

1918

Tuesday, January 1st, 1918

Ther -6° this morning, official record. Rather cloudy, snow and ice still deep on the streets. No letters today, but I wrote to Will. Went to New Year's prayer-meet at 9 A.M. Was busy at home until late in the afternoon when I went to the Post Office and made a call upon Mary Peebles.

Margaret, Elizabeth + I are at home, Mary in Florida with Carl and Essie, Will in Washington in the Ordnance Department of the Army with rank of Major. Macie + Mrs. Behren in the old home at 6th + Court St.

Wednesday, January 2nd, 1918

Ther 20° deep snow fell in the night, again, light snow all day.

Spent the day, morning, afternoon and evening at Trinity M.E. church attending the S.S. Convention + S.S. Retreat. Arthur Arnold, General State Rec'y. W.W. Gades. Co. Pres. presiding at Convention Mr. Marion Lawrence being the speaker afternoon + evening.

De. W.H. Eriffith-Thomas of Toronto, Can. did not arrive for meetings today. Had letters from Will from U.Y. and wrote him at the Hollenden in Cleveland, where he is to be Friday.

Went up to Trinity three times today. Our prayer-meeting was omitted on account of the S.S. Convention + Retreat.

Thursday, January 3rd, 1918

Very cold. Snow deep, spent the day attending the three services of the S.S. Retreat, morning, afternoon, and evening. Macie goes usually. Elizabeth went with me again this evening, going on the street car. Macie did not go at night. I walked back in the afternoon and did some errands. Called to see Mary Peebles on my way home and saw Mr. L. and Mr. Arnold there for a few minutes. Mr. Bush has attended all the time and led the singing for the congregation.

Mrs. Scudder called here and I walked home with her.

Letter from Mary Y. Moore.

Friday, January 4th, 1918

Still cold and clear. -5°. Went to the meeting at Trinity at 9:30 and heard Dr. Griffith-Thomas on Life, and Mr. Lawrence on a practical S.S. theme. Came home to lunch, went back at 1:30 and heard the last two talks, Mr. Lawrence emphasizing the personal work method of sinning souls. These meetings have been wonderfully interesting + helpful. Ward Miller was present in afternoon. After the meeting I went to Margaret Miller's where a neighborhood knitting party was in progress and Margaret served a chicken supper.

Had letter from Mary.

Saturday, January 5th, 1918

Ther zero this morning and the river frozen over so people are crossing on the ice. Rain began in evening and streets are dangerously slippery. Was busy at home all day.

Went, after supper, to Dr. LeBaron and was vaccinated as there is a case of small pox at the Hollens, next door. No letters today.

Sunday, January 6th, 1918

Very icy and walking dangerous. Went to S.S. as usual and remained to church.

Margaret Miller and Macie here to dinner.

Made out my new Home Dept. lists and supplies.

Went to church again in the evening, only about seventy-five people present morning and evening.

Wrote a letter for Mrs. Hollens to her sister warning her not to come now to visit her as she had intended. Mrs. Hollen cannot send mail out from her home, of course, and it was now necessary to notify Mrs. Ana W not to come here now.

Monday, January 7th, 1918

Ther 28° and streets a glare of ice, unsafe for walking.

Schools re-opened and both Margaret and Elizabeth took up their work.

After lunch I went to pay gas and phone bills, mailed letter to Frank Ricker and Elizabeth Stewart and Essie R. also calendars to Mrs. Carter, L.L. Cross and Ada Carson.

Went to see Mary Peebles, told her good-bye as she leaves in the morning for Brandenton, Fla. She gave me her Ch. + Mis. money to out as needed.

Tuesday, January 8th, 1918

Bright but still cold and icy. Stayed at home all day to be safe. Wrote several letters to persons who had sent me gifts, letters or cards.

Had letters from Will, Mary B. Ricker and Jno Moore.

Kate Jordan called for E. in her machine and took her to Margaret Goddard's to the Clover Club.

Wrote to Clara Armstrong, who is now in Waco, Texas where Hinton is in the U.S. Service.

Wednesday, January 9th, 1918

Beautiful day but still cold, and slippery in many places. Busy with house work most of the day. Had letters from Jean Fuller and wrote Mary B. R. and Aunt Helen Ricker for her birthday next Saturday.

Thursday, January 10th, 1918

Cloudy with snow in the air. Was in all day again on account of the unsafe walking.

Busy as usual, went over my check books + returned checks, filing them in order.

Had another letter from Will, enclosing check for Mary R. + me. Wrote him, also wrote to Mrs. Elder who sent us the usual cards of greeting.

Knit on sock for Will.

Did some mending.

Friday, January 11th, 1918

Weather moderated enough to make the walking even worse and late in afternoon it began to rain. I had started out to go to Bank and Mrs. Drew's but did not step off the porch, the end of it as so slippery I came in again and took up my work.

Gertrude Elliot came with her knitting and had to leave the home through the kitchen and walk in the snow to the gate. Another box of fruit arrival from Carl this afternoon, in good condition which is remarkable in this blizzard.

Saturday, January 12th, 1918

Stormy all last night and mercury -10° this morning here, lower in some parts of the city. Wind all day. Wrote Carl and Helen M. today + Mary Ellen Moore.

In afternoon Elizabeth and I went to Mrs. Gilbert's to a knitting party. Two rooms full of ladies, a pleasant gathering which called out many from near and far in spite of the severe weather. Mrs. S.L. Gilbert, Miss Charlotte Lewis, Nellie Fawn + Aremia Burriss being the hostesses. Delicious supper of cold tongue, salad, hot biscuits, raspberry jam, coffee and cake. Margaret did not go on account of her work.

Sunday, January 13th, 1918

Very cold and slippery, unsafe for walking. Went to S.S. and church. Communion day, one person rec'd, Mrs. Anna Bassler, Bessie Smith's cousin.

Elizabeth did not go out.

Macie here to dinner, as usual. Margaret went to church in the morning. I had only of my own pupils, Katharine Wear. Three of my former pupils came to visit my class, Helen Georgia May, and Margaret Wear.

Wrote a letter for Mrs. Hollen, last Sunday, not today, small-pox patient better.

Monday, January 14th, 1918

Fresh snow again, quite deep. Very slippery under the snow. Went up to the Bank + Post Office in the forenoon.

Mrs. Drew came to see me after dinner to talk over plans for Mr. + Mrs. Prescott's 50th wedding anniversary, which means Jan. 22nd. I wrote Carl.

Finished a sock for Will.

Tuesday, January 15th, 1918

Bright. Fresh now which was rained on and is crusted.

Moderated a little but not enough to melt the snow. Wrote to Will, Mary and Bessie Titus about Mr. Prescott's anniversary.

Spent the evening writing to Mrs. Dennis, Enos and Mary Cook.

Wednesday, January 16th, 1918

Ther -4°. Bright but not melting of snow or ice.

Busy at home all forenoon. At one o'clock went to the Bank, then to Mrs. Lane's and had my hair treated, Made Mrs. Young a little visit did an errand or two. Paid bill at Anderson's \$4.07 and came home.

Macie and I went to prayer-meeting. Small attendance as the weather and walking are so bad.

Dr. P. J. Kline and little Hoyt Smith sat together, a good representation of the old year, and the new. It was Hoyt's wish and he behaves as well as the oldest person, could.

Thursday, January 17th, 1918

Snowing again this morning, until nearly noon when the sun broke through the clouds and it was bright + cold all day. Was over home a few minutes in the forenoon, and then home the rest of the day. Have been phoning many of Mr. + Mrs. Prescott's friends about the anniversary next Tuesday. Hope they will be well remembered. Have written a number of letters, also to others. About four o'clock I began to feel sick and finally called up Dr. LeBaron to ask whether it might be the vaccination taking. It may be cold. Went early to bed.

Friday, January 18th, 1918

Snowing again, clearing later. Looks as though the ground would be covered all winter, with snow and ice. Girls went to school. I am better today. Margaret had a long letter from Mary + me from Essie.

Still in the house. Put notice in paper postponing W.R.C. meeting for Monday in account of cold + fuel shortage.

Saturday, January 19th, 1918

Ther -2°. Bright and clear. Fuel situation serious. Papers full of discussions, and orders upon the conservation of fuel, closing of business hours, churches and schools, in some places. Plenty of coal in the country but inadequate transportation.

Had letter from L.L. Cross, wrote to Will and Helen. Have not been out for three days. Not very well. Mr. Frank Cross arrived at 11 P.M. to preach for Mr. Bush tomorrow. I had letter from L.L.C. today and wrote to will and Helen Moore.

Sunday, January 20th, 1918

Ther -1°, so cold that I did not dare venture out, not feeling well, so missed services this morning. None were held in the evening. Most of the churches closed owing to fuel shortage + severe cold.

Margaret went to S.S. but returned to get dinner. Elizabeth went to morning service in the Bible School room + heard Mr. Cross preach upon the subject "First the blade, then the ear, then the full corn in the ear".

She brought Miss Welty home to dinner, Mrs. Cross + Macie M. being here also. He went to Mrs. Geer's to C.E. meeting at 6 P.M. with Chas. Smith.

Monday, January 21st, 1918

Ther -17°, coldest morning yet, I think. Girls went to school. I wrote to Mr. + Mrs. Henry Prescott for their anniversary tomorrow, fiftieth, also to Mary F. Ricker. Have remained close to the fire all day, doing as little as I could, and taking my pardons regularly.

Letters from Alvira Jenkins and Will, his enclosing one for Mr. and Mrs. Prescott.

Tuesday, January 22nd, 1918

Ther. Is 15°. Moderating. Bright. Called up Mr. + Mrs. Prescott, not yet venturing out, though feeling better. Telegram from Will at noon announcing his promotion from Major to Lieut. Col. Wired him. Wrote him and mailed the new white socks I finished last night. Was at home all day.

Wrote two letters after supper, to Ella V. Ricker + Jean Fuller. Helped Macie finish her black silk waist. Rec'd five more photos from Will, one to be given Mr. P. Elizabeth went with Kate Jordan to Clover Club at Mrs. Chris Heer's, on hill top. Letter from E.F.P.

Wednesday, January 23rd, 1918

Beautiful morning. Ther. 12° by our door. Walking still unsafe and many accidents occur every day. Have not been out for a week, am better but not quite well. Wrote [she didn't finish].

Prayer-meeting was held here this evening, Mr. Scudder, Chas. Smith, Mrs. Young and Bessie Smith were the only ones who came besides Macie and ourselves.

Churches not holding mid-week meetings on account of coal shortage.

Thursday, January 24th, 1918

Not so cold, snow + ice being dug off the sidewalks.

Was home all forenoon, and went out to see Mr. + Mrs. Prescott in afternoon. They showed me the letters, cards + telegrams, flowers + other gifts, I took them Will's photo. They are especially proud of a fine clock which eight of the old time men of the Ports. Foundry + Shop gave them, with a fine letter. Mr. S.R. Ross also wrote them a fine letter.

I had letter from Mary Ellen Moore saying John Carpenter's resignation was not accepted + they will remain in Malden, W.Va. I had letter from Essie, also.

Friday, January 25th, 1918

Moderated rapidly. Ther 48° and streets full of slush and water. Was busy at home all forenoon with W.R.C. and W.M.S. books and papers. Sent Mrs. Campbell Treas. \$42.00 for David Tappan.

After dinner Mrs. Kenyon came to get help in starting a sweater. Elizabeth had letter from Mary + note from Mrs. Weller. I had letter from Essie. E. worked on the little dress for Jackie Jordan, which Mary sent home. I made the bottom holes for her. E. went to M. Miller's to tea. Got a ton of coal for \$6.95 from the Clay Products Co. Got Red Cross yarn for sweater.

Saturday, January 26th, 1918

Ther 30° this morning. Rainy, dark, dismal, all day. Letter from Carl. Had written Essie + Mary Y. Moore.

Gertrude Moore was here, is in great perplexity as Arthur had cabled her to send the children to Lucy and go over to him in Paris. Lucy cannot take the children and she does not know what to do, wrote her reply while here. She surely has her troubles. Elizabeth finished Jackie Jordan's dress and took it to Kate, who was not at home. Margaret dug the ice off the steps over home for Macie.

I began a Red Cross sweater. Eggs \$0.85 cents a dozen.

Sunday, January 27th, 1918

Still icy, trees + shrubbery heavily coated with ice. Sleet storm in the evening when Macie + I went to church.

I went to S.S. + remained to service in the Bible School room.

Margaret Miller + Macie here to dinner.

Elizabeth did not go out at all today. So quite stiff and needs the rest, besides the state of the weather is so unfavorable.

Monday, January 28th, 1918

Moderating, streets full of water held by the ice which obstructs the drainage.

Had letter from Mary F. R. and Mr. Luslee, the latter enclosing certificates of stock in the Guarantee Construction Co. which Will sent me.

I wrote to Will, Mr. Luslee, + Carl. Have not seen Macie today, have not been outside the house + she has not been over.

"Fuelless Monday", was observed by closed stores and all kinds of businesses not actually essential, and using as little as possible in all other places.

Tuesday, January 29th, 1918

Somewhat milder, but no thawing. Ice in the river very heavy and the rising of river is breaking up the ice. Have been at home all day, except for an errand over to see Macie.

Wrote to Mrs. F.L. Johnson, and Prof. McCowan in regard to S.T.J. contest work in County Schools. Mrs. Kenyon came for help with her knotting. Margaret Miller + I went to the bridge + saw the ice which is running from the Ohio into the Scioto River, high.

Wednesday, January 30th, 1918

Still icy but clear today. This is "Tag your shovel" Day and Public Schools were sent out to distribute tags to every house, asking people to save a shovel full of coal every day. We have but one fire and have had trouble getting enough for that one. Letter from Helen M. Went up street to do errands, Mary went with me and we went to see the river which is running today but banks are piled high with heavy ice. Great damage to boats.

We went to prayer-meeting at Chas. Smith's, instead of the church, on account of coal. Minimum temperature 15° today.

Thursday, January 31st, 1918

Bright and clear, but cold. No thawing today. River open again and falling.

Have been at home all day. Finished a corset cover for Elizabeth.

Wrote to Mrs. Powers. Margaret had letter from Mary.

Friday, February 1st, 1918

Minimum temp -7°, off report. An icy day, sunshine but no thawing. Elizabeth went to kindergarten as usual, though the walking is very unsafe.

I was home all day and busy. Had a letter from Will. Still in Washington. Well and busy. Has his boots and spurs.

Saturday, February 2nd, 1918

Min. temp of 5°. Official report. Enough sunshine for the ground-hog to see his shadow and the weather experts predict more bad weather.

Have been at home all day. Mailed letters to Will + Mary that I wrote last night. Today I mended Margaret's new school dress which she had torn. Did a good many things, had a busy day.

No letters.

Grace Titus's birthday.

Gas bill today \$16.80 after deducting 10% discount.

Sunday, February 3rd, 1918

Enough snow fell on the ice to make the walking a little safer and I went to S.S. and church as usual. Attendance better than last Sunday.

Mr. + Mrs. Manning and Robert came late in the afternoon, and before they left, Mr. + Mrs. Miller came. They are staying at the Washington until they can get their house.

Monday, February 4th, 1918

Ther 2° this morning. Grew cold again in the evening, keen wind. Prospect of a cold night.

Letters from both Will and Carl. Wrote to Carl.

Was busy most of the day washing and ironing, long curtains, hdkgs and underwear.

Alice Dever here with her knitting. I sewed up the heavy sweater that Elizabeth has just finished. She began, another, her fifth. Wrote to John + Lucy Carpenter.

Tuesday, February 5th, 1918

Ther -5° this morning and hard to heat the house. Fair. Elizabeth went to K-G as usual. After supper Kate Jordan called for her took her to Clover Club at Edith Appel's. I spent forenoon washing napkins + other things. Went to Aid Society at Mrs. T.M. Lynn's in afternoon. Twenty-eight present. Elizabeth + I each had letters from Mary.

I had letter from Will about income tax + other business. Wrote him this evening on the subject.

British transport Tuscania torpedoed in North Sea. Between 2500 to 3000 people on board. Many saved.

Wednesday, February 6th, 1918

Ther 40° this morning, heavy clouds and light rain. Home all forenoon. Letter from Mrs. Dennis. Wrote Mary + sent in letter to Carl. Mailed letter to Will that I wrote last night.

Prayer-meeting at Mr. Losh's but we did not venture out as the walking is even worse than yesterday. Macie was here, with letter from Virginia.

Ironed three tablecloths, and a few other things.

Thursday, February 7th, 1918

Ther 38° this morning but the walking is not improved, the wet ice is very dangerous. Both girls went to school but charged me to stay in the house. Letter from Jane

Ricker, also one from Will containing papers in regard to income tax and life insurance, etc. Copy of a \$10.00 policy, war insurance, among them. Noon extra had news of the loss of the Tuscania, with some Americans on board.

Louise Sprague brought her work + spent the afternoon.

Did not go to W.C.T.U. on account of dangerous walking.

Friday, February 8th, 1918

Thawing. Rainy day. Home and busy with laundry work.

Wrote sister Elizabeth Peebles, + Virginia Greene.

Mrs. H.C. Weller brought her work and spent the afternoon with Elizabeth and me.

Have not been out anywhere since Tuesday.

Heavy fog this evening.

Saturday, February 9th, 1918

Rainy and thawing. A little sunshine at noon.

Home all day. Margaret out all forenoon doing errands. Letter from Carl in regard to Mary's trip home. Contained letters from Mary to Elizabeth. Ira is at Bradenton.

Have been going over my papers, preparatory to putting them in a safety box at Security Bank.

Mr. Puntenney fell on the ice in his yard + broke his hip today. Wrote to Will.

Sunday, February 10th, 1918

Still moderating and yet there is much ice on streets, and river. Went to S.S., and church both morning and evening.

Mr. Bush preached good sermons, especially the one in evening, from the account in Jeremiah of Jakerkins cutting out parts of the Word of God and burning them. Late in afternoon Margaret Miller and Mrs. Manning were here.

Monday, February 11th, 1918

Almost like spring, fires low, and comfortable with open door, or window.

Letters from Will + Essie, also letter and announcement cards from Mrs. Margaret Meredith telling of the marriage of her granddaughter Margaret Elise Gerhardt to Almon Conrad, who is enlisted and subject to call, anytime. Married Feb. 1st.

Mrs. Bennet + I did some house-cleaning.

Wrote to Mary Peebles and sent Cousin Margaret's letters. Wrote to Mary + Essie.

Tuesday, February 12th, 1918

Mild, warm usual wind, a "weather breeder" which culminated on a thunder storm, with high wind. Large upper pane in west windows broken into fragments, by the slamming of a shutter. Cooler after the rain.

Lincoln's birthday given much space in the newspapers.

Wrote birthday letter to Margaret Hunt, and rec'd a sixteen page letter from her for the family, just after mine had gone.

Wednesday, February 13th, 1918

Mild as spring. Went to the funeral of Mr. J.H. Hurd this forenoon, and afterwards walked out to Mr. Bagg's home.

Mrs. Pratt came home from Chicago this noon, train late, so I did not see her.

Mr. Schmidt replaced the broken pane of glass this morning.

The usual prayer-meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Young this evening, led by Mr. Scudder, sixteen being present. Macie + I went.

Thursday, February 14th, 1918

Ther. rose to 76° today according to Dr. Schirrmann's Gov't. Records.

