Biographical Note
The Noble family was from Gouverneur, New York (St. Lawrence County). Harvey H. Noble and Edna Wood Noble had three children: Katherine L. Noble, Robert N. Noble and Edward J. Noble (born August 8, 1882). Harvey ran a coal, wood and building supply business and served as an agent for the Rome and Watertown Railroad. Robert attended Purdue University and studied engineering and Edward attended Yale. Katherine taught school in Weedsport and married Alger Conger. Both men were involved with the Lifesaver Candy Company and Edward was well known for his philanthropy through which several rural hospitals were built. Edward served as a member of the Board of Trustees at St. Lawrence University from 1934 until his death on December 28, 1958.

The collection consists of letters written to Harvey and Edna by their children while in college and as young adults beginning to make their way in the world. Included are Edward's letters from San Francisco at the time of the 1906 earthquake. Also included is family memorabilia: photographs, memorabilia of Yale and Purdue, financial papers, and travel guides.

Scope & Content
This collection contains letters and memorabilia of the Noble Family of Gouverneur, New York. The letters were written between 1867 and the mid-1930's, the bulk were written between the turn of the century and 1920. Harvey H. Noble and Edna Wood Noble had three children: Katherine L. Noble, Robert N. Noble and Edward J. Noble. Harvey ran a coal, wood and building supply business and served as a agent for the Rome and Watertown Railroad in Gouverneur. Robert attended Purdue University and studied engineering and Edward attended Yale University. Ultimately, both men were involved with the Lifesaver Candy Company which was then situated in Port Chester, N.Y. Edward J. Noble is well known for his philanthropy, through which several small rural hospitals were built to serve the residents of Jefferson and St. Lawrence Counties. He also donated heavily to St. Lawrence University.

The source of the letters and memorabilia appear to be Harvey H. and Edna Noble. Most of the letters are to them from their children. Rob and Ed wrote most often, with Rob being the more prolific. Many of the letters were written while the children of Harvey and Edna were in college or were young adults beginning to make their way in the world. For the most part the subjects of the letters are mundane. Their significance lies in their testimony to the importance of family life for some during the early years of this century. This fact is repeatedly reinforced in the common greeting used by both Robert and Edward Noble, "My Dear Home". Another attribute of these letters is that they reflect the affection of the Noble children for Northern New York.

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K.L.N. Katherine L. Noble
K.L.C. Katherine L. Noble Conger
H.H.N. Harvey H. Noble
E.W.N Edna Wood Noble
R.N.C. Robert N. Conger
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Description of series

I. Correspondence

A. Robert P. Noble

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1  1  1899 Sept. 17. card. R.P.N. to Dear Mother. 1 leaf. Beginning train trip to Purdue.
   Sept. 18. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Folks. 2 leaves. Rob writes about starting freshman year at Purdue.
   Sept. 21. card. R.P.N. to Dear Mama. 1 leaf. Rob went to foundry, needs money.
   Sept. 29. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mamma. 1 leaf. Rob attends opera and football game. Includes 2 leaves of Rob's college and living expenses.
   Nov. 5. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mamma, Papa, Ed. 2 leaves. College life and personal finances.
1  3 1901 May 18. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Mama and Pop and all the rest. 1 leaf. College life, drives trolley car while motor man takes care of live wire.
   Sept. 19. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mother. 1 leaf. College life and personal finances.
   Oct. 1. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Mother. 2 leaves. R.P.N. comments on turning 21 years old. Expresses frustration with college and a desire to go West and get on with his life.
   Oct. 20. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. Expresses appreciation for college experience, but also would like to be working.
1  4 1902 April 9. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf plus handwritten list of expenses. Expenses and college work.
   May 10. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mother. 1 leaf. Finances and summer jobs.
   May 18. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Hand injury; school work.
   May 26. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Exams and thoughts of spending summer at home.
   Sept. 15. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. College news, high prices for room & board.
   Sept. 28. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. Refers to Kate coming home to be married, hazing of freshman students by upperclassmen at Purdue.
Oct. 5. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. writes about coming home for Kate's wedding.

Nov. 2. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Home. leaf. R.P.N. talks about returning to Purdue after Kate's wedding, catching up on school work, regrets about not transferring to Cornell.

Nov. 9. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Father and Mother. 2 leaves. R.P.N. discouraged about his studies.

Nov. 16. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. is still catching up on school work after being away for Kate's wedding. Has heard from Kate, Ed; is dealing with loneliness.

Nov. 22. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N.'s school difficulties continue, heard from Ed, breaks tooth.

Dec. 1. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. spent Thanksgiving by himself, reminisces about Thanksgiving at home with family.


Jan. 12. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. passes first big exam, obviously feeling better after Christmas at home. Two feet of snow in Indiana, everything goes on wheels. They don't use sleighs like northern New York.

Jan. 18. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. getting ready for last semester at Purdue, needs money for fees and books.


Feb. 1. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. getting grades from 1st semester and thinking about 2nd semester, news of family friends, the Waldos.

March 1. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. tells of joining a fraternity, savoring his last few months of college.


June 2. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. General news.

June 7. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N.'s last letter from Purdue University before graduation.

Sept. 21. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. News of friends, adjusting to the work world, missing college friends, etc.
Oct. 11. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 5 leaves. R.P.N. missing home, been ill, describes a dirty Pittsburgh and social ills.

1 6 1905 March 17. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Bro & Sis [sister and brother-in-law]. 2 leaves. R.P.N. is in a new position in Chicago, living in a frat house temporarily, has own office.

April 9 a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. New of job, its benefits, weather.

April 13. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Pop. 1 leaf. Sending money to repay loan, expresses appreciation for parent's willingness to assist. Tells father about his job.


Oct. 5. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. Rob acknowledges present, expresses regret that he is not able to save enough to help his parents financially. Misses brother Ed, wants to be home for Christmas.

1 6 1905 Oct. 16. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Home. 3 leaves. General news.

Nov. 1. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. wants to come home at Christmas, inquires about parents' business, people they know.

1 7 1906 Feb. 4. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Ed is visiting.


April 11. t.l. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. Family news. Thanks mother for the gift.

April 25. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. News of work, misses Ed, got a raise, comments on Kate's baby.

May 25. t.l. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. Will be going to Lafayette and will see Mrs. Waldo, news of Ed, job possibilities.

June.18. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. Mason City, Iowa. 3 leaves. Trip to a resort in Mason City, reminiscences of when he and Ed and Kate were all younger.


June 28. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. Rob writes home about the boredom of being on the road frequently.

Aug.27. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Visit to Gouverneur makes R.P.N. homesick.

1 7 1906 Aug.29. t.l. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. R.P.N. is getting settled back into Chicago after visiting Gouverneur.
Sept. 5. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Pop. 2 leaves. R.P.N. wants size of Father's business lot in Gouverneur for possible expansion.

Sept. 6. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Pop. 2 leaves. R.P.N. wants size of lot, is sending father catalog on coal.

Sept. 13. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. is homesick, wishing that he could be in business for himself, or with Ed. Sets up schedule for repaying money to parents, asks them to consider boiling their drinking water.


Nov. 2. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 5 leaves. Meets stranger at lunch, likes his job at Westinghouse Air Brake, misses home, but knows it is a provincial world back home.

17 1906 Nov. 26. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 6 leaves. Laments not being able to save some of his money. Comments on the bad influences of city life.

Dec. 3. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. tells about how he spent his Thanksgiving, asks about Kate and Ed. Wants to know parents' plans for Christmas.


Dec. 26. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My dear, dear Pop and Mom. 2 leaves. R.P.N thanks parents for Christmas presents, expresses his profound homesickness, wishes his parents Happy New Year.

18 1907 Jan. 7. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Home. 2 leaves R.P.N. sends brief letter, asks for more details about parents' Christmas.

Jan. 11. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. asks for news from home, tells about work.


18 1907 Jan. 30. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. reports there have been 482 cases of scarlet fever in Chicago. Also personal news, no raise at Christmas.

Feb. 4. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. Tells of recent business trip, comments on news from back home.

Feb. 24. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. is homesick again, also tells about business trips to Columbus and Pittsburgh.

March 27. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 6 leaves. R.P.N. recently saw Mrs. Waldo, also speaks of Easter and whether the company will give him a raise.

May 5. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. comments on former acquaintance with drinking problem, and recent snowstorm in Gouverneur.

May 8. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. Comments on news of his nephew, Father's sales of milkers, might have to go to Schenectady. Has decided to stay in his current position for another year or so.

May 20. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. has been made Northwest Representative for Westinghouse Traction Brake Co.

181907 June 13. telegram. R.P.N. to Mrs. H.H. Noble. 1 leaf. R.P.N. letting family know where he will be on what date.

June 16. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. refers to upcoming visit home.

June 27. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Plans to return home for a reunion with brother & sister at parents in Gouverneur.

July 18. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. tells about taking care of things before heading to new position out west.

July 24. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mom & Pop. 2 leaves. R.P.N. writes his parents from St. Paul Minn. on his way to the Northwest, plans to come home in Oct., wants parents to plan on coming West in 1908.

July 27. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Home. 1 leaf. Spokane. R.P.N. writes a brief note letting parents know he arrived safely.

August 4. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. Spokane, Wash. 4 leaves. R.P.N. is getting settled in the West. Tells of a trip to backwoods Idaho to solve a problem, unique experience leaving the camp. Comments on the easy manner of people in the West.

August 8. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. is enjoying the West. Misses his friends in Chicago, outlines numerous train lines he will have to take to get back east in October.

181907 August 11. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. is finding keeping busy a good way to stave off homesickness. Tells of electric trains, getting a raise in pay, and deciding whether he wants to live in Washington or Portland Oregon.


Sept. 4. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. plans to use Portland, Ore. as a base of operations. Reacts to news of his nephew's illness.
Sept. 25. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mom. Portland, Ore. 1 leaf. R.P.N. was glad to hear his nephew was better. Sorry to hear about death of Agnes.

Sept. 30. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. is meeting some people his own age in Portland. Happy about his nephew's improved condition. Describes work plans for next couple weeks.

Oct. 7. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. Seattle. 2 leaves. R.P.N. writes that he fell asleep on the train. Expects to leave soon for East, but may not get home before the 30th.

Oct. 15. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Pop. Salt Lake City, Utah. 1 leaf. R.P.N. gives negative impressions of San Francisco, comments on earthquakes, and how much he enjoyed father's recent letter.

Oct. 17. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. sends brief note, tired of train travel.

Nov. 6. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. is returning West after a good visit. Feeling a bit homesick, looking forward to his parents' visit in the Spring.

Nov. 9. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear, Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. is back West, feeling homesick and missing his nephew, good co-worker leaving the company.

Nov. 12. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Mom and Pop. 3 leaves. R.P.N. has travelled 8193 miles in last 4 weeks. Will be leaving for Portland soon, has gotten new office furniture, still needs space. Would like to get back East.

Nov. 24. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 6 leaves. R.P.N. has been very busy, has plans for Thanksgiving. It has been rainy, has found new office space.Comments on tight money situation and typhoid in Gouverneur.

Nov. 25. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Pop. 2 leaves. R.P.N. tries to respond to Father's request for cash. The lack of a nationwide banking system presents problems.


Dec. 18. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. is trying to get checks cashed so he can send his parents some money. Laments not being able to be home for Christmas. Is working on fixing up office. Wishes parents a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Dec. 24. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. tells his parents he is sending $200 by Wells Fargo to them.

Dec. 27. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. thanks parents for Christmas gifts.

Dec. 29. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 5 leaves. R.P.N working on arranging office, news of family and friends, looking forward to his parents' visit. Wishes them Happy New Year.

Jan. 3. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. wants to know if $200 has been received. Inquires about holidays at home. Mentions meeting people from New York State who gave him some Xmas gifts.

2 1 1908 Jan. 28. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Rob writes from Vancouver, comments on English-ness of the city, also short business hours men keep.


March 8. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. Rob describes weather and conditions in a new town up in the mountains of Idaho.

March 15. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. drives train from Spokane to Seattle. Will be going to San Francisco and Los Angeles soon. Wants his parents to go to New York at his expense.

March 29. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 5 leaves. R.P.N.is responding to a letter from his father, speaks of the business, asks for news of his nephew, wishes he had a bigger income so he could do more for his parents.

