

# Franklin McMillan (1885–1966)

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Dec 3rd. All packed and ready for California. Have our tickets bought. going by Can Nat {Canadian National Railway} to Chicago, then Illinois Central from Chicago to New Orleans. then Southern Pacific to San Francisco & back by the northern way by Salt Lake City. the two tickets (returns) and upper & lower berth as far as New Orleans Cost \$386.48 Had dinner down at Johns also Ida & Olive Hicks was there. they are driving us in to the train. Frances & Bessie Bell are driving Hattie & Fred in who are going with us (By the way Olive is some driver only hit 38 miles per hour, on the highway) Mr & Mrs Boniface & Gladys Henwood were at the train to see us off. Train on time and left at 545 p.m. it will be four years next Sunday since we left the same station on our honeymoon. Arrived at Brantford at 630 p.m. through Paris 6.50 pm Charlotte & Doris enjoying themselves with another little girl next seat, arrived at London 8.10 pm. raining a little here. next at Sarnia at 950 pm. had suit cases examined here. (nothing to it) then examined by Immigration agent and had to pay \$16.00 Head tax which is given back if we return inside of 6 months Trunks also examined here.

Dec 4th. Got up at 7.30 am. did not sleep very good. Doris & Charlotte very restless. has been raining in the night and still raining some. changed our watches back 1 hour, and arrived in Chicago 815. a.m. weather cold, windy, & dull. Went out to a New Orleans train that left at 8.45. but found it was wrong train as our berths where on a later train at 1230 p.m. The Conductor said the first train stopped at each house. and twice at each double house. we went back to the waiting room and had something to eat. we left at 1230 pm on the Crack train called the Panama. Supposed to be the best & fastest train in America. makes the run of 921 miles in 22<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> hours. Got the porter to get some hot water made some

tea and had a good feed out of the lunch we had with us. our first stop was at Champaign, Ill {Illinois}. at 330 p.m. having made 126 miles. Since leaving Chicago we have been travelling south across the state of Ill. the country is flat (no sign of a hill) and low. soil looks dark in color and nothing much grown excepting corn. Has been raining all the afternoon. and some places a little snow one thing we noticed in particular. all the houses are of frame only saw two brick. houses all the after noon.

Dec 5th. Had a better nights sleep got up at 6.30 a.m. this train sure travels some. arrived at Jackson state of Miss. at 645 a m, raining yet. the porter says it rains here nearly all month, and either rain or sunshine. quiet a lot of scrub bush along here, pine & oak. & gum in the swamps Talking to a Mr Smith who lives at Lockport. La. 20 miles from New Orleans, he says they grow lots of vegetables in his section, planted early corn in Feby, and usually gets \$4.00 to \$5.00 a hundred ears for the first. and feed corn in March. selling now at 92 cents bushel. also has early potatoes ready in May. saw them at several places setting out strawberry plants. he says they get some berries next year arrived at Hammond. La. at 10 a m. took a couple of snaps at the station, the weather has cleared up and the sun shining now, some places in the low places the trees are entirely covered with moss hanging on them. arrived in New Orleans at 11.15 am. went up town with Mr Smith who is going to hunt us a place to stays when here. we tried several rooming house but finally landed at the Monteleone Hotel on Royal street about a block and a half from Canal

{Note at top of page: Population of New Orleans in 1920 387.219. Elevation at station only seven feet.}

street the main street here. paying \$10.00 per day. for one room with two beds and one room connecting with one bed, but they are very nice. one of the first impressions of the town are a lot of the cross streets very narrow. and used only as one way streets, but Canal street is a very wide & busy street. with four car tracks in the middle then room for a row of Cars to Park each side of car track then room for at least three more autos to pass each other. Had supper at a "Restaurant" across the street. costs about the same as at home (steak potatoes Bread & tea 55 cts) another thing to notice is that the girls are thick on the streets and mostly all dolled up and good lookers The weather here is fine just nice to walk around without an over coat. but they say here it is a very cold wave. tired after our trip writing a few cards and going to bed early.

Dec 6th. Had breakfast at Kanes restaurant across the street and then walked down to Canal street and went out to the city park which is three miles out. (the car fare here is 7 cents) out in the residential district the street cars run down the

{Note at top of page} Distance from Los Angelas to New Orleans 2010 miles.

middle of the streets between two rows of trees, mostly oaks which sometimes meet right over the top of the cars. and green grass between the rails, took some snaps in the park of the large oak trees, (supposed to be 1000 years old) with moss on them and some of the little lake with swans on. also got off the car at the cemetery and took a couple of snaps of the tombs. people here buried above ground. as the ground is so low. got home about 1 oclock. had lunch and a rest then went out to get our Reservation. cost us \$21.00 for ~~Upper~~ Lower berth & \$16.80 for ~~lower~~ upper berth. we leave at 1210 p.m. tomorrow on the Sunset Limited over the Southern Pacific. we then walked down Canal street & saw the ferry's crossing the Mississippi River it is a very muddy & dirty looking river. Passed the Custom Office & recruiting Barracks on the way back. went to the Post Office up St Charles St. & got some stamps & posted Cards. Came home & cleaned up and went out to supper saw a parade. & Band of the Schriners going down Canal st. had supper at Childs Restaurant, every thing good but high in price, cost us \$1.90 and did not get much to eat at that. Fred nearly got in wrong. taking another mans coat by mistake they are not very good travellers and we are having some time watching them. came back early to the hotel, started to get ready for bed, and then got a schlock looked in my coat pocket, and the purse our tickets & berths were in, was gone. we searched the whole room. then went to the clerk, and out to Childs Restaurant where we had supper and no trace of it. then took a street car to station to see what we can do. And just before we arrived the clerk called the station and said they were found. Fred had picked them up, off the bed and had put them in his pocket.

Dec 7th Went to Kanes Restaurant for breakfast. Charlotte & Doris have colds, and will hardly eat any thing, then bought some bread & milk etc. going to take alunch on train. this is certainly a busy street and Canal street is as bad as in Chicago. Left the hotel at 11.15 a m took yellow cab to Union station cost \$1.05. the weather was grand warm, with bright sunshine. Took a snap of the children on the car steps of the Sunset Limited. the train

{Note at top of page} p.s. Morgan City. pop. 4529 Elevation 15 feet.

we are going on. We left at 12 10 pm. We rode a short distance, as far as the Mississippi river then went aboard the car ferry there. the train cut up into three sections. 3 cars long & 3 cars wide and was pulled across by tugs, started again at 1 15 pm travelled till 2 pm through a low swampy part with trees all around covered with Spanish moss. at a small place Called Bowie. saw them cutting some Sugar Cane then all swamps again, arrived at Morgan City at 3 15 pm. Lots of Sugar Cane in this section. also the rivers are full of Water Hyacinths which some times blocks the

{Note at top of page} Lafayette. pop. 7855 alt. 40 feet Sugar Cane. corn & cotton mostly grown.

rivers it grows so fast, also groves of Pecan nut trees. Went through Garden City at 3 40 p.m. all the houses here are painted white with red roofs. seems to be all employees of a big Lumber Co'y whose mills where along the track. at 5 p.m. saw an old Timer Engine at Lafayette Miss. called Morgan Louisiana & Texas took a couple of snaps of it. a great quantity of sugar cane grown around here. some just cutting now. and hundreds of cars loaded along the tracks Crossed into Texas about 6 pm Seeing quite a few Banana trees in back yards. but do not do good enough to grow for selling as the bananas & bunches

{Note at top of page} Houston Texas pop 138.276 Elevation 47 feet. cotton rice mostly grown around here

are too small. Had our supper on train, the Porter gets us a pot of hot water for tea for a quarter tip. Having quite a time with H. she gets lost and was 6 cars down the train when Lillie found her. Porter says we will be at Houston Texas by 10 30 pm, would have liked to have seen it, but all went to bed early.

Dec 8th Looks like rain this morning We will be crossing the Texas plains all day today. going through the desert nothing but bushes & scrub trees. saw one house in about 10 miles went through a small place called Spofford, weather clear & warm here, at Marfa

{Note at top of page} El. Paso. Texas Pop. 77560 Elevation 3719 feet. 1195 miles from New Orleans

which was a nice little town We are 35 minutes late, but we arrived in El. Paso. Texas at ten oclock on time. we here put our watches back 1 hour. this seems to be a good large city. with large railway shops, got a couple of cards. priced Oranges at the station 3 for 25¢. Fred still wears his spats, for style now he says, it must be a style all his own I guess.

Dec 9th. Crossed a corner of N. Mexico in the night and in Arizona this morning. the first place we noticed was Called. Red Rock. the desert looks different this morning. some parts have some of the large cactus standing 10 and 15 feet high, with hills

{Note at top of page} Tucson Arizona Pop 20292 Elevation alt 2386. has mild winter climate very healthful

& mountain peaks were ever you look – other parts level desert covered with nothing but grease wood bushes (the only thing they say that keeps green in the warm weather) with grass coming up called Fillerice which looks some thing like a Dandelion and makes good pasture. saw one place irrigated and they had a few acres of Lettuce ready for shipping. Had breakfast in the diner cost \$2.75 but was very good. Went through Mariposa at 820 one of our passengers in our car got off here he lives near Phoenix he says 100000 acres irrigated at Phoenix. by the Roosfelt Dam

{Side note} Balance of Dec 9th on next 2 pages Dec 9th

Think we should celebrate today 4 years married. The mountains & hills look grand here. all colors & shapes. some rise directly out of the desert. was out at the back on the observation Car for a while. air is cooler but clear. at Gila Ariz. at 10 oclock. saw some big fields of cotton here

Dec 8th. Some omitted from other page at 815 am. see quite a few cattle out here stopped at Del Rio Texas at 915 am. weather here fine & warm about 930 started going through a more hilly & rocky section nothing but sage bushes and a few small cactus. a few cattle & sheep grazing. They say it looks the same the year around. one year they make money and then may be it is dry the next year they have to buy water & bring it in to water stock. and takes all the profit. weather fine & mild does not look as if it had rained here for a year Stopped at Sanderson at 1.45 p.m. a cow town among the hills took a couple of snaps From 2 to 3 pm, country very hilly. train curving around amongst the hills & canyons at Alpine up among the hills. at the next place called Paisano was the highest elevation 5082 feet.

