

1946 October 1  
Tuesday

#### SWARTHMORE BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING

At the bank this morning it was decided to get the names of all possible candidates to receive the income now available from the Roney Estate.

It is also learned that the Federal Department of Internal Revenue has taken an office in the fire building at Avondale. They have had as many as five men at a time there looking into the disposition on the part of the mushroom growers to cover up the records of their earnings and evade income tax payments. They have developed a good formula with regard to what may be expected in the way of profits from a certain volume and from Jesse Pusey who is taking over the collecting and hauling of Mushrooms. They are getting records of deliveries from each of the growers. It is calculated that in 1944 there was 45% profit on the sales and 1945 60% profit on the sales so they can get things down to a pretty good level of understanding. It is learned that some growers have burned their books which will not make it easier for them.

At Swarthmore as usual, a most intensely interesting meeting with the report that yesterday 1021 students enrolled, of which 320 are women and 640 are men, of which 490 are Veterans. This does include the day students. Of the Veterans formerly with Swarthmore 85% have applied for readmission. Under the head of raising money as is planned Frank Abbot stated: "A lot of money is floating around, and lots of money must be given away or the government will take it, so there is money to be had." Apparently he has gotten a million dollars since he came from Princeton.

Our own money raising campaign has been regularly set up with Jim Perkins, Vice President in charge. He started in August, they have fifty regional committees in the United States, each one has a Chairman and a Co-Chairman. There is an Student Committee, a Teachers Committee, a Quaker Committee, and a Parents Committee and a Community Committee and members of the Board are





## II

expected to pay before the Home-Coming day of November 2, which is the same as the joining-Quaker meeting in Philadelphia. At the reception I had a talk with Dr. Enders who appeared sociable. I talked for a few minutes with Roland Pennock and his wife who are just recently back from California where they spent the summer. A peep at Samuel C. Palmer, a talk with Prof. Dresden who refuses to help Aberdeen Proving Grounds to get men away from the colleges now because the colleges need them, otherwise they will kill the goose that lays the golden eggs as regard to training new scientists. I spoke to Prof. Frazer who promised to write me from Stuttgart, Germany, where he goes to help with the monetary situation. I got back in time to get important letters off and the program to Cleveland where it is being printed.



1946      October 2  
Wednesday

## MY NEW SECRETARY CALLED BACK TO THE CITY

The biggest disappointment of today was the telephone message from Alice Platt who had gone back to Philadelphia, as I understand it, because of the unhappiness of her mother.

When we first engaged her and she had promised to come she broke it off because her mother was unhappy about her leaving home. In the meanwhile she thought she had made satisfactory arrangements with neighbors who would call her mother up and with her mother who had promised that if she were lonely to call up others. On her third day here, before I had spent a solid hour with her in the office she phones back from a day in the city, except when I called her on the phone to invite her to have lunch with us on the following day whereupon she said that she would not be here but would phone me when she got into Philadelphia. It seemed like sour grapes to me when she apparently has been called back because of the mental condition of her mother for her to say that she is not staying because in Avondale there is no form of entertainment and if she should move to West Grove where there are the movies, she would find no restaraunt. She compalined because there is considerable work on which we are behind filed and piled up waiting to be done and she thought she ought to be given the chance to start with normal routine.

Arnold Davis telephoned from Cleveland this morning impatient for material for printing the program but out plans for that are fairly complete. Today I telephoned Dick White at Washington who agreed to be Chairman for the Conference having to do with the "Role of the Government both Federal and State" with which we are dealing.



1946 October 4  
Friday

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1946    October 6  
Saturday

PRELIMINARIES FOR THE HORTICULTURAL CONFERENCE IN  
CLEVELAND

Our train was two hours late. J. Franklin Styer and I, over the breakfast table, discovered that we were not too far apart. At Wade Park Manor, Mrs. Daup was attending Trinity Church which apparently, her father at one time who was in charge of an Express Company in this city, had saved from bankruptcy. Frank and I had dinner together and at two o'clock at the Garden Center, we met Arnold Davis. He behaved very much like a bear, apparently still harboring some grudge, but toward the end of the day he was completely mollified and took off his mask. When I say like a bear I refer to the rather gruff manner in which he inquired what we wanted done and responded rather curtly and by no means graciously. His manner however, is to do far more than his promises. He startled us by saying the program would cost \$750.00, and later came down to \$500.00. We spent a good slice out of the afternoon carefully correcting the proof which was ready for us, 16 pages all together containing many names which had to be verified. We are promised the finished program by Tuesday morning. R. C. Allen who is Secretary and Treasurer was going to Adinna this morning and Akron tonight. Tomorrow afternoon to Mentor, Ohio, but would be on hand for our ten a.m., Directors Meeting. Mr. Davis said "The boys here (speaking to me) want you to be President." R. C. Allen reminded us that the Board of Directors elect the President. Arnold Davis had fallen down on the Floor Show so we managed to engage a harpist and he had engaged a toastmaster, Charles Ottis who had been in charge of the Susque Centennials here. During the day, Franklin Styer recited some of Liberyt Hyde Bailey's conversation with him. Among other items, this; In America you need at least a half a dozen herbarium. Dr. Bailey had started to work on the Rubis and found thirty species recorded. He worked the number up to 375 since he published the Monograph he has been informed to 60 others.





1946 October 11  
Friday

I telephoned Ray of Harrisburg at 4:30 p.m., on October 11th, first to inquire for his son, a new series of tests is being run with respect to finding out whether this is rheumatic fever or otherwise. Second, to learn of his consideration of the proposition that he should favorably consider the tender of the position of Executive Secretary of United Horticulture. He wishes to explore the matter from various angles, first, at Penn State College where he hopes to be sometime before the end of this month and would like to talk with Dr. Mack. Second in Boston where he intends to go November 1st and 2nd and would like to talk with Dr. Sweetzer who is the Vice-President and incoming President of the American Rose Society. Third that he plans to be at Washington for the National Garden Conference on the 7,8, of November. Also the attitude and action on the part of Dr. Covelle President of the American Rose Society toward Dr. Allen is not what he would most relish. For example recently he wrote to one of Dr. Allen's assistants at the Harrisburg Office, criticising certain things about the meeting in Columbus and in those criticisms was unaware of how much the things that Dr. Allen was doing would mean to other people if they did not altogether click with Covelle.

In our telephone conversation we explored somewhat the possibilities of the successors who might follow Dr. Allen. Monosmith, he understands has accepted a position with Stark Brothers of Louisiana because he wanted more outside work, landscaping work, less traveling with an interest in political possibilities, all of which Paul Stark had in mind when he employed him. I reminded Allen that he had been headed for a post at Washington but President Truman's order to reduce expenses and personnel prevented his employment. Dr. Allen believes that Griffith J. Buck of Ames, Iowa, might be a better candidate for the secretariship. He has been long a student of roses. He is trying this year to complete his course that will give him a B. A. in Science at the University of Iowa. Allen has talked with him and

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likes him. As regards Jack Rose of Michigan, thinks that his background of vegetable growing would not be a very suitable foundation.

We talked about the needs for the American Horticultural Council, that a complete new set of By-Laws will be needed for the next meeting of the members. I promised and predicted that I would try to have Ray Allen made chairman of the Advisory Council of United Horticulture, such as the Directors had a greed should be named. He did not object to this but did say that he wanted to explore the thing quite thoroughly and thought that in the meanwhile, I should look other possibilities, that it was only fair that I should. We also talked about the situation which we agreed that needs to be developed with respect to Milton Carleton's idea of adding an industrial section to our cartwheel chart, parallel to Science, Professions and the Commercial sections or segments which Carleton seemed to feel would enlist the service of Lester Norris and maybe he would accept the Presidency of AHC and give his financial support in the enterprise. We agreed that as yet, it was very vague and would have to be developed before we could appraise it.

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Walter Gervin  
President of AHS

October 11, 1946

Memorandum

I want to buy a book entitled "Sinnamahone", a story of great trees and powerful men by George William Huntley Jr. published by the Christopher Publishing House of Boston, USA., 1945.



October 11, 1948

Memorandum

I want to buy a book entitled "Strawberries"

story of great events and powerful men by George  
William Fernald, Jr. published by the Old Corner  
Publishing House of Boston, U.S.A., 1945.

W. F. Fernald, Jr.  
Old Corner Publishing House  
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1946 October 13  
Sunday

HAROLD CHANT GIVES A STIRING ADDRESS AT MEETING  
AT OLD WEST GROVE DAY

Harold Chant spoke in meeting this morning as did Benjamin Whitson and during Old West Grove Day in the hour following, Harold Chant surveyed Quakerism and outlined its shortcomings and gave an inspiring message with regard to the need for two hours a day spent in private worship by a nucleus group in many week meetings if we are to amount to much. This afternoon, I had a call from Mrs. Dorothy Turner with respect to becoming our housekeeping lady. She can come and is willing to come December 1st and would like to bring with her a friend who could assist and take care of the cooking or do that between them. The friend is a good buyer and a housekeeper. I shall pursue the matter.

Tonight attended the Minister in Council meeting at Kennett Square at the home of Frank and Mary Margerum. It was agreed that those inclined might at 6 a.m., think of each other as having a period of devotion. This will be worth developing and watching.

October 23

London

My dear Mr. [illegible]

I have just received your letter of the 21st inst. and am glad to hear from you. I am well and hope this letter will find you the same. I have been thinking much of late about the future of the world and the position of the Church. I feel that we are in a very critical position and that we must do all that we can to meet the challenges of the future. I am sure that you will agree with me in this. I am, dear Mr. [illegible], very truly yours, [illegible]

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1946    Monday  
October 14.

Today I stated work on "Success with Roses" by writing a copy. By telephoning to Washington where there is a hotel strike, I got information about the National Garden Conference within the bounds of which we hope to call a meeting of the Directors of the American Horticultural Council. Paul Stark was away, but his assistant Mr. Sandsdrum indicated nothing was scheduled for the night between the meetings on the two days of November, 7th and 8th.

I worked in the office tonight until nine forty-five. I had also telephone Harrisburg about front cover subjects. I telephoned Philadelphia regarding various phases of my trip tomorrow. The Hotels are jammed full and finally I got a room at the Union League by the grace of William Maine who is a member and who grants me a privilege there. I have discovered a new significance in peoples and am taking steps to have available at my right hand various lists of them with whom I need to be in close contact.





1946    October 15  
Tuesday

## BANK AND PHILADELPHIA

At Bank this morning, I moved that the Officers and James McCellan should bring in a statement that could be used in announcing the bequest of Mrs. Rooney, of five thousand dollars to pay for the education of a West Grove boy who graduated from Avon-Grove School. The fund is now earning about one hundred dollars a year and has accumulated one hundred and sixty dollars thus far. There were 14 eligible but nine of them are getting GI benefits. None of the others seem very greatly in need of help so we are not using any of the accumulated amount at present.

Also I advocated the sale of the Long-time United States Bond, so that we might, in place of it, purchase short-term bonds. The Longterm Bonds can be sold now at a premium of 105 and are paying  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. Short-term would cost a premium of 101 and pay 2 per cent. Of 2200 banks in the state of Pennsylvania, the percentage of government holdings on the part of most of them shows far fewer Long-term Bonds. I advocated the sale. Others were not yet willing. They wanted to see which way the stock market should jump within the next week or two. In view of the removal of price control from meat and other articles during the next month.

At one o'clock Mark Parthemore here for an hour. We ordered the front cover for the spring catalogue, color plates for SWEET FAIRY rose, and two color plates for Chrysanthemums on which we want to go strong for this coming year. I declined to make use of the color photographs made when Mrs. Lord went to Harrisburg and took with her Miniatures and PEACE Roses to get something for BETTER HOMES AND GARDENS. We are sending those to BETTER HOMES AND GARDENS.

At Philadelphia I called on Mr. Egee and delivered 35 Programs for United Horticulture. Talked about Miss Wertsner's lecture. Delivered both the necklace and bracelet to be used in the photographs of Miniature roses. Asked for and did not get the Lily Pons copy.

October 15, 1945  
Chicago

THE NEW YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY

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I called at Scholls and talked with Mr. Hinkle with regard to bonus we give. He says we cannot reduce the amount given last year unless it be for salaries in excess of five thousand dollars. The ruling of the Wage Stabilization Board makes compliance with OPA prices the only base for wage restrictions otherwise.

I called on Nelson West and showed him blanks to be furnished by the Dutch Consul. He advocated proceeding with that instead of the very elaborate set of papers he had prepared. We talked about the Asensio statement and he is to find out about sending money to Holland for deVink. I telephoned to Frederic Lynch who is in Chicago and expected home Monday and will call us up with regard to helping us with the Flower Show design.

At seven o'clock I went to the Philadelphia Flower Show dinner at the Bellevue and talked with many there and was asked to take part in the discussion. I advocated that there be someone invited from Europe to attend the shows. I suggested a Frenchman and later brought in the idea of an Englishman, and that use be made of him in connection not only with the Philadelphia shows but other shows and it be made a publicity event.

At the table I sat between Norman Klauder, now with Henry Dreer at 1306 Spring Garden Street and Alfred Putz, also working with them, with William I. Thomas of Henry Faust and Company and Charles S. Swain, John Dotts formerly treasurer of The Florists Club, J. Russell Bebler who took Mr. Baxter's place in charge of the Horticulture in Fairmont Park. His Address is Horticultural Hall, West Fairmount Park, Philadelphia. Alexander Golon of care of Mrs. M. C. M. duPont, Wilmington. Nalbreth spoke as did Legendre and I investigated possibilities of a display at the spring flower show.

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At the table I sat between Emma Althoff, now with  
Henry West at 100 Spring Street, Boston and Alfred  
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of Henry West and Company and Charles C. Davis, John  
Hottel formerly treasurer of the Florida Club, J.  
Russell Bell who took Mr. Bennett's place in charge  
of the Horticultural in Detroit last year, this address is  
Horticultural Hall, West 141st Street, Philadelphia.  
A very large number of cases of Mrs. M. M. Brown, Mrs.  
Wentworth, Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Althoff and I investigated  
about the cases and the results of the investigation show



1946 October 16  
Wednesday

I slept well at the Union League and felt better for the extra hours rest after a midnight turn-in. But my watch stopped and I was an hour behind schedule when I called at the Dutch that is the Netherlands Consul and learned that there had been no change in the requirements for emigration with respect to the duties on the part of the sponsor, so I got extra forms for our own records and those of Nelson West. I took time to go to Pomerantz and buy a \$1.25 pencil, about five note books that I need chiefly for United Horticulture. I telephoned hometto let them know that I would be an hour late and it was an hour and five minutes in driving out.

Martha H. Ewing was at our place for dinner. I didn't realize how much it would mean to see her again because she had, while spending her five years or more here, entered deeply into our affections because of her personal qualities and her good work in the neighborhood and community. She will return to Florida in November. She is taking her things from our home. She is spending a few days in this neighborhood and at night with the Thompsons. She has had a pleasant summer in the Hotel at the Lakeside at Eagles Mere, her duties being diversified as between switchboard, gift shop and office. She has no settled engagement for her five or six months in Florida and she will return here Friday to take her things. No time today for "Success with Roses" and only about an hour for United Horticulture. A visit from Mrs. Spruance of Wilmington, Delaware, about the name of a rose. George Uhhus confirmed my identification. A call on Tony Rosazza who is always quite cordial and frank. He had a recent visit from James Court now 75 years of age, formerly a Vice-President of Henry A. Dreer. I showed him a letter from Texas which appeared not to have been too accurate, in its report of the number of roses to be harvested this fall. Harry will go to Texas again in two or three weeks. This morning before leaving my hotel I had telephoned Dorothy Turner.





## II

Her older friend Virginia Deacon, a bit older than she, is not coming with her to our home. She thought of looking for someone else but is willing that we should retain Edna Rice for a cook if she wishes to stay with us.



1946 October 17  
Thursday

Made reservations for November 7th and 8th meetings at Washington at both the Cosmos Club and the Statler Hotel. Received and read the report of our Certified Public Accountants for the year ending July 1st, which they dated September 7th and delivered only today. They are back in their help to transcribe. The drop in the amount of taxes we paid resulted in our profit being higher than a year ago. Then taxes were over sixty thousand dollars for the year and this year they dropped to below half of that so that our profit was twenty-five thousand dollars this year as compared to twenty-two thousand last year but all of it gets absorbed in the purchase of things needed. Our cash position is not so bad but we face such a scarcity of stock this coming spring as to make certain a year in which the profit is likely to be skimpy if not missing entirely.

Tonight I called on Charlie Zell, taking James Todd with me. Charlie had a heart attack last Saturday night. The doctor arrived in time to save his life or he would have passed out. He probably will not be able to work for some time. He is looking toward assistance in the way of social security.





1946 October 18  
Friday

WILLIARD TOMLINSON HERE

Willard Tomlinson, in a letter to me had intimated he would like to see me at his office or prefer to come to West Grove. I invited him to come here. He spent more than two hours here this morning. He considers himself on our payroll and he is. He is hunting a Secretary for me and probably two of them. He needed to get better acquainted with the situation here. He was mystified with some conversation he had had with Alice E. Platt. I had Neal Newlin show him around the office. I gave him the opportunity to talk with my former secretary, Mrs. Lord and she is still pinch hitting as Secretary, and my American Horticultural Council Secretary, Mrs. Daup. He reported to me that he found them both "splendid women". He wants to come again in order that he may better understand and that we may better understand the basis for a disloyalty and clear up the ignorance and lack of principle of it that permits it to exercise itself.

This afternoon I worked on "Success with Roses" and for a second time have made a beginning. I need to get about three days away by myself and I think I can finish the whole thing. I spent the part of the evening at my desk dictating three cylinders, up until 9:45, preparatory to Courtly Meeting Tomorrow.



1946 October 19  
Saturday

## COURTLY MEETING

### ELECTROLUX

As a delegate to Courtly Meeting, I attended all sessions except the afternoon session devoted to a panel of six on the subject of Education which I had been eager to hear but demands at home seem to make it imperative that I return as we did at 1:30. thirtyt

Gene and Margery Tooney were guests of the meeting. First Administry and Council, it seemed was based on a conception of three parts: 1. The power that is got from nature and rises in us like sap in a tree. 2. Another force that comes down from God and comes into us from above, if we are connected with God and 3. a native inherint power, the power of the soul or spirit. When these three meet and there is created balance whole, then there is creative culture and we are made to feel that life is worthwhile and it enables us to move toward worthwhile ends. He did not decry technical logical advancements in modern civilization but did indicate that these things have taken us from closer connection with nature and with God, has taken us away from Rural life and then we walk upon cement and ride rubber it is not like the reziliants that comes from walking on grass or the response that comes from loving animals. Modern Civilization tends to draw people away from God. When we ask young people what the function of a religion, their answer is blank. It is more than helping us to do better, more than sharing our bread with others. Religion does not begin and end there. The set for thing in Religion is reconnecting with God. The meeting for worship developed along the line. People continue to enjoy food and go where thebest food is to be had. The parallel was then drawn with respect to hunger for spiritual food, that lack of hunger might indicate lack of health and lack of health with lack of hunger might furthermore, indicate a low subsistance level inconsequence of which we are not living a full life, but a poor lean undernourished one.