April 10. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. tells about his work, asks about his nephew and suggests his parents come in June if they plan to visit.

April 15. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Pop. 2 leaves. R.P.N. expresses appreciation for his good upbringing, inquires about his Father's business, shares some of his current work.

2 1 1908 May 11. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. will be going to Los Angeles and San Francisco soon, was caught in a heavy snow earlier that day. Is enjoying Portland, but doesn't expect to stay there indefinitely.

May 27. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mom. 1 leaf. R.P.N. sends a short note to let parents know he is fine.


June 16. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N.describes work in Southern California, also pleasant weather and abundance of oranges and lemons.

2 1 1908 June 21. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 7 leaves. R.P.N. is busy, suffering some homesickness. Declined a business opportunity so as not to tie himself down in the West. Wants to return East. May come for a visit at Xmas. Company's Pittsburgh meeting may be cancelled because of general hard times.

July 5. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. describes work weather conditions in the desert, how they drink bottled water, and stay cool at night. Will be going back to San Francisco soon.

2 1 1908 July 26. a.l.s. R.P.N. to MyDear Home. 7 leaves. R.P.N. relates recent business activities including high speed tests of locomotive engines. Is enjoying photos of family members he has received.
Aug. 3. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. sends a brief note to let his parents know where he is. Mentions extreme heat around Sacramento, 112-degrees F.

Aug. 10. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N writes about how much he has enjoyed news from home, expects to be coming back East in 6 weeks.

Aug. 7. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. writes that 10 weeks of testing is winding down, expects to go to Lake Tahoe for a day or two of rest.

Aug. 23. 1908

Aug. 23. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 5 leaves. R.P.N. is glad that the 3 months of testing is over. He has just learned he will be getting an assistant to help out in his office. Will be going out to beach with Mr. Streeter.

Aug. 30. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 5 leaves. R.P.N. outlines possible work-related activities, but isn't sure how they will affect plans to get home for a visit in October.

Sept. 7. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 5 leaves. R.P.N. is still doing tests. Plans to get home are uncertain.

Sept. 15. 1908

Sept. 15. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2+ leaves. R.P.N. is back in Portland but will be going to Los Angeles, complains that half his time is spent travelling, that the mountains limit the speed of trains.

Sept. 27. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. writes about Ed, a dream he had, and a huge tree 40 ft. in diameter that fell in the woods somewhere in the west.

Oct. 8. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. will be going to Los Angeles for another series of tests. It is grueling work, but the appreciation of superiors keeps him going. An old roommate from Purdue has settled in Portland. R.P.N. is enjoying having an old friend nearby.

Oct. 14. 1908

Oct. 14. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 7 leaves. Rob is wrapping up the tests in Los Angeles. Won't be coming east in the Fall, but expects to be home for Christmas and New Years. Describes his recent illness, and the associations he had with home.

Oct. 18. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. is working hard in California so he can get back to Portland and get things in shape there so he can leave by Dec. 1st to come East. Everyone is complaining of the cold weather in Los Angeles--it's 58 degrees F.

Oct. 29. 1908

Oct. 29. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. sends a brief note, trying to work things so he can get home for Christmas.

Nov. 1. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. writes more about plans to get home at Christmas.

Nov. 8. a.l.s. R.P.N. To My Dear Home. 6 leaves. R.P.N. wants to know what parents want for Christmas, comments on news and events of several friends and acquaintances. R.P.N. is counting the days until he begins his trip back East.

Nov. 10. a.l.s. R.P.N. To Dad. 1 leaf. R.P.N. sends newspaper clipping to his father about Teddy Roosevelt's religious tolerance.
1908 Nov. 18. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. is in Seattle meeting with client, staying at new Hotel Washington, includes postcard of new hotel.

Nov. 24. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. has plans for Thanksgiving, will spend it with a former room mate.

Nov. 28. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. tells how he spent Thanksgiving, and went to dance the night before. After Thanksgiving dinner went for an 8 mile walk. R.P.N. has landed a couple new big contracts.

1908 Dec. 6. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. spent some time with a higher-up in the company and his family, he has travelled 62,000 miles since he last saw his family. R.P.N. has itinerary for his trip East.

Dec. 13. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. is heading back to Portland to get ready to leave for the East. He finally heard from Ed, who has made plans for a New Years Eve dance in New York City.


1909 Jan. 2. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. writes brief note letting family know he is home in Portland safely, wasn't involved in any wrecks or washouts.

Jan. 4. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. writes from New York, where he is visiting his brother Ed. He plans to go to Pittsburgh, but hopes to return to Gouverneur before returning to Portland.

Jan. 15. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. writes parents from Chicago. He didn't get back to Gouverneur and regrets it. Speaks of parents and Ed coming to visit later in the year.


Feb. 6. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. tells parents about rainy weather, that he has moved, and has framed picture of his parents and R.P.N.'s nephew, Bobbie.

Feb. 14. t.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. Former colleague in Chicago will be coming to Portland soon to work. R.P.N. heard from Ed, who is considering coming to Portland and going into the advertising business. R.P.N. is not sure Ed should leave his current job on a possibility.

1909 Feb. 21. t.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. didn't get a raise, and intends to ask for more in the near future. Tells of participating in a benefit for a local charity in which he dressed up as a gypsy. Afterward he went out with some friends and had a good time.

Mar. 7. t.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. will have to hire a new stenographer. Saw Lloyd Corbin. Is interested in what the placement of the new depot in Gouverneur will mean to his father's business. Describes changes in his own office in a little over a year. Still hasn't written about his raise.
Mar. 14.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to My Dear Father and Mother.  2 leaves, plus 2 typed leaves quoted from a book.  R.P.N. went for a long walk, tells parents about a book he has been reading.  He has sent a letter to Barhomelow about his pay.

2 2 1909  Mar. 25.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to My Dear Home.  1 leaf.  R.P.N. sends parents a brief note to let them know he is o.k.

April 10.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to My Dear Home.  4 leaves.  R.P.N. apologizes for not writing, but he has been working hard.  Has a new assistant coming.  Has plans to spend Easter at Lake Washington.

April 16.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to My Dear Father and Mother.  3 leaves. R.P.N. has re-read some letters from his parents written to him at college, while he was taking it easy with a toothache.  He has been touched again by his parents' concern for him then.

2 2 1909  April 24.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to Dear Ed.  3 leaves.  R.P.N. writes about the financial problems of bringing his parents out west.  He can't afford to do it as soon as he would like.

April 26.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to My Dear Home.  1 leaf.  R.P.N. writes that next 6 weeks are busy.  Took Mrs. Bodine to theater, also saw Harry Johnson from Gouverneur.

May 3.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to My Dear Home.  6 leaves.  R.P.N. enjoying Spring in Oregon, went to an Army dance, played golf with his roommate and went canoeing.  Would like to be back in Gouverneur for green pea and strawberry season.

May 9.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to My Dear Home.  1 leaf.  R.P.N. has played golf, gives work schedule for next week or two.

2 2 1909  May 17.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to My Dear Home.  1 leaf.  R.P.N. sends brief note to family before going out on the road.

May 19.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to My Dear Home.  5 leaves.  R.P.N. shares news of work activities in Idaho, and people he has seen.

May 24.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to My Dear Home.  1 leaf.  R.P.N. wishes Mrs. Waldo well, tells of attending a party, going to the beach and a trip east of the mountains.

2 2 1909  June 3.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to My Dear Home.  3 leaves.  R.P.N. was in Seattle for opening of Expo. 100,000 people attend.  Went on board a ship in the Japanese fleet.

June 6.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to My Dear Home.  3 leaves.  Rose festival opens in Portland.  Is glad Mrs. Waldo is feeling better, enjoyed his father's letter.  Indicates some work-related stress.  Ed can't come west this summer, and R.P.N. s very busy with work.

June 13.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to My Dear Home.  3 leaves.  Rose festival activities and a visit from Doc of Gouverneur.

2 2 1909 July 19. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. has been busy with work, been able to go to a shooting lodge on the Columbia River, and on another occasion went up Willamette River for an excursion. Also wonders if father will have to move coal sheds.

July.25. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. registered for a claim of land in Idaho that belonged to Indians. Went on an outing on a river, comments on numbers of people visiting from the East this summer, including a woman he knows from Chicago.


Aug.4. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. mentions the possibility that he may relocate to Chicago.

Aug.8. t.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Ed. 2 leaves. R.P.N. wishes Ed a Happy Birthday, but also expresses his concern about father's having to move the dump for his coal business, and wants to know Ed's views.

Aug. 20. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. sends a short note, indicates it is good to be heading home after 10 days up in the mountains.

Aug. 22. t.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. will be getting a small raise on the first of September. Having trouble deciding whether he wants to move East or not.

2 2 1909 Aug. 28. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. has been thinking of ways to help with his father's coal business.

Sept. 9. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Dad. 5 leaves. R.P.N. writes to Father about the coal yard.

Sept. 12. t.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. is having trouble reaching a final decision about going back to Chicago. Shares some thoughts about improvements for his father's business.

2 2 1909 Sept. 14. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mother. 1 leaf. R.P.N. sends brief note to mother asking her to cash check he had sent.


Oct. 8. a.l.s. 2 leaves R.P.N. to My Dear Home. R.P.N. is getting ready to go on his fishing trip. Won't be able to write for a week. Oct. 15. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. stalled on railroad by a forest fire. Party of 7 went fishing and caught 300 Rainbow Trout. R.P.N. starts his new job in Chicago on Jan. 1. at $2500/yr.

Oct. 20. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. San Francisco, CA. R.P.N. is busy with work and going to miss his friends when he moves Chicago.

2 2 1909 Oct. 31. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Father and Mother. 2 leaves. R.P.N. expresses regret at leaving his office and all he has accomplished there, when he goes to Chicago.

Nov.14. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. tells of being sick, going to Seattle, sending money to his parents, & wondering if his replacement will arrive in time for R.P.N. to make it home for Xmas.
Nov. 22. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. tells of attending a beach party, invitation for Thanksgiving.

Nov. 29. a.l.s. R.P.N. To My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. is getting the holiday spirit. His boss is coming up this week, R.P.N. hopes he can go with Mr. Bartholomew to Chicago so R.P.N. will be in striking distance of home for Christmas.

Dec. 1. a.l.s. R.P.N. To My Dear Mother. 2 leaves. R.P.N. sends birthday greetings to his mother.

Dec. 6. a.l.s. R.P.N. 1 leaf. R.P.N. writes birthday greetings, sends check to his mother.


Dec. 11. t.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. knows itinerary for trip home. Attended dance and was made to feel he would be missed.

Dec. 15. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. will be leaving for home soon. After xmas will be returning to Portland for a week or ten days before starting his new job in Chicago.

Dec. 17. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. reiterates what a good time he had at home. Has been to NY.

Jan. 7. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. is in Pittsburgh and has seen old friends, and will be going back to Portland through Chicago.

Jan. 12. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. indicates he got the hat his parents wanted to buy for himself as a Xmas present. He will be heading for Portland, expects to be back in Chicago for good in about 6 weeks.

Jan. 16. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. Young man travelling with him inquires how R.P.N. got the excellent reputation he has with upper management.

Jan. 20. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. made it west safely, discusses the move to Chicago and how it will be good for his career.

Feb. 1. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 5 leaves. R.P.N. has been busy both on the job and socially. Comments on Mrs. Waldo's poor health.

Feb. 12. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. indicates that the transition is going well. Inquires again about Mrs. Waldo.

Feb. 20. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. recently went to a concert and took an automobile ride. The slow transition in Seattle may keep R.P.N. in the West.

Feb. 27. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. tells about huge snows in the Western Mountains keeping out trains from the East. Some trains had been rerouted from the south. R.P.N. wishes he had the money to go into business for himself.

March 23. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Mother Dear. 1 leaf. R.P.N. lets parents know he arrived in Chicago safely.

March 26. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Mother. 1 leaf. R.P.N. acknowledges Easter gift. He is staying with Mr. Bartholomew until he finds a place. Sends parents a check for Easter.

March 27. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Easter Morning. Went for a drive with Mr. Bartholomew in his car, is now downtown waiting for a friend to arrive on the train. Notes that mail will be up to date between Gouverneur and Chicago.