Dec 9th continued Arrived at Zuma at 1 oclock

{Note at top of page} Yuma Arizona Pop 4237 alt. 139 feet

Crossed the Colorado River and was in California saw some more cotton. It did not look up to much. but they said it had been picked over once. went to Diner to get some lunch cost us \$2.00. Turned watch back another hour. Regular desert here. wind blowing sand. (a regular sand storm) arrived at Niland at 2 oclock. cool here and very windy. 130 feet below sea level. at Salton on Sea wind blowing a gale. 202 feet below sea level here ground looks like baked clay at Indio still blowing sand very badly saw first oranges here. Passed San Jacinto peak 10805 feet high. also San Bernardino Mt about 10000 feet high, which had some snow on top. crossed the highest point here at Beaumont 2500 feet high, arrived in Los Angeles. at 810 pm. met Alex Bell at station. took street car to Electric Pacific station then Electric Car to Pasadena. (Fare 29¢ one way) then bus from Corner Colorado & Live Oaks Streets to 179. E Montana St. Took (A) Bus by Los Roobles. They are having a big wind storm here but was worse yesterday they say. stayed there all night and it blew very hard

Dec 10th. still cold and very windy blew lots of trees down also blew off lots of oranges & lemons. Had breakfast at Alexs and went down to Pac. station and they got Freds trunks. then we left for Los Angeles, went to restaurant for dinner, and started out to find Dean got directed wrong way landed at 1st street instead of 57th street on Western Ave. had to take a bus. 57 blocks down the street. found Dean laid up with a ~~break~~ sprained ankle also his wife sick he is sure having bad luck got back at Alexs about 7. pm. still blowing hard.

Dec 11th. Pasadena is very nice but rents very high, 4 room bungalows furnished \$85 not furnished \$50 per month.

{Note at top of page} The altitude of Pasadena is 830 feet Pop. in 1920 was 45 354

Fruit seems cheaper. Grapes 6 lbs for 25¢ Potatoes 6 lbs for 25 and \$2 25 bag. Goodyear Auto tires & tube 30 by 3½ for \$11.50 Gasoline 15¢ gallon in Los Angeles gas is only 12 cents. weather is fine today. took a few Snaps saw about tickets for Riverside The storm according to Govt reports 1/3 of orange crop ruined. after dinner got suit case handle fixed and bought tickets for Riverside cost \$2.34 each also had to pay \$1.08 storage on trunks.

Dec 12th Cold this morning, some white frost. had quite a chat with Alex & Fred

after breakfast. got an early dinner and got bus at 1130 a.m. to Southern Pac. Station Left here at 1215 By Electric car for Shorb. arrived at 12.40 left Shorb for Colton at 109 pm by S. Pac. from Pomona to Colton seems to be a fine fruit district around Pomona & Ontario loads of ~~lebs~~ oranges, walnuts & some olives, cherries, plums & apricots also some vegetables and at a place called Guasto {Guasti} a 5000 acre Vineyard of grapes owned by an Italian colony they were trimming then, and burning the brush they drive a team down between the rows with a big stoneboat with a steel frame like a big bath tub, with the horses on a long chain ahead, and the brush burning all the time as they throw it in. arrived at Colton at 250 p.m. seems to be a nice little town, left here by electric line for Riverside arrived at 330 p.m. got off right opposite the Chamber of Commerce went to see about a house have nothing on their list sent us to 604 9th street, have not much here to offer went to 976 10th street to see half a house \$45 per month rent. have not decided yet do not like the looks of it went back and got a room at the Marion across the street, on west side of Main Street seems to be a nice place cost \$250 {\$2.50} for the night when at 10th street Doris slipped and hurt her arm had to go to a Dr. he thinks it is only sprained but have to go back in the morning went out to a restaurant for supper.

Dec 13. Doris arm only sprained but it cost us \$8.00. hunting houses and apartments all day. got one at 548. 6th street west for \$33 per month. Paid in advance \$94 for 3 months. have been eating at the Cafeteria seems pretty good got our trunks and moved in alright. when it got dark we decided we do not like it it is so dark & dismal. had too leave a light going all night. weather was cool & cloudy, had to light the gas. there had been a slight frost in the morning.

Dec 14th Fine & warm this morning spent the day driving & walking all over the town with Real Estate men. they certainly try to find you a house alright. only have two prospects one on cor {corner} East 9th & Kansas Ave \$45 per month, a mile out and a block from colored district. other a mile the other direction on Pine & 2nd street. \$50 per month. we will loose one months rent here if we move out but we cannot stand it here for long as we do not get any sunshine

Dec 15th. put in day same hunting houses only had two prospects one opposite white park. it is very nice but cannot get in till Jan 1st other on Chestnut street \$45 per month can get in next Friday.

Dec 16th Sunday. had breakfast at home. for the first time also a lunch at noon. went out after dinner to hunt Mrs Benners niece who was supposed to live at 308 Lime St. but we

could not find that no at all. had supper at the Cafeteria cost us \$1.86. after which Lillie went to church. We mailed letters today to John also to Lillies Folks weather was grand again.

Dec 17th. was out looking at some more apartments. only saw one that was up to much. and it was upstairs and was \$50 per month. not one in ten will let children in. Had a couple meals at home. Oh how I hate going to the Cafeteria. The weather was fine & warm again. it surely is a grand climate for winter.

Dec 18th. Had breakfast at home and done nothing but sat around for a change have about given up hopes of getting a house. looks as if we would have to stay here. hope none of our friends see us. The temperature for the last few days has been the highest from 70 to 78 and the lowest 37 to 40 Fresh eggs here 50 to 53¢ doz. Butter 57 to 60¢ lb. Milk is 15¢ quart. Potatoes 8 lbs for 25¢ Apples from 5 to 8 lbs for 25¢ Oranges at the stores 25 to 50¢ doz. Sugar a little over 10¢ lb. Took a day off did not look for a house at all. having a rest. Took a walk up 8th street nearly all garage & Auto Shops. The Reo trucks seem to be very plentiful around here. more than any other kind it seems.

Dec 19th. Showery today. looks like an April day at home. did not go out all day wrote a few Xmas Cards home.

Dec 20th. Fine & bright again today. went up 7th street to an orange packing house. got 20 lbs oranges (5 doz) for 20 cents. they were all sizes. some had limb bruises on them but they eat alright. but none are very sweet yet, they say. Received a letter from Dean (after dinner) with a wire enclosed he got from Hamilton saying his father was very sick with pleurisy went for a walk to White Park, it is nice. has one section all filled with hundreds of differt Kinds of Cactus. mailed some more Xmas Cards. 32 now to date

Dec 21st. Cooler this morning white frost they say, but bright & sunny, got a Letter from Fred Bell. they are all well in Pasadena. Took a walk up 6th as far as Pine street to see if the house we were looking was rented. it was. so we came back down 7th street it is a very nice street. wrote some more Christmas Cards. went out to post them. the evenings are grand never saw such bright moonlight nights. so light that they do not put on the street lights only on the business streets.

Dec 22nd quiet cold this morning with a strong north wind blowing. went for a walk after dinner up Seventh street as far as the Sante Fe & Union Pacific stations and back down 10th street in the colored district. no side walks there. nor paved streets finished sending



Xmas cards total 51 do not think we forgot any body this year. went down to Main street for a walk after tea. the street lights are nice. 3 lights on a Cement standard. one on top with a white light and one each side lower down one red other blue. it was crowded as it was Sat. night before Xmas. Turkeys here cheaper than chickens, turkeys 38¢ lb and chickens 40¢ & 45¢ lb in the stores

Dec 23rd Sunday warmer again sat out in the back yard and read in the morning and in the afternoon walked out to. cor {corner} Cridge & Pachappa. to see Mrs Benner's Sister. she is pretty badly used up with Rheumatism & is 87 years old, but is very nice. met her daughter Mrs White who lives at 1205 Lemon st also her son. Mr Copley who has a plumber shop on 10th street. we had quiet a chat on fruit growing. He thinks one can make money in oranges if properly taken care of but Walnuts is best he thinks sold some of his at 17¢ & 20¢ lb. in the stores asking 45¢ for the best. they sure make some profit. Tomatoes here the canners paid \$16.50 a ton, that is about 50¢ a bushel, thinks they ought to get \$20 00 per ton. It was blowing quiet a breeze again today. have had more wind since we arrived than for years they all say. when we were here before in Calif there was no wind at all. Lillie went to church tonight to hear the Xmas music.

