to Frank Ricker about taxes on K-property.

Margaret went to Miss Scarf's to Faculty social. Miss S. came for her + brought her home.

Tuesday, December 18th, 1917

Still very cold, though beginning to moderate a little.

Busy as I could be until time to go to the Missionary meeting at Mrs. Bush's. Attendance small but Mrs. Young has returned from her trip to Mrs. Cratt from Chicago as they were present.

Went to see Mary Peebles on my way home. She has decided to go to Bradenton + join Mary Y. to see how she likes it here.

Paid taxes for self and E.S.P.

Wednesday, December 19th, 1917

Weather moderating. Did errands early and late. Sent small box to Carl + Essie, from Elizabeth + myself. Mailed it at supper time. Sent calendar + card to Mr. Cross. Have had several letters asking us not to send Christmas gifts. Many will deny themselves the pleasure this year on recount of the war, and the work necessary for the army and navy. Sent photos of Will to Mrs. Scribner, Mrs. Cameron, Kate Spear and Mary Barr Ricker, at his request as he has no time to do it. Went to prayer-meeting as usual, very few present. Letter from Will from Davenport.

Thursday, December 20th, 1917

Weather wild, and melting. Ther 50° at noon, 55° at 3 P.M. Did some house cleaning, with Mrs. Colrin half a day. Elizabeth went in afternoon to make her X'mas preparations at K-G. She will miss Mary's help. I carried over the candy canes for the tree + she took a basket full of celluloid animals. Sent letter to Mary R. enclosing \$5.00, sent pen to Mary Y. Had letters from Carl and Essie. Christmas card from Mrs. Dunning. Rec'd fine begonia in bloom from Miss Barriss.

Friday, December 21st, 1917

Cloudy and mild Ther 46° at noon. Went to help Elizabeth with her Kindergarten tree + exercises.

Calendars made by the children, candy canes + celluloid animals made them very happy. Elizabeth missed having Mary to help her but she got through all right.

Saturday, December 22nd, 1917

Cold weather continues and walking not very safe. Margaret is afraid to risk walking so did not go out to do her errands.

This has been the worst December that I can remember.

Sunday, December 23rd, 1917

Weather unpleasant, still snow in sheltered places and icy streets. Went to S.S. and the usual church services.

Christmas program on S.S. and Christmas music morning and evening.

Monday, December 24th, 1917

Weather disagreeable, wet and cloudy.

Went up street to do some errands, and as I came home, was surprised to see Will coming down Fifth St. having arrived from Columbus on the noon train.

Was about sick with a bad cold. Took a sleep on the couch, then went out and made three short calls, upon Macie, Miss Mary Peebles + Mrs. S.R. Ross.

Opened packages this P.M. from Margaret Hunt, Clara Ricker, and Carl + Essie. Have had many letters + cards.

Tuesday, December 25th, 1917

Snow again today so we have a white Christmas. Margaret went early to Mrs. Manning's to help her with the dinner. Will, Elizabeth and I went on the car later and we had a good dinner and pleasant visit.

It seemed strange to be away from home for X'mas. And where Will was home so short a time.

We had to leave on the 2:55 P.M. C + O train with him and then returned to Mrs. M's. Later Macie + I came home, Margaret went to the S.S. entertainment before coming home + Elizabeth came later.

Will returned to Washington having been home about twenty-four hours.

Was feeling better than her did yesterday.

Wednesday, December 26th, 1917

Cloudy and disagreeable. Busy at home until after lunch when I went to Mrs. Lane's for treatment to my hair, the fourth, I think. Then went to see Mary P. a few minutes after which I went over home to see Mrs. Bush who is spending the day with Macie. Stayed there to supper and then went to prayer-meeting.

Thursday, December 27th, 1917

Weather miserably unpleasant and I have been out doing errands. Got Liberty Loan Bonds at Security Bank for which we had paid sometime ago. Each of us have some. I finished another sock for Will, the first one of the fourth pair.

Wrote several letters, just a beginning on a pile of nearly forty to be written as soon as I can do it.

Friday, December 28th, 1917

Turned colder again this afternoon and more snow fell. Was busy at home all forenoon. In afternoon accepted Mrs. Cotton's invitation to attend a meeting of the Women's Club when a special program was given. The Lady of the Decoration, readings by Lena K. Reed + Leona Allard with some good music. E. went to Kate Jordan's little party and Margaret stayed at home to wait for a load of coal which did not come.

Wrote, or sent cards to Mrs. Weedon. Will + Arthur Moore, the two latter being in Paris, France. Letter from Helen Moore. Cut first coupon from Liberty Loan Bond. \$179 today.

Saturday, December 29th, 1917

Ther dropped to 5° in the night and usual inches of snow fell before morning. Busy with house work all forenoon. Wrote several letters. Had one from Carl, answered it. Finally for twenty-five bushels of coal today when our supply was reduced to about a wheelbarrow load. Box from Mary came today. My share is an electric candle bulb on a nickel candle stick. Very convenient.

Sunday, December 30th, 1917

Ther 15°, frost laden trees and shrubs, beautiful but oh! So cold.

Went to Sunday School as usual, only one pupil, little Katherine Wear, but three of my last year's girls came to visit as they had no teacher. Mr. Bush preached a good sermon in the evening and Had Mr. Beeching the Executive Sec'y of the Y.M.C.A. in the Camp at Chillicothe, (Sherman) talk on the work among the soldiers in camp. A great opportunity is being improved.

Monday, December 31st, 1917

Ther 10° this morning, but likely it was much lower in the night. Everything covered with fresh snow again.

Had a busy forenoon at home, until nearly noon when I went to do some errands.

Elizabeth chose a wrist watch for her Christmas gift to herself, but Margaret + I were glad to contribute toward it, and Will had given her money, also. Elizabeth had a good letter from Mary telling of her delightful day at Terra Cica on Christmas.