April 4. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. inquires about father's plans for the coal bins. R.P.N. is going to Topeka and Omaha on business.

2 3 1910 April 11. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Mr. Bartholomew has gone to San Francisco and left the Chicago office in R.P.N.'s hands. While staying at Bartholomew's R.P.N. has had an active life: seeing shows, playing golf, riding in the car. Now his life seems a bit more dull and common.

April 19. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. has been visited by Ed. He's also seen Sarah and Bert Snell recently.

April 23. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. is visiting Sioux City while a fierce wind and dust storm is going on. Has seen Charlie Martin, an old family friend. R.P.N. is trying to talk his parents into coming to visit so they can go see the Martin's too. R.P.N. comments on his lack of home life.

April 24. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. had a pleasant visit with the Martins. Wants his parents to come for a visit even if it is a short one.

May 7. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 6 leaves. R.P.N. didn't see Waldos in Detroit. R.P.N. expects a raise, is going fishing in Colorado if it won't interfere with his trip home this summer. Has been homesick recently and is missing Portland.

May 7. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mother. 1 leaf. R.P.N. sends a brief note.

2 3 1910 May 23. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. is going to Pittsburgh on business, doesn't know if he could come visit briefly or not. Been visited by wealthy girlfriends from Pittsburgh.

May 27. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 5 leaves. R.P.N. had a busy weekend in Pittsburgh and Cleveland. Expects to be in Atlantic City for a weekend in mid June. Was surprised that Kate and Alger will be Gouverneur for 2 whole months during the summer. R.P.N. and Bartholomew are working on an idea they want to have patented.

May 29. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. says that the first prototype of the patentable product he and Bart developed sold for $925.00.
June.2. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Mother. 4 leaves. R.P.N. is concerned about his mother's recent fall in the tub. He misses Portland, hopes to get home for a day around June 20th. His patentable product has been installed in one place.

June.5. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. has been working on his drawings for his product. Is trying to get to Gouverneur for part of the next weekend. He is homesick for Portland.


June.24. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 7 leaves. R.P.N. has been busy since he saw them recently. Saw Ed in New York City. and had a good time with Ed and with Bart.

June.30. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. notifies parents of his home address.

July.13. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mamma. 2 leaves. R.P.N. drops a quick note to parents between business calls.

July.25. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. sends quick note to parents. He will be leaving for Detroit today and will be in N.Y. on Thursday.

July.26. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. will be coming to Gouverneur soon.

Aug.15. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. thanks parents and Kate for a wonderful vacation at home.

Aug.24. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. on the road again travelling in the mid-west, complains of the hot weather.

Aug.28. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. is glad to be home for a week while Bart is in Colorado fishing. R.P.N. is broke. He is anxious to see his father's business transactions pushed to completion.

2 3 1910 Sept. 5. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. is writing before leaving for the Labor Day weekend. His friend Carl Wernicke will be in town for a visit. Finances are tight on his present salary. Included a clipping on the melancholy of the school boy thinking about a new term starting.

Sept.8. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Dad. 2 leaves. R.P.N. is going to be offered position in Atlanta, Georgia, but indicates he won't take it. Will visit Gouverneur in October.


Sept.17. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. says trip home in Oct. is in doubt because of finances. Looks like he will be going to Atlanta whether he takes the position permanently or not.

Sept.25. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. has moved again. May be able to swing a trip home. Illness in Chicago office makes move to Atlanta uncertain.

2 3 1910 Oct. 28. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. makes reference to having been home, is concerned about mother’s health. Inquires about father’s business. Will be heading to Atlanta.


3 1 1911 Jan. 7. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. is back on the job. Carl Wernicke has wired him about a business deal that R.P.N. would like to swing.


Feb. 5. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. writes about the business in Portland, includes financial statement.

3 1 1911 Feb. 8. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Dad. 6 leaves. R.P.N. writes about business in Portland, discussing the stock situation, and asks his father to check into a loan.

Feb. 11. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Dad. 2 leaves. R.P.N. writes that Mr. Bartholomew is supportive of R.P.N.’s effort to go into business, will even provide new venture with some business. Has told R.P.N. he can come back any time.

Feb. 13. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Dad. 3 leaves. R.P.N. will be leaving March 1. for Portland. Intends to take a 6-month leave of absence.

Feb. 15. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Home. 6 leaves. R.P.N. is getting all kinds of help from Mr. Bartholomew. Is getting together $3,000 he needs.

Feb. 20. t.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. writes about finances, includes letter from Carl.

Feb. 24. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mother. 1 leaf. R.P.N. thanks family for good wishes, will be home next week.

March 10. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mother and Father. 1 leaf. R.P.N. is in Chicago, went through an earthquake.

March. 12. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. writes home while on his way to Portland, tells them about welding, which was new in 1911.
March 14. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Mother. 1 leaf. R.P.N. is feeling uneasy about having borrowed money from his family. Bart will keep an office furnished and ready for R.P.N. for one year in the event he wants to return.

March 26. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. is in Portland, and enjoying the weather.

April 2. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. is working hard and hasn't had much time to socialize or write letters.

April 9. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 10 leaves. R.P.N. writes about new business. It is heavily indebted, but seems to have current work available. R.P.N. is doing a play for charity.


April 24. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. has been taking a day off. Very busy with business, his play is coming up very soon.

May 1. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. has been busy with the play. New system is almost in place at work.

May 15. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. acknowledges that business is going to take a long time to be a real moneymaker.


June 27. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mother. 1 leaf. R.P.N. writes brief note and sends check to parents.

June 28. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. had a nice outing to the foot of Mt. Hood. Discusses business difficulties, is doing the best he can, but is beyond worrying.

July 9. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. R.P.N. is enjoying good weather and has played a little golf. Business is still slow.


Aug. 6. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. R.P.N. is thinking about coming east to see Mr. Bartholomew. Business is slow.


Aug. 30. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. tells about being driven out of a lumber camp by a forest fire. Carl will be quitting his job and joining the company on Jan. 1. Meta might accompany Rob on his next trip back East.

Oct. 18. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. says Mr. Bartholomew has come through again. R.P.N. has a job so he and Meta can get married.
Nov.6. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. is homesick. Meta is in Portland. They are trying to decide when to be married.

Nov.13. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. won't be home for Thanksgiving because of business. Has been to Saginaw.

Nov.18. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. been in Moline, Ill. Plans to write the next day.

Nov.24. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. may be home for Thanksgiving, but may bring someone on business.

Dec.6. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Mother. 1 leaf. R.P.N. is on business in St. Louis. Letter indicates he was home at Thanksgiving.

Dec.10. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. is in New Orleans, comments on the architecture and the Christmas preparations.

Dec.13. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. R.P.N. has moved again. He and Meta are talking about getting married in Jan. Rob has gone shopping for the ring.


Dec.25. telegram. R.P.N. to Mrs. A.A. Conger. 1 leaf. R.P.N. wishes everyone a Merry Christmas.

Dec.30. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. thanks everyone for presents, refers to his and Meta's intentions.

Dec.31. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves.

Jan.31. 1912 a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. has had tonsilitis. He and Meta have found an apartment. He has been genuinely touched by people's generosity toward him and Meta upon their marriage.

Feb.6. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mother. 3 leaves. R.P.N. and Meta have moved into their apartment recently, both have had tonsilitis.

Feb.19. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. R.P.N. and Meta have been busy fixing up their apartment, taking callers. Ed is coming for a visit at Washington's birthday, Meta's parents arrive around March 1.

Feb. 26. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 5 leaves. R.P.N. says Ed didn't make it to visit them, Meta's parents are due next. Meta is working hard, but they are socializing too, putting it on Rob's expense account.

March 4. 1912 March 4. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. R.P.N. indicates that Meta's parents are visiting, and brought many of their wedding gifts. They received 130 gifts, many silver.

March 15. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. R.P.N. comments on big snow storm, father's coal business, and Ed's upcoming visit.
March 27. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. Includes a note from Meta. R.P.N. tells about Ed's visit, and his being sick recently.

April 7. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. Tells about what they did for Easter. They will be moving in May, but hope they will be able to go to Portland in the fall. Both Meta and R.P.N. are healthy again.

April 14. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Mother. 1 leaf. Sends money for past loan, Rob and Meta will be moving to their new apartment soon.

3 2 1912 April 22. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Rob and Meta went to St. Louis on business. They have moved into their new place. Reference to sinking of Titanic. Discuss plans for the summer.

April 26. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Dad. 1 leaf. R.P.N. offers advice on coal elevator.

3 2 1912 April 29. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 6 leaves. Rob and Meta went to the beach over the weekend. They like their new apartment and neighbors, and have hired domestic help.

May 7. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 5 leaves. Have had visitors, including a woman who lost her husband on the Titanic. Mentions Meta's family being scared to return. When they went to Alaska last year their boat sank.

May 10. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My dear Home. 2 leaves. Short note since Rob and Meta are going away over the weekend.

May 14. a.l.s. R.P.N. to my Dear Home. 6 leaves. R.P.N. has been travelling again with his work. Will be getting a new office. Talks about coming home sometime in August, if at all.

June 1. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mother. 2 leaves. R.P.N. and Meta will be in Gouverneur, would like his mother to return with them to Chicago. They will be going back to Portland.

June 3. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mother. 2 leaves plus short card. R.P.N. planning on his mother visiting Meta and him in Chicago.

June 4. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Ed. 1 leaf. R.P.N. offers Ed use of his and Meta's apartment, while Ed is at a convention in Chicago.

June 25. t.l.s. R.P.N. to H.H Noble. 1 leaf. Regarding arrangements for a visit from Rob's father on his way back from Iowa.

3 2 1912 July 15. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Discussing plans for their visit to Gouverneur in late August.

July 18. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mother and Father Dear. 2 leaves. Recent news. R.P.N. returns check to his family because he wanted to pay for father's visit.

July 21. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. Inquires about his father's health. R.P.N. and Meta have packed up for anticipated move to Portland.

July 26. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Mother and Father. 2 leaves. Meta will be coming ahead of Rob. Inquires about H.H.'s health. Also finding a suitable cottage on the river.
Aug. 5. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mother. 1 leaf. More about arrangements for upcoming vacation in northern N.Y.

Sept. 10. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. Rob and Meta have moved into a new apartment. Weather is hot.

Sept. 28. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 6 leaves. Rob and Meta have gotten settled in new apartment. Expect to go to Portland in the Spring. Also plan to be in Gouverneur for Xmas.


3 2 1912 Oct. 15. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. plus Meta to Dear Ones in Gouverneur. 2 leaves. Family news.

Nov. 1. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Mother, Father, & Sis. 1 leaf. Concerned about Kate's health.

Nov. 15. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 5 leaves. R.P.N. has 3 job opportunities available to him. He just hasn't decided which one to take.


May 12. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. Rob and Meta had a baby boy. Rob writes about his smoking not being a habit.

July. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Rob and Meta have moved to Portland. Have bought some furniture. Also working on establishing a lumber company with his father-in-law.


3 3 1913 Aug. 4. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 5 leaves. First difficult days at the lumber business. Mill dam burst and lost a lot of water. Will have 100 workers to start, then go up to 140. Cut 20,000 b.f. of lumber in one afternoon.

Sept. 1. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Mother. 4 leaves. Rob is putting in his last few days with the company, training his replacement.

Dec. 8. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Dad. 5 small leaves. R.P.N. likes lumber business, doesn't like Wilson or his policies, foresees hard times.


Dec. 27. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 9 leaves. Tells about Christmas activities and the baby's Xmas.

Aug. 25. a.l.s.  R.P.N. to E.J.N.  5 leaves.  R.P.N. tells of unsettled year.  The mill his father-in-law has started has burned down. Baby number 2 is on the way.  R.P.N. is feeling homesick.

1916 Feb. 16.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to My Dear Home.  10 leaves.  R.P.N. describes major ice storm and cold weather and being stranded. Discusses father-in-law's million dollar lumber deal, and trying to decide whether to join Ed's business. Also describes the way the children run around.


Nov. 3, 1924.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to My Dear Dad.  2 leaves.  Family news.  Rob is looking forward to Thanksgiving.