Dec 24th. Received a couple of letters from Dean this morning he would like to come and spend a couple of days with us. we wired back to come. did not go any place Lillie had a lot of shopping to do. Think we had better move in to the Mission Inn Hotel a party told us it cost a friend of his \$45.00 to stay one day. Some fruits very high here. Pineapples 20¢ lb. an average size one 60¢ Bananas 14 & 15¢ lb. Getting milk. at the door for 15¢ quart.

{Note at top of page} Elevation at Colton 963 feet

Christmas Day. Dean & Garth arrived about 11 oclock, just took them 2 hours and 5 minutes for 62 miles must have drove some. The day was extra fine & warm. He took us for a ride as far as Colton about 8 miles from here it is not a very large place. but lots of oranges around there. took a couple of snaps. by some orange trees. Took a walk down main street after supper. Dean thinks it is a pretty nice place here.

Dec 26th. This morning is cloudy but we packed a lunch and started out for a 60 mile drive. we started out about 11 oclock for a town called Perris the first part

of the way was mostly through orange groves, then we struck a rough, hilly part with the highway curving around the hills. and after leaving Perris we came to some olive groves. trees planted between big rocks. and the trees looked fine & healthy Dean tried an olive, some joke to play him as they are so bitter We took a couple of snaps then drove on to Elsinore. and down to Elsinore Lake where we had our lunch. the weather is cloudy yet. but tried a couple of more pictures there then we left Elsinore by another way home by Corona. after leaving the Lake. we saw a lot of orchards. looked like Plums prunes. and some peaches and walnuts. then another very rough & hilly country saw a brick yard there the first I have seen or heard of in Calif. Then before we got into Corona (about 5 miles) was nothing but orange & lemon groves both sides of the road. the finest you ever saw. Corona was quiet at nice little town just after driving through we came to a nice park, where we took a couple of pictures were the Kids, (both big & little) rode on a teeter also slid down the slide in the childrens play ground (trying to wear their pants out) we left Corona then and saw some fine level land that looked good, saw one man drawing in a load of Alfafa Hay, also afield ready to cut, the last seven miles into Riverside we came down Magnolia Ave which is certainly very pretty, the Electric Line runs down the middle with a row of Eucalyptus trees. some 3 or 4 feet through the trunks then a driveway each side for motors. and a row of trees & palms on both sides again and all nice & green. it surely was a nice drive we got home about 5 oclock and it started to rain just as we got home, they say they need the rain badly. wrote a letter to John & Fred Bell.

Dec 27th. cleared up fine after an all nights rain. Dean and I went for a walk through the Park and around town. We got back about 11 am and was notified we would have to get out by Saturday, so started house hunting again finally got an apartment at 54 Hidalgo pl. 60 per month. for 2½ months. we go in on Jan 5th. Dean then drove us up to the top of Mount Rubidoux. the road circles around the hill. all the way up to the top. it is 800 feet high and you get a fine view of the city. we took some snap shots. but it is pretty cloudy. we are leaving our trunks at our new place till we come back from Los Angeles. Lillie did not like on top of the mountain it was so high it made her dizzy.

Dec 28th. Weather fine & warm & bright. Got packed up and left at 9 30 am for Los Angeles with Dean. Drove out Main St and along Magnolia Drive to Corona where we stopped at the Park. had some slides. and took three snaps. and had ice cream at a booth along the road it sure was good. after leaving Corona. (about 2 miles back) we started to get into the hills the road circled around the hills and along side of them up the valley for miles then over the top and down the other side. When we got near Olive, we saw some

fine Orange groves, also acres of walnuts, and all the way from Olive to Anaheim oranges both sides of the roads for miles. (this is claimed to be a frostless belt) and we did not see any smudge pots here as in other places. we stopped outside of Anaheim at a stand and had hotdogs & coffee then to Fullerton. then onto La Mirada where we saw hundreds of acres of Olive trees then from there to Norwalk. which is more of a farming county. then to Downey all along here are thousands of acres of Cauliflowers. some teams were drawing and a loading a carload. then into a small place called Bell, some swell homes along here. then into Huntington Park. would not know it. ~~now~~ it has grown so. (we were there four years ago) arrived at Deans about 1.30 pm after a grand ride. went out in the afternoon to where Dean has a lot up on a hill you have a great view of L. A. from there. also heard part of their (lecture they call it) talk trying to sell lots.

Dec 29th. Cloudy this morning went out for a ride. Saw a couple of houses, Mr Marks is building, also saw lots advertised for sale. on Western Ave. 50' x 120' feet for \$20,000 started raining about noon had a few light showers all afternoon. Lillie & Dean drove out to Norwalk did not get home till nearly six.

Dec 30th Sunday Bright & clear this morning. started for Long Beach about 11 oclock with Dean. it was about 21 miles drove through Huntington Park. it is a nice place. Long Beach. was crowded. all the amusement places all going same as a week day. merry go Rounds side shows. moving pictures Theatres, and a regular Midway had our lunch. while sitting on the beach, walked out on the long pier. saw a sea Bass that was caught yesterday. weighed about 400 lbs. also saw a Devil Fish. caught near there. it had eight arms about 2 feet long all covered. with suckers like a blood sucker. guess it was only a small one. Took a snap from the pier also one in the Park. got home about 5.30 p.m. it was clear & bright all day but very windy & sand blowing

Dec 31st. Fine again this morning went with Dean after dinner to Hollywood, to see the picture. The Ten Commandments at Graumans Million Dollar Egyptian Theatre. It is some Theatre. has a flat roof and has sentrys walking on top in Egyptian Costums, and a court on the way in. with chariots & statues etc of Pharaoh's time. inside the Girl ushers dressed like Egyptians. The picture was good also. showed the Israelites, in Bondage in Egypt, and their crossing of the desert also the Red sea. and the drowning and destruction of Pharaoh's men and their horses, and their chariots. Second part was in this country showing

what happened too a couple who did not keep the commandments Raining when we came out and rained all the way home.

Jan 1st New Years Day. Got up at 6.30 this morning. as we are going to Pasadena Rose Tournament the weather looks grand, bright & Clear. started at 8.30 straight out Western ave, past ~~Pasadena~~ Hollywood then turned right on Los Felis Blvd. to Glendale, which is a very nice looking place the traffic in some places was awful. had to leave car outside of Pasadena & walk in over Colorado St. Bridge. we got good standing room. & had a good view of the procession. it lasted about 1¼ hours had over 300 entries. some of the floats where grand. we had lunch in the car. then drove into Pasadena & saw the Bells. they just got home from down town too. they all look fine. then started for home. the traffic was still very heavy some places 5 rows of cars abreast of each other. it was a little cool coming home

Jan 2nd cool this morning. they say there was ice frozen on the side walk. Walked over to the store on Slauson street to Sam Seelig's store has stores all over the country & cities down here Glendale won first prize at the Rose Tournament claim there were 350 000 people there the Football Game was a tie 14 to 14. between Washington W & the Navy. 40 000 people at the game. was out for a drive with Dean. Saw Jack Dempseys house on Western Ave. he has just sold it for \$200,000 saw a lot for sale on 7th street adv. for \$4,000.00 a foot. or \$300 000 for 75 feet frontage. passed the new Baseball Stadium in University Park. on. Figerau stre{et} had a walk around the centre of city bought some cards & folders.

Jan 3rd nothing doing this morning sat around and read. went for a ride with Dean around the city, over around the Westlake district. Things have changed there in the last few years. were Billies Restaurant was cor of 7th & Alvarado there now is a bank. also some large apartments going up. and Westlake Park has been enlarged & improved called at 1025½ Mildred Court on Court st. to see Charlie {Garnham}, but nobody home. Forgot to mention that on Dec 30th ~~years~~ SunDay. we went through the great oil district called Signal Hill near Long Beach must be 500 wells. they would pump 1500 bbls each a day. but are all cut down to 500 bbls oil daily which sells at \$1.00 per bbl.

Jan 4th. Took street car down town this morning. getting timetables for bus & Electric line for Riverside

it takes about 40 minutes to get to centre of city. starting at 1st street you go South 57 blocks. and then 20 blocks West. 77 blocks to Deans house at 5707. S. Gramercy pl. have a bad head ache feels like getting a cold but it is the warmest today for a week past.

Jan 5th We are leaving Los Angeles again for Riverside by Pacific Electric. Car. cost \$1.71 Each one way. Dean drove us down to the station and we said goodbye again, about 9 oclock, we leave at 915 a.m. about the first place of interest was El Monte. which seemed to be a great Walnut growing section then past Covina. San Dimas. La Verne. Ponomo & Claremont. all great orange & lemon sections. then around Upland oranges also then thousands of acres of Grapes around. Alta Loma. Etiwandi & Fontana. when we arrived at Rialto the wind was howling. turned south here through Bloomington. more oranges. then through a great cement works a few miles from Riverside. arrived about 11.30 am had dinner at Cafeteria bot some groceries went home and unpacked our trunks found 5 letters & 6 papers to read. we all have colds think it is damp in Los Angeles

{Note at top of page} Riverside elevation 834 feet.

Jan 6th Sunday. did not go any place wrote a letter to John. Lillie wrote Dean, her father & Grandpa we all have bad colds.

Jan 7th Fine & warm here about 70 in shade at noon. saw in Los Angeles papers 18 people dead with the cold on Sunday morning 13 below zero. & nearly zero in Georgia & Tennessee and only 7 above in Pensacola, Florida. saw in tonights paper had dropped to 22 below zero on Sunday night in Chicago Big fire Sunday at Ocean Park (near Venice) \$4 000 000 damage, we were there in 1920.