Mrs. Bennett + I busy all forenoon cleaning. Telegram from Carl said Mary has some cold and will not start until better. Has written. In afternoon I went to Mrs. Eda Bagg's funeral at her late home. Then to see Mrs. Silcox, and from there to see Mrs. Puntenney, + Mr. P. who broke his hip last Saturday. Talked with Mrs. Pratt, over the phone, after tea. She will return to Chicago to live with her son Thornton.

Elizabeth and her k-g children had a fine time with their valentines.

Friday, February 15th, 1918

Weather moderate. Snow all gone from sidewalks at last, though there are piles of ice in places. Was busy all forenoon with laundry work + other housework. Letter from Mary, written Monday, saying the doctor told her she would better not start home until better, there was danger of pneumonia unless she was very careful. I sent Carl a night message telling him to keep her until it was safe for her to travel.

Margaret Peebles Hunt's birthday. Sam Johnson came to advise me in regard to income tax + said I need make no returns.

Will left Washington, for N.Y. this P.M. on orders.

Saturday, February 16th, 1918

Fair.

Busy at home in morning. Margaret wrote Mary. Received a photo from Will, group of officers American Ordnance Base Dept. France. Taken in Washington. Feb. 1918. Sixty-seven men.

Spent part of afternoon with Mrs. Frank L. Johnson, who is better. Mrs. Evans brought me home in her new Dodge machine. Mrs. Scudder's fine new Cadillac came today. Miss Easton spent evening here. Elizabeth went to Mrs. Manning's to dine with the Wellers + from there to Leona's for the evening.

Sunday, February 17th, 1918

Weather pleasant.

Attendance at S.S. improved. Was at both church services, and heard good sermons. Macie and Margaret Miller here to dinner.

Monday, February 18th, 1918

Fair and pleasant.

Home in forenoon and went to Woman's Relief Corps meeting in afternoon. First meeting in Public Library Bldg. Which is the best room we have ever had, at least for many years.

Mrs. Lydia M. Rowe assumed the Present's chair and other officers were installed.

I entered upon the officer of Secretary of the W.R.C. for the twenty-seventh time, since 1884 when Corps was organized. Enos came today, from Columbus, a business trip for the company. Will stay all night at our house, Macie's rooms being all filled.

Letter from Will from N.Y.

Tuesday, February 19th, 1918

Clouds, light rain in forenoon cleared then rained hard in the evening.

Letter from Essie saying Mary would soon be better, they thought but could not start home yet. Enos left after dinner on N+W for his home at Tuscumbia, Ala. The town where Helen Keller lives.

Rained so hard that Elizabeth did not go to the Clover Club, at Leona Labold's.

I wrote to Will. Rec'd letter, no pencil, stamped "Censored U.S. Army Base Soldier's Mail". Was in N.Y. attending to some personal business.

Wednesday, February 20th, 1918

Fair and cooler. Busy with Mrs. Bennett in the kitchen all forenoon. In afternoon, took my knitting + went to Mrs. Young's, doing errands on my way, then finished my second sweater (first for Red Cross) and turned it in. Got gray yarn for another and set it up after supper. Went to prayer-meeting at the Bible School room, Macie + I.

Thursday, February 21st, 1918

Quite pleasant for the season. Wrote Will, sent him letters from Carl + Essie telling how Mary is.

Went to see Dr. LeBaron about Mary's neck, Carl, Essie + Mary Y. all having written that Dr. Gates, there, says she needs treatment for it, a matter which has given me much concern for sometime.

Letter from Mary Y. Moore.

Friday, February 22nd, 1918

Fair and pleasant. Maple trees budding, and sugar sap running.

Letter from Essie saying Mary doing well but still in bed. Also one from Carl. Wrote them. Telegram from John about his watch which he wants Will to keep, if he still has it.

Saturday, February 23rd, 1918

Beautiful day. Ther 22° early but was warmer, later.

Busy until nearly noon then went to P.O. with letters for Will, postal for John + birthday card for Mary Peebles for the 25th. Spent afternoon sweeping my room, then went after the head. Mrs. Rowe came to help make out the W.R.C. report of election to be mailed.

Elizabeth's right knee is very lame today.

No word from Mary since yesterday.

Sunday, February 24th, 1918

Ther 48° in morning, 60° at 3 P.M.

Rain in afternoon + evening.

S.S. and usual church services. No one went to church but myself. Expected special delivery letter from Carl, but none came.

Macie here to dinner.

Jane Ricker's birthday.

Monday, February 25th, 1918

Ther 50°, damp + cloudy this morning. After the girls went to school I began on my report for the W.M.S. meeting tomorrow and got it as nearly complete as possible, to date.

This is Mary Peebles' birthday. I wrote her a letter several days ago, and sent her a card Saturday. No word from Will.

Carl's special del. letter came today, with one from Marry written two dates later. She is up but very weak.

Tuesday, February 26th, 1918

Beautiful day. Got ready early and went to Mrs. Young's to the All Day Missionary meeting. Had the Jan. program at 10 A.M. A fine dinner at noon. In the afternoon, others came for the Fict. program and the final closing of the business for the year. It has been an unusual year and our report better than for several years. Same affairs re-elected, excepting Sec'y. Mrs. Bush was made Sec'y as Mrs. Little declined to serve again.

Wednesday, February 27th, 1918

Fine day. Worked on my final report for Missionary Society in forenoon.

In afternoon went to see Dr. LeBaron about Elizabeth, after which I went to the City Building and attended my first meeting with the County Soldiers' Commision having been appointed by Judge Beatty, the first woman appointed under the new law requiring that one member of the Board be a soldier's widow. Jas. was for years a member, as Sec'y. The other members are David L. Jones, and J.H. Tritts.

Thursday, February 28th, 1918

Pleasant. Mr. Sparks worked on the two trees which I am having cut down as they are badly broken. Will have a new one set out.

Friday, March 1st, 1918

Mild, and a little rain.

Have spent sometime on my Missionary report and sent Mrs. Campbell, Treas. \$156.40 today which brings the amount for the year up to 282, including the items for the Society, the program and flowers for Mrs. Micklethwait funeral.

Mr. Sparks finished his job of cutting down the tress on the side walk.

Saturday, March 2nd, 1918

Fog, frost, and finally clear + pleasant. Busy about the house all forenoon.

Margaret out doing errands until noon.

Willard Sparks put away the last of the wood from the two trees, and I swept up the sidewalk, finishing the job. Paid Mr. Sparks \$10.00 for cutting down the two trees + making wood to burn in the grate, + paid Willard \$1.00 for putting it all away.

Elizabeth went to Dr. Adams who found her teeth + gums in good condition. His first work for the family as Dr. Ruggles' successor. No word from Will.

Sunday, March 3rd, 1918

Beautiful day and pleasant. Bulbs showing up in the yard. Went to S.S. and church in morning. Macie + Margaret Miller here to dinner. Macie + I went out to Second Church to hear Dr. Williams, pastor of a Chicago church, tell his experience in temperance work in that city, a strong fight with liquor league.

Went to church again in the evening.

Monday, March 4th, 1918

Mild and rainy all day.

Elizabeth went to kindergarten in the rain. At noon the mail came, late, and brought me a letter from Mr. C.L. Luslee, and some papers Will had ordered sent from the N.Y. office. Mr. Luslee explained that Will had gone to France, but the date of sailing was uncertain as the movements are kept secret from the public. He supposed Will sailed the 18th or 19th and is probably there, but no word has been received.

He sent me \$75.00 and the same sum is to be sent from the office each month, the pensions for these were \$75.00, some today also.

Letter from Mary says she does not know when she can come home, is better, but very weak. Wrote Mr. Luslee, Mary, Essie, + Will.

Tuesday, March 5th, 1918

Ther 40°, wet. Cleared later and was pleasant.

Went up street in forenoon and paid Gas + telephone bills, and deposited in Bank the check Will sent \$75.00, also \$75 pension money.

In afternoon went to Mrs. Grady's to the Aid meeting + was asked to write letter to Sadie Phillippi, nurse in France.

No word from Will. Letter from Mary to me. I had letters from Oelle Lawman + Chas. C. Glidden, both being thanks for Christmas Calendars in 1917.

Wednesday, March 6th, 1918

Cloudy. Ther 62°. Wrote Sarah Ellen Phillippi, Bare Hospital 8.A.E.7. France, also wrote several other letters.

Prayer-meeting in evening, as usual.

Mrs. Cadot here in afternoon.

Thursday, March 7th, 1918

Pleasant, spring-like day. Was busy at home I forenoon. In the afternoon went to W.C.T.U. meeting at the Zala Mission Room. Came home and finished the six property bags for the soldiers in hospitals. Two for Elizabeth, for the 4th St. Teacher's assignment, two for the W.R.C. + two for the Stephen Lindsley Guild. Wrote to Mary.

About 10 P.M. I saw a wonderful display of the Aurora Borealis, the most remarkable for many years.

Friday, March 8th, 1918

Fine day. Finished the bags, putting in the strings and delivered them. Also took package of Scientific Temp. literature to Supt. McConan for use in County High Schools.

Had letter from Carl, also wrote one to Mr. Luslee, and one to Will, using the address, Ordnance N.Y. Base Dept. France, % Postmaster, New York as mail is forwarded from there.

An account of the wonderful Aurora Borealis appeared in the papers his morning, reported from Europe as being as bright that it was used by the German army to make an attack.

Saturday, March 9th, 1918

Cloudy in morning. Cleared later, then rain + high wind in evening. Maximum temp 82°, minimum 42° today.

Had letter from Aunt Helen Ricker, also one from Mr. Luslee, enclosing the message her rec'd announcing Will's safe arrival overseas, but no hint of when or where. Wrote to Aunt H., Carl, Mr. Cross and Mary Peebles. Margaret + Elizabeth spent this evening at Leona's to meet Miss Easton and Charlotte Bannon, who serve (?) for France, in War Service.

Sunday, March 10th, 1918

Pleasant day.

Usual Sunday School and church services.

Macie here to dinner as usual.

Monday, March 11th, 1918

The forty-third wedding anniversary of Elisha Barton Greene and sister Sarah Virginia Moore, now living near Bazaar, Kansas, where they have been since.

I have, for many years, written her a letter for the day, but did not get it done for today.

Letter from Enos enclosing one to him from Richard Alger, with mention of Will as he is known in Washington. Loaned it to Frank A.

Tuesday, March 12th, 1918

Weather beginning to be like spring.

Did not get my letters off to sister Virginia for her anniversary, will do it later. There have been so many demands upon my time, outide and at home that many things have been neglected.

Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Bush + I went to Mrs. Young's this evening to make out the Missionary Program for 1918. It was raining a little when I came home.

Wednesday, March 13th, 1918

Ther 50°. Dark and rainy, hard rain at 7 A.M. + when we went to prayer-meeting, in the evening.

A good day for work in the house. Still no word from Will, other than the first announcement of his safe arrival in France, from Mr. Luslee.

Busy as I can be but with the ordinary routine which is forgotten as soon as done, and out of the way.

Letter from Mrs. Bond. Answered it.

Thursday, March 14th, 1918

Fine day. Alice came to sweep and I was busy all day getting the house in order for company in the evening. Mrs. Bannon + Charlotte, Miss Charlotte Easton, Mrs. Cadot and Sister Mary were here to supper and spent the evening.

Charlotte's prospective trip to France was principal topic of conversation.

It seems a hazard was undertaking under present condition but she wants to go.

I got Will's photo of the Ordnance Officers, sixty-seven of them home from Reilley's today. He is the only one, besides Col. King whom we know.

Friday, March 15th, 1918

Pleasant. Spring seems to be coming on rapidly.

Saturday, March 16th, 1918

Pleasant day. Busy as usual at home in the forenoon. Wrote to Will. Had errands up street in forenoon. After dinner went to see Kate Reilley, and called to see the Johnson family as Sherrard is home for a short time, and tomorrow will be his birthday. Had heard his mother mention the fact, so sent him a card. He returns to Fort Dodge, from here.

Sunday, March 17th, 1918

Fine day. Attended the usual S.S. and church services. Macie here to dinner.

The first of the meetings to be held with Bigelow church was held there his evening. Mr. Bush preaching the sermon.

Mrs. Samuel Timmunds leads the chorus choir, and does it well.

Monday, March 18th, 1918

Fine day and quite warm. Busy at home in the forenoon. Spent afternoon at W.R.C. meeting at the Carnegie Library. After the meeting I called upon Mrs. Weller, who was not at home. Then stopped at Mrs. Evan's a few minutes on Missionary business.

Went to church in the evening at Bigelow M.E. church.

Tuesday, March 19th, 1918

Fine day. Warm enough for light wrap. Margaret's new Ford machine was brought this evening. I let her have \$100.00 on the payment.

It is the best of its kind with all the up to date improvements.

We hope it will prove a great help to Margaret this summer.

Went to the meeting at Bigelow this evening, the early prayer-meeting was led by Mr. Cole. Elizabeth did not go to Clover Club at Edna Streich's, not being able to walk + no one called for her.

Wednesday, March 20th, 1918

Beautiful day. Clouded up in evening. Willow tree in Mrs. Oakes yard green and flowers in our yard beginning to bloom. Virginia Greene Parrish's birthday.

Took proof, or rather copy of program, to Keptune Press before noon.

Letters from Helen Moore, one from Mary to Margaret in afternoon. Wrote Virginia Greene and Carl. Margaret went to see Charlotte Bannon start for New York, and later on sail for France.

Box of grape-fruit sent by Carl from the Atwood farm came today. Mrs. Cotton called here today.

Thursday, March 21st, 1918

Beautiful day. Doors and windows open. No fires. Jonquils, blood-rot, + crocuses blooming.

Home all day. Telegram from Mary at Cin. Wired train. I sent Carl postal.

After the evening service at Bigelow, I came home and wanted to go + meet Mary at C + O train due at 10:38 but the girls thought it was unnecessary as the bus would bring her home. We all then waited until after eleven o'clock before she came, and then we learned that the bus service has been discontinued so she had to walk, alone and carry her small baggage. We are happy to have her home but sorry we did not meet her.

Check from St. Joe for \$113.00.

Friday, March 22nd, 1918

Beautiful day. Warm until late in evening when it became cool. Mary's baggage has not come yet. She spent the afternoon taking a lesson in driving the new Ford, Margaret cannot find the time to leave now.

I wrote to Essie about Mary's safe arrival.

Martha Moulton and Leona Labold were here when I came home from church. Was out to Mrs. Prescott's before supper.

Saturday, March 23rd, 1918

Fine day. Busy at home all forenoon. Watched for postman, but no letter from Will yet. Wrote to him, to Mary Elen Moore and Mary Y. Moore. Gertrude Moore was here.

Went up street before supper. Called to see Mrs. Row, but did not get in. To see Mrs. Young and then mailed my letters and got a post office order for Margaret. Elizabeth and Mary both taking cold.

Sunday, March 24th, 1918

Rain, which affected attendance at church and S.S.

Mr. Chandler of Bigelow preached both morning and evening, Mr. Bush filling his pulpit in morning, congregations uniting in evening. E + M home all day. Margaret + I went to S.S. + morning service. I went with Macie in evening. Had gas lighted at dinner time, it was so dark and cloudy.

Monday, March 25th, 1918

Bright, clear and windy.

Home all forenoon + busy as usual. Mary went to C + O office to inquire about her trunk which has not yet come. Letter from John this morning, suggesting that I go to see him. Sent cards to Mrs. Bond, Johnson, Whitney, + Barnes of West Union.

Macie and I went to church in the evening at our own church all of this week.

First letter from Will, from France, came this afternoon. Most thankful to get it. Wrote him.

Tuesday, March 26th, 1918

Beautiful day, but not as pleasant as it has been.

In the afternoon Macie and I went to the Aid Soc. meeting at Mrs. Wilhelm's on McConnel St. Mrs. Evans took us but we made some calls afterward + came home on street car. Called to see Mrs. Storck, + stopped at Mrs. Manning's. Found Sadie Creigh there.

Macie + I went to church in the evening.

Flurry of snow this morning.

Wednesday, March 27th, 1918

Pleasant. Spring seems to be here.

Mrs. Manning and Sadie were here this morning for a few minutes. Sadie had been to report to Mr. Appel that she was ready, when wanted, for substitute work.

Went to church in the evening.

Thursday, March 28th, 1918

Beautiful day. Alice came this morning to sweep. She and Mary were busy until noon. I got ready to go up street and before I left, Lieut. Sherrard Johnson made me a brief call, in return for the one I made at his house when he arrived. He leaves again this afternoon for the west.

Friday, March 29th, 1918

Fine day. Home all forenoon except for a short errand to the Bank. Went to City Bldg in afternoon to meet with County Soldiers Relief Commission. Thirty-six applications for help. From there went to Mrs. Roe's to make out W.R.C. reports. Mary + a driver took Margaret and Miss Cramer to the country and she came back at noon.

Decided to go to Presbyterial at West Union April 10th-11th unless something occurs to prevent.

Wrote to Mrs. Barnes accepting her invitation. Letter from Essie.

Saturday, March 30th, 1918

Beautiful day. Home all forenoon. At noon received a pot of fine jonquils from Mrs. Easton.

The Jordan children brought flowers to Elizabeth. Was home most of the day. Went to P.O. three times. Wrote to Will and Mrs. Pratt, and sent two rolls of papers to M.Y.M.

Mary had another lesson on driving, with a different driver. Margaret Miller here after tea.

This is the date set by Congress for changing the clocks, they are to be set a head one hour, after midnight tonight, some people will change before bedtime. It is known as the Saving Daylight plan, another war measure. Papers full of the great battle in Europe.

Sunday, March 31st, 1918

A most beautiful Easter Day. Mr. Scudder away, at Atlantic City. Margaret out at the farm. Mary and I went to S.S.

Communion services in the morning. Mr. + Mrs. Bush left in afternoon for Philadelphia to attend funeral of their special friend Mr. Barr, elder in the church from which Mr. B. came. Macie + I went to Bigelow in the evening.

Mary, with Margaret Miller for company, + a driver, went after Margaret + Miss Cramer.

Monday, April 1st, 1918

Sunshine + shade, pleasant. Letter from N.Y. office with check for \$75.00 to be shared with Mary. Letter from Senator Harding promising to vote, + use inference for the Prohibition Amendment. Made two copies of W.M.S. report for the church + Presbytery.

Receipts for years, \$325.40. Dis. -\$324.65. Letter from Essie.

Tuesday, April 2nd, 1918

Warm and pleasant. Was out on errands in forenoon, spent the afternoon at Aid meeting at Mrs. David Thomas'. Election of officers. Mrs. Schwartz begged to be released as President and Mrs. Ida Grady was elected in her place. Mrs. Matthews V.P. in place of Mrs. Manning, others the same. Mrs. Ives Sec'y, Mrs. Peel Treas.

Went to see Mrs. Hattie Johnson, but she cannot see anyone. Stopped at Public Library + Mrs. Wirt Stadler's on way home. Letter from Senator (?) in reply to my appeal in favor of National Prohibition of the Liquor traffic. Elizabeth went with Kate J. to Clover Club. Mary didn't go.

Wednesday, April 3rd, 1918

Thunderstorm in the night, with rain. Letter from Frank R. with check for \$15.00 interest on note. Wrote him, Essie, also W. McAdoo upon the National Prohibition vote now pending. The Amendment to the Constitution has now been ratified by the Legislatures of Mississippi, Kentucky, Virginia, South Carolina and North Dakota, fine of the necessary thirty-six to ratify.

Macie, Mary and I were at prayer-meeting, led by Mr. Losh. Small attendance. Good talk.

