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Sept 1916

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Sept 1

Came home last night with Mr. Bob

Birney. Met Mr. Peyton, the assistant teacher today.

Sept 2 Worked awhile for Hop this afternoon. Tonight the big fair met at Bettes. Even Stohl came in this morning. That French has been holding him up to me as a doggy. He must show some class now or the laugh is on them.

Sept 3, 9 have not the enthusiasm this year for school work I should have. Went to see Bettie who was a little brought up ^{Eddie} ~~little~~

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Sept 1916

Sept 4 School begins
 a large bunch from
 all over the county.
 After we dismissed
 I went over to
 Mrs. Gamm's with
 Eddie. Tonight I went
 over there and we
 sat in the evening.

Sept 5 Getting started
 Believe I will like
 Cicero. I may take
 3 or 4 men. There are many ^{pupils}
 I don't know.

Sept 6 So many of my
 class associates are
 gone this year that it
 is not like the same
 place. I like to be with
 Eddie. She is such a
 domestic little thing,
 I am going to try for
 the Valedictory

Sept 7 Had Father
 re-organized our
 athletic association
~~organized~~ I like Mr.
 Peyton. Have had sev-
 eral boxing matches
 lately. The boys all
 scuffle and whenever
 they try to scuffle
 with me I give them
 a few punches and I
 am left alone.

Sept 8 am taking five
 studies now. Bettie
 is sick and staying
 at home. Went a-
 round to see her while
 this afternoon. Reading
 Browning's "Paracelsus".
 am writing a little
 of my Cicero to give
 myself a command of
 English.

Sept 9 Studied Cicero
this morning and
read Browning.
Carved Eddie to show
tonight.

Sept. 10 I took notes
on Bro Macdon's sermon.
Went to see Bettie to-
night. We had quite a
stormy interview. We
have been together so
much that we have grown
common to each other.
I intimated as much
and she answered a
little sarcastically.

Sept 11 Our new teacher
is here. Eddie is a little
of lavender. I thought
my stunts with Bettie.
Studying very
hard. I must make
this year count.

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Sept 12. Working on the switchboard for Judge Euell. He has gone to carry Lucile to Tenn where she is going to school. I had so many calls last night I got very much falled up.

Sept 13 My eyes are hurting me. Physics is my hardest study. Am doing quite a lot of research work in am. history. Reading Spenser's Fairy Queen. It takes up one or sometimes two thoughts in a stanza and amplifies it.

Sept 14 Have met Miss Burman - the new teacher. Working hard. Feeling irritable

Sept 15 My life has been remade since last year.

My point of view is different. My standing in school is higher this year than last but it is because of the work I did last year.

Sept 16 Packed my clothes and did chores. Am going to do some hard work on history.

Sept 17 Reading Thwaites's The colonies and preparing to write a theme on the genesis of the political and social system of the south. I am trying to weed out some degrading customs.

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Sept 18 Back at work
Eddie is sick. I am
determined to bring my
affair with Bettie to
a close. It has cost
me too much in
every way except the
financial. I shall
never go with a finer
squares more sensible
girl than Bettie. She has
been really too good
to me. It is hard to
break with her because
our intercourse has
always been so pleasant
I hardly know how
to start anything.
I hate to quit just
now that the Fall
fay is back but guess
if I ever meant to do any
good I must.

Sept 19 Eddie is the first
girl ever allowed my.

- self to be sentimental
enough with to write
letters in school. Went
home with her awhile
this afternoon, am
studying hard. Majoring
in American history.

Sept 20 The literary
societies organized
today. The Pericleans
elected me president.
Called Bettie up this after-
noon and wanted her to
come home. Said she
had no way but
would call me if she
could. Thank John
went after her and
then went to see
her. I will play ignorant
till I am ready to strike

Sept 1916

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Sept 21 I am at last
coming into my own
in the reading of the
dramatic art. I can now
get more pleasure and
instruction ^{out} of a drama
than almost any
kind of literary
work.

Sept 22 Studying
History hard

Aug 23 Found out
Betty had a date with
Everett and tried to
make her break it
but failed. About three
weeks from now
I am going to spring
one on this bunch.
I am going to hand
the lady a sharp
as she is. She is a good
sort though.

Sept. 24 Went out
 kadokking with many
 avery, @ and Bettie.
 I exerted myself to be
 nice to her. If nothing
 happens I will spring
 the deal three weeks from
 today. Meanwhile I am
 showing her punch
 how well we stand so
 they will catch the
 full effect when I
 do strike. I want to
 show them that I
 act after consideration
 and not in sudden
 passion.

Sept. 25 Feeling tough
 I am beginning to
 realize that physical
 fitness is one of
 the first requisites
 for success.

Sept 1916

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Sept. 26 am doing quite
a lot of reading in
history

Sept 27 Had a very
enthusiastic meet-
-ing of the Pericleans
today. Paul stayed all
night with me.

Went over to Eddie's
apartment this afternoon

Sept 28 Nearly sick.
Got a new copy of
Les Misérables

Sept. 29 Carried Eddie
to the community
meeting tonight.

Sept. 30 Read Jack
London's Children of
the F rost. Have a
bad cold. Went to
Kew on 7.13. Paul
and I went to see Lillie
Kendred and Hattie on Street

Oct 1916

Oct. 1 Stayed at your
Kevil with Paul.

This afternoon went to
see Hattie Mae. Cara
Bishop was there. They
announced they had to
come to La Center on a
train and back on
next. I announced
emphatically I would
not go. They bluffed
and said I. I offered
to buy them a round
trip ticket and put
them on the train.

Finally they decided
to go with Barney
Street. I guess they
usually put it over
their heads, Paul and
I chased about his
house and read
and chatted.

Oct. 2. Not in a very good humor. Tore my best trousers scuffing. I can't imagine a pig rider's ideas for scuffing.

Oct. 3 Back hard at work. My life this year has grown very different from that of last. I have less enthusiasm and more thought power. I am quieter and less impulsive.

Oct. 4 Roy has come over to take charge of the P.O. while Paul goes West. Had a meeting of the Pericleans this afternoon to learn a song that I composed for them.

Oct 3, 16

Oct. 5 am attaining
new ideas of scholar-
-ship. Heretofore my
reading has been
scattered and my
task is to unify and
amplify it

Oct. 6 La Center
defeated Randon
three sets today, in
tennis. The games were
six and one, six and
three, six and one.
Went to see Bettie

Oct 7 Helped scrape
off a basket ball
court. Reading

Romola by George
Eliot. am getting
so I like my
quiet hours of study
more. No more women
and wine for me.

Oct 8 Bettie and I
called on Paul and
Nevada this afternoon.
Tonight we made
some permanent
sandwiches and had
quite a round table
discussion.

Oct 9 Back at work
Reading a catalogue
from Transylvania
University. I may go
there.

Oct 10 I have succeeded
in getting up quite
a lot of enthusiasm
in the Literary
societies already.

Oct 11 Went to see
Eddie tonight. She is
certainly an affection-
ate, domestic little
girl.

Oct 12 Not in a very industrious mood

I cannot always keep keyed up to that high fever of enthusiasm.

Oct 13 Had the Periclean program this afternoon. It is quite a lot of work to manage one of these things.

Carried Eddie to the entertainment given to the Periclean Literary Society and the Faculty by the Exultations.

Oct 14 Went to Bandana this afternoon. They had just been having a pig celebration at Randolph's store. Went to the Methodist Church and stayed all night with Mills D.

Oct 15 Went to
S.S. with Vida. Took
dinner with arvid.
We went to the fall
game this afternoon.
Went to singing
tonight. Stayed all
night at Mr. Jesse's.

Oct 16 came home
with Mr Whipple
There is a great deal
of election talk
going the rounds
now. I really think
Wilson will be
elected.

Oct 17 Feeling very
restless and feverish.
Somehow I cannot
concentrate my
mind on my
work. Studying
history pretty hard

Oct 1916

Oct 17 Reading Albert
Bushnell Hart's "Forma-
tion of the Union".

Oct 18 I wish I had
some means of
making some
money. Being broke
all time is not very
funny.

Oct 20 Went to see
Bettie tonight. Have
heard, how a few of
our friends decided to
participate in my
funeral there so to
speak. I think I will
put off my quitting
and see if I can't
stop some of this.

Oct 21 Tonight Paul,
Howard, Bettie and I
Went to the show
"The heart of a mermaid"

Oct 22 The Methodist
Church held its

last meeting of the
conference year to-
day. There were
several addresses by
the citizens of the
town. I had a very
short address on the
B.C.H.S. and its
appreciation of Bro.
Fayrer's work.

Oct 23 Have my history
outline up pretty well
now.

Oct 24 Had a very
enthusiastic meet-
ing of the ~~Per~~
Library societies
this afternoon.

We are going to
entertain the
Europeans soon

Oct 19.12

Oct 25 - not feeling
 very good. Had a date
 with Bettie tonight.
 Just after dark I got
 a note telling me not
 to come. She says her
 mother and sisters and
 she had a terrible
 disagreement about
 me. I don't know just
 how much of this to
 believe, I guess I will
 find out later.

Oct 26 a great deal of
 change has come over
 my life. It is harder,
 colder. I have no more
 hearty friendships.

Oct 27 Carried
 Eddie the community
 meeting. Had to
 stand up. Eddie stays
 over this week end.

Oct 28 Read 34-40 on
Flight by Emerson

Hough. The books
ordered for the senior
class came in. They
are splendid works

Oct 29. Reading
political articles.

Over at Eddie's this
afternoon. We went
to the Baptist Church
tonight.

Oct 30 Feeling tough

Went to see Bettie tonight

Oct 31 Preparing for
the Periclean Society's
entertainment. Carried
fadder up the steps
until I was tired some
... all had a nice time
Large crowd. Had funny
games and good after
dinner speaking.

Nov 1. School is in
 a turmoil. Someone
 got in Miss Smith's
 room last night
 and destroyed several
 valuable books. We are
 trying to find the
 guilty party. I had
 to help clean the
 building this morning.

Nov 2 Someone got in
 the building night
 before last. We have
 a very important
 hurry up about it.
 I guess we will have
 to pay for the books.