Jan 8th. Went across to the Park and read the paper. in the afternoon went to Miss Hansens to try & get settled up, she was not home. got our snaps from Masts studio 715 Main street they were fine. the best we have had done yet.

Jan 9th. Cooler & very windy had a run in with Charlotte, do not think it done much good. wrote letters tonight to Stan B, & Harry S. Lillie wrote to Ida. & her sister Lizzie

Jan 10th. Received a letter from Harry S. this morning. went out after dinner took a couple of snaps of the Cactus in the park and a couple of the {Glen?} Mission Hotel, took my suit to get cleaned & pressed, went around again to Miss Hansen, not home

Jan 11th. Received letters from Effie & from Hamilton, we all have bad colds. Doris seems very bad. Lillie went to see Miss Hansen. she is some skinner would only give her 1 months rent back. Got Laundry back charge 5¢ each for collars & 18 cents for shirts. Wrote a letter tonight to {Ormie} Bush

Jan 12th. Fine & warm, got some papers from home. cold there and lots of snow. drifted badly paper says. 8 feet deep near Caledonia. we all have bad colds.

Jan 13th Sunday. Fine & very warm sat in Park in the morning & went for a walk after noon. Lillie wrote three letters, one to Mrs Clayton & one to Dean and to Miss Bingold I finished reading The Wanderers Necklace. G. Haggard.

Jan 14th went down to drug store for more Cough medicine, stopped in on way back to see Mr Coppley his brother was in, asked us to come and see him some evening at 1324 Lime st. he says a lot of cold, on account of so much wind & no rain.

Jan 15th Fine & warm again today Paid Mr Brown the last of our rent \$50.00. Mr & Mrs Brown asked us to come in and hear a Radio Concert. this afternoon from Los Angeles. wrote a lot of cards tonight.

Jan 16th. Fine was over in the Park afternoon & down town in the morning. Received Sat Jan 12 nights Herald this afternoon, only 4 days. Mrs Brown asked us in to hear, the Radio Concert at night Heard music at Pasadena. Los Angeles & Hollywood, also heard Violin at Portland Oregon. say machine cost \$125 without {illegible}

Jan 17th Weather warm. over in the Park afternoon had a talk with the gardener, says we was a fruit grower. Says one of the sights are Apricots in Blossom at Banning in about 3 weeks says they only got from \$35 to \$50 a ton from the canners Walnuts allright he says price down this year only got from 16¢ to 18¢ lb. seem to have a lot of disease. Curculios bad here he says sprayed his peach trees and other trees last week for San Jose scale. {Curculios are weevils.}

Jan 18th. Got talking to an old resident here (20 years) he thinks more money in hens than anything He says lots of almonds at Banning 30 miles away and Peaches & apricots at Hemet. lots of apricots not picked last year. Oranges a lot of work. and chance crop. may make a lot one year and nothing next year

Jan 19th. Walked to Post Office in the morning & mailed some letters. We are getting our

mail pretty good now Received Jan 14th Herald this morning which is less than 4 days received a letter from John today. answered it tonight Got some books on Fruit Growing from County Chamber of Commerce Saw Mr Copley again today asked us over next week.

Jan 20th. My Birthday. my cough not much better than when I was home, guess I am getting old & no good any more weather a little cooler today & windy, went for a walk this afternoon. and wore an overcoat. first time for a long while.

Jan 21st Fine, & warm again today, Vegetables are a good price in the stores here Cabbages 8 & 10¢ lb. Cauliflower 10¢ to 20¢ (not very large). Carrots Beets etc 5¢ bunch. Received a booklet from Fontana Farms Co, selling land at Fontana about 20 miles from Riverside. Orange & Grape fruit Groves \$850 to \$1250 per acre Grape Vineyards \$550 per acre guess we will have to try & go out & see them.

Jan 22nd. Received letters this a m from Ida. Hattie & Dean also a couple of papers. Packed a lunch after breakfast and started down Fairmont st to Fairmont Park. They have an AutoCamp along side of the Park, seemed to be pretty good, had a lot of ~~se~~hacks etc. and there was quite a lot of Autos' there. had our lunch under the trees. on tables they even have a house with a row of Gas plates around it for the people to cook on. Then we took Charlotte & Doris around for slides. swings etc. they also have a building with a lot of pigeons in and some peacocks & owls etc. took some snaps. the weather was ideal and we had a good time The papers say it is cold at home. am afraid we will never be satisfied at home in the winter any more.

Jan 23rd Went up to the Library and exchanged a couple more books in the morning. after dinner we took a ride on the street car out to the end of the street car line Victoria Ave too look up Mrs Bickle. after a walk of about half a mile we arrived at the place Mr & Mrs Bickle were very nice. showed us his chickens has 300 mostly Leghorns but not getting very many eggs at present. he also told us that orange groves around there sold for \$2000 per acre the people across from them sold a thousand boxes oranges before Xmas. got \$800.00 only 80 cts a box, another neighbour only got \$350 for the same quantity last week. do not think there is much money in that this party who got the \$800

expects to have 4000 boxes in all off 10 acres. Claims they do not have to use fumigate smudge pots up there. but it is very dry. going to turn the water in right away, in warm weather they take eert turns having water. certain days for each we also found out about oranges turning green. says the Valencias will turn green if left on till next fall about July the best time to pick Valencias. They gave us a bag of oranges. took their Car out and drove us home.

Jan 24th. Went for a walk out Market st. & Magnolia Ave and across north st, and back down 14th street enjoyed the walk. as it was nice & warm. Heard of a man who sold 5 acres of oranges & when he figured his expenses he was \$27 in the hole.

Jan 25th. Sat in the Park in the morning reading (The Last Chance) took a walk up to the top of Mt Rubidoux it was some climb but a good view of the city from the top. Had a talk with Mrs Brown she says some of her friends not picking their oranges they are so cheap. but hope they will go up later on. has a friend who grows grapes. says there biggest trouble is to get Cars at shipping time. the weather is grand no rain this month yet. but they say they need rain badly on the grain & cattle ranches. was watching the boys play marbles they do not play the same game here as we used to play.

Jan 26th. Doris 2 years old today. did not go any place in particular. I have my cough back again since having a cold. cloudy tonight looks like rain.

Jan 27th Sunday. did not get up very early. went over to the Park for a while this morning and for a walk around town in the afternoon. Partly cloudy all day. and started to rain about 5 oclock. had quiet a shower for a few minutes

Jan 28. Cleared up again this morning. Had another talk with the Gardener in the park. he was planting Geranium slips. He says they had an Elberta Peach here last year weighed 17 ozs He says the country out around Fontana & Rialto awful windy has seen Grape vines 3 feet deep buried in sand, and Hay blown right out of your fields across the country and you have to tie your clothes on the lines after washing.

Jan 29th Took my watch to get fixed it dropped on the floor. Cost \$4.50 to fix some robber I think. in the afternoon. took street car out Magnolia Ave to Arlington Ave. were one of the two first Washington Navel orange trees ever planted in Cal. was planted by Miss Tibbets in 1873. The tree is on the corner and has an iron fence around it. they say it nearly died last year but they planted some young (1 yr) peach trees around it and grafted the tops into the trunk. and it survived alright as it now has oranges on it. we took a snap shot



of it. and some more along Magnolia Ave. some of the Eucalyptus trees were coming into blossom.

Jan 30th Fine & warm. think this has been the warmest day we have had here. this afternoon we all took a walk up to the top of Mt Rubidoix. the walk was grand but a little too warm going up. we took 6 snap shots. Doris & Charlotte got along pretty good. when we got home we had a letter from Hamilton saying it had been 10 below zero on Jan 26th. and here it is so very warm but cool at nights.

Jan 31st. Fine & warm sat in the Park. morning & afternoon. got some pictures and they were all pretty good.

Feb 1st. Sat in the Park reading last Sat. Herald. weather below zero at home and roads blocked by snow drifting went out for a walk, ~~into~~ went through an orange packing house & called at Old Mrs Copley's. she had been sick. gave us some oranges & we came home on the street car. Have a book on Citrus Growing from the Public Library First have Oranges planted about 1870. These are some of the Pointers it says to see to and figure on before you buy. Price per acre. Freedom from frost (Water. Legal Rights amount quality & cost) Continuity of Tract. Quality & Kind of soil, Drainage Outlet. Freedom from Hardpan Freedom from Stones & Brush. Freedom from Alkali. & waste land. Susceptibility to winds nearness to town and Packing house, quality of roads distance from scale infested orchards. other points for bearing orchards. Freedom from scale mottled leaf & diseases. Uniformity of trees, record of yield condition of trees as to pruning adaption of variety to district The Ideal soil is a rich friable loam. 8 or more feet deep growing gradually lighter as the depth increases {hardpan is "a dense, compacted soil layer, often found beneath the topsoil, that significantly restricts water drainage and root penetration"} Planting time April May & June preferably May. Trees rooted on Sour Stocks the best Heaters used are about one for each tree, oil costs about 2 or 3 cents a gallon by car loads

Feb 2nd Did not go any place sat around the park, had a talk with a fellow, who has been here since last spring. Has been all over the country, says it is no good for a poor man. and Riverside the worst place of all. taxes high. \$500 on 40 acres of grove.

Feb 3rd. Sunday. Mother & Charlotte went to church this morning with Mrs. Brown, in the afternoon we sat out in the Park. was reading in a paper here (Orchard & Farm) that they claim to have a blight proof pear called (Favorita) according to there Catalogue. they grow

a lot of the same varieties of apples. plums pears cherries. & peaches. grapes that we grow at home. Ex-President Wilson died this morning at 11.15. He was 68 years old.

