

July 1. Marcus and I had breakfast together after which he drove me to the airport for AA's #758, 10:10 AM for Idlewild. Routine, landing at 11:35 AM. Dope! Left the dimmers on my car for 30 hours and had a dead battery. At FEE 1:00 PM.

Tom Barber called and turned over to us copyright on "Where We Are At." He revealed that our prospect Milliken is a nephew by marriage, a young man, 38, and with heart trouble.

Did another chop suey at request of Doog.

July 2. All day on "Defense of Government."

Did a steak for Doog in honor of his birthday on account, as he put it, "I hafta eat fish tomorrow. I'm a Catholic."

July 3. Drove to New York and spent two hours and lunch with John M. Hancock, head of Lehman Brothers. John is a FEE devotee and likes our work. As a member of 15 Boards he could give us a lot of help. As busy as he is, he appeared to want me to stay on and talk.

Got an idea for a fall promotion piece for FEE, Harper and Hance working out details.

Doog is 9 today. He appeared to suffer the ordeal with pleasure. Presents, dinner in town and a movie instead of the projected baseball game with JB, Happy Birthday singing over the phone from the folks at home, combined to temper the sadness of not being 8 any more.

Ag and I et at Parises and abundantly.

July 4. A continuance of yesterday's clear, cool, and balmy weather. Business at FEE several degrees below the "stinker" point. June showed a \$15,000 cash loss. Cassius Gates confirms my Seattle date of September 30. Bill Heep wants me to address the Scarsdale Rotary.

Golfed with baseball commissioner, Ford Frick (21) and Poppy Blake (11) shooting an 84 and winning 50¢.

Ag had a wonderful poached salmon and wanted a sauce so I did Le Saupiquet Nivernaise with chopped truffle, chopped capers, and grated hard-boiled egg added. Ex.

Ag and I saw "A Queen Is Crowned," a remarkable recording of what perhaps is the greatest pageant ever offered in the history of man. I marvel at the organization technique which made it possible, and I'm sticking out all over with question marks at man's adoration of symbolism.

Did some reading about Spinoza and was struck with his idea of "emergence."

JB and Doog spent the whole day in New Jersey, swimming, seeing fireworks, and getting home after 10:00 PM.

July 5. Golfed with Dudley (16), Ed Moore (12) and Leo Tracy, Controller of Union Pacific RR (17). Couldn't putt but had an 82 and

won \$3.15.

Stuffed 4 1-lb. squabs with $\frac{1}{2}$ cup cooked wild rice, $\frac{1}{4}$ cup seedless raisins (plumped), $\frac{1}{4}$ cup pistachio nuts, 6 shallots cut fine and sauteed in butter, 6 strips bacon fried and crumbled, salt and pepper. Put all 4 in a baking tin, tied closely together, and in a 450 degree oven for 10 minutes and then to 350 degrees for 40 minutes more. Basted often. Made a gravy from juices. Delesioso!

July 6. A Mr. Hooker, at behest of Donaldson Brown, phoned and wanted to check his "plans" with us, that D.B. would help him if FEE said OK. I turned him over to Rogers. The important point here is D.B.'s first show of interest in FEE in several years.

Spent most of day writing on "In Defense of Government."

July 7. Mrs. Thomas from Long Island phoned about the radio and TV WOL program "Answers for Americans."

Ralph Gwinn phoned from airport. Wants advice on who to get together for promoting an interest in a constitutional amendment that would give the states amending power, regardless of the Congress.

Norman Donaldson, Pres. Yale University Press, phoned about controversy with Gold Standard League. He felt reassured following my remarks about these folks.

John Hancock phoned. Says my piece on "Academic Freedom" is "by far the best on the subject I have yet seen." Wants 20 copies. Also likes my "Corporate Contributions for Education" and wants 15 copies. That's the number of corporate boards he is on. Says he will send them to the right people. What that man could do!

Ed Opitz called. I always enjoy my confabs with him.

Don Williams' son, just graduated from Dartmouth, called. Wants a job. That's for Bierly. Nice lad.

Mrs. McLearn called. A serious student of liberty and one with much energy, she squawks at free immigration and has some idea about giving power in government only in proportion to what one can put up in money. The idea has nothing whatever to commend it.