Nov 3 A great deal
 of excitement is on
 about the election. One
 of the Harrison boys
 is said to have cut
 up our net.

Nov 4 Betty, E. S.,
Paul and Nelsa

and a bunch had a
nutting trip planned
For some reason she
called it off and they
all think I did it, Nelsa

She made some of
the nicest pimental
sandwiches I ever saw
and invited me over

Nov 5. Reading election
forecasts. A lack of
money is very
embarrassing to
me. at Betties

Nov 6 The whole
town seems keyed
up over election.

It has seems to be
the greatest contest
in years. Hurrah
for Wilson!

Now 7 Great excitement!
am making a study
of English history.

I have learned new
ideals of scholarship
this year. I have several
secondary works
must read yet and
then I am going to
study sources.

Now to Waited in the
central office last
night for returns. at
first all seemed for
Hughes but finally
the tide turned. Went to
bed undecided. Today
we learned that
Mr. Wilson is leading
an partial returns
The rest went
almost solidly for
him.

now I think a new
era of government
is opening up. The
progressive west
has beaten the
rock rubbed east.
We have put the
stand patterns out
of business entirely.

Nov 10 Have just
read "Freckles" by
Gene Stratton
Porter and "Old
rose and silver"
by Myrtle Reed.

Went down to
see Bettie tonight
and John called
on Jennie. Same luck!

Nov. 11 Studied. Pressed
my clothes. Called on
Bettie. Sold two
S. P. subscriptions.

Nov 12 Stayed at home and studied. Am reading John Fiske's "Critical period in American history". Also reading "King Victor and King Charles" by Brahmring.

Nov 13 Preparing for the school fair. Reading "In Memoriam".

Nov 14 Carried Bettie to the preliminary tonight. I was chairman of the meeting. Louise Sugg and J D Moore were selected. Bettie and I had quite an argument. She said I was going to carry Eddie to the Fair and was just trying to make it all right with her.

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Nov 15 am preparing a composition for the school fair. It will be a historical study called "The genesis of Southern political and social systems."

Nov 16 No lessons.

Preparing for the school fair. The senior class had Mr Haddox to decorate his window for them.

Nov 17. Had a row with Prof about our corner but finally prevailed.

We have a beautiful exhibit. Acted as chairman to night. Barlow won. Faculty people all mad. our representatives good.

Nov. 18 Everything went off fine. We had Hillman's band. Locaster was more athletic than the rest combined. The Seniors have been called ~~ded~~. They won the five dollars for the best exhibit. Elvira won two first and two second prizes. I won first on history note book. John won two gold medals. Went to see B. tonight.

Nov 19 Had a date to go and see Eddie and Mrs. Sumner made her go to Wickliffe. Went tonight. She (Mrs. S.) wouldn't let me come in after church.

Nov 1916

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Nov 20 Back at work
not in a very
studious mood.

Reading John Fiske's
Critical period of
American history.

Nov 21 Went to see
Bettie last night.

Called her up to get
her to come in.

She didn't want to
do it at first but
finally consented.

Nov 22 Am having
attacks of insomnia.

Reading Cynfelix.

I think Mrs. Rutherford
is going to take a
round with Mrs.

Esmond. Eddie wrote

and told her about

Sunday ~~last~~ night

Nov 1916

Nov 23. Went to see
Bettie last night.

Had a very enthusiastic
meeting of the Pericleans.
We are going to have
another big community
meeting Friday night.
Elvira, Jette and I led
the physiology test. 90%

Nov 24 I told Eddie
I had rather be with
her tonight than
Bettie but my duty was
to go with B. So B. has
found it out. Don't know
whether E. told it or not.
Will find out it sure
complicated matters
with B. Worked
awhile on the sketch
for Judge Euell. He
paid me 50¢, carried
B. to to community meeting

Nov 25 Helped
around home.

Pressed my clothes.
Read the S-E Post.
Called an B-tanight

Nov 26 Stayed at
home all day. Am
reading some fine
short stories appearing
weekly in post Dispatch.
First two are by Conrad
and Robertson. Jack
London is dead of
vermin poisoning.

Nov 27 E - James
telling ~~that~~ what I
told her. Hattie
Marten is engaged
to be married to
a civil engineer from
Indiana. They are
having fun sympathizing
with me.

Nov 1916

Nov 28, Finished
Alfred Rushnell

Hart's "Formation
of the Union",

Over at E. 's until
this afternoon,

Nov 29 My life is
changed entirely from
what it was two
years ago. My friends
tastes and opinion-
ment are different.

Went to see B. and
stayed till 9. Slept at
the Home Central office.
Mrs. Euell is sick.

Nov 30 Thanksgiving
Stayed ^{at home} all day reading
"Harold" by T. Erbyan
English and American
history. Staying
in does soon
make me tired.

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Dec
~~Nov~~ 1. Reading "The
making of the nation"
by Albert Perry
Walker. Mr Sugg
wants me to be
a teacher of history.
Helped Rayan P. O.
Jacks.

~~Dec~~ 2 Several weeks
ago I started to give
a study to English
history like I am
giving to American.
Text books: Chynoweth,
Montgomery and
Walker. Have already
done some outside
reading. Just what
I have accomplished
since I began has
been invaluable to
me. I must make an
intensive study of E. H.

Dec 19 16

Dec 3 The Needlecrafters
present Winnie Stewart
concert company last
night, but I did not
get to attend. At
Betty's this afternoon.

Dec 4 I'm a home with
a large family like
ours there is often
family jags. The children
worry me very much
at times, at others I
enjoy them. I never
want to be burdened
with a large family
though.

Dec 5 Ordered "Laddie" by
Porter and "In old Ky" by
Marshall today. They will
make good Xmas presents.
Went to see Betty to
do a little source
study in history.

Dec 6 Prof. has a way
of ridiculing fellows,

He is always on a
juncture of us. Today
he gave several plays
and goes a round. He
holds a couple in so
comical a position that
it is impossible not to
laugh.

Dec 7 Not feeling very
good. He has given plays
worry me so I
struggling that I
cant hardly study. I am
on a front seat and don't like it.

Dec 8 Giving "In
Memoriam" a careful
reading and mem-
orizing the best
parts of it. I want to
get a good knowledge
of Tennyson.

Dec 1916

Dec 9. Went to see Eddie last night. Not feeling very good today. Went over to see Bettie this afternoon. She had a date with John Taylor and I persuaded her to call it off.

Dec 10 attended church this morning. This evening Went over to Mrs Rollings and met a miss McCaslin. We went out kodapping carried Eddie to church tonight.

Dec 11 Feeling bad. This evening John & ~~Ed~~ Holson and John and I slipped into the domestic science room and ate with the girls.

Dec 12, I started a small bank account the other day. I know Mr Lovelace is disgusted. After my last check to J. M. Hanson Bennett comes in I will have only seventy cents left.

Dec 13 Went to see Bettie last night. She is same ill. Offered me back my letters. Said if I liked Eddie so well that I had to go to see her when she was there I could go to Cer-edo to see her.

Dec 14 Have finished the making of the motion. Reading Stanwood's History of the presidency. A big snow is on. We have no coal

Dec 1914

Dec 15 Got our grades
 mine are history 93, latin
 87, physics 83, physiology 90
 American literature 93, Elvira's
 general average is 92. I am
 second. Leaving out Dom-
 -estic science I lead.

Dec 16 Pappy is book-
 -keeper for the Ross
 Vaughn tobacco company.
 Stewart is trying to
 buy it all. All farms are
 paying ten cents. I
 stayed in the office with
 Pappy all day. We are
 going after it! Brother
 is buying.

Dec 17 Bettie and I
 went to the show last
 night. Mr & Frank
 Tucker is dead. at
 Bettie's. This afternoon
 and night.

Dec 1916

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Dec 18 Working on
my history book.

Have it up to the
close of the revolutionary
war.

Dec 19 Doing a little
reading in Hart's
"Hasty by contem-
poraries". Reading of the
days of the exploration.
This is very fruitful
ground for romance
and has never been
touched.

Dec 20 Have my
Xmas presents selected.
Have "Laddie," "I'm old
Kentucky" and a bottle
of perfume for Bettie.
Have a Morocco bound
copy of "Les Misérables"
and some handkerchiefs
for Eddie.

Dec 21 Tobacco is selling
for eleven and twelve
cents. There is more
money in the country
now than ever before.

Dec 22 We turned out
school at dinner today. I
worked for fudge last night.
Eddie was at Banglins and
I was expected there but
did not get to go.

Dec 23 Many people who
have been gone are
coming home for Xmas.
Stayed at home and read.

Down at Betties tonight.

Dec 24 Down at Betties.
Sam Gunn and
Annie Wear came down
this afternoon. Sam and I
ate supper there. Paul
and Nevada came
tonight.

Dec 25 Eddie sent me
a beautiful hand em.

fringed crepe machine
handkerchief. Bertie
made me a box of candy
and a beautiful coat
rack.

Dec 26 Went to Bar-
dona this morning with
Louis Christian. Stayed
around town. ate
dinner with Elliot
Wallace. Stayed all
night with Mr Randolph
I stayed rock.

Dec 27 Hung around
Charley's store. ate
dinner at Mr. Hedges.
Saw Jessie and Esmy who
are just married. Hattie M-
married a young civil
engineer by the name of Offot
Marry Lilly and Pete Emerson also

Dec 1916

Dec 28 Luther Leavelle
came home with me
last night. He called on
Ammie, I, Bettie. Luther
is just back from
Jackson Mich. Where
he has been at work
for the Briscoe auto-
mobile works. Basil
Fandow and Bert Colvin
are married, carried
Ammie Wear over to Nevada's
tonight. Played draw pitch.
Dec 29 Stayed at home
pretty close. John
Taylor and I have shut
out old Sam again.
He is only here four
week. John has had
two nights and I
have had the rest.
Down there tonight.
Reading.

Dec 30 Have been
flirting with Anne

W. She was at B- with
Sam. She and I got over and
pulled off a few stunts. Sam
tried to pull off those
stunts too but B- was
mad and cut him off.
I have had quite a lot
of fun out of it.

Dec 31 Last day. Have
a boil on my cheek.