Febby 4th. See by this mornings Los Angelas paper, Canada Hockey teams of Toronto, wins championship of the world at Olympic Games in France Beats United States in final game 6 to 1. Canadians Beat Czecho-Slovakia - 30 to 0. Sweden

22-0. Switzerland 33 to 0 -

Febby 5th. Took the Radial Car this a m. at 10 40 to San Bernardino about 11 miles from here the Fare was 47 cents each return. we passed through Colton on the way. near Colton there were quite a lot of Olives grown, but mostly all the way from here to San Bernardino was oranges. we had our dinner in the Park. took a snap of the Soldiers monument. they have a big Auditorium here erected as a memorian to the soldiers killed in the big war. we saw inside. I guess it would hold 3000 people we walked around some of the

{Note at top of page} San. Bernardino Elevation 1031 feet

main streets and down to the Santa Fe station & Harvey house. it is quite a nice place. population about 25,000 we left at 420 and arrived at Riverside just before 5 oclock.

Febby 6th. Had a walk over to Post Office. posted some Cards we sent a couple of small boxs Tangerines one to Grandpa Mac & one to Grandpa. B. sat around the Park. with the Knockers club all say Riverside is a holdup place and orange business no good. hear of failures every day. Met an old man from Minn. who had been in the Civil war. and has belonged to the Odd Fellows for 62 years next June. he had a 55 year badge wrote cards at night.

Febby 7th. nothing in particular happened today. read awhile, sat in the park had a bad head ache went to bed about 7.30

Febby 8th. some fog this morning today was partly cloudy and a little cooler. went for a walk around town. wrote some cards & Letters.

Febby 9th. nothing doing today was down town to the Post Office in the morning and over to the Park in the afternoon. met a fellow from Chicago working two days a week he says going back as soon as warm weather comes.

Feb 10th Sunday. another fine day am afraid we will never like to stay in Canada again in the winter. took the street car out to Arlington about 7 or 8 miles, between here and Corona. took a walk out a country road. had some oranges. came back another road. past Arlington Santa Fe Station. they say the Arlington heights orange Co'y {Company} has 10000 acres oranges there was a regular Mexican Colony here in little houses & shacks. I guess they work picking oranges here we took some snaps also one of a mexican chicken house & chickens. we sure had a nice walk and just got back to Magnolia ave when we saw the car coming. we got home at 5 oclock. Charlotte does enjoy going around. she is getting to be some walker and Doris does pretty good too.

Feb 11th. Monday. Fine & warm this morning temperature at 9 oclock was 66. We expected some papers this morning but none arrived. they are a whole week behind now. I have been getting some Catalogues of Plants & Seeds They have a lot of the same Varieties here as we have in strawberries but prices for plants are higher \$10 to \$14 per 1000, Blackberries \$40.00 to \$75.00 per thousand. also have niagara & Concord Grapes here. also plums apples, cherries .. same varieties as we have - Vegetable seeds. nearly all the same Kinds and prices about the same as at home. was over to the Park this afternoon and heard some more of the Knockers Club. one man from Iowa had been here since May only saw 4 good rains. worked on a ranch out Magnolia ave quit left. could not get his pay. had some Apricots two varieties sweet & sour. Says you could not eat either one too sweet other too sour Canneries use the sour ones. Says orange land running out as they cannot get manure and costs about \$80 an acre per year to water. and \$60 a year to water an acre of Alfafa. the other man was a Carpenter from Mass. only works part of the time. grow a lot of cranberries were he comes from. says the plant on bogs. first cover with 5 inches of sand to keep the weeds down. have to wait 3 years for a crop. they run like strawberries. they cover with water a couple of months in the winter to Kill the Cranberry weevil. and have a machine with a scoop to pick them. he says Walnuts best to grow here. nothing bothers them much only Codling Moth.

Feb 12th. Warm again today talking to a man from Colorado he is like all the rest here says oranges no good in price, costs too much to raise. thinks Alfafa best as the dry farmers are all out of it this year on account of no rain.

Feb 13th. Left the house at 9.40 am. to Catch 10 oclock bus to Redlands but owing to a misunderstanding there was no bus till 1130 so we had

{Note at top of page} Redlands elevation 1340 feet.

to wait. It was fine & warm not a cloud in sight and a lovely drive, with oranges both sides of the road. we went through the Village of Highgrove, some large packing houses here after leaving there we saw quite a lot of Peach orchards several men in them trimming them. they certainly give it to them. look about half cut away. also saw a few apricots in blossom. we then come Loma Linda. where there is a Seven Day advents Sanatorium. the Garage there had a sign up. (no repairs nor nothing sold From Friday Sundown to Sat. sundown) as Saturdays are their Sundays. we had to change buses here after about 15 minutes delay we started on for Redlands. more oranges along the road. at Redlands we found out last bus leaves for Riverside at 3 oclock so only have 2¼ hours here. it seems to be a nice town but a lot of {gores} and the streets running all directions we had our lunch in Smiley Park and took a few snaps it was a very nice Park. but awful hot. we nearly cooked. coming home I had a talk with the driver. he had been in Toronto. says he has seen it 10 days straight Temperature 115 to 120. and

{Note at top of page} Return Fare Riverside to Redlands by bus 70¢}

around 100 to 110 for weeks but he did not mind it as much as 90 in Oregon where he come from. a friend of his shipped 90 boxs oranges east cleared \$13. on them after expenses says Peaches & Apricots half not picked last year. Got home a little after 4. our Thermometer in the sun read 102 and 91 in the shade. another exception they say only one Feby Day hotter since they have Kept records. Population of Redlands 9600 Elevation 1340 ft.

Feby 14th. Left on the 10.40 bus for Banning F 35 miles East of here. Fare. \$2 00 each. return we went same road to Redlands as yesterday. After leaving Redlands we were mostly out of the orange Belt. and mostly going through the hills more of a farming country. Then when we got near Beaumont we saw quite a lot of fruit orchards. it was only a small place pop. 857 altitude 2559 feet from there to Banning 7 miles more orchards. also a lot of Almonds in blossom. arrived at Banning about 1230. had our lunch in Auto Camp. then started out for a walk. out a side road saw orchards of prunes. almonds some apples & quinces, also a couple of fig trees. thousands of the Almond trees out in blossom. Apricots will be out

in a couple of weeks. saw some apricots that had just been sprayed with Blue stones saw a man. pruning in a large pear orchard. his name was Porter. had a talk with him. said they only got \$15 per ton for apricots last year while \$60 the year before. was in some Kind of a peach growers ass. {association} did not get any thing for the last 4 years. they grow Some Elberta's the pears he was trimming were Winter Nellis & Bartletts. says they never have any blight nor San Jose scale also saw some Grapes. we took a snap, they certainly cut their trees back & thin them. he says orchards are worth \$500 & \$600 per acre includes one share of water per acre rights valued at \$200.00 only saw a half a dozen orange & lemon trees I guess too cold up there claims to be very healthy on account of the Altitude according to Mr Porter. he had throat trouble and it cured him and is a sure cure for asthma. Left at 615 pm for home. had to sit on the door as far as Beaumont the bus so crowded. got home about 8 oclock.

Feb 15th Received letter from John also one from Hamilton. got called down from John. says he wished he had got plants grown etc. having a rest today. did not go any place.

Feb 16th. Partly cloudy this morning got a letter from Effie and another from Ham. saying they received the box of oranges was over in the Park for a while. got pictures 18. (3 films 18) all were pretty good. no rain yet, only the one little shower since Dec 31st.

Feb 17th. Sunday. Warm & windy went down to Fairmont Park. took some Bread crusts for Charlotte & Doris to feed the mud hens. quiet a crowd there and lots out in boats on the water. saw the first straw hat of the season.

Feb 18th Received letters from Ida & Mr Smith. say every thing alright at home. was zero the day Ida wrote and it was 91 here the same day. very warm today was over at the Park, every body hunting for shade.

Feb 19th. started out this morning at 1040 by Electric car for Redlands. changed cars at San Bernardino after leaving there we went through a farming district. saw several large dairy farms. they had large herds of fine cows. when nearing Redlands. saw some very fine orange groves, about the best we have seen this winter. also more Grapefruit then we have seen before. took the bus to University Grounds. & went through Sylvan Park. some very nice flowers etc. then we went to Smiley Heights had a walk up part of the way very pretty views of Redland from there. Arrived home at 6 20 p.m.

Feb 20th. Dean & Garth arrived down here to visit us at noon today. had a walk around the Park. and drove down to Fairmont Park. the lake was spoilt as they are letting the water

into the part. went to the Mission Theatre & saw the picture name The Man. had to take his car around to a Garage. Mr B. would not let us put it in the back yard. on account of Renting his Garage

Febry 21st. Dean, Garth, & the rest of us started about 10 oclock for San Bernardino. we stopped at Urbita Springs Park had our lunch. took some pictures it was nice. with a large Artificial lake. also a large Building with a Sulphur Hot water spring inside, use for bathing. we then went on a little farther down the road to the Orange show they had a tent full of orange & Lemon exhibits. some of them very fine and built mostly out of oranges San Diego Co. showed the bridge entering Balboa park. the real bridge is 130 feet at highest point. and 1000 feet long. Hemet was a house built and covered side & roof and all over with oranges, also an industrial tent. one section Auto's but was nothing like Toronto. Saw a large Bean spraying outfit running The motor was 4 cylinder and had a Auto Radiator and was on the front end. with the tank at the back. and the high wheels at the back were as high as top of tank with 15 Horse power engine gave up to 400 lbs pressure the man demonstrating it said it cost \$1208 here also a midway. lots of attractions but not doing much business was kind of disappointed as we had heard so much of it. but the orange exhibit part of it was alright. when you consider it is Febry. called at Colton to get Deans baby met Mrs Willetts. She seemed nice but wanted you to know she was somebody. got home about 5.30 p.m.