Thursday, April 4th, 1918

Cool and cloudy this morning. Out to pay bills, gas + telephone etc. Turned in the sweater just finished for the Red Cross, third one for the R.C. had made one, with helmet + three pairs of wristlets for Navy League. Got yarn for socks for R.C. + started one at the W.C.T.U. meeting, this afternoon. Letters from John M. today. Wrote Will.

E + M had turkey dinner at Margaret M's this evening. Miss Easton spent evening here. I went to telegraph office with her to send message to College Pres. in Ill. Concerning position.

Turned in 3rd sweater for R.C. Had helmet + 3 wristlets for Navy League.

Friday, April 5th, 1918

Cool enough for fire in living room. Did errands for M. this morning getting things together for her to take to country. Mary at Navy League. Mary had fine letter from Mary Y.M. Out doing errands both morning and afternoon. Got Margaret's things together for the trip to the country, tomorrow. Found more to clean ceilings, tomorrow, also. Went to inquire about Mr. Chas. Thompson who was operated upon Tuesday for a growth under his right arm.

Turned colder in evening.

Saturday, April 6th, 1918

Unpleasantly windy.

A busy day as usual.

Margaret disappointed about not going to the country. Prepared birthday cards for Mr. Ross's birthday, on the 8th one for myself + one for Will, + wrote Mrs. Sarah Fuller about the day, hoping she would send him a card.

Mr. Smith cleaned the ceilings in library and sitting room. No word from Will. Wrote him.

Sunday, April 7th, 1918

Rainy day. Went to S.S. and church as usual.

Mr. Bush preached a strong doctrine sermon in the morning. Mr. Horst of the Second church preached for us in the evening to a small audience. Rain kept many away.

Monday, April 8th, 1918

Cool and windy. Had Mrs. Edmiston to help with home-cleaning. Did library + sitting room.

Was out doing errands, after dinner. In evening called upon Mr. Ross on his 99th birthday. Found him well and very happy over the many remembrances. Tom + his wife + Mrs. Pendleton here for the occasion.

No letter from Will. Put the insurance paper into the safety deposits box at Security Bank.

Tuesday, April 9th, 1918

Cold enough for winter clothing and wraps. Mrs. Edmiston here all day cleaning. I made my preparations and left at 3:45 for West Union. Found train an hour late so we were late reaching Peebles. Large delegation, about twenty from here went over in autos. Helena Matthews and Audrey Taylor being in my care, but in another machine.

Mr. + Mrs. Barnes were waiting on the porch for me when we arrived and gave me a warm welcome. Mrs. Evans went to Mrs. Spears'. There being no evening meeting we all retired early.

Wednesday, April 10th, 1918

Ther 24°. Awoke to find three or four inches of snow on the ground. Many have taken down stores and houses are cold, but not here at Mrs. Barnes' home. Mrs. Spears sent her auto to take us back + forth to the meetings and meals. Presbyterial well attended, Mrs. Bartz of For. Synodical + Mrs. Gut Davis, field worker of Home are fine speakers. Three meetings today. Church crowd in evening. Mrs. Ludy of Georgetown came to Mrs. Barnes' in evening as her second guest. Thelma Matthews + Audrey Taylor are staying with Miss S.M. Woods + delighted.

Thursday, April 11th, 1918

Snow still on the ground until late in the day. After the noon hour, soon cleared the sidewalks and we walked to the Methodist church for dinner.

Excellent meetings at which Mrs. Bartz, Pres. Foreign Synodical gave talks, Election of officers resulted in re-election of Mrs. Pobst as Pres. and I promoted to 1st Vice Pres. Had thought my time had expired. Had supper at Mrs. Barnes' and left in car with Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Bush + Mrs. Ives for Peebles, at 6 P.M. Reached home at 9:30. Letter from Essie. Girls had all their supper at Gertrude's with Ralph. Carl, Lucy C. + her mother. Mary had taken girls in car.

Friday, April 12th, 1918

Weather still cold and gray. Was glad to be home this morning. Lucy Carpenter came to see us, and later Ralph came for a short call. Both leave today, she going home and he back to El Paso, Texas. Carl will return to Ironton.

Wrote letters to Mrs. Barnes + Miss Spears. Paid bills for the door which Mr. Sparks made in the brick stable, for the auto. Good job, cost \$32.57.

Carl Moore came in and made us a good call in afternoon. Margaret Miller here also. Margaret went to class party tonight. No letter from Will yet. Good one from Essie. Letter from Enos to Mary told of his being called to Washington to take a position of importance.

Saturday, April 13th, 1918

Still cold, but sun shining today. I have a stiff back, Margaret a stiff ankle and Elizabeth a stiff knee.

Letter from Mr. Cross in Cal. this A.M. Busy with house work, in forenoon.

Postman, Harry Heddlesar, phoned from P.O. late this afternoon that there were letters from Will which we could have by going after them. Mary went and got the good

long cheerful letters saying he was well and comfortable but could not tell no where he is, though he mentioned some places where he had been.

Letters were dated March 19th + 24th. First one had been from him.

Mary Ellen Moore here, today.

Sunday, April 14th, 1918

Rained in forenoon. Bright in the afternoon. Went to S.S. and church. Two members of the "Gideon Band" were in our pulpit, (and others) in morning. The National Pres. H. Hemphines of Huntington, + "Sandy" Crissinger, of Chicago, who made a fine address upon the work. Office is to bring men to Christ, especially traveling men. In afternoon Macie and I went out to Franklin Ave. M.E. Church to Gideon meeting. Our own church in the evening.

Monday, April 15th, 1918

Beautiful day. Busy at home in forenoon. Went to W.R.C. in the afternoon. Mary took me in the machine, and came for me later at Miss Cramer's. My first ride in the New Ford machine.

This is an historic day for the U.S. Fifty-three years today since the close of the Civil War was being celebrated, and our great President Abraham Lincoln was shot in Washington. I saw the house where he died when I was in Washington last August. Made a mistake, the date should be April 14th yesterday. Called to say good-bye to Kate Reilly, who leaves tomorrow for California with her sister Sarah. She is extremely weak.

Tuesday, April 16th, 1918

Weather mild and pleasant. The postponed meeting of the Clover Club was held here this evening with a good attendance. I was over at Macie's awhile after supper, then went up to Earl Hannah's and made a call upon Mrs. H's mother. Am trying to sell some of the 3rd Liberty Loan Bonds. Mrs. Grady took one \$100 one and Mrs. Frank took \$100. I shall buy one for myself, \$100, and \$50.00 each for Elizabeth and Mary.

Wednesday, April 17th, 1918

Beautiful day and quite warm. Home in forenoon. Just at noon went out to Mrs. Grady's to the Auxiliary, "all day" meeting to which the officers of the W.M.S. were invited. Had a fine meeting, good program, fine lunch, and society bought a 450.00 bond by personal subscription, to be the property of the Auxiliary. Called to see Mrs. Puntenney + Mrs. Silcox. Mary came after me, found me on 17th St.

Prayer-meeting in the evening.

Thursday, April 18th, 1918

Cool but pleasant. Busy at home in forenoon. After dinner went out to Mrs. Frank's and told her about W.R.C. work also sold her a \$100.00 bond for which she wrote me a check. Called to see Mrs. Fagan. Was going to inquire about Mr. Chas Thompson but heard that is was not a good time as they are getting ready to take him to the Hospital for a second operation. Took the bond to Mrs. Losh.

Rec'd letter from Mr. Luslee enclosing \$250.00 divided, G.C. stock, also letter from Carl. Mrs. Cadot + Miss Firmstone here after supper.

Friday, April 19th, 1918

Still cool enough to need fires. Bright and breezy.

Home all forenoon. Made another combination suit for Margaret ready for the trimming. Invited to Mrs. Young's for the afternoon.

Wrote to Will + sent him letters from Carl + Essie.

Mary took Margaret to the country, Elizabeth going with them. He will be there alone tonight as Miss C. could not go.

Saturday, April 20th, 1918

Rained. Margaret went to go to the country yesterday afternoon. Miss Cramer could not go, so she was there alone all night.

Mary and Macie went and returned afternoon + brought Margaret home.

It rained just as we met Margaret. Put up curtains and got home all right.

Elizabeth spent afternoon at Marting's store in Liberty Loan booth.

Sunday, April 21st, 1918

Rained some. Cold + raw.

Attended the usual services and spent the day as usual. Macie here to dinner. Elizabeth stayed at home all day.

Monday, April 22nd, 1918

Pleasant day. Bright and not cold as it has been.

Mary is practicing with Miss Blake's orchestra for an entertainment.

She and Elizabeth went to see Mrs. Weller after supper.

Ada and little Louis spent most of the afternoon here. Came to see Aunt Mary Ellen, who has not yet arrived.

Fair and pleasant.

Been home most of the day. Ada and little Louis spent the afternoon here, came to call upon Aunt M.E.M. who had not arrived.

After she left I went out on some errands.

Went to see Miss Cramer to ask about her experience with the Chiropractic treatment. She strongly advises it for Elizabeth.

Tuesday, April 23rd, 1918

It was a mistake in the date. Today Aunt Mary Ellen Moore came, before lunch for a short visit with us. We took a long ride in the afternoon. In the evening Mr. + Mrs. Prescott came and stayed until about 9 o'clock.

Wednesday, April 24th, 1918

Rainy all day, by spells.

Mary spent forenoon at Red Cross. After breakfast Macie came over and made a call. Just before lunch Mary Ellen + I went to the church to see the memorial tablet, which she had never seen.

After lunch she left on the C + O train for Malden, W.Va.

I went out to Mrs. Prescott's to ask Mr. P. about filling out my personal tax list. Was also at Mrs. Frank's. Mrs. Losh's on Liberty Bond business.

Prayer-meeting in the evening.

Thursday, April 25th, 1918

Cloudy and cold in morning, clear and beautiful later, but windy.

Was out in forenoon making out my personal tax list + finally got in the hands of the official. Was at Mrs. Frank's + Mrs. Losh's about Liberty Bonds.

In afternoon, Elizabeth + I went to Dr. Parks + each took a treatment for the spine, + am hoping the Dr. can relieve her rheumatism.

Alice Dever here to tea. Macie + I went to Miss Anna Cramer's piano recital at High School in the evening.

Friday, April 26th, 1918

Rained several times during the day and quite hard in the evening at the time of the Liberty Bond parade.

Had the letters from Will this morning, in one of them said he had rec'd mine of Feb. 19th on the day he wrote April 7th. Am thankful to know he has at last heard from us. I wrote to him and Mr. Luslee today. Had just written + sent Mr. L's letter before hearing from Will.

In evening attended the 20th Anniversary, celebration of the giving away of Co. H. to the War with Spain. Meeting in Library Bldg. well attended.

Saturday, April 27th, 1918

Cloudy in morning. Cleared later.

Mary + Elizabeth took M + Miss C. to the country, returning before noon. Two more letters came from Will this morning, one for me, + one for Margaret. Good cheerful letters.

I wrote him + Mr. Luslee again. Also wrote to Carl, Helen and Mrs. Ellison + Hellen Moore. Six letters today.

Elizabeth + I took second treatments from Dr. Parks. My back is troubling me.

Sunday, April 28th, 1918

Beautiful day. Margaret in the country. Mary and I went to S.S. Elizabeth + I to church in evening.

Dr. J.R. Miller, Anti-Salem man spoke in morning. Made a strong address. I have check for \$5.00 to the work. Believe the victory for prohibition is out far away, + want to hasten is all I can. Mrs. Cadot here to dinner. Girls went after Margaret + Miss Cramer about 3:30.

Monday, April 29th, 1918

Pleasant, but still rather cool. Was out both before and after dinner. Had a full day.

Elizabeth and I went to Dr. Parks' at 1:30. Then I went to City Bldg to meet with the Soldiers County Commission, after which I called at Mrs. Graf's to see her new grand-daughter, Margaret's baby.

In the evening Macie, Elizabeth and I went to Bigelow to hear the Song Cycle given by the Ladies' Musicale, to buy a Liberty Bond. Mary played with Miss Alice Blake's Violin Orchestra.

Tuesday, April 30th, 1918

Light shower late this evening.

Busy at home, mending waist for Margaret, + doing various things. Got my shoes from shop. Paid \$1.30 for mending them. No mail today except note from Mrs. Curtiss who cannot come to P. now. W.M.S. met at Muriel Dot's, Mary took Macie, Mrs. Harris and me out, brought Mrs. H., Mrs. Taylor + me home. Good meeting. I sold a fifty dollar Liberty Bond to Lillian Wittenburg. Elizabeth took her Chicago University examination today. She did not go to Clover Club this evening, at Martha Smith's home.

The first funeral of Portsmouth boy W. Harrison Miller, lost on the "Manley", was held here this afternoon. Great crowds were in attendance. Being at the W.M.S. I did not see it. Letter from Mrs. Curtiss.

Wednesday, May 1st, 1918

Wet + cold in morning. Ther 42°.

Macie rec'd by parcel post a pkg of tea from Mereyweather's in Cin. which was probably ordered years ago, she cannot explain or account for it. Sun came out at 9:45 A.M.

Letter from Essie, returning two of Will's letters.

E + I went to Dr. Park's again, 4th time. Prayer-meeting in the evening. Enos came today and was with us this evening.

Thursday, May 2nd, 1918

Beautiful day, but we have had fire all day, for comfort.

Alice was here to sweep.

Macie + I went to noon prayer-meeting at Central Pres. Ch. Went to call upon Grace Cane and from there Macie + I went to the church, then I went to dinner with her and Enos.

Went to W.C.T.U. meeting in afternoon. Mrs. Weller was here and went with Mary, Macie + Elizabeth for a ride. Wrote to Virginia Greene and Essie.

Friday, May 3rd, 1918

Fine day. Busy as usual. In afternoon Mary, Elizabeth + Enos went with Margaret + Miss Cramer to the country.

Enos took his camera and made some pictures of the little cottage.

I had Macie + Enos stay here for supper, which was late. We took Elizabeth's kindergarten children this morning.

Saturday, May 4th, 1918

Fine day for any kind of work or play. We went to Dr. P's about 9 A.M. Fifth treatments. Have worked in yard again.

Sunday, May 5th, 1918

Fine day. S.S. and usual church services.

Enos + Macie here to dinner. Girls went after Margaret and Miss Cramer about 3 o'clock P.M.

Monday, May 6th, 1918

Fine day that ended with a thunder shower and some hail in the late afternoon.

I went to Mrs. Evans' to a Con. meeting to arrange for a social meeting, our W.M.S. to entertain all the other missionary societies of our church, next week.

Enos took pictures of the two homes, the cemetery lot, Mrs. Behrens and several of DeReskey, our cat.

His pictures came out, fine. 6th treatment for E + myself.

Tuesday, May 7th, 1918

Pleasant. Warm. Busy at home in forenoon. Fine letter from Mr. L. enclosing picture cut from N.Y. Times Supplement. Thinks Will is in foreground between Gen'l Persing and Sec'y of War. Baker as they inspect troops in France.

Went to Mrs. Marsh's, to Aid Society, then called to see Mrs. Dameron who was not home. Walked home. Enos and Mary R. went to picture show together after supper. I wrote Will and sent him some clippings.

Mr. Spark's put up Elizabeth's bird house, in the elm tree in east yard. Letters from F.H.R. which I answered. Sent me \$15.00 interest.

Wednesday, May 8th, 1918

Beautiful warm day.

Enos left this morning for Allen Creek, Tenn. After he was gone a letter came for him + I spent most of the forenoon trying to get him over phone in Cin. Sent letter to Tuscumbia, finally.

Letter from Essie. Set plants in porch boxes, rather Mary planted them. Finished another pair of socks, sixth, I think.

Prayer-meeting led by Mrs. Harry Smith. Mr. Bush at Lane Sen. Wrote to Helen. Went to Dr. P's 7th for E.

Thursday, May 9th, 1918

Rainy forenoon + cooler. Alice + Mary sweeping. Home all morning. Letters from Virginia. Two good letters from Will today dated April 18th, 19th. Wrote him + sent photos of the house and DeReesky. Also wrote Mr. L. + Enos.

Paid the taxes for myself \$70.79 including street assessment. Also paid for E.S. Peebles \$70.83 which included the last street assessment on Sixth St. paving.

The Manning's were here in the evening.

Friday, May 10th, 1918

Sunshine and thunder storm. Very heavy rain in forenoon. Cloudy all afternoon.

Mary took Sister + Miss C. out to the country. Elizabeth + Leona went along. Sister had letter from Will, the 13th one we have had. I had none today. Wrote to E.F.P. and Essie. Girls got back about six o'clock.

Rec'd a notice of dividend from St. Joe, payable in June. Girls returned about 6 o'clock P.M. Our neighbors, Mrs. Margaret Anderson moved to Walker Flats. Blanchard Anderson bought the house.

Wrote to Virginia + Elizabeth, also Essie and Will.

Saturday, May 11th, 1918

Beautiful morning, but rain and cloudy most of the day.

Was out in forenoon doing errands. Turned in pair of socks at Red Cross, and have yarn for pair for Navy League.

Went with E. to Dr. P. 8th time. Rec'd no letters. Sent Will a postcard showing river closed by ice. Taken last January.

Finished fourth undergarment for Margaret.

Socks for R.C.

Sunday, May 12th, 1918

Cloudy, with shower in afternoon. Small attendance at S.S. Attended all the usual services.

Mr. Bush preached in morning, in the evening had preached the Baccalaureate sermon at High School in Wheelersburg, Rev. Wolfe, exchanging pulpits with him. A prayer song, written by Mrs. Mary E. Draper, at the request of Miss Sallie Knowles, was sung at the close of services morning and evening, to tune of America. It is fine. I cut it from the bulletins to paste in our hymn books as it will be sung frequently. A prayer for our soldiers.

Monday, May 13th, 1918

Pleasant.

Busy at home in morning and in afternoon. Mrs. Young, Mrs. Ligler and I got out the dishes at the church to have them ready for the Missionary Social tomorrow. Our W.M.S. is to entertain the other three missionary societies of our church.

Mrs. Young came home with me + we went over to see how Mr. Thompson was, found him very weak. E + I went to the doctor's + Mary took me up to see the Boyce children, Mrs. Boyce having died Saturday. Am sorry for the children, they have been well taught + cared for.

Tuesday, May 14th, 1918

Busy at home until time to go to the church.

Mary went down, at Mrs. Young's request and helped arrange the table + flowers. The people were late coming which delated the brief program, and refreshments also, making it late when we were through. Mary brought me home, with the things which we had used at the church.

Elizabeth + Mary went to Clover Club, last meeting for this season, held at the Padan's. Mrs. Hattie Peebles sent an invitation for E + M and me to go to Ashland Friday afternoon to a family party for Margaret Hunt.

Wednesday, May 15th, 1918

Warm and pleasant.

Busy as usual in forenoon.

Mart went to Navy League, for Mrs. Manning this afternoon. Elizabeth and I went to Dr. P's + after which I went out on the hill to call upon Mrs. Sibley, + from there to see Miss Vanderslice at Mrs. Salmon's new home on 20th St.

Prayer-meeting led by Dr. Kline as Mr. Bush is at General Assembly in Columbus.

Thursday, May 16th, 1918

Warm and pleasant.

Busy at home in morning. Did several errands after dinner, took Macie's hat to be fixed and after C + O train came, I went to see Mary Peebles who came home from Bradenton, Fla.

Mary Y. Moore came also but went out to Gertrude's. After supper Mary took Macie and me out to Gertrude's to see Mary Y.

