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Martha Farnsworth diary

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Martha Farnsworth, a Topeka, Kansas resident, kept a personal diary from 1882 through 1922 with only a few gaps. This particular volume covers the years 1910 through 1912. Martha's diary entries not only reveal her values and the activities in her life, but also provide a picture of Topeka at that time. Some of the notable aspects of Martha's life include her participation in social reform movements, membership in social clubs and activities, and her deep religious convictions.

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Wed. 12 A warm day, tho' half cloudy, half sunny. Mrs. W. P. Armstrong came over awhile this afternoon, while I was picking beans to can, and before she left Mr. J. Edgar came to see about going for a swim. As soon as Fred came from work we all went to Gage Lake and had a fine swim this water pretty cool. Fred rode out and back with Mr. Edgar and rode with Mrs. Armstrong in her buggy.

Thurs. 13 Another warm day. Spent whole morning getting my beans ready to can, and this afternoon went to Good Government Club at Y.W.C.A. Had a most interesting meeting and a most busy one. After meeting, Mrs. A. E. Jones and I went up town for a little shopping, then she treated me to some fine ice cream at Waggoner's.

Fri. 14 Hot old day and I canned my beans but got nothing else done. Tried to get cherries.

Sat. 15 Another hot day and I only did what I had to. Made my first Cherry pie of the season; also made two Currant pies. Mrs. Remington and Warren spent evening with us.

Sun. 16 Warren R. walked to S.S. with Fred and me after which we took car home not stopping for church. About 3 o'clock we walked out to Gage Lake with Ernest Sheldon, Robt. Symphon and Ronald McLeod (husband of my S.S. class) to see the two new Alligators. We spent evening with our Remington neighbors.

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Mon. 17 Rained all day, almost a continuous down pour, so that had to hang my washing up in the house. And it was cold too; but I'm mighty thankful for the rain, tho' not needing it. My nephew Jesse Shaw, called this afternoon.

Tues. 18 Bright and sunny, but rather cool. Got some very excellent Raspberries at A. McFee's this forenoon. Near the noon hour, cousins, Mr. & Mrs. Glas, Anderson and son Bea of Oklahoma City and uncle Geo. VanGersdal of N. Tap. made me a short call. Fred & I went to an Ice cream Social at the Church this evening, an immense crowd and a good time but most too cold to enjoy ice-cream.

Wed. 19 A very busy day, picking Beans and Currants and doing much other work. Fine day. Canned one crate of cherries this evening.

Thurs. 20 Too busy to know which end I stand on. This evening I had for Supper cousins Charlie & Jeylee Anderson and son Bea of Oklahoma City, Sam and Bessie Richards and son George of Herington, Ks. and Uncle George and aunt Samantha VanGersdal of N. Tapeta. I cooked a great big fine Supper and we had a most jolly time together: it was such a fine evening too we couldn't help enjoying ourselves.

*Canned 4 lbs. of Beans
this morning*

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Fri. 21 Rained all day and cold, or most of day. haled to. I picked more than a half crate of Currants - part of them, in the rain.

Sat. 22 Finished picking my Currants today. awfully good, but my! it's hard work.

Sun. 23 Warren R. walked to Sunday School with Fred and me: most of my class present - also two visitors and one new boy for the class - Arthur Hobbs - now have 30, after dropping two.

Mon. 24 Fine day and washed too large comforts, beside my regular washing - busy always, but happy. Fred did not get home to dinner. Various kinds of Redditors etc called, but I was "not at home". I let them "ring" and go away; too busy for such. We are glad "Taft" has nomination for President.

Tues. 25 Over to A. McKee's this morning to see about Raspberries. 4d at noon went to Garfield Park to a Picnic of my people: Fred came to dinner. There were Uncle Joe and Aunt Samantha Van Orsdol, Aunt Van Van, Aunt Delia Howard, Cousin Minnie ^{and} Will Van, & Ruth & Glenn, Maudie Godwin & Belle, Marie Altman, Mary Howard & Elmore, Joe & Gertrude Howard, Jessie Richards & George, Jennie Anderson & Bea, Kellie Kingman & Paul ^{and} Charles May Kressander & Carl, Hazel ^{and} Glenn. This evening Fred ^{and} I went swimming at Gageo, with some of my S. S. Class. Warren Huntington, Jay Santa, Ralph & Barbizon, Robt. Simpson, Ronald W. Card, Harry Davis, Arthur Hobbs, Fred Benedict, Wm. Jackson, Ernest Green & Carl Swanson.

