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Ephemera, 1919

Green Stamps, Sperry and Hutchinson Co.
A sheet of 10 Green Stamps expiring January 1, 1919

Photographs, 1910, 1912-1918, 1920 and undated

Negatives, Parental School, undated
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Miscellaneous photographs, undated
Miscellaneous Photographs #2 & Family, houses & buildings, 1910, 1912, 1915-1917 and undated

Publications, 1905-1907, 1909, 1924

Fourth Annual Report of the Chicago Parental School for the year ending December 31, 1905,
The Board of Education of the City of Chicago
Fifth Annual Report of the Chicago Parental School for the year ended December 31, 1906, The
Board of Education of the City of Chicago
Sixth Annual Report of the Chicago Parental School for the year ended December 31, 1907, The
Board of Education of the City of Chicago
Eighth Annual Report of the Chicago Parental School for the year ended December 31, 1909, The
Board of Education of the City of Chicago
The Boy Agriculturist, October 1924, Volume 17, Number 10, St. Charles School for Boys,
St. Charles, Illinois

Appendix

This appendix describes the photographs in this collection in more detail by grouping same or similar photographs together. For instance, "10, Group photographs" means there are 10 total group photographs which are not all identical, and "3, Camping on Big Star Lake, Aug 1916" means there are 3 identical photographs, at least one of which is labeled with the quoted text. Quoted text comes directly from the photographs and additional descriptors have been added to make the images findable.

Negatives, Parental School, undated (21 items)

- 10, Group photographs
- 10, Photos of buildings
- 1, of a man on a horse

Photographs, Starved Rock, Illinois and Big Star Lake, Michigan, 1914 and 1916 (54 items)

- 3, "Bathing in Big Star Lake near Baldwin Mich., Aug 1916,"
- 2, "Bathing in Star Lake, Aug 1916,"
- 3, "Camping on Big Star Lake, Aug 1916,"
- 2, "A Big Fish 30 inches long from Big Star Lake, Aug 1916,"
- 1, non-post card photograph of a man fishing, unlabeled
- 1, "Mr. Johnson with the first fish from Big Star Lake Mich, Vacation Aug 1916,"
- 1, photograph of a man fishing
- 3, "A big catch from Big Star Lake, Aug 1916,"
- 1, "A big catch 72 fish from Big Star Lake, Aug 1916,"
- 1, photograph labeled "Wishing chair in canyon at Starved Rock. Deer Park Canyon Oct. 1, 1914,"

Back labeled:

"This picture was taken at the bottom of a canyon 100 feet deep. Just back of wishing chair is a large cave in sand stone. The seat in chair was carved by Indians and the Chief sat in chair while he faced the braves (?) back in the cove. The Indians drove the deer into this canyon and fenced (fenced?) them in so they could have fresh meat all winter."

- 1, "View from Starved Rock,"
- 1, "Top of Lovers Leap, Starved Rock,"
- 2, "Horseshoe Canyon, Starved Rock,"
- 3, "Deer Park,"
- 1, "This is near top of 'Devils Nose' a large sand stone rock near Starved Rock. It is a steep long hard climb through bushes and trees to this spot. The winds and rains have left many caves in the exposed rock. The boys are not Parental School boys. The woman is me,"
- 2, "A little mountain village built on the bank of Feather River Canyon in California, July 1915,"
- 1, "Vermilion River near Cayuga,"
- 3, "This is bridge crossing Susquehanna River. Underneath bridge is old swimming hole. On bridge is Uncle Charlie, E. J. Waneta, George, Grace & Uncle Charlie's son & grandson. Taken Tues. Aug. 7, 1917,"

- 1, "At entrance to cave of the winds near Pike Peak, Colorado, July 1915,"
- 2, "Buildings of Leland Stanford University, Palo Alto California, July 1915,"
- 16, unlabeled photographs
Scenic photographs, with some group/individual photographs included

Photographs of Grant & Emma Thornton, 1915-1916 (65 items)

- 2, "Aug. 20 - 1916"
- 5, "Emma Thornton of Homer, Ill, Aug 20, 1916,"
- 3, "Emma Thornton of Homer, Ill. at the Chicago Parental School Homer, Ill.,"
- 1, "Mrs. Thornton under the orange trees in Alhambra California, July 1915,"
- 4, "Mama + Aunt Emma,"
- 50, unlabeled

Photographs of Grant & Emma, as well as other family members

Family photographs, some identified, 1913, 1916-1917 and undated (118 items)

- 2, "Aug 20, 1913, Mama's birthday, Age 63,"
- 1, "Aunt Eliza Whitlock Age 85, Georgetown, Illinois, Aug 1916,"
- 1, "Baldwin Boys, Indianola, Ill,"
- 1, "Presbyterian Church, Homer, Family/Friends of Emma Thornton, Aug 19, 1917,"
- 1, "Don't look at the top of my head,"
Family photograph of a man, woman and child
- 1, "Morris - 2 years, 1 week old,"
- 1, "Roger and cousin,"
- 1, "Mrs. Wellman & Roger,"
- 1, "Roger Wellman,"
- 1, "Mrs. Wellman's Aunt Lelia Wright & Roger,"
- 1, "Beulah Hall and her dog, taken with her own camera,"
- 3, "Joe Burrows & Wife, Georgetown, Ill ?,"
- 103, unlabeled

Group and individual photographs of family and friends

Chicago Parental School Buildings, and Soldiers & Sailors, 1918, 1920 and undated (41 items)

Some of these are developed from the "Negatives, Parental School, undated" folder.

