

that, realizing her white mentality was a handicap in feeling sympathy for others, she had requested her fellow commune members at the Mertles' to treat her for one week as a slave. They called her "girl," ordered her around. She went barefoot and wore an old dress. Her loss of identity brought home to her what life was like for black people, not merely for a week, but all the time.

Jim said that ten of the children whose families moved down from the Valley are going to attend a progressive school, the best in California. The school will give us a discount and afford our teachers an opportunity to be observers of their methods, so that we can establish such a school next year for all our children. Of the students entering the school, five are black and five white. Though they had suffered from poor schooling in the public schools, the school found them all qualified, having superior intelligence and vocabulary, and having obviously lived in a stimulating environment.

I took home Rosezetta and the children, who are back in Contonia's apartment. Rosezetta did not tell me why Contonia had changed her mind. Contonia is spending a week in the Valley, helping to can produce at the ranch.

I read for an hour and went to bed at 2.00.

4 September - Th - I moved the car from Mrs. Heitmeier's driveway before 7.00.

With Bob Garb out, I had very little work to do in the office. Dorothy asked me to take some dictation from Jack Nemeth. This had to do with the federal law limiting campaign contributions.

A friend of Carol's, a doctor from Sicily, came to the office. He had phoned yesterday, not knowing she had been transferred. He had a box of candy for her. He spoke very little English. I gave him Carol's office and hotel phone numbers, called Carol but she was out to lunch. Later I talked to her and she wanted the candy sent to her. I spent some time finding out the most expeditious way of mailing it.

A good part of the day I spent listing recent expenditures. Then I started to list all August expenditures.

I left for an appointment at the dentist's office at 3.30. This was for a recheck on my cleaning methods and plaque control. The hygienist was still not satisfied, gave me more instructions.

I got home at about 5.30.

I ran in the park.

I did personal chores and washed and put up my hair.

I prepared and ate dinner. Tonight I had a salad of artichoke hearts, onions, tomatoes and cucumber, green beans, and a casserole of celery,

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onion, macaroni and cottage cheese with a cheddar cheese sauce. I washed dishes.

This meal took me longer than usual to prepare and I was late in starting my washing. I washed underwear and a few other items, starting at 11.00 and finishing after I had listened to "In Conversation."

I read Wilson. I fell asleep while reading so did not get to bed until 2.30.

5 September - F - I packed my suitcase so as to spend the night at Lorraine's. I put it in my car before I left for work.

I made out my time card and submitted it. Betty Vasil signed it in Bob Garb's absence. I had very little except overhead numbers.

Yesterday I had taken with me to work two of the skirts made by the Temple seniors which Mom Taylor had let me have Wednesday night. I was wearing the one I had brought. I thought some of the women in the office might want to buy one. Several people expressed interest, and I think I may sell some if I can have the seniors make the size and style desired.

Dorothy gave me a memo of one of the legal assistants to type. This was all the office work I had all day. I added my August expenditures on the calculator and tried again to balance my bank account, adding all bank deposits, checks and bank charges for the three months that I have been off \$5.00, but at the end I could not even come close to the figure shown in my records. I took along the calculations to ask Lorraine to check them.

I ate lunch with Barbara Gersh at the PG&E cafeteria, since she had to buy her lunch. She was happy that she is going to work half time at the Bechtel library. She is not active any more in the affairs of the BWAA, as she thinks "they are not going anywhere." We talked of present-day sexual attitudes and family arrangements. Barbara comes from an upper middle class family in New York City.

I did some more work on journal entries this afternoon.

When I arrived home tonight I got my mail, didn't go up to the apartment, drove to Lorraine's. I made excellent time, arriving before 6.00.

"Star Trek " is being shown again on TV and Lorraine and Ryn wanted to watch it, so I joined them in the bedroom where they now keep the set. The episode, an hour long, they agreed had an anti-climactic ending.

For dinner we had potatoes with a gravy containing tuna fish, green beans and a salad, and a custard with fresh peaches and whipped cream.

I told Lorraine of recent changes in the Temple, especially of my hopes of teaching in the Temple school when established and my plans to move in to the hotel commune and do without my car. Lorraine was particularly

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