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Wed. 26 A most awfully busy morning. This afternoon went to business meeting of Good Government Club at Mrs. Lee Marroco's 909 Harrison St. After supper finished "stemming" $\frac{1}{2}$ crate currants for jelly. Grace Akir from Chicago, enroute to Calif. stopped off and staid over night with us. Had a pleasant evening.

Thurs. 27 Grace left about 11 o'clock this morning or little later to go see other friends; continues her journey at mid-night. I made up a lot of Raspberry jam both red and black; also lot of Currant jelly.

Fri. 28

The weather very hot: light shower about 4 o'clock Fred got Mrs. Armstrong's horse and took Warren R. & me, to Mrs. Lee Armand's 1014 Van Buren St. to a "Tacky Party" and of all the costumes one ever saw "the limit" were exhibited at this Party: Mrs. E. V. King's S.S. Class of girls, entertained, Jean Robertson's class of girls and my class of Boys. We had great fun. Warren R. and I walked home from Party which broke up late 11 o'clock when I got home. I do not as a rule, like Tacky Parties but this one was really funny. My Costume was high breasted white slippers, black stockings Blue percale dress skirt, pinned high to make the fashionable high waistline, broad white belt short sleeve with waist, short white gloves three long strands of crystal beads, wifed two shades green - Hat with immense red & yellow roses & black feathers. A bath towel made into a handbag. and my face dreadfully powdered

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Sat. 29 A most awfully hot day and I canned Peas and Beans almost whole day and dead tired. We went swimming this evening with some of my Sunday School class, out to Gages. Ronald McCord, Harry Davis, Edward Price, Leyman King and Warren Remington - water was fine and I came home invigorated and greatly rested - we drove Mrs. Armstrong horse out.

Sun. 30 A hot day - Warren R. walked to S.S. with us. 24 in my Glass today. Solomon Gilberg a Jew, visited the Glass and I hope we can keep him coming. This afternoon some of my Glass came in to see us. Ralph Davidson and Ronald McCord, all afternoon, Pearl Bernard, Arthur Dennisnd Leyman King, just to call. Mr. & Mrs. John Rumpen, spent evening with us.

JULY

Mon. 1st A hot day. Got my washing out in good season, then Mrs. Armstrong called, after which I washed my hair.

Tues. 2 A most busy day. This evening some of my S.S. Glass came out and we all went to Gages for a swim - looked so rainy, only Ralph Davidson, Ronald McCord, Warren Remington, Carl Swanson and Edward Price went out. Cecil Jordahl and John Rumpen walked out with us - Cecil & I rode home with Laurent Schmitz delightful swim but rain drove us home early.

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Wed. 3 Can not find a day long enough to do all my work.
Had to spend all the morning down town on
Church and Club shopping, and C. is busy.

Thurs. 4 Fourth of July ^{3rd} gloriously hot - we have "sane"
"Fouths" now, but they seem "insane" without
firecrackers and some noise: now I am for the
"Fire cracker"; anyway, in my own yard: not great
bombs, but just "fire crackers". Paul Bernard ^{and}
Fred Brackett ate lunch with us after which
some of my S.S. ^{class} came out and went with us
to Gaze Park where we had a Picnic supper ^{and}
a jolly good time. Lyman King drove out
with Fred and me in Mrs. Armstrong's buggy she
letting us have her horse. Warren Remington
Paul Bernard, Fred Brackett, Harold McCord
Harry Davis ^{and} Carl Swanson were the others.

Fri. 5 Another hot day ^{and} I canned 14 Pineapples
some Dewberries ^{and} Red Raspberries. Rained
quite a cool, refreshing shower this evening.

Sat. 6 Had our first fried chicken today ^{and} a fine
dewberry pie: a most awfully hot and busy
day. I put up some Cauliflower too. Fred
went swimming this eve with Mr. J. Edgar. One of
our old neighbors, Mrs. M. Quisen died this morning
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Sun. 7 All the days are hot ones. Fred and I took a car to and from Sunday School this morning not staying for Church. I had about 24 boys out of a class of 30. The largest class in the Sunday School. & they are a great bunch. Not a caller today and it seemed strange, but mighty good for once as we both needed rest.

Mon. 8 Hot and windy and I feel bum - just washed a few pieces this morning and went to Good Government Club at Mrs. J. D. McFarland's this afternoon, 1st + Harrison st.

Tues. 9 Another hot day and I'm keeping quiet. Fred went swimming this evening until Mr. Edgar Edward Price came out, and rode "Dolly" out to swim.