Aug. 16, 1926.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to Mamma plus t.l.s. to William F. McClurg.  concerning lot owned by R.P.N.'s parents in Buffalo.

1927 Jan. 17.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to Dear Mamma.  3 leaves.  Rob is writing his mother, who has been sick, about her options.

Feb. 4, 1929.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to Dear Mamma.  2 leaves.  Subject matter implies that H.H. has died in past two years.  Travel plans mentioned.

1930's Jan. 26.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to Dear Mamma.  3 leaves.  Rob tells about reminiscing with Ed over old photos of them when they were boys.  Will be heading to California in early Feb.

Dec. 10.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to My Dear Mamma.  4 leaves.  Edna Noble will visit at Christmas time.  R.P.N. has a spot on his lung.

1932 Feb. 15.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to Dear Mamma.  2 leaves.  Rob is concerned about mother's attitude as a cause of her low energy.  Thinks that her fear of having cancer could be the cause.

Feb. 18.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to My Dear Mamma.  3 leaves.  Rob describes their stay in Arizona.

Feb. 24.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to Dear Mamma.  3 leaves.  Family news, descriptions of life in Arizona.

Mar. 8.  a.l.s.  R.P.N. to Dear Mamma.  3 leaves.  Description of activities in Arizona.
Mar. 20. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mamma. 2 leaves. Rob writes while he and Meta are in California.

Mar. 31. a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mamma. 3 leaves. Family news from Rob while in Chandler, AZ.

Undated a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. Written by R.P.N. about the time he was considering going into business in Portland.

a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. Written by R.P.N. during the first spring he and Meta were married. He mentions having to move because the people they rent from are getting divorced.

a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. Written by R.P.N. in the winter when he was still an inspector in Portland, Ore. R.P.N. writes about a possible raise, severe weather, homesickness.

a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. Written by R.P.N. while working for Westinghouse Air Brake while in Portland, Ore. R.P.N. laments his lack of advancement and expresses his often stated desire to be in business with brother Ed.

a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. Written by R.P.N. in Chicago after he and Meta were first married. Mentions that his sister Kate has recently lost a baby.

a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Mamma. 2 leaves. Written by R.P.N. in Port Chester presumably in 1932. His mother is hospitalized. He, Ed and Kate did not tell her about Aunt Jennie's death (her sister) for fear their mother's condition would suffer. He discusses the reason they did it, and his own sense of guilt.

Jan. 14. a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Written by R.P.N. in the 1920's around the time of Rob and Meta's 13th wedding anniversary. They are visiting Meta's parents in the West.

a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Mamma. 3 leaves. Written by R.P.N. in the 20's. About Easter, and his mother's new car.

a.l.s. R.P.N. to Home. 2 leaves. Incomplete letter. Written by R.P.N. when he was trying to go into business for himself in Portland.

a.l.s. R.P.N. to Dear Folks. 2 leaves. Written by R.P.N. after he joined LifeSavers. Talks about establishing a scholarship in his parents' names.

a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. Written by R.P.N. while he was in school at Purdue in Lafayette, Ind. family news.

a.l.s. R.P.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Written by R.P.N. in late 1913 or early 1914. He is still working for company, and will be moving to Carleton where they will be living in remodeled farmhouse. Refers to Ed getting started in the candy business.

B. FROM EDWARD J. NOBLE
May 29.  t.l.s.  E.J.N. to Dear Folks.  2 leaves.  Pueblo, CO. E.J.N. is out west on a trip and describes Pueblo and Colorado Springs.

May 30-June 1.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Mamma.  6 leaves.  Pueblo, Colorado.  E.J.N. describes Pueblo, and is suffering homesickness after feeling for a long time that if he got out of Gouverneur he would never go back.

June 24.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to Dear Home.  3 leaves.  Pueblo, Co.  E.J.N. is working for Byrns Investment Co.  Thinks Pueblo is ready for another boom.  Ed tells Kate he will find her work if she wants to come West.

July 30.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  3 leaves.  E.J.N debates the merits of working or going to college.  Expresses a real passion for a higher education.

Oct.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  6 leaves.  Ed is going to school in Syracuse.  Describes his living situation, etc.

Oct. 25.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Mamma.  1 leaf.  E.J.N. would like his parents to come visit at him at college.

Feb. 1.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  3 leaves.  E.J.N.explains about his difficult term and how he had taken on more than he could really handle well.

Mar. 22. a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  3 leaves.  E.J.N. explains about his difficult term and how he had taken on more than he could really handle well.

April 8.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  2 leaves.  Ed writes about family matters, missing his brother and sister, college grades, and summer employment.

May 12.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. To My Dear Mamma and Papa.  2 leaves.  Ed points out how well he has done on keeping expenses down this term.  Plans to work in the Oneida Canning Factory in the summer.  Rob may work there too.

May 19.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  2 leaves.  Ed has heard from Rob, but isn't sure if they will be working together this summer.  Ed needs money to pay off all his expenses before the semester ends.

May 21.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  2 leaves.  Parents have written about a job possibility at home this summer, his interested.  Ed reminisces about when he and Rob were younger.


May 29.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  2 leaves.  E.J.N.used check to pay his bills.  Is studying for exams.  Describes his job options for the summer.

May 31.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  3 leaves.  Exams are winding down.  E.J.N. will be working for his father over the summer.

June 4.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  1 leaf.  E.J.N. has 2 days of exams left.  Plans to work for his father during the month of June, may go to Rochester later to work in the flag factory.
Sept. 28.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to MyDear Home.  1 leaf.  E.J.N. tells about his trip to Yale and getting settled in.  Refers to Kate's upcoming wedding.

Oct. 2.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to his family.  1 leaf.  E.J.N. wants family members to write him.

Oct. 5.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Kate.  2 leaves.  E.J.N. tells about life at Yale, and asks his sister for details about Kate's upcoming wedding.

Oct. 10.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  2 leaves.  E.J.N. writes about the upcoming wedding of his sister, Kate.

5  2  1902 Oct. 23.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  2 leaves.  Ed is back at Yale after the wedding.  Needs funds to pay the semester's tuition.

Oct. 30.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Home.  2 leaves.  Accounts for his expenses for the Fall Term.

Nov. 5.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Mamma.  1 leaf.  E.J.N. inquires about mail from home.


Dec. 7.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  3 leaves.  Ed is preparing for exams, and bemoaning the possibility that neither Kate or Rob may be home at Christmas.

5  3  1903 Mar. 3.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Papa.  2 leaves.  Ed writes his father about college and getting back on scholarship.


June 1.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  3 leaves.  More on difficult financial straits.

June 25.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  2 leaves.  Ed will lose his degree if he doesn't pay his bills soon.

5  5  1905 July 9.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Pop.  2 leaves.  Ed has moved to New York City and is looking for work.


July 13.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Pop.  3 leaves.  News of his job, requests for some of his possessions from home.

5  5  1905 Sept. 7.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  2 leaves.  E.J.N. has settled into his job, and is caught up on his bills.

Sept. 24.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home Circle.  1 leaf.  Ed needs some assistance on his rent money.


Dec. 17. a.l.s. E.J.N. to Dear Home. 4 leaves. Ed has new job opportunity with another publishing house. Has made plans to come home at Christmas.

March 25. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. Ed writes from Atlanta, family news.


April 24. a.l.s. E.J.N. to Dear Home. 1 leaf. Ed describes what it was like to live during the 1906 San Francisco Earthquake and some of the resulting damage.

April 24. 1906 a.l.s. E.J.N. to Dear Home. 5 leaves. Ed's emotional reaction to the damage and suffering from the San Francisco Earthquake.

April 25. 1906 a.l.s. E.J.N. to Dear Home. 15 leaves. E.J.N. provides a detailed description of losses and human suffering from the San Francisco Earthquake.


July 7. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 6 leaves. Business travel schedule for month of July. Plans to be on St. Lawrence in late July or early August.

Oct. 22. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. Ed writes to say he has left his job, news of Kate and nephew Bobby.


May 22. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 6 leaves. Ed continues to pay off debts, wants to save to make investments. Is going to Jamestown, VA. for an Exposition.

June 1. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Family news of Rob, Kate and Alger.

June 22. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. Ed has been given a $500. per yr raise after 4 months on the job. He is in friends' weddings, and is trying to coordinate his summer vacation with Rob's.

July 11. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Bob. 1 leaf. E.J.N. is making arrangements to see Rob.
Oct. 20. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. E.J.N. has been very busy at work, business is good, he would like to hear from home.


Nov. 10. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Family news. Refers to difficulty of cashing check after bank difficulties. He and Kate's family, who he is staying with, plan to be up for Xmas.


5 8 1908 Jan. 20. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Refers to R.P.N. and nephew Bob, wants information on Wood family.


Mar. 7. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. Ed disapproves of his parents' taking in the Unitarian minister as a boarder. He wishes Rob lived closer, talks about his nephew Bobby.

April 1. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear "H.H. Coal". 4 leaves. Includes family news of Kate, Bobby, and Ed's mother who is visiting. Ed makes some suggestions about letterhead for H.H.'s coal business.

May 5. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. Ed is paying back his Uncle Ed for college loans. Business was good in April. Family news.

5 8 1908 June 8. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. Family news.

July 26. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. Ed inquires about Kate and Bobby who are up visiting in Gouveneur. Ed will be arriving soon for his vacation.

Aug. 10. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Pop. 2 leaves. Ed writes from Thousand Islands, asking for money for a short term loan. Would like to go to Black Lake for a few days.


5 8 1908 Oct. 8. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. Family news, mentions the upcoming election.

Nov. 24. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. Ed will not be home for Thanksgiving because of business on Friday.

Dec. 15. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. Ed is exchanging Christmas gift ideas for various members of the family.


April 19. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Ed has Spring Fever. Hasn't heard from Rob. Is planning itinerary for his parents' trip out west.

May 17.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  5 leaves.  Ed writes about parents trip out west, also the state of his business affairs.

May 25.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  2 leaves.  Business has improved. Is looking forward to having Uncle Ed paid off. Will be in Gouverneur soon to discuss potential trip out west.


Aug. 1.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  3 leaves.  Ed will be coming up in the near future.


Sept. 20.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  4 leaves.  Ed invites his parents to N.Y. for a big parade, he would pay expenses.

Oct. 12.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  11 leaves.  Ed is very concerned about demands Railroad has put on his father's coal business regarding proper specifications for the railroad siding. Ed wants to help father if he can.

Oct. 20.  t.l.s.  E.J.N. to Dear Father.  2 leaves.  Memo plus t.l.s. to Mr. Conger. Conger letter regarding purchasing lots related to father's business in Gouverneur.

Oct. 30.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to Dear Father.  E.J.N. to Dear Home.  2 leaves and 1 leaf.  Both related to purchase of lot for railroad siding.

Nov. 21.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  2 leaves.  Ed is anxious to know how things are progressing in Gouverneur as relates to the lot. Ed has been sick for a couple weeks. Rob's friend Carl Wernicke has been visiting with Ed.

Jan. 13.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  2 leaves.  Ed writes about losing a big contract, but still expects to make $6,000 for the year. Kate and Alger are house hunting.


Feb. 28.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  6 leaves.  Ed is hoping Rob might get back to Chicago soon. Ed is saddened at Mrs. Waldo's passing. Will be coming to Gouverneur for a visit.

Mar. 11.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  4 leaves.  Family news.

Mar. 18.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  4 leaves.  Ed and Kate went shopping for a rug for their parents.


July 8.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  1 leaf.  Ed is arranging for his father, Rob and himself to take a train trip in the Berkshires or Catskills.

July 31.  a.l.s.  E.J.N. to My Dear Home.  2 leaves.  Ed and his parents float a couple checks to one another to keep Ed's checks from bouncing.
Sept. 8. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. Ed asks his parents to hold on his check a while longer.

Dec. 13. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 8 leaves. Ed's parents have had a fire that apparently started while his father was thawing pipes.


6 2 1911 Mar. 7. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. Ed's oil well in Oklahoma is running 200 barrels a day.

June 2. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 8 leaves. Ed has been busy with work. Oil wells have produced 15,000 barrels so far. Suggests his father do a booklet advertising his coal business.

June 12. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. Ed is going to postpone his visit until 4th of July. Offers to bring up things from New York if his parents want or need anything.