Very painful. B- and
I went to the watch
party at Nevada's ~~last~~
tonight. Played
draw pitch

Jan 1/19/17 New year
finds me feeling
tough. My cheek hurts
me very much. Stayed
at home all day. Made
no new year resolutions

Jan 1917

Jan 2 School opened
up in good shape.

Have just finished
Frances Parkmans
"Oregon trail" it gives
a fine account of fran-
-tler life and Indian
manners.

Jan 3 Prof is causing a lot
of trouble. Eddie has left
Mrs. Burns and is at
Mrs. Hahs. He thinks I
had something to do
with it. He talked straight
at me.

Jan 4 Prof is still on
me. He said so much
that Eddie cried and
I flew on him about it
after school. He finally
came across a little.
Reading Shelley's "Revolt
of the Slaves."

Jan 5 Prof wants
me to enter the

Jackson purchase
Oratorical association
contest next March.
He gets on me every
day.

Jan 6 Studying on
Stannards' "History of
the Presidency."

Jan 7 Feeling very
bad. I am elected sec-
retary of the Christian
S.S. for another year.

We had a ^{business} meeting to-
day. I came home and
Went to bed. Got up
about 5:30 Looped
around town tonight.
Met Eddie at the train.
They treated me very
nice at Dr Hobs. Enjoyed
my call very much

Jan 1917

Jan 8 Prof is after me
about my oration. Have
been getting my Cicero
in pretty good shape
lately.

Jan 9 Am feeling very
much better this
week than usual. More
idealism comes to me
when I am physically
fit. Reading Shelley's
revelation of Islam. Took
a long walk with Allie
Hall this afternoon. Promised
to go down and join the
Grand oriental order of
humility but went to
see Bettie instead.

Jan 10 am in bed with
Eddie because I went to
see Bettie last night.
Giving Warming of Barbara
Waxth a rereading.

Jan 11 Took Exam on
physics today. I am
getting to be more
interested in science.
The love of knowledge
is a thing that grows
in men.

Jan 12 In all my
reading and observation.
I have found nothing;
that an untrained
character is the greatest
asset. I am going to
improve myself and
elevate my character. I
must try to make
friends among those
~~that~~ who will
enable me and be
useful to me. Some
day I wish to be a
power in the world.
Money is necessary.

Jan 13 I went to see
 Eddie at Mrs. Hahses
 last night. She has
 a loving trusting nature.
 By my consistently
 square action in the
 last year I have gained
 her confidence, but I
 am glad to say I am
 not scoundrel enough
 to abuse it. My nature
 revolts from betraying
 the innocent. Over there
 again tonight.

Jan 14 at Bettie's
 little while this
 afternoon. Worked
 tonight for Judge Euell
 who has gone to take
 Lucile home. There is
 a deep snow on the ground
 and I am lonesome. Read
 great American orations.

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Jan 15 Pappy has been
sick for some time and
has not been able to
work. Took physiology
test today. Mr. Sugg
is not rapping on me
much now. He seems
to take a great deal of
interest in me and
is always talking to
me confidentially. The
only time we ever fall
out is when my will
comes in opposition to
his. Somehow I do
not seem to take
the leadership this year
I did last. I have lost all
desire to. I have done
no work on my
oration yet. I am doing much
better ^{study} work however
and my grades are climbing.

Jan 1917

Jan 16 Made 93 in
Physics. Reading a fine
little book on evolution
by Patrick Geddes.

Jan 17 Admiral Dewey
is dead. a long string of
Americas great men have
died in the last few years.

Jan 18. We have completed
physiology and as the
remainder of the class
have had American
literature it will be
dropped. The only studies
left which I have not
had is Amer. history, phys.,
and Cicero. Guess I will
take geometry, English
litt., and Botany as
review subjects. Some
of the Sophs flunked.
Am making good progress
in my study of Eng. Lit.

Jan 19 Saw Mrs. Abbott [Hottel m-31]
off tonight. She and her husband
caught the Cairo train. Chatted for
a little

Jan 19, Am doing hard
work now. Have

read up to the Elizabethan
age in my English
history study. Have
discovered that I have
a case of pharyngitis.

Carried Eddie to
the train tonight.

Jan 20 Pressed my
clothes today. Read
the article on Physiology
in the University
home faculties library.

I want to do some
work on sociology,
psychology and biology
in college. Have some-
thing wrong with
my throat. Went
to see Bettie tonight.
My calls are not so
interesting as formerly.

Jan 1917

Jan 21 Raining, did not
even go to S.S. - After
it cleared up went down
town. Talked to Hall
at S.S., met Betty and
Jennie on the walk.
We went to Nevada's
and played draw pitch.

Jan 22 Back at work.
Am getting so I love
my work. There is
no danger of being
fired when one has
plenty of work. Saw
Harry O'Leary. He is
working for an oil stock
company. Said he could
get a position for me.
I think I will try
for a good salesman's
position. It pays well
and will give me good
experience.

Jan 23 Have had a pain
in my throat for
several days. Dr. Overby
examined it today and
pronounced it pharyngitis.
Reading "The History of
England" on
the Elizabethan age.

Jan 24 Have sent
two subscriptions to
the Curtis people
this week. Relieved by
Paul, am feeling good.

Jan 25 Doing a little
work on my physics
note book. Not feeling
very good. Read
Shakespeare. Dr. Davis
is dead and so is
Uncle Ben Moore.
Financial troubles
worry me more than
anything else.

Jan 1917

Jan 26 am getting the
idea more and more
that steady hard work
is the best recipe for
success. at Eddie's tonight.
She and John E. Holson
were intending to
visit his sister Sat-
night and Sun. They
were to go on the train.
Did not like the idea
much and ~~persuaded~~
her not to go.

Jan 27 Feeling restless
walked about town
with John Taylor
while. I haven't the
energy that I should
have. Down at
Betty's tonight.
Reading a little in
Hume's History
of England.

Jan 28 Pappy is not
 so vigorous as he was
 a year before. He is very
 nervous and is childish.
 At Betty's this afternoon
 and tonight we were
 at Nevada's. We made
 Welsh roast. Went
 to the Methodist
 church. Betty has been
 exceptionally affectionate
 today.

Jan 29 The Perichans
 will have a program
 two weeks from last
 Friday. Am an for a
 lecture. Will just
 choose some practical
 subject and make
 a talk on it. My
 almost new shoes
 are beginning to
 wear out.

Jan 1917

Jan 30 Had a long talk with Pappy and Mamma. I am not going to enter the Western Kentucky oratorical contest. I may have to go to work as soon as school is out because Pappy's health is so bad that he can do ~~do~~ nothing.

Jan 31 Doing a lot of Shakespeare reading. Have finished his historical plays now. They are very interesting. When studied in regular sequence and in connection with English history. Have sent off several Curtis subscriptions lately.

Feb 1917

Feb 1 The seventh anniversary of my diary. The last six years of my life have been eventful years of life for me. I am very glad I started my diary.

My ideas and way of thinking have been completely revolutionized in the last six years.

Feb 2 The German Govt has sent the U.S. a note declaring that in the future her submarines would blockade the British and allied ports. Although it goes to certain safety zones it is a direct violation of our agreement. This may mean war.

Feb 1917

Feb 3, Went to see
Eddie last night. Bro.
is sick. This is very
cold weather. The
President has broken
off all diplomatic
relations with Ger-
many.

Feb 4, It was warmer
this morning. About
ten o'clock a Blizzard
came up. Coming home
with Eddie my car
almost froze. The
wind was fearful.
Bathed my ear in cold
water at Dr. Hahn's.
At dinner at Uncle
Dad's. At Eddie's this
afternoon. John Jayne
and Oney were there
tonight. Sang and had
music. Nice time.

Feb 5 Not feeling good.
 Have an idea now to
 go to some city and
 get a position with
 an insurance company.
 Will take some university
 work if I do.

Feb 6 Restless. If
 I ever get a good oppor-
 tunity I am going to
 feather my nest financially
 speaking. It is hell
 to never have any
 money.

Feb 7 Paul, Capitala
 Bettel and I went
 to Mary's tonight.
 Played cards. Had a
 nice Welsh rarebit
 lunch. Staying up
 at night is putting
 me on the bum

Feb. 8. The Pericleans
~~entertain~~ tomorrow
 afternoon. It is a
 lot of work to get
 up an entertainment.
 I grow more interested
 in the world's work
 as I grow older. A large
 part of my time is
 put in reading
 magazines and news-
 papers.

Feb. 9 Our program
 came off all right
 this afternoon. I had
 an address on "the
 influence of the West"
 Discussed it from
 a political, literary
 and economic
 standpoint. Carried
 Eddie to the train
 tonight. almost missed it

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Feb 10 Slept late this morning. Read "9 in memoriam" quite awhile. At Betties tonight. Have read "Brewster's millions" and "9 in Old Kentucky"

~~Feb~~ Feb. 11 The Christian Church caught on fire this morning but was easily extinguished. Helped Jellner sell his papers. Met Eddie at the train.

Feb 12 Hard day of study. am trying to write Matt Gray a life insurance policy for two thousand. Read some stories about a dog named "Jerry" by Jack London.

Feb 1917

Feb 13. Worked for
Judge Swell awhile
tonight.

Feb 14. Read some
short stories by
Jack London, a
little in Philosophy
of Elbert Hubbard

Feb 15 am getting
to have more
interest in my
Cicero reading. We
are reading the oration
for the Post Archias.
As I learn to read
better I see the great
literary value of Cicero.
It is a fine historical
and literary exercise
to go over his
writings. am going
to carefully study
some of them

Feb 16 Went to
see Bettie tonight.

Feb 17 Pressed my
clothes and read
today. Went to Kessil
tonight. Urgie Hall
and Marie Goffin
are at Kessil. They
were at ~~Kessil~~ tonight.
Mr. Harrelson's tonight.
Eddie was at Mrs.
Kindred's. Had a
nice time.

Feb 18. Went to
Sunday school this
morning. Met old
friends. This af-
ternoon Paul and
I went over to Mrs.
Haddox's. Carried
Mary Ella to the train.
There again tonight
Jolly & Ethel a little

Feb 19 Had a great deal of fun coming to school. Drove John Poor old friend horse. Went by Lee Mitchell's because of mud other way. Paul and I went in at Bettie's school. John drove off but the horse was so slow we caught him.