Wed. 10 Q, a busy day and most awfully busy, getting ready to go to Leavenworth tomorrow - killed four young chickens to fry, for our lunch.

Thurs. 11 Fred and I went to Leavenworth today, with the Good Government Club, leaving Topeka at 7:40 A.M. We had a most delightful trip. Stopped at Lansing and were shown thru Penitentiary by Warden Codding - (a most pitiful place) then we had dinner at the Soldiers' Home and later went to the Fort a most beautiful place. Home at 10:30 after a most splendid day.

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Fri. 12 Awfully hot and windy and I'm very tired from so much "tramping" yesterday. And this morning the Larimers (new neighbors) sent for me, as Mrs. Larimer's mother, aged 90 years, was very poorly. I stayed till 12:15 then came home, got Fred's dinner and went back, and when I came home this evening, I could see she was dying. She has a Cancer on her face; also broke her hip in December, but her worst trouble is dropsy. I went in a moment to Stricklers and Remingtons to tell them of our neighbor's affliction.

Sat. 13

Our neighbor, Mrs. Spangler, mother of Mrs. Larimer died at 7 o'clock this morning. I washed and awfully large washing this morning and this afternoon, with Mrs. Remington and Mrs. Q. McKee went in to spend the afternoon, with the Larimer family. After supper, I went to Mrs. Monroe's to Good Government Club, Board meeting and brought home \$90. It's no fun being Treasurer of such a large Club, tho' Miss Ethel Aldrich told me this evening she thought I was the best Treasurer in this town. Q, I'm dead tired tonight - sleepy, yes I guess.

Sun. 14

We walked to S. S. 3rd Church but took car home and after dinner, drove to Gage Park with Mrs. Armstrong's horse. Edward and Kenneth Price and Ernest Greer going with us.

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Mon. 15 Washed this morningnd spent afternoon downtown shopping. Fine and cool today - just grand.

Tues. 16 A bit of shower this morning and fine and cool; and I had a "whopping" big ironing. Went to townnd to Mrs. Lee Morris's to Good Government Club, this afternoon. This evening, Mrs. Armstrong & us went to Gage Park for a swim. Ralph Davidson went out with usnd he and Carl Swanson came back with us. They are two of my class.

Wed. 17 Hot again very; gathered nearly a bushel of our plums this morning, and took a few over to Mrs. Remingtonnd cooked up some for jellynd Butter

Thurs. 18 Made Plum butternd a lot of fine jelly and sold a Bushel at the grocery. I worked and it has been a hot, hot day. We went swimming this evening: arrangement: Ronald McCorkle and Edward Price went out with us.

Fri 19 A fine daynd not quite so warm - I worked hard all day, getting house in shape for Rev. Finch's Sunday School Class Picnic this evening. Fred is a member. Class came out about 6 o'clock about 60 of the 100 members - some are sicknd some out of town - We had a jolly good time and a mighty good picnic Supper - mighty good cooks in that bunch. These affairs are hard work, but I enjoy them. Wish we could have rain.

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Sat. 20 A most awfully hot day ^{and} I had lots of work to do. Mr. & Mrs. Moreland ^{and} their niece Miss Moreland came over this evening ^{and} we all went to Gage's swimming, together with Mrs. Armstrong ^{and} Mr. + Mrs. Grover Logan; we women rode out ^{and} men walked - a rain coming up, hurried us home, but I was only one that got home all others were caught and drenched in a very hard rain, but mighty glad to leave the rain.

Sun. 21 Hot and sticky: Warren ^{and} Jennie Remington walked to S.S. with Fred and me. Only had 20 of my 80 boys in class today - so very hot. We did not stay for church. Harry Syler spent the evening with us.

Mon. 22 Another hot July day and I had a pretty big washing and a most busy forenoon of it.

Tues. 23 Awfully hot today ^{and} I had a big ironing: this evening Ralph Davidson came ^{and} went swimming with Mrs. Armstrong, Fred and me, a big crowd tonight ^{and} the finest swim of the season. Beautiful moon ^{and} the air ^{and} water were ideal. O it was glorious.

Wed. 24 Another hot busy day.

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Thurs. 25 Had a shower this morning ^{and} it's hotter than ever. I went to "Teachers" or "Workers" meeting at the Church this evening ^{and} nearly roasted

Fri. 26 Another good shower this morning ^{and} a fine cool morning, so straightened up my cellar ^{and} worked like a "Trojan".