Febry 22nd. Had a walk with Dean through the museum at the mission Inn. they have every thing you mention, old guns, bells crosses, pictures of missions old baskets, furniture of all Kinds. war armour room after room and gallery after gallery full of them they were certainly worth seeing. Dean and family left for home about 3 oclock. wrote to H. Simmons

Febry 23rd. We left P. E. station at 10 30 for Fontana about 20 miles north west of here. after leaving here we passed the Riverside Cement plant, it is a large plant. with a capacity of 6500 barrels cement a day. is built right on the side of a mountain. which they claim is a regular mountain of cement. (there is also another plant at Colton 10 miles from here) which they call the mountain of cement. then we came to Bloomington. mostly all oranges & lemons and a few olives around there and all the way to Rialto. here you turn west for a few miles. along here nothing much growing. some fields of grain a few inches high and look as if they were burning up. for want of rain. when we got off at Fontana, it looked like a very dismal place, all sand like the desert. the place has just started. only a few houses a new station a school. and a large Packing house. one store. we started out for a walk. nothing but sand. saw a man who had 1500 young chlckens. 5 weeks old. sat down under a

shade tree when a couple of men from the Coy's office came along and asked us to go for a ride. This company has 18000 acres of Groves & Vineyard etc. and are selling off part of them. they have 5000 acres of grapes in one block. are selling some. one & two year old. at 10 acre lots at 550 per acre. they also have 5000 acres oranges. selling some at \$12 00 per acre, and one acre lots. for chicken raising at \$650 per acre. they have 48000 hogs in the place for their manure. which they sell at \$5 00 per ton delivered. also in the chicken business have thousands of white Leghorns also hatch chickens and sell to you for 20 and 25 cents each. one day old. have incubators capable of hatching 48000 eggs at one time. saw through it & saw some chickens just hatching. they turn the eggs 5 times each 24 hours. and can turn the 48000 in five minutes (turned with a crank) called at the office. they would like very much to get your money, but of course you had to buy quick as they are nearly sold out. one benefit they claim they have loads of water always they irrigate grapes from 3 to 5 times a year. Cost only about \$15.00 per acre takes \$2.50 an acre. Claim they can get 6½ tons per acre of some Kinds. they grow mostly wine & table grapes not many for raisins. arriving back at the station talked to the station agent he says Cal. no good. he says they advertise good fishing. he says you go and catch two trout as long as half a lead pencil and call it a days fishing. I think they have a lot of wind here as it was blowing pretty hard when we left. a young fellow said it blows a lot in the winter for about three months. got home about 6 o'clock.

{Note at top of page} The altitude here is about 1425 feet.

received a letter from John saying Mrs Smith was very sick and not expected to live. has blood poisoning in her arm. they are having a hard time of it. wrote back and asked him to let us know. John wants me to order 150 montmoency cherry trees for him.

Feb 24 Sunday, has been blowing hard all night and yet this morning. Lillie and Charlotte going to church. Sat around and read most of the day sat in the Park. for awhile after dinner. but there was too much wind for comfort. although it was not cold

{Note at top of page} P.S. Upper & Lower berths from here to Chicago \$42.00

Feb 25th Mailed letters this am to Mr. Smith & Effie. went to Union Pacific. to see about our tickets. we can leave right here from Riverside for home without going to Los Angeles saw in the paper that arrived this am, (Wed Feb 20th Herald) that on the 19th & 20th. the worst storm of the winter. all over Ontario, street cars & trains all blocked, and in the Burlington paper it said. the mail man had to walk with the mail to Freeman on the morning

of the 20th. roads drifted so bad also saw in the Riverside paper that the wind storm here on Sat. night damaged the Orange show to the amt. of \$200 000.

Febby 26th. Posted a letter to Grandpa called to get trunk lock. that I left to get repaired, not done yet. Paid Gas Bill it was \$5.25. from Jan 5th to Febby 5th for both cooking & heating we thought it would be more as we used it quiet a lot. was over in the Park. in the afternoon. weather was fine got tired & went to a picture show at the Rubidoux it was pretty good. called a Ride for your life. a western picture also the comic one was good. called the Travelling Barber. it was a Barber Shop on a Motor Cycle side car. and was very funny.

Febby 27th. was going to Hemet today, but there is another norther blowing as they call it here. it is warm but blowing hard, so we did not go. Paid Electric light Bill Jan 20th to Febby 20th \$1.75 the rate here is 8 cents for small amounts. Sat around in the Park in the afternoon talked to a man who motored here last May from Iowa. says he would never motor again over the mountains. one place he had to back up to get around a corner. and the bottom was about 400 feet down. does not like it here any way. nothing here only the Tourists to make any money out of. They think around here money in chickens but I dont see it as eggs are only 25 cts a doz retail in the stores.

Febby 28th. we left this morning on the 10 30 bus for Hemet. fare \$2.25 return. it is 34 miles south west of Riverside the first 3 or 4 miles. from Riverside were all oranges then we started climbing the hills all rocks, the road curving around between hills. till we got on top. then from here to La Verde. was all farming country. but looked as if every thing was dried up. at La Verde we saw some large orchards of, pears, peaches etc. from there on to Perris the road runs down Valleys between hills and was all farming country Leaving Perris we go straight West 16 miles of farming country. (were it is not rocks and hills) till within a mile of Hemet. arrived about noon. left our coats at a drug store & started down the main street. we came to a nice shady cross street called Santa Fe street we had our lunch under some pepper trees. on the other side was Olive trees. we picked a few branches of them with Olives hanging on yet. saw a man ploughing an apricot orchard with a disk plow. (three large discs and a wheel to pack it over) drawn by a tractor. took a snap of it also a snap of the orchard the apricots were in blossom, they sure trim the trees back, one reason the man said was that the trees all shot out shoots and they shaded the fruit and kept it from sun scalding. he said they have been very cheap. some old as low as \$10 00 per ton should have \$30.00 to a ton to make anything. very dry here this winter has been irrigating his orchard for 6 days. and it looked dry to me. now, he says they are all sold to



the Canning Factories have two in the town, also said they grow a few acres of strawberries, but if weather happens to be very warm when ripening. they are not much good. the cheapest they sold retail in pint boxs was 2 for 25 cents. saw some nice. Peach and Walnut groves also a few Almonds the blossoms were gone of the almonds now. good orchards seemed to be worth around \$700 to \$1000 per acre. it was very warm. he said you do not mind it. he came from Minnesota and no more cold weather for him. had a look around town it is kind of nice but not very large. left there at 10 minutes to four. home at 10 after five.

Feby 29th. The last day of Feby and not a day of rain all month and only one shower in Jan. went up to the Packing house got some fine oranges at 2½ cents a lb. or 15¢ dozen fixed new lock on trunk. and saw S. Pacific agent. says we can go one way and back another way to San Francisco. ordered trees today from Maloney Bros N.Y.

150 cherries mont for John
100 Black Rasps " "
40 New York Prunes for myself
15 Shropshire Damsons " "
8 Duchess apples " "
2 Yellow Transparent apples " "
2 Rochester Peaches. and
4 apples 3 cherries 1 weeping willow replace what died.

took some more films over to Mast the photographer to get printed. Received a letter from John. he says Mrs Smith better but not out of danger yet. also tells about the big snow storm, mail man not around for a whole week. and roads all blocked snow 4 and 5 feet deep, was in the Packing House today. saw every thing working. First they dump the oranges into a vat of water. then they bounce and roll over a lot of roller brushes to shake the water off then up a carrier and travel around on carriers till they dry then down a shoot with chunks of cotton to rub them dry then down another slide. where some sit and sort the culls out as they go past. the culls they put on another carrier and are carried to the end, and emptied into boxes. the good oranges then turn and go down on top of the sorting table, and each size drops in a separate bin the women then wrap and set the full boxes on a carrier which goes up one side across the end and down the other side of the table. where a man puts the top on with a press. then next to a coil of strip iron. where they are bound around the ends of boxes and then trucked out the door into the cars.

March 1st. Warm and a little cloudy this morning but no rain yet. mailed a letter to Ida, this morning got our pictures and they where all good but one. wrote a letter to John tonight.

March 2nd Sunday. Had a surprise in the night. woke up in the night and heard it raining and was showery all morning. also something more unusual happened we heard some thunder also had some hail for a few minutes. a few showers in the afternoon. Saw in last weeks paper. an Epedemic of the worst kind of small pox at Windsor hundreds of cases and seven deaths – also cases at London, ont. we have to go through London on the way home.

March 3rd. Cooler and partly cloudy today received a letter from Fred Bell, saying that they had colds and that Hattie had the flu and there was a lot of it in Pasadena.

March 4th. still cool and partly cloudy. Charlotte & Doris not very well, hope they are not getting the measles as Donald Brown in the other side of the house has had them. Went to Dr Baird and had an examination he says no T. B. but very bad shape, advised going to Banning to live where the elevation is high. also too take the serum treatment for prevention of colds. Should take about 20 treatments one every other day.