Friday, May 17th, 1918

Bright in forenoon while I was doing errands, but it rained in the afternoon when we arrived at Ashland, Elizabeth Mary + I. Mary Y. Moore was here to lunch and went on the train to Malden, being joined by Carl + Jack at Russell. Margaret Hunt, Ruth + Marguerite Peebles met us at the station. They had planned a family picnic on their farm but the rain changed it to a "porch party" where thirty-one were present, all family, excepting E + M + myself. Went with the girls to a Red Cross meeting at the church in evening.

Wrote to Essie.

Saturday, May 18th, 1918

Beautiful day, which we enjoyed greatly with Mrs. Peebles + the girls and Margaret Hunt, first in an auto ride, then visiting the Red Cross Rooms. Mrs. Peebles being the chairman of the cutting and Ruth Peebles chairmen of the Surgical Dressing departments.

After dinner we went to the train and came home. Found Margaret here, still busy with school work. She + I planted potatoes before supper. Then I wrote birthday letters to Oella Lawman, and a note to Mrs. Peebles.

Sunday, May 19th, 1918

Rainy day, and Elizabeth remained at home all day. I attended the usual services.

Mary Peebles was at S.S. and church, has a cold and feels badly.

Monday, May 20th, 1918

Quite warm.

Had letters from Will, one for me, one for Sister. Tells much that is interesting but may not tell where he is, or what he does. Says he is not near the great battle, but is doing necessary work.

I wrote him. Letter from Essie and Helen.

E + I went to Dr. Park's in the afternoon. Mary took us, and waited, or rather came back for us. Margaret Hunt, Mary Margaret, Otis and Maid Adelaid arrived at Miss Mary Peebles this afternoon. Called to see them after W.R.C. meeting.

Tuesday, May 21st, 1918

Fine weather, but pretty warm. Very busy all day, but in afternoon took time to go and see Mrs. Mary Schwartz, who expects to go to Columbus tomorrow.

Wednesday, May 22nd, 1918

Rain last night and a storm threatened this evening but we got home from prayer-meeting safely.

Have been sewing some, mending, and finishing off work on dresses for Elizabeth and Mary.

Mary took us to the doctor's + waited for us.

Letter from Helen from Dickson, Tenn. where he is temporarily, while working on a furnace at Allen's Creek. Dr. Parks, again.

Miss Mary Schwartz went to Columbus to be treated for cancer.

Thursday, May 23rd, 1918

Rather cloudy, but no rain today. Delightful. Very busy both in the house + the yard. Mr. Knittel finished cutting the grass, which he takes as his pay. Dries it + saves it for his chickens in the winter. Yard looks fine.

Friday, May 24th, 1918

Had some rain in the night.

Letters from Carl + Essie. I had just mailed letters to them. Mary had one from Dr. Hallock saying he and Mrs. H. will stop here on their way to Cleveland for two nights. Mary had letter from Carl enclosing check for \$30.00 suggesting that she go to Cin. next Tuesday, to meet Dr. + Mrs. H. + come home with them. Mary, with Margaret H took Margaret + Miss Cramer to the country. I had a call from Mrs. Cadot then went to Ethel S's to read for her + the David Tappan Circle, having promised to do so. Went to S.O.V. entertainment - not H.S.

Saturday, May 25th, 1918

Fine day, and busy as usual. Have been sewing on a dress for Margaret, altering it.

In afternoon Elizabeth and I went to Dr. Park's then I came home and she + Mary went driving.

Sunday, May 26th, 1918

Beautiful day, but a shower during the day.

Went to S.S. and remained to church. Margaret Hunt sat with us, Elizabeth come alone.

Mary stayed at home and had dinner ready. Macie here. Mary Peebles not well enough to be out + Margaret was with us again in the evening. Girls went after Sister and Miss Cramer.

Memorial Day at Catholic church, Holy Redeemer. Rev. McGerick. Exercises, music, decorations very beautiful. Patriotic addresses by McG.

Monday, May 27th, 1918

Rain with considerable wind in afternoon.

Had two fine letters from Will was 16 + 17. Does not seem to get my letters promptly, and suggests that I wrote once a week. I write more after. Went to Dr's with E.

Mary took us to the Dr's, then both E + I had our hair washed by Miss Anderson. Quite a hard rain and wind storm while I was still there. Went to the Scioto Co Soldiers Relief meeting at 2 P.M. Mr. Fritz + I did the work as David L. Jones, is sick, has been here ever since the meeting a month ago.

Tuesday, May 28th, 1918

Delightful, after the rain.

A busy day. Finished preparing for our coming guests. Mary Y. Moore was here to lunch and went with Mary R. to Cin. on C + O train. The W.M.S. met here, but only. Mrs. Young, Mrs. Bush, Miss Evans, Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Frank came. Illness, absence from town + other causes made a small meeting.

The crate of tomatoes sent us by Carl came this afternoon + were put in cellar. Sent him a note, or rather sent to Essie.

Wednesday, May 29th, 1918

A hot day. Mary and the guests, Dr. Leavitt Hallock and wife came on afternoon C + O.

After resting awhile they went for a little drive and then to supper at Miss Mary Peebles' with Elizabeth and Mary. They all, with Margaret Hunt went to prayer-meeting where Mr. Bush asked Dr. H. to take part in the service, which he did promptly and well, talking along the same subject as Mr. Bush, "service". Also told the incident of Admiral Garst at Bradenton, using the prayer written by the Admiral.

After prayer-meeting Mary took us for a ride to cool off.

Two little owls were on the S.S. arch.

Thursday, May 30th, 1918

Beautiful day, but quite hot. No rain to spoil the exercises of the forenoon. W.R.C. + other organizations met at the Carnegie Library where the flowers were collected, and the procession started. Auto were there for the ladies. I went with Mrs. Whitney + Mrs. Eckhart. Mary took the guests, Margaret, Elizabeth + little Mary Margaret Hunt in the machine.

Mrs. Reeg was here to prepare the meals, so Mary was free to take the guests out. We did not fast, but had prayers at home and attended the union service held at our church, in the evening.

After that Mary, took them to say goodbye to Mary Peebles. Margaret Miller + Leona were here. Macie was here to dinner.

Friday, May 31st, 1918

Hot. Went to train this morning with the departing guests, leaving for Cleveland. I came home + wrote letters to Carl + Mrs. Dennis. Over fifty men went to camp this morning at Columbus. War news not good. Letter from Essie enclosing one I had sent from Will, + one from Mr. Lusless.

Margaret, Mary Margaret, little Otis Hunt + Adelaid, the nurse came this afternoon to spend a few days with us. Leona took Margaret, E + M, and Margaret Hunt for a long ride down the river. Mr. Coe called me.

Saturday, June 1st, 1918

Fair and hot, but a good breeze. A busy morning, after a late start. Margaret H. went over to see Macie, who gave her one of her beautiful quilts, with yellow stars. Letter from Helen the only mail this morning. Ans'd. Machine out of order and time consumed in repairs. Girls went after supper.

Mary went to Dr. Parks, second time.

Sunday, June 2nd, 1918

Fine day, with a pleasant rain in the afternoon. Went to S.S. and church in forenoon. Late in afternoon Hargy Huddleson called up + told us there were letters from Will. Margaret went and got two, one written, one on May 12th, Mothers' Day, the other May 16th. They came in pairs usually. Manning's here.

In evening Macie + I, May + Mgt. went to 2nd church. All Pres. Churches united in a farewell service in honor of Dr. George P. Horst, pastor of 2nd Ch. now Lt. in U.S. Army as chaplain. Revs Bush and Cartwright in pulpit. Church filled, floor + gallery.

Turned cooler.

Monday, June 3rd, 1918

Delightfully cool today. Busy at home, filing + recording Will's letters in forenoon.

Girls went to Dr. P. after dinner. Ada + Louis Carson, Louise Sprague + children, Mgt. Miller were here. I wrote to Will + sent him photos of Mrs. B. + the lot in Greenlawn. Mary, and Margaret Hunt went to the High School Class play. Box of tomatoes came from Carl, last week and we are enjoying them now.

War news discouraging, U-boats off the coast of New Jersey.

Wrote to Will, mailing it at 10 P.M. G.C. check for \$75.00 came. Mr. Appel told M. she is to have \$1200 next year.

Tuesday, June 4th, 1918

Delightful day, though hot in the sun. Mary + Margaret went to the Red Cross rooms this morning. I went up to Security Bank with check, \$20.00 being for Mary. Made short call at Mrs. Young's.

Letter from F.H.R. with \$15.00 on acc't. Pension money came, \$75.00. Sent letters from Will, to Carl. May 12th + 16th. Went to Aid meeting at the church, late, with a message from Mrs. Gates. From there went to see Mary P. then home. M + M went to a picture show after supper the rest of us stayed home, except for short calls upon Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Losh.

Wednesday, June 5th, 1918

Foggy in morning. Very warm but breezy. Had several errands up town before dinner. Called to see Dr. Parks about Mary. He says he can help the throat trouble and build up her general health which is much seen down. She will go four times a week for treatment, + Elizabeth, three times.

Margaret and the children went back to her Aunt Mary's at 3 P.M. Margaret R. got 55 day old chicks from the Wolf Hatchery, at Gibson today.

Went to Prayer-meeting with Macie. Margaret Hunt came alone. Finished one sock for Navy League + begun the mate.

Thursday, June 6th, 1918

Hot. Hard rain after supper. Girls had gone to the Dr's + from there intended going to see Margaret.

Went to W.C.T.U. at Zala Mission. After that Mrs. Bush + I went to see Miss Mary P.

Answered Frank Ricker's letter and wrote Will, and Willard Greene who is to be married June 26th to Zula Bennington somewhere in Colorado, also wrote to Mrs. R.H. Ellison at Manchester, O.

Friday, June 7th, 1918

Much cooler, rained in the night, cloudy in forenoon.

Paid gas, and telephone bills.

Mary took Macie and me to do my errands. I sent Carl the photograph frames for his birthday. Frames like those I have for Will's pictures.

After supper Mary + Elizabeth went in the machine to get Margaret to meet Harold at 7:20. We arrived.

I gathered, washed + stemmed all the currents in our yard and Mary cooked + canned them. When red raspberries come, she will make jam of the combinations.

Saturday, June 8th, 1918

Quite cool this morning. I put on warmer clothing. Fine day.

Busy all forenoon about the house, the yard + with the baby chicks. Margaret + Harold called here about noon. I got some flowers from Mrs. Losh, and gathered all I had in the yard, made several bouquets, six. Mrs. Bush and I went to Y.M.C.A. after supper, with the flowers for the girls there. We met at M.P.'s. Elizabeth Bannon + Lt. Eric Ferguson were

married at the All Saints church this evening. Margaret + Miss C. went. Later Margaret + the girls went to Miss Easton's little party at Mrs. J.W. Bannon's.

Margaret had letter from Will this morning, written May 20th.

Rec'd 501 bushels of coal today.

Sunday, June 9th, 1918

Beautiful day, celebrated as Children's Day in our Bible School Services at 9:30 in main auditorium, as usual. Mr. Scudder in charge. Mr. Bush assisting.

I have a very bad cold, + cough that interferes with my talking. Did not go in the evening.

Miss Easton came home with us from service and we kept her to dinner. She leaves here after school closes. Read some interesting letters from Charlotte Bannon.

Mrs. Young here after supper.

Monday, June 10th, 1918

Warm + close. Hair rain with lightning in the evening while the girls were out at Mrs. Manning's. Harold + Mgt. here in forenoon. In evening they were at John P's to dinner, + Miss Mary went with them.

I had letters from Essie + Mrs. Dennis. Wrote birthday letter to Carl, also sent letter to L.L. Cross. I made buttonholes in M.P.H's dress + sewed on the buttons for her.

Am miserable with cold and bad cough, so is Mary. She + E went to Dr. P's.

Have spent much time with the little chicks, several have died.

Tuesday, June 11th, 1918

Fine morning after the rain.

Letter from Will, written May 27th. Made quick trip this time, only 15 days. Several questions answered. The man Mr. L. thought was Will, in a picture was not he, though he resembled him strongly.

Harold + Margaret here A.M. Ashland Peebles came down to Miss Mary's for dinner, H + M return with them this evening just for the night. Will sent small photo of himself taken of order of the Gov't.

Margaret went to a class picnic at Creighton's Inn.

Wednesday, June 12th, 1918

Fine weather.

Wrote Fannie Geiger the usual birthday letter for tomorrow.

Did not go to prayer-meeting because of the cold and cough which is so annoying.

The Peebles family, several of them brought Harold and Margaret back this afternoon. H + M + Macie here to supper after which they went back to Miss Mary's as Otis does not seem quite well.

Thursday, June 13th, 1918

Beautiful day. Have been going all day, but unfit for it, eyes + throat affected by a cold. Harold, Margaret + Mary Margaret + some of the Peebles family went to Kenley to have supper with Joseph P. + family. H + M made us a visit in the evening.

Sister went to Commencement, but none of us went, besides her.

Sent Fannie Geiger one of the group photos, that Carl sent one. Father + his two brothers in survey taken by Carl many years ago.

Friday, June 14th, 1918

Cloudy this morning. Did not get up until late. Mary took Margaret + the children to the train, + Margaret R. to school. Came back + took E. to her k-g-n, for the closing session.

I mailed letters to Will + Carl this A.M. Flag day but I was not able to go to the cemetery with the W.R.C., as I usually do. Neither did I go to the Alumni meeting held this year at the All Saints Club Room.

Elizabeth finished her school year with a record of perfect attendance, not even tardy, once, but she had a fall in one of the other rooms, after her party, which used her up badly, just the shock.

Girls went to Dr. Parks.

Saturday, June 15th, 1918

Very close and warm. Sudden thunder shower in afternoon. Lightning struck at 3rd + (?). Mary was at Mary P's when she saw rain coming + rushed home in time to help get the chickens in. No - I am wrong. She took M + Miss C to the country this afternoon. I was afraid to risk taking more cold so did not go with them.

Carl's birthday, also Mrs. Behrens. Margaret gave her a waist + I an apron. The 2 1/7 yds plain gingham cost 0.63 cents. After supper I went to see Dr. P. about the girls, then to see Mrs. Young whose brother + wife are here. Then to Mary P's but she had retired.

Security Bank had an opening in their new building this P.M.

Sunday, June 16th, 1918

This has been a fine day.

I went to S.S. and remained to church but had to leave before the sermon on account of coughing. We are all tired and not feeling as well as usual.

Monday, June 17th, 1918

Hot and close. Ended with a thunder storm in afternoon but cleared in time for the big parade in evening. I went to W.R.C. meeting at Library + came home before the rain. The parade was made up of Women's organizations and Mothers of Soldiers. Gov. Cox was here to speak for the War Chest Drive which begins tomorrow. I was invited by War Chest Committee to serve with five other ladies as escort of honor to Gov. Cox + sit on the platform, which I did. Mrs. Rowe + I represented Bailey W.R.C. Mrs. Schwartz, Mrs. Briggs + Mrs. Riggs being President of other societies.

Had my eyes tested for new lenses. Made my first visit to the new Bank.

Tuesday, June 18th, 1918

Beautiful day but I am not feeling well enough to enjoy it. Wrote to Sister Lizzie Peebles. War Chest Camasses, Mrs. Wilhelm + Margaret Legler came for my pledge, which I signed for \$2.50 a month and paid \$5.00 check.

Elizabeth accepted invitation from Leona to spend the day with her up on 4th St. at their temporary home. After supper Leona came for Mary and they all went for an auto ride.

Mrs. Cadot came for me to go with her to see Alice Bram, who is sick. I could not go, being sick myself.

Wednesday, June 19th, 1918

Fine day, which I have spent at home. Feeling better, busy as usual. Washed + ironed the pair of socks for Navy League, which I have just finished. E + M went after Sister + Miss Cramer this afternoon. I had letter from Willard Greene in reply to the one I wrote him.

Went to prayer-meeting though it was not very prudent, as I still cough, a great deal. 1st pair of socks for Navy L.

Thursday, June 20th, 1918

Fine day but rather cool. We were very busy all morning, preparing for our guest. Carl Moore who came on afternoon train from Ironton. Elizabeth stayed at Navy League rooms while Mary went to meet Carl.

I got my new lenses from Dr. H.A. Green and paid him \$7.00. He gave me medicine for my sore throat + cough, we sat up late talking, though I did not talk much, as it makes me cough.

Check from St. Joe for \$113.00.

Friday, June 21st, 1918

Rained just enough to spoil the plans for a Garden Party at Gertrude, so it was just off until tomorrow.

Was home all day. E + M, and Carl accepted an invitation to dine with Leona Labold at noon. They went to see Ada before dinner. Returned in time to have supper. Mrs. Manning, Sadie + Dorothy were here for the evening. Carl + Mary went to see Aladin and his wonderful lamp, the rest of us went to bed.

No letters for me.

Saturday, June 22nd, 1918

Beautiful bright day, almost too cool for comfort. I am still for from well. Carol went with the girls this morning when they took Margaret + Miss C. tot eh country. They left here at 10:05 + returned at 12:15. After lunch Carol went to make a few calls. Alice Dever came to see her.

In the evening Mary took Carol, Margaret Miller, + Arenia Burriss to the Garden Party at Sunny side given by Gertrude Moore, the Kinneys + Martings, for the benefit of the French orphans.

Letter from Mary Bailey. I sent it to Will in letter written today. Sixteen years ago today my father died.

Sunday, June 23rd, 1918

Cool enough for wraps.

Went to S.S. but could no talk much as it made me cough. Remained to church + went again in the evening. Carol remained here until supper time when she went to Gertrude Moore's.

The War Savings Stamp Parade + meeting took place this afternoon but I + some others took no part in it because it was held on Sabbath, + committees sold the stamps on the streets today. I shall buy, but not today.

Monday, June 24th, 1918

Beautiful day, still cool.

Home all forenoon. Worked in the yard + with the baby chicks.

Postcard from Dr. Ruggles now in London, and letter from Mr. L.L. Cross, asking if it would be quite convenient for us to take him again while he is here preaching for the Second church, this summer.

Mary has been busy all day making arrangements for the Clover Club outing at the Drew farm. She + Rowen are the Committee.

Tuesday, June 25th, 1918

Rained all night, and continued all day, so the Clover Club picnic had to be postponed. Rowena was here just before supper, to see Mary.

I had letter from Will this morning. Still well and cheerful.

The girls suggested that I write Mr. Cross + tell him to come here if he desired.

Wednesday, June 26th, 1918

Cleared off and has been fine.

The morning mail brought me several letters. Two from Will, one written in French an answer to one I sent him sometime ago, written in French. Also had one from Sarah Phillippi and Elizabeth had one from Will. I had one from Carl also. Mary took the mail, and the baby chicks out to the country. Elizabeth, Leona and Louise Sprague went with her. Took letters to Sister from Charlotte Bannon.

Macie + I went to prayer-meeting.

Thursday, June 27th, 1918

Fine day. Early this morning the Parcel Portsmouth brought fifty more baby chicks for Margaret so Mary got ready to take them out in the afternoon. Margaret Miller and Miss Burriss went with her. They were late starting and late getting back.

Friday, June 28th, 1918

Cloudy and sprinkling most of the morning. Mary went to the Miller farm with Margaret in the morning then spent the afternoon at the S.S. picnic at Millbrook Park. Only member of the family who went.

Elizabeth and I were home. After supper Macie + I went down to see Mrs. Schwartz who is recovering well from his operation for cancer, in Columbus Hospital. In the forenoon I went to City Bldg, to meet with Soldiers' Relief Com. Stopped on my way home to see Mary Peebles who is very weak.

Saturday, June 29th, 1918

Warm, and bright again.