- 2, "Aug. 25, 1920"
A building under construction
- 1, "Sept. 3, 1920"
A building with Holstein cows in the foreground
- 1, "Jan. 1918,"
A man in a black coat and cap; snow; building in background
- 3, "Jan 27, 1918,"
Horse-drawn buggy
- 1, "Nick Coleantonio, Feb 14 - 1918,"
- 2, "Nick and Frank Coleantonio, Feb 14 - 1918,"
- 1, Nick Lopina, Feb 9 - 1918,"

- 1, "Nick Lopina, 2/9 - 1918,"
- 29, unlabeled
- Photographs of buildings, and soldiers and sailors

Chicago Parental School students, 1916, 1918 and undated (86 items)

- 1, "Jan 1918"
- 1, "Jan 1918"
- 1, "Spagnola, Sam Spagnola, Tony Spagnola, James Spagnola, Joe Spagnola, Mary Spagnola,"
- Group photo of several boys, more than those listed
- 1, "Louis Caspar (?), Nov. 12, 13"
- Group of boys lined up holding rifles
- 1, photograph of boys, each numbered
- 1, "Mallie Davie, Fairmount, Ill."
- Postcard, but the correspondence is illegible
- 3, "Mr. R.L. Johnson and his cornet. Taken on Cot 13 grounds, Sept 1916,"
- 77, unlabeled
- Boys, men and women, co-ed group of teenagers/children

Boys School, School activity, farming, 1913 and undated (56 items)

- 1, "Feb. 12, 1913"
- Valentine's Day event
- 11, "Feb. 12, 1913,"
- Women sitting at a long dining table for an event
- 3, "The big barn at the Chicago Parental School, Boys of Cot 7 in foreground, Sept. 1916,"
- 41, unlabeled
- Livestock, children playing, and decorated rooms and dining tables

Chicago (?) Parental Students #1, 1913, 1918 and undated (67 items)

- 2, "Taken Feb 4- 1918, The coldest day in Feb on record in Chicago, 15 degrees below, note snow and ice on roof,"
- 1, "J. Fihsha, Oct 1913,"
- 1, "James Sacino, 4th time here, Cottage 7,"
- 1, "George Kozah(?)"
- 1, "Angelo Armonda, 1058 Taylor St., Nov. 26, 1913,"
- 61, unlabeled
- Various little boys with drums or saluting

Chicago (?) Parental School Students #2, 1913, 1916, 1918 and undated (74 items)

- 1, "Earl McPhail, Oct 1918, Room 1,"
- 1, "Joseph Vlasak, Oct 1918, Room 2,"
- 1, "Daniel Rudnuck, March 29, 1917,"
- 1, "Frank Angelo, Feb. 10, 1912, Age 9 yrs,"
- 1, "Cesta A"
- 1, "John Shaw, Oct 1918, Room 8,"
- 1, "Walter Sobieski, Oct 1918, Room 10,"

- 2, "Abe Friedman, Oct 1918, Room 10,"
- 2, "John ..., 2nd time here, Born Jan 1-1900"
- 1, "Daniel Rosenblum, ... 1st time here, Born Sept 21 - 1901"
- 1, "Frank ... 1st time here, Born Dec 6 - 1900
- 1, "Henry Kramer... 1st time here, Born June 2 - 1901"
- 1, "Eli Schneider 1913"
- 1, "Bennie Collins, Oct 2 1916"
- 1, "Willard Groth, Oct 2 1916"
- 1, "Isadore Shinsberg, Oct 2 - 1916"
- 1, "Gustave Pappas, Sept 1916"
- 1, "Edward Gillen, Oct 2 1916"
- 1, "Thomas O'Brien, Sept 1916"
- 1, "Earl McPhail, Sept 1916"
- 1, "Sam Louis, Nov 25, 1913"
- 51, unlabeled

St. Charles School for Boys, undated (7 items)

- 1, "St Charles, on the ice"
- 1, "St Charles, one of the cottages,"
- 1, "St Charles, Picking strawberries,"
- 1, "St Charles, Loading Hay,"
- 1, "St Charles, Skinning the snake."
- 1, "St Charles, Setting ... the Orchard"
- 1, "On the farm,"

Misc. photographs, undated (31 items)

- 2, "English ship, 154"
- 1, "Wharf, 143,"
- 1, "For Anie (?) taken at Sun Dial in park at Capitol building, Jim Miller, ..."
- 1, "Laura S. (L?) Young,"
- 1, "Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Mansell, Mr. Hummel, Mr. Dunham, Taken on Mr. Mansell's tennis court, Sept. 1916,"
- 1, "Taken on Mr. Mansell's tennis court, Sept. 1916,"
- 24, unlabeled photographs

Scenic photographs with some group photographs/individual photographs included

Misc. Photographs #2 & Family, houses & buildings, 1910, 1912, 1915-1917 and undated (58 items)

- 1, postcard from "Will" to Grant Thornton, 1910
Photo of a family on a porch
- 1, "Another picture at home of Grandma Burrows. Dewart Penn., Aug 7, - 1917,"
- 1, "Moll House, Dewart Pa."
- 1, postcard from "Louise" to "Mallie," Mrs. Loyd John, 1915
- 1, postcard from "Sara" to Grant Thornton, 1912
- 2, "DeWort, Pa."
Misspelling of Dewart

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Misspelling of Dewart
- 2, "Old Liberty Church Hardshell Baptist near Gerogetown Ill, Aug 1916,"
Woman standing in front of a church
- 2," Yankee Point Cemetery, Graves of the Naylon Family, Aug 1916,"
46, unlabeled
Buildings & monuments as well as people