1946    October 20  
Sunday

SUNDAY AT HOME

Meeting and First Day School. During the latter in which Mrs. Hutton lead the adult class. Discussion had to do with Courtly Meeting, session devoted to Education reported by Miss Bailey who was in bed Saturday morning when I called her and suggested that she would enjoy attending. She had not heard of it.

I spent two hours at the office this afternoon, one hour at the greenhouses and a quarter of an hour talking to Horace Moore about cutting down a willow tree on the line between the two properties.





1946 October 21  
Monday

My daily correspondence absorbed much of my time. United Horticulture has at least doubled this correspondence. This afternoon, two hours were spent on "Success with Roses which I get too little time for. I am greatly in need of and I am searching for more secretarial help. So many of the things that I now do can be turned over to someone else to do.

Today was the day for Farm settlement. The outgo seems to equal the income, in spite of the income having been greatly increased. Mrs. Newlin attended the club in Avondale where was demonstrated the use of implements for cooking. Each person was paid ten cents for coming and the ten cents went to the treasury of the club. Sidney Hutton has been made President or Chairman of the Community Drive and it will take some of his time to get it properly organized and that will mean time away from the business which I have approved.



1946 October 23  
Wednesday

*Fri*  
Mrs. Ada Daup will leave me Wednesday night. I shall miss her terribly in connection with United Horticulture on which she has been of unexpected help to me in ways that I had not anticipated. Also I expected to turn the job over to someone else by this time, but I am asked to carry on until at least the first of the year, or until an executive director can be appointed and a new President. So I shall miss her. This morning we had a call from Mr. Shike, membership secretary of the Central Y.M.C.A. of Philadelphia. He has just completed a drive which appears to have been highly successful. Apparently the war has given them an extraordinary opportunity to service many of the men who have learned to know that and they have established the conviction among many of the G.I.'s that the Y.M.C.A. is the logical station stop between the Army and Home. He praised very highly Mr. Haworth, who is now, as I understand it, second in command in New York in the International Y.M.C.A. work. It was he who recommended Mrs. Daup to me so highly when first I tried to get her. He had been at our greenhouses, was looking to study mushrooms this afternoon, appeared to be taking a day of recreation and learning as he went. A very fine Christian Gentleman.

About 3:30 this afternoon, came Miss Millan recommended by Willard Tomlinson, thought obtained by George Egee from another agency or placement bureaus. She has other offers, including a job with six people under her, more nearly akin to the work she did seven and a half years where she was secretary to the Director of the Hahannam Hospital and where she learned the terms regarding medicine. She is very alert, entirely easy in her conversation and was keen to have more personnel work than would be likely here. I am thinking of her to take Mrs. Daup's place.

After dinner tonight, I was weary and rested until ten and then read until 12.

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...about 3:30 this afternoon, came with William  
...William Harrison, who was called by George  
...line, having a number of financial matters. The  
...others, including a job with a group of men, were  
...nearly all in the work and had been in the line  
...work was referred to the M.C. and  
...before him tonight and when he turned the  
...regarding the matter. He is very much  
...easy to see in conversation and has been to  
...personnel work that would be likely to be  
...of her to take the line.

After dinner, I went to the  
...and passed the

*Handwritten signature*



## II

In the business meeting the disposition to participate by those present was halting. The discussion regarding the queries did not seem to stem from the reports of the meeting.

Returning to West Grove, there appeared Mr. Kromer who delivered the ELECTROLUX Vacuum Cleaner ordered in April and demonstrated many features of it, including the shampooing of rugs, the drying of a ladies hair, the spraying of wax on a hardwood floor to say nothing about getting the dust out of the cracks in the furniture and upholstrey and off the moldings and picture rails around the walls and high up and they clean the bag in which to store clothing and fill up the holes with moth killing gas and air sweeping material, truly a marvel of the modern age if used intelligently and ought to be good with no repair for five years.

At four I had an hour and a half at the office, called on Todd and Harry Ellis who is in bed with grippe and still has an infected limb from a thorn and poisoning of the viricus vein. Tonight again I worked on the American Horticultural Council and correspondence from interested participants.



1946 Thursday  
October 24.

I had Mrs. Daup in the Rose Room first thing, to lay out a plan whereby she should copy completely the minutes of all the Directors meeting and all the Members Meetings of the American Horticultural Council as held in Cleveland. This is not easy because there were several who presided and there was no Secretary for the whole thing. I suppose Dr. Allen presumed that in many groups they had their own Secretary and in other cases that Mrs. Daup was functioning. I have had to use my own notebook to piece together much that was missing. For example, the names of those on the Nominating Committee and many another omission.

This afternoon, yesterday's applicant for a secretary for me telephoned from the city and said that she preferred to take another job offered here where she would have the opportunity to make use of what she learned in her 8 years of experience as secretary to a doctor in which she was steadily meeting people and she did not see that she would have an opportunity for that here at West Grove though she would very much like to work with me and very much enjoyed seeing our outfit. I asked her to refer to Mr. Tomlinson which she did and presently I had word from them of another applicant who wishes to be interviewed on Saturday.

Tonight I reviewed the minutes that had been written in the course of the day and made many additions.

October 24, 1940

I had Mrs. Lane in the room first thing, so I  
and a dinner for the evening and a breakfast  
minutes at all the time of a meeting and all the time  
meeting at the American Historical Council be held  
in Cleveland. This is not so. I know there were  
several who attended and there was no secretary for  
the whole thing. I suppose Mr. Lane wanted that in  
many rooms that they had something in it.  
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try and needed to place together with that  
meeting. For example, the name of one of the  
existing journals in connection with education.

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to the state and of course there are who have  
the opportunity to make use of what she learned in  
her 8 years of experience as a secretary to a person  
in what she was actually writing and to know the  
not that she would have in good time for that  
date at least where from the 10th to 15th of the  
and with me in very much enjoyed seeing her again.  
I asked her to refer to Mr. Tompkins on the 10th and  
essentially it was from that of what she had  
who wished to be interviewed on Saturday.

That is I believe the kind of that had been written  
in the journal of the 10th and was many additions.

CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Shike was here yesterday and told me the following story which I had heard before but want to preserve:

There happened to meet together men from six different nations. Each of them decided to write a book on Elephants. After having made a study of them for two years; at the end of that time they exchanged books and it was found that the Englishman had devoted his theme to the literary aspects of the Elephant; the German to the Scientific approach; the Russian to the work done by the elephants; the Indian to the philosophical tendencies of the elephant; the French to the love life of the elephant; and the American to bigger and better elephants.



Mr. [Name] was born [Date] in [Place]. He is the [Relationship] of [Name] and [Name]. He is [Age] years old and [Occupation].

He was born to [Name] and [Name] on [Date] at [Place]. He is the [Relationship] of [Name] and [Name]. He is [Age] years old and [Occupation]. He was born to [Name] and [Name] on [Date] at [Place]. He is the [Relationship] of [Name] and [Name]. He is [Age] years old and [Occupation].

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1946    October 25  
Friday

MARYLN THOMPSON    AND MARGARETTA COWHOVEN APPLICANTS

Mayln Thompson and Margaretta Cowhoven applied today for two positions open. Secretary for the American Horticultural Council and Secretary for myself. One only came to apply but learning of the two postions both applied. Both with qualifications that I think will fit them to work here and curiously enough they are proud and it seems to be a source of great delight that the two of them might be here together. The mother of one is near Philadelphia and the parents of the other are in Princeton. Margaretta Cowhoven's father is a retired New York lawyer.

George Ohlhus was in the field today and unable to report on budwood that we needed. We are about half finished with housing our rose from the field. Sidney Hutton, Jr., came to me with the problem connected with the hospitalization of Harry Ellis who has no money and yet must go to the hospital because of an abscess resulting from infection from a thorn that got into a Varicose Vein and the bone has to be scraped. Our financial responsibility in such a matter has not has not a prescient and has not been determined. The amount due on his account may be more if we make application than if he personally should apply. Sidney Sr., is in New York today, attending the Chrysanthemum display at the New York Botanical Garden. Howard Wickersham this morning, wanted an interview this morning with regard with what should be done in my barn. I told him I would have time perhaps by December. He had received prices for material from James Ray people for refurnishing the entire barn, but when I protested that prices were too high now to undertake anything of the character, he admitted the truth of that and indicated that the only thing that concerned him was too have a milkhouse that would meet requirements and this could be done by a new milkhouse, placed however in realation to the barn should it be revised as recommended. I told him that this was allright with me and I should appreciate having him send me the prices that have been received from James Ray, and that I might cancel the order until or boxstalls, order for which has been on the books for a year and three months.



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George Temple is ready to print "Success with Roses" as only 22,000 inserts for Success with Roses and I promised to make a definite order for that number or a larger quantity. Order sheets must be ordered and about envelopes I must see.





1946      October 26,  
Saturday

Two hours this morning, two this evening, and two this afternoon were spent on writing copy for "Success with Roses" which should have been in the mails before now and will not be until the first week in November. Mrs. Lord is writing the copy about Lily Pons and the pictures of Miss America. I am writing up various phases of my trip to Europe and United Horticulture. This is the first time that I have really devoted myself to my European trip. I need to do it more thoroughly because I have in prospect a talk before Rotary next Thursday night, the 31st. But in the meanwhile, it is conceivable that I may have to contribute to the National Garden Institute Board of Trustees next Wednesday in Chicago, is more important than anything else that I have done in a long time. So I have been giving some thought to that.

Sidney Hutton and I talked about Harry Ellis who must go to the Chester County Hospital. Sidney took him over this afternoon. Our state insurance on employees does not provide compensation for an accident which runs for so long as this. Harry has an infected leg where a thorn punctured a Varicose Vein which has refused to heal and now the bone has to be scraped and he must be given Penicillin and even West Grove is not equipped for that or at least Dr. Engle of Oxford does not care to undertake it. His wife also is poorly.



1946    October 27  
Sunday

### THAD AND ELLEN FOR DINNER

This morning Neal Newlin, on invitation in place of Mr. Thompson, preached at the Methodist Church, Mr. Thompson being ill. He also read the Bible for that occasion. They did not tell us where they had been for dinner.

In meeting this morning, the speakers included Yardley Warner and myself. The adult First Day School Class lead by Evan Sharpless. I am still keeping tally on the attendance of our members.

At one o'clock we had a delightful dinner with sister Ellen and her husband and talked over many things that are of family interest. After an hours rest when they had left, I worked until suppertime and then until bedtime completing copy for Success with Roses, winding up in bed before going to sleep at ten twenty with the November issue of the FLOWER GROWER, BETTER HOMES AND GARDENS AND A few pages from the magazine TIME.

October 21, 1946  
Sunday

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1946

This morning I went to the office on business. I reached at the last office at 10:30. I also took the 11:15 train to the office. I did not see where they had been to.

In the morning, the speaker, Mr. J. H. Brown, gave a talk on the subject of the "New World". He said that the world was changing and that we must be prepared for the future.

At one o'clock I had a delightful dinner with Mr. Brown and his family. We talked over many things and I was very interested in what he had to say. I was also very interested in the new world that he was talking about. I was also very interested in the new world that he was talking about.

After dinner I went to the office and worked until 5:30. I was very tired but I was also very happy. I was also very interested in the new world that he was talking about.

1946    October 28  
Monday

I very much miss Mrs. Daup because she handled much of the American Horticultural Council work. This morning there comes many letters that need to be answered and action that needs to be taken. Before acting there is considerable thought needed and today I have been largely absorbed with completing the copy for Success with Roses and working with Mrs. Lord and others to adjust copy to space limitations, illustrations and the like. So I was at first concerned that I had not heard from my two applicants who promised to notify me today and telephoned Tomlinson the Counselor, who replied that they had been in his office making further inquiries. At six oclock I went to the office and the call came through from Mrs. Cowhoven announcing that she and Miss Thompson would be here on November 4th.

Tonight again I brought my work to the house and worked until ten thirty completing material for Mrs. Lord to make it finally ready for the printer.





1946      Wednesday  
October 30

Arrived in Chicago on time, about 9:30 and went directly to the National Garden Institute Office 9:41 at 188 West Randolph Street, where I had a satisfying talk with C. Eugene Pfister. He has not had the chance to see Lester Norris. Mr. Norris is not particularly interested in the American Horticultural Council so far as I have been able to learn. At one o'clock we had luncheon; about 13 were present. Paul Stark came in from Washington. A decision was reached to go ahead with the enterprize next year and that an effort be made to get in touch with the leaders of the Union and give them credit for some of this work that might be done with their members, first finding out if the property owners, that is their employers, were willing to have their credit divided in this fashion.

I presented the report of the Cleveland Conference and secured the resolution of endorsement for the movement of United Horticulture. The resolution is to come forward from Andrew Wing. I caught the 6:30 train home after having talked on the telephone with both Gene Pfister and Milton Carelton

1945  
October 30

Arrived in Chicago on time, about 2:30 and went  
directly to the National Garden Institute. After 7:45  
at 12 West Randolph Street, where I had a sitting  
talk with G. Eugene Peterson. He has not had the chance  
to see Pastor Sorenson. Mr. Sorenson is not particularly  
interested in the American Horticultural Society. I  
told him as I have been a life member. At one o'clock  
we had lunch; about 1:30 we went to the  
Chicago Botanic Garden. A decision was reached to go  
ahead with the extensive next year and then an effort  
be made to get in touch with the leaders of the Union  
and give them credit for some of this work that might  
be done with their members. I was thinking out in the  
response, because that is their money, very little  
to have their credit divided in this fashion.

I presented the report of the Cleveland Conference and  
secured the resolution of endorsement for the movement  
of United Horticulture. The resolution is in some  
ways from Andrew Wilson. I cannot be sure of this  
thing after having talked on the telephone with both  
Gene Peterson and Andrew Peterson.

1946    Thursday  
October 31

The experience of parking my car in Lancaster was all right. The train was on time and I was home by quarter of eleven from a train due at Lancaster at 9:30 and a good place, the Hershey Garage, to park for overnight service.

Tonight I talked to Rotary on my trip to Europe though it has been four months since my return. They like to adjourn promptly at quarter of eight which did not give me a chance to tell more than half of what I had planned. But they seem to enjoy it and were willing for more.

Tonight also was Hallowee'en. Our people had a float decorated to present a community drive and got first prize which was a coffee perculator. I think six young ladies were dressed up on the float which was the landscape truck with a little old fence around it. The parade took place in Avondale and there was a heavy crowd, I understood.

1945  
October 21

The experience of a writing as our in London was all  
at all. The truth was on this and I was home by the  
of eleven from a small town at London at 21 and  
a good school, the teacher, to make the  
series.

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by the time I was writing a book. I was able to  
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but they seem to show it and were willing to show.

CHITRE  
G. G. W.



1946

Saturday  
November 2

Today was spent busily at home and at work. I had hoped to go to Philadelphia to the General Meeting. I had an incipient cold and more work to do that could be gotten done. The lights on my car were not working so I did not go to Swarthmore tonight. I figured that there would not be much to do and I doubted whether it was as important as it was for me to get rested up and caught up with my work.



1946

Sunday  
November 3

This morning as soon as I dared call people on the telephone, I got in touch with the clerks or assistant clerks of each of the monthly meetings and proposed that we have a report of the General Meeting of Friends in Philadelphia. This was agreed to and following the meeting for worship, of forty minutes, we had reports. Those who were sympathetic felt there was a great trend toward unity. Those who were not so sympathetic expressed some disappointment because they expected to see the meeting house crowded full. Monthly meeting followed.

This afternoon I spent considerable time in clearing my desk and getting ready for a busy week ahead.



1946 Monday  
November 4

TWO NEW SECRETARIES, MARGARETTA COWHOVEN AND MARILYN THOMPSON

Applicants of a week ago came to work this morning, one week after Mrs. Daup had gone. We certainly were glad to see them so that Mrs. Lord can go on with her work in preparing the catalogue and so that the work of the American Horticultural Council can proceed. Miss Thompson is to take over the things that Mrs. Lord has been doing for me in connection with research, license contracts and the like, and Miss Cowhoven will help me with United Horticulture, upon what basis I have not determined. The latter is a graduate of Wellesley as well as the Rider Business College and New Jersey Agriculture College. Both of them with the U. S. Naval Supply Corps or Naval Ship yard at Philadelphia. Miss Cowhoven is also with the American Institute of Public Opinion known as the Gallop Poll. She is 34 years old, while Miss Thompson is 25, a graduate of Hamline University in St. Paul, Minnesota.

At bank this morning, we decided to loan Charles Mason enough to buy and establish a gas station on the property which I once owned on Harmony Road, opposite the James Todd and Paul Graves property. He wants a place for his wife and son to work and he may continue with us. That has not been discussed with him. I did not attend the funeral of Archer Turner this afternoon I felt it was wiser for me to work on things here and endeavor to get the decks cleared for the very big task I have ahead of getting drive into United Horticulture





1946 November 5  
Tuesday

## SWARTHMORE BOARD MEETING

To College forty minutes early for a talk with Fred Lynch regarding setting up our exhibit at the Philadelphia Flower Show. He is uncertain of his time of his time, but if we start now and agree upon plans and have the work done in the city, he apparently, is able to attend to it.

After the Board Meeting this afternoon, I went to Broomall and talked with Charles Satterthwait who agreed to sell his 19 shares of stock in the Conard-Pyle Company for \$100.00. I arranged to have him send it to the bank by registered mail.

At the meeting of the instruction committee at 12 o'clock we learned that Dr. Nassen is concerned for the reason that in spite of a thousand and twenty students this year, when you take out the girls and the G.I applicants, there are only one hundred and eighteen men who applied from highschoools and that is a very small number for the college at Swarthmore. It was proposed as a remedy that the sholarships which now rate \$500.00 each be raised in some cases to as much as a thousand dollars, although there are cases when there are not more than one hundred dollars is required. From the standpoint of the highschoools it is understood that on the commencement program they are likely to publish the names of those who received scholarships from some colleges like Dartmouth but are likely to omitt mention of graduates of the highschoools intending to go to some of these colleges, excellent students who have made no application for scholarships because their parents are well able to pay their way. In the Board meeting, the question came up about notifying members of the Board whose terms have expired, asking them whether they are interested to proceed. I advocated a personal conference and after the Board talked with the Chairman

November 2, 1950

Chicago

WASHINGTON ROAD MEMPHIS

To College Party members and for a talk with them  
which regarding the situation at the University  
of Tennessee. He is uncertain as to time of his  
visit. If we start now and arrive upon plane and leave  
from home by bus, he is uncertain, it is safe to assume  
he will.