Busy day. Went to Bank in the morning, returned and did many things about the house. Had letter from Will to Sister which we opened. Letter indicates that he is on the coast, but he doesn't tell where. Letter from Mrs. Bond, recalling our trip together in 1884.

Mary had letter from M.Y. Moore.

Sunday, June 30th, 1918

Fine day until about 3 P.M. Rained.

S.S. and church as usual. Nothing special to note.

Mrs. Cadot was here to dinner and spent all the afternoon with us. Macie was here as usual and Margaret Miller, not unusual.

I mailed letters to Will and Mrs. Bond at noon. Wrote them last night.

Monday, July 1st, 1918

Pleasant. Spent considerable time at my desk.

Finished off, one sock and began the note to it, for Navy League.

Busy all the time but scarcely remember what I do, so much of it is in the yard, or about the house hold duties.

Tuesday, July 2nd, 1918

Fine weather, but cold for the month of July.

Wednesday, July 3rd, 1918

Very warm, but breezy.

Nary went out after Miss C. Macie + I went with her + Elizabeth stayed at home.

Had letter from Frank Ricker, with check for \$15.00 interest.

Went to W.C.T.U. meeting at 2 P.M. day having been changed on account of tomorrow being the 4th of July.

Prayer-meeting in the evening. Much talk of war, and messages from soldiers at this time, there being over forty stars on our church service flag.

Thursday, July 4th, 1918

Beautiful day. No rain to spoil picnics. I stayed at home all day. Elizabeth and Mary went to Turkey Creek in afternoon with the Millers, the Manning's + Mrs. Cadot. Macie came over + spent afternoon with me + we had supper together, with ice-cream later.

Wrote to Will, and a postal to M.T.R. then wrote a second one after the girls came home.

No mail distributed today.

Friday, July 5th, 1918

Very warm again. Went to Bank and deposited check from G.C.C. \$20.00 for Mary, \$55.00 for me, \$15.00 from Frank R. Paid telephone, has, Reilley for Carl's frames. Letter from Carl. Wrote him, also Frank. Worked in yard, and did other things. Busy all day. Carl enclosed letters from Dr. Hallock, and one from Fred Wright the colored man who worked for him, until called to the colors. He wrote a letter which interested Carl so much, he sent it for us to see.

Saturday, July 6th, 1918

Fine day. All up early and girls took Miss Cramer out to the farm returning at noon. Mary had letter from Mary Y. Moore. She cannot say yet, when she will arrive. My only mail was card from L.L.C. saying he would arrive tonight + a letter from Margaret which I answered.

He came at midnight. Carol + Jack Moore, Elizabeth Newman and her sister Florian Meyers were here after supper.

Sunday, July 7th, 1918

Much cooler, with light rain in afternoon. Went to S.S. and the usual services. Mr. Cross appeared for breakfast, then returned to his room to study until Mr. Heer called to take him to the Second Church.

He has not been quite well but seems about as he did last summer, and pleased to get back, as we are to have him.

Monday, July 8th, 1918

Very cool and cloudy, until near noon when it brightened up and was delightful. Girls went to the doctor and to do some errands. I have been home, except for a little while at Mrs. Dennison's, with Mrs. Fowler + Mrs. Covertton to cut out some garments for the French + Belgian children. I brought home some material to make up, with some I have.

In the evening, Mary + I met Mrs. Manning and Margaret Miller + together we went to a "shower" given for Bertha Wilhelm by Gertrude Rudy who had tried to get together the S.S. class to which Bertha once belonged, taught by Grace Cotton, for whom I once served as substitute teacher. We four gave Bertha sherbet glasses.

Tuesday, July 9th, 1918

Quite cool in the morning. Was very cool last evening.

Did some sewing on small skirts for French + Belgian orphans. Macie helped me, as I wanted to use her machine. Letter from Mrs. Bond. Wrote card to Margaret.

Tired, and went to bed early.

No letter from Will.

Wednesday, July 10th, 1918

Cool, cloudy morning. Cleared later. I went to Dr. Angus. S. Adams, at Dr. S.D. Ruggles office and had him clean my teeth + put in one filling, \$8.00.

Am sewing some, on Red Cross work, children's clothes. Went to prayer-meeting and was so tired and sleepy I could hardly wait to get to bed. Bought some flannelette for little skirts, paid \$0.15 cents a yard, and later bought more of the same priced at \$0.17 cents.

Forty-five new chicks came this afternoon.

Thursday, July 11th, 1918

Weather fine. Could not be better at any summer resort. Wrote to both Will and Carl. The girls and Mrs. Cross went to the country to take the chicks this morning. One had died as there were 44 to be taken.

Wrote to Mrs. Dennis and sent her receipt for \$2.00 from Mr. Cline, the County Supt.

Friday, July 12th, 1918

Fine day. Home in the forenoon. Had a second letter in French from Will, which Mary + I read + later took it to Mary Peebles who read it to Hattie P. Sue + Sallie Reed. Went to talk with the doctor about the girls. Then called upon Lillian Brunny + her baby at Mrs. Thomas'. Called to see Inez Spry at Mrs. Helfenstein's but no one was at home. Sewed on the little skirts between times.

Mr. Cross took supper with the Harshas.

Saturday, July 13th, 1918

Beautiful day, delightful temperature. An anniversary I never forget when the date comes. Was under fire all day but suffered no harm. Today my son is in France, a soldier in service, but in constructive, not destructive work.

I began a course of treatment with Dr. Parks for my eyes, as the new lenses do not seem to remedy my trouble. Girls went after supper. Alice Dever here.

Finished the six little petticoats I have made for the French, or Belgian orphans. W.C.T.U. work. Began letters to Will.

Sunday, July 14th, 1918

Fine day, quite warm. Went to S.S. and church in forenoon. After dinner went to look up absentees from my class. Walked as far as the "point", Scioto St. Was very tired when I came home. Went to church in the evening.

Communion service this morning, three additions to the membership.

Monday, July 15th, 1918

Foggy mornings, pleasant nights. Was up street in the forenoon, then Mary took Mrs. Boyles + me up to the W.R.C. meeting after which I went to see Mrs. Weller who is recovering from her hospital experience and will soon be able to go about again. Tracked home from there.

Wrote to Will, and Carl, finished the one I wrote Sat. for Will. Wrote Margaret also. Went to the doctor.

Tuesday, July 16th, 1918

Pleasant day.

Mary gathered up a lot of things to go to the farm in the morning, intending to start early.

Went to the doctor and expect to go every day this week.

Wednesday, July 17th, 1918

Cloudy + sprinkling in morning. Beautiful all afternoon. After morning work, went to the doctor's then came home and made some alterations on my morning dress. No – I did that yesterday. We sent Margaret the things she wrote for, by Mr. Taylor. The road has been graveled + is unsafe on Lauman's hill. Wrote to Essie + Margaret, then answered Will's French letter, in French. The war news is a little more encouraging but the great battle is still on. Papers reported the death of Quentin Roosevelt, who lost his life Sunday in an air battle.

Went to prayer-meeting. E + M went to Mrs. Weller's + later to Martha Mantton's.

Thursday, July 18th, 1918

Foggy, cleared up later.

Went to Dr. in morning and did a few errands, then stopped to see Mary Peebles on way home. She read the French letter I wrote to Will yesterday, my second.

In afternoon I went out to the hill top. Called upon Margaret Appel Wilters, who was not home. Went to see Mrs. Silcox. Started home and missed the car at Cemetery gate because cars have changed stopping there, then I walked to 11th + missed that car so walked home, stopping at Mrs. Appel's a few minutes.

Friday, July 19th, 1918

Warm day, but a pleasant breeze makes it comfortable. Went to the doctor's and did a few other errands in the forenoon. About 3 o'clock we started for Franklin Furnace, stopping for Gertrude and Maryanne on the way. Had a fine drive. Carol + Jack, Elizabeth Newman, her sister Mrs. Florian Myers + baby, Maryanne, E + M+ I had a good chicken dinner, with corn + other good things. After a pleasant visit we came home, leaving little Maryanne there. Found letters from Will, dated from June 17th older than the last one we had.

Saturday, July 20th, 1918

Fine day. Nothing special except very encouraging news of yesterday seems to be gaining. War reports are so sensational it is hardly safe to record them as correct.

Girls went out after Miss C. who sent word, or rather M. – to come in, which leaves Margaret alone out there.

Went to Dr.'s but did not take a treatment. Shall wait awhile now.

Sunday, July 21st, 1918

Fair weather.

Attended the usual services.

Letter read at Sabbath school from one of our soldier's boys. Have had several, all cheerful and full of enthusiasm.

Monday, July 22nd, 1918

Good summer weather.

Have been at home all day, not outside of the gate.

Wrote several letters, and did some sewing.

Tuesday, July 23rd, 1918

Pleasant. Went out in morning to do errands + when I came home wrote some letters.

Wednesday, July 24th, 1918

Fine warm day. Gathered all the flowers in the yard and took them to Mrs. Young for her birthday, did a few errands and came home to sew a little, and write.

Went to prayer-meeting as usual, very small meeting, Mr. Bush being away, Dr. Hlure led the meeting, well, as he always does.

Stopped to see Mary Peebles, this morning, she expects to go to Ashland Friday morning in the car with her brother John.

Mr. Ross gave me two of his cards, unique, I think, bearing his name and also the words.

Born April 8th, 1819.

100 years old April 8th 1919.

Thursday, July 25th, 1918

Fine warm day. Was up early and gave Mr. Cross his breakfast before he left with the Spencers in their car, for Carter Co. Caves.

Mary Greene's birthday.

Have been home all day. Gertrude Moore and Alice Dever were here late in afternoon. Did not come together. Mary was at Navy League.

Wrote to Will in French, + sent him the card Mr. Ross gave me for him.

Friday, July 26th, 1918

Hot and clear. Rained late in the day, or rather evening. Mary swept all forenoon, then drove up to the Miller farm with Margaret M. + they had supper at the Hartman House. Elizabeth went with Leona L. after dinner and stayed there to supper. Mr. Cross being still away I was alone until about 9 o'clock when they all returned from various directions.

I wrote and sewed some. Did mending.

Wrote to Essie + Margaret, a letter to be taken out in the morning.

Saturday, July 27th, 1918

Very hot. Ther in the 90's. Mary + Elizabeth took Miss C. and William out, as far as they could towards the farm and they walked the rest of the way. I prepared wax beans for canning, + Mary finished them seven pint jars, when she returned. Was busy all day.

In afternoon went to the doctor's, the girls came before I left.

Finished my letter to Essie. Got yarn from Navy League to finish the pair, almost done. Got the lenses which Dr. G. had exchanged for me.

Sunday, July 28th, 1918

Very warm. Indications of rain but not much rain.

Went to S.S. + church. Last church service until Sept., Mr. Bush taking his vacation all the month of August.

Mr. Cross read a fine letter from Harry Wagner, now at Lake Portchartrain Camp near New Orleans.

War news encouraging.

Ford Anderson broke his arms.

Monday, July 29th, 1918

Very warm. Fine rain about 9 A.M. Margaret Miller here. Elizabeth's birthday. I gave her check for \$5.00 + small service pin, bell shaped, with "Over There", on it. Macie gave her 3 ½ yds blue tatting, fancy pattern. Had written letters to Virginia Greene, now in Tacoma, Wash. WM.S. meeting held at Mrs. Evans' today, instead of tomorrow, the usual day. Nine ladies present. Mrs. Bush leaves tomorrow for her vacation. Began to rain this evening.

Finished second pair socks for Navy League.

Tuesday, July 30th, 1918

Rained all night, and most of today. Cool and pleasant.

Letter from Carl today enclosing one from Dr. Hallock. Sent them on to Margaret.

Miss Mame Reed here to ask about Mary Y.

Finished the little dress for French or Belgian orphans. Turned in socks to Navy League + got yarn from R.C. for socks, + some for sweaters which I sent to Helen, with needles + directions.

Met with the County Relief Commission. Wrote to Helen + Margaret.

Wednesday, July 31st, 1918

Delightfully clear, cool + bright. Home all forenoon, put last stitch in the little dress + made two bags for the games of checkers to take to Relief Corps meeting at Mrs. Rowe's this afternoon.

Large meeting at Mrs. Rowe's and several garments made for the children at the Fresh Air camp under the management of the Community Service lesion.

Mrs. Manning here to supper + for the night, her family all being away. Small prayer-meeting, no leader present so Michael Englehardt Cd.

Mr. + Mrs. Coe called here just about time for going to the meeting. Macie + I went.

Wrote to Mary Y. Moore and Margaret.

No mail from Will.

Thursday, August 1st, 1918

Pleasant, cool morning, cobwebs on grass indicate hot dry day. Letter from Frank Ricker, rec'd containing three checks, totaling \$468.50 payments on notes. Letter from Margaret.

Called for Mrs. J.C. McConnell who went with me to the W.C.T.U. meeting at Zala Mission. Took the six skirts + little dress I had made for the French + Belgian orphans.

Mrs. Manning here to supper, Mary went home with her for the night. Louise Sprague, Alice Dever, and Leona spent the evening here.

Began a third pair of socks for the Red Cross.

Friday, August 2nd, 1918

Pleasant last night, hot today. Went to the Bank + deposited checks. Mr. + Mrs. Manning here to diner then she left for Ronceverte. I had check from G.C.Co, \$75.00 which I deposited at once. Wrote to Will for his birthday, sent him silk hdkf, in letter. Elizabeth + Mary went to Lucasville + had supper with Mabel Moulton, Louise, Alice, Martha + Leona.

I wrote to Frank Ricker, sending statement of credits from Mary 1905, to Aug. 1st 1918. Wrote to Margaret + sent pkg by Mrs. Taylor.

Mrs. Inez Spry spent afternoon with me. Letter from Mrs. Cotton.

Saturday, August 3rd, 1918

Fine day. Had two good letters from Will this A.M. one dated June 29th the other July 3-4th a month on the way. He was well and contented, still no place named. War news good, Allies + Americans gaining ground. Letter from John Carpenter from Williamson, W.Va. Sent him letter + the tablets he asked me to get. Card to Margaret and letter to Fannie, Mary + Lucy at Lucy.

Went with the girls after eight o'clock, for a little ride, to cool off, went across the Scioto Bridge.

Sunday, August 4th, 1918

Hot day, but pleasant breeze. Went to S.S. as usual, no service at 1st church so Macie + I went to Second and heard Mr. Cross preach a good sermon.

Went again in the evening. Was surprised by Miss Cramer at the phone this afternoon, she and W. Cramer having come in with Mr. Glaze this afternoon. She is going to Washington to visit John Folson's wife. John having gone over to France recently.

Margaret sent in a letter + asked that no one be sent out to stay with her.

Monday, August 5th, 1918

Very hot last night and the record for today by the Gov't report was 98°, but some breeze. War news grows better for the Allies, and Americans are making rapid advances into the enemy territory.

Wrote to Will, Margaret. Letters from Helen and Essie.

Sorry not to go to see Margaret on her birthday, but cannot. Girls went to Dr. Are planning to go to Martinsville.

Goods from Citizens' Wholesale club Co of Columbus, same. Gave Mr. Jas Fogarty check for \$60.04 in pay't. Lucy Moore Carpenter's birthday. Heard of Mary Greene's marriage to Lt. Donald Dougall, Dentist.

Wrote to Mrs. Cotton (6th).

Tuesday, August 6th, 1918

Still very hot, no breeze stirring. Mr. Varian came early to put away the old lumber, ready to burn.

Margaret away on her birthday, as she usually is and we could not go out to see her. Macie has several yards of tatting for her, E. has a service pin and she will have several remembrances.

Had letters from Will, written July 11th + 12th. Is now somewhere in France, well and busy + happy to be there. Spent afternoon at Mrs. Drew's hearing Miss Jane Samuel's tell of her work in Korea. Went to see Miss Cramer after super. Mary took Mrs. Young + Mrs. Clark + me for a ride. Miss C. went to Washington.

Wednesday, August 7th, 1918

Very hot. Mr. V. worked all day at his job, though I wanted him to wait for a cooler day. Girls went early to take letters + other things to Margaret. I had three letters from Will today, the latest being written July 23rd in Paris where he was recently sent. Feel very glad and thankful. Went to prayer-meeting and less than a dozen people were there. Mr. + Mrs. Bush returned unexpectedly, last night to pack up their goods as he has been accepted for service in Y.M.C.A. work, "overseas". We are now in the same situation as the 2nd Pres. Ch.

Thursday, August, 8th, 1918

Still very hot but not quite so hot as yesterday. Girls went to spend the day with Mrs. Coe at the Marison farm. Took Margaret Miller and Mrs. John Reilly. I had Macie here to dinner. Wrote to Carl, sending Will's letters, also to Margaret + sent letters.

Had Miss Anderson wash my hair and treat it with electricity.

Girls returned all right, having had a pleasant day.

Friday, August 9th, 1918

Still hot, rained gently from 5 to 6 A.M. and a shower just after noon. Wrote to Jane Ricker, now at Chautauqua, N.Y. for her father's birthday tomorrow.

Woman failed to come to sweep so Mary did it in the forenoon. I had to go + do errands. She went to Navy League in afternoon and I worked all afternoon.

After supper Mary took me up to inquire about Mrs. Hattie Johnson who is failing rapidly.

Wrote to Will + sent him a copy of 7 H.R.'s letter with statement of our account. Wrote to Margaret also + sent her letters from Will.

Saturday, August 10th, 1918

Very hot, not much breeze.

Letter from Mary Y. Moore saying she cannot return to Ports. or go to Ashland, is going with Carol to El Paso, Texas soon.

Very busy all day + very tired tonight. Girls went to doctor and + from there to Leona's to have some seed water-melon.

Mr. Cross busy getting ready for a Junior sermon which he is going to give at our S.S. before going up to the Second Ch.

Uncle Drew Ricker's birthday, he was born Aug. 10th, 1826, the same year as Mother whose birthday was Sept. 18th.

Sunday, August 11th, 1918

A very hot day but some breeze. Went to S.S. and later to the Second Church. Mr. Bush was at S.S. and then went to 2nd church and heard Mr. Cross, preach.

Mr. Cross spent a little while at our S.S. to give a short illustrated talk to the children, which they greatly enjoyed.

Albert Schlieter, of the Navy made a short talk at the close of school. J.I. Marsh of the Army was present but would not talk. Mrs. E.F. Draper called me up to say she was thinking of this being father + mother's wedding day.

Monday, August 12th, 1918

Very hot and dry. Had a busy day, never-the-less, Mrs. F.L. Johnson died this evening about six o'clock. She will be missed at church, the missionary society and Woman's Relief Corps meetings, having been a charter member of the W.R.C. which was organized in 1884. There are very few of us charter members left now.

Tuesday, August 13th, 1918

Very, very hot. Mr. Cross went to Cin. on afternoon C + O train. Had a busy day at home. Got some things for Margaret, stamps, envelopes', etc. Letter from her + one from Virginia, telling more about Mary's marriage. V. is in Tacoma with Elizabeth.

Mary, Elizabeth + Margaret Miller were out in the machine after supper. Later I joined them and we went over on the West Side + back to cool off a little.

Wednesday, August 14th, 1918

Very hot and close. About 3 P.M. heavy thunder storm with lightning, while the girls were out taking Miss Mary P. up to the Johnson's, and Mrs. Cadot to see Mrs. (?) Reilly, got M.P. home before the rain. I went up to try on my skirt at Anderson's this morning, stopped to see Mary Peebles. Went up to the Johnson's right after dinner + took silk flag from W.R.C. again after supper took flowers from Mrs. Boyles' + our yards.

Letters from Margaret + Helen today. Went to prayer-meeting. Mr. Bush led. M.E.P. was present, after a long absence.