July 8. Left FEE at 11:00 AM, drove to Washington Market and bought squab, dropped off Ag and Doog, shopped at Bloomingdale's, lunched at le Cafe Arnold with Leo, visited Mother, and back at 2:25 PM.

Charley Delafield phoned. Wants to know if I will lunch with him, Charley (G.E.) Wilson, and some other gent. Yes. Date later. Also, criticized some of my grammar in "Two Kinds of Exchange."

July 9. Worked on "In Defense of Government."

Ag had a meat loaf for dinner and wanted a sauce. Took two heaping tbs. sweet onion and shallot in which was a bit of garlic. Added this to 4 tbs. of tarragon vinegar and let simmer in a sauce pan

until vinegar was all but gone. Then added 1 cup tomato puree, brought to a boil and blended in $\frac{1}{2}$ cup beef consomme and 1 tbs. flour creamed with 1 tbs. butter. v.g.

July 10. Worked again on "In Defense of Government." Gave Ed Opitz a copy of the 22 pages done so far, asking his help as an editor. Ed and his interesting father-in-law, Mr. Ralston, lunched with us.

Chet Anderson phoned from Rock Island wanting advice on a speaker for September on a subject like Harper's Eating the Seed Corn. I recommended Howard Pew. Chet likes my Two Kinds of Exchange. Said he got an excellent response from a teacher to whom he showed it. Is going to give it wide distribution.

July 11. Golfed with Linc Seibert, Jack Potter, and Austin Matthews. Had 45-38. Ag and I went to Matthews' home and played bridge until 12:30 AM, getting clobbered.

July 12. Golfed with Ed Moore as partner against Reeves Cook and Bill Alexander. Played badly, an 87.

Mullendore, to whom I sent Living Time, became interested in Ouspensky and Gurdjieff and then in Walker's book about them, Venture with Ideas. Began reading of latter and with considerable interest and profit.

A Mr. E. A. Lodge (can't remember him) phoned from Chicago and wanted sent air mail 300 each of Clippings #53 and #55.

Ag and I saw "Young Bess," an excellently done and entertaining movie -- although I would guess, except for places, dates, and names, highly fictionalized.

July 13. Zack Cecil phoned and said he was going to take delivery of the Mises book. That's that. He also reports that their gold standard bill will be enacted within a year; that the only hitch is the early passing of Bob Taft.

Continued on with "In Defense of Government."

Doog wanted the chix spit-barbecued. So it was.

July 14. Wrote copy for next FEE promotion piece to go out after the turn of September.

Leo phoned to say that he had visited Hutch at Jamestown over the week end and that he appears to be coming along fine.

Approved D.R's. "A Measure of Freedom" for FEE publication.

E. A. Thompson of Pittsburgh called and had luncheon with me. He appears to be a good libertarian.

July 15. Ed Opitz spent all forenoon and through luncheon with me going over points of "In Defense of Government."

Dean reports that the Anti-Defamation League used "A Measure of Freedom" as a title for one of its pieces. I suggested as an alternate "My Freedom Depends on Yours."

Louis Buehler writes me about my Clipping #58 very favorably, but it sets him off on a tirade against what's happening. For instance:

"Political leaders are only interested in their popularity and their courage is dead because they don't exercise it. Everybody seems satisfied because we can go to the poor-house in an automobile. We no longer fear God, because we are too scared of the Russians."

Appended are some pictures of "Operations Kitchen" taken by Rudolph Leppert, Jr., at the request of and for the architect. He aims to get them in some magazine, an idea I approved but with the understanding that the name of owner not be used.

Today is the 33rd Wedding Anniversary for the LERs and the 10th for LER Jrs. Not only have the four of us failed to celebrate the day together but it appears that on this occasion Marty and Yur Sun were not even together. Our own celebration was modest -- red roses for Ag, a Pinot Chardinet (Wente) for toasting, JB and LER III for company, and a chicken chop suey done by quite the oldest thing in the family for nourishment.