After the board meeting this afternoon, I went to  
Landon and talked with Charles Landon who is a  
member of the board of stock in the University Company.  
For \$100.00, I arranged to have him send it to the  
bank by registered mail.

At the meeting of the instruction committee at 11 o'clock  
we learned that Mr. Landon is concerned for the  
reason that the title of a thousand and seven students  
this year, when we take out the 1949 and 1950  
applicants, there are only one hundred and fifteen men  
who qualify from Tennessee and that is a very small  
number for the college. It was proposed  
as a remedy that the school should now raise \$200,000  
each to raise in some way to attract the students.  
College, although there are some who are not  
more than one hundred dollars in tuition, but the  
standing at the University is in such a position that on  
the commencement program there are fifteen or twenty  
the names of those who have been admitted from some  
colleges. The University is a difficulty in getting  
of graduates of the University to go to some  
of these colleges, excellent students who have been  
applied on for scholarships but have been rejected.  
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question came up about getting the names of the  
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are interested in going. I suggested a program  
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of the Nominating Committee, Barkley White. I told him that my position was that when there was someone who could do the job better than I was doing it, I should be replaced, that I was still interested, especially from the standpoint of the relation of the meeting to the college and also with respect to the Arboretum in both of which capacities I think I can be of service, though my name heads all the rest for length of service, except I believe, that of Harry Cooper Johnson. He indicated that he thought that any one who had the record which I have should not be thought of as the moment as expected to resign and become a emeritus member of the Board. He expressed particular satisfaction with our conversation.





November 5, 1946

Telephone Conversation with Mrs. Harry Ellis.

No word has yet been received from the Hospitalization Association. There is uncertainty with respect to collecting because it was the fact that the late injury occurred four months before the Hospitalization Policy was taken out .

Mrs. Ellis says that Mrs. Corson required that she should draw out the money she had in the bank and pay the bills that she had then standing before help could come from the state. But this was done Thursday night. There is a prospect that the state will pay \$16.00 a month for food, \$14.00 a month for rent, \$3.00 a month for fuel, and \$3.00 a month for clothing. Nothing for light and nothing toward the insurance. Dr. Engle of Oxford refuses to cooperate with the Social Security people who require that he shall sign his bills before they pay them. There is still a balance at the Drugstore Mrs. Ellis owes of \$3.14 and a balance due the doctor of \$19.00. Mrs. Davis is still with her. The state offers some \$24.00 or \$25.00 a month for a helper under certain conditions.



1946 November 7  
Thursday

THE NEWLIN FAMILY LEAVE FOR THE FUNERAL OF MRS. NEWLIN'S  
GRANDMOTHER

Mr. and Mrs. Newlin and Paul left tonight by the nine o'clock train from Lancaster to attend the funeral of Mrs. Newlin's grandmother. Mrs. Newlin being an adopted child and this the mother of the mother who adopted her. She and Paul had planned to stay a week in Ohio. She has not been well and plans had already been made for them not to be in our home longer than December 1st, with the expectation that their house will be ready at that time for them to move into. I was ready to propose that they stay with us in our home two weeks longer while the house was painted and papered. That would be until the 15th of December. But when there developed an attitude indicating unhappiness at the present arrangement in our home, unhappiness on their part, it seemed better to suggest and recommend which I did, that the arrangement should be terminated as of tonight since they are going to be away for a week and it might be better if Mr. Newlin would find another place to board, and it seemed better to propose the change at once. My note to Mr. and Mrs. Newlin read as follows: "One sick woman in a home is sad. It seems only clear wisdom to avert the possibility of having two such. Regarding Mrs. Newlin under all circumstances involved, including her plans to go west for at least a week, I would suggest and recommend that she be relieved of her responsibilities in our household tonight, thus advancing by about two weeks, that is from November 14th instead of November 30th, the termination date already set."

After carefully consulting Sidney, who was in accord with my action, I furthermore arranged with Mr. Newlin that he should find another place to work as soon as convenient, going not later than January 15th. In leaving he said, "I love the Conard-Pyle Company. I think it has wonderful possibilities."

as follows:





1946 November 8  
Friday

By the record yesterday, it does not appear but the fact was that the Newlins had been discussing the possibility of Mrs. Newlin and Paul staying in Ohio until their house was ready for them here, say quite early in December, with the idea that Paul might go to school out there, Paul having been very homesick for Ohio. Also there does not appear in yesterday's record the fact that Mrs. Newlin has recently been sick with gallbladder trouble, confined entirely to her room for three days and later very draggy in her movements with no assurance to us that she might have another attack which might completely incapacitate her for her usual duties in our home.

Another factor that came into the picture in addition to the attitude which they developed when Mrs. Newlin and Neal asked for an interview in my office earlier on Wednesday morning following an early interview I had had with David Taylor in which he complained of having "more bosses than President Truman" and it made him think that he would have to leave and get another job, Neal having as David thought, "engaged him to take the family to Lancaster" last night.

When I asked Neal about having made such an arrangement, without consulting me, since I was counting on David in connection with my trip to New York City, he said he had not made such an engagement, that he had just been inquiring. The atmosphere at the breakfast table in consequence was tense and after the visit in my office in the course of which they protested the impossibility on their part of living in such an atmosphere. After thinking it over for 24 hours I felt the chances of getting back to a situation that could be a happy one seemed slim and furthermore I had just learned on Thursday night, the 7th, that Mr. Kerr occupying the house which they were expecting to take, the first of December, has reported his inability to get other quarters. A wife and son sick and bed and that he would not move out, the intimation being that court and sherriff action would be be required to forcibly eject him. Since I felt unwilling to forcibly eject by a sheriff a man's sick wife and son the prospect of another home for the Newlins appeared to be uncertain and remote



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that that was another factor which added to the unhappiness in our home on their part, lead me to the conclusion that this would be a very suitable and appropriate time for them to make a move from our home <sup>as</sup> ~~as~~ certainly as had been indicated that there was a place for Mrs. Newlin and Paul in Ohio. Furthermore, though I had considered postponing telling Neal of our conclusions regarding his future here and the termination of his job it occurred to me that he might want to make some investigation regarding their future in Ohio while on this trip and that therefore, for their sake and convenience, instead of waiting until he got back and was separated from his family it would be much better for him to know the whole truth before they had gone west. The result of having indicated a preference for ~~them~~ <sup>him</sup> to find other quarters than my home and for him to find another place to work other than The Conard-Pyle Company the reaction from this brought fully to the surface the attitude of violent resentment, charges that I had promised one thing and done another and very much worse than that. They interviewed Sidney Hutton in the hopes that he might help them to become reinstated in their former positions and he explained to them the reason why it seemed best to do everything at one time, as heretofore explained. /Linn

Neal Newlin's statement to me on my own front porch while they were a guest here, which they have been since July first, was so amazing that I could not believe it freely represented his actual feelings and therefore, I postponed action on the matter until I could make very certain. He said: "I am loyal to the Conard-Pyle Company but not to the President of the Conard-Pyle Company." What has followed since, leaves no doubt in my mind that his attitude and actions have been all this time to split the Conard-Pyle Company into parts, in conflict with each other and the Conard-Pyle Company becoming in consequence in the position that Lincoln denounced when he said: "A House divided against itself cannot stand."

that there was another factor which added to the unhappiness in our home on their part, and me to the conclusion that this would be a very suitable and appropriate time for them to make a move from our home and country. As I had been indicated that there was a place for him, Berlin and I left in Ohio. Furthermore, through I had been considered postponing taking part of our educational year in his future here and the termination of his job in accordance to me that he might want to make some investigation in carrying their future in Ohio while on this year and the therefore, for their sake and convenience, instead of waiting until he got back and was a quarter time, it would be much better for him to join the family. I would have before I had any more. The result of having indicated a preference for him to find some place quarters than my home and for him to find some place to work other than the Conner-Lyle Company, the reason for this prompt reply to the marriage the entire of violent resentment, that at that time I had been doing and some other and very much more than that. They interviewed me very much in the house and in the hall and then to become reinitiated in their former position and he was asked to find the reason why it was necessary to do every one at one time, as he had been explained.

That Nevins' statement to me on my own from page while they were a marriage, which they have been since. I believe, and I believe that I could not believe in. I really regretted his actual feelings and therefore, I postponed action on the matter until I could write very certain. He said: "I am going to the Conner-Lyle Company, but not to the President of the Conner-Lyle Company." That has followed since, for as he went in by some that his attitude and actions have been all this time to split the Conner-Lyle Company into two parts, one to split with each other and the Conner-Lyle Company according to companying in the position that it could be done when he said: "I have divided against this." "I cannot do it."

I have been careful however not to bring my own personal feeling in the matter but have <sup>as</sup> a primary and a cause for his dismissal, the facts in the case enunciated by Sidney that he has not been satisfactory because he is not industrious, he is too old, he does not take hold of things, both with respect to the intricacies of office operation as well as the horticultural situation in the way that we had hoped <sup>ad</sup> in consequence of all these qualifications we prefer to look for someone else to take over the work which he was employed to do.

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1946    November 8  
Friday

Many times this fall I have felt like I used to feel when I first tackled a great big wood pile that was higher than I was and five times as broad and it was my job to haul that woodpile from where the wood had been sawed with the circular saw into the woodshed. Well, my work has loomed up in front of me about in that proportion, piling up since my return from Europe, and my working on United Horticulture because I was obliged to concentrate first on the Cleveland Meeting of United Horticulture and second on "Success with Roses" niether of which are much in themselves but they do take time for concentrated attention. In the meanwhile, other work has accumulated and I have been shorthanded. There is much more hope and spirit of progress apparent upon having found two young women who appear to be fairly well matched for the jobs they will undertake. One is to assist me chiefly with United Horticulture and the other with the work that has to do with research, both European and American contracts and all the list that have to go with handling the situation with regard new rose until the time they are ready to put on the market. Mrs. Lord is breaking in Marilyn Thompson for those duties and I am able to call upon her and I am trying to break in Margaretta Cowenhoven for the United Horticulture work. Naturally they take time, but a day like today has permitted the accomplishment of some things heretofore held up and have been delayed by reason of interruptions.

Yesterday was an example of such interruptions because more than half the day was solidly was taken. First I was prevented from attending the award of the Johnny Appleseed to my old friend, Mr. L. C. Bobbink by the Men's Garden Club of New York City and doing some other things that need doing in New York by the evacuation on the part of the Newlins.



1946

November 10

Sunday

WE ATTEND NEW GARDEN MEETING FOR WORSHIP AND ESTER HOLMES  
TALKE ON UNITED NATIONS

Taking along our new housekeeper Mrs. Pollock, this morning we attended New Garden Meeting for worship in which the speakers included Gordon P Jones and myself. My theme "The Words of The Lord were Precious in those Days." and referred to the talk by Anna Brinton at the General Meeting in Philadelphia on November 7 th in which she referred to the precious thoughts that have become pretty well worn out during the war that I so much needed. Gordon Jones continued on the same theme. While waiting for Ester Holmes to come to address the First Day School, I was called upon and told something of my experiences in Europe this past summer until she should arrive, which appeared to be acceptable as one said after the meeting: "I enjoyed what you said more than what Ester Holmes said" who followed me, telling of the present operation of the United Nations and much by way of explanation it was highly instructive and interesting to one who could follow it.

It was a beautiful sunny day and we have enjoyed sitting on the front porch.

RE: THE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION AND THE NATIONAL  
LAWYER ASSOCIATION

Taking along our new typewriter and Rollock, this  
morning we attended the meeting held in the  
in which the speakers included Gordon, Jones and myself.  
My theme "The Lords of the North" was presented in those  
terms. I then referred to the fact that the situation at the  
Generalissimo in the Philippines on November 7th in which  
he referred to the massive bombing that had become  
practically well worn out during the war and I so much needed.  
Gordon then continued on the same theme, while waiting  
for the speaker to come to deliver the first part  
of his speech. I was called upon and told something of  
my experience in regard to this matter and the should  
at this point be referred to be responsible as was said at  
the meeting. I enjoyed what was said more than what  
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present situation at the United Nations and the  
way of organization it was highly descriptive and interesting  
to me and would follow it.

It was a very lively and very interesting  
meeting on the front porch.

BLIND

1946 Monday  
November 11

Today was spent partly in reviewing with Mrs. Lord the entire work in research acquisition, licensing and royalty department and talking with Miss Cowenhoven regarding the work of United Horticulture and its prospects.

This afternoon I stayed at the house and did some dictating for United Horticulture but I do not get enough time for dictating.



1930  
November 11

Today was spent partly in reviewing with Mrs. [?]  
the entire work in research, organization, translation  
and finally re-examination of the [?] [?]  
re-examine the work of [?] [?] [?]  
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This afternoon I sat at the home and did some  
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1946 Tuesday  
November 12

At bank this morning the bank forbade the cashier to reveal to the president of the school board the salaries of our employees at the bank. The request was made in order to compare better the salaries being paid the teachers in our public schools with other salaries in the community. Thirty-five teachers have appealed to the school board to add three hundred dollars for this years salary for each of them. Along with their appeal they presented a list showing the present rates being paid to other skilled workers in the community. And except for that paid the common laborer, the school teachers was lowest of all. They also showed a scale showing the increased price of food over last year, Robert Ewing, our cashier, appeared not sympathetic with their appeal, indicating that they had the strongest lobby of anyone in Harrisburg because they are unionized, second, there have been two increases already made, third, there is much that goes on in school that is not to the credit of either the school, teachers or the principle.

On the other hand I presented the idea that in the matter matter of salaries paid, Pennsylvania is quite below its neighboring states.

This afternoon Sidney and I examined the remains of furniture used to put on our Flower Show in Philadelphia in years past, preparatory to my interview with Fred Lynch on Thursday of this week. I find myself in on on planning again in a matter that I would prefer to turn over to Sidney. I am not sure that he has either back, face or desire for it. Neither is he sympathetic with having me work with Charlie Mason on the matter and how best to make the shift to him is not plain to me.

Neal Newlin has been in the house tonight, packing the things that still remain in their rooms, indicating that he will finish tomorrow. I understand his wife and son expect to come on this week-end to take back with them in the car essential material while Neal boards at Rozassas.



West Grove  
November 12, 1946

Per hour

Stocking Mill Machine	\$5250
1.77 $\frac{1}{2}$ Boss Carpenters	4984
1.65 Carpenters on Avon-Grove	4633
1.60 Local Bill Mosteller	4201
1.40 Local Stone Mason	3421
1.30 Local Carpenters	
1.30 Forman Mushroom Houses	3177
1.25 Local Plasterer	3055
1.22 Local Plumber	2981
1.20 Local Electician	2932
1.10 Local Butcher	2709
1.05 Local Auto Electric	2566
1.00 Bus and Truck Drivers	2444
.92 Contract labor	2428
.85 Commercial Labor	2077
1.06 Teachers	1793





Per Hour

2. Stocking with Machine

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1. 74 1/2 Iron Carp 4984.

1.65 Carp on Avon. Gr. 4633

1.60 Local Bell Installer 4201

1.40 " House Mason 3421

1.30 " Carpenters

1.30 Foreman Kersh. Houses 3177.

1.25 Local Plasterer, 3055

1.22 " Plumber 2981

1.20 " Electr 2932

1.10 " Butcher 2709

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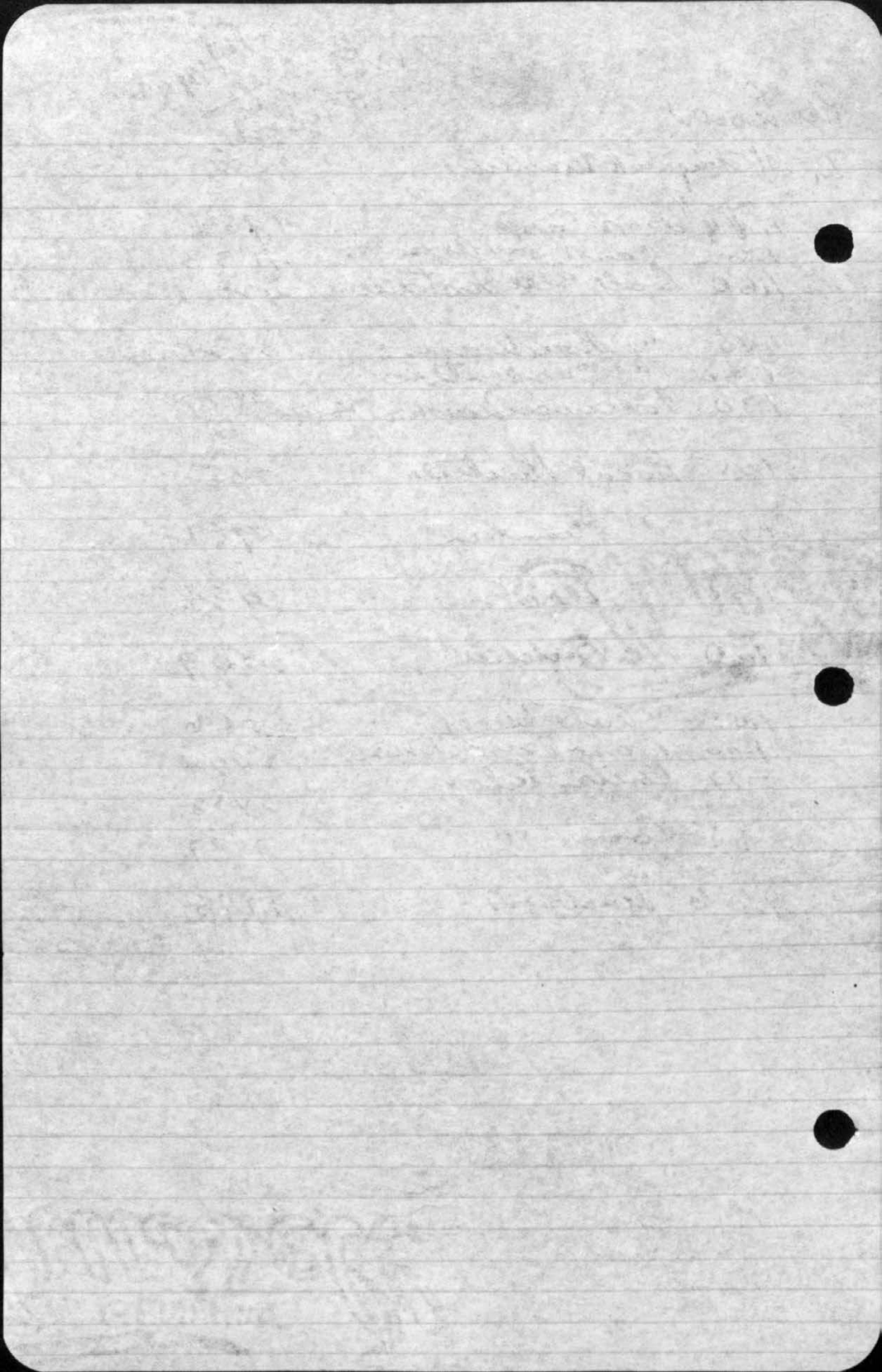
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1946 November 13  
Wednesday

In consultation with Mr. Hutton and Mrs. Lord we laid out catalogue pages, cutting the number of pages devoted to roses two less than a year ago, the smallest in our history. Carrying the same number of pages for Chrysanthemums as a year ago and adding a page of dahlias and a page of flower seed. Our next step is to study the arrangement, lay-out, of each page with color illustrations. We give two to Miniature roses, the most in our history but we are promoting them since we have plenty to sell and plenty of PEACE roses. We are giving them three pages. Tonight Mrs. Pollock returned from Media and today I wrote Dorothy Turner that we understood the reason she had not come.