6 2 1911 Nov. 6. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. Family news.

Nov. 27. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Ed is feeling homesick on Thanksgiving. Hopes that father's business ventures are going well.

Dec. 5. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. Ed has had a good visit with Rob lately. Wants to know his parents' plans for Christmas.

6 3 1912 Jan. 4. a.l.s. E.J.N. To My Dear Home. 5+ leaves. Ed comments about Rob and Meta's upcoming wedding, other family news.

6 3 1912 Mar. 25. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 7 leaves. Ed comments on Rob and Meta, is feeling isolated. He doesn't see Kate as he used to, and his parents don't write as often.

Mar. 31. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 5 leaves. Ed plans to visit his parents soon. Family news.

April 2. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 6 leaves. Family news.

April 8. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 8 leaves. Family news. Ed expresses concern over the health of Rob and Meta, his own parents.

April 22. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 7 leaves. Family news.

April 30. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 7 leaves. Family news.

6 3 1912 June 4. t.l.s. E.J.N. to Dear Mother. 2 leaves. Discusses plans with his parents to see Bob and Meta and travel back to Chicago.

June 4. t.l.s. E.J.N. to Bob. 1 leaf. E.J.N. wants to know if Bob can be in town on certain days.

June 7. t.l.s. E.J.N. to Dear Mother. 1 leaf. More discussion of travel plans.
June 12. t.l. E.J.N. to Bob. 1 leaf. Discusses arrangements for Ed and their father H.H. to go to Chicago. Ed wants to be able to use Bob and Meta's apartment if necessary.

June 20. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dears (parents). 4 leaves. Ed's letter to his parents shortly after they parted company on their trip to the Midwest.

July 16. t.l.s. E.J.N. to Dear Mother. 1 leaf. Ed inquires about his parents' visit with Rob. Wants his mother to rent a cottage for Rob and Meta for the last 2 weeks of August.

Aug. 7 a.l.s. E.J.N. to Dear Home. 1 leaf. Ed writes his parents asking them to write his girlfriend Ethel's parents about accompanying Ed to Gouveneur for a holiday.

Aug. 30. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 5 leaves. Ed has sent some ivory pieces to his parents. He also invites his father to New York while his mother goes to Willsboro.

6 1913 Sept. 24. a.l.s. E.J.N. to Dear Pop. 1 leaf. Ed talks about business with his father.

Dec. 30. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Pop. 3 leaves. More business transactions between father and son. Ed recommends his father not spend money on life insurance, that he enjoy money and children will take care of mother.


6 1915 Sept. 14. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. He has been sick while visiting at home. Has been seeing a Dr. to determine what is causing his headaches.

6 1916 Feb. 6. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. Ed is on the verge of becoming rich from the candy business. He and his partner Allen were offered one half million dollars for it, but have decided to keep it for themselves. Regrets that Rob didn't go into business with them.

6 1918 Jan. 8. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Home. 4 leaves. Ed has been commissioned as a major in the Army.

Apr. ? a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 5 leaves. Ed is writing from Georgia, where he is in the service. He believes war means large sacrifice is necessary. He misses business and while he is glad to do his part, he does feel under sentence.

6 1918 May 13. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 4 leaves. Ed is in the Armed forces because of W.W. I.

Aug. 4. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. Ed is making plans to come home for a visit if he can arrange it.

6 1922 Mar 31. t.l.s. E.J.N. to Dear Father. 1 leaf. Short note referring to a trip they plan to take together.

Dec. 30. t.l. E.J.N. to Dr. Richard Sykes, President St. Lawrence University. 1 leaf. E.J.N. responds to Sykes' recent visit to Noble's business in Greenwich, Conn. Noble downplays his financial success and compliments the value of Syke's work in educating young men and women.


6 9 1929 Dec. 30. t.l.s. E.J.N. to Dear Mother. 1 leaf. Ed will be up for a visit.

6 10 1930 Nov. 13. t.l.s. E.J.N. to Aunt Mandy. 1 leaf. Ed wants to set up a way to provide for his Aunt's fixed household expenses.

6 10 1931 Nov. 13. t.l. E.J.N. to Dear Kate. 2 leaves. Ethel's father has passed away. Bob is sick and one of his children's schools has been closed due to illness.


a.l.s. E.J.N. to Dear Mamma. 1 leaf. Ed is writing about the choice of books.


a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. From Ed's early years in New York City when he was living with Kate and Alger. Mentions snowstorms and a large fire.


a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Pop. 3 leaves. Written by Ed when he was in ad business and living with Kate and Alger. Ed writes about his job and the rich getting richer. a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Written by Ed while he was going to college in Syracuse.

6 11 a.l.s. E.J.N. to Dear Mother. 6 leaves. Written at Christmas time in the late twenties, after the death of H.H. Noble. Moving letter.

a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Mom and Pop. 7 leaves. Written while Ed is at Syracuse, going to College, also expenses.

a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 1 leaf. Written when Ed is at Syracuse University, circa 1900.

a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 3 leaves. Written while Ed is going to college in Syracuse. He notes to his parents that he didn't ask for money.

a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 5 leaves. Ed asks when Kate plans to come home so he can plan a visit too. Urges his parents to take a trip.

a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Home. 2 leaves. Belated anniversary wish. Ed, Kate, Gunnison, and his wife go to a football game by auto.
a.l.s. E.J.N. to My Dear Mamma. 2 leaves. Letter from Ed while still in school. Speaks of summer employment, mentions he isn't asking for any money in this letter.

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7 1 1899 Sept. 30. a.l.s. K.L.N. to Dear Mamma. 2 leaves. Family news from Kate in Massena Springs.


Apr. 21. a.l.s. K.L.N. to Dear Rob. 2 leaves. Refers to Kate's engagement to Alger Conger. Is sending Rob a shirt.

May 13. a.l.s. K.L.N. to Dear Mamma. 3 leaves. Kate is living in Weedsport. Mentions a recent visit with Ed in Syracuse and a recent volcanic eruption in some other part of the world.

May 17. a.l.s. K.L.N. to My Dear Rob. 2 leaves. K.L.N. is responding to Rob's recent letter. Tells him what trains to take if he wants to visit. Also mentions recent visits to Syracuse to see their brother Ed.

May 23. a.l.s. K.L.N. to Dear Mamma & Pappa. Kate tells of whooping cough in her school in Weedsport. Family news, speculates on what happened to Clark, someone who turned up missing around Gouverneur. After school is out she will be home for the summer.

7 2 1902 May 30. a.l.s. K.L.N. to Dear Mamma. 3 leaves. Kate will be coming home in 3 weeks. Has her mending and washing under control. Complains about not liking to shop in Syracuse.

July 22. a.l.s. K.L.N. to Dear Mamma. 2 leaves. Kate is on vacation with the Congers in Sault Ste. Marie. Asks for money.

7 2 1902 Aug. 28. a.l.s. K.L.N. to Mr. James Wright. 1 leaf. Kate asks Weedsport Board of Education to be relieved of teaching duties for coming year.

Sept. 9. a.l.s. K.L.N. to Dear Mamma. 3 leaves. Kate is back teaching in Weedsport until a substitute can be found. Is thinking about her wedding plans.

Sept. 17. a.l.s. K.L.N. to Dear Mamma. 1 leaf. Kate is getting ready to leave Weedsport, even though it is uncertain when her replacement will arrive. Wedding planned for Oct. 19-21.

Sept. 18. a.l.s. K.L.N. to Dear Mamma. 2 leaves. Kate has been sick. Uncertain when her replacement will arrive.

Sept. 24. a.l.s. K.L.N. to Dear Mamma. 1 leaf. Kate is planning a small, quiet wedding. Wasn't planning on wedding invitations.

Sept. 27. a.l.s. K.L.N. to Dear Mamma. 3 leaves. Wedding arrangements.

Oct. 24. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 1 leaf. Kate writes while riding a train in Ohio on her wedding trip with Alger.

7 2 1902 Oct. 25. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma & Pappa. 5 leaves. Kate writes to her parents while on her wedding trip to Cincinnati, Louisville and Mammoth Cave.
Nov. 26. a.l.s. K.L.C. to My Dear Mamma. 3 leaves. Wonders what has happened to the letters she has written her mother. Tells of her daily routine and their plans for Thanksgiving.

7 2 1902 Nov. 30. a.l.s. K.L.C. to My Dear Mamma and Papa. 3 leaves. Kate tells about their Thanksgiving and daily routine.

Dec. 7. a.l.s. K.L.C. to My Dear Mamma & Papa. 2 leaves. plus 1 leaf from Alger. News of the weather. They may spend the winter in Port Arthur, Ontario, Canada. Alger is working nights.


Dec. 28. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma & All. 4 leaves. Interesting account of Kate and Alger's first Christmas together.

7 3 1903 Jan. 7. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma & Papa. 4 leaves. Kate describes some of her daily routine, also family news.

Jan. 24. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma and Pappa. 3 leaves. Kate has done some entertaining, is working on her music and has done some skating and snowshoeing. She expects to spend quite a bit of time in northern New York over the summer.

7 3 1903 Apr. 8. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 2 leaves. News of family and friends, is sending an Easter gift.

May 20. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 2 leaves. Kate will be heading to northern New York. Will take a boat as far as Buffalo from Sault Ste. Marie.

7 4 1905 May 4. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Folks. 2 leaves. Kate and Alger are living in Albany, and Kate is expecting.

May 15. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 4 leaves. Kate is looking forward to her mother's coming to help out with the new baby.


March 10. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma & Pappa. 2 leaves. They are looking forward to their visit to Gouverneur.

Nov. 8. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 2 leaves. Family news. Kate and family intend to be in Gouverneur for Christmas.

7 7 1908 Feb. 3. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma and Papa. 2 leaves. Family news. Refers to Rob's going to Alaska.

June 7. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 3 leaves. Family news. Kate recounts their trip to Atlantic City.

Nov. 9. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 3 leaves. Family News.

July 8, 1909 Jan. 9. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 1 leaf. Kate writes about returning home, presumably from Gouverneur.

Jan. 19. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 2 leaves. Family news. Alger will be away in Vermont. She and brother Ed plan to go out.


June 5. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 2 leaves. Family news. Kate and Ed are planning to go to the Yale baseball game.

Sept. 15. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 2 leaves. Ed has been very sick.


July 9, 1910 Dec. 13. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma and Papa. 2 leaves. Kate's letter to her parents after she learned they had had a fire.


July 10, 1911 Mar. 30. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. Family news. Aunt Lydia's visit to Kate's may keep Kate from visiting Gouverneur.

May 31. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 1 leaf. Kate has apparently returned from a visit to her parents.


Sept. 14. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 3 leaf. Kate is doing her fall canning. Has had a hard freeze. Will be teaching Bobby herself.


Nov. 8. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 2 leaves. Family news.


July 11, 1912 April 22. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 4 leaves. News of family and possible visits.


May 17. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 3 leaves. Family news.
June 7. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 1 leaf. Kate has returned from a visit to Gouverneur. Tells of trip home.

7 11 1912 Aug. 5. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 4 leaves. Kate and Bobby have been sick in bed. Kate doesn't know when they will get to Gouverneur.

Oct. 4. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 3 leaves.


Jan. 12. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. Kate writes to her mother who is being treated in the hospital in New York City.


Feb. 3. a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 1 leaf. Family news.

Undated a.l.s. K.L.C. to Dear Mamma. 4 leaves. Family news about Alger, Eddie, and little Bobbie.


D. HARVEY H. NOBLE

8 1 1875 Feb. 7. a.l.s. H.H.N. to My Own Dear Edna. 6 leaves. H.H.N. and Edna Wood have decided to be married.

8 1 1876 April 30. a.l.s. H.H.N. to Dearest Edna. 2 leaves. Love letter to Edna Wood, who later became his wife.

8 1 1876 Oct. 9. a.l.s. H.H.N. to E.W.N. 2 leaves. Harvey writes his wife who is visiting her family in Westport, Essex County.

8 2 1901 March 20. a.l.s. H.H.N. to Dear Rob. 1 leaf. H.H.N. speaking from personal experience offers some thoughts about the value of education at an early age.