Sat. 27 Spent the morning down town shopping ^{and} put in a most busy day, and it was a scorcher. This evening Fred went with me to A.K. Rogers to see Aunt Sarah Ogden, who is near death from heat prostration then to a "Woman's Suffrage Meeting" at City Park, where Judge Garwood of Denver spoke.

Sun. 28 Another warm day, Warren R. walked to S.S. with Fred and me. Only about 18 of my boys present - fearfully sultry - so much humidity. We took a car home after church. Anna Rogers phoned me soon after we got home, that aunt Sarah Ogden, passed away at 10:45 this morning. She is the last of all her people, except a few nieces ^{and} nephews ^{and} their children, and was 86 years old Apr. 10 - last. It must seem good to her, to be again united with her loved ones. And it was a blessed going home - just went to sleep and did not wake up again.

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Mon. 29 A fine day and a bit cooler. We got up at 5 o'clock this morningnd while Fred picked Crab-Apples I hurried thru with my washingnd had a portion of it on line at 9 o'clock when I had to quit so Frednd & I could go to Aunt Sarah Ogden's funeral at 10 o'clock at A. K. Rogers. Just a private funeral and short service by her former friendnd Pastor, Rev. Alderson. Aunt Sarah was a sister of my father's mother so my Grand-Aunt. She was buried in Topeka cemetery beside her mothernd sister - she looked very sweet and peaceful in her casket. Fred was one of the Pall-bearers, with Mr. Kirk White, Robert McGiffert & Mr. Rogers. After the funeral we got out dinner at "Burt's" Cafe, did some shopping and came home and rested rest of day. Fred had the day off.

Tues. 30 A hot and busy day for me. Fred went swimming this evening with John Rungren.

Wed. 31 A fine daynd a very cool evening. The Good Government Club met with us this eveningnd we had a pretty good crowd: many being "lukewarm" suffragists, just the kind we want to have come so we can talk to them. We had a fine meeting this not as many men as we wished.

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Thurs. 1 The night was very cool and the day has been good too. I canned a bushel of Tomatoes. Fred went swimming this evening Ronald McCord Ralph Davidson and Warren Remington my S.S. boys. Laurent Schwartz took them out in buggy. I could not go. Rather cool to swim too.

Fri. 2 Another fine cool night and pleasant day, tho a busy one, for me. Wrote some letters to

Sat. 3 Very cool last night and did all my baking today in the range and did not find the fire uncomfortable. We had to sleep under a good thick quilt beside sheet. Fred went to town with me this evening, to do a little shopping.

Sun. 4 So cool this morning, one really needed a coat and many wore their wraps. I really felt chilly as I started to S.S. this morning with Fred, and Warren R., but soon warmed up walking. Had a good big class and one new boy, Walter Palley. After church Arthur Hobbs and Robert Simpson walked home with us. We stopped at Mr. Simpson's 704 Polk St. as we went down this morning to see about Robert's going with us on another Camping trip to Maple Hill. We are planning a straw ride now.

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Mon. 5 A fine cool day - rained lightly most of forenoon. Got my washing out early, then hurried into my corn. Got ten dozen of fine corn, about 9 o'clock and have put in a most busy day. Fred's mail heavy too & he didn't get home to dinner & I worked straight thru without getting any dinner for myself, and canned 9 doz. ears of fine corn.

Tues. 6 Cool again and "showery" but afternoon was good & after a busy day, we went to the Church this evening to an Ice-cream Supper. Orchestra played during evening & Rev. Harry Snowles sang a delightful Solo, "Homeland." He is so fine himself its a delight to listen to him. Was a big crowd and fine time.

Wed. 7 Working with Crab Apples this morning & this afternoon went to Good Government Club Headquarters to help Miss Barnes, in some Club work

Thurs 8 A wee bit showery, but my class of Boys took parts of two classes of girls on straw ride to Martin's Hill, Fred going driving the Washburn team. Had Supper on top of the Hill, my boys who went were Ralph Davidson, Warren Remington, Gerald Kenyon, Ernest Sheldon, Robt. Boher, Carl Swanson, Harry Harris, Ronald McCord, Walter Parley, Robt. Simpson, Will Jackson, Fred Brackett, Moses Johnson & the girls were Edith Sheldon, Alice Hugate, Madge

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Huggins, Hattie Bartlett, Miss Kemper, Thelma Ryus, Laura Burkett, Ethel Shepherd, Gladys Jillson, Marian Shinseal, May Roberts, Mattie Bair, Mary Ewing, Marie de Armond, Edna Hinslawn and Ida Darling. We had a most happy time but a hard rain last night, made muddy roads and hard pulling, so on several hills we had to get off and walk. and were later getting home than we planned. The young folks all met at our house and we went out at 4:30. Coming home we drove in 6th to Park and then to Tenth and on home.