Neal Newlin continues to pack up the things in their rooms, preparatory to taking them away.



1946 November 12

II

I talked with Harry Vanderkraats with regard to Coletta Halewyn coming to America. Harry has not recently been in touch with anyone coming. He says that Holland does not want its strong young people to come to America, because they are needed at home to help build the country. He knows of no one who has come. He believes the quota is three thousand men per year, that permission has to be given by the American government before they can leave and that when that permission and in preparation for that permission a paper is made out on that side, sent here to be approved on this side before the person can depart. He thinks the Labor Department in Washington could tell you.





1946 November 14  
Thursday

## A DAY IN PHILADELPHIA

I got away at ten o'clock. At Zabel brothers, at 5th and Columbia Avenue picked up one hundred and fifty Diaries that I had ordered by telephone the night before, put up my car in the Schley Garage and met John M. Steere, at the University Club for Lunch, where we discussed first his summer in Rhode Island, his nephew Robert, doing well with his turkeys and later the Conard-Pyle Company, arranging for an annual meeting on December 11th. Haverford will inaugurate its new President Saturday and an hours meeting in the Meeting House for worship will precede the other exercises. Johnathan is quite keen about the future prospect of the Quaker Educational Institutions with such men as John Nathan at Swarthmore and Tom Jones at Earlham, and Mr. White at Haverford.

Called at the Philadelphia Flower Show office, studied the diagram of the exhibition hall and entered application for space with Harry Waterer and at 3:30 met Fred Lynch who will assist to design our show for this autumn. He would like very much to discover the blue-prints that were previously used. We hope to display the Rose PEACE and the Miniature Roses in bloom in a regular Garden layout. I stopped with Main and Co. who have a bill of \$735.00 whereas three years ago it was \$500.00 we must cut the bill down and not ask for so much. I discussed the matter as to the details for the fire insurance policy because they had included only the summary of each policy, one amounting to \$235,000 approximately. I also called attention to the fact that the value of many buildings have been entirely charged off and Mr. Main called attention to the fact, that how if sold, the person purchasing might have values reinstated.

I called on Agnes Gallagher at the American Friends Service Committee regarding the immigration of Coletta Halawyn and was assured that this application or affidavit on the part of the sponsor is to be effective in Europe. It would better be accompanied by a very complete and authentic statement regarding the financial standing of the sponsor. Therefore, a letter from the Treasurer

1946 November 14  
Thursday

# A DAY IN PHILADELPHIA

I got away at ten o'clock. At Kabet's brother's, at 5th and Columbia Avenue, picked up one hundred and fifty dollars that I had ordered by telephone the night before, put up my car in the Valley Station and set John M. Stearns at the University Club for lunch, where we discussed first his summer in Rhode Island, his new house, doing well with his truck and later the General Life Company, arranging for an annual meeting on December 15th. Haverford will inaugurate its new President Saturday and an hour's meeting in the evening. Haverford will provide the other executives. Johnston is quite keen about the future prospect of the Greater Educational Institutions with such men as John Nathan at Haverford and Tom Jones at Haverford, and Mr. White at Haverford.

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of the Company from the President of the Bank, testifying to my salary, to my bank balances and otherwise, with affidavits should accompany my statements. After a haircut and a short rest I attended at the St. James Hotel the annual meeting of the Valley Forge Dogwood Association with some 20 in attendance. I was selected Vice-President with Henry Woolman another Vice-President and Eugene Mueller, son of Adolph Mueller, elected President, after Mr. French had declined the appointment. Excellent progress has been made in erecting a memorial to Adolph Mueller. No further attention is being paid to my recommendation of a year ago that the 2000 acres at Valley Forge should be made to constitute an arboretum with a Director thereof. There is already the Valley Forge Park Commission in charge of the 2000 acres, this Commission being appointed by the governor. There is the Valley Forge Historical Society in operation 28 years with 1250 paid members who will receive the magazine published. There is a large museum, there is a Washington Memorial Chapel, under Dr. Burt, it has been in operation 3 years and the Valley Forge Dogwood Association is a commercial enterprise. Before the war they had 1,250,00 visitors in 12 months, 600,00 of whom came in three weeks. Since the 750,00 in ten months, one half of which came between April 19 and May 5. Visitors included licensed tags from every state that within two weeks when 150,00 came from forty states. An improvement in the highway route serving the area is sought and I was put on the publicity committee with Mr. Hance who lives at Philadelphia in a Hotel (the Philadelphian Hotel). Also were appointed Finance Committees, and Membership Committees. Mr. C. Pittman Baker is Chairman of the Executive Committee. I also met Mr. Greenwood of the American Express Company. The first meeting of the Committee will be held December 12th.

of the Company from the President of the Park, testifying to my salary, to my bank balances and otherwise, with affidavits should accompany my statements. After a brief and a short rest I attended at the St. James Hotel the annual meeting of the Valley Forge Historical Association with some 20 in attendance. I was selected Vice-President with Henry Koshman another Vice-President and Eugene Mueller, son of Adolph Mueller, elected President. After Mr. French had declined the appointment, excellent progress has been made in erecting a memorial to Adolph Mueller. No further attention is being paid to my recommendation of a year ago that the 2000 acres at Valley Forge should be made to constitute an arboretum with a museum thereof. There is already the Valley Forge Park Commission in charge of the 2000 acres, this Commission being appointed by the Governor. There is the Valley Forge Historical Society in operation 25 years with 1250 paid members who will receive the magazine published. There is a large museum, there is a Washington Memorial Chapel, under Dr. Hurt, it has been in operation 3 years and the Valley Forge Historical Association is a nominal enterprise. Before the war they had 1,750,000 visitors in 12 months, 600,000 of whom came in three weeks. Since the 750,000 in ten months, and half of which came between April 12 and May 2. Visitors included thousands from every state that within two weeks when 150,000 came from forty states. An improvement in the highway route serving the area in 1907 and I was out on the publicly committed with Mr. Hance who lives at Philadelphia in a hotel (the Philadelphia Hotel). Also were appointed Kings County, and Membership Committee. Mr. C. Pittman Baker is Chairman of the Executive Committee. I also met Mr. Greenwood of the American Express Company. The first meeting of the Committee will be held December 12th.



1946 November 15  
Friday

By 8 o'clock this morning, a dozen people were in the Waiting Room of Dr. Kline, at 250 South 18th Street, on the edge of Rittenhouse Square. However, I was ten minutes ahead of the earliest of them and in consequence got away within an hour and a half after the Doctor arrived at 8:30. After an examination, not so careful as a year ago but including a Cardiograph which registered no change since a year ago, hence apparently no permanent damage to my heart from an experience of a few months back. Nothing whatever wrong with the Urinalysis, no evidence of any disease whatever in spite of extra-systole in heart action. No disease on the perfectly pliable prostate but strong advice on the Doctors part not to carry heavy bags and not to rush and otherwise congratulations on my health at 69 weighing 168½ pounds.

At Media I stopped to pick up baggage for Mrs. Pollock reaching home soon after 11:30.

1945 November 15  
Friday

By 8 o'clock this morning, a dozen people were in the waiting room of Dr. Kline, at 230 South 18th Street, on the edge of Kitchener Square. However, I was ten minutes ahead of the earliest of them and in consequence got away within an hour and a half after the Doctor arrived at 8:30. After an examination, not so careful as a year ago but including a Cardiotach which registered no change since a year ago, hence apparently no permanent damage to my heart from an experience of a few months back. Nothing whatever wrong with the Urinalysis, no evidence of any disease whatever in spite of extra-systole in heart action. Not disease on the perfectly ghastly prostate but strong advice on the Doctors part not to carry heavy bags and not to rush and otherwise congestations on my health at 65 weighing 165 pounds.

At Midis I stopped to pick up baggage for hire. Followed reaching home soon after 11:30.

1946 November 16  
Saturday

Because I could not get Pullman accommodations to suit me on tomorrow's SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS, I accepted a Roomette on the ST. LOUISIAN, leaving Paoli at 3:16 this afternoon.

This morning I reviewed again the situation with regard to the catalogue which has been already laid out with respect to the topics for each page and also with respect to the location of the cuts on more than half the pages, including roses but not including 2 pages for the PEACE Rose, Pages 2 and 3 nor for the Miniatures for which additional illustrations are expected. But there is lots for Mrs. Lord to do in my absence and plenty for the girls. So I bundled up my Ediphone and taken along some unanswered letters I hope to dictate while away. Leaving at 2, David driving the new Chrysler, Mrs. Pyle and Mrs. Pollock go along to Paoli for the drive. After lunch I took no rest, but on the train did so, using my Roomette for a thirty minute nap and then working literally from 4 o'clock until 9:30 except an hour out for dinner on the train. This permitted me to mail back to the office corrected copy of the minutes of the Cleveland Meeting to be mimeographed in my absence so it could be mailed back Saturday night. from Pittsburgh,

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West Grove

1946 November 15  
Saturday

Because I could not get fullman accommodations to suit me on tomorrow's SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS, I accepted a Roomette on the ST. LOUISIAN, leaving Peoria at 3:15 this afternoon.

This morning I reviewed again the situation with regard to the catalogue which has been already laid out with respect to the topics for each page and also with respect to the location of the cuts on more than half the pages, including pages but not including 2 pages for the BEACH House, pages 2 and 3 nor for the illustrations for which additional illustrations are requested. But there is lots for Mrs. Lord to do in my absence and plenty for the girls. So I knuckled my shoulders and taken along some unanswered letters I hope to clear while away. Leaving at 8:15, David driving the new Chrysler, Mrs. Pyle and Mrs. Pollock go along to Peoria for the day. After lunch I took no rest, but as the train did not start my Roomette for a thirty minute nap and then working feverishly from 1 o'clock until 9:30 except an hour out for dinner on the train. This permitted me to mail back to the office corrected copy of the minutes of the Cleveland meeting to be mimeographed in my absence so it could be mailed back Saturday night from Peoria.



1946 November 17  
Sunday

With watches moved back an hour and a good long night's sleep in consequence, it was a pleasure to find and sit in the breakfast car along side of B. Y. Morrison, Acting Director of the Arboretum at Washington, D. C. Our train was two and a half hours late. After breakfast he joined me in my Roomette at 8 and we talked for one and a half hours. Later, in St. Louis, we had both dinner and supper together. In the course of the day, I learned considerable about his philosophy in life, his experience, and his further ambition. He is now 55 years of age. By waiting two years longer he can get a reasonable pension on which will be enough if he lives simply. He has not yet decided the problem as to where he shall live and whether he may need to move away from Washington to live more cheaply. By waiting five years instead of two he might increase his pension by \$1800 a year, I understand. He occupies a position whereby reason of resignation on the part of others, he is obliged to do a great many chores which are distasteful to him. He would like to be free from obligations I take it, as regards strict keeping of hours, the difficulties with the bookkeeping system necessary in a governmental agency and reporting to superiors who do not later take him into their confidence with respect to action taken on the basis of recommendations from him. I asked him pointedly what he hoped to do; he said some reading and especially writing. He explained that he had been disposing of much of his belongings just as if within two years he would die. He appears to be lightening the load of what he might have to transport. At present he lives with a sister. He is making this trip to St. Louis not because he wishes to go, but because he has been sent. He is ashamed to go because the National Arboretum is not in operation. He would like to have for the Arboretum \$50,000 to buy books and an annual appropriation with which to purchase herbarium specimens. In St. Louis I met also Don Wyman, Clarence Godshalk, Harry Wood from Swarthmore, Henry Teusher from Montreal who had flown in and had been badly pumped on the head by reason of the airplane air pocket drops when the lifebelts had not been fastened.



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1946 November 18,  
Monday

I am located in the Statler Hotel, 3 and  $\frac{1}{2}$  blocks from the Jefferson Hotel which is headquarters for the Convention for the American Institute of Park Executives and also of the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboretums, a national organization with 63 members which I was the first to advocate and help to inaugurate reports given today show that there is a substantial balance in the Treasury, only six memberships less than the maximum number we have had an excellent records of reports already having been made and an interest in the enterprise is vital.

The outstanding events for me today was at 11 o'clock when I made a report on United Horticulture, asked for and obtained a vote of endorsement of the AABGA. But about 30 people were present and this afternoon and evening of the discussion which followed presentation by B. Y. Morrison, Acting Director of the Arboretum at Washington telling us much that I had not known before and the discussion was aimed to get the concensus of opinion of those present with respect to what should be scope and objectives on the Arboretum and the service rendered to other arboretums and scientific institutions to the amateur, commercial, and scientific horticulturalist and others. Except the one at Washington, the Arboretums were well-represented, including Ann Arbore, Montraal, Canada, Holden Arboretum in Cleveland, Morton Arboretum in Lisle, Illinois, Swarthmore Arboretum and Morris Arboretum with others of less importance. No topic was more interesting to me on the very full program and I include two papers on the most recent devices in labels that are being used nothing so important as the illustrated material presented to indicate the work done at the Morton Arboretum at Lisle, Illinois especially for training people (teachers) in nature study and knowledge of materials in the course of which study the students themselves take part. Since 1935, nineteen thousand students have taken their courses, half of which are teachers.

1948 November 15,  
Monday

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1946 November 19  
Tuesday

### VISIT MISSOURI BOTANIC GARDEN

Members of the AABGA had breakfast together at the Jefferson Hotel at 8 AM. I sat along side of Mr. Fenninger who is Vice President of the Provident Trust Company and also a Director of John Wanamaker business and apparently sits on many important Boards. I sought his advice regarding money for United Horticulture and he recommended that I should interview Mr. P.S. duPont, also Mr. Barnes, not his wife. He tells me that they have an armed truce between them but are scarcely on speaking terms. I told him that my experience was that Mrs. Barnes appeared to have only pen money to give. He agreed to this. He thought Colonel Montgomery very tight with his money and spoke of a Minerva Pugh who might help if she was interested in plans.

On the way out to the Missouri Botanic Garden or the Shaw, Mr. Pring spoke to me about his son-in-law Russell Seibert as a Candidate for Director of the National Arboretum. He has spent five years in south America hunting down all the sources of Heavia or Para rubber to find a disease resisting type. He is practical minded, a graduate of the Henry Shaw School of Botany at Washington, D.C.

1946 November 19  
Tuesday

# VISIT MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDEN

Members of the ANMA had breakfast together at the Jefferson Hotel at 8 AM. I sat along side of Mr. Reininger who is Vice President of the President Trust Company and also a Director of John W. Wacker, Insurance and apparently sits on many important boards. I sought his advice regarding money for United Horticulturists and he recommended that I should interview Mr. P. B. Belmont, also Mr. Barnes, not his wife. He tells me that they have an armed force between them but are actually on speaking terms. I told him that my experience was that Mr. Barnes appeared to have only one money to give. He agreed to this. He thought Colonel Montgomery very tight with his money and spoke of a Miss Mrs. Pugh who might help if she was interested in plants.

On the way out to the Missouri Botanical Garden on the Shaw, Mr. Pugh spoke to me about his son-in-law Russell Belmont as a candidate for Director of the National Arboretum. He has about five years in south America hunting down all the sources of Heaviside or Patsy rather to find a disease resistant type. He is practical minded, a graduate of the Henry Shaw School of Botany at Washington, D.C.



1946 November 20  
WEDNESDAY

## MY LAST DAY AT ST. LOUIS

Interview with Russell Seibert. Up early and backed before breakfast. Telegraphed West Grove and Harrisburg to be on the lookout for me by morning at noon. I had breakfast, by appointment, with Mr. Pring of the Missouri Botanic Gardens, second in command out there and his son-in-law, Russell Seibert. Mr. Pring had recommended him for the position of Director of the National Arboretum in Washington, D. C., and I was glad to have from him a careful account of his work for the past three years in South America, investigating the various possibilities of rubber, examining the various trees, some of them seven feet in diameter and 400 years old, rubber trees that have been tapped steadily over many many years. He explained why Henry Ford's plantations to grow rubber down there had been failed and sold out and what was being done to obtain a better quality of rubber and put it on a basis so that it might be grown on private farms as probably being more economical than a large plantation under big corporate management.

The young man seemed to be clear eyed and steady, straightforward in his thinking. It was very difficult to learn the extent of his administrative qualities or abilities in that line and it is also quite possible that many of them would have yet to be developed. I was favorably impressed with him.

At nine o'clock I met Gordon Cooper and talked with him about the manuscript which a stenographer, hired by Arnold Davis had obtained of the speech of Dr. Bailey in Cleveland and told him that I thought it belonged to the American Horticultural Council, but if published should be so, under the joint auspices of the Garden Center of the Men's Garden Club of Cleveland and the American Horticultural Council. But I thought it desirable to be published and would like to have the copy before the meeting in Washington, December 4th. Also I talked to Gordon Cooper about being treasurer of the American Horticultural Council

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by reason of his knowledge of the people in Cleveland and the many contacts he has there. He did not decline and I learned for the first time that he had not been elected Secretary (although he had been nominated) of the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboretums. Mr. Godshalk was re-elected as he deserved to be.

Following this, I attended the final meeting of the American Institute of Park Executives and for seven minutes endeavored to introduce the subject of the American Horticultural Council to that body in its final session. I was too hurried and did not do a very good job. It might have been done very much better. I found Mrs. Lake, from Fort Worth, Texas, present in the audience. Four hundred men had attended and the President complimented them on making it a business conference. They began with business at their breakfast meeting.

