

into Librairie Hachette, a very large
book store, the part I saw was mostly
text books. Then wandered around
in the rain looking at book & art
stores. Into Raymond Denean's. Don't
know if he is alive. Rather mediocre
paintings. An awful lot of large
blown up pictures of Denean all
over the place, wearing, sitting type
spinning etc.

Wednesday - cloudy

Found Viviane - very friendly. I didn't
stay too long as I had done a lot of walking
& was very tired. She gave me a card
to Bibliothèque Nationale, Mr. Desbrosses
to see if I could get in to the repair shop.
Jeanne is always so nice - has a
lot of worries trying to get the apartment
in condition so as to be able to rent it
& go to America where her daughter is.
Had lunch at Procope (Peter)

Thursday

Bibliothèque Nationale, Mr. Desbrosses is on
vacation away until middle of October
wouldn't let me in. Saw Braque's showing
I like his ^{later} work better than Picasso's.
Then lunch at a small place where

The proprietress calls everyone "mon
petit chou" or "mon petit lapin". Will
try the B.N. again as have another name
from Peter. Saw some nice reproductions
but store closed.

Friday

Beautiful - sunny day. Started
out for "Ecole Estienne" to see
if I could enroll there. But school
not opened yet. Classes full - even
the classes opened to strangers. Will
not be available for tour of school
until November. To Blvd. St.
Germain - lunch - then to Vinding
with Institute Brochure. K.L. interested
showed me her work + paper her
partner makes. Bought some. Then
to supply house bought paint & folder
will try making some zigzag end for
practice. Rec. Brochure of Eating
Common School from K.R.D.
London Co Council school are all
(The enrollment) filled it is too late
will try to get Lisbon in finishing
a gold work - Have decided that
is more important than to Rome
in October for a while than to U.S.

I'm tired & want to start work.
The boys will have to except this.
I was rather discouraged - but letter from
Peter which was a great boost in
moral. Also one from Tito with checks
& request for earnings & back, will
do. Also one from Grandmère.
Sak.

Beautiful - To lunch with Jeanne & her
friend Mme F. Then I left - to Arc de
Triomphe de l'Etoile to the top. Very
impressive, the view, radiating & the build
facing the circle are all the same style
& height. The entrances differ. Then walked
to the Tour Eiffel then took a boat
ride along the Seine to & around
the islands of St. Louis & de la Cité.
Boat full of Americans taking pictures
and saying "well we can't see everything
but just the most important things,
places that every one is talking about".
I don't find the French particularly
well dressed or fashionable dressed.
Could it be that I'm getting old? I'm
curious, on my return to Rome, to compare
as I remember the Italians were more
style conscious. Saw a nice old

lady on the Metro. She was very small, had on a black suit, black hat with white chiffon around crown + white blouse, v-necked + around her throat a white ribbon, very chic + elegant for an old lady, I remember this. I'm in a quandary as to what to do. Really want to return to S.F., have a go at this repair work. I don't want Peter to feel that she has to protect me - have a weight around her neck. Must write to her asking for more definite plans.

Sunday

In the afternoon went to Versailles. Many, many people ^{too many} to go thru the palace - so just walked thru the very formal gardens + lovely ~~stands~~ ^{stands} of woods. Stairs all very broad + open. Lakes where people were boating, no fishing or swimming. Returned about 6, very tired. I had been a beautiful sunny day. Washed hair in the morning.

Monday

Another beautiful day. Vacuumed apt. Jeanne spends her week-ends with a friend whose husband has just died.

then off to locate someone to take lessons from. Bought two La Relieve one for Roger Powell & one for Sydney Cockerell. Then walked & walked finally found Mr. Fachs who teaches finishing - dourer. Will start Wed. morning, about 2⁰⁰ am hr. He is situated just a few steps from Station Monge. That is where we were staying in 1951. Forgot the name of Hotel or St. (think it was U.S. Hotel (?) T. Am. Ex. 6 letters! Then saw Eff! Poor guy! His car is a total loss, all sorts of trouble developed so his trip to Russia is off & he's waiting around for boat to Greece & Israel. Called S.C. Chuck - long time to have Chuck ahead & then called Tuesday