July 16. In reading "Venture In Ideas" I find myself astounded at the similarity of the system of knowledge dispensed by Ouspensky and that which is set forth in what Euhlenburg-Wiener calls "the new biology." Here is a higher understanding of the ancients strikingly like that of modern science. The former was never made public, indeed it was dispensed as if secret. The reason: The knowledge would be distorted if passed on to those who had not reached the point of intelligent reception. Few, therefore, ever knew of it. This causes me to reflect on the saying, "A little learning is dangerous." This is not correct. A little learning is better than none. What is dangerous to one's thinking are isolated bits of information on a subject that one but little comprehends. Let a person snatch a fact here and there on a vast number of subjects and he will possess an unrelated conglomerate of information to serve him as a point of reference. This cannot but serve him poorly and he will gain the reputation of not having good judgment. He will be thought of as "flighty," or "not stable." Any stage of knowledge should be prepared for, in short, one's receiving set is capable of tuning in higher communication only as simpler communication has been mastered. One of the first steps is learning to read. Knowing how to pronounce and arrange words or being able to read is called "literacy." But the act of reading is as much a condition to literacy as is the ability to read. The one who can but will not read qualifies as an illiterate as much as the one who cannot read.

Mrs. Milton Harrison, a former Highland Circle neighbor and now of Akron, a Seiberling of rubber fame, called and lunched with me, Ag joining. The gal, half-pint size, is a bundle of energy and nervously into everything. Talk with her on this occasion proved, much to my relief, to be more interesting than at previous times. Her mission? I don't know. Scoop for the Seiberling Company, I faintly hope.

Howard Freeman, a Georgist first and a FEE devotee second, called following a 5-month's round-the-world trip.

Took Ag and Doog to the Virginian for dinner.

July 17. Delafield of Con Edison, who found fault with my "Two Kinds of Exchange," orders 3,200 copies.

Talked on phone with Hans Eggerss, President of Continental Can Company, a FEE non-supporter. He wants to send out to business friends copies of my "Corporate Contributions," a desire inspired by Ben Moreell.

Worked on "In Defense of Government."

July 18. Very dry. Temperature 96. Played only 14 holes golf with Bill Callan (36) and Jerry Norton (24).

Doog and JB off at 7:00 AM for all day at the ocean beach. Ag and I went to Chatham, having dinner with Eve and Chauncey getting home at 12:30 AM.

July 19. Golfed with Dr. Clark (20), Hank Bodell (13), and Dr. Oman (12). Shot 45-38. Played miserably except around greens. Had only 23 putts, or 13 1-putt greens.

July 20. Made Doog's return reservation for August 3. He wants to have some time this summer with his little pals in Burlingame. As to leaving time, he is decisive as a well-balanced grown-up.

To New York, joining with Charley Delafield, Scofield, Gus Low, Benny Gallagher, and one other -- all of Con Edison -- for luncheon at Recess Club with Dave DeBard, V.P. of Stone & Webster, and Charley (G.E.) Wilson. While C.D. had the lunch in mind for me to do some FEE spade work, Wilson did most of the talking, and very interesting. His experiences with Truman were fascinating. Wilson referred to himself as a "sucker" on several occasions so it is apparent that he now sees how futile was his Washington undertaking. When Dewey's opposition to the Niagara project was explained by Delafield as purely in the interest of keeping Republicans in power, I remarked, "If that's what the Republicans have to stand for to stay in power, I would as soon have the Democrats in power." Wilson assented to this with gusto.

On arriving at the shanty, there was a package from Yur Sun, eight lovely chinee cups and a basket from Frances. Ag practically had an ecstasism.

The other day I sent Inx a note: "If I were you, I would write to me." So last night he phoned. Says Mises has invited him to the Mt. Pelerin meeting and he may go.

Finished reading "Venture in Ideas."

July 21. Erling Week, the friend of Paulo Ayres whom I met some weeks ago, called. What an unusual character! Young, perhaps 35-40, good looking, the behavior of an extrovert, he was, in school, given to meditation. What was his purpose in life? He didn't know. So, trained in chemistry, he went into business for ten years and appears to have made enough to do as he pleases from now on. What he pleases is a book on science, society, etc., and he proposes to work on it for as many years as necessary. He has some good equipment too. Is leaving for Europe shortly to do some research.