After the meeting, I had an early lunch, caught the Spirit of St. Louis at 12:30, tried to set up my ediphone for an afternoon of work but the current provided for shaving in the roomette is too weak to operate my motor and therefore I had to do it up and devoted the afternoon to a careful study of problems ahead, finding great satisfaction in an opportunity for four hours straight of not being interrupted and proceeding straight along.

I had hoped to find and have dinner on the train with B. Y. Morrison but his car had switched off at Indianapolis, so I wrote him a note. Instead of which I had for the supper, I then had the pleasure of meeting and talking with Mr. L. B. Grisbaum of RRL4, Block 637, Indianapolis, Indiana who evidently while a chemist, a member of the American Chemical Society and a prominent one has a large acreage seven miles outside of Indianapolis and loves his plants most devotedly, a highly devoted amateur who does a lot in interesting other people in plant life. I was able to give him a copy of "Success" our catalogue, and the bulletin of the American Horticultural Society.

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1946 November 21  
Thursday

## I STOP AT HARRISBURG

By making a stop at Harrisburg from 7 until 9 o'clock I was able to talk to Mark Parthmore about the front cover of our spring catalogue and talk to Dr. R. C. Allen with regard to Dan Foley as a proposed Executive Secretary to the American Horticultural Society. Also I warned him and plead with him not to publish in his report in the American Rose Manual his correspondence with Cordes, the names of Cordes' new roses because publication invalidates the opportunity to patent after one year, therefore the date of publication must be postponed as long as possible.

I talked with Miss Hess with Harry Knouse about the drawings, with Dan Fohl requesting a schedule for delivery of our catalogue if they should get copy within three weeks, and had time for a talk with Ray Allen, though it was far too short, in the course of which I sounded out what I had not made clear to him when I talked with him last, that he did not wish to be considered an applicant for the American Horticultural Society and he said: "As I see it, this job is going to be a day and night affair of hard work and much travel for five years and calls for a man who is not committed to a young family and furthermore, I am just in the midst of the American Rose Society endeavor from which I cannot very well disentangle myself." I told him that he had been my first choice, that I would respect his wishes because I thought it was a matter that had to be personal when it came to deciding what one wanted to do. Before I talked with Allen, Dr. McFarland had told me ten minutes earlier that he had done ~~everything~~ in his power to dissuade Dr. Allen from leaving the American Rose Society. I reached home around 11 o'clock in time to greet people and get over my urgent mail before lunch and have a half period interview with Sidney.



1945 November 21  
Thursday

# I STOP AT HARRISBURG

By making a stop at Harrisburg from 7 until 9 o'clock I was able to talk to Mark Partin about the front cover of our working catalogue and talk to Dr. R. C. Allen with regard to Dan Wiley as a proposed Executive Secretary to the American Horticultural Society. Also I warned him not to publish in his report in the American House Journal his correspondence with Gordon, the names of Gordon's new roses because publication invalidates the opportunity to patent after one year, therefore the date of publication must be postponed as long as possible.

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## II

After lunch I had a hours rest and in the afternoon catching up with the American Horticultural Council and George Egee, out to get material for an article for the New York Times which Dorothy Jenkins has agreed to publish. George Egee is developing a business of imports from India and now represents some 35 firms, including those who deal in the hides of alligators and lizards for leatherwork. He stayed and took the 9:12 bus back to the city.

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 of imports from India and now represents some 35 firms,  
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 and fixings for leatherwork. He stayed and took the  
 9:15 bus back to the city.

1946 November 22  
Friday

Harry Ellis has been in the Hospital nearly four weeks for more than a year, one of his legs has been practically black below a certain point on the lower leg, his circulation is very poor and that has retarded recovery. It was infection in a Varicose vein. Apparently the poison has been eliminated but the system has been slow to build up new flesh and to heal. Sidney went over to see him today and is also in touch with the family who are getting assistance from the welfare, as is their son, little Harry.

Today we wrote to Frances Meilland in Lyons, to send us 100 each plants of some of his novelties for entry in the AARS, having them come TWA from Paris. This will have to be followed up and nothing has been said about it to him since my trip there. I believe they are later in digging over there than we are.

1946 November 22  
Friday

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went over to see him today and is glad to hear with  
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of their son, little Larry.

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us 100 each of some of his novelties for entry  
in the 1946, having then come the 1946 trials. This  
will have to be followed up and nothing has been said  
about it to him since we left there. I believe that  
we later in fighting over there had to go.

Wm. J. Williams  
1946



1946 November 23  
Saturday

By telephoned revised and approved a memorial for Caroline Worth which Mrs. Jackson and I had been appointed a committee to prepare and completed today to be in time the letter being printed but not to be distributed before the next board meeting. A review today of the catalogue situation shows that we should have a lay out ready for the printer by the end of next week and by hustling, perhaps copy for the printer at the end of three weeks. Envelopes will not be delivered from the printer to be addressed until probably the middle of December, but it is hardly likely that the catalogue will be ready for delivery before the first of February. For the lack of roses to fill pages we are extending the Chrysanthemum list and also including flower seeds. It may be that an enlargement of the catalogue autumn will be desirable in order to continue items of this character after having started them. It will be a broadening of our base and less exclusively roses than in the past, but it may be a good thing for the firm. But we shall see what we shall see. I went to see the farmer tonight to get some bills okayed. They total at this time about a thousand dollars, two new cows about four hundred fifty dollars, expense for combine and baling hay, staw and barley, some two hundred and thirty dollars and another two hundred dollars or more for repairs to tractor, beside routine bills. Milk is selling at five and one half cents a pound and we are building up the herd to twenety instead of thirteen cows. Our next move will be to exchange bulls. We have a number of heifers that need breeding and we need a younger bull to avoid the over-sized off-spring which he has been begetting, creating a terrific ordeal for the young cows with their first time calves. But he is such a big fellow we can get more in his value to the butcher enough to more than pay for a young bull, well bred. We have rented the pea vine area and are using the tops partly for fodder and partly to spread on the land. Today I paid David

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## II

Taylor three dollars, being an extra amount that I give him to be especially on the watch during my absence as I was four days in St. Louis.

I had a very good night, and I was very happy to  
give him to be especially on the way home by  
reference as I was four days in St. Louis.

Chippewa  
Lake

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1946 November 24  
Sunday

MR. AND MRS ASENSIO AND MISS HUGUETTE VOOS

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Asensio from Haverford College and Miss Huguetta Voos from Delaware State College at Newark, Delaware were our guests at dinner today. Tomorrow will be the sixth anniversary since the date when the Asensio's landed in America and in those six intervening years they have made very good progress and now are together with Mr. Asensio in charge taking care of all the Spanish in Haverford and Mrs. Asensio teaching in Swarthmore. Miss Voos is in her Junior year at Delaware State and appears to be getting along nicely. We talked about the possibility of her mother coming and learned from her that her mother has already made application for her visa so I shall write to her separately and at once. The Asensio are very eager to have turned over to them before anything happens in Spain in a political way that will change the situation and they have been lead to believe by Nelson West, Jr., that there is no reason why the money cannot be turned over to them since they are American citizens. But I shall have to check with Nelson. Mr. and Mrs. Asensio invited us to have Thanksgiving dinner with them and with our family a year hence. I made no definite promise but did promise to keep the matter under advisement and consult the rest of the family. I told Ellen about it this afternoon when I telephoned to her as I also did to Jessie. Tonight John Kerr telephoned me that his wife was close to pneumonia with a high temperature so that he could not move out by the first of December but would try to be out by the first of January. I asked him to confirm that in writing.



1946 November 24  
Friday

MR. AND MRS. ALBERTA AND MISS ROBERTA VOOR

Mr. and Mrs. Albert and Miss Roberta Voors  
and their daughter from the State College  
at present, Belgium were our guests at dinner today.  
Somehow we will be the state anniversary since the day  
when the Voors family arrived in America and in 1946  
the Voors family were in a very happy mood  
and how we together with Mr. Voors in the Voors  
care of all the Voors family and Mrs. Voors  
together in Belgium. When Voors in the Voors  
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that there is no reason why the money should  
be turned over to the Voors family and the Voors  
officers. But I shall have to check with Belgium.  
and now, Voors family wanted us to have the Voors  
children with them and with our family. Voors family  
made no doubt the Voors family had the Voors family  
mother, Voors family and Voors family the Voors family  
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I telephoned to him as I also did to Voors family.  
John Voors telephoned to me that his wife was going to  
be home with a high temperature so that he could  
not move and by the first of November he would try  
to be out of the first of January. I asked him to  
continue in the Voors family.

1946 November 25  
Monday

Tom Clemens telephoned today to asked if I wanted a new order substituted for my old order with respect to the James Way material needed for box stalls in the barn at Jennersville. He explains that the order has not yet gone to the factory and he does not know how soon it will go to the factory and when it is sent to the factory that is no assurance that it will not be put right through. But since there may be an advantage of keeping my place in line for delivery of the ultimate order and since we may wish to substitute the new order showing six box stalls instead of two in accordance with the plan that was drawn up by himself and the Abbott people that it would be wise for him to write to the company not to send the order to the factory right away and then it remains somewhat in our control. I told him to send me a carbon copy of his letter to the factory and I could then keep in touch with what was being done and could let him know when we might decide to go forward.

Furthermore he talked about having a room or two room milk house. I explained that the blue print calls for twenty feet by twelve feet and he says that allows room for a two room milk house that often they allowed them to start with a one room milk house and later put a partition in they want ventilators in the roof and drains ~~at that they had~~ plans for equipment for a milkhouse which I think he said he would send me. It is arranged so as to go neatly between the bridge and the roadway and as I explained, we have stones all ready for the job.

1946 November 25

Monday

Tom Clements telephoned today to advise that I wanted a new order submitted for my old order with request for James Way material needed for box stalls in the barn at Jansenville. He explained that the order has not yet come to the factory and he does not know how soon it will go to the factory and when it is sent to the factory that is no guarantee that it will not be put aside. But since there may be an advantage of keeping in place in time for delivery of the stalls and since we may wish to submit the new order showing the box stalls instead of the in accordance with the plan that was drawn up. I explained to the Abbott people that it would be wise for him to write to the company not to send the order to the factory right away and then it remains in our control. I told him to send me a carbon copy of his letter to the factory and I could then keep in touch with what was being done and could let him know when we might decide to go forward.

Furthermore he talked about buying a team or two more with horses. I explained that the only thing really for twenty feet by twelve feet and he gave him allowance for a two room with horse that already they liked them to start with a one room with horse and later put a partition in that was very close in the room and dressing room and bathroom for equipment for a millhouse which I think he said he would send me. It is arranged to be as close together between the bridge and the roadways and as I explained, we have horses all ready for the job.

1946 November 25  
Monday

## FORMEN'S CLUB OF COATESVILLE AND VICINITY

Sidney today, had a lecture on Roses at Moorestown, New Jersey. Tonight I took four of our foremen, George Ohlhus, Sidney Hutton, Jr., Guy Kelsey and Neal Newlin to Coatesville Y.W.C.A, where we attended the dinner and meeting of the Foreman's Club of Coatesville and Vicinity. There were three hundred in attendance. The new Secretary of the Y.M.C.A, R. W. Reynolds. The speaker of the evening was Elliot W. Robbins, Director of Employee Publications for the Sylvania Electric Products Company of New York City, a 1933 Harvard graduate. The title of his address was "The Customer is the Boss." The address was not a finished product but calculated to give some points to the Foremen and emphasized the importance of the Foremen in making contacts with the public because the Foreman is the salesman who meets the public. He quoted from the Maxims of Mr. Howard, the sales manager of Chevrolet, reciting these as important. (1) Circulate-see as many people as possible and talk with them. (2) Converse-the quality of the conversation makes a great difference. (3) Convince-be earnest. (4) Create desire-toward the product. (5) Close the sale tactfully and politely and (6) clinch the sale with service and get the purchaser to help sell your idea. He indicated that industrial relations for the next ten years will not be what they have been for the last ten, that Unions are here to stay in spite of the fact that the foremen will not believe it. The time has come to abandon special advantage for some and here is a chance for the management to bring forth new industrial policies and we had better do it fast before the cycle changes ~~and depression comes~~. We need a method of awarding people more promptly when a man does a good job. We need better living conditions; "that's the reason that my own firm," he said, "is decentralizing its plants so that our men may live where there is more of nature." He recited the fact that the vote for Dewey in Central Long Island was about five to one. In the next county near to New York, three to one, in Queens one and a half to one and in Manhattan it was merely one to one.



1940 November 25  
Monday

# FORUM'S CLUB OF COASTVILLE AND VICINITY

Today, today, had a lecture on "Homes at Coastville", New Jersey. Tonight I took four of our town, George Quinn, Sidney Burton, Jr., Gay Kelsey and Neil Hewlin to Coastville Y.M.C.A., where we attended the dinner and meeting of the Forum's Club of Coastville and vicinity. There were three hundred in attendance. The speaker, Secretary of the Y.M.C.A., R. W. Reynolds. The speaker of the evening was Elliot W. Robbins, Director of Employee Publications for the Y.M.C.A. of New York City, a 1939 award graduate. The title of his address was "The Customer is the Boss". The address was not a finished product but related to give some points to the Forum and emphasized the importance of the Forum in making contacts with the public. He quoted from the letters of Mr. Howard, the sales manager of Chevrolet, stating these as important: (1) Give the customer as many people as possible and talk with them. (2) Give the customer the quality of the conversation makes a great difference. (3) Give the customer. (4) Give the customer the product. (5) Give the customer the service and get the customer to help sell your idea. He indicated that industrial relations for the next ten years will not be what they have been for the last ten, that unions are here to stay in spite of the fact that the Forum will not believe it. The five have come to abandon special advantages for some and have a chance for the management to bring forth new industrial policies and we had better do it fast before the cycle changes and depression comes. We need a method of awarding people more promptly when a man does a good job. We need better living conditions; that's the reason that my own line, he said, "is decentralizing it plants so that our men may live where there is more of nature." He recited the fact that the vote for New York in 1937 was about 100,000. In the next county near New York, there is one, in Queens one and a half to one and in Manhattan it was merely one to one.



He recited the publicity policy of Lord and Taylor who were persuaded that it did not pay them to put little items in the paper and offer them for sale; they must sell to store and sell the kind of departments they have. You must first sell yourself before you first sell a policy and you policy must be based on the American Way of life which he tried to describe in words of the British War bride as she passed the statue of Liberty and arrived at what she looked upon as the land of promise and he said that which made a nation great still lives. Each of us must contribute something to try to keep it what the founders made it. There were present from Southern Chester County about twenty people, including five from the Fibre Specialty Company, three groups of mushrooms folks in Avondale, five from Star Rose Gardens. The chances of starting such an organization in Southern Chester County will depend upon getting more who are enthusiastic about it and upon leadership. The alternative was to join the club at Coatesville which has been organized since 1930 and apparently is rated in a list of nine clubs that got an award of excellence and twenty receiving general awards which twenty were selected from fifty one that had reported for rating out of a total of seventy-six clubs. Those prominent in the meeting whom I met were Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Herman J. Hoffman, Mr. George C. Erwing, President with Mr. Lawski (?). Dinner was served in the Y.W.C.A., by some twenty women; an hour was devoted to entertainment by a psuedo minstrel group, and as we broke up an invitation extended to attend a 8 am, Sunday Morning Service that would adjourn to permit attending the Church Service, the early service to be addressed by the Evangelistic Trombonist Homer Rodeheaver.

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1946 November 26  
Tuesday

At the Bank this morning the committee of Nelphytes reported adversely against any plan in the nature of an annuity for bank employees, the reasons given that other banks in this neighborhood have not started doing it yet, which while probably true with a few exceptions is nevertheless, an index to the type of thinking by which we are apt to be controlled instead of a thorough going analysis of the premises, possibilities and profits that might be had by another course. Another reason in the mind of the committee is that we have offered two senior members on the staff age about 72 and 80, the privilege of retirement at half pay, that is the bank is to make up to one half of their salary upon ~~retirement~~ any balance not covered by their old age pension or other government support.

Also we hesitated in extending a credit for a young builder who calculates she can build two houses at once and sell one before starting to build a third and in that way, erect a row of six or eight. It is being done at Kennett Square and houses are being picked up as fast as ready. This builder had several workman left idle on his hands because a mushroom plant on which he had been working cut short its building operations, probably waiting until things could be had more cheaply and probably influenced by the tragic drop in the price of mushrooms, they having enjoyed a very high ceiling and since they were not rationed could be had when other food commodities could not hence the demand for them had been boosted to extraordinary levels.

In the office tonight, I worked from 7 until 9 following a day not too productive though we developed four more pages of lay out for the catalogue, made some progress on United Horticulture and caught up with some of our back correspondence.





1946 November 27  
Wednesday

An attorney in West Chester, Mr. William Parke, called to say that they would be very glad to accept the offer made by Mr. Hutton that our foreman in charge of the work of the negro who had been arrested because under the influence of liquor, would be very glad to testify in court as to his regular, steady, satisfactory work for us, so plans were made for Sidney, Junior, to go over at 2 PM, on Monday with the client and appear fifteen minutes before court in the office of Mr. Parke.

I went to Jennersville to see Mrs. Bruce regarding two of her boarders but she was expecting a big party in twenty minutes and I did not disturb her. A big party, in spite of the fact that the Red Rose Inn is marked "Closed" all day Wednesday.

I went out to see Harry Vanderkraats because I thought Harry would be the man to develop a piece of apparatus that I think would be a great money saver for us if we could manage. He said, "Why not". He had seen one in operation in Totowanda. I referred to my experience with Colonel Bumpstead on a West Coast train. Col. Bumpstead, having used a machine from the army at his Dayton Place Ranch in Arizona for the throwing of the DDT and thus catching the insecticides doing 20 per cent damage to his crops per year. He was so enthusiastic about it and insisted that we could do the same thing that I felt that Harry, better than ourselves, might spend some time on it and get something that would save time and material and expense in general. He had been called in by some nurserymen who wanted to combine and hire an engineer to improve nursery machinery but Harry thought the cost per machine would be entirely too expensive and did not go in. He saw an apparatus with a whirlwind blower in New York State a sample of which was sent to Holland. He said the breeze, if you stood near it, would take the buttons off your coat it was so strong. At that time it was made to cost from \$2,000 or less. He had just paid \$1600 for a sprayer last year and is not particularly interested in going into it deeper at this time. Nevertheless, something may come of it. I promised to send him the names of some people in Texas that I might





II

want him to look up. He is going by airplane, Sunday.

Want him to look up. He is going to stay here, Sunday.

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1946 November 28

## THANKSGIVING DAY IN GERMANTOWN

On the way to Germantown this morning, we called first on Thad at Ellen at London Grove for comparing notes. They are spending the day at home. Next we stopped to see Sister Jessie at Mendenhall who was delighted to see us. We also took us some Chrysanthemums which delighted her heart. She would very much like to go with me to Washington on Wednesday of next week but that is impractical. She keeps mentally, very alert, physically a good bit bent with some difficulty in walking.