Feb 20 Working hard Doing a lot of reading in history. Put out fourteen pages of constitutional outline in my history note. My historical play study of Shakespeare has been fine. am down to Henry VIII very instructive.

Feb 21 Mr Peyton is
giving twelve of us
lays some military
drill to use in the
Washington Birthday
C. in Friday
m very glad

"To My

Valentine"
from



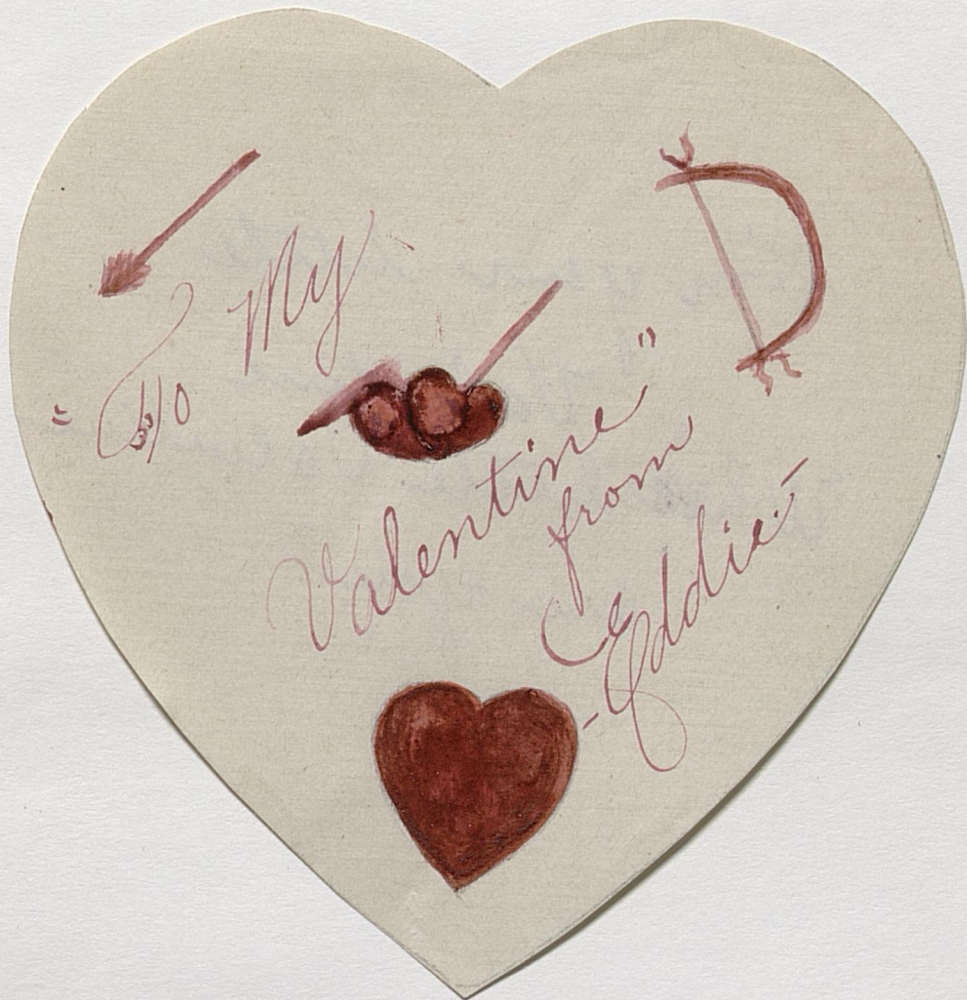
-Eddie-



thing
my

hat
test a
"jungle"
Sinclair.

annunciation
of methods of
the meat packers!
It is one of the
best socialistic
pleas I have ever
encountered. A power-
-ful book



Loose Item

Best socialistic
pleas I have ever
encountered. a power
- Paul Hook

I'm your little
Valentine
Who's little Valentine
are you?

Loose Item

Best socialistic
pleas I have ever
encountered. a power
- Paul Hook

It had a great
deal of fun coming to
school. Drove John
Poor old blind horse.
Went "victrolas"
for

Feb 21 Mr Peyton is giving twelve of us boys some military drill to use in the Washington Birthday celebration Friday night, am very glad to do it.

Feb 22 am catching up a little with my book work, am reading a book that is one of the greatest I ever saw. "The jungle" by Upton Sinclair. It is a denunciation of the methods of the meat packers! It is one of the best socialistic pleas I have ever encountered, a powerful book

Feb 23 We practised on our entertainment a large part of the day. We have learned several army drills. The girls have a Japanese fan drill which is very pretty. Carried Bettie to night. Left her in the audience and stayed behind the scenes. Benjy carried Eddie. John carried Martha. I am trying to be so nice to her that I will be flirting secretly.

Feb 24 Am reading Henry VIII. I have given all of Shakespeares historical plays a reading this year, also a tragedy or two. I can carry one of the small volumes in my pocket to read in spare time. Efficiency

Feb 25. Mrs Roach, Eliza, all,
Cap, Maudie, Mary, Bettie, Ella

Sam and I went out
karakking. Tonight Bettie
and I went to Mrs. Percy
Jones to hear her
Victrola. She has some
of the worlds best
music. I particularly
liked "The Masary" by
Schumann & Link.

Feb 26 Hart's history
by contemporaries is a
splendid work and a
forerunner of many of
the same class. Several
days ago Mr. Sugg found a
note Minnie Rollings
wrote me and I have been
ragged about it much
since then. Eddie is sore
about it and my going to
see Bettie so much.

Of 27 We have selected
 "A poor married man"

for the senior play.
 I play the part of Prof
 Wise "A poor married man"
 Juniors entertained this
 morning morning
 has been sick for
 several days and we have
 been uneasy about her.
 I am feeling better and
 more optimistic than I
 did the first part of the
 school. Have more fun.

Of 28 Brother is 27
 years old today Have
 the administration in
 my history note book
 to Lincoln.

~~My~~ ^{man} Hart's history
 by contemporaries is
 doing up my time.
 Down to see Betty tonight.

Mar 2 This has been
 a very stirring winter.
 U.S. is very prosperous
 but living cost is
 very high. We are in
 hourly danger of
 war. The last days
 of this congress are
 considering an armed
 neutrality bill. at
 Eddie's tonight. She
 said someone told
 her that I always
 carried Bettie to all
 the "fig" to do's"

Mar 3 Read a good
 story by Gordon
 today. "Like argos of
 the ancient time."

Stayed quite awhile
 with Doc Overly.
 at Bettie's. Finished
 reading "The master Violin" by B. Red

Mar 1917

Mar 4 Snow storm.
Mr Brown asst. Supt.
of the Ky anti saloon L.
spoke at the Christian C.
Several days ago Sam
Wrote B. a lengthy letter
about "a life of service" and
the "Parting of the Ways". I
wrote an answer. I used
the most extravagant
language possible and
used his phrases often.

Mar 5 Practised the
first act of our play.
We are studying the
"Greatest Western move-
ment" in history.

Mar 6 Mrs Hahn has
the measles and
Eddie has had to
go home. There is
a lot of excitement
about it.

Mar 7 Debate today
in English class. John
L. and I against J. D. Moore
and Paul H. Resolved
that military training
should be taught in
the public schools.

Mar 8 Am really
beginning to learn
U. S. history a
little, am studying
the civil war.

Mar 9 The Evangelists
had a program.
after that our

program committee
met and made
out a program.

Am reading
Cooper's "The Last
of the Mohicans".

Had to tell an Irwin
Cobb story in Eng.

Mar 1917

Mar 10 Prepared to go to Bandana this morning but the weather was so bad that I was bluffed out. Read most of the day. Down at Betties tonight.

Mar 11 Spent almost all day at home.

Rained part of day. I'm my Shakespear I am reading Othello.

My plan now is to get what I have read at hand ready to use rather than to branch out farther. Arril who has been to St Louis to see a man about a position in the Philippines ~~was~~ came on the train.

Mar 12. We have sent
Heath a challenge
and I will enter the
preliminary. Have
been criticised a
great deal for refusing
to enter the Mayfield
contest.

Mar 13. Am at
work preparing
our program. It
is quite a task to
keep a crowd of
young people working
together.

Mar 14 We have sent
Heath a challenge.
I am going to
enter the preliminary.
Had a letter from
Eddie today. She
has not taken
the measles yet.

Mar 15- Feller
is very sick. The
doctor says that
it is only stomach
trouble but he is
out of his head
and we are alarmed
about him.

Mar 16 Sat up with
Feller. We are going
to debate it both
am "Resolved that
military training
should be taught
in the public
schools. I am first
speaker on the
negative in the
preliminary. We have
the affirmative
in the debate. am
reading and studying
quite a lot.

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Mar 17 Slept late
this morning be-

-cause I had to sit
up part of the night.
The Heath debate
preliminary is
Mar 28 and The Senior
Class play Mar 30.
Some work for me.

Mar 18 I intended
to go to Kevil
tonight but
Fellner was so sick
that I could not
go. They ^{Paul and John} are going to
the Carnegie Library
tomorrow and
wanted me to
go. Brother and I
sold Fellner's papers
this morning. at
Betty's. We went to
Mrs Wolff tonight.

Mar 19 am sick
myself. am hustling
up my work

Mar 20 I may go to
Jackson when school
is out, the U.S.
seems to be going
into war with Ger-
many. She has
sunk many ships.
This may affect
financial conditions.

Mar 21 Sick today
I hurried through
with my class work
but could do nothing
on my speech.

Mar 22 Did not go
to school. This
morning, I finished
my speech. Memorized
part of it. Got up with
feller.

Mar 23 Working hard
 Our class play is
 Friday night and
 I am business
 manager. Some
 work!

Mar 24 Judge Euell
 has gone to Jackson
 to see Aunt Lucile I
 promised him I
 would work before
 Jellner got sick.

Mar 25 Went to
 preaching at Methodist
 church after selling
 Jellner's papers. at
 Bettie's a little while
 this afternoon.
 Worked for Judge
 tonight.

Mar 26 Feeling bad
 Working like a mule. Begged
 but in the weeks is gone

Mar 27 Nineteen
years old today. We
are working hard -
the the class play.
It has certainly is
a great deal of work.