Fri. 9 Almost too cool and a fine shower this afternoon. Writing letters almost whole day, over so many. I went to Mrs. Gilladay Monroe's this evening to a very busy Board-meeting of the Good Government Club.

Sat. 10 Fine and cool and how I did work all day; so much to be done and I did lots of everything and blistered my hands trying to do too much on a cool day.

Sun. 11 "Warmed up" pretty much today. Warren R. came over as usual and walked to Sunday School with us. Rev. Harry Stroules preached for Bro. Finch this morning and gave us a fine sermon - he is a most pleasing speaker. Three of my S.S. Boys, Harry Davis, Robert Sympson and Walter Dally, and Ben Sheldon called for an hour in early evening. We very much enjoy the Boys of my class.

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Mon. 12 "Busy as a Bee" and then some: did my washing and scrubbing and other work this forenoon ^{and} cut out "three shirts for Fred this afternoon and tonight I am tired.

Tues. 13 Did my ironing ^{and} saved rest of day on Fred's shirt waists; got one almost made.

Wed. 14 Made two of Fred's shirt waists and finished a third one, and I had to hustle ^{to} do it.

Thurs. 15 Made Grape Marmalade and worked Button holes in Fred's shirt waists - Busy? Well yes.

Fri. 16 Made Crab Apple Preserves, Sweet pickle, Jelly ^{and} wee bit of Marmalade, finished the last one of Fred's Shirt waists and made two large, tray cloths, to use under our plates and table and save the cloth. "Busy Bee" wasn't in it with me, today.

Sat. 17 Made Pie cake and various good things and very busy all the day.

Sun. 18 Warren R. walked to Sunday School with us. We took car home after church. Harry Davis Ernest Sheldon and Walter Balley called this afternoon: some of my S.S. boys.

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Mon. 19 Good and hot and I had a big washing but got my work out early and was sick too. Fannie Loggan and Mrs. Armstrong spent evening with us.

Tues. 20 Crowed and made a "Cartoon" this week as a cat. Mrs. Lizzie Remington called this afternoon. Had a mighty hard rain this evening. Mrs. Brown called this morning.

Wed.

Wed. 21 Making "Campaign Banners" for Good Government Club and also "Cartoons". Too busy to see straight. Mrs. Lilla Day Monroe called this evening on "Suffragist" business and I'm making Cartoons for it.

Thur. 22 O its hot again. Went to Y.W.C.A. this afternoon to meeting of Good Government Club and had an intensely interesting meeting.

Fri. 23 A most awfully hot day ^{and} busy, O my! and about 4 o'clock was surprised to see Ma coming in the gate - going to Mt. Pleasant, Iowa and stopped off to visit us over night. lives in Springfield Ia. She is my step mother.

Sat. 24 Scorching hot day but almost cold this morning. Ma left for Iowa on 7:15 train this morning and Fred went to depot with her. I was not feeling well. Spent afternoon with Mrs. Monroe working up a Book of Mother Goose Rhymes.

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Sun. 25 Just 100° today so Warren R. and us took a car to S. C. and home again. I was not feeling well so did not stay for church. Layman and Carl King and Merle Allton called this afternoon and I had to make a cartoon for "Mother Goose to date," Jingle Book, by Mrs. Lee Mourad. Harry Webber came into Glass today, but do not know if means to be a permanent member.

Mon. 26 Oh, it's sizzling today, 100° and then some but I got my washing out quite early.

Tues. 27 Another "sizzler" and but for the cool nights - at least it's cool out here, - we would die off. Ironed and was busy at various things.

Wed. 28 And still it "sizzles" above 100°, and I had to go to town on Good Gov. Club business this afternoon. Ralph Davidson called about 4:30 and Ronald McGord and Edward Price after supper my Sunday School Boys. We are going on another trip, to camp a week at Maple Hill.

Thurs. 29 Another busy day and a hot one too.

Fri. 30 Making "Plum pudding", baking bread and more than busy preparing for Camping trip.