March 5th. Went to another Dr. this afternoon for another examination as we where not satisfied he says about the same thing only that the trouble is acute Bronchitis and advised going to the desert to live a year or so at Palm Springs, where it is very warm & dry.

and sometimes does not rain once in four or five years, and not to go home until April 15th, at least. so guess it is a show down. looks like we will have to sell out at home.

March 6th. Charlotte sick this morning measles I guess. as she is sneezing and coughing a lot. Took my first dose in the arm from Dr Baird this morning. The weather is fine again went over to the Park. had a talk with the gardener. he says when he got a small place, he went to Lewis store the largest grocery if they would buy his fruit but they told him no. they bought from the wholesaler by large lots. he thinks chickens is the best has 800. they even go past the door and collect the eggs twice a week I mean the association does. saw another old resident of here. says this place will be dead this summer on account of no rain this winter. the farmers will not want any farm help. as they have no crops of hay or grain. eight or ten years ago orange groves sold as low as \$300 to \$500 an acre. and that the boom started about 4 years ago Received letters from Ham. and Mr Smith. Mrs Smith is getting better.

March 7. Charlotte & Doris sneezed and coughed all night Charlotte in bed this morning with a beautiful rash over her face. weather is fine & warm and bright it sure is wonderful winter weather my arm getting sore today what will it be like when I get twenty injections. Charlotte very sick has the measles proper we guess.

March 8th. Charlotte very sick yet. and Doris coughing and sneezing guess she is getting them too. got second dose in my arm this morning. The Dr. thinks Banning is alright says it does not get as hot there in summer as here but I guess cooler in winter. says they grow a lot of cherries at Beaumont. Had a real Estate agent in trying to sell a orange grove or Walnuts grove. Charlotte & Doris both got a real dose of measles. Had Dr Rob{ler} in about 11 oclock tonight

March 9th Sunday. Charlotte looks a little better. but Doris out good now. weather same as usual fine & warm

March 10th Received letter from John have no hot bed manure in yet when he wrote on March 4th. will be late this year. also letter from Ida answering our inquiry asking her to ask Mr Heldman about our trunk says we can send in Bond direct to Burlington. was over in the Park met an old gentleman from St Louis who had been often in Toronto and knew Rev Mr Wilson in Hamilton very well also his brother in St Louis. also saw a party who knew Salt Lake City. said it was a lovely city and that the Seven Day Adventists had an convention there on April 6th said the Utah hotel was high priced but the Windsor was a good hotel.

March 11th. nothing doing Charlotte & Doris in bed yet but seem to be improving went down town bot a couple of pipes one for Grandpa other for Smith

March 12th. Fine & warm but with strong north wind. Dr Baird says more wind this winter than any other winter since he came 34 years ago, got 4th shot in my arm. pretty sore this time. Ottawa won the group Hockey Championship for Professionals. Hamilton in last place.

March 13th Asked Mr Brown he says we can stay on a couple of weeks longer, our time was out March 20th. Weather is still Fine & warm.

March 14th. Got some small oranges at the Fay Packing house a whole big paper bag for 15 cents about 100 I guess. Got letter from John. Saying they got car of manure on March 7th, and had the hot beds up on March 8th. says Smith knows nothing about hot beds. Got a letter from Fred, says they would like to come down and see us some Sunday guess they are not going home with us.

March 15th. Partly cloudy today. received a couple of pictures from Jeffries the baker showing the snow at home on March 10th. Hamilton won the Senior O.H.A. Finals from Stratford 4 to 3. Niagara Falls won Intermediate O. H.A from Peterboro by 7 to 6. and Kitchener won the Semi Finals from Hamilton 8 to 7 in the Junior O.H.A. There is a circus in town today at corner of 8th and Ottawa streets. but did not go,

March 16th Sunday. Fine & warm had another dose in my arm. and it is very sore tonight.

March 17th. Received letters this morning from John & Grandpa B. and Mrs Barlow. John says he had all the seeds sowed on March 12th. Mrs Smith very bad yet. Sent money to Maloney Bros for trees. Draft \$381.59 should get the 5% also the exchange which I Paid out of my money. Discount was \$728 {\$7.28} exchange in money \$5.52 Total amount I Paid was \$151.39. Haveing a few light showers this morning Canadeions of Montreal won the Series between 1st & 2nd place. with Ottawa and now play the west for Pro. Championship Sault St Marie beat Niagara Falls 7 - 0 in the Allan cup Elimination. and now play Ham. Tigers next.

March 18th. Cooler today. this month so far has been cooler than Febys. Charlotte & Doris out first time after the measles. Some of the orange trees now coming in blossom and they smell nice. got a letter from Dean he is talking about going to Houston Texas now. The small pox Epedemic at Windser has been pretty bad. about 30 dead so far

March 19th Fine again today we all went for a short walk. and over to the Park.

March 20th. Cloudy this morning and a good shower this evening. We got a letter from Fred Bell they all expect to come to see us on Sunday. and a card from John dated Mch 14th Saying the seeds where coming up and lots of snow there yet. have had a pretty steady winter

March 21st Cold and cloudy today about the coldest day this year. got another letter from John complaining about Smith.

March 22nd Received another letter from John. wanting his tree order cancelled too late now as I have paid for them. got another dose in my arm Owen Sound. O.H.A Junior champions beat North Bay N.H.A. champions by 4 to 2 on March 17th.

March 23rd Sunday. cool & cloudy rained all last night and some showers today Expected Fred & Hattie & Alex. Bell & Mrs McIntyre and Mrs Howard down to see us. but they never showed up. on account of rain I guess. went for a short walk but weather not very pleasant.

March 24th. Had another injection in my arm. the Dr says I should continue treatments longer than we expected. we had decided to leave April 1st, but he wants me to stay another week. Have not decided yet, but I know I should be home. Ham. Senior O.H.A. champions lost the Round with the Soo northern champions by 9 to 6 on March 18th. on March 19th Owen Sound Juniors Ontario champions beat Quebec Junior champions 18 - 3 - and leave for Winnipeg to play the finals

March 25th. weather fine today went for a walk this morning every thing looking nice since the Showers all the flowers and roses are coming out in bloom fast. in the afternoon we all went for a walk up 8th street past the millionaires row the homes. and lawns where lovely. with roses and all Kinds of flowers and some had Ivy Geraniums climbing the Palm trees & Electric lights posts with lots of them out in bloom we folled the Los Angeles' highway out around. back of Mt Rubidoux to where the new Bridge crosses the Santa Anna River, not much water in the river only a few small streams. there was some seats here and steps cut into the rocks and a fountain at the bottom for watering horses we took a few snaps. on the way back we saw two motor cycle cops give a fellow in a Ford a summons for speeding. we came back down 7th street. some lovely homes on it near the upper end, where it is called Rubidoux heights. pretty tired when

we got home, have not done any walking much, for a month.

March 26th. Raining nearly all day. went again to the doctors had another dose in my arm not so sore this time saw the smallest car ever saw. on main st. only room for one man. low down, short, and only about half the width of ordinary car very heavy rain about 5 oclock. heaviest we have seen here.

March 27. Rained nearly all night. fine this morning walked up to the Post Office in the afternoon we all took a walk but it was cool & partly cloudy, had a light shower with a little bit of small hail

March 28. Fine this morning but a little cool. went to the Dr got more medicine also a good one in my arm. very sore all afternoon and tonight. Received a letter from John, saying they expected to transplant cabbages on March 24th. Mrs Spencer Smith died last Friday March, 21st.

March 29th. 500. Senior OHA champions beat. Sons of Ireland of Quebec in Semi Finals on the round 6 to 2 and Owen Sound Juniors win over Kenora in Semi Finals 15 to 12 on the round. Paid Electric light Bill \$1.30 for a month. we expect Bells down from Pasadena tomorrow if it is fine met a man in the Park from Toronto. often in Hamilton he says and Burlington also. is a show case fitter.

March 30th. Sunday Fred & Hattie arrived at 1 oclock. went for a walk in White Park and over to the Mission Inn. they think Riverside is a dandy place. we took a couple of pictures in the Park and one at the Mission Inn. The weather was lovely finest for a long time. They did not to go home so we got them a room at the Plaza Hotel. Called up Dean and said Good bye, his boys have chicken pox. He has lots of trouble too.

March 31st Just like summer again this morning. went for a walk. to take some pictures took two of a Dr's garden on 10th street and two of Residence's on Rubidoux Heights and one on 7th street also some in the Park. on the way, saw a swarm of bees on a pepper tree hanging over the sidewalk. After dinner we took Fred & Hattie down to Fairmont Park on the street car. they thought it fine, in fact they like it here. got their room again at the Plaza. cost us \$5.00 for two nights. went up to the Fay. Coy Packing House got some large oranges. 18 oranges weighed 16 lbs cost 55 cts, and 16 lemons weighed 4 lbs – cost 15 cents. they sure were big ones. we then packed one trunk after night as we leave here Thursday night.

April 1st. Lillie left on the 10 30 Electric Car for Los Angeles to see Dean before we leave for Home. Fred & Hattie left at 1 10 by bus for Pasadena we walked up with them to station, and on the way back. got our berths at Union Pacific St, a Section Lower & Upper. cost \$52.65 also got my hat I had getting cleaned cost \$1.50. see in the Herald Montreal won Prof. Hockey Championship. Beat Calgary in the finals. Owen Sound Juniors beat ~~Winnipeg~~ Calgary in first game of finals 5 to 3 Soo Beat Selkirks from Manitoba 6 - 2. in first game of finals at 9 p.m. tonight. raining very hard. Owen Sound tie second game so win Junior Championship of Canada. score 7 to 5.