Mar. 28 Betty gave
me a nice box of
candy and two
linen handkerchiefs
for a birthday present.
Practising every
night on our class
play.

Mar 29 Sitting up
with Jellman, practicing
on the H. Bath Debate.
Preliminary has
almost been too
much for me.

For once I have been
too busy to read and
I have to conserve my strength

Mar 30 Senior play
came off fine. We
took in \$3.86. The
audience was very
appreciative and
laughed continually
my part as the "poor
married man" seemed
to take well.

Mar 31 Resting. Down
in town today. Saw
John Harris about
getting a position
as salesman with
his company. at
B- tonight.

Apr 1 The U.S. is
practically in
war. Congress meets
tomorrow. B- and I
at Mrs. James. I do
wish we had a
good victrola.

Apr. 1917

Apr. 2 Practised in
the auditorium

this afternoon. Tonight
we had the hardest
preliminary ever held
in our school. J. D.
Moore and I were
selected to represent
the school. There
was no goal contest.
Helen was the only
girl to appear. The
~~goal~~ school has
certainly been nice
to me.

Apr. 3 Eddie came in
this morning.
I am working hard
on my speech for
the final debate. We
have arranged the
subject in three
three parts.

April 4 I am first
speaker. I am to

prove that America
needs preparedness.

I am to prove that
military training
in public schools
is the best and
most efficient
military policy.

To be given then is
to prove that prepared-
ness will make
for peace and will
be consistent with
our national ideals.

April 5 War with
Germany. While
sitting up late
have been reading
Cooper's "Leatherstocking
tales" and "The Rifle."
The war is fine.

April 1917

April 6 I wrote nearly all of Helen's speech yesterday. Worked an hour today.

April 7 J.D. and I wrote his speech today in Mr. Moore's office. LaCarter had the greatest fire of her history last night. Grover Halland's, the Barber shops, the P.O. and Evans' drug store at one lick. T.R. Grahams was saved by hard work. I sure did hate to see this.

April 8. Have finished my speech and am learning it. Over at Mr. Rollins' this afternoon with a bunch. at home tonight. working.

~~April 9.~~ Reading a
little Milton for
relaxation.

May 10. Delivered
my speech before the
school today. I know
it fairly well.

~~April 11.~~ Practised on
my speech. This
certainly is the
stream of life. I
have worked like
a man. Defeat tonight.

~~April 12.~~ Heated feet w.
I proved my point.
The judges said we
did not explain the
system enough. That
was in J.D.'s part, but
he simply did not have
time enough to do it.
Crowd was very
nice to us.

April 12 Defeat is
not so bad when
your friends are all
with you. Have
been with Eddie
several times lately.
She is an affectionate
little thing.

April 13 Studying
physics. at Eddie's
tonight.

April 14 Went to
Bandana on Mr Rollins
move. Spent rather
a dull afternoon.
People here are excited
about the war.

at Cousin Nell's
tonight. It seems
nice to be at Cousin
Alice's again. Spent
a splendid night.
Rested fine.

April 15 Had a most
 pleasant morning
 with Ray, Louis
 Christian and some of
 the other boys.
 Ray has great
 hopes of being
 elected county
 clerk. Fine day.
 Came home this
 afternoon. The
~~old~~ man is afraid
 of automobiles. Jumped
 off the tree with
 me. Saw Hattie, but
 did not talk to her.
 She and her husband
 have just come
 back. Lots of war
 talk. Dr. Payne has
 volunteered for
 hospital service. Wants to
 go to France.

April 1917

April 16. We are
studying Tennyson
in the English class.
Fine Spring weather.
Feeling dull and heavy.

April 17. Had not eat
so much at dinner
and so heat does not
affect me so much.
The greatest battle
of the war so far is
raging on the
Western battle front.
The allies are
pushing back the
Germans. The
American boat is
going to issue
\$7,000,000,000, Bonds, ~~and~~
many submarine
destroyers. Prices are
sky high. These are
eventful days.

April 18. Young men
all over the U.S. are

enlisting for war
service. When school
is out as I am
unemployed they
may get me.

Reading "Looking
Backward" by
Edward Bellamy
fellow is well
enough to go to
Aunt Matt's. Cousin
Eula was down.

April 19 A great
many of the school
are making prep.

arrangements to attend
the Mayfield contest.

April 20 Went to see
Bettie tonight.

Conditions not at all
satisfactory

April 21 Finished
 reading "Heart of the
 Hills" by John Fox
 Jr. Brother has a
 new Rex visible
 typewriter. Writing
 same on it Annie
 Band and I at noon.
 Band and I played pitch with
 Annie and Paul. Then
 we and I played Band P.
 April 22 I am going
 to Mayfield to the
 convention of Christian
 churches to represent
 La Center, Reed and
 walked around this
 afternoon. The great
 war struggle fascinates
 me. Met Eddie at
 train. Had a few slight
 clashes of well power
 about privileges.

April 23 Trying to
secure Dr Porter

pastor First Baptist
church Louisville for
our commencement
address. He can come
on the fourteenth
but not the sixteenth.

April 24 We have
secured Dr E. L.

Fowell pastor First
Christian church
Louisville Ky. He is

an orator of national
reputation. He

April 26 Annie and I
went up on the 8-18

this morning. I spent
part of the morning in
the Carnegie library.

We went to Koxe P.M.

Got into Mayfield
4:49. Fine town.

April 1917

April 27 Went to cousin
Frank's last night. They

have a nice place in
South Mayfield. Seven
girls and no boys. Emma
has almost grown
out of my knowledge.
Fine session of
the Christian Woman's
Board of missions.
Eula and I at a show
tonight.

April 28 S. S. day, a
most inspiring day.
I have met the Chancellor
of Transylvania
University. He is a
very cordial fellow
made a little talk and
brother Frazer complimented
me highly. Emma, Eula
and I at the
"Birth of the Nation", splendid show

April 29 Mattie and I at
Christian Sunday school.

Miss Ida Adams went
home with her for dinner.
Same beauty. Had
a swell time. Went all
over Mayfield even to
the cemetery. Miss
Mohundro over at
Mattie's tonight. After
being with such a
pretty girl she did not
create much impression.

April 30 Came home.
Maud Hopper now
Berry is dead and was
brought on my
train. Invitations
were here and the
books we ordered for
Paul and Mr Paylan.
Dr R. G. Bowers has agreed
to deliver facularate sermon.

May 1 Have decided to
call my oration

"The old order changeth".
I am going to use a
part of Edwin
Markham's Man with
the hoe.

May 2 Working like
everything on my
physics book. Have
put in about 20
experiments in two
days.

May 2 Sent invitations
to Prof. Ward and will
if today. Not doing
much work at
school. Paul
McEssee is back.

Congress is about to
pass a conscription bill
from 21 to 30 I
think.

May 3 The school
entertained the

Seniors tonight. Had a
large crowd and a
very ~~very~~ nice time.
Several alumni present.
Had many good
speeches. J. B. toastmaster.

May 4 I sent a note by
Miss Burnham for a date
with Miss Paschal. Then
Martha told Eddie I was
to go by and carry her
to the dance at Mrs.
Walff's. Got the note
before delivery. Had
a fine time. Eddie
had to leave her
practising and I
think a few folks
got sore. I danced
most of the time
Miss Paschal there.

May 1917

May 5 Read of out
 town. Tonight I
 carried Miss Paschal
 to the Soph play
 "The Haddock". Betty
 pruned up of out. Hints
 at bad stuff of out
 her. Sophs gave each
 senior one pass and
 sister gave me another.

May 6 Home Sunday
 school at Eddie's
 this afternoon. Have
 been flirting a little
 with Murrell Rollins
 and E. doesn't like it.
 May 7 I know my
 oration almost.
 Judge Ewell left
 me in charge
 today while he
 went after Lucile.
 Pretty busy.

May 8 Am reading
 "The Valley of the
 moon" by Jack
 London. The Sophs
 entertained us at
 the Theatre. Paul
 McG. worked for
 me after 9 o'clock.
 Fine courses and
 good games.

May 9 Everybody
 is scared of out the
 war. I sent my
 invitations yesterday
 and today.

May 10 Got a nice
 pair of white hose
 for ~~present~~ present from
 Miss Hattie. At
 Bertie's tonight.
 She is still sore
 about Miss Paschall.

May 1917

May 11, ~~May 11~~ Got several nice presents today. Went to see Miss Paschal tonight. B- has her sized up wrong. She is a nice sweet girl.

May 12 Paul has pressed my gray suit nicely.

I went with Eddie to the Senior reception at Mildred's and Martha's. John carried Helen Paul and I had a very nice time. Danced with E- mostly.

May 13 at B-'s. Dr R. G. Bauers preached the Passover feast sermon to an overflowing crowd tonight. Fine music and sermon. Largest crowd ever. Splendid behaviour.

May 14. The John
M. Moore contest

tonight. Closest contest
I ever saw. Helen Ashby,
Frances Lugg, Mary Lee
Elliott, Bessie Reed,
Elizabeth McShee
and Maud Roach were
very close. Viola Harper
was good and Marjorie Moss
better than I expected.

May 15. Senior class
contest. Was not feeling
good but after I got on the
floor felt better. Switched
me from last to first.
Frances won first. I
second. No medal for
second. My speech was
"The old order changeth"
and patriotic. I made hit
with the old people, am
ahead after all.

May 16 Equipped the
Section automobile

Garage for the commencement
Dr. E. L. Powell delivered
a great address, Elvira
the valedictory, & the
solitatory. About
1400 people.

May 17 I have received
seventy presents. Some
nice ones, 26 pairs hose.
Carried Eddie to contest, 15;
and exercises, 16, Bettie to
night to the Grammar
school entertainment.
There was such a
crowd that I could
not get in. We had
to move the seats
today back to the churches
and school. Some
work. This is same
Commencement.

May 18 Said around town chatting the

boys. Carried Eddie to the Junior class play tonight. They gave us complimentary tickets.

May 19 at the Junior Ball tonight at the Foster house. Splendid affair. Nice, large dancing floor. Talked to Miss Paschal quite a lot.