Letter from E.S.P. with check for \$60.00 for back taxes.

Stopped to see Mrs. Lodwick this A.M.

Thursday, August 15th, 1918

The rain of last evening made it more comfortable for today. Soon after 7:30 I started up street, got some hdkfs at Brumer's which Macie + I wanted to send, with some from Helen, to Enos.

Went to Mrs. Hattie Johnson's funeral, 8:30, conducted by Rev. M.S. Bush. The family took remains to Ironton, in autos. Got \$6.00 at Court House for services on Relief Corps. At 4:30 Macie + I went with E + M and Margaret Miller to meet Margaret + had picnic supper, sat on flat rocks of the creek bed and ate a good supper. Ride delightful.

Friday, August 16th, 1918

Made more comfortable.

War news reports rapid gains on the battle line in France.

Woman came to sweep and Mary was busy helping her, in the forenoon.

I finished off a sock this evening.

Saturday, August 17th, 1918

Weather more comfortable. Mr. Schmidt began work on the chicken house which will be needed when Margaret comes in from the farm with her chickens.

Had company all afternoon, Mrs. Weller, Elizabeth had gone to dine with Leona, and up her return Mary went with a party, down to Turkey Creek to try to swim. I was home all afternoon.

Set up the second sock of the pair I am making for Red Cross. Wrote letters to Carl, Will, Margaret and Elizabeth Peebles.

L.L.C. returned tonight.

Sunday, August 18th, 1918

Rained in the night and early this morning. A delightful change in temperature. Went to S.S. and again Mr. Cross was present with a Junior sermon to the children. We went to Second Church both morning and evening, where he preached good sermons.

Monday, August 19th, 1918

A most delightful day. Arose early and prepared the little breakfast for Mr. Cross who left on C + O for Winona, Ind. to be gone several days.

At 10 o'clock Mary took me + Mrs. Coe, who had come in, up to Miss Kate Reilly's funeral at her late home. Mr. Bush officiated and told of the talks her had had with her before she went to California. Large attendance.

In afternoon, went to W.R.C. meeting, and we brought Mary Peebles home in the car. She went on St. car. Mrs. Coe was here to dinner. Bess Pixley here. Will's 36th letter came this afternoon. Also one from Margaret.

Deposited the \$60.00 check from E.S.P.

Tuesday, August 20th, 1918

Delightful day. Mr. S. came to work on the chicken yard in the morning. Had sent Enos three linen hdkfs for his birthday.

Paid bill at Anderson's \$14.08 which includes the goods for new gray skirt + making, with enough for waist, to be made. Bought silk flag 12x17 to sent to Will, \$0.50 cts.

Letter from M.T.R., answered it. Girls went out in auto after supper, took Margaret Miller + brought her home to supper. Stayed at home myself.

Letter from M.Y.M. Answered it. Met Mrs. Schwartz + Mrs. Ives at the church to see what should be done about the cleaning.

Wednesday, August 21st, 1918

Warmer again with a shower after dinner. Went with Mrs. Coverston to Sciotoville to the County Institute + was given a few minutes in which to present to the S.T.I. Contest work to the County Board + teachers. Home for dinner. Post card from Arthur Moore, sent from Chamonix, Switzerland, soon be home. Letter from M.T.R. Wrote to her.

Went to prayer-meeting which was led by Mr. Bush.

Mrs. Young gave me the Ashville money tonight.

Thursday, August 22nd, 1918

Warm again. Wrote Will and sent him a silk flag + card, also short poems, this being his birthday. Paid the tax bill for Margaret, with her check \$5.73.

Went up street after dinner with letter + check for \$25.00 for Ashville School. Letters from Margaret + Essie. Went to see Mrs. Young, told her of the check, and invited her to go with us tomorrow to meet Margaret.

William A. Young died at the home of his daughter Mrs. G.C. Schoolfield in Charleston, W.Va. today. He, and the family to which he belonged, were friends of my parents in New Orleans, in 1847, and ever since. He is the last of that generation, now all gone.

Friday, August 23rd, 1918

Warm again, dry + dusty. Busy all forenoon with the usual Friday work, Mrs. Hammond being here.

Late in afternoon we went out to meet Margaret, Macie + Mrs. Young going with us. Had a fine supper again, which we ate on the flat rocks of the creek bed.

E + M + Mrs. Young went to Sedan after supper, to get chicken food. Had delightful ride home.

Read three interesting letters from Churchill Greene, now at the front in France.

Saturday, August 24th, 1918

Warmer still. Ther 101° at 2:30 P.M. Was up street in the forenoon doing errands. In afternoon wrote letters to Will, Carl, Margaret, Mary Greene Dugall, and Mr. C.L. Luslee.

Mr. Cross returned from Winona at noon. Went to Mr. Spencer's for supper. Margaret Miller here for supper.

Mary Peebles here in afternoon, first time for nearly a year. She is much better, seems like herself again.

Twenty-four years today since Mother Ricker died.

Sunday, August 25th, 1918

Pleasant.

Went to S.S. Mr. Cross was there to give a brief lesson to the children, using his "wonder-box". He is always greeted with enthusiasm.

Mr. Bush preached in the morning. In the evening we went to Second Church + heard Mr. Cross give his final sermon. He had declined a call to that church. Com. from our church met him this afternoon here + he declined to consider a call from our church but recommended his friend Ernest C. Frostez.

Monday, August 26th, 1918

Warm. Was out most of the forenoon doing errands.

Tuesday, August 27th, 1918

Pleasant day but still warm. Letters from Margaret + Jane R. Missionary Soc. met here. Fourteen present. Mrs. Evans, Pres. absent. Committees appointed to send notes of sympathy to the families' of Mrs. Hattie C. Johnson + Miss Kate Reilly. Miss Davis + I for latter.

Mary Peebles here, first time for many months that she could attend W.M.A. meeting.

Started the cleaning at the church with the women, Mrs. Bennet + her sister.

Wednesday, August 28th, 1918

Rained last night, rather cloudy + pleasant today, but warm.

Busy all day. Did errands in the forenoon. Made button holes in Mary's canteen apron which she put on at once and went with Margaret Miller to the train to help serve the soldiers, as they passed through.

I wrote Elizabeth Peebles and acknowledged receipt of money for taxes which I had paid.

After prayer-meeting Mary + I went to Kate Jordan's to the Concert given by Lollie Anderson + Mrs. Prentice for Charlotte Bannon's R.C. work in Paris. Mrs. Cadot sent me the ticket. This was Mr. Bush's last prayer-meeting service, also Mr. Cross' at the Second Church.

Thursday, August 29th, 1918

Rained in the night, cloudy all morning. Letters from Margaret and yet we are uncertain as to when she can come in.

Mr. Cross left on 2:08 C + O train for Washington to see his brother. Mr. Bush received his call today and leaves soon for New York + France.

Have had a busy day trying to arrange the canvass for the information to be used in the Fourth Liberty Loan Drive.

War news encouraging. Wrote the notes of sympathy to the Reilly family for the W.M.S. Miss Davis was here+ signed them.

Mary took me after supper to see several canvassers + give out supplies. Dr. Arthur Moore returned from France today, noon. Has been gone a year.

83 selections left this A.M.

Friday, August 30th, 1918

Hard rain in forenoon + again at 6:30 P.M. Girls left at 7 A.M. for Columbus with Leona Labold in her car. Alice Dever went also. I was busy all forenoon in the yard. Mr. Kinsley brought some of Margaret's chickens in forenoon. At 4 P.M. I got a driver from the Universal Motor Co., took Macie + went after Margaret + the rest of her chickens. Reached home in a down pour of rain. Girls got him at 10:30 P.M.

Letter from Helen.

Saturday, August 31st, 1918

Wet and cloudy all forenoon. Cleared later.

At home until after dinner. "Captain" Arthur R. Moore M.P. called upon us in afternoon. Had just returned from France but had not seen Will Ricker over there. He has served a year in Red Cross Hospital work, and had on his uniform, in which he looks well.

I went out later and finished securing visitors for the canvass next week.

Wrote note to Jane Ricker, at Chautauqua, and sent note with two checks to Mrs. L.B. Campbell Pres. Treas., at Ironton. \$23.00 in all.

After supper I went up to Miss Peebles' to make a farewell call upon Mrs. Bush. Mr. B. was still busy with the shipping of their goods so I did not see him. We shall miss Mrs. B. in our societies. She has been very efficient and popular.

Wrote to Will.

Sept. 1st, (Sunday) 1918

Cooler after the rain which kept up most of the night.

Went to S.S. Mr. Scudder + Mr. Bush preached his last sermon to us in the morning. Before the sermon Dr. Kline, on behalf of the trustees, presented Mr. Bush with a check for (she doesn't finish). Mr. + Mrs. B. left from Miss Peebles' home in afternoon as Mr. Bush had his orders to report for service + goes to New York for overseas service. They came Oct. 5th, 1916.

Went to Bigelow in the evening.

Monday, September 2nd, 1918

This is Labor Day and a beautiful day. Macie + I went in the morning to the home of Misses Sue + Sallie Reed to view the parade which was very good. Only one mail delivery and a card from L.L.C. was all that came to me.

Arthur Moore was here and lanced Margaret's finger which is very sore.

The three girls + I ordered half a dozen silver forks for Essie's birthday, to be sent from (she didn't finish).

Tuesday, September 3rd, 1918

Rained again most of last night, then cleared + turned warm.

Have been out nearly all day. Deposited check from Will, \$75.00 divided between Mary and me, also W.M.S. money, and paid in full my War Chest pledge, a total of \$30.00 with the initial pay't of \$5.00 in July. Wrote to Essie and Helen.

Went to Aid Society at church, and afterwards to Anderson's for polish for wood + brass for the women working at the church.

No word from Will since Aug. 19th. Letter from Mr. Cross from Quantico, Va.

Wednesday, September 4th, 1918

Warm again. Busy all forenoon in the yard and about the house.

Letters from Essie, Mrs. Cotton and a good long one from Mary Greene Dougall.

Wrote Mrs. Geo. T. Ball.

War news still encouraging, and men still going over.

Prayer-meeting led by Mr. Losh.

Thursday, September 5th, 1918

Cool. Busy at home in the forenoon. Bust outside all the afternoon. Went to the church before time for W.C.T.U. and then down to the Mission School for the meeting. Went up to see Mrs. Lusley after that to ask her some questions about John-Hopkins Hospital.

Essie's birthday.

Mary M. Hunt's birthday.

Friday, September 6th, 1918

Fine day. Mrs. Eastwood here in forenoon and we were busy with the sweeping all forenoon.

No letter from Will yet.

J.H. Ricker's birthday.

Saturday, September 7th, 1918

Fine day but quite cool. Mary busy preparing to go to Maple Grove with Mary K. Reed. They left about 2:30 in her Dodge car. Mr. Cross's father came at noon, while we were at lunch. I had birthday letters from Helen Moore + Enos. Two letters from Will, one written in French. Both interesting, but no war news. Birthday letter from Helen.

Margaret took her first lesson in driving the Ford machine. Telegram from L.L.C. said he had missed connection.

Family came to Ports. 55 years ago today, moved into the Cook home on Gallia St.

Sunday, September 8th, 1918

Fine day. L.L.C. arrived this A.M. from Washington, train missed connection. He gave a fine lesson to the S.S. using his magic box to show how influences of good come from right living. He preached in our church both morning + evening. His father went to Second Ch. in P.M. Sister Mary gave me the large mirror from the old library over home.

L.L.C. + his father had dinner with Mr. + Mrs. Irving Drew, and Mabel Ruggles + Eleanor.

Monday, September 9th, 1918

Foggy and cool. Cleared later. Had a busy forenoon, Mr. C. and his father did not leave until after dinner, which I had to prepare. They left on C + O about 2 P.M. Margaret Miller + Mrs. Manning here.

Another letter from Will, they come in bunches, + he receives his in the same way, several at once.

Margaret went to Magazine Club meeting at Miss Firmstone's. While she was gone, Mary came home from Maple Grove + surprised us. Elizabeth Newman + her sister Mrs. Meyer called after supper.

I had birthday letters from Helen, Mary B. Ricker, letter + ink tablets from Virginia, cards from Dr. Ruggles, Bessie Titus + Mrs. Behrens. Letters from both Carl + Essie. Large mirror from Macie, taken from the old library.

Tuesday, September 10th, 1918

Beautiful, cool day. Have been busy all day, at home. Elizabeth went with Mary to see the K-G room in the new Massie Bldg, and says she never saw a more Cooley room for a K-G.

Wednesday, September 11th, 1918

Pleasant day but it began to rain again just before time for prayer-meeting to close, just as it did last week. Dr. Kline was the leader.

My neighbor Mr. Musser moved today from her home at Court + Fifth, to her son's home on Park Ave.

Thursday, September 12th, 1918

Rained in the night and this morning. Cleared about noon and was beautiful but cool.

Home all forenoon, busy. Wrote to Essie, Bessie Titus, Virginia and Mrs. Robinson. Mrs. C.C. Glidden came about 4 P.M. Mary, Elizabeth, Macie + I took her out to Crichter's Inn, the only chance we had for a visit with her as she goes home to Savannah, Ga. soon. Letter from Helen M.

After supper E + M went to the Dr. then took Margaret + Miss Ball up to Helen Dawson's to a school party.

Mr. Scudder's face seems to be entirely healed. (See Sept. 12, 1915)

Friday, September 13th, 1918

Fine day. Busy with usual cleaning, and preparations for Mary Y'S return tomorrow. War news continues to be very encouraging though the extent of the battle lives is very great.

Saturday, September 14th, 1918

Fine day. Busy as usual all morning.
Mary Y. Moore and Miss Mary K. Reed returned from Maple Grove Springs this afternoon, having had a pleasant week.
Helen and Enos 31st wedding anniversary.

Sunday, September 15th, 1918

Pleasant. The family double birthday. I gave Macie a check for \$5.00. Elizabeth gave her a box of candy which she likes. Went to S.S. as usual and then to church and heard Rev. Mr. Farr from Lane Seminary. He preached morning + evening. I attended all the services as usual.

Mary Y. went to Arthur's to spend the day, but returned in the evening.

Monday, September 16th, 1918

Pleasant day. Busy at home in morning until 10 A.M.
Went to W.R.C. meeting very late. Went to Mary Peebles' at 1 o'clock and went with her to the funeral of Hannah Coles, the family having invited me to attend the services with Mary Peebles. Charlie, his mother + sister Ruth called for Mary P. + me. Jennie Adams + Frances came home with me to lunch, remaining until they were called for to return in the car to Ashland.

Went to W.R.C. meeting late. Mary Y. and I are enjoying the old letters, together. We had a deep interest in these things.

Tuesday, September 17th, 1918

Cloudy and cool all day. Have not been away from home except for two small errands.

Callers in all afternoon. Leona L. here soon after dinner, Mrs. Kehoe, Clara Stevens, Mrs. Esselborn, Misses Rose + Esther Labold, Arthur, Gertrude, Arthur Jr., Ada + little Louis, Sam Moore here in the afternoon.

Margaret took another lesson in driving the machine.

Wednesday, September 18th, 1918

Cloudy with rain in the afternoon, late.
Mrs. Hutchins came in just as it began, and left when it had ceased. Several others in, also.

Went to prayer-meeting as usual. Mr. Marrin Coe the leader. After his helpful talk the congregational meeting was called to order, with Rev. Cartwright of the Central Pres. as chairman.

Resignation of Mr. Bush as pastor, received, and accepted, he now being in France, we need to find a successor to take up his work here.

Thursday, September 19th, 1918

Fine day. Busy forenoon.

Asked Mr. Maurin Coe to lunch, he being at the Auditor's Office, doing some work. He came and we had a pleasant little visit.

War news still encouraging, but at great cost of life on the battle line between France and Germany.

Friday, September 20th, 1918

Pleasant but cool.

Mary's birthday. Macie gave her correspondence cards. E. a writing portfolio, I, check for \$5.00.

Miss Mame Reed was here to lunch with Mary Y. The girls took M + Miss C. to the farm after school. Miss Reed went home to a pupil, then Mary Y. went to see about her new waist at Anderson's, both returned later + Miss Mame brought Mary three American Beauty roses. Girls home in time to get supper.

Mrs. Manning left unexpectedly for Ronceurte, her brother being very ill.

Saturday, September 21st, 1918

Pleasant, though cloudy part of the day. A busy morning at home then Mr. Labold + Leona came for Mary Y. and E + M and took them to Waterloo in Lawman C. for supper, they did not get home until bed time. I secured a driver, Thomas Apper, and with Macie for company went out after Miss Cramer and Margaret. We got home in good time, left at 5:15 and was back by 7:30.

French letter from Will.

Sunday, September 22nd, 1918

Pleasant day but needed fire for comfort.

Went to S.S. and attended both church services. Rev. Mr. Stimul of Col. preached fine sermon on the Voice of God, in S.M. from text- Isa. 28-23. Give ye ear, + hear my voice. In evening Rev. Herbert Scott formerly of Trinity M.E. preached from Isa. 6-8, And I heard the voice, + said (?). Hermana I, send me. A remarkable coincidence. In afternoon Macie + I attended the meeting of Conference at Bigelow M.E. church.

Mr. Foster was to have been here to preach for us, but he sent word he was sick. Mary Y. spent the day at Arthur Moore's.

Mrs. Scudder here.

Monday, September 23rd, 1918

Foggy and somewhat warmer, though we have fire for comfort.

Mary Y. and I are still looking over old letters + talking of old times. She slept most of the afternoon. Were disappointed about mail, no one had a letter, though I had postal from L.L.C. which I answered to tell him Mr. Foster did not come.

Went to Mary Peebles before supper to call upon Maggie Mason. Margaret went to party, a house-warming for Mr. Bakker + bride. Mary went to the Manning's to talk to Mrs. H. Peebles over the Bell phone.

Tuesday, September 24th, 1918

Beautiful, warm day. Foggy in the morning. Mary, Elizabeth + Mary Y. Moore started in the car for Ashland Ky. 10:45 A.M. with prospect of a delightful trip, and visit at the home of Rob't Peebles.

I had dinner with Macie and then went to Mrs. Evans' to the W.M.S. meeting. Mary Peebles had Mrs. Margaret Mason with her as guest and gave an interesting talk upon what she had seen in India. Thirteen present, including also Mrs. E.B. Moore, a former member.

No mail, except letters for E. from Kalamazoo.

Wednesday, September 25th, 1918

Beautiful day. Been alone since morning. Went out before dinner, to Dr. P. + to deposit \$113.00 from St. Joe. Two letters from Will, one in French. Letter from Essie with thanks for the forks we sent her for her birthday. Half a dozen, \$20.00. Answered her letter.

Went to prayer-meeting this evening which was led by Mr. Scudder who told us of having had telegram announcing the death, of pneumonia, of Mr. Ernest Foster whom we were hoping might be our next pastor. I wrote to Mr. R.C. Cross at once, lest L.L. had gone to Cal.

Thursday, September 26th, 1918

Cloudy, with light rain in forenoon but afternoon was beautiful. The girls returned from Ashland before supper. They had heard the sad news about Mr. Foster just as they reached the home of Mrs. Hattie Peebles, Miss Caudit was just going in to tell the family of it.

I began taking cold, and am trying to stop it.

Friday, September 27th, 1918

Beautiful weather, but I am taking cold, as I usually do in the fall. Mary Y. went to Miss Peebles' this forenoon for a last little visit, and we miss her greatly. Mary spent the day cleaning.