Mailed magazines & wrote to Peter Foggy & misty! Went to UNESCO. Most impressive. Think Naguchi garden lovely - simple & still looks like a jewel in that asation. Setting. Had dinner in Restaurant on 7th floor. Treated myself. Had none yesterday so didn't feel too guilty at the 2⁰⁰ price. It was good too. Then too the tour only in french. Didn't care for Picasso painting, Paul liked most of others. Back by 4:30

Wednesday

Lesson with Mr. Fache. His little not so small but very dark atelier. A two hr lesson 200F + bought his books. What I need is practice. He said he could give me more lessons but it would be useless without practice so started out to find a place. Went to Vinding - after trying to find Rue Bonapart for a good 1/2 hr. Hadn't brought map + people are very absurd about directions. Finally found it + she phoned Mlle. J. Henslein to make appointment for me. So off I went + it's all arranged. 300F per hr (25 must furnish my own gold. But I'm not ready for that yet. Bought Best for Tats. Looking for earrings for Delia.

I know I must go back soon - this going around seeing what people are doing is all very well but it's practice - practice + more practice. Besides this living in a permanent suitcase is not too pleasant. Thinks best thing is to return to Rome + absorb a little of the rebinding they do + then

head for U.C. - want to go to
Montreal - & visit in N.Y. & get
established before 1967 -
Then really - work. I know
there will be times when I will
wish I were back here but
that's life & besides there isn't
too much time.

Thursday

Went to Mill Hirstine & worked on
titles - Then back & started dinner

Friday

Waited for man to come & come to
fix Jeanne's bed which she had
become. So after lunch at the
"Selfhelp" Went to Hirstine & washed
2 hrs. bought books
to Ann Ex. No letters. Noticed I had package
from Eng (glue) but package could not
be found - will get it Monday. Then with
Jeanne, we had dinner at Selfhelp -
soup like dish water. We went to movies
to see Cary Grant & Joan Fontaine in Suspense
old film. Voice in Eng. French titles. Stomach
upset. acting up. Could not sleep until
3 am. got up & had some water, then
slept. But feeling miserable all
day. Jeanne felt the same way. Her
refrigerator came, her cushions. She is
really an energetic woman working

against odds to try & furnish this apt.
nicely & have it painted so she can
rent it when she goes to America to
see her daughter. Letter from fr
sent to Gordon - 7 days after I had left.
with check asking for more things.
at Pallacks - Also a letter from
K Drummond - saying she was sorry
I wasn't coming for the winter - would
have liked to have me & sending me
shipping. Bob of Hills coming to London
I could have done etc. 15

Sunday

To Musée National d'Art Moderne
Remember visiting it almost 10 years
ago with Ding & Henri Anon. Seems
a little dated & dusty. But
enjoyed it nevertheless. Also
in an other wing. Contemp.
French artists. A lot of them
seemed like nice neat
exposés - not art painting
rather skating in central
court, which is small about
60 seats is all it will hold.
A portable phonograph playing records
Back along Avenue de Grande Armée
Trying to decide if I should go to
London.

Stomach still upset.

Monday - wrote to K.R.S. re going to Ealing
Worked at Mlle. Hinstin then
picked up mail at Am. Ex. Rec.
Shue from English firm. They had
promised a sample of $\frac{1}{2}$ lb & sent me
half a pound. Poured

Tuesday
Letter from Peter - with questions
picked up leather at Hinstin & then
to Fache for second lesson. Raining
Letter from Roger Powell - Thank for
La Reliance I sent him.

Wednesday
To B. N. to try & get in asked
for Mlle. Brin - was told she came
in at 12 - so went to store in
lobby - ~~she~~ such treasure - bought
too many - then to eat at a
little hole in the wall - then
books - not in until 10 o'clock
so back again. Yes she would
let me see them but not
to-day - gave me a few
books on rare books & I stayed
until 2 - then to Hinstin but
by the time I had lined 2
wooden frames & did a few motifs
found I was too tired so only
stayed 1 hr. Made mistakes
etc.

Thursday Sept. 22

Reserved but
intriguing

10:30 at BN Mlle Brin there & she herself conducted me around. Certainly know her history of bindings. Some very beautiful things there but so poorly displayed. Was very apologetic about only giving me a bro 1/4 because she had to leave her dejeuner before relieving at the desk. But it was 12:05 before she could tear herself away & at the last minute dashed up the little iron stairs to get me a Bonet to