Went home in the car with John and Paul.

May 20 Went to S.S. Walked over to Mrs. Kindred's with Eddie. There this afternoon. Mrs. Haddox carried us out motoring. at Mrs. Haddox's for supper. Carol and Edna there. Hated to leave my little girl. Enjoying stay at Mr. Haddox's.

May 21 Came home
this morning on the
train. Paul is working on
the farm at Mr. Jeff
Gerris. I have decided to
go to St. Louis Wednesday
May 23. If I do not get work
there I will go Detroit
Friday.

May 22 at Betties last night
I am going to St.
Louis in the morning.
May 23 Left this
morning. Got in
with Father Downey
from Cairo. Landed in
E. St. L. Went over bridge.
Got a good boarding house.
Went down to the
Pierce Bldg. and got a
job, selling the
Encyclopedia Britannica,
Building 17 stories high.

May 24 Chased about town till 9³⁰. Then

I went to the instruction room. E. G. Gower & Lynn is instructing me.

May 25 Am learning something about the town. There are

many fine buildings here.

The German and

Greek elements are a

little too prominent

to suit me. I am

spending quite a lot

of time at the Public

Library. It is one

of the finest buildings

I ever saw. The cost

of the building alone

was \$1,650,000

Railway exchange is

22 stories.

May 26 Demonstrated
the Britannica today.

I was in the finest
residential sections
of town. Did not
make any sales, but
gained quite a lot of
experience.

May 27 Went to S. S.
at the Centenary Methodist
Church this morning.

Went out to Jefferson
Park this aft.
Saw great crowds
of soldiers.

May 28 Have a letter
from Harry Harrison
wanting me to come to
Chicago. Resigned my
position but it is left
open for me. I am going
to try to get a good
~~position~~ salary job in St. Louis.

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May 29 I have of out
decided to join the
navy. I have been
to several of the
big rallies they have
had here. Homesick
and Blue today.

May 30 Came home
to join the navy.

There has been quite
a storm along the
line. Mr. Moore was
on the train at
Cairo. Sure was
glad to see him.

May 31 Being laughed
at quite a lot by
every body for
coming back.

Hung around town
with the boys
today. McD is back

June 1 a bunch of us
over at B. last night
at Nevada's tonight.

I have fully decided
to join the navy.

I want to travel
and see some of the
world and besides
my country needs her
young men. I am
going to try to get
a German's place.
They are very much
opposed to me going
at home. I may
get killed just
same must die and
the boys who are
not married should
be the one. Guess I
will see some of
the world before
come back.

June 2 Read Harts
History by Cant.

~~over~~ carried B - to
Miss Jessie Hudson's
concert. She gave
Madam Butterfly
right well. She gave
some of Riley's
poems. I don't like
her singing much.

June 3 Read History
Over at B. with
Mary, Cap this afternoon.
Am feeling rather
sentimental. Nevada
and Paul there tonight
and we made
pimental sandwiches
the night was fine
and we had a
most enjoyable
evening. Roses
honeysuckle and moonlight.

June 4 There is no
 naval recruiting station
 at Paducah. Spent 15¢
 calling Caro. home
 there. Am worrying
 about it just see in
 the papers that a man
 has come to Paducah.
 Reading "The Salamander"
 by Owen Johnson.

June 5 Am anxious
 to do something. This
 inaction is trying
 on my nerves. "The
 Salamander" by Owen
 Johnson is a power
 ful book. Would like
 to go and see Eddie
 before I leave just
 do not know whether
 I can or not. Today all
 the men between twenty
 one and thirty one register.

June 6, am having a hard time getting someone to examine me for the navy. Will go to Paducah tomorrow. Eddie had everything arranged for me to come up to her aunt Stella's but I could not go, am trying to cure my self of the back hand movement in typewriting.

June 7 I went to Pad. Rejected because I was fourteen pounds too light. Chased about with Jaurita and her beau. Sapo was on at the Star. Punk Paducah small after St Louis.

June 1917

June 8 Chased about town today. Saw "a million bid" at the Star. Read quite a lot at the library this morning. Saw Mrs Garret, Mrs Kindred, and Mary Ella at Dad. Came home with Mr Ferguson.

June 9 Came home last night. Being jallied quite a lot about my navy experience.

June 10 Paul wants me to work with him in the post office next week, at Betties. A bunch of us went over to Lucile's. Flirted a bit with Lucile. John was there to see her.

June 11 Working in the
P.O. Wish I had money
enough to go to Chicago.

Am trying to improve
my handwriting.

June 12 Have had two
letters from Polly
Paschal. She is a jolly
fine girl. Paul, John,
Lucile, Bettie and I at
Annie's tonight. Lucile
some musician.

June 13 P.O. work easy
but no money in
it. I would like to
work here if it paid
a good salary. Reading
"The Conflict" by
David Graham
Phillips, Doing some
source history
reading. Rereading some
Dickens.

June 14. I am crazy to go to law school.

I will never make a success in business operations except in an advisory capacity. I can hold a thing in my mind but I do not like the grind of putting it through.

June 15 Lucile is working ~~here~~ this week and I have been chatting her quite a lot.

June 16 Mattie McLean has been intending to come on a visit today but Cousin Bettie Richardson is so sick she cannot come. Bettie has been taking the examination. Here tonight.

June 17. Betty had
 arrangements for
 Herbert Corn to
 meet her in Cairo
 today as ~~she~~ she
 came home from
 Wicliffe but I
 persuaded her to
 come home last
 night. At Lucile's
 this afternoon and
 tonight. Am about to
 get things patched up
 with her. We did
 not go to church.

June 18 Feel like I was
 about to have an
 attack of malarial
 fever.

June 19 Reading
 Shakespeare and
 taking long walks
 feeling better.

June 1917

June 20 I am Worrying
a great deal about
what I am to do. I am
just stagnating here
in this little
agricultural town.

Wish I was back in
St. Louis with
Simman's Hdw Co.

June 21 Joe Hines is
gone to Russellburg
I am working in
the P.O. for Paul.

June 22. Reading "The
Conflict" by David
Graham Phillips.

June 23 Lucile has
a visitor from
Miss. Her name is
Jelma Martin. Fine
girl. at Betty's
tonight. It brings a
little stormy with us.

June 24 Paul, Nevada
 Kenneth, Zelma, Lucile
 and I went to Barlow
 to a lawn tea this
 afternoon. The Barlow
 bunch, Hauly McCashin,
 Morcell Moore, of Barlow,
 Alma Baffard Fern
 McLean of Alamo
 Fern and Messrs
 Blain Harlan, Dewey
 Gerard, Horace Pool
 and Hally Price of
 Barlow met us at the
 station and we
 motored to a shady
 place near Wuckliff.
 It flirted a little with
 Miss McLean. Same
 baby. Nice dinner at
 Hauly's after we got back to
 Barlow. Back on train
 at Nevada's tonight.

June 1917

June 25 at work.
War getting same
interesting. The U.S.
has sold two billion
dollars of liberty
loan bonds. Everything
is shaped to suit
war needs

June 26 a lunch at
Lucile's tonight. Have
a letter from the
War Dept about the
chaplain service. That
is a good position

June 27 very busy.
Hard work agree
with me. I have
quite a lot for
reading the magazine.
This work makes
me lose sleep if
I have to call around
any at night.

June 28 Quite a bunch
at Lucille's. Haughty miss
Boff and Mc Lean
Kenneth, Mc D. and I.
We intended to go
to Nevada's but were
knacked out by the
storm.

June 29 Sleepy. Quite
a bunch went to
Haughty's to a theater
party. Bill Everett
carried Paul, Nevada
Lucille and I. Saw
a Chorley Chaplin
show. Fern leaves
tomorrow. of course
we pulled off a very
affectionate leave-
taking. She is pretty
quite a bunch of boys
falls about how wealthy
too I think.

June 30 Last day
 I will have to mark
 I guess. fol comes
 back tomorrow
 night, at Betties
 tonight. She is
 same sore.

July 1 worked on the
 books at the P.O.
 awhile. A big Kodak
 party was organized
 and I was slated to
 be with Lucile, but
 could not be found.

Finally they invited
 John Taylor in my
 place. It was not
 fifteen minutes
 till I came to the
 office. Went to
~~the~~ see her
 tonight. Business in
 pretty good shape.

July 2 Nothing to do. This is a very bad condition for any man. Reading Shakespeare.

July 3 Going to Kevil tomorrow to see Eddie. Paul, Nevada Helen, and I went to Lucile's tonight.

They have a trip to the lake planned tomorrow but I will go to Kevil.

July 4 at Mr. Havelson's Harry is at home.

Read O Henry. Eddie was at Mr. Kindred's.

All our little difficulties were dispelled by the personal element. I am beginning to think of her too much.

July 5 came home
this morning.

Laid around in
the P.O. quite awhile.
Mr. Kaykendall the
P.M. and Prueett Powell
are nice fellows.

Paul is substitute
mail carrier for
Mr. Bugg.

July 6 Went to
Bandana this
morning. Went by
the way of Ingleside.
ate dinner with Mr.
Jim Carter. He is very
drunk and has had
a fight with Walter
E. Brad. Eddie Powell
is here. People think
he and Nell are fixing
to marry. Bof Witty
is in the army.

July 7 ~~Betty~~ Bettie
and her bunch had a
lake trip last night.
Of course Paul, Nevada
Lucile and I were invited
for politeness' sake but
we did not go. I called
up Lucile last night and
found that there was
quite a crowd there.
Would like to have
attended that. Hung
about town. Gellner is
working for cousin
Tell. I do not like the
idea of working on the
farm. Went home with
Pasey & ruffin this
afternoon. at Pauline
Hamptans near Oscar
at a big party tonight.
I like to mingle with the
people here.

July 8 Came back to
 Bafndana this morning.
 Visited Dr. and Mrs.
 Dillan. Saw Harold W
 and Louis C. Went to
 S. S. at the Christian
 Church. There is a
 County S. S. convention at
 La Center. Ellis Farley Posey
 and Miss Mary and I drove
 over. Dr Chas Field
 of Transylvania^{U.} was
 scheduled but did not
 come. Zelma went home
 today, met Lucile at
 the train. Little funn
 there tonight.