June 6. a.l.s. H.H.N. to Dear Rob. 1 leaf. H.H.N. is sending Rob some money to come home. H.H. also discusses his feelings on Ed's leaving home.

July 18. a.l.s. H.H.N. to Dear Rob. 1 leaf. Includes advice on dealing with difficult people and superiors.

October 6. a.l.s. H.H.N. to Dear Rob. Advises Rob not to quit school and to persevere without exhausting himself. Also counsels about being impatient about getting on with his life.

October 27. a.l.s. H.H.N to Dear Rob. 3 leaves. H.H.N. urges Rob to focus on being happy in the present instead of being nostalgic about the past.

November 13. a.l.s. H.H.N. to Dear Rob. 1 leaf, incomplete. News of home, Kate, the weather, and support and advice about Rob's living situation.
1902 March 12. a.l.s. H.H.N. to Dear Robt. 2 leaves. H.H. is supportive of Rob's studies. Tells of difficulties of being in business at the turn of the century.


1903 June 11. a.l.s. H.H.N. to Rob. 1 leaf. Rob is graduating and will be starting a job soon. H.H.N. wishes him well.

1905 July 10. a.l.s H.H.N. to Edna. 1 leaf. H.H.N. to his wife, who is visiting their daughter Kate.


1908 March 23. t.l. H.H.N. to Edna. 1 leaf. H.H.N. is letting her know how he is getting along while she is away.

1922 Dec. 1. t.l.s. H.H.N. to Dearest Edna. 1 leaf. H.H.N. discusses his activities while she is away, reminisces about their younger days.


E. FROM EDNA WOOD NOBLE

1901 May 29. a.l.s. E.W.N. to My Dear Rob. 2 leaves. E.W.N. tells R.P.N. that she will try to budget money for him so that he won't have to think about money so much next year. Tells him how proud she is of him.


July 5. a.l.s. E.W.N. to My Dear Rob. 1 leaf. E.W.N. tells of the 4th of July, Kate's activities.

July 6. a.l.s. E.W.N. to Dear Rob. 2 leaves. E.W.N. tries to cheer up Rob who has been down. Asks him if he would be willing to paint the cottage in August.

July 8. a.l.s. E.W.N. to Rob. 2 leaves, one a note from H.H.N. Rob is working in Plainfield, N.J. and has been hurt on the job. His parents are very concerned.


July 25. a.l.s. E.W.N. to Dear Rob. 1 leaf. E.W.N. is glad that R.P.N. has quit hard physical job to come home. She has been worried about him.
Oct. 7.  a.l.s.  E.W.N. to My Dear Rob.  8 leaves.  E.W.N. is lonely, writes news of Kate and Ed.


Nov. 13.  a.l.s.  E.W.N. to My Dear Boys/My Dear Rob.  3 leaves.  News of Kate who is working in Weedsport.  Wants Rob to come home at Xmas.

Nov. 15.  a.l.s.  E.W.N. to My Dear Rob.  2 leaves.  Family news. There has been snow and the sleighs are out.


Mar. 15.  a.l.s.  E.W.N. to My Dear Ed.  3 leaves.  E.W.N. gives candid assessment of Kate's and Rob's lack of push.  Urges Ed to write R.P.N. to arrange for a summer job now.


Mar. 20.  a.l.s.  E.W.N. to Dear Robert.  1 leaf.  E.W.N. warns R.P.N. about the company he keeps.  Tells him to work hard to catch up on his studies.

April 3.  a.l.s.  E.W.N. to My Dear Rob.  2 leaves.  E.W.N. wishes R.P.N. a Happy Easter.  News of Gouverneur.  There have been two cases of smallpox.

April 5.  a.l.s.  E.W.N. to My Dear Rob.  3 leaves.  E.W.N. tries to encourage R.P.N. who is having a difficult year at school.  News of Ed visiting with friends.


April 12.  a.l.s.  E.W.N. to My Dear Rob.  3 leaves.  News of Kate, suggestions for R.P.N. for employment after he finishes college.

April 16.  a.l.s.  E.W.N. to My Dear Rob.  4 leaves.  E.W.N. was not able to board any teachers for the teachers' institute, but is selling eggs.

April 26.  a.l.s.  E.W.N. to My Dear Rob.  3 leaves.  E.W.N. encourages R.P.N.'s efforts to do well at college. Discusses Kate's engagement to Alger Conger.

8 10 1902 May 1.  a.l.s.  E.W.N. to Dear Rob.  1 leaf.  Short letter, mentions Alger and Kate.


May 7.  a.l.s.  E.W.N. to My Dear Bob.  2 leaves.  Money to pay the bills R.P.N. and E.J.N. have is hard to come by.  H.H.N.'s business has required large capital investments this year.

May 13.  a.l.s.  E.W.N. to My Dear Bob.  3 leaves.  R.P.N. is discouraged again and E.W.N. tries to cheer him up.  Mentions sending bills and summer work.
May 22. a.l.s. E.W.N. to My Dear Rob. 3 leaves. E.W.N. writes about a summer job for R.P.N., and E.J.N. as well. Someone who owes Rob's father about $300 has left and gone to Canada.

May 27. a.l.s. E.W.N. to my Dear Bob. 4 leaves. E.W.N. asks how R.P.N.'s hand is, discusses employee who had drinking problem. Beef steak was 25 cents a pound. She also wants to know how much money R.P.N. will need to settle up at the end of the year.

May 29. a.l.s. E.W.N. to My Dear Bob. 2 leaves. R.P.N's parents are glad to hear he passed everything. Want to send money to complete end of the year. They also want him to come home and take a job locally.

8 11 1903 May 20. a.l.s. E.W.N. to Dear Kate. 1 leaf. E.W.N. is looking forward to Kate's coming home for a visit.

June 8. a.l.s. E.W.N. to My Dear Robert. 3 leaves including note from H.H.N. Wishing R.P.N. well on his graduation from Purdue.


8 13 1912 Mar. 26. t.l. E.W.N. to Educational Dept., Albany, N.Y. 1 leaf. Trying to find out if her sister, who is a teacher, can receive some kind of pension from N.Y.S. despite her lack of enough school terms.

8 14 [n.d.] a.l.s. E.W.N. to My Dear Dear Boy. 1 leaf. E.W.N. writes E.J.N., who is in Chicago visiting his brother, R.P.N.

F. FROM META (MRS. ROBERT N. NOBLE)

9 1 1912 July 26. a.l.s. Meta to Mother and Father Noble. 1 leaf. Meta writes she is glad to know they approve of her.

Sept. 6. a.l.s. Meta to Mother and Father Noble. 1 leaf. Meta thanks them for such a fine visit to Gouverneur. She writes that Chicago is hot, they are looking for a new apartment.


9 1 1913 April 4. a.l.s. Meta to Mother Noble. 2 leaves. Meta writes from Portland. She and R.P.N. have moved there recently.


G. FROM ROBERT N. CONGER (R.N.C.)
(SON OF KATHERINE L. NOBLE CONGER)

9 2 1912 April 7. R.N.C. to Grandpa. 1 leaf. Grandson's short letter to Grandpa Noble.

9 2 1913 Dec. 20. a.l.s. R.N.C. to Grandmother. 1 leaf. Grandson's letter E.W.N.


2  1915 Nov. 18.  a.l.s.  R.N.C. to Grandma. 1 leaf.  Requests his skates be sent to him, he hopes Edna and Harvey Noble can come for Thanksgiving.

2  1918 Feb. 14.  a.l.s.  R.N.C. to Grandpa. 1 leaf.  R.N.C. tells his grandparents what he spent his money on, presumably money he received from Grandpa & Grandma Noble.

2  1920 Jan. 28.  a.l.s.  R.N.C. to Grandma. 1 leaf.  R.N.C. thanks Grandma Noble for socks and gloves. Tells of fire at his prep school.

2  1921 Jan. 1.  a.l.s.  R.N.C. to "Gram". 1 leaf.  R.N.C. tells Grandma Noble how much he appreciated the Christmas gifts and wishes her a "Happy New Year".

2  1919 Oct. 7.  a.l.s.  R.N.C. to Grandma and Grandpa. 1 leaf.  R.N.C. tells about arriving at Prep school, and something of his daily routine.

2  1924 Mar. 20.  a.l.s.  R.N.C. to Grandma. 1 leaf.  Thank you note to Grandma Noble for graduation gift.

H. FROM GERRIT CONGER (G.C.)  
(SON OF KATHERINE L. NOBLE CONGER)

3  1925 Feb. 4.  a.l.s. G.C. to Grandpa. 1 leaf.  Short letter from grandson.

3  1932 Jan. 11.  a.l.s. G.C. to "Gram". 1 leaf.  Letter from grandson.  Hoping she is feeling better.

4  1923 Jan.  a.l.s.  E.N. to Grandma. 1 leaf.  E.N.  Thanking Grandma Noble for Christmas presents.

4  1930 May 9.  a.l.s.  E.N. to "Gram". 1 leaf.  Letter from grandson who is at prep school.


4  Feb. 18.  a.l.s.  Edward and Margareta to Grandma. 1 leaf.  Letter from grandson and his wife.

5  J. FROM CLARENCE A. WALDO


5  Sept. 13.  a.l.s.  C.A.W. to Harvey Noble. 1 leaf.  Waldo writes concerning getting Robin to Purdue, his willingness to serve as R.P.N.'s mentor.

5  Sept. 20.  a.l.s.  C.A.W. to Harvey and Edna Noble. 1 leaf.  C.A.W. describes the circumstances of R.P.N.'s entry into Purdue and his attempts to set up R.P.N.'s to ensure his success.
Sept. 28. a.l.s. C.A.W. to Harvey and Edna. 1 leaf. C.A.W. has taken a special interest in R.P.N., is making him account for the money in order to foster good habits, encouraging him to write home on a regular basis to combat homesickness.

1909 Sept. 13. a.l.s. C.A.W. to Harvey and Edna Noble. 1 leaf. C.A.W. writes to make financial arrangements for looking after B.W. during the coming winter.

K. FROM CHARLES G. WALDO

1908 Nov. 4. a.l.s. C.G.W. to Harvey. 1 leaf. C.G.W. shares his joy at Taft's election, news of his return home with his mother.

1910 May 19. a.l.s. C.G.W. to Harvey +Edna. 1 leaf. C.G.W. thanks Nobles for their hospitality and invites them to visit when they come to New York.

L. FROM EVELYN WALDO (Mrs. Charles G. Waldo)

1910 May 18. a.l.s. E.W. to Mr. Noble. Thanks for all Nobles did for relatives of B.W. when they were in Gouverneur for interment.

1915 April 3. a.l.s. E.W. to Mr. And Mrs. Noble. 1 leaf. Thanks Nobles for condolences.

M. FROM BARBARA WALDO

1902 Oct. 19. a.l.s. B.W. to Mr. and Mrs. Noble. 2 leaves. About prospective weddings of Anna Waldo and Kate L. Noble.

1908 Nov. 6. a.l.s. B.W. to Mrs. Noble 2 leaves. B.W. writes about her being in Bridgeport with her son, her impressions of the city and seeing New York.

1908 Nov. 16. a.l.s. B.W. to Mrs. Noble. 2 leaves. B.W. has instructions for the house, and writes about weddings.

1909 Mar. 15. a.l.s. B.W. to Dear Friend Robert. 3 leaves. B.W responds to a letter from Robert Noble (R.P.N.).


April 5. a.l.s. B.W. to Mrs. Noble. 2 leaves. B.W. is planning to return to Gouverneur soon, and asks the Nobles to check the house and to build fires in the coal furnace and wood cookstove. Contains a detailed description of building a coal fire.

1909 Nov. 13. a.l.s. B.W. to Mrs. Noble. 2 leaves. B.W. has just arrived in Detroit where she will be spending the winter.
Dec. 14. a.l.s. B.W. to Mr. And Mrs. Noble. 3 leaves. B.W. is staying with Frank and Anna. Frank puts in long hours so she really doesn't get to see very much of him. She hasn't heard from anyone else from Gouverneur but has kept up on local news through the newspaper.


N. FROM FRANK WALDO

1910 Jan. 23. a.l.s. F.W. to Friend Harvey. 1 leaf. F.W. informs H.N.N. and Edna that B.W., F.W.'s mother, has been diagnosed as having Bright's disease and is doing poorly.

