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behaved splendidly am glad to see that Nina has learned to swim very well. It occurs to me that when she lets her hair flow and is simply dressed she looks very much as her mother looked thirty years ago. A very pleasant day. Nina slept on deck but was driven in about 11 P.M. by a shower

March 27. Beautiful weather went out in the Ocean to New River Inlet. Tried in vain to catch fish but had excellent opportunity for swimming. Beautiful serene day. But at night things changed and we were attacked by mosquitoes which came in hordes and made night [[painful?]] for all of us. We tried to

[[left margin]] Took exactly 3 hours from Government cut to New River Inlet. [[?]] 1/2 hour more from anchorage to cut

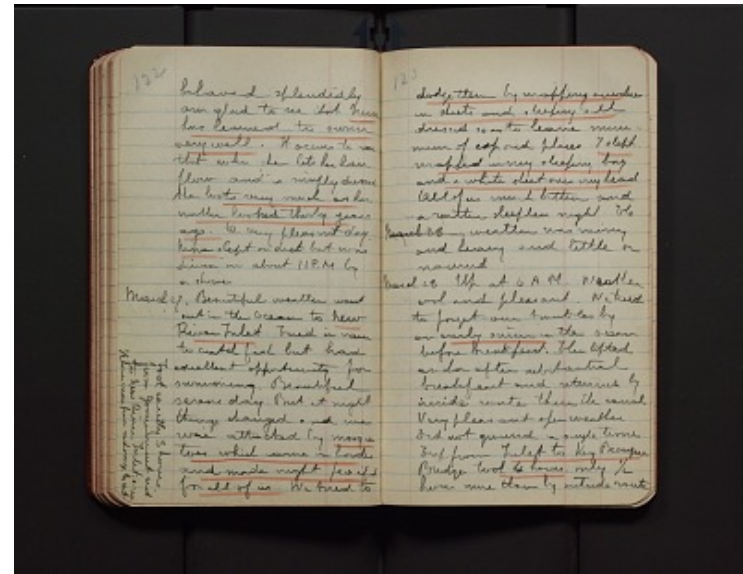
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dodge them by wrapping ourselves in sheets and sleeping all [[red underline]] dressed so as to leave minimum of exposed places [[red underline]] I slept wrapped in my sleeping bag and a white sheet over my head. [[red underline]] All of us much bitten and another sleepless night. The [[strikethrough]] March 28 [[strikethrough]] weather was raining and heavy and little or no wind

March 28 Up at 6 A.M. Weather cool and pleasant. We tried to forget our troubles by an early swim in the ocean before breakfast. Then lifted anchor after substantial breakfast and returned by inside route thru the canal Very pleasant open weather Did not ground a single time but from Inlet to Key Biscayne Bridge took 4 hours. only 1/2 hour more than by outside route



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