July 9. Did up little
 odds and ends of
 work that I had neglected.
 Got out my
 Blackstone. Must do
 some hard studying.

July 10 I am going to try to study Law four hours a day. I think this is a hard schedule and should give me a good knowledge.

July 11 Reading Shok and Blackstone. I am going to work at the Cumberland Central office relief and night work two weeks beginning Monday. at Lucile's tonight.

July 12 Got an invitation to a big lake trip from Bertie Manor but did not accept. Hauty Mc Caslin came down to Lucile's. Paul Nevada and I were there.

July 13 Reading. I want to get a civil service job. Business appeals to me now.

July 14 Went to
 Blainville today to the
 big home coming picnic
 was up in town looking for
 a way when Jess came
 by in his truck. Loaded
 in. Met hundreds of
 people. Ray is sure for
 the County clerk's place.
 Saw Celestia Henderson and
 met Miss Boaz from
 Wickliffe. Ate dinner with
 Cousin Louis's family.
 J. M. Moore and Jesse Hunt
 spoke this morning. The
 candidates for S. Senator and
 C J this afternoon. Certainly
 met many old
 friends. Rained this
 afternoon. Came home
 with Cousin Earl. Road
 muddy and blacked.
 at Lucille's

July 15 The draught is
thoroughly broken. Rain.

at Betties. Tonight I
just walked about with
Paul and discussed
philosophical things. He
and I both want to
get away.

July 16 Start to work
today. My Blackstone
reading is getting more
pleasant than it was
when I once read it
because of my extended
knowledge of English
History.

July 17 Poppy is doing
well I think in his race
for magistrate. Speaking
at Slater today. The
Whole county is agitated
by the election. Reading
"Prima oratio Catilinae"

July 18 Paul McGee
 is up on a charge of
 detaining a woman.
 I think he said a little
 something to her but
 not enough to constitute
 an offense. I am prin-
 cipally reading on
 the British constitution

July 19 Studying hard.
 Have been thinking of
 taking the civil
 service, but there is
 no examination this
 fall for railway mail
 clerk and I am not
 old enough for Philippine
 service.

July 20 Shakespeare
 means more to me
 now than ever
 before. Reading Timon
 of Athens.

July 21 Went to the speaking at Revil today. Pappy is running for magistrate. I think he will win easily. Saw Eddie, Mr. Lane carried me. Met many old friends and some new ones.

July 22 Feeling bad Had to help Zellner sell his papers. Worked this afternoon. Was at Bettie's a little while when H op worked for me. Celestia Henderson is visiting there.

July 23 Studied hard. Feeling better. I am getting to be more democratic since I am out of school.

July 1917

July 24 Went to Needmore to the speaking this afternoon. Stanley Lovelace, Bill Henderson, Judge Moore and Peyton Reeves. That is a Warm race. I think Roy has the clerk's race won.

July 25 Went to the same coming and speaking at Hinkleville. Was with Eddie most of the time but I got a little time to loaf around among the boys. Saw people from all over the county.

July 26 Stayed around today. Reading Blackstone. Election talk is warming up.

July 27 Judge Moore
and Stanley Lovelace

Bill Henderson, Peyton
Reeves are having a
very heated campaign
for judge.

July 28 Went to Bandon
to the speaking. It is
excessively warm. The
day could not be enjoyed
because of the heat.

Saw all the old pol-
itical bunch of the
county.

July 29 Roy seems
to have a clear
victory in his race
for clerk. The Stanley
machine is trying
to control the
legislature. I think
their entire ticket
will be put through.

July 30 The business of getting boys for the army is proceeding very slowly.

July 31. Was through with my work yesterday. Reading Darwin's "Origin of the Species". It sure is a fine thing to have some scientific knowledge and Darwin is about as good as I ever read after.

Aug 1 Paul Mc Gehee, Joe Hines, and I went to Barlow on the local. The speaking was not so very good but the interest was great. Enormous crowd. Haughty McCaslin leaves Sat.

Aug 2 Speaking at
La Center. There is a
great deal of betting.
Eddie was here. She is
going to spend the
week end at Mrs. Hollands
soon.

Aug 3 Went to Wickliffe.
This is the grand finish
of the campaign. Several
thousand people were
there. Stayed around
and chatted politicians
all the morning.
The speaking was
dull. The crowd was
so noisy that Judge
Moore could hardly
speak at all. Ray is
sure for election.
Stayed in Wickliffe
pretty late. Saw a bunch
of women.

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aug 4 Henderson
and Moore crowds
toured the county all
night. There is a
slate made. Election
is very quiet. The
Henderson men are
jubilant. Mr Jones of
Keweenaw is on the slate
for magistrate against
father. 9 P.M. Moore
is beaten by Henderson very
close, ashy, sheriff. Roy
wins almost 2 to 1.

Mr Jones and father tied.
a bunch of Henderson
men knifed father.
George Goins was the
main man. We were
taken unexpected but
then they couldn't
beat us. The election is
likely to cause trouble.

Aug 3 Bailey for ~~the~~
~~the~~ representative

Gardner for state
 senator is a victory
 for the Stanley bunch.
 Street wins for
 assessor, Barn for
 jailer, Lane for school
 Supt, Grace for
 constable. We are
 going to make an effort
 to elect father yet,
 at Betties. Rayman by landslide.

Aug 6 Trouble is
 brewing, crooked
 deals are coming
 out. I think the
 official count will
 slot father. Resting
 and reading. There
 is strange talk of
 a contest, it opo there
 will be.

aug 11

aug 7 Mamma is
visiting aunt Mary's
sister and I are
keeping house. The
official count gave the
magistrates place to father
today by five votes. There
was an error in the
counting at Ingleside.
aug 8 People are still
a little disturbed about
the election but the
call of the drafted boys
is coming on now.
The boys from here
have their notices
to come and be
examined. I am
reading Charles
Darwin's "origin of
the species". It is a
classic of scientific
value.

aug 9 Marie Griffin
had a party tonight.
John Stevens and a
lunch from Kevil
were there. Had a nice
time.

aug 10 Not doing
much. La center's
new light plant is
in operation. I
have been over there
several times to
see the machinery.

aug 11 Feeling fun
today. Paul Mc Gehee
sold me an old watch
and the bunch had
some fun about it
but I doubled my
money. Annie has
some visitors
and Betty and I
were down there tonight.

Aug 1917

Aug 12 Went to church this morning

Bro MacCaw delivered one of the most powerful sermons I ever heard. Tonight I walked home with Annie and Miss Fraser. John was there to see Miss Callis Wear.

Aug 13 Reading and studying today. Our lang looked for Chatagua begins here tomorrow.

Aug 14 I helped put up the Chatagua tent. am selling tickets. Had Dr Edward Eggleston lecturer and Dougherty Caricent company today. Not very good crowd. Rain.

aug 15 Miss Rense
a singer and reader
today and Lenza's
Italian band. I am
still selling tickets
aug 16 Today we had
John Kilham lecturer
on the N A Indians
and the Hazel Kraft
concert company. Mr
Kilham was a fine
old fellow and told
me a lot about the
Indians

aug 17 We took down
the tent packed back
the benches and fixed
up everything this
morning. A little
personal contact
with hard work
makes a man
feel better.

aug 1917

aug. 18 Sick today
The telephane co.

allans Mrs. Hains
a two day vacation
and I am working
there

aug 19 Feeling very
bad. Played Rum
ouhile. Annie Fraser
goes home this after-
noon. She had a little
party at Mr Ben cotners
last night. Betty and
I went over. I went
down this afternoon
to tell her good bye.
I am going to write
to her. She is a fairly
tall well built girl with
beautiful brown eyes
and dark brown hair.
She has a sprightly
direct almost masculine manner.

aug 20 McD, Paul
McGehee and I tried
to fool John Joyner
by carrying him
down the railroad track
and scaring him
like Paul and I did
McD about a week ago.
They were to meet me
and I missed them.
We may get him some
other night.

aug 21 Helping Paul
at the P. O. felt so
bad today I had to
go home.

aug 22 Went to Institute
at Barlow. Dr Nol knew me
and made me go to dinner
with him. Out in car
with Blanda and
Bettie. Dr Nol showed
me some new poetry.

aug 23 Pasey Griffin
 stayed all night
 with me last night
 and we went back this
 morning. Drove about
 quite a lot with Blanda.
 She is a most vicious
 girl. She spends a great
 deal of money for her
 father. I almost ran
 into a man today
 when I was driving her
 car. Drove to Oscar
 with her this afternoon
 and finally back to
 Lacenter.

aug 24 Reading, felt
 tough.

aug 25 Eddie came
 down on this morning
 train. I ate dinner with Mrs.
 Holland. We went to
 the show tonight.

Aug 26 Feeling very
bad. at S.S. Eddie and I

Went to hear Bro
Fairner at the M.E.
Church. This afternoon
I went to Mrs Hallands.
I spent a most agree-
able ~~after~~ afternoon
and evening.

Eddie seems to be in
better health than she
has been.

Aug 27 Started to
work in the P.O. The
only thing that worries
me here is the scuffling
and boisterousness of
the boys. Paul is
thinking of joining
U.S. Navy. We
worked on the
books tonight till
eleven O'clock.

aug 1917

aug 28 am not
feeling good. Played
cards a little today.
am not in any
hurry for studying.

aug 29 came down
and opened up this
mornning. I am
feeling better today.

aug 30 Paul is going
to leave just as
soon as he can
get his leave of
absence.

aug 31 John Stephens
is going to Ky State
University and
wants me to go
with him but it
is not possible
now. When Paul
leaves I will be head
of the P.D. roll but name.

Sept 1 Felt all warm out today so I went to Bandana. After staying in the heat of the office all day it was delightful to sit in the cool breeze from the oak forest about his home.

Sept 2 Went to S.S. and made a live talk on faithful S.S. work. I tried to weave in some interesting narrative and I believe held my audience better than I ever did before. At dinner with Mills at Rays. Came home with Mr Terry.

Sept 1917

Sept 3 Back at work. Paul has been drafted and will be examined Friday. He is going to join the navy as soon as he can get a release.

Sept 4 When I was in Bardonia I got a copy of Blackstone commentaries and hundred and forty two years old. It was printed before the declaration of Independence.