At Shipley's the guests included William Edward Cadbury, Sr., and his wife, William E. Jr., who is now Professor of Chemistry at Haverford, and his wife Charlotte and his two children, Bill and Sally, age about 12 and 7. Of Carries own family, Doro only was there. Beatrice is still on the Pacific Coast and is expected home for Christmas, then to return by the way of Seattle, Carrie's sister Eleanor, and ourselves, my wife and I. Tom and Jeanette Michener had hoped to come but Tom's cold prevented it. So we did not see them or their two boys.

Conversation was more than ordinarily interested because from Billy, Jr., I was able to get first hand report of the inauguration of President Truman White. The inauguration began with a Quaker meeting of forty minutes in which ten people spoke and the meeting house was packed, followed by Dr. Addlelot giving the principle address in which he brought out the idea that education in America relatively is mediocre in many respects. Billy says he thinks Gilbert White is going to make an extraordinarily fine President from the standpoint of the social ideas to be developed in the minds of the students and when he compares Earlham and Tom Jones with Haverford he thinks they are in a totally different and lower class and thirty years will be required to build them up to a standard of intellectual excellence and type of character

1945 November 12

# THIRTEENTH DAY IN CINCINNATI

In the way to terminate this morning, we called

first to find out what time we should leave for

noted. They are equally ready to honor. But no

stayed to see that the day was not

elished to the end. We also found some

which had been very good. The morning was

to no other than in the morning of last week

but that the morning was not

which, however, it was not

in the morning.

At 10:15 the morning began. William

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new fraction of the morning at

Charlotte and the two children, Bill and

about 10 and 11. Of course, the

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is expected to be the morning, then to

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my wife and I. The morning is

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then to their two boys.

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and ability of professors as compared with our eastern Quaker colleges. He though Guilford probably in the same class. He could not say much about the breakfast at Haverford given the United Nations Representatives come to Philadelphia to hunt a place for them to go. Regarding Ellwyn Davies, son of Mrs. Davies of Washington, he says he tries hard but suffers from the type of training received in the English schools whereby every minute of his time was fixed for him and metachori speaking he was so long tied to his mother's apron strings over there as not to have developed the ability of Self direction and not very smart.

Early this morning I worked on United Horticulture and the same late tonight.

and ability of politicians as compared with our eastern  
workers of today. He thought that the workers in the  
same class, he could not say much about the workers  
at Liverpool given the United States Government  
could so liberally to have a piece for them to do  
something like that, son of mine, I don't know  
to say he was not, but others from the days of  
feeling received in the British society, mostly  
every kind of his time was like, for the  
nation and nothing to say to him, for the  
again others even to say to him, for the  
ability of their education and not very much.

And, this morning I worked on in the morning  
and the same late tonight.

Wm. W. W. W.  
1919

1946 November 29  
Friday

The weather this autumn has been mild, so much so that the grass has grown green and so high as to need cutting. Our real reason for cutting it however with the lawn mower is being done, is so we can do a better job in raking up the leaves. For this purpose, Sidney has bought a lawn sweeper on the principle of a carpet sweeper. They were on exhibition at the Park Executive Meeting in St. Louis, all sizes, some with a motor attached and a large apron pan behind for gathering in the leaves for dumping at the end of each round. Also today we examined the rose gardens. Last year the potted plants we put out were poor indeed, and not much to talk about and not worth saving. Even the PEACE roses we planted, some of them disappeared entirely and as these circumstances perhaps were not so fair to condemn the Texas roses, RADIANCE and RED RADIANCE of which were planted at the upper end of the garden and also which did poorly. Of the Miniatures planted in the garden in one bed that was empty and needed something half of them died out. The whole thing is a sorry mess. I gave my approval since we are so short of roses and can sell every thing we have to plant kinds we have in more than usual supply, that is two beds of POINSETTIA at one end and two beds MIRANDY at the other end, each of them bordered with four plants of PEACE where the end beds separate to form a pathway. Then on the borders on the east side in particular, to plant this coming summer, delphiniums for the summer time and Chrysanthemums for the autumn, letting the climbing roses continue where they are and taking out what there is there in the way of Florabundas. We have practically nothing of our own to plant. The bed right in front of the office I agreed to some annuals, we are also plowing in order to plant AARS test roses, more of the garden that was taken off the field off my place.

At five o'clock tonight a fifteen year old Packard car stopped in front of my place containing a very

1940 November 29  
Friday

The weather this morning had been mild, so much so that the trees had grown green and so high as to need cutting. But well known for cutting it however with the lawn mower is being done, it so we can do a better job in taking up the leaves. For this purpose, I have been taking a lawn mower on the principle of a lawnmower. They were an exhibition of the lawnmower. Meeting in St. Louis, all those, some with a motor attached and a large screen and holding the garden in the leaves for dumping at the end of each row. And today we examined the new garden, but the posted plants we put out were not cut, and we much to talk about it not worth saying. Even the first roses we planted, some of them escaped and others and as these circumstances perhaps were not so far as concern the roses, I have been and I have been which were planted at the same time of the garden and also which in the garden. Of the Mistletoe planted in the garden in one day and early and needed something kind of them this out. The whole thing is very early. I have my own way, which was so early of course and now every time we have to plant things we have in more than usual early. In the garden of 1940, at one end and the other, at the other end, each of them bordered with four plants of roses where two and had separate to form a border. Then on the border on the outside in the garden, to plant in the garden, the children for the summer time and Christmas for the autumn, taking the climbing roses and some where they are and taking out what they are in the way of the garden. We have planted in the garden of our own to plant. The bed right in front of the office I added to some bushes, we had also blowing in order to plant in the garden, some of the garden to take them off the light of the place.

At five o'clock we had a little in the garden and took a car around in front of the place to see the garden very

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large woman with very small eyes and a four year old boy. Presently the driver the car appeared and told me that he was Leroy Bennett who worked for us 28 years ago and also worked for Tollman, a next door farmer. Then he has been living in Syracuse and now has returned here to hunt a job, he claimed to have one with a mushroom grower next Monday near Avondale, having, rented a house, he claimed, from John Patton at fifteen dollars a month. But he had no money and wanted me to loan him thirty dollars which he promised to pay back five dollars a week. I gave him a check for fifteen dollars made payable to John Patton, and fifteen dollars in cash and made him sign a note. He has grown very paunchy. I introduced him to Sidney in case he came to ask for work which he said he would do if he failed to get work at Avondale. His wife's hair looked as though it had not been combed in a month and was worn unbraided. He is something of the Warren Walton type.



large woman with very small eyes and a four year old boy. Presently the man, as we saw, appeared and told me that he was John Dalton who formed for me 25 years ago and also worked for Tolson, a bank clerk. When he has been living in Syracuse and now has returned here to hunt a job, he wanted to have one with a woman who was now working for a bank, having, I think, a house, he claimed, from John Dalton at fifteen dollars a month. But he had no money and wanted me to loan him thirty dollars which he promised to pay back five dollars a week. I gave him a check for fifteen dollars and gave him the money. He has given very cash and made him a note. He has given very recently. I introduced him to Stacey in case he came to get for work which he said he would do if he failed to get work at home. His wife's name is Mary and it had not been changed in a month and was not changed. He is something of the same kind of man.

1946 November 30  
Saturday

Total receipts this month are \$8,000 back of this month a year ago, chiefly we haven't enough to offer and I think for no other reason. There are fewer roses in our catalogue and more money has had to be refunded. It is not unusual for us to send two and three hundred dollars back a day and I just signed another check, transferring \$5,000 to the refund account. The prospect for spring is not any better, if as good.

Today I was able to complete papers needed to prove effective in helping our two friends in Europe to obtain visas to come to this country. They included not only my own statement to the American Embassy, first at the Hague, second at Paris, in which was detailed my present holdings on stocks and real estate, and annual income and also affidavits from the President of the Bank, the Treasurer of the Company and my attorney, all affirmed by Notary Public and many of these were in duplicate and triplicate copies and all of these got off by airmail today with a letter Coleta, was one written some weeks ago being held for these documents and the poor girl has almost lost patients in waiting to hear from us so both were sent off with explanations.

This afternoon on agreement, I went to London Grove Meeting house, a very important property in the religious life of the community. It has been proposed to enlarge the cemetery to pave some driveways and to raise money for the purpose, \$2500 was indicated as likely to be needed. After studying the situation, I felt ready to agree so far as plans had been developed. But I was rather strenuous in urging an extension of the proposed improvements. That should include (1) the total elimination of the old meeting house shed directly in front of the meeting house which now obscures a most beautiful view. (2) a study of the driveways in order that, when finished, they would lead to parking areas that would not be directly in front of the meeting house and also after Frank Walton had pointed out the possible use of the eastern area and porch for unloading automobiles it



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became apparent that the present roadways have been lowered as much as two feet by erosion and otherwise so that the entire grading is in need of realigning and having new levels established. It is understood that Hannie Pusey left money to build a gateway. It is understood that the money is now available, another reason for having a good job done and having an appropriate design made. Thomas Passmore, one of the committee present expressed the desire to get on with having a letter written to be presented at Monthly meeting tomorrow so that the money for the cemetery could be raised without having added so much work on the driveways east of the meeting house.

He had the fear that if the probable cost of both driveways were included it might defeat the purpose now in mind of the cemetery. He agreed to my proposal that the appeal for the permanent fund for the cemetery should be entirely supplemental to the request for the immediate payment for cemetery improvement and paved roadway leading to the same.

do not agree that the present position have been lowered as much as the last by error and otherwise so that the entire crisis is the need of realizing the new level immediately. It is understood that the money is now available, another reason for having a good feeling and having an immediate feeling and, indeed, some of the business present expressed the desire to say so with having a feeling of being to be measured at having feeling tomorrow so that the money for the emergency would be raised without having to go on the delivery side of the feeling house.

He said the fact that in the problem cost of doing business was not at all the reason for the mind of the country. He said in the proposal that the support for the business and for the country should be entirely supplemental to the support for the immediate need for money, the government and the country, leading to the end.

*Wm. L. ...*



1946    December 1  
Sunday

In meeting this morning, the speakers were Yardley Warner, myself and Evan Sharpless in that order. Evan used as a parable an incident in the Army-Navy game in Philadelphia yesterday where the Navy lost by being penalized for delayed action. It had only five seconds to play and failed to win the goal and win the game as a result of having failed to act promptly. His application to the members of the meeting was only implied and I am not clear as to what it was.

Monthly meeting followed. The two meetings are still meeting separately. Holiver D. and Mary S. Toot have become members of the meeting. Our other meeting house has been idle for six months. It was reported that the Civilian Public Service Work by the American Friends Service Committee has brought in a total during the last six years from Friends alone, of three million, two hundred and sixty-six thousand dollars (\$3, 266,000) Now that the CPS program has been discontinued the balance on hand will serve to assist in the college educational program.

In monthly meeting I referred to action in the county court brought by the Parochial School at Kennett Square whereby the Catholics appear to be making a test case of insisting upon transportation of pupils to their Parochial Schools. I presented my concern that we should use whatever influence we had to strengthen the mind and thought of our own school directors and others that we might reach with the idea that this is but an entering wedge for the greater influence of the church over the state, whereas our nation was founded distinctly and definitely on the principle of complete separation of church and state.

This afternoon I called on Harry Ellis just back from the hospital after five weeks where he has recovered from an infection of a varicose vein, though circulation in that leg is still sluggish. His wife has a similar trouble with the leg so that both are semi-invalids. Their son Harry is a diabetic, has rather a rare skill



with his fingers but irregular in his work and does not hold a job. He cannot work where humidity and temperature conditions are not suitable. Harry has been with us for twenty-five years and over and is one of the group regarding which we would like to be better prepared for action than we are with respect to having accumulated a fund social security arrangement with the government is not adequate to meet his needs should he retire.



1946 December 2  
Monday

The thermometer was 8 here and 14 in some places this morning. There had been a very high wind, I suppose 50 miles per hour during the night. My room at the Company Office was so cold that I stayed until 11 o'clock at the Rose Room in the house and had Margaretta come up and we made last corrections to for chart the preparation of the meeting of the American Horticultural Council on the 4th, which will be again revised before making stencils to be mimeographed to take with us on Wednesday morning. Further disappointment came with a telephone call from Harrisburg saying that Dr. Allen's boy is no better and he cannot join us as proposed. I have promised to send him material and keep in touch with what we are doing. Mrs. Lord has about completed the lay-out of all the pages of the catalogue in preparations to going to Harrisburg.



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1946 December 7  
Saturday

Margaretta Cowenhoven stayed this morning to help me with United Horticulture after our meeting in Washington so we got off letters to the absent members promising minutes later and wrote to the secretary of Mr. McKee to make certain hotel reservations in Cleveland for January 11, our next meeting. My own stenographer, Jessie Dolinger, is not on hand and will not be until after her wedding and honeymoon, probably for another week and I shall miss her. I don't wonder that the first young man who came along should fall in love with her and she certainly deserves the best man possible.

In talking with Sidney this morning, we very carefully debated how far we should go with continuing to make half pay to Harry Ellis who is on rather a different catagorey from James Todd whom we have continued now for a year and a half on that basis. But he was on a salary to start with. At four o'clock this afternoon I went to see Charlie Zell and worked out with him the situation with regard to the amount of meny he is receiving \$13.00 for himself and \$7.00 from his wife from Unemployment Compensation and nothing yet from the state or county. They have a little left in the bank and don't want to disturbe it if they can help it. They do not own their own home and therefore, have a monthly rent bill of \$12.00 which is paid to Hood. I understand that \$33.00 was paid to the Unemployment Compensation on the basis of one penny per dollare for Charlie and one penny per dollar from the firm, Although I slept an hour after dinner and again after supper I went to bed almost immediately but woke up in the night and read for two hours.

December 7, 1935  
Boston

Dear Mr. C. W. Townsend: I was very sorry to hear of your illness and hope you are now feeling better. I was very glad to hear that you were in the hospital and that you were getting better. I was very glad to hear that you were in the hospital and that you were getting better. I was very glad to hear that you were in the hospital and that you were getting better.

I am writing you this letter to tell you that I am very sorry to hear of your illness and hope you are now feeling better. I was very glad to hear that you were in the hospital and that you were getting better. I was very glad to hear that you were in the hospital and that you were getting better. I was very glad to hear that you were in the hospital and that you were getting better.

1946 December 8  
Sunday

We had no company today at our home nor indeed at meeting. The First Day School was followed by a Committee including the chairman of the joint committee, the chairman of our committee on First Day Schools, and the chairman of our monthly meeting in an attempt to set up the amount we are raising and sending in to headquarters for providing gifts for people in Europe. I strongly advocated that we should increase our paltry amount of only ten dollars a month which has been going to care for the children in France. I am going to investigate other needs, if possible, in Philadelphia tomorrow. In meeting, I was the only one who spoke, taking for my text "All Men Shall Brothers Be," and form one family," "the wide world o'er". At four o'clock I made four calls.

1-John Kerr, our tenant, his wife in the hospital at Baltimore with bronchitis.

2-Mr. and Mrs. John Bruce. I discover that the two young men boarders they have find it pleasant to have their two young women, our two secretaries. They not only eat with them, but go out with them.

3- On the farmer Harry T. Woodward. I saw the two new cows, recently bought and we now have a herd of twenty cows that are beginning to milk better, although our mid-month check was only \$150 and it has been \$200 and the expense of building the herd from 15 up to 20 has cost me \$1100. The heifers coming on and soon to be bread will mean the sale of old cows soon to be sold and that will transfer one third of the property value to the farmer.

4- George Ohlhus where I saw the new baby, Margaret Rose who is quite responsive and, her father thinks, brighter at her age than her sister, Anna Marie, was. I examined the installation made Friday of oil heat in their cellar which will cost me about \$400. It is a boon to them because it will keep the house at an equal temperature for the baby and save the nuisance of the dust that previously came every time the ashes were removed from the furnace. No more coal and no more ashes to bother with.







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They have an electric hot water heater, a Bendix washer and appear to be very happy.

They have an interest in the water power, a power  
which they are very anxious to develop.

*St. Louis*  
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*St. Louis*

1946 December 9  
Monday

MRS. PYLE TO OCULIST IN PHILADELPHIA

From 11 to twelve thirty was spent in the office of Dr. Howland, room 1404 of 255 South 17th Street, Kingsley 5-5344. After having examined Mrs. Pyle's eyes, he examined mine and found the sight still good. Accuracy of vision in the left, better; strength of vision in the right, better and only slight corrections required in the lens over those bought in 1938, 8 years ago, though I had had an examination by Dr. Griscom in 1941. But the report on Mrs. Pyle was not so good. Dr. Howland said that something had happened to her left eye. He put drops in her eye in order to get a better opportunity to examine the interior and after that inspection said, that they was evidence of deterioration with evidence of not one but many hemorrhages of the blood vessels in that part of the eye. He announced increasing arteriosclerosis and requested that I have a report from our local doctor with regard to whether or not she has high blood pressure and urged that she be kept from anything that might excite a situation of this kind. We return on the 17 of December, for a check up before glasses are specified. We had taken Mrs. Pollock with us and had Margery to lunch at the University Club where also we met Emma Cadbury and at one thirty, George Egee, understanding my invitation to be for lunch which it was not, ate while I talked over our problems. First, The Conard-Pyle Company advertisement in Flower Grower; Second his use of color and color photographs he has been taking and third, with respect to United Horticulture prospects of bringing together under one publishing undertaking, the many magazine which now are a burden to those who subscribe for them as well as to those who publish them in the Horticultural field. I asked to refer to Mr. Blum. He thought, however, he would undertake it himself.

At Main and Company, I learned: 1. That if the Conard-Pyle Company's present current year ending June 30, 1947 should show an actual operated loss, we could carry the matter back and recover taxes paid



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on the year ending June 30, 1945 and should be able to recover seventy five per cent of the loss up to the amount of income that had been subject to excess profits tax, on June 30, 1945. As regards to the seventy per cent of profit that must be turned over to the stockholders into this fiscal year, study section 102 which asks: "What are you going to do with the money if you return it for the use of the company?" If that can be justified, there is no trouble about keeping it for the use of the company.

The OPA lawyer for Scholl and Dougherty reports that as far as OPA is concerned, there is no further notice given Kerr, but any rent subject to December 1st receipt from him should be acknowledged as "rent without prejudice". He advised getting notice from a Justice of the Peace of our continued insistence upon recovering the property.

After picking up from A. B. Dick Company, some stencils for Christmas letter, and becoming untangled from crowded parking areas and traffic we got away at 4 and reached home at 5:30.