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Sat. 31 Oh! such a busy day - got everything packed ready for our Camping trip, Monday morning, and about 5 o'clock P.M. Ralph Anderson, Harry Davis Ernest Sheldon and Walter Polley called and busy talking "Camp" when Phone rang - and Mail Carrier Pollard said I could not take my Boys to Camp Rogers - didn't allow so many in Camp & a mess of other stuff that I know is a lie, but it made all our hearts go down like lead, but we hurriedly made new plans and will go to Maple Hill any way - Fred pays as much money into Camp Rogers, as rest of Carriers, and it is mean as can be to keep us out, but we can find another Camp.

Sun. 1st Sept. Hot! Oh! such a hot day - Warren R., Fred and I walked to Sunday School and after Church Mr. S.J. Hodgins, sent us home in his Automobile by Burgess Van Beekten. Harry Davis, Walter Polley, and Ernest Sheldon, came out this afternoon and we all went down to the woods for slippery-els, and later Ronald McGord came.

Mon. 2 A bright pretty morning and very early, Ronald McGord, Harry Davis, Ernest Sheldon, and Walter Polley came to help me get my Baskets to the depot, as Sup't Powell, made Fred work

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This morning, just out of meanness, hoping to keep us from going to Maple Hill, he is too hateful.

Mr. Davis came in his automobile and took part of my baskets, and Laurent Schwartz, took the rest with our bedding and gasoline stove. At 9:30 train on time, I left with all of my boys who could go: Walter Powell, Walter Polley, Harry Davis, Ralph Davidson, Ronald McGard, Warren Remington, Henry Mason, Ernest Sheldon, Ralph Cook, John Darling, Fred Brackett, Robert Sympson and Mases Johnson. At Maple Hill, Robert McGlelland met us with wagon and took us to the ford south of "Camp Rogers," where we soon made a very pretty camp and had dinner. Because of the profusion of wild Cucumber vines, we named our camp, "Camp Zakkumburr"; the white blossoms, made camp sweet with perfume. Ralph Davidson, failed to "check" out tent so it didn't come and we only had a little 7x7 tent to crowd into when a thunder storm came up about 3 o'clock and rained a little rest of day and night. Fred came on 9 o'clock P.M. train and we slept at Mr. McGlellands and the boys all slept in the Alfalfa shed; a discouraging start but the boys are happy. Mr. Powell and his friends were at Camp Rogers today and also Mail Carrier Rousch who is to bring his S.S. class of 16 boys, yet they would not let me and I asked first.

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Tues. 3 We went early to "Camp Columburr" and got breakfast and the boys were off to swim and fish - have already caught some fine ones. Our tent came today, but before could get it up after dinner (had to cut poles as the tent poles did not come) a hard rain came up and just poured, but finally it was up and we built a rousing camp fire this evening and warmed and dried every body, then the boys went to bed in Hay shed and we in tent.

Wed. 4 A fine day at last, and I had a glorious swim this afternoon. Mrs. Anna Seybold and two little girls came from Topeka at noon, to visit us. We had them sleep at McClellan's tonight. Walter Bouell went home today and Carl Swanson came out. Still catching fine fish.

Thurs. 5 Mrs. Seybold and little girls went home this evening. I had such a delightful swim this afternoon with Fred and the boys.

Fri. 6 Another fine day, tho' hot middle of day. Layman King came up at noon. He and Ralph Davidson slept in Camp tonight, the rest in Hay shed. It is picturesque and delightful here - a pretty riffle just in front of Camp.

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Sat. 7 Another fine day tho' very hot at noon. Still catching fish. Mrs. E. V. King and part of her class of girls, Marie deLamond, May Roberts, Cleo Hugate and Edith Sheldon came up this morning to spend the day with us. And after dinner came the dismantling and preparations to go home: at 6 o'clock P.M. Robert McGlelland came with Hay rack and hauled our luggage and us to depot and we all bade a reluctant good bye to "Camp Lawrence" hoping to go back next year. Got home safely and went to bed tired and happy.

Sun. 8 Warren Remington and I walked to Sunday School and Fred went to Mr. Schick's on an errand and came later. He did not stay for Church - came home after Communion, ate lunch and slept most of afternoon or Fred did and I rested. Mrs. Armstrong called in afternoon. I had to go to Mrs. Cox Monroe's this evening on business.

Mon. 9 Went to State Fair today and Mrs. Armstrong with me - went first to town on business. Busy helping get Good Government Club tent up; hot too and I came home tired tonight.

Tues. 10 At Fair all day; Fred came out at noon and we went around to see things. Hot day and I'm tired.