Ed Opitz called with a house guest of his, a Mr. Harry Beston of Nobleboro, Maine, a farmer and one who apparently is getting wealthy as an author. A brilliant man and I want more time with him than the 30 minutes I had today. He says Americans are a very sick people -- their "pursuit of happiness" and such. While I agree with him, he and I would not agree on industrialism as a cause. He is leaving for Europe tomorrow, returning in November.

Lunched at Siwanoy Country Club and golfed in one of Canadian Club's outings. A gabby gent y-clept Jerry Swallow was my partner. We played with a Mr. McNutt and a John Doris. These three claimed handicaps of 20. I had to do a good finish to beat my partner for low, he having an 88 and I an 87. Won \$5.50 for g.c's. bank.

Mic Ugh phoned while I was barbecuing a steak for dinner. Wants me to join him in some kind of a feast next week to be followed by an evening at the ball game. May do.

July 22. Mises called following his ten 2-hour lectures at U.S.C. Is leaving Monday for Europe.

J. Howard Pew wires from Jasper Park, Alberta, inquiring as to whether he should accept Quad-Cities' invitation and what he should speak about. Replied that he should accept and speak on the current illusion of American business profits. No one can do that better than Pew.

Made an important discovery, namely, that it is utterly useless to argue the limitation of government with anyone who does not first understand the purpose of government. This and its reasons become obvious once the fact is recognized. The astounding part is how so many of us for so long could be unaware of the fact.

A wonderful letter from Yur Sun. His ideas about potentials in people is sound. I would only warn him on two points: (1) Don't push anyone faster than his potential unfolds, faster than he can

"take it." I have done harm to several most promising individuals in this way. And (2) don't play around trying to remake those who have demonstrated the limits of their potentials. I have committed several errors of this kind, too, that is, taking demonstrated flops and thinking I could bring them out.

While JB worked late, and Doog dined with the Jim Rogers, I took Ag to Parises.

July 23. Jim Hance and Doog drove me to New York for a meeting of The Freeman Board. The new by-laws which I instigated a year ago, and helped draft, were approved. We elected Leo Wolman as Chairman of the Board and appointed an Executive Committee -- Fertig, Lassen, and LER -- plus the Chairman and President.

Hutch phoned from Jamestown asking that Ag and I pay a visit. Set it up for Aug. 4-5.

July 24. Esther Matthews phoned, excited about Dining With My Friends. Tony Reinach phoned, excited about Bouquet de France which Ag and I sent as a wedding gift. I am a miniature Brillot Savarin, at once a ham chef and a fighter against "the tides of unreason." Both, if practiced diligently, require creative effort and in this respect are similar.

Bob Hornby's company upped the donation from \$200 to \$500; Warner and Swasey from \$500 to \$800. But business very dull. I continue to work on "In Defense of Government."

Doog off to New York to meet JB for dinner and a Dodger's ball game, Ag and I doing a steak on the grill.

July 25. General Mills sent us a check for \$500.

A Professor of Economics, Arthur N. Lorig of the University of Washington, called. Has been participating in our College-Business Exchange program with General Foods. Two other gents, Messrs. Haas and Livingston, called but I left them to the tender mercies of my associates and headed for St. Andrews.

Golfed with Dr. Addie (20), Dr. Farnum (20), and a Mr. Gale (24). Did a painful turn of my right ankle off #2 tee. Shot an 87!

JB took Doog for a flight over Manhattan, the Statue of Liberty, and other points of interest. Following this, Janie Stark of FEE staff called and took him swimming. Doog sure likes the gals. They indulge him more than does grandpappy.

Doog asks, "Which do you like better, the cat or the dog?" My reply, "Doog, dear, I cannot answer that question categorically or dogmatically." The answer confused him to the point where he asked, "What does dogmatically mean?"

July 26. "It is for each to utter that which he sincerely believes to be true; and, adding his unit of influence to all other units, leave

the results to work themselves out." -- Herbert Spencer, Autobiography, Vol. II, p. 547. Not unlike Washington's credo, "Let us raise a standard to which the wise and honest can repair. The rest is in the hands of God."

Golfed with Gordon Duval (18), Sidney Adams (21), and Doug Lawrence (16). I'd blame my 88 on the bad ankle except it's about this summer's game.