*Thurndell*





1946 December 10  
Tuesday

The Bank this morning, one half was read of the Examiners report. Four examiners had come into the Bank the last trip. Under their comments on loans that are not being paid off in spite of the fact that the security is excellent and the rate of interest maximum, they still urge have them liquidated. The Board of Directors, however, have no concern in that direction. The position of the inspectors who represent the National Government appears to be that the bank is the place for temporary loans and not capital loans; and yet, on the other hand, much of the bank funds are invested in capital loans in the shape of bonds of industrial and commercial firms in addition to government bonds. Our deposits have gone up from something over a million to over three million and are now beginning to drop. We have \$170,00 invested in long time government bonds, twenty years to maturity and they have not changed much in spite of the violent attitude of the American people toward John L. Lewis and the Union calling a coal strike.

We understand that the Federal Treasury Department are putting into this neighborhood a corp of examiners who will go over, for several years back, the records in income tax especially of the mushroom growers though any claims which they may enter for unpaid back taxes, even though entered as a lean against present property will not take precedence over our prior entries of the same character.

In discussing with Sidney today the possible purchase from Mike Dering of Peterson and Dering of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roses, I maintained that we would do ourselves more harm than good to dilute the quality of our number one dormant roses by the addition of any more  $1\frac{1}{2}$  even though they were fairly good and while I was willing to buy up to 20,000 for potting for sale in the spring half retail and half wholesale both local, I did not want to see us further dilute out number one roses. Already a number have been taken from our own stock and it looks as though we should not have more than 50,00 altogether for spring selling, about one third our normal supply. I worked in the office until 9 o'clock.



1946 December 11  
Wednesday

### THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY EIGHT APPLICATIONS

The amazing thing in today's mail is the mass of applications for the position of general manager of our office resulting from an advertisement placed twice in the Philadelphia Inquirer and twice in the New York Herald Tribune. Most of them come from men over 50 and yet, our ad was tame. It did include the offer of a position that would be permanent and a house on the place. We have a job to sift them. Sidney has been over them. I expect to use Mr. Tomlinson to assist beyond that. Also today, I wrote a Christmas letter. Except for air mail it is late for European mailing. Also I helped Margareta Cowenhoven complete the minutes of the Washington meeting which are to be mimeographed and sent out tomorrow.

December 11, 1945  
Wednesday

# THE HUNTER AND FIFTY FIVE

The morning after the day's battle was a  
quiet one for the office of General  
and his staff. The office was in the  
in the 17th Street building and the  
New York Herald Tribune. Most of the  
and the staff were in the office  
offer of a position in the office  
house of the office. The office  
Secretary and the staff were in the  
Tombstone office. The office  
a letter from the office. The office  
for a letter from the office. The office  
Governor of the office. The office  
motion of the office. The office  
tomorrow.



1946 December 12  
Thursday

TO PHILADELPHIA

Cutting short my lunch, caught the 1.20 train at Swarthmore and in Philadelphia, called at the Girard Trust Company and bought exchange to pay Charles Mallerin of France \$100, and John De Vink \$245, the amount that came due as of July. The first transaction had to do with monthly food amount that is allowable to be sent and the second with an amount coming due to de Vink not until June 30, 1946. Called at the American Friend's Service Committee and from Natalie Kimber and got full information regarding the best way for us to send packages to Europe if we want to help those who need help. This for the use of the First Day School as I promised I would do.

I was able to pick up a few shirts, but Lester Davis at Mann and Dilks at first declared he couldn't spare me any and then said he might get me one from a supply in the cellar. Each salesman gets so many when a new supply comes in. At Wanamakers it looks much the same way, only a few left on the counter when I called and only two kinds available in my size being normal, was scarce. The same way in buying underwear, one bought the last there was wherever one went. Also got a Christmas present for the name handed me for use at our Christmas party at the office. I have resurected a kind of token that Wanamaker gives his customers which they put into a machine and impresses directly on the sales bill they make out so that credit does not have to be investigated and one can be waited upon very quickly. I called on Tomlinson office but Mr. Taylor did not remember me. With Tomlinson in New York, I left samples of the applications we had for the post of office manager. I bought 6 Christmas books, at 1515 Cherry, I called on Mrs. Daup and Bernard Walton in the new six story office on the sunny side of the old Friend's Central School building they occupy, both appear pleased with the combination.

At five o'clock I attended the Friend's Counsel of Education after a talk with Harold Passmore now

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business manager at Friend's School in Baltimore the address which is 5114 North Charles Street, Baltimore 10,; his personal address is 2603 Lindhurst Ave. Baltimore 16. Most impressive was the report of the All Friend's Conference on Education at Earlham in connection with the inauguration of Thomas E. Jones as president. George referred to the address by D. L. on the Quaker Philosophy of Education as a monumental thing. He takes history in account and sees these qualities: Veracity, Discipline, Sin Individuality and Community, Concern and Peace, stating that every Friend's School should be a holy experiment. or as George Walton put it in his address "the Quaker schools and colleges are organs for the expression of religious life." Also of the discussion drew these points, that Friend's School should do more in experimenting in International living. Earlham aims to be a non-sectarian, the Quaker policy of Education The search for truth will be through signs and through revelation, each of which are powerful. They anticipate international student house and aim a technique of obtaining unity without coercion and aim at the implementation of the social concern of the student body.

That the admissions to the school will be based on the selective policy as outlined above.

George Walton also reported on the address of Mr. Ury who cleared up some statements which in the Swarthmore address were not sufficiently qualified that the Atomic Bomb was not an arm or instrument for the kind of warfare that would have to be used if we attacked Russia. His great faith was in the common people of this country and that the only method to limit war was by a legal system.





For the United Horticultural 1947 Conference. Here is a policy that I think may be persued. It worked to excellent advantage at Earlham educational conference. That those in a discussion group will make the principle fixed or set address, shall lead the panel to follow on the same topic, if only two or three speakers, only two in charge of the panel which may lead the discussion in the group assembled with them and it is conceivable tha the discussions may be divided into the philosophy and the practice. That we want to make use and apply the scientific process of evaluation in arriving at our conclusions.





1946 December 13  
Friday

Today we wrote and sent out to all employees of the Conard-Pyle Company a Christmas letter enclosing a bonus of \$25.00 to those steadily with us throughout the year and at the rate of \$2.00 a month for those here for less time, not including boys here on Saturdays. We did include Neal Newlin, although he was a foreman and not one of the employees. We did not include George Ohlhus or Sidney B., Jr., thinking there might be other bonus for them at the end of the year. At 3:15 some of us were a bit tardy in winding up the bonus envelopes. Sidney B. Hutton showed his lantern slides and gave us a talk to the folks of his trip to the West Coast in which he had traveled 11,885 miles, including Los Angeles and Vancouver. He ran out of film (of Kodachromes) on three different occasions because they were hard to get but his selection of subjects was excellent. I hope we can have him at the house sometime. Also he is going to give the talk to the men in the greenhouses probably next week. Also today I completed a two page Christmas letter, being mimeographed on both sides of the sheet. It is highly personal and not too well adapted for sharing with people with whom I am in relation with as a co-worker for example, United Horticulture. I plan another letter for that group. Dr. Walmsley was here today, by request of the oculist, the blood pressure of Mrs. Pyle which proved to be 190 diastolic and 90 sistolic, normal I believe is 70 to 80 sistolic and 110 to 140 diastolic and high blood pressure may be the cause of the eye hemorage.



1946 December 14, 1946  
Saturday

Marilyn was here to help out today. Jessie is enjoying her honeymoon. It is awfully good of her to be ready to be back here on Monday. It was something of a scramble today to get through as many as possible of the air mial Christmas letters to Europe. The envelopes were addressed for them but because of the one sheet only printed only on both sides they had to be slip sheeted. I spent practically all afternoon in continuing the work and sent forty additional out tonight, leaving almost that many more in connection of which I want to write a special note, this being the first time that I have written to many of the people that I know in Europe.





1946    December 15  
Sunday

This was stay at home Sunday. Meeting and First Day School, of course, where plans were made for a Christmas party next Sunday night and I am asked to be Chris Kingle and also to supply the Christmas tree. After an hours rest following dinner, I stuck steadily to dictating special letters to people in Europe that I have not written since my return, to accompany the Christmas letter that was mimeographed. In this way I have written three cylinders, 14 letters in all and it doesn't begin to cover the situation but includes some very important notes. I am still in a struggle to catch up and be neck and neck with the situation from every standpoint.

1940. December 12  
Sunday

This was a day at home Sunday. Nothing and I was not  
out of course, there were plans for a Christmas  
party next Monday night and I am asked to help  
Katie and Alice to shop for Christmas trees. After an  
hour's rest following dinner, I went straight to bed  
and slept for several hours. In the afternoon I have not  
written since my return. No opportunity for writing  
factor that was disappointed. In fact I have written  
three cylinders, in letters to and from my friends  
to cover the situation and the news some very important  
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1946    December 16  
Monday

## HARRY VANDERKRAATS RETURNS FROM TEXAS

Harry Vanderkraats stopped here this morning after having made the return trip in a week or ten days to the Texas area. I asked what the trip had cost him and he said \$400.00, the reason for that was not transportation but the degree of entertaining that he does with a bit of liquor which the southern boys like and in that fashion he had got to learn about new areas and Innies, a large plantation and a larger storage building owned by the Southland Ice Company and again at Swan, two brothers by the name of Bryan. He was down there when on account of the coal strike the railroad embargo was on and they were stopped from shipping. Some of the boys from Texas kept the wires hot to Washington and to the agency either of the Veterans Administration or of their Senators were able to get special orders of priorities for releasing their cars. Harry had to hurry up and fill his, he bought four carloads and paid forty cents for them and he thinks they are nice roses. He refers to operators like Oliver and Breedlove who are putting a bit of money into operations by others and turning in a considerable penny by doing so. Naughton, Harry finds, is a straight operator. Naughton apparently is contracting to supply Butler Brothers, one of the large wholesale houses of national distribution. He refers to the Texas Rose Growers Association doing Research work and speaks highly of Dr. Lyle, though on what phase of the work Dr. Lyle is working we did not learn. He referred to B. W. Dyce of Freeland and Christianson. Harry himself, has handled 80 thousand of the Texas understock and reports that one firm ( I think Kriders) were getting as many as forty five cars and both in Texas and in other parts of the country large operations are in progress in the setting up of construction of fifty thousand to one hundred thousand dollar storage plants. He spoke of the cost of a year's cold storage of rental, 250,000 roses for \$700 a month which I calculated at 3 cents a year per rose, but the amazing thing is the fact that they budded one hundred million roses this year and expect to harves half that many next, which will be 20 time that which they harvested this.





1946    December 17  
Tuesday

MRS. PYLE TO PHILADELPHIA OCULIST  
Bank Discussion

Dr. Howland after the second examination of Mrs. Pyle's eyes that the right eye can be helped with a change in the lens which he prescribed. Not so the left. She had to stand within four feet of the chart to read the very big top letter on the chart. Apparently she has lost over 90 per cent of the vision in that eye. The center area is no longer affective, only a bit around the outside of the edge. He also took the pressure of the eyeball which registered fairly good. He recommended that Dr. Walmsley should see her every two or three weeks and keep her blood pressure down and then that we should come to see him in the spring. He prescribed sight corrections for my vision which needed a little and which he said was good. We both went to Limeburners and Company, 1923 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, where Mr. Vendell recognized Mrs. Pyle who was a customer when he was a member of the firm of Yarnell and Vendell. Mr. Farmer we also met, to get measurements and to get out glasses which are to be picked up next week. We had lunch with Margery at Schaefer's. I left Hannah with the oculist and Mrs. Pollock to do some shopping while I talked with Tomlinson. He had been over the letters I took before and I took another bunch. He was examining them from the standpoint of three things, 1- ability of an office manager, 2, mail order experience, 3 - horticultural background. He showed me one applicant that looked very good and asked if he should proceed. I proposed that he should wait a bit until we see what others there were. Another Mr. Cromer I think I recall as an adopted son of Mendleson Meehon, 3343 Mille Street. I telephoned Jack Steer who will be out Thursday but on account of going to the oculist did not have time to go see him as I had hoped to do.

At the bank this morning, W. W. Maule suggested that we get the consent of the stockholders to allocate as much as one per cent of the stock which would be \$1250 within a year for donations that directors might make. I suggested that this be not more than half of one per cent and declared myself in accord with it





if it was a genuine expression that was had from the stockholders and not merely a half dozen people who attend the meeting even though they bring proxies. I have been the one who insisted every time the question came up about donations that we were not there to dispense other peoples money. That was not the business of the bank. When I insisted that the vote of the stockholders should be a genuine one, members of the Board felt that they had better "let sleeping dogs lie" because there would be sure to be some who would object and what then would you do? One per cent would be \$1250 a half a per cent that I suggested to bring down to Walter was \$625. The last three years we have given respectively 1946-\$247, 1945-\$240, 1944 \$200. The general feeling is that if we don't give something we will be criticized. Walter Maule thought we ought to give flowers on the occasion of the funeral of the mother of one of our employees. The President reminded the Board that up to this time we have never gone beyond sending the flowers to the funeral of a deceased director.

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 on the occasion of the funeral of the body of one of  
 our ex-officers. When the board decided the board that  
 us to this it is we have never before sending the  
 flowers to the funeral of a deceased director.

1946 December 18,  
Wednesday

It is my usual custom when I am at home to pay a call on James Todd about 5 PM., and take him some news, perhaps a story and the whole family are apt to come in and take part in my ten or fifteen minute call which is usually very enjoyable, though on some ~~intimate matters~~, Jimmie says some members of his family has ears as long as rabbits that he advises circumsection. Tonight I got crowded toward the end of the day and did not get down; crowded by trying to wind up mailing Christmas letters, a letter with which I am not all satisfied. In fact, I am persuaded that any attempt to write one letter that will cover the broad range of friends I have is not very practical. Intimate affairs are all right for the family and close friends. Other things in which I am interested when I refer to them I sound as though I were boasting whereas it is but an attempt to tell what has been doing in our life here for the past year. Well, with this dissatisfaction I have been sending a total of about 400 letters mimeographed on both sides of one sheet. Not too perfect, as to paper or execution but conveying a message of regard, a reference to our home life but a failure of our desire to receive the same kind of information from others. The only like it that I get is from Raymond Wilson in charge of the National Legislation Committee of the Society of Friends in Washington. Today I pushed ahead the rose section of the catalogue. I explained to Margaretta Cowenhoven my ideas of what should be in the next issue of the Bulletin. With Sidney, regarding plans for tomorrow's meeting especially a record of the stock that has changed hands. Stock of the Conard-Pyle Company which needs to be studied and so the day has been so full that I have not cleared up correspondence, though Jessie, my stenographer is back, bless her heart, and I note in her a sense of poise and dignity and even authority over herself, all of which is good to see.





1946 December 19  
Thursday

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE CONARD-PYLE  
COMPANY

We declared two dividends today; one for October 1st and one for January 1st for 2 per cent each, thus maintaining our record of 8 per cent a year in spite of the anticipated spring season when there is a prospect when we may not clear expenses. Our stock of roses is so low; 60,000 plants as compared with 65,000 a year ago and a year ago we were extremely short and this spring our expenses are, if anything, higher. As to the future, consideration was given to the debt of \$40,000 of debentures at 4 per cent which come due in 1953 and for which no provision as yet has been made. Jonathan Steere has been insisting that we should set aside money for that purpose. I pointed out the \$5,000 accumulated twenty year endowment life insurance policy that has been paid that is available though on loan with me, but because of the uncertainty of the outcome of the coming spring it was decided not to pay it. Our prospects with the autumn crop is excellent. Also it was pointed out that we shall be in the need of improved packing facilities cold storage for our roses, and perhaps increased space for storing them, to say nothing of the development of the wayside stand at Jennersville. This brings up our entire problem of financing which might be said to include the property at Jennersville, that in which George Ohlhus lives, as well as my farm there, both of which belong to me and of the latter 15 acres of which are annually leased to the company. All 6 Directors were on hand and for the annual meeting, Ethel W. M. Graves who still owns 13 shares of stock. I met Jonathan Steere at Wawa and took him back to Kennett Square to catch the bus home. He was very strong in recommending that in refinancing we should issue a security that would offer payment of interest "If Earned." This is something I think very important to remember.



Jonathan Steere, here today, noticed that my wife appeared to be more frail than when he last saw her. This afternoon our local doctor, finds that her blood pressure has recovered from its high of 170 to 150 and will come regularly about every ten days. He promised to instruct the Community Nurse, Miss Blance Huey, who lives in Avondale with Amos Spenser (telephone 92-2371) so that in his absence she may be called upon by us directly in case of emergency. Furthermore, he recommended as an alternate doctore, Dr. John W. Bellis (telephone Kennett Square 1184) who is a new man, and where there are so many doctors, finds it difficult to "crack" the town. He is a graduate of the University of Bennisylvania.

Joseph Starn, was a day before last, his wife  
appeared to be quite frail, than when he last saw her.  
This morning our latest report, that the day  
before yesterday had recovered from his high fever, to  
his old and with some recovery about yesterday day, he  
promised to, visited the Community Center, where  
they, who lived in a house with some of the others  
of the group, do not in the same way as he said, and  
he is directly in case of an injury, in a house, he  
recommended to the same house, where, in a house, he  
stayed, he said, he was a new man, and  
where there are so many others, that is different  
to the other, he said, he is a graduate of the University  
of Pennsylvania.

Thomas W. Starn



1946 December 20  
Friday

### CHRISTMAS PART AT THE MEETING HOUSE.

I was Chris Kingle tonight, stuffed round with pillows and wearing the false face and suit that has served for many years in this neighborhood. I had sleigh bells round by waist, on one shoulder a strap, really my big belt, buckled to a basket of gifts on my left and over my right shoulder a big red bag full of candy put up in hand-outs for the kids. I came in bouncing to the big room of the meeting house where a fine eight foot tree had been beautifully decorated and the benches moved around so as to make a big family circle. There had been games and Christmas songs and recitations by the kiddies of which about some 20 were there, I think, and twice as many oldsters. Little Johnnie Jackson, grandson of Walter Sharpless, about two years old, more forward than the rest, really believed in Santa Clause. With the help of Gula Kelsey who had really gotten up the show the gifts were handed out and Santa pranced out of the room with a "Very good Christmas and good night to you all", and everybody seemed happy.