{Side note} Soo. wins Senior O.H.A and Championship of Canada.

April 2nd getting ready to go home. Took books back to Library and got my \$2.00 deposit back, & notified Gas Co & Electric Light Co. to read metres tomorrow. went out to say Goodbye to Mrs Copley, also saw her two daughters there and one son. Fred, who is laid up with a frog felon. on his hand. he is in bad shape they say, and had an awful time. We leave tomorrow Thursday evening at 649 p.m. G. Union Pacific by Salt Lake and Omaha to Chicago & should arrive at Hamilton next Monday am, at 750

April 3rd. Our last day here cloudy this morning looks like rain. Settled up. with Electric Light & Gas. Coy's, had my last dose in my arm. Paid up the Dr he only charged me \$17.50 Had a run in with Browns soaked us \$15.00 for wear on hardwood floors. also every little thing that was broken. Mrs Brown even tapped the dishes all with a lead pencil to see if they where cracked they are like all the rest down here all they want is money. they say any thing when you have no witnesses of course they waited till we where all ready to leave before they said any thing as then we had no chance to do any thing as Dean was my only witness and he in Los Angeles 60 miles away. the only bright spot in Riverside was Dr Baird he certainly used me alright. The weather cleared up about noon and is now lovely and bright.. Had trunks taken to station cost \$1.00 baggageman kicked about weight. we went over in the Park. and took a picture of Charlotte & Doris. in a the Elevation here is 1076 a couple of hundred feet higher than Riverside the population is about 18700. the orange show we went to see is held here in San Bernardino. after leaving here we start climbing up mountains through Cajon pass. at Summit the the highest point elevation 3820 feet. the top of the Sierra Madre Range. went to bed about 9 oclock.

April 4th. Woke up this morning about 7 oclock in amongst the hills in Nevada state. in the night we went through Barstow. (a

town we where in four years ago in Cal.) at 1020. and Yelmo. at 1045 p.m. a division point of W. Pac. supposed to be one of the best health resorts {illegible word crossed out} for lung trouble owing to dry air & mild climate. we crossed out of Cal. into Calif. Nevada about 2 oclock in the morning. arrived at Las Vegas Nev about 4 oclock. a.m. Elevation here 2034 feet. fruits, Vegetables. and melons famous for there flavor grown here. when we woke up at 7 oclock we where going through the Ranbow

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Canyon. the scenery is fine. railroad curves out and in between hills and through tunnels must have gone through ten. the hills are all rocks, of different colors some straight up the sides for hundreds of feet. the porter says the road was all washed out in 1910. we sat out on the back platform for a while as we are in the observation car. we are handy, to get out. took a snap of a tunnel also one of the hills. do not know whether they will be any good taken while train was going arrived at Caliente Nev at 8.35. got off train and took a couple of snaps. the scenery is grand here. with hills all around the elevation is 4396. feet but is only a small place pop. 595 we put our watches on one hour here and left at 945 after staying 10 minutes. after leaving here we begin to climb through the Nevada Canyons till we arrive at Crestline, (the last 26 miles all through Canyons) elevation 5992 feet elevation. at 1030 we began to see a little snow on the hills crossed into Utah State about 11 oclock a.m. travelled up the Escalante Valley for 274 miles to Lund. this valley is supposed to be a great agricultural district but nothing doing on the ground yet. you could see hills both sides of the valley. we arrived at Milford Utah at 125 p.m. took a snap of the station. the elevation here is 4968 feet and pop. 1308 weather colder here. large cattle & sheep yards at station. with a lot of cattle & sheep. awaiting shipment. we are still in the Escalante valley, they claim the road runs for a hundred miles straight without a curve. with hills each side. arrived at Oasis at 315. a lot of Alfafa hay grown here. next place Delta 330 pm in the Pahvant Valley. there is a large sugar Beet factory cost a million and a quarter. the elevation 4649 Pop. 939 there are lots of cattle feeding here on the old grass after leaving here the country gets rougher again. some of the high hills have snow on some so far away they look blue in color. through here and near a place called Lynndyl there are thousands of acres under irrigation stopped at Tintic for 10 minutes a little silver mining town the weather is getting colder. reached the highest elevation between Salt Lake & Los Angelas at Boulder 6043 feet. arrived at stockton at 630 p.m. situated on Stockton Lake. had supper in the diner and it cost us \$3.10 and not much to eat at that about 7 oclock we came in sight of great Salt Lake. the largest salt water lake in the world 70 miles long & 30



miles wide. it is so salty people in bathing, who even cannot swim, can not sink. they say take 4 cups of water and let it evaporate and you have one cup of salt. the sunset over the lake was very beautiful, going into Salt Lake City we saw a lot of little mining towns. with their lights ~~ago~~ all going they looked pretty. in at the foot of the high mountains. we stopped half an hour at Salt Lake. we got off and took a walk about a block from the station after leaving we went to bed.

April 5th. we passed through Ogden 915 pm last night here one liner runs to San Francisco and the other to Los Angeles. (the one we are on) we went through Weber Canyon and Echo Canyon and crossed into Wyo State about 12 oclock at night arrived at Rawlins about 7 oclock. this am. A very rough country here. cattle & sheep raising the principle thing hard job to Keep them alive no rain for nine months in the year they say only a little in winter some snow on the ground here and very cold. the elevation high here 6749 feet. pop. 3969. arrived at Rock River at 935 a.m. went through a snow shed here must have been a mile long a stock raising country here. with oil wells a few miles away. lots of snow and ice here with snow fences along the tracks. with some drifts as high as the fences. the elevation here 6904 feet. at Laramie Wyo at 1025 took a snap of a burning ~~with~~ oil tank. Laramie is on the river of the same name and is shipping centre for live stock. there was a high ridge of mountans in the distance covered with snow. saw more sheep here than any place. saw three camp outfits on covered wagons travelling with the sheep. they say some times they never see any body for a couple of months. the next 25 miles to Hermosa the wildest looking country you ever saw rocks and knolls, all colors and descriptions. went through a tunnel here 1800 feet long. arrived at highest point on the road. at Sherman at 100 a.m. elevation 8009 feet. some wild looking wilderness here with lots of snow and ice. going down grade now. at Cheyenne next stop at 1225 we have dropped to 6058 ft elevation. this is quite a large place pop. 16500. the largest we have been through since leaving Salt Lake City. There is a fort near here. called Fort Russell, established in 1867, and was used during the last war. after leaving here the country looks better. saw some farms that had been ploughed, and places where they had grown some corn. and the snow has all gone now guess we will not likely see much more. at Pine Bluffs. is a line of Hills & Knolls with scrub pine trees on. we crossed into Nebraska after travelling right across the southern part of the state of Wyoming at Kimbal Neb. at 2 p.m. must be celebration day, as there where bands playing. it was quiet a nice looking town. at Sydney Neb. at 310 Took a snap of back of train. seems to be a lot of grain grown here and lots of hay stacked in the fields. and thousands of cattle in the fields

arrived at Julesburg Colorado. the only place we touch in Col. as we just go across the corner. arrived here at 410 a.m. and then pass right back into Nebraska the elevation here is a lot lower only 3647 feet. at North Platte at 6 pm we put on our watch here another hour. and left at 710 p.m. is it quite a large place situated on the Platte River. and used to be the home of Buffalo Bill after leaving Kearney Platte we go through Lexington and Kearney. a great farming country corn wheat & oats.

April 6th. In Iowa this morning, at 730, crossed about 230 this morning. the first place we noticed was. Ames This looks like a better farming country the soil looks better mostly black. mostly corn grown. they just pull the ears off the stalks in the fall and turn the cattle and other stock in to eat the stalks no hills here. but the land is kind of rolling. with a few bunches of trees. went through Marshalltown at 830 am. quite a large town at Cedar Rapids at 1015 took a snap of the Park. it looks dismal here to what it was in Cal. every thing brown. nothing green more hilly through here. with more brush and trees at Clinton at 1230 took a snap of a Coca Cola sign off back of train crossed the Mississippi River after leaving here. it is not nearly as wide here as at New Orleans. and seems to have a lot of little islands in it. at Dixon Illinois at 125. p.m. mostly all corn grown here no fruit only saw a few trees all the way. arrived in Chicago at 355 on time. took Parmlees transfer bus to Dearborn St station passed the Post Office on the way down it looked familiar as we where in it several times four years ago we had our supper at Harveys Restaurant in Dearborn station and only had a few minutes to wait till the Can Nat leaves for Hamilton. we got on train at 5 15 and left at 5 30 p.m. wrote out a paper. the immigration inspector gave us, so we would not have to be awakened at Port Huron as we cross the border about 230 in the night stopped at Valpariso Indiana for a few minutes at 730 p.m. Have a young couple in the berth across from us. who look like newly weds they went to bed at 730. Had a talk with some men in the smoker bragging up Fred Harveys eating houses on the Santa Fe. we went to bed about 9 oclock.

April 7th. Had a good nights sleep woke up at 615. near Brantford it looks cold. some snow & ice. arrived at Hamilton at 750 on time. after a good trip all the way. Grandpa Boniface was to

the station to meet us. so we took street car to 94 Grosvenor Ave. and had breakfast we are all pretty tired. in the afternoon we took the bus to Burlington leaving Charlotte & Doris in Hamilton, and found every thing alright. but everey thing looks cold and dismal and brown. no flowers.

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