In the evening Jane Ricker arrived from Hartwood, N.Y., where she had been visiting the Deinock Family. We are delighted to have her with us again.

Saturday, September 28th, 1918

Fine day. I have taken such a severe cold that I did not rise early or do much after I was up. Am taking medicine and trying to take care of myself.

This day has been given over to the 4th Liberty Loan Drive which has been introduced formally by a monster parade this afternoon. I was unable to march in it, but went in the car, to Mary P's and watched it. It certainly was a "booster".

Mrs. Mason was here to see me. Had another letter from Will.

Sunday, September 29th, 1918

Beautiful day. Went to S.S. it being Rally Day there was an attendance of 404 and special programs. My little class was promoted without any ceremony, they were not well prepared, anyway.

Dr. Selby T. Vance preached both morning and evening. Text in morning being upon the Woes in Habakkuk, a strong wat sermon.

In the evening he preached upon the 14th Chapter of St. John's gospel. What the Father has prepared for us.

He had dinner with us and we had a delightful little visit. Girls all went out to Arthur's to have tea with Mary Y. as a farewell.

Monday, September 30th, 1918

Fair, but cool. Went out to Mr. Fritts on Hill top to meet with Soldiers' Co. Commission. Mr. Jacob Fritts and David L. Jones being other members. Mary Y. Moore was here to lunch after which she left on C + O for Troy, O. to visit Fannie before going on her long journey to Portland + Honolulu. Mary Ellen M. came to say goodbye to her. Mary K. Reed will go as far as Cin. with her. We have had a delightful visit with her and regret to see her leave as it may be long before she returns.

Went to Mrs. Roe's at 4 P.M. to make out W.R.C. reports.

Margaret's little lost chicken is home again. Elizabeth began work in the new Henry Massie Bldg. with a model K-G room.

Tuesday, October 1st, 1918

Most beautiful day. But rather cool. Home all forenoon. Loaned and wrote up minutes in W.R.C. book. No letters. Mary and Jane went to Red Cross and worked on surgical dressings.

Did not go anywhere today.

Taking cough medicine rom Arthur. Have been reading a few letters, old ones, and writing up my diary. Clover Club has first meeting of the season this evening with Main Bridges.

Margaret Miller here this evening.

Wednesday, October 2nd, 1918

Beautiful day, mild + pleasant.

Mary, Elizabeth + Jane went after Margaret and Miss Cramer as soon as school closed and they went to the country with their supper.

I wrote some letters and was alone until supper time when Macie came + ate with me. A hard rain storm about six o'clock, with a little hail.

When girls came home said they did not know it had rained. Macie and I went to prayer-meeting. Mr. Harry Smith was leader. Maggie Mason was with Mary Peebles.

Had letters from both Carl + Essie.

Thursday, October 3rd, 1918

Another beautiful day. Did mending all forenoon. Mrs. Weller here to lunch. Went to Dry Hdgrs at 1:30 to Committee meeting. From there to W.C.T.U. at Zala Mission. Came home + finished off some comfort bags for Aid Soc. for Red Cross. 30 bags. Wrote to Will, finished letter on hand for two or three days.

Friday, October 4th, 1918

Fine weather. Autumn foliage gorgeous. Roses beautiful.

Americans and Allies making rapid advances along the battle front, and German army retreating in panic.

Spent most of afternoon out driving. Could not get Margaret though we went three times to the school house.

Elizabeth finished her first week of kindergarten in the new building.

Mrs. Ben Hopkins very sick.

Saturday, October 5th, 1918

Beautiful, warm day. Busy all forenoon, after breakfast Jane and I went out to pay bills + do other errands. Called upon Macie but she was not at home.

Went to Security Bank, Telephone Office, Gas Office, etc. In the afternoon Leona + her father took E + M and Jane to Waterloo for supper and so Margaret + I were alone. Mary Peebles + Margaret Mason called but missed seeing Jane.

The war news is good but the Spanish Influenza is prevailing to an alarming extent. Hundreds dying in the camps. All picnic gatherings prohibited in some cities.

Mr. + Mrs. Prescott called in the evening.

Sunday, October 6th, 1918

An ideal day. Went to S.S. as usual. New class today, others promoted.

Dr. S.F. Vance conducted Communion service and baptized two of Mrs. Marsh's grandchildren, Mary Katherine Jacobs, and Katharine Louise Marsh, George + Bertha's daughter.

Dr. Vance's morning text was "What mean ye by this", Exodus 12:26. In the evening his text was taken from John, "And I, if I be lifted up will draw all men to me".

Mr. + Mrs. Manning, Sadie Creigh, and Virginia Botts were here to tea, served on two-cart.

Jane went to church in the morning, but not evening.

Monday, October 7th, 1918

Rained in the night, cloudy + cooler all day. Spent the morning in the kitchen. Mary took Jane out to make calls upon Gertrude Moore, Leona Labold, and Miss Peebles. After lunch Mary took Jane to Front St. + they walked from there to the C + O station. Have had a fine visit from her.

No mail for me except a postal from Mr. Cross saying he reached Los Angeles safely but his trunk had never come. I started investigations for it. Brought in some plants, signs

of frost. Martha Dever Moulton died of pneumonia, following grippe. A ride circle of friends mourn.

Tuesday, October 8th, 1918

Fine weather.

Father's birthday. I wrote to Will, sending letter to France as here to fore.

In afternoon I went to W.R.C. social meeting for Red Cross. Made button holes, + put buttons on black sateen pinafores for French children.

Large number present at Mrs. Agnes B. Roe's and an offering of almost \$10.00 was taken.

Wednesday, October 9th, 1918

Fine day, mild and bright. Was trying to direct Mr. Schmidt do some carpenter work on the frame barn in the forenoon, and some mending in the afternoon.

The girls went up to the Moulton house in the afternoon to offer their sympathy and help.

Macie + I went to prayer-meeting as usual, Mary followed. Michel Englehardt was leader. Jane Ricker sent us cards.

Mary Y. Moore was to leave Troy today for Chicago, on her homeward trip to Honolulu.

Thursday, October 10th, 1918

Beautiful warm autumn day.

Busy at home all day, or until late in afternoon. Mary spent forenoon at the Moulton home assisting. At one o'clock she + Elizabeth went to the funeral of Mrs. Martha Dever Moulton whose death has saddened many homes. All of the Clover Club members who could do so, were present.

Late in afternoon I went with the girls and Leona for a drive out the Mama's Run Road where the hills are beautifully colored with rich autumn tints.

Friday, October 11th, 1918

Most beautiful autumn day. Warm and pleasant. Worked most of the da in the barn making it into a hen house, Mr. Schmidt being the carpenter. About three o'clock went with the girls to take Margaret + Miss C. to the farm. Drive was delightful.

Had two letters from Will, one in A.M. one after dinner. First, from London, Eng. where he arrived Sept. 18th + stopped at Brown's Hotel. Dover St. Also letter from Jane Ricker who is settled for the winter in Kirkwood with Mrs. Keurn, again.

Mrs. Cadot + Margaret Miller here after.

Saturday, October 12th, 1918

Rained in the night, clear and cloudy by turns during the day. Went up street in forenoon to Bank, to see Mary Ellen, and later Dr. Ida Keyes in regard to a letter from E.S. Peebles.

Elizabeth has taken cold, began last evening.

I am much better.

Margaret worked in the yard and chicken house nearly all day.

Sunday, October 13th, 1918

Pleasant day. Went to S.S. and morning service.

On account of the epidemic of Spanish Influenza, schools, churches, and all kinds of assemblies are to be closed, here, at noon today until all danger is past, so we had no evening service.

Rev. Frank S. Arnold being in town, preached a fine sermon us this morning. His scheduled engagements in Richmond, KY. had to be cancelled as he came to Ports. for over Sunday. Stayed at Miss Peebles'.

We had the first one Margaret's chickens for dinner.

Monday, October 14th, 1918

Wrote to Carl + Essie, + began letter to Will, which did not finish.

Heard late in afternoon of the death of David L. Jones at the Hempstead Hospital, of pneumonia. After supper went to Mary Peebles to see Maggie Mason, his sister. He was one of the attendants of our wedding and is the last one of the five men of the wedding party. James had for his attendants Henry R. Tracy, Sanford B. Jennings, David L. Jones + William M. Punnell. I had sister Mary, Helen Ricker, Margaret J. Peebles + Margaret Jones, now Mrs. Mason, she, Mary, M, + I are all that are left of the ten.

Washed the socks just finished.

Tuesday, October 15th, 1918

Beautiful day. Ther 36° this A.M. Busy at home all forenoon. Wrote to Will one French + one English letter.

After dinner went to Court House and got the \$8.00 due one on Soldiers' Relief Commission work. Spent an hour or so with Maggie Mason + Mary Peebles.

Wrote Citizens' Wholesale Supply Co. Elizabeth better. She + Mary went out to Mrs. Manning's after supper. Mr. Arnold called here.

Elizabeth had letter from Julia Prichard Von Miillen who was married Sept. 16th in China.

Wednesday, October 16th, 1918

Beautiful day. Busy at home until noon when I went on St. car to Greenlawn to attend the funeral services of David L. Jones, conducted by Rev. E.A. Parcell of All Saints Ch. there being no Baptist pastor in town. Returning I went to see Maggie Silcox, + then by car to see Mrs. Ben Hopkins who is recovering from serious illness. Mary went, at 9:30 A.M. to take Sister + Miss C. to the country. Abigail + her two children went with them for the ride.

No prayer-meeting on account of Spanish Influenza.

Rigid regulations of Health Board attempting to control the spread of disease.

Thursday, October 17th, 1918

Most beautiful day. Heavy fog in the morning succeeded by warm sunshiny day.

Mary, Elizabeth, Mrs. Manning, Sadie, Virginia + Robert went in our car. Margaret M. + Dorothy drove Lang to the Miller farm for the day. I went over home for dinner with Macie + Mrs. Behrens. Was home all afternoon, and wrote letters.

Leona here in the evening.

Friday, October 18th, 1918

Beautiful warm day. Mary swept + dusted all forenoon and we worked together in the yard after dinner, until time for her and Elizabeth to go after Sister + Miss Cramer.

War news still encouraging.

Saturday, October 19th, 1918

Beautiful day which I spent in the yard. Margaret made a new bed for roses and I put out some slips.

Mr. Schmidt made new cellar door.

The war news is encouraging. Americans and Allies making rapid advances into Belgium.

Sunday, October 20th, 1918

Rained in the night. Cloudy and wet all day. A strange Sunday with no churches open, no bells, no meetings of any kind owing to the Influenza. Gasoline ban has been lifted but few machines are out on account of the weather.

Mary asked Mrs. Cadot to take dinner with us, which she did and spent the afternoon here.

Monday, October 21st, 1918

Heavy fog which cleared and the day was bright and warm.

Had a busy afternoon about the home and yard. Girls drove to the country in afternoon and I stayed at home until late when I went to do errands and then called to see Mary Peebles and Maggie Mason. She gave me pictures of Georgiana Nichols Shaw, + Will Sprague Upton, also one of Margaret T. Ricker from among Darcy's effects.

Letters from Mrs. Curtiss and L.L. Cross, whose trunk had reached him. Wrote to Essie + sent her quilt prices. Turned in a pair of socks to Red Cross.

Tuesday, October 22nd, 1918

Fine weather. Ther 70° this morning. Worked in the yard much of the day. Had three letters from Will. One in French with the "exercises" as he calls them, enclosed. One an account of his trip to Honolulu, the other tip to Havana, both in French. Girls were out in afternoon, rising + I read my letters and did a little mending.

Wednesday, October 23rd, 1918

Delightful weather, and I spent the whole day in the yard. Put out rose slips in west yard, and did many other things. Began letter to Will but did not finish.

Went up street + took my shoes to be half-soled. Did other errands. Was at Dr. Park's office, also saw Mrs. Keyes about an errand for Elizabeth S. Peebles. Girls went to see Alice Dever after supper. Mrs. Weller here in afternoon.

No prayer-meeting on account of Spanish Influenza quarantine.
Finished a sock.

Thursday, October 24th, 1918

(covered by newspaper article) mild + pleasant.

Light rain began late in the evening, after the work in the yard was done, and Tom had some rye where the potatoes had been. I put out a few more rose slips and now have about four dozen in the ground.

Maggie Mason brought me some from her mother's garden, and remained for a long call. I finished letters to Mrs. Upton + wrote to both Virginia and Elizabeth. Card from Barton said Churchill had been wounded in the knee and the nurse wrote for him. Will be sent to Base Hospital. Mary Dungall + Donald had severe Influenza. Began another sock.

Elizabeth rec'd letter from Carl with check for \$400.00 urging her to go soon
Bradenton.

Friday, October 25th, 1918

Pleasant weather. Worked in the yard, and had Tom Shackleford working also. He dug the garden and sowed rye.

Saturday, October 26th, 1918

Worked in the hen house and yard until it was nearly noon, took a bath, washed my clothes and after dinner, washed my dress skirt and ironed it.

Rained a little at times. The girls went for a drive with Leona.
Was very busy all day.

Sunday, October 27th, 1918

A delightful day in point of weather, but strangely quiet. Churches all still closed, even Catholic funerals not permitted at the churches. Influenza situation services, but not so bad as in some places. There have been two, or more double funerals in some families.

Macie here to dinner as usual.

Monday, October 28th, 1918

Pleasant until afternoon when a light rain began. E + M. with Mrs. Manning + little Virginia went after Margaret + Miss Cramer. Did not rain after they left Lucasville, but was still raining when they came back there.

Had letters from Essie. Wrote to Mary Martin and Mr. Cross. Went to Post Office, Swiger S. rooms after thread, called to see Mrs. Anne Reed, then went to get some rose slips from Maggie Mason's old home. She left this morning for Cin. where she has to arrange for leaving the hotel where she lived for years. She had told me to help myself to all the slips I want.

Margaret Miller here to supper.

Tuesday, October 29th, 1918

Rained all day, after raining all night. Not cold but dark and gloomy. Letter from Will, sent from London, twenty-five days ago.

Spent the day sewing, made button holes in Mary's new white waist and did mending for Margaret. Girls all there went out in the car, in the rain on various missions.

No prospect of schools re-opening. Wrote to Will and Essie.

Bought the gallons Sorghum, \$2.50. Sugar still restricted to 2 lbs. per month for family of four.

Wednesday, October 30th, 1918

Rainy in forenoon, cloudy all day. Temperature still mild. No prayer-meetings permitted yet and Influenza quarantine strict.

Did some errands.

Elizabeth went, in afternoon to see Louise Sprague.

Thursday, October 31st, 1918

Rained all night but cleared this morning. Was so uncertain, however that Margaret could hardly tell whether to go out or not. Mary took me out to Mr. Fritz' for the Soldier's Relief Com. meeting about 9 A.M. Davey Jones was with us there a month ago. Hard to realize that he is gone, having known him fifty-five years, ever since we came to Portsmouth.

Judge Thomas appointed Mr. Firmman as his successor on the Board, and he was chosen President of it. A good appointment.

In afternoon Elizabeth and Mary took Margaret and Miss Cramer to the country.

Had the letters from Will written 4th + 8th of October, I think. Began letters to him.

Friday, November 1st, 1918

Colder, cloudy, unpleasant. Finished letter to Will, enclosing a French translation of an interesting clipping time the Sines-Star, about a father and three sons, all rejected as soldiers, but all overcame the physical defects + got into the service.

Went to Bank, P.O. and paid Chas Scudder for church, since it has been closed, to date.

Wrote to Carl + sent three of Will's letters. War news good. Great gains made by Allies in both Belgium + Italy. Aunt Marry Ellen Moore here to supper, also Margaret Miller. Began another pair of socks.

Sent in one pair by M. Miller.

Saturday, November 2nd, 1918

White frost, ther 30°. Clear, cold. Busy day, as usual, with house work.

In afternoon the girls went out to do some errands and while they were gone Robert Peebles came in. Had not been in Ports for three years. So living, still, in Milwaukee where he has a wife and a son, Stewart, nine months old. Looks well. So with a company selling Laboratory and chemical supplies.

Mrs. Cadot came in while he was here. Is staying at his Aunt Mary Peebles'.

Postman did not read us until late in afternoon but brought several letters. One from V.M. Greene.

Sunday, November 3rd, 1918

Pleasant day. Found a pair of beautiful gray silk gloves at my place as a remembrance of the day. Schools + churches still closed so was home all day. Mary went to Miller farm with Margaret as Macie, Elizabeth + I had our dinner together.

Late in afternoon Robert Peebles came + soon after Mr. + Mrs. Manning + Robert came. Elizabeth started to walk to Mrs. Cadot's to take some letters but only went about half way to Washington St., had to return and could not make the trip a second time. Thought she had lost a letter, but had not. I took it.

Monday, November 4th, 1918

A very cloudy, dull day, but several errands. Paid bills for gas + telephone. Deposited the \$75.00 which came from the G.C. office, Sat. \$20.00 bring for Mary.

Postman did not reach us but once today + that nearly tea time. Office crippled, so many being sick. Influenza abating in some parts of the country but still bad.

War news exciting, Austria's having accepted terms, of the Allies, and withdrawn from the War leaves Germany alone now. Wrote to Mary Greene Dungall. Letter from Helen Moore. Letter from Frank Ricker with \$16.45 interest.

Tuesday, November 5th, 1918

Beautiful clear day. Ther 38°.

Election day which proved to be one of the most quiet that I ever knew. Of course results will not be known soon.

Mary + Elizabeth went after the potatoes, eight sacks, but they did not see M.

Had letters from her, wrote to her, also to Paul C. Greene, now in France, in hospital, wounded in knee somewhere on the great battle front. News indicates victory for the Allies in the near future. Austria has accepted terms + promised to demobilize her army. Miss Anna Ross brought a letter from Mr. Bush, to read to us. He has met George Ross in Y.M.C.A. work in France.

Wednesday, November 6th, 1918

Another beautiful day. Scout news but indications good for dry victory. Ada + little Louise here in afternoon. Gitld + I took them home, doing some errands, on the way.

Had letters from Helen, and Will. His was from London, unusually interesting. Still no prayer-meeting or any other kind of meetings.

Thursday, November 7th, 1918

Delightful day, ther 38° in A.M. Was out in morning. Paid water rent and made call at Mary P'S. Another fine letter from Will, also one from Essie containing one from Will to Carl.

Wrote to Virginia Greene, Frank Ricker and Helen Moore.

Friday, November 8th, 1918

Pleasant day but hazy in the afternoon, indicating rain. Mary, Margaret Miller, Ruth Thompson, Edith Hudson + Edna (?) Dawson took supper and spent the afternoon over on Ky. hills. Wrote to John. Had letter from Will.

Elizabeth decided to go to Florida next week and asked for Care of absence from her work. It was granted, and she asked Mrs. Nodler to take her place, for the present, at least.

Saturday, November 9th, 1918

Rained steadily most of the day, but was not cold.

Soon after 1 o'clock, P.M. Mary went out after Margaret, E + I going with her, regardless of the rain. The place is now closed up for the winter, except for brief trips, perhaps.

Had fine letter from Will today, written on the eve of a trip to northern England and perhaps Scotland.

Sunday, November 10th, 1918

Fine day. Ban has been lifted on churches but not S.S. for today. Having no service at our church, Macie and I attended Bigelow both morning and evening.

Rev. Mr. Chandler remains here this year.

Monday, November 11th, 1918

Beautiful day but rather cool. At 2:15 A.M. the jubilee whistles and bells announced the signing of the armistice between Germany and the Allies, including America. From that time on, until four into the night, rejoicing over the prospect of peace, the end of the greatest war the world has ever known was expressed in every kind of noise.