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Wed. 11 Home busy and resting too.
Rained hard last night and awhile this morning. Mrs. Osborne called this morning.

Thurs. 12 Cool and fine today and I have made "Tatting" as fast as my fingers would work, all day - making a handkerchief for Cynthia Monroe, the sweet bright little daughter of Mrs. Leilla Day Monroe. Called at Mrs. Ames' this morning.

Fri. 13 My but it rained last night, and also quite enough today to make small attendance at Fair, but the weather is cooler ^{and} we are glad for that.

Sat. 14 Oh! how I have worked today and hav it has rained and its cold and dreary. At 9 o'clock this evening cousin Henry Anderson (a banker and former Mayor of Weatherford, Okla) with his wife and little Martha & Melvin, came for short visit. O, its good to see our loved ones.

Sun. 15 So cold had to have fire all day - dark ^{and} gloomy. Warren R. came over and went to Sunday School with, cousin Tillie Anderson little Martha and I. The men folks stayed home Fred washed Breakfast dishes and, got part of dinner, after which we all went over on Lindeanwood Ave ^{and} spent evening with Mrs. Brady and Mrs. Strong, old time friends.

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Mon. 16 A day of sunshine and "sprinkles" and all day cool or cold. Henry, Tilliend children went to North Topeka this morning to visit other relatives - almost 11 o'clock when they left but I went at my great big washing, and had it on line by 2:35 P.M. and it dried.

Tues. 17 Still it is cold this warm afternoon. I ironed my big ironing this morning, then went to Headquarters Good Government Club this afternoon to meet Mrs. Rodebush and attend to some Club business.

Wed. 18 Well this has been a busy day. Mrs. Armstrong called this morning and about 9 o'clock, cousin Henry, Tilliend children came for short call and to pack their trunk, then to visit other relatives as they go home tonight. At 5:30 P.M. Mrs. Martin, and my cousin Floy Rogers' wife and boy, little Herschel, from Winfield, unexpectedly walked in for a short call; first time I had ever seen them. And before they left, Fred's brother Will, unexpectedly came and here for supper and until train time at 10:15 He was on his way to City of Mexico from Chicago. This has been a day of surprises and in spite of it all, a happy day.

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Thurs. 19 Another day so cool had to have fire for all, the sun shone from a cloudless sky. Went to Good Government Club meeting at G.W.C.A. this afternoon - a most interesting meeting. Miss Benjamin gave a beautiful Piano Solo, and Mrs. C. G. Henley and Miss Hazel Bennett each a splendid Recitation. When I reached home this evening, I found cousin Minnie Rogers' little son Herschel awaiting me having come out to stay all night with us.

Fri. 20 Gold, cloudy and a wee bit of rain. Cousin Minnie and little Herschel left about 10:30 this morning and I have had a little rest today.

Sat. 21 A fine day and cool. Ex-President Roosevelt in town and spoke at Auditorium this evening. Fred and I went down, but it was "packed" to the doors and could not get in - we took several good looks at the man thro' the window and came home.

Sun. 22 Gold this morning. Warren R., Fred & I took car to S.S. this morning and I was so "bum" did not stay for church, for I needed rest, but just after Lunch, Mrs. Lee Monroe, called me and I went down with Mrs. E. E. Radembush and Mrs. E. S. Marshall, went in the big Auto. Parade. Mrs. Monroe decorated her car in Suffrage banners and pennants and her regular Schwaffer would not drive but her son did.

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Mon. 23 A fine day and I was quite busy with doing my washing ^{and having} my stoves repaired by Rudolph the Socialist. Also bought two bushel of tomatoes for 75¢

Tues. 24 Disagreeable day - rained a little. Canned tomatoes and bought 4 Bu. fine Apples - Grimes Golden.

Wed. 25 Making chili-sauce ^{and} most awfully busy. At 10 min. past 6 o'clock this evening, I answered the door-bell, to find Uncle Joe and Aunt Mattie Anderson, before me, and wasn't I glad to see them. This named for Aunt.

Thurs. 26 We awakened this morning to find quite a heavy frost, the first of the season. A most beautiful day ^{and} we are enjoying the visit of Uncle and Aunty immensely! This evening we all went to "moving pictures" at the "Best" and later at the Crystal - pretty good.

Fri. 27 A grand day and Fred home having a day of vacation. I was busy canning tomatoes. Uncle Joe and Aunt Mattie Anderson went home to Wichita Kansas this morning. We have had such a nice visit with them hated to see them go.