Feb. 6. a.l.s F.W. to Friends. 1 leaf. F.W. tells Nobles the end is near for B.W. & describes her declining physical condition. Thanks them for all they had done for B.W.

Feb. 13. a.l.s. F.W. to Friends H.& E. 1 leaf. F.W. tells Nobles that B.W. will only live another day or two.

April 17. a.l.s. F.W. to Friend Harvey. 1 leaf. Discusses arrangements for bringing Mother's remains back to Hammond by train in May. Asks Nobles to join them, and to arrange for grave stone.

April 29. a.l.s. F.W. to Friend Harvey. 1 leaf. Is agreeable to Harvey's suggestion for disposal of B.W.'s house and effects. Must consult other family members.

O. FROM ANNA LOUISE WALDO

1910 Feb. 4. a.l.s. A.L.W. to Edna B.W. is very weak. Waldo's have a nurse taking care of her. Anna requests bedding, towels etc. to take care of B.W.

Mar. 28. a.l.s. A.L.W. to Edna. 2 leaves. A.L.W. thanks Edna &Harvey for recent hospitality, asks Edna to do errands for her regarding B.W.'s house in Gouverneur.


June 20. a.l.s. A.L.W. to Edna 1 leaf. A.L.W. gives instructions regarding pillows that are being sent.

July 11. a.l.s. A.L.W. to Edna. 1 leaf. A.L.W. thanks Nobles for all they have done, vows to reciprocate if the Nobles ever need it. News of Waldo family.

P. FROM LIBBIE E. WALDO (MRS. G.H. WALDO)


Nov. 26. a.l.s. Mrs G.W. Waldo to Mrs. Noble. 3 leaves. Mrs.G.W. Waldo shares family news with Nobles.
Q. FROM ABBY W. WALDO

12 June 15. a.l.s. A.W.W. to Edna Noble. 2 leaves. A.W.W. inquires about the Henry Aldrich family, if they are victims of "dissipation" or excesses, particularly in drinking.

12 Jan. 15. a.l.s. A.W.W. to My Dear Friend (Edna Noble). 2 leaves. A.W.W. writes to Edna who is in the hospital in NYC.


12 Jan. 31. a.l.s. A.W.W. to My Dear Friend (Edna Noble). 3 leaves. A.W.W. writes to Edna Noble who has returned to Gouverneur after being discharged from the hospital in New York. With Noble children away she offers any assistance Mrs. Noble may need in returning to NYC, if it becomes necessary.

R. TO ROBERT P. NOBLE

1897 Jan. 23. a.l.s. Louise Waldo? to MyDear Rob. 2 leaves. Louise is in a private school and writes Rob about playing softball and having her picture taken.

1897 Jan. 25. a.l.s. "Post" to My Dear Rob. 2 leaves. "Post" who is away at private school writes to Rob to alleviate her homesickness.

1897 Mar. 6. a.l.s. "Post" to My Dear Rob. 1 leaf. Post" to R.P.N. "Post" is girl friend going to a private school in Albany, N.Y. News of her school, and plans to be home at Easter.


1899 Jan. 19. t.l.s. Mary Irwin to Robert P. Noble. 1 leaf plus waiver. Concerns literature about Purdue University.


1901 May 27. a.l.s. M. Waite. Smith to Rob. 1 leaf. Comments on the recent visit of Ed & George [presumably Ed Noble]

July 6. a.l.s. R.C. McIntosh to Bob. 4 leaves. R.C. catches Bob up on his summer activities and those of their friends from Purdue.

Oct. 10. a.l.s. M. Waite Smith to Dear Rob. 2 leaves. Invitation and directions to Rob to visit them in Chicago. Mentions a big ball game [football?] between Chicago and North Western.


May 22. a.l.s. L.C. Voorheis to Rob. 1 leaf. The American Tool Works Company does not have an opening for R.P.N. for the coming summer.
June 25. a.l.s. J.P. Trowbridge to Rob. 2 leaves. Discusses circumstances and conditions under which Rob could work at Westinghouse Air Brake for a summer job.

May 30. t.l.s. E.M. Herr to Robert P. Noble. 1 leaf. Mr. Herr offers Rob a job at $60.00 per month.

June 1. a.l.s. Amanda A. Witherell to My Dear Nephew. 1 leaf. Rob's Aunt Amanda sends congratulations to Rob upon his graduation from Purdue.

June 3. t.l.s. E.M. Herr to Robert P. Noble. 1 leaf. It is satisfactory if Rob reports to work at Westinghouse on July 1 instead of June 15.

Sept. 6. a.l.s. Aunt Carrie to Dear Nephew Robert. 3 leaves. News from his aunt.

December 28. t.l. W.S. Bartholomew to R.P. Noble. 1 leaf. Rob's boss gives him permission to take extra time off for Christmas and New Years. Outlines tasks for him in Pittsburgh after the first of the year.

March 20. a.l.s. Aunt Carrie to Nephew Robert Noble. 6 leaves.

Nov. 18. t.l. W.S. Bartholomew to (Rob) Noble. 1 leaf. R.P.N.'s boss offers him some assurances about working for someone else in the Southern U.S.

Oct. 2. t.l.s. W.S. Bartholomew to My Dear Noble. 2 leaves. R.P.N.'s former boss and friend expresses his hope that R.P.N can rejoin Westinghouse Air Brake Co.

S. TO EDWARD J. NOBLE


June 24. a.l.s. Joe to Eddie, Robbie, and Kate Noble. 2 leaves.

July 13. a.l.s. Harry to E.J.N. 4 leaves. Friend of E.J.N. writes and invites E.J. to visit him in Denver. Harry works for a mining company. Actually there are 4 companies, each with a different name, but the same President, Vice-President and Treasurer.

Aug. 3. a.l.s. F.P. Kellogg to E.J.N. 1 leaf. Letter to E.J.N. regarding insurance matter.

Sept. 18. t.l.s. Cecil Bancroft to E.J.N. 2 leaves. Bancroft is principal of Philips Academy. Writes E.J.N. about getting into Philips Academy and how it can help him get into Yale.

Oct. 18. t.l.s. R.C. Woolsey to E.J.N. 1 leaf. E.J.N. receives written instructions to report for initiation rites for Beta Epsilon fraternity.

June 19. t.l.s. Henry P. Wright, Dean of the College Faculty to E.J.N. 1 leaf. Tells E.J.N. of June and September entrance exams to Yale.

July 17. t.l.s. Frank Smalley to E.J.N. 1 leaf. Smalley is Dean of College of Liberal Arts and wishes Noble well in his transfer to Yale.

Oct. 8. t.l.s. Henry P. Wright to E.J.N. 1 leaf. E.J.N.'s good standing in Latin means he won't have to take an exam.


10 2 1914 Mar. 15. a.l.s. Bob to E.J.N. 1 leaf. Friend or acquaintance writes to inform E.J.N. about his upcoming wedding.

10 2 1922 Dec. 28. t.l.s. Richard E. Sykes to E.J. Noble. 3 leaves. President of St. Lawrence University praises E.J.N. for his accomplishments as a businessman and as a human being.

10 2 1929 Dec. 28. t.l.s. Harold B. Johnson to E.J.N. 2 leaves. Johnson discusses plans to see Noble, newspaper business, Harry Landon's visit to Noble home in Gouverneur, and a Calvin Coolidge biography.

10 2 1932 Jan. 5. a.l.s. [Cousin?] Edna to E.J.N. 3 leaves. Aunt Jennie has died. Cousin Edna has written Edna Noble without mentioning the death of the latter's sister in accordance with Ed's, Kate's and Rob Noble's wishes.

10 2 Jan. 20. a.l.s. [Cousin?] Edna to E.J.N. 4 leaves. Jennie's death is still being kept secret from Edna Noble. Cousin Edna says Edna Noble knows how Jennie will want her affairs handled.

10 3 T. TO KATHLEEN L. NOBLE CONGER


10 3 July 11. a.l.s. G.N.D. to Edna, Kate and all. 2 leaves. G.N.D. writes of arsonist at work in Potsdam and severe lightning storms.

10 3 1902 Oct. 20. a.l.s. Eleanor to Dearest Kate. 1 leaf. Friend of Kate sadly writes to say she can not be at Kate's wedding, but wants to hear from her once she is married.

10 3 1931 May 28. a.l.s. Edith M. Clark to Dear Cousin Kate. 1 leaf. Condolences to Kate on the death of her husband, Alger Conger.

10 4 U. TO HARVEY H. NOBLE

10 4 1873 May 9. a.l.s. C.C. Carr of Rome, Watertown & Ogdensburg R.R. to Mr. H. Noble. 1 leaf. Inquiries whether Mr. Noble would like to be the railroad's agent in Gouverneur.


10 4 June 13. a.l.s C.C. Carr to R,W, & O, R.R. to H.H. Noble. 1 leaf. Mr. Noble has been checked out favorably by the railroad company.
1874 Jan. 1. a.l.s. E.J. Noble to Brother Harvey. 1 leaf. [E.J. is the namesake of Harvey's son.] Asks Harvey to watch out for a position for him in a store.


April 15. a.l.s. Charles N. Martin to H.H. Noble. 1 leaf. Letter from his friend in Potsdam.


Sept. 18. a.l.s. C.N.M. to Harvey Noble. 3 leaves. C.N.M. wants Harvey to come up for a visit to Potsdam.

Nov. 13. a.l.s. C.N.M. to Harvey. 1 leaf. Tells of his socializing in Potsdam. Asks Harvey to come up for a visit.

1875 June 28. a.l.s. C.N.N. to H.H. Noble. 1 leaf. Discusses plans for 4th of July.

July 6. a.l.s. C.N.M. to Harvey. 1 leaf. Discusses ticket sales to Ogdensburg and Canton.

July 8. a.l.s. C.N.M. to Harvey. 1 leaf. Short personal letter.

July 13. a.l.s. C. Noble Martin to H.H.N. 1 leaf. Letter contains far different style of prose.

1878 Jan. 22. a.l.s. N.N. Morley to H.H. Noble. 1 leaf. Supervisor at Telegraph Dept. of Chicago and Alton R.R. Co. asks for more personal information from H.H. Noble regarding possible employment.

1880 Feb. 2. a.l.s. N.N. Morley to H.H. Noble. 1 leaf. H.H. who is currently in St. Louis is offered a position in Kansas City that pays $25.00 per month.

1898 Oct. 10. a.l.s. Harriett Crane Bryant to Mr. Noble. 1 leaf. Regards fees and tuitions for Kathleen's schooling. Letter is very complimentary of K.L.N.'s progress.

1900 Oct. 12. a.l.s. H.D. Catlin to Mr. Noble. 3 leaves. Friends from Gouverneur have moved to Brooklyn. Mostly family news.


April 28. t.l.s. W.E. Stone to H.H. Noble. 1 leaf. Concerns how R.P.N.'s will name will appear on his diploma from Purdue.

May 23. a.l.s. Brad to H.H. Noble. 2 leaves. Old friend who now lives in Sioux City writes while on a vacation in Washington State. Good description of mountains, lake and their activities.

July 2. a.l.s. Bill Nuckeson to H.H. Noble. 1 leaf. Former teacher and friend of Noble’s writes from downstate. Is glad to be out of the backwoods.

Aug. 25. t.l. Bursar's Office, Yale College to H.H. Noble. 1 leaf. Yale is returning bond agreement that H.H.N. and E.J.N. signed while E.J.N. was attending college there.
Dec. 13.  a.l.s.  Al To My Dear Harvey.  1 leaf.  Concerns disposition of some beads.  Party wants E.W.N., Harvey's wife, to have them.

1907 Jan. 11.  a.l.s.  William H. Slaughter to H.H.N.  1 leaf.  Holiday greetings and news of his holiday season.  Warns Mr. Noble not to exploit farmers by selling them milking machines or the poor by selling coal at high prices.

1908 July 21.  a.l.s.  H.D. Catlin to Dear Mr. Noble.  3 leaves.  Mr. Catlin shares family news, inquires about the health of the Unitarian Church in Gouverneur.


1910 Jan. 27.  t.l.  F.O. Waldo to My Brothers; copy of which sent to H.H.N.  1 leaf.  Concerns Mrs. Waldo's failing health.