An impromptu parade was held in the afternoon. Tin cans, tin roofing, anything that would make a noise was used. Four great praise meetings were held in the evening, in churches, + one in Government Square. Rev. Chandler, Powell + Oakley at 1st Pres.

Tuesday, November 12th, 1918

Beautiful day. Busy all forenoon getting Elizabeth's things ready, and packed for her trip.

She and Mary left on the N + W train at 3:20, or it was late, as usual. Macie + I went to the train with the girls and after they left Margaret drove the car, for the first time going after bread on the way home. She put the car away all right. The girls are to stay all night at the Grand Hotel which so convenient for Elizabeth, just across the street from the train.

Schools re-opened this A.M. Mrs. Minnie Smith Nodler taking Elizabeth's kindergarten in Henry Massie Bldg on Second + Chil.

Wednesday, November 13th, 1918

Beautiful day. Elizabeth left Cin. this morning for Bradenton, Florida to spend the winter with Carl and Essie.

Macie and I went to call upon Mrs. Blackburn at Miss Peebles' home this morning, she + Dr. B. left here in 1889, and this is her first visit since his death. We had a prayer and praise meeting this evening, the first since Oct. 9th Influenza quarantine was declared one month ago today and schools closed.

Thursday, November 14th, 1918

Beautiful day which I spent at home until evening when I went with Mrs. Briggs to the thanksgiving meeting of the Soldiers' Mothers Club. My first meeting, but it will likely be the last one, as the object of it has been attained.

Margaret had letters from Will. I had one from Mary, + card from Elizabeth. Mary's letter said Elizabeth got off all right yesterday morning. Mailed old pictures to Mrs. Shaw and Mrs. Upton. Davie Jones had had them more than fifty, perhaps sixty years.

Friday, November 15th, 1918

Mild and pleasant, cloudy late in afternoon. Home all day and busy in the kitchen and most of the time. Letter from Helen.

Waited up until 11 P.M. for Mary but she did not come. Wrote to Will. Carl wired me that he met Elizabeth at Tampa and they had arrived safely at Bradenton. Message came at 7:30 P.M. I wrote him.

Saturday, November 16th, 1918

Warm and cloudy with light rain at times. Worked in the yard, awhile, taking down cines etc. Was in the kitchen the rest of the time. Wrote to Helen. Letter from Mary saying she would come home Monday noon.

Sunday, November 17th, 1918

Rainy, and as the S.S. and churches have been closed five weeks, the attendance was small today at all the services.

Rev. Frank S. Colvin preached morning and evening and had good sermons both times. Margaret Miller was here to dinner but left soon after.

Monday, November 18th, 1918

Rainy day.

Busy at home in forenoon. Went to W.R.C. meeting in afternoon, stopped at Mrs. Evans' before meeting and called to see Mrs. Wagner after it.

Mary returned from Cin. before I came home. Has visited Mrs. Coe and Mrs. Edith Tomlinson after E. left for Florida.

Tuesday, November 19th, 1918

Rainy day, not one gleam of sunshine. Mary and I were busy house-cleaning. Had letter from Elizabeth telling of her arrival at Carl's, and the delightful weather.

Mary went to Alice Dever's after supper.

Wednesday, November 20th, 1918

Still no sunshine. A good day to stay at home and work.

Papers are full of news about the surrender of German rebels and closing events of the war.

Went to prayer-meeting. Mr. Bickhem being leader.

Thursday, November 21st, 1918

Still cloudy with occasional sprinkling. I fell backwards over the cat, while brushing up the hearth and hurt my wrist, not thinking it serious, went on with my work. About an hour later it pained me so I went to Dr. Arthur Moore who said it was sprained, bandaged it + prescribed a liniment. Suffered all day very much. Had letters from Will, from Edinburgh, Scotland, and Essie telling how glad they are to have E. with them. Went to three Banks while out, deposited W.M.S. money at First.

Friday, November 22nd, 1918

Still cloudy and raw.

Rested very well las night and wrist much better today. Have been able to sew on the new lace curtains which Margaret got for the sitting room.

Wrote letters to Virginia and began one to Will which was not finished. Mrs. Cora Hartsock, W.R.C Inspector, Mrs. Lydia Roe + Mrs. Agnes Roe spent the forenoon here on the books. We were not able to have a called meeting at this time.

Went to Red Cross and got label and carton for Will's Kansas package. Stopped at Mary Peebles' a few minutes.

Saturday, November 23rd, 1918

Still cloudy, and a few flakes of snow. Not a gleam of sunshine for more than a week. Not a letter rec'd. Finish Will's and wrote to Elizabeth and Essie.

Am making up new lace curtains for sitting room, which Margaret bought. Wrist much better. War news fine. Beginning to send soldiers home.

Sunday, November 24th, 1918

A little thin ice, cloudy early, but brightened up while we were in church. Margaret, Mary and I went to S.S. Mary coming home to get dinner.

Rev. Paul H. Yourd preached both morning and evening. Took tea with us and we enjoyed his little visit. He, Macie and I went to C.E. meeting.

Morning text was "Behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world".

In evening he preached upon text from Ephesians, the theme being humility.

Monday, November 25th, 1918

Beautiful sunshine day which we greatly appreciate after a week of clouds and rain.

Busy about the house all morning, sewed on the curtains in afternoon. Letter from Helen. Wrote usual letter to Will, enclosing letter from Elizabeth and Essie.

Wrist almost well again, am using it, so it could not have been a real sprain, though it was severe enough.

Tuesday, November 26th, 1918

Beautiful day. Ther 21° this A.M. with white frost + thin ice.

Wrote usual Thanksgiving letters to Jane Ricker, as for years past I did to her father. Spent the day at the All Day Missionary meeting at the home of Mrs. Alice Cross, when the Oct. meeting (deferred on sec't of the Influenza ban) was held in the forenoon, the simple noon lunch turned out to be a full dinner, from escalloped oysters to fancy dessert, two kings of cake, and lemon tarts which were brought by Mary Peebles, the kind her mother used to make. The November Thank offering meeting was held in the afternoon. Came home and found box of grape-fruit from Cal. T.M. Patterson died.

Wednesday, November 27th, 1918

Beautiful day. Busy with the preparations for Thanksgiving.

Finished the lace curtains for the sitting room + Mary put them up. Letter from Elizabeth which I answered. Also wrote to Helen + sent yarn. Prayer-meeting led by Rev. Paul H. Yourd.

Thursday, November 28th, 1918

Rained in the night and was variable all day, sunshine and rain alternately + sometimes together.

Services at our church. Fine sermon by Rev. Bliss Cartwright, of Central Pres.

We dispensed with turkey today, have chickens of our own, so had three. The guests were Mr. + Mrs. F.L. Manning, Dorothy + Robert, Sadie Creigh, Virginia Betts, Mrs. Cadot and Margaret Miller, Macie and ourselves made twelve. We missed Elizabeth but know she is having a delightful time today.

Had a letter from Will written from Aberdeen, Scotland, H.H. phoned it was there so Margaret went after it.

Friday, November 29th, 1918

Fine day. Not feeling well but managed to go up street and get something to finish filling Will's carton, then took it to Red Cross rooms and it will go Monday.

Letter from E. written on 26th tell interesting plans for Thanksgiving. Says Carl brought home a watermelon weighing 39 lbs. Went to bed early feeling miserable.

Chas. W. Byrd, many years in father's supply at Ports. F + M Shops died suddenly this A.M. while at the breakfast table.

Saturday, November 30th, 1918

Beautiful day but I am not feeling much better and got up late.

Letters from Carl, Mrs. Shaw and Mrs. Rickey of Georgetown. Girls drove out to the farm this afternoon for a final inspection of the place for the winter.

Called in Dr. Arthur Moore again this afternoon.

Sunday, December 1st, 1918

Very fair day but I was not able to be out of the house. Had a substitute for my class, Miss Ousler.

Spent the day reading. Missed hearing Rev. Mr. Tronpe who preached well, they said.

Began adding more to the cold I already had, though of a different type.

Monday, December 2nd, 1918

Bright the most of the day. Have bad cold in my head again. Very miserable all day.

Margaret had dine letter from E. I wrote to Will, also to E.S.P. tomorrow being her birthday. Wrote to Mrs. Curtiss.

Tuesday, December 3rd, 1918

In bed all day as the best way to get over the cold. It is not the prevailing influenza which has swept not only this country, but others and has caused more deaths in the army + navy, than the war.

Wednesday, December 4th, 1918

Bright and pleasant.

Came down stairs about 9 A.M. and remained down all day, being somewhat better.

Mr. Troupe conducted the prayer-meeting, which I missed.

Thursday, December 5th, 1918

Fair day but I am still in the house, missed the W.C.T.U. today.

Have been busy and feel better when doing something.

Friday, December 6th, 1918

Beautiful day. Mary met Mrs. Curtiss at noon train, after lunch took her to the Scioto Co. S.S. Convention at Baptist Church, where she made an address. I shall miss all of this Convention, to my regret.

In the evening Mary, Margaret and Mrs. Curtiss went to Con. + I spent the evening alone, after Macie left. She came over here in morning feel so ill that I called Dr. Moore and kept her here all day. He said she had over-exerted herself. Was much better when she went home.

Wrote to Will and Essie.

Helen came today noon to make Mrs. Scudder a short visit + will then go to see her parents. Was here before supper.

Saturday, December 7th, 1918

Pleasant, though cloudy all day. Temperature mild.

Stayed at home all day. Mrs. Curtiss went out with the girls in forenoon. She left for Columbus in afternoon. We had a good visit.

Mr. Fogarty representing Citizens Wholesale Grocery here after supper and we have him an order.

Sent letters to Essie.

Helen was here for a few minutes.

Sunday, December 8th, 1918

Temperature mild. Signs of rain, but none fell.

Did not go to S.S., but went both morning and evening to church. Rev. Mr. McDonald, missionary from Mexico + Puerto Rico preached. Only Macie, Mary + I here to dinner.

Misses Welty, Sayers, + Houser here to tea-cart tea.

Monday, December 9th, 1918

Ther 58°. Would hardly need any fires, for comfort. Began to rain about 7 A.M. and continued all day and was still raining at bed time.

Mary had letter from Mary Y. Moore who is home again in Honolulu. Also had letter from Elizabeth.

Sewed all day, re-lining, or rather repairing lining of Mary's coat.

Tuesday, December 10th, 1918

Rainy day, with short intermission about 1 o'clock. Helen was here all forenoon. I went out to do some errands, paid gas + phone bills + deposited checks from G.C.O. + Pension money. Almost finished Mary's coat. Had letters from Jean Fuller + Tom Martin, son of Dr. Sam Martin who has left Camp Sherman and will soon be out of the army.

Clover Club met here. Small attendance, owing to "Flu" + weather.

Wednesday, December 11th, 1918

Ther 56° this morning. Light rain, clear later. Open windows + no fires in the forenoon. Mary went for auto ride with the Devers + Louise Sprague, and then to supper at Mrs. Manning's.

I had letter from Mr. Luslee who had cable message from Will, Dec. 9th in London. Says he will be home soon. Had letter from him later, written from Christians, Sweden + Copenhagen, Denmark, where he first got the news of the abdication of the Kaiser, Nov. 10th. Wrote to Mr. Luslee, Will, Jean Fuller + Mr. Cross. Went to prayer-meeting, which was led by Dr. Kline.

Thursday, December 12th, 1918

Weather mild and pleasant. All up early as Mary went to Columbus on 7 o'clock A.M. train to connect Dr. Waters about the thyroid glands in her neck.

I did some errands, but was home most of the day. Wrote five letters, among them one to Mr. Bush and one to Virginia Greene, one to Mr. Camden of the Assembly-Herald, in regard to the change to the New Era (no, wrote him Friday).

Had dinner with Macie at noon.

Friday, December 13th, 1918

Ther. still about 56°, some sunshine. Have been home all day, except when I had lunch with Sister Mary at noon. Very busy doing things about the house.

Mary returned from Columbus this evening, with prescriptions from Dr. Waters, for her neck, and general condition. Had a pleasant visit with Mrs. Curtiss, Mr. Richards had the "Flu" so she did not go there. Alfred took her to lunch downtown, yesterday. Today she was

with Mrs. Curtiss + Sadie Rogers, + Helen Moore joined them while waiting for her train going East. Margaret went to the H.S. this evening. Mrs. Behrens is sick.

Saturday, December 14th, 1918

Another all day rainy day, but not cold. Have been getting together things for the Bradenton package. Sent E.V.R. a \$100.00 bill + hdkf. Silk hdkf + silver tooth pick holder for the table. Essie will have white skirts + waist from M.T.R. + myself.

Mrs. Behrens better but still quite sick.

Sunday, December 15th, 1918

Very mild, cloudy, no rain.

Went to S.S. having missed to Sunday's. Dr. McKibben preached twice for us. 2nd Pres. of Lane Seminary and a strong preacher.

Macie and Margaret Miller here to dinner.

Monday, December 16th, 1918

Fair and not cold. Home in A.M. Went to W.R.C. meeting in afternoon at Hdgrs in Carnegie Library Bldg.

Election of officers. Mrs. Lydia M. Rowe re-elected Pres. few changes. Have had a very good year.

Went to see Mary Peebles who came back today from Ashland where she went for Thanksgiving. Has severe cold + can scarcely talk.

Had letter from Essie + answered it. Spent an hour over home in evening. Began another sock.

Tuesday, December 17th, 1918

Ther 30°, but rose later.

Went to Court House to see about taxes, appraisement had been raised and mine were \$66.92. E.S.P's \$39.18 did not pay them. Went to Bank, on way called to see Mrs. Cotton.

(Letter from Will, dated Nov. 16 + 17 from Stockholm, Sweden. Dec. 18th.)

Mrs. Cadot was here to supper. I spent the evening knitting on sock.

Mary went to Elk Club for dinner with Margaret Miller + Ruth Thompson.

Wednesday, December 18th, 1918

Beautiful day. Not cold. Went early to Court House, paid taxes and filed complaint that appraisement was raised so much. Did many errands.

Had long letter from Will. Ans'd it. Had letter from Helen. Ans'd it.

Went to prayer-meeting. Few present, more men than women.

Cut coupons from L.L. Bonds for three girls and myself, total \$7.00.

Sent lists of subscriptions to Woman's Work (4) and Home Mis Monthly (8). Rec'd goods from Columbus Citizen Co. Bill \$8.23. Less two orders, \$5.84.

Thursday, December 19th, 1918

Beautiful day, after heavy white frost + ther 30°.

Was out doing errands. Had the first serum treatment for cold from Arthur Moore. Had Xmas card from Rev. M.S. Bush, Will G. Moore and letter from Will Ricker. Wrote to the two letters, also Miss Ella V. Ricker.

Sadie Creigh has influenza and will not be able to take Virginia Betts home for X'mas.

Friday, December 20th, 1918

Ther 33° + 53°, cloudy.

Home all day, busy with house work. Mary went with Leona + Alice to Chillicothe about noon, returned at supper time. I had three letters from Will, delayed ones from Scandinavia + the latest, Dec. 2nd from London, could not say when he will be home.

Capt. Gould Murfin called to see me today, in all the glory of his naval uniform. Has been in service in North Sea + other waters. Explained somethings which I could not understand in regard to Will's service.

Had X'mas card from Mr. B.F. Wyman.

Saturday, December 21st, 1918

Pleasant day. Margaret Hammond here to sweep in forenoon.

I wrote letters and did some mending.

In afternoon took second serum treatment for cold.

Sunday, December 22nd, 1918

Very pleasant. Took umbrella to S.S. but did not need it.

Had Christmas program at S.S. and in the evening.

Dr. McKibbin preached both morning and evening.

Notice was given of a congregation meeting to be held Jan. 8th.

Macie and Margaret Miller here to dinner.

Monday, December 23rd, 1918

Monday, a fine day for Christmas shopping which is being used by many people.

Bans on flour, sugar + other things are lifted. People are relieved + the holidays promise to be enjoyable. We have no encouragement to expect Will home.

Took third serum treatment.

Macie told me a fine story about Arthur today. When he first began practicing mother + Macie gave him \$25.00 to help him get started. She had forgotten all about it - today he returned it to her, three gold. He is a worthy son of a noble father.

Tuesday, December 24th, 1918

Raining in the night, and all forenoon. Cleared in afternoon. Busy all day. Went to Bank in morning, deposited \$112.00 from St. Joe and drew some money.

Sent list of 18 names, with money for the New Era, first number since change from Assembly Herald.

Margaret and Mary busy all day with errands. Went in auto to deliver X'mas packages. Rec'd many Christmas cards + letters. Had one from Will + one from Carl enclosing one from Will to him.

Margaret Miller here to supper. She + Mary went out afterwards.
Weather changing tonight.

Wednesday, December 25th, 1918

A few flakes of snow in the air. About 8 o'clock A.M. Margaret, Mary + I went out to the Manning's to see the tree + Virginia Betts. Margaret Miller went with us, but went on to Harry's. The tree was fine and Virginia's delight was complete, + well expressed. Sadie Creigh is still in bed with the flu, better but not able to have any part in the festivities, except her gifts.

Our only dinner guest was Macie and we had a chicken instead of turkey.

After dinner I went to take my fourth, + last serum treatment for colds. Paid Dr. A.R. Moore \$4.00. Went out to sit with Sadie while the Manning family were dining with the Weller family.

Came home about 4 o'clock. Macie and I went to prayer-meeting which was led by Harry Smith.

Have missed Elizabeth, Will, Carl and Essie.

Thursday, December 26th, 1918

Ther 28°, cloudy and bleak, with just a sprinkling of snow on the ground in places.

Have been at home all day. Ripped up my gray silk dress which is to be made over.

Harry Wagner, home on leave from Navy at Norfolk, called this afternoon, and Margaret Miller came in while he was here. Mary and Mrs. Cadot dined with Mr. + Mrs. Weller and his sister Mrs. Kirschenlager.

Had cards this morning from Jake + Mary Ricker, + Harry Wagner.

Friday, December 27th, 1918

Colder, some snow late in the day. Was busy at home until noon. Went to Court House to file complaint with appraisers. Helped Macie cut out her gown. Finished, or rather washed the pair of socks + began another.

Sorted X'mas cards + letters, listed 45. Wrote four notes. Ward Miller called in forenoon, Mrs. Manning afternoon.

Went to see Mary Peebles late, found Martha Steele Peebles + Mary E. Dever there. Letters from Elizabeth + Essie. X'mas pkg from Mary Y. Moore.

Saturday, December 28th, 1918

Colder. Had a busy day at home and was very tired at night. Just before supper I went up to see Mary Peebles and saw Mary Elizabeth Dever, and Martha Steele Peebles. Have repeated the last statement.

Sunday, December 29th, 1918

A little snow in the air, but cleared later.

Went to S.S. and church. Rev. John Sharp preached both morning and evening. Spent part of afternoon making up my Home Dept. supplies for the visitors.

Monday, December 30th, 1918

Ther 21° this A.M. bright + clear.

Went over home + cut out Macie's gowns. Arthur Moore was there to see Mrs. Behrens. Had letter from Virginia Greene saying Churchill had arrived in N.Y. but is in hospital + does not know where he will be sent.

Mary had letter from Elizabeth telling of their fine Christmas. After lunch I went to do some errands, make W.R.C. reports at Mrs. Roe's, then home.

Margaret Miller here to supper, after which they went to call on the Bryans. Went to see Mrs. Young who is sick in bed. Ada Brent + Virginia are there. My new diary from Kah-Patterson price.