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Sat. 28 Oh! this has been a busy day, and Fred was to be off, for another day of vacation but was called back to work and so we did not get all the work done we planned.

Sun. 29 Gold and gloomy-fire ingrate and then hardly warm enough. Fred, Warren R. and I walked to Sunday School. My glass was large and rather noisy. Robert Sampson and a boy friend, called this afternoon and Mr. & Mrs. John Rungen called about 6 o'clock. At 7 o'clock I went to Mrs. Lee Monroe's to a business meeting of Good Government Club. Oh, how we women are working for "Suffrage". Fred came for me at 9 o'clock. Very tired.

Mon. 30 An ideal day and I had my washing on the line early. Mrs. M. H. Strickler called.

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Tues. 1 Oct. Another ideal day and I ironed until my hands were almost blistered. Went to Bible Class at Y.W.C.A. this afternoon - reorganizing for the season. I was elected Vice-President. Mrs. Fair Secretary, President. Mrs. Henry Peers, President, Mrs. Pierce, Treasurer. Mrs. W. H. Holmes is teacher and our meetings will be at Y.W.C.A. this winter instead of Glass. M. Sheldon's church, the Central Congregational. After class, I did some shopping and came home.

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Wed. 2 Showery all day. Mrs. McGarroll, a colored friend, called this morning; she has but recently moved back here from Denver. Busy making mustard pickles.

Thurs. 3 Went to meeting of Good Government Club at Y.W.C.A. this afternoon, after which to Club Headquarters—in Columbian Building—with Mrs. E. Condebusch, to straighten up our books, and it was 7 o'clock when I got home and Fred went to Mail-Carriers meeting, so I was alone all evening.

Fri. 4 A busy day, a very busy day: The women of Kansas are more than busy these days, working overtime in fact, for our enfranchisement this Fall.

Sat. 5 Too busy to know "straight up". Went with the Stricklers ^{this morning} out on West 10th St. to Mrs. Gethers, to see about getting Bears. This afternoon, I went to town shopping and to get my "picture taken" and I certainly despise to have a picture taken.

Sun. 6 A mighty fine day Warren R. went to S.S. with ~~Fred~~ and me. This afternoon Ernest Sheldon came out, and we three walked out to Gage Park to see the new Bears—anfully curious. Cecil Godard walked out with us too. The Park was full of people.

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Mon. 7 A fine day, even tho' it sprinkled a wee bit about 1 o'clock. I got my washing out early and this afternoon went to town, to have a skirt fitted at Crosbys, then made a gate call at Mrs. Kellarsnd also went in to Mrs. Stricklers for a little while. Then Mrs. Lee Marro called on mend this evening Frednd & I went over to Stricklers to get Pears he brought in from Yonkers.

Tues. 8 Rained quite a little this morning, and a sort of disagreeable day. This afternoon I went to my Bible Class at F.W.C.Q. and at 3:30 to the Auditorium to meet some of Good Gov. Club ladies and distribute our Suffrage Campaign Literature to the crowds of men, gathered to seend hear Gov. Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey, the Democratic nominee for President. We found the majority of men, for us, and almost every one, courteous: occasionally there was a "smart aleck." But Wilson's train was delayed and it was almost 6 o'clock when he reached the Auditorium, so I took a look at the mannd liked for home.

Wed. 9 A mighty busy day, but it is nice to be home and busy - no one loves home more than I do yet we "Suffragists" have got to work if we ever get the Ballot.

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Thurs. 10 Went to the "Y.W.C.A." this afternoon to meeting of Good Government Club and it rained hard, thundered and lightened and just twelve women of us were present but there was lots of business for us to do. After the meeting, I went thro' the storm to North Topeka for Cabbage and mango-peppers, then home thro' the storm and after supper put in the evening making my "pickle stuff." Oh! how it stormed all evening: lightening, fearful, but I enjoy it.

Fri. 11 Did my ironing, stuffed Mangos and made Picillili. Busy, & so busy but the day was fine and cool after last night's storm and I enjoyed my work. Almost six inches of rain fell.

Sat. 12 Baking bread, killed and dressed a chicken and preparing "gordets" for today and tomorrow and in midst of it all, while too busy to know whether on my head or heels, Mrs. McFarland of Good Government Club, called me to go to Auditorium and make arrangements for our Booth for Cooking School this week. I had to leave everything and go, and too, had a row over Suffrage with Hinckson, sign painter; went to Gates & got my picture taken again and came home & worked like a dog, rest of day.