Feb. 27.  a.l.s.  Nelson F. Kirkland to H.H.N.  1 leaf.  Kirkland responds to letter from H.H.N. suggesting they get together; the two had been acquaintances some years before.


Dec. 13.  t.l.s.  G.W. Ball to H.H. Noble.  1 leaf.  Expresses condolences concerning fire suffered by the Nobles.

1912 June 24.  t.l.s.  Ralph to H.H. Noble.  2 leaves.  H.H. is away visiting his grown children.  Ralph, an employee, writes to keep owner informed about progress of the business.


Oct. 2.  a.l.s.  F.E. Graves to whom it may concern.  1 leaf.  Concerns Mrs. Noble's being removed from quarantine for a case of infantile paralysis.

1917 July 19.  a.l.s.  Elizabeth Temple Bell to Mr. H.H. Noble.  1 leaf.  Requests donations for cemetery where some of Mr. Noble's ancestors are buried.

1919 May 1.  t.l.  John Haynes Holmes to H.H.N.  2 leaves.  Concerns letter H.H.N. wrote to Mr. Holmes suggesting a new name for the latter's church.

1921 July 6.  t.l.s.  Richard E. Sykes [President of St. Lawrence Univ.] to H.H.N.  1 leaf.  Thanks Mrs. Noble for invitation and honorarium for Syke's speaking at the Gouverneur D.A.R.


1867 Aug. 11.  a.l.s.  To Edna Wood from her mother.  1 leaf.  Family news.
Sept. 22. a.l.s. Lucetta Wood to Edna Wood. 1 leaf. News about various members of the family.

Nov. 16. a.l.s. Clara Douglass to Friend Edna. 1 leaf. Clara writes about the changes in the teaching staff at school.

Nov. 19. a.l.s. Lucy Wood to Edna Wood. 1 leaf. Lucy tells Edna that their sister Lucetta has married, and is going to Charlotte, Vt. on wedding trip.

1868 May 19. a.l.s. Julia Sherwin to Edna Wood. 1 leaf. Old school friend writes about memories of last school year and her new clothes.


1892 Aug. 29. telegram. D.J. Adams to Mrs. Edna Woods Noble. 1 leaf. Advised to come if she wants to see sister Lucella while she is still alive.

1898 May 18. a.l.s. B. Adams to Edna and Harvey Noble. 2 leaves. Letter from nephew who as joined the service and is stationed in Essex Junction, Vt.


1899 Jan. 9. a.l.s. Helen L. Bond to Mrs Noble. 1 leaf. Thank-you note for hospitality extended by Noble family.

Feb. 12. a.l.s. B.A. Adams to Edna Wood Noble. 3 leaves. Describes Cold weather in Ohio, Louisville, and Memphis in early 1899.

Mar. 16. a.l.s. B.A. Adams to Edna Wood Noble. 2 leaves. Edna's nephew describes Mississippi and the South. There is much flooding. He concludes there are not as many Southern mansions as you would think. He is having trouble finding work and is leaving the South for Cairo, Ill.

May 3. a.l.s. B.A. Adams to Edna Wood Noble. 2 leaves. E.W.N.'s Nephew has a job he really likes in St. Louis. Will repay his aunt and uncle within a couple weeks.

May 12. a.l.s. B. Adams to Edna Wood Noble. 6 leaves. Describes Wagner Electric Company where he works. Discusses prospects for Rob Noble--if he thought he might be interested in working there.

Sept. 29. a.l.s. H.E. Braman to Edna Noble. 1 leaf. Appears to be from sibling.

1902 June 8. a.l.s. Nephew Earle to Aunt Edna. 2 leaves. News from relatives in Westport, N.Y.

Sept. 25. a.l.s. Alice Locke to Mrs. H.H. Noble. 1 leaf. Cateress writes Mrs. Noble about her services and what she charges.
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<td>Her nephew is going to South Carolina.</td>
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<td>10/6/1905</td>
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<td>Harriet E. Fuller to E.W.N.</td>
<td>Regarding the sudden illness and recent death of a mutual friend, Mrs. Lockwood.</td>
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<td>10/6/1911</td>
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<td>Ena Elspeth Anderson to the Nobles.</td>
<td>1 leaf. Thank you note for recent kindness to a neighbor.</td>
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<td>10/6/1912</td>
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<td>Meta and Bob to Mrs. H.H. Noble.</td>
<td>1 leaf. Happy New Year wish, and reference to their upcoming wedding.</td>
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<td>10/6/1912</td>
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<td>Marcia to Dear Brother and Sister.</td>
<td>2 leaves. Tells about harvesting berries and small fruits.</td>
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<td>10/6/1912</td>
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<td>Ethel Louise Tuckham to My Dear Mrs. Noble.</td>
<td>3 leaves. Thank you to note to the Nobles for their hospitality during her recent visit to Gouverneur with Edward.</td>
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<td>Sara to Mrs. Noble.</td>
<td>1 leaf. Thank you for baby present.</td>
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<td>10/6/1913</td>
<td>12/30</td>
<td>Dennis J. Adams to Mrs. H.H. Noble.</td>
<td>2 leaves only. Dennis is concerned about feebleness of a family member and the possibility that other relatives would be left without a home in the event of his death.</td>
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<td>10/6/1913</td>
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<td>Mrs. Edward Hoffnagle to Mrs. H.H. Noble.</td>
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<td>10/6/1919</td>
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<td>Edna's niece and husband are headed for China.</td>
<td>2+ leaves. She tells about trials of a young married couple with a new baby.</td>
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<td>10/7/1923</td>
<td>5/25</td>
<td>Richard E. Sykes to Mr. and Mrs. H.H. Noble.</td>
<td>1 leaf. Thanks them for their recent hospitality. Would like the assistance of their sons to make big things happen at SLU.</td>
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Sept. 25. a.l.s. Amanda Witherell to Edna Noble. 2 leaves. Family news, some reference to
death of H.H. Noble.

Oct. 21. a.l.s. Charles E. Jones to Mrs. H.H. Noble. 2 leaves. Letter of thanks from
Gouverneur Band to Mrs. H.H. Noble for donation of $25.00.

June 2. a.l.s. Stanley D. Winger to Mrs. Noble. 1 leaf. Thank-you note with a comment
concerning the value of growing up in a small town.

Feb. 27. t.l.s. Peg to Mrs. Noble. 1 leaf. Concerning tax matters from secretary in sons'
business.

Aug. 13. t.l.s. Anne H. Booth to Mrs. Edna W. Noble. 1 leaf. Letter from sons' secretary
regarding Edna Noble's insurance premium.

Dec. 26. t.l.s. H.H. MacLeay to Mrs. H.H. Noble. 1 leaf. Her car salesman is leaving
the business, assures H.H. that all will be in order for her new car.

May 27. t.l.s. Helen E. Rutledge to Mrs. Edna W. Noble. 1 leaf. Bill of charges for
upcoming trip to Europe.


May 2. t.l.s. Harry S. Rauch to Mrs. H.H. Noble. 1 leaf. Thank you letter for Mrs. Noble's
contribution of flowers.

Oct. 11. a.l.s. Adelaide Harvey to Edna Noble. 1 leaf. Daughter of Noble family friend writes
a thank-you.

expression of sympathy upon the death of her own father.


Dec. 23. a.l.s. Letter to Edna Noble from niece or nephew. 2 leaves. Family news.

Dec. 28. a.l.s. Edna to Edna Noble. 1 leaf. Edna Noble hears from her niece thanking her
for the nice Christmas present.

Jan. 4. a.l.s. Louise Hall Case to E.W.N. 1 leaf. Holiday season letter. Sorry to hear of Rob
and Kate's illness.


Jan. 8. a.l.s. Edna to Edna Noble. 3 leaves. Concerns details of how Jennie, Edna's sister died.
3rd leaf is letter to Edward concerning how Edna Noble should be told of Jennie's death.
News of Jennie's death has been kept from Edna because she is ill herself.

Jan. 11. a.l.s. Peg Bates to Mrs. Noble. 1 leaf. Get well letter to Edna Noble who is in the
hospital in New York City.

Jan. 11. a.l.s. Lucy to Edna Noble. 1 leaf. Tells of Christmas, mentions Jennie, but not the
fact she died.
Jan. 11. a.l.s. Harry Bancroft to Mrs. Noble. 1 leaf. Get well letter from neighbor in Gouverneur, who is also looking after the house.


Jan. 15. a.l.s. Bertha E. Woodard to Edna Wood Noble. 1 leaf. Will be able to care for Mrs. Noble when she returns home again.


Jan. 20. a.l.s. Mrs. Bancroft to Mrs. Noble. 1 leaf.

Jan. 21. a.l.s. Eva to Mrs. Noble. 1 leaf. Mrs. Noble's hired help has been keeping things caught up and is looking forward to Mrs. Noble's return.


Jan. 22. a.l.s. Lucy W. Hoffnagle to Edna W. Noble. 1 leaf. Mentions extremely mild winter and the 1932 Winter Olympics in Lake Placid.

Jan. 22. t.l. H.C. Loveless to Edna W. Noble. 1 leaf.


Feb. 5. a.l.s. Lucy W. Hoffnagle to Edna Noble. 1 leaf. For first time there is a reference to Jennie's dying.

Feb. 16. t.l.s. N.P. to Aunt Edna. 1 leaf. Letter from a niece or nephew living in Syracuse.


Mar. 1. a.l.s. Lucy W. Hoffnagle to Edna W. Noble. 1 leaf. Short personal letter to her sister.


Mar. 2. a.l.s. Edna to Aunt Edna 2 leaves. Letter concerning Jennie's estate, where her bank book is, etc.

[n.d.] a.l.s. Harry to Mrs. Noble. 1 leaf. Hoping Mrs. Noble will be well soon. Has sent papers to catch her up on local news and gossip. Things at her house are in good order.


[n.d.] t.l.s. Nettie to Aunt Edna. 3 leaves. News of Nettie's family. Letter indicates that quilting was already on the decline in the early 30's. Nettie mentions radio programs.
[n.d.] a.l.s. Marcia A. Kensinger to Edna Wood. 1 leaf. Marcia is Edna Wood's (Noble) sister. Edna was 19 at the time and Marcia was 21.

[n.d.] a.l.s. Jennie to Edna. 1 leaf. Letter from Jennie who is enroute back home via train. Description of waiting room at station in Norwood.


II. Memorabilia and Assorted Papers

11 1  Wedding invitations sent to Mr. & Mrs. Harvey H. Noble.

11 2  Photographs.

11 3  Post Cards.

11 4  Clippings.

11 5  Cards and Announcements

11 6  Yale College, E.J. Noble, commencement announcement.

11 7  Purdue University, Robert P. Noble, fiscal papers and announcement of graduation.

11 8  Personal & business cards

11 9  Financial papers of H.H. Noble

11 10  Map of Depot Grounds, Gouverneur, New York, November 6, 1893.

11 11  Handbills and printed announcements.

11 12  Assorted memorabilia belonging to various members of the Noble family.


11 14  Invitations to Robert P. Noble.

11 15  Children's materials.

11 16  Lists of names, subscription donors, poems and songs.


11 18  Train trip itinerary - 1902, Boston to California and returning in 6 weeks.

11 19  Commencement speech given on June 19, 1900 by Edward J. Noble.


11 21  Two essays, author(s) unknown, but presumed to be Robert P. and/or Edward J. Noble.

12 1  TRAVEL GUIDES

--"Across the Continent: Chicago, Milwaukee and Puget Sound Railway."

--"Sunny St. Petersburg: Florida's Delightful Play Place".


--"Hermit Rim Road and Trail, Grand Canyon".
"Mother Goo's Book", a rush/pledge booklet.


Women's Suffrage hand bills.

E.J. Noble Advertising Space Ad.


YALE MEMORABILIA
--Yale Calendar, 1903.
--"The Yale Courant", Commencement Number, June 20, 1903.
--"The Yale Courant", Easter Number, April 4, 1903.

--"Valedictory Poem and Oration", Class of 1905, Yale College.


The First Loves of Perilla.

Hill's Vest-Pocket Webster: A Pronouncing Dictionary.


2 Wanamaker Diaries: Discuss Robert P Noble Jr. birth, and weather. Unknown author

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