This afternoon, Harry Woodward came for a farm settlement. I pinioned him somewhat on the \$216.00 bill for a new engine for the tractor. I talked with George Sloan in charge of the repair shop and now had Harry talk to him. George Sloan reasoned with me that in the summer time only one thing could break the block of a tractor and that was getting overheated and having cold water put in. Harry Woodward's defence was, that he had had it to the shop three times and could get no relief. The dates were: To the Shop February 4th, completed about March 1st. Plowing had begun later. A new block for the engine September 7th, bill rendered October 31st. and I having delayed paying it with the feeling that it should not have happened and the fault lay somewhere and perhaps the expense should be divided. Sloan put the blame on Woodward for not having come to him sooner. Whereas Woodward thinks Sloan's mechanics should have told him. Sloan says mechanics don't do that, but claimed to have had one with 20 years experience.





Sloan also claims complaints must be made within 30 days or within 4000 miles on an automobile and furthermore that a new block would have cost only one third of the amount charged and there may be some salvage in what was in consequence not used or taken out of the old car. The nut of it all is that I pay the bill, though it never should have happened. Woodward should not have used it without its being fixed and failing the second time to get it fixed, he should have gone to the head of the shop.



1946 December 21  
Saturday

Morning, afternoon and night; afternoon, night, and morning, time and thought today, being given to rounding up the Christmas cards and letters, 400 of which I had mimeographed and less than fifty are left unmailed and still there are those to whom I have not sent and to whom I would like to give a greeting. Neither am I content with what I have sent because in any cases it is inappropriate and not fitting. One letter to cover the kind of relationships one has with so many different groups would have to be a very personal kind of letter whereas mine has been highly personal. I will try to file one with this record. This morning I telephoned to New York and Philadelphia and wrote three letters, one to Mr. Buse, about our import of roses from him in Canada, two, to the particular individual having charge of import matters for the American Express Company in New York and three, the Quarantine Import officer at Hoboken, thus undertaking immediate transshipment of goods from Canada. Also this morning, study was given to the number of applications we have had for the position of Office manager, quite in excess of 700, some 55 of which are being sent to Tomlinson, our counselor in Philadelphia for screening, Sidney Hutton having read approximately all of the seven hundred and picked out the less than one hundred from which we are doing the screening.





1946 December 22  
Sunday

J. YARDLEY WARNER AND FAMILY TO DINNER.

At meeting this morning the speakers were Yardley Warner, and Evan Sharpless. The topic in First Day School was "Giving and Tighing". Today was our day for our annual dinner with Yardley Warner and family, that is his wife Estella, and Margaret. At two o'clock I attended the funeral in Avondale of John Baker and was surprised to see the funeral parlor crowded apparently with a group from Faggs Manor where for many years he has been a consistent and regular attender, usually taking four or five people to church with him. He was I believe, 83. We have put in application for payment of life insurance of five hundred dollars. I calculated there were 200 dollars worth of flowers around the casket at present prices and I am sure the funeral will have cost at least three hundred dollars. When I offered Mrs. Baker ten dollars, either in check or to buy flowers for the funeral she was obviously pleased to prefer it in the form of money. I spent three hours today on Christmas letters, cards and lists. Mrs. Pollock has been ill and in bed all day, having medicine on her own judgement that proved unsuitable on top of what the doctor had already given her.

DATE OF BIRTH: 1908-07-10

Never, and it is the only one of its kind.

1. The first part of the document is a letter from the President of the United States to the Congress, dated January 1, 1861. It is a copy of the original letter, and is signed by the President.

1967

1946 December 23  
Monday

As we approach the end of a year we face for solution some problems in financing. One question is: whether to borrow against life insurance policy collateral which they now hold, ten thousand dollars at two and a half per cent from Girard Trust Company in Philadelphia or whether it might be wiser to pay whatever interest is charged, probably six per cent without collateral to borrow the same amount from the West Grove National Bank. Up to now, the national bank At West Grove has not loaned at less than six per cent without collateral. The question is whether or not we should proceed to get money at the cheapest way we can or to pay something more in order to establish a credit and set up a precedent for asking for what we may require from our local bank in order that they may acquire the habit of expecting to loan to us just that way. We are the kind of a business that requires short time security because we accumulate, throughout the year, a heavy expense for labor and for materials that cannot be liquidated until the materials are sold in the spring. Today I continued to round up the Christmas message sending and receiving and also for the material for the magazine of United Horticulture. Tonight James Todd complained of having been quite concerned about his own condition during the first and last few days. Tomorrow we shall pay wages, it being pay day and along with pay envelope, I will send along a copy of the red white and blue motto, on the back of which I have written good wishes to those addressed. To everyone of our employees, to the bank directors and staff, to our tenants and close associates.





1946 December 24  
Tuesday

AT BANK MOVE TO CONTINUE OUR PREVIOUS PRACTICE AND MOTION PASSED.

At bank this morning, it was revealed that after I left one or two weeks ago, following discussions on making contributions to request for aid at the bank, that there were those present who feared to raise the question with out stockholders, maintaining that it was wise to let sleeping dogs lie. It had been discovered that during the past three years, we had increased the annual contributions from \$234. to \$254. to \$274. this year. Inquiry had been made from one or two banks and it was discovered that the Philadelphia National which had given a hundred and forty five thousand dollars to the American Red Cross and the Community Chest had presented a motion to be passed by their stockholders at their annual meeting, approving the action of the board in this respect. One or two others had done the same, but it was evidently thought that we were so well within our right prerogative, that it would be best to ignore it rather than bring it to the surface. I have talked so much about the thing that I have made myself somewhat of a pest and if I continue, which would be without avail, I would be likely to wear out my influence in matters of greater importance. I discovered that the President gives one dollar a year to the Catholic Priest to help publish a newsletter from church, the money, of course is taken from bank funds and not his own personally.

Also was reported the sale of one hundred thousand dollars, 1967 to 72 Governments Bonds at one hundred and five to 29.32nd's and the purchase of an equal amount of 49-50 and 1961.9 32nd's. It was claimed that the Board had previously approved of this transaction and action was only awaiting the approval of the bond committee. When I spoke to Walter Maule about it that Christmas First Day School last Friday night, he did not know that action had been taken. Therefore, the President acted on the word of one member of the Board, Harvey Shortlidge. I raised the question as to why Harvey had





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changed his mind. Apparently he had not changed his mind, that it was wrong for the bank to sell a security that was paying a good rate of interest and promised to continue doing so, but that he was yielding to the opinions of nine other members of the Board. I brought out the fact that the premium at which these bonds could be sold today, if put in a separate fund and matched with the cost of one half per cent interest over the next five years, would more than make up for that loss. Assuming as we anticipate that the older they get the lower will be their premium and we are selling now because we anticipate a drop in the premium more rapidly than we would like to see. Walter Maule brought out the idea that our deposits are likely to be drawn out in such quantities that we will have to cash in something in the reasonably near future to meet those withdrawals, which he claimed to be his reason for favoring the sale at this time. I also brought up the point of selling only one hundred thousand whereas we have one hundred and seventy thousand dollars worth to sell. I agreed that on account of taxes within the present calendar year on profits to be taken because of high premium on this veil that it would be better to postpone action on the other seventy thousand, until after the next year.

At two o'clock this afternoon, we had our office Christmas party with twenty present. The tables were prettily decorated with gaily flowered paper table covers and red candles. The honors went to David Taylor in front of whom packages were piled high because of the many kindnesses and errands he does for the girls throughout the year. His little son, now about twelve I guess, Donny was present and also shared well. We started with ice cream, followed with a reading by myself "On the Coming of the Wisemen" taken from the 1945 Literary Digest and suggested by Mrs. Montgomery and then the opening of presents, names by each having been drawn by lot as to the person to whom they would give within the expense of a dollar.



### III

No one of the group was good at leading the group at singing so we had a phonograph with some jokes and fine spirit, though I think we lingered a little past the high time of enjoyment. Adjournment was at 3:15 for many housewives want to get home to their families.

At 10:30 this morning, Sidney gave his talk on his trip to the West Coast to the men at the greenhouses who left at noon. They will work all day saturday to make up for the half day taken now.

RECEIVED  
JAN 10 1930

On the 10th of January, 1930, I received from the  
Honorable Secretary of the Interior, Washington, D.C.,  
a letter of introduction to the Honorable Secretary of the  
Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C., for the purpose  
of securing information regarding the land owned by the  
United States in the State of California.

I am, Sir, in receipt of your letter of the 10th of  
January, 1930, and in reply to inform you that the  
Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C., is  
not in a position to furnish the information requested.

RECEIVED  
JAN 10 1930



CHRISTMAS DAY  
1946 December 25  
Wednesday

"If life is to be effective and not perpetually impeded by clutter, one must find a way not only to have a clear conception of the thing to be done, but manage to provide conditions for freedom of action." This will require intense study on my part and hard work to evaluate each item of study in order that each shall be in its right place. To do this, I need more thought as to the how, the above are some of my thoughts on awaking this morning in consequence. I spent some four or five hours at the office today, going over the papers on my desk and in the files where unfinished work is kept. Since my return from Europe, I have steadily been doing the immediate things that appeared to demand immediate attention and have neglected the doing of other things, some of which were highly important and that has been the situation through other parts of the office as well. Only late last week did I get from our Treasurers report the reports of my account with the company for the last five months and my own accounts have not been returned to the company, that is of my expense since my return from Europe though they have been previously kept in my daily records. I am faced with the need to devote more time to some things than there is time to give. I shall have to learn how to delegate or eliminate. A thorough study of what needs to be done, as I made today, will help greatly. Directly ahead, is completeing the financing for the Conard-Pyle Company for the year, completeing copy for the Catalogue, completeing the payment of royalties to our European Nationals, completeing work on Patent Papers and making adjustments with licensees in the case of patents that have been dis-allowed because application was made in the name of German Nationals and a recent law by Congress disallows such applications. I am also facing need for plans for my three meetings in New York, in Chicago, NAPPO, AARS, Arboretum Committee, AAN, and also a meeting of United Horticulture in Cleveland on January 11th. Plans for selecting an Executive Secretary and other officers, besides the appointment of commissions eight of them, completion of the list of the Advisory Board, these in the face of whether I can get away to attend the Boston meeting of the American Association of the Advancement of Science.



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where will be met the men I would find it highly profitable to consult especially about United Horticulture. We ate dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Groff with my two sisters, Margery and Jessie and Mrs. Pollock as Hannah's companion. A very jolly time from one to three-thirty P.M.

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1946 December 26  
Thursday

I made a mistake last night. I have had plans to go to Boston on Thursday the 26th, and have been working with the understanding that I would have the whole day at the office unless I should go to the city for some afternoon errands before taking the night train. Today I woke up to discover that my reservation was for 12:30 A.M. so I was obliged to telegraph Boston after having assured myself that I can get transportation by air Saturday morning, but still postponing my decision awaiting assurance of a return reservation.

Having yesterday got a complete sorting of all the unanswered material on my desk, I was able today to delegate some of it to my secretaries, though not all. There is so much that is urgent that is still facing me here that I have not felt satisfied to leave it. Meanwhile, we are at work in getting United Horticulture in better shape as regards the forthcoming Bulletin, as regards the forthcoming meeting, and as regards the announcements that need to be sent to both the Directors and the committees.





1946 December 28  
Saturday

From an overnight train I arrived in Boston this morning with four inches of snow on the ground and still more coming. I went to the Ritz-Carleton where I saw many friends to the meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the subsidiary of the American Society for Horticultural Science. This was a day rich in experience. I had lunch with Arno Nehrling, newly elected Secretary of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, with Franklin D. Jones, inventor of 2-4-D, who is now having lawsuits with duPont, Sherwin-Williams and is likely to win, who gave five hundred dollars to help form United Horticulture and I think he will do it again when he gets straightened out and also with Dr. Frans Verdoorn of Chronica Botanica. We naturally talked about United Horticulture, discussed movements and individuals. Arno Nehrling paid the bill for the dinner. James Odell came to the hotel later but did not find us, and I failed to see him. I met a number of people with whom I have had correspondence, for example Mr. Darow of Beltsville who has been putting out many strawberries and who can give me information about the tree strawberry. Also Mr. Yarnall of Texas came up and spoke to me though I had never seen him that I could recall. He gave me several good suggestions. I also contacted Dr. Mack, Dr. MacDaniels and Dr. Tukey and together we drew up a resolution to be presented to the American Society of Horticultural Science that should endorse United Horticulture, at the business meeting tomorrow. But the best thing of the day for me was the chance to talk for five minutes to two hundred men at the close of the evening dinner which was served at the Massachusetts Horticultural Hall, at 6:30 P.M. followed by two long speeches and two movies after which I was given this opportunity to explain what United Horticulture intended to do and I got very good response and reaction. The topic of most interest at this dinner was the address by Dr. Pötter. He talked of the Horticultural research with regard to the tongue tree between Texas and Florida that he had carried on for many years. Also we heard from Dr. Swingle who has for some years been going forward with a plantation in the Amazon Valley of Peru.



1946 December 29  
Sunday

## AAAS AND ASH IN BOSTON

Continuing my meetings with the American Society for Horticultural Science because there was no church going today in Boston among the people that I was with in the Copley-Plaza Hotel. At breakfast I had the chance to talk with Dr. W. H. Camp now of the New York Botanical Gardens and again at lunch time on my arrangement by which I made with him from him I got a picture of how much there is in the way of new plant material that may be found and brought in that might be available for development by the plantsman. I got some idea of his thinking in connection with the National Arboretum at Washington and confessed to him that he had been discussed as a future director. This was something he had not known and wanted to consider. I talked later regarding Mr. Cullinan of Washington regarding him and Mr. Cullinan thinks that he is an explorer and not suitable for administrative work such as we have in mind. He is an imposing man, florid complexion with a vandyke reddish beard and red hair such as there is of it, and was operating a symposium in the ASHS on which he had been working for a year a a half and apparently was a great success. The suggestions that he gave me with regard to the set-up of foreign exploration gave me to request that he should have a paper on the subject to read at the October Conference for United Horticulture. He agreed to do that and I am to write him later. In the evening I was invited as a guest to the dinner given by Dr. Frans Verdoorn and his wife of Chronica Botanica with some forty other people present. The main speaker was Mr. Van Stinus who had been in Malayasia and was thoroughly familiar with the work on plant life out there especially that done by Dr. E. S. Merrill and to who later was presented a placque of honor coming from the present administrators of the great garden in the Archipelago lying south of Asia where Doctor Merrill has evidently done a great deal of excellent work and from whence he sent collections of plants to five different outstanding herbariums including the Philippines, Berlin and Washington, Kew and one other.





The first two have been destroyed by the war. The other people were introduced. I sat along side of Dr. Field, professor of G.O. Physica at Princeton University and on the other side Mr. Dillon who told me he was editor of the American Orchid Bulletin, published by the American Orchid Society. He works half at Harvard and does illustrating work for Dr. Frans Verdoorn and for Chronica Botanica. In the afternoon I had succeeded in talking with Dr. Tukey and Dr. MacDaniels with regard to the symposium before the October Conference. Dr. Tukey is too busy to undertake anything but supplement the work of others from the broad experience he had. I had a very kind invitation from Dr. Hewitt of the University of Ohio offering to be of whatever help he could in view of the fact that he is taking over the work of Dr. Tukey, on whom we have relied. I failed to see Dr. Mack around this out. At the business meeting for the American Society for Horticultural Science there was passed a resolution approving our plan of organization and objectives with a complete endorsement by that organization by United Horticulture. I did not get to accomplish all that I wanted partly because it was snowing and sleeting and the exhibit I wanted to see was in another hotel and partly because my time was quite completely occupied. Among other things at ten A. M. thanks to the courtesy of Dr. Verdoorn I had a house interview with Mr. Shultes, just back from two years in South America and recommended to us to become Executive Secretary for United Horticulture. He has trained under Oakes Ames and undoubtedly would be excellent in many respects. On the other hand, it is much more of a student than a research man than a salesman such as Mr. Trinkle thinks we require. I was able to catch the Federal Express, leaving Boston at eleven P; M. after having spent three days of uncertainty as to whether I should get a reservation or not because all airplanes had been grounded and traffic was heavy.

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1946 December 30  
Monday

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Midnight overnight, sleeper train was on time at Wilmington so that I was home for seven o'clock breakfast and able to get in a fairly good days work, having this afternoon, a meeting of the Directors authorizing the borrowing of thirty five thousand dollars or more from the Girard Trust Company and making arrangements for the transfer of twenty shares of stock brought by Sidney which he paid for at the bank with a company check charged to him on the books. This it was agreed should be transferred on the stock certificate books to me and to be transferred on the company books as a credit to Sidney Hutton and a charge to me of two thousand dollars. This was accomplished because, though Sidney Hutton has some eighteen or nineteen hundred dollars taken from his salary each pay for the purpose of purchasing stock the first stock to be purchased with that money is certainly the stock previously bought at the lower price to which he is entitled thought he seems entirely willing to put out his own money in addition to the above in order to secure in addition to the nineteen shares or thereabout already coming to him another twenty shares at the one hundred dollar rate.

Tonight I felt as though a cold was coming so I excused myself from the month meeting of the Executive Committee of the West Grove Monthly Meeting and went to bed at 7:30.



1946 December 31  
Tuesday

Today was the day to straighten up, pay the dividend checks on forty thousand dollars worth of debentures, transfer twenty shares of stock to my name for two thousand dollars on book while I hold it, available to use of members of the firm. Also today, at noon, sent Margaretta, United Horticulture Secretary to the printer with copy for the 16 pages of Bulletin number two, containing a report of the Cleveland Conference with the hope that we shall have it available for use in Washington on the 10th, Cleveland on the 11th, and in Chicago on the 12th to the 14th, each meeting is of some importance. It will carry the endorsement of the American Society of Horticultural Science, as well as the Garden Club of America, the Men's Garden Club of America having previously endorsed the movement. After reading the copy this morning between four thirty and six A.M. I felt more than ever persuaded that we are on the way and have something that will develop as time goes on into a movement of strength and power for good. Tonight I checked Christmas cards against our list of cards sent out.

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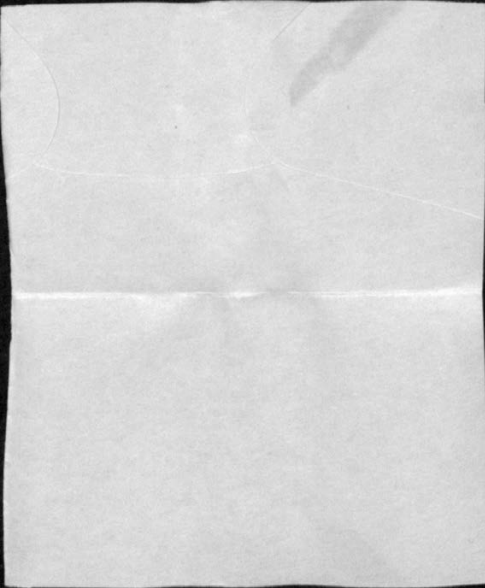


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