Sept 5 - Carried Carrie Terrel to the show tonight. She is a nice little kid. Just a trifle young.

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Sept 6 Contact with the rough things of business is not pleasant to me, but guess it is best in long run. Got a card from Polly Anna Paschall today. She was in Nashville Tenn. Sept 7 These past few days have been excessively warm and I have suffered quite a lot from the heat.

Sept 8 Went down to see Bettie a little while this afternoon. She is boarding at Mr. R. D. Nelson's and only gets to come home weekly. Had a nice lot of Pimental sandwiches tonight.

Sept 1917

Sept 9 Nice lunch
at S.S. and preaching

I acted as deacon,
administered the sac-
rament and took up
the collection.

Sept 10 Paul McGhee,
Paul White, and Jim
Hines are going to
Chicago Wed. They
have passes from the
I. C. Railroad and
will handle freight
there. Paul W. is
going to join the
navy if he can
get in.

Sept 11 Brother is
in Louisville attending
the state fair. He is
a deputy police
commissioner.
Working hard

Sept 12 Paul's
leave of absence
came in last
night and he left
tonight. He has left
some hard work
for me to do up.

I felt blue when
Paul and Chickenheel
both left. I have so
few close friends
I do not like to
lose any.

Sept 13 Hard at
work. I have the
books up in good
shape now. There
is a great deal of
curiosity about
this change. Eddie
is in Bardwell going
to school now.
would like to go over.

Sept 1917

Sept 14 To get a good grip on things keeps me very busy. I scarcely have time to eat.

Sept 15 Chased about town today. Went down to Bettie's tonight.

Sept 16 Went to preaching at Baptist church. Tonight Hop Rallings and I went to Barlow to call on Mame Lee and Miss Barksdale from Paducah. Miss Barksdale pretty nice kid. Not in Paducah society much and inclined to be virtuous about it. Sour grapes. stuff t

Sept 17 Not feeling
Very good today.

Finished up a long
carriers report.

Sept 18 I've flirted
with some of the
kids at school a little.

There are a few
good looking girls
in the bunch.

Sept 19 My work
is up a little better
and I have more
leisure.

Sept 20 went to see
Marie Dunn one of
the freshies here. She
is a pretty jolly
kid a little blasé
and lifeless. Grand-
ma is at our house.

this is the first
time she has ever visited us.

Sept 21 Dickens is
 one of the finest
 humorists in the
 language. I am reading
 Nicholas Nickleby
 with a view ~~of~~
 of improving my
 style

Sept 22 We are not
 having a very active
 month at the P.O.
 Our sales are not
 so large as might
 be it seems to
 me.

Sept 23 Carried B.
 over to Nevada's
~~last~~ ^{tonight} ~~night~~ We
 had permental sand-
 wiches and some
 of the best candy
 and cokes I ever
 ate.

Sept 23. Our meeting
began this morning
with E. R. McCorkle of
Clinton preaching.

Mrs Dr Dillan was fured
this afternoon at
mt Pleasant. After
that I went to
Bandana and went
in to see Dr.

Dillan a little
while. Hattie Marton
(Mrs. Abbot has come back).

I saw her when
she got off the train
last night and
again today.

Sept. 24 at it again.

Our m.o. B. and
Pastor Bus. is
dragging. Went to
Church tonight.

Sept 25 Read same
my Blackstone

today, I am getting
to believe in physical
culture. Jack London
was prouder of his
vigorous body than
of his intellect. This
undue work is bad
for my health.

Sept 26. I have a hold
on things now so
that I do not dread
what is ahead.

Sept 27 Went to
see Marie Dunn
again last night.
Tonight I went to
church with Helen
Ashby. Fern Berry took
Helen Joette and I out in
his car then. Fine
bunch.

Sept 28 Dawn at
 Betties tonight. Bill
 arnutt goes after
 her every Friday
 Evening and carries
 her back Sun. Nattie
~~called me up today~~ ^{marian}
 is here and I have
 left word for her
 to call me.

Sept 29 Fixed out
 the R R carrier's
 vouchers and got them
 in. Reports are in
 order now.

Sept 30 Invaiced
 all my stamps.
 Chased about town
 this afternoon. Talked
 to Eddie & Marie. Paul
 is called to leave Wed.
 and I have sent him a
 telegram.

Oct 1 Getting my stuff ready. I have a couple of letters from the auditor readjusting some of Pauls accounts. He is also charged up with some envelopes not listed on his books. I must wait till ~~his~~ he gets here to make my reports.

Oct 2 Paul came in this morning. He gave me some more data to work on. Our entire Pastak Reporting system changed this month. We will have to report to the P.M. at Kevil in the future. all our supplies and stamps will come from him.

Oct 3 This new system of bookkeeping has me all falled up just at present. I have my money order report made out and have sent it in.

Oct 4 Have been to see Marie again this week. She is a pretty good scout.

Oct 5 The P.M. at Kevil is about as falled up as we are. As saanas he can give me a little dope I will make my report out.

Oct 6 Made my report. Tuxed up my vouchers and sent the whole business in today. Working for Judge Emell whose boy is sick. ^{Tenn}

Oct 1917

Oct 7 at S.S. This morning, met Mr.

Jenkins the new asst. Principal of B.C.H.S. Was with Carrie Terrel a little while this afternoon.

Oct 7 to 14 Busy at P.O. Paul is here and just staying about town and trying to get away.

Oct 15 Reading

The Weavers by Sir Gilbert Parker.

Oct 16 I have the idea that I want to go to school again. Have written to Michigan University and U. of Chicago. I may enter the second semester.

Oct 1917 ¹⁵⁵

Oct 17 Hermann
is laying right at
the point of death.

Oct 18 I sat up
tonight with Herman

Oct 19 Herman died
this morning about
three-forty five. He
had a very bad case
of the dropsy. I had
to go to Paducah to
get the flowers. It is
a little cold. Big crowd at
the burying at the old
Herman burying ground
where his mother
is buried

Oct 20 Went to wuckley
with uncle Harvey and
caught the train to
Bardwell. Was with Eddie
bath afternoon and night.
at show tonight, Fine time

Oct 21 Eddie and I went
 to church this
 morning at the Christian
 church. I am getting
 along very well with
 her. because we are
 mutually attentive and
 considerate. She is the
 most truthful and
 most considerate girl
 I was ever with I think.
 Oct 22 I came home
 by car yesterday
 afternoon and saw
 a very fine show,
 "The Beauty Show"
 led by Frank Shea.
 It is a good musical
 comedy with good
 singing and dancing.
 Caught the ferry to
 East car and came
 on the 7:30

Oct 23 Brother and Paul have disagreed about terms and I don't know how much longer I will be here.

Oct 24 am going to see Marie Dunn about and might a week and Helen about the same. of course I have to flirt with Marie a little. She is a jolly kind but Helen is one of the best Pals I ever had.

Oct 25 My financial affairs are tangled. I owe quite a bunch of money and quite a bunch is due me. am learning business.

Oct 26 Darn at
Bettie's arrival
tonight.

Oct 27 I many ways
I know I have treated
Bettie badly so she
handed me one
today. I had asked for
a date and been turned
off but in such a
way I thought nothing
of it. Today I asked her
again and she told
me a string of stuff
and I found out she
already had a date.
I certainly do hate
to have trouble with
Bettie, now I must
fly in to get my
own self respect back.
I wish she had had a talk
with me instead of acting
rashly.

Oct 1917 ¹⁵⁹

Oct 28 at S.S. Tonight
Paul and I read and
talked quite a while
at the P.O. and walk-
-king around. He is
- in Pad all way round,
just as I am.

Oct 29 I have an
invitation to a lun-
-cheon at the Palmer
House at Paducah
Wed. It is a Y.M.C.A.
- rally Mr Ferguson and
I are going.

Oct 30 The Govt. has
- put a big war tax
on almost every
- thing. Beginning Nov.
2 all letters must
have three cents per
ounce or fraction.
War revenue is an many
things.

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Oct 31 Went to Paducah. The Dining room of the Palmer house is nicely arranged. We had a nice luncheon and heard so good speeches I am chairman of Ballard Co. for the Y M, C, A. Days work. Saw Theda Barksdale Many prominent people from over at the Purchase were at the Luncheon.

Nov. 1 Feeling very bad. Brother is in Paducah and his business is going to the bad here. I am reading Tam James by Fielding, very long drawn out.

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Nov 2. Paul checked
me out today.

Brather is not here
so I hardly know
what to do. I
will be here with
Paul a few days then
I will go to Chicago
or St. Louis I
guess.

Nov 3 Fixing
everything up in
good shape to
leave. I am going
unless Brather or
I can make a
trade with Paul.

Nov. 4 Down at Bettie's
last night. John Taylor
and I went down to Lucile
Emwell's to play a game of
Repe and Skinny Ball. Lucile
and Mrs. Emwell got mad. Some more

Nov 5. I am feeling very bad.

Mr. Hines (aunt Jim) is going to ~~run~~ the P. O. Brother & Paul cannot agree on terms. Paul has no idea about a contract & is always wanting to trade again.

Nov. 6 I got Mr. Cook to send for a pass to Chicago for me today. I don't know whether I will get it or not. Hardy Wray is going also.

Nov. 7 Paul hasn't got out his money order report yet. I am fixing up the books.

Now 8 I have a
~~number~~ of small
debts out that
I want to collect.
This is more
trouble than making
money. I have made
out the tax book
for the town. This
is the first time I
ever did anything
like this but I got
by fairly well.
Now 9 Today is my
last day at the P.O.
My relations have
been very pleasant
here. I really liked
the work better when
I was in sole charge
and could do as
I thought best. Feeling
a little better today

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Nov. 10 Feel last
not having to work.

Went to Bandana with
Mr Whipple, attend the
Y. M. C. A. meeting at
the Baptist church
tonight.

Nov. 11 Went to
Kevil this morning
with George Titsworth
ate dinner with
Paul. We drove to
Paducah this afternoon

Nov 12 Came home.
Just waiting on my
pass.

Nov 13 Our pass
hasent come yet.

Went to See Mario
last night.

Nov 14 cold Dreary
day. Went to Betties
tonight.

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