Doog and JB to New Jersey and back for a rib roast dinner.

Took Ag to see "The Great Caruso." Superb!

July 27. Poor Mic Ugh fell at the Club Friday night and got a bad head thump. At hospital today getting x-rays. Peek phoned and said "McHugh is going to live."

Worked on world government section of "In Defense of Government." Have that idea figured out to my own satisfaction.

Helen and Ed Opitz and B and Jim Rogers over for a barbecued steak. Ed reports that last year when at Notre Dame for a session, the Irish recorded his name as O'Pitz.

July 28. One \$10 donation! Not an order even for a Clipping. The low point in the FEE ebb tide -- I hope.

Dined at Passy Restaurant as guest of Ivor B. Clark and 11 other guests. After which we were chauffeured to the Yankee Stadium for the Yankee-Indian game where Mr. Clark had two boxes. Explained to my colleagues, before leaving FEE, that our work involved communicating our ideas to others; that to do so one had to be where there were people; that I could always find an interest in one or more if in a group. Clark is a fabulous character, perhaps 73, one of the biggest real estate and mortgage loan operators. A nice person professing a great interest in our work. I was seated next to H. Bruce Palmer, a dynamic gent of 44, President of Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company. We hit it off good and I think we will see more of him. A good game, but I left at end of 7th inning to avoid traffic. The stadium had a capacity crowd. Home at 11:30 PM.

July 29. Left FEE at noon and lunched at Quaker Ridge Country Club with Tony Reinach, Dr. Ev Gaillard, and the Science Editor of Newsweek, George A. W. Boehm. Quaker Ridge, a Jewish Club, is one of the finest courses in the country, and difficult. Even Ev, a 6 handicap, had an 83. I had a 94 and a wonderful time.

July 30. More on "In Defense of Government," starting section on "busts" and "booms."

Reviewed NIB's revised draft of FEE. The director, Paul Reed, has removed the charge of "anarchist" but he cannot conceal his venomous feelings. Supposed to be objective reporting, he editorialized in almost every line. Here is the case of a thorough-going socialist

who has erected a wonderful "front," reporting to business firms on our and others' worthiness to receive contributions.

Dean took Doog to his own lake, both returning for dinner with us.

July 31. The month ended with \$13,300 in receipts and \$20,600 in expenditures, a loss of \$6,300 less than I had expected.

Opitz called and took 50 pages of "In Defense of Government" for editing. Jim Rogers, back from two days in Baltimore, thought he made some progress.

Got in 8 hours work on "In Defense of Government." Doog to dinner and show with Jim Rogers.

August 1. Golfed with Bill Heep (17), Howard Miller (16), and Warren Burden (24). Won \$2.50 but shot an 87. Today, like last Saturday and Sunday perfectly splendid. Doog to the ocean with Mickey, and JB off to the same with some girl friend.

Letter from Cassius Gates that Phil Weyerhaeuser will give me a luncheon in Tacoma next month. V.G.

About 2:00 PM a feeble, 84-year old man rang the shanty door bell -- a Mr. Weed from Syracuse. He is filled with woe, his daughter being a communist and his granddaughter married a very black negro. He likes FEE and wanted to talk his problems over with me.

Doog, Ag and I drove to Parises but the place jammed so we ended up at Virginian and quite late.

August 2. Golfed with Phil Weld (16), Mr. Childress (17), and Mr. DeLand (24). Can't get my game "going." Am off in some department in every instance. Had an 89.

Cooked eggs foo for Doog's last dinner and when he saw the concoction wanted to know my name for it. Said I, "Eggs Foo on You Doog Too."

August 3. Opitz called, having spent the week end on "In Defense of Government." Some helpful ideas.

Dr. Donald Graffam of Dickinson College, who has been a Fellow at Mutual Benefit Life, lunched and spent two hours with me. He prizes his experience at Mutual and wants to help FEE. Gave him some ideas.

Some of the gals at FEE gave Doog a lovely identification bracelet, and all of the staff signed his autograph book. Ag and I took him to La Guardia for TWA's #5, 7:00 PM Constellation for San Francisco. Got to take him aboard ahead of time and introduced him to the head stewardess. She said, "My! He has a good handshake." JB had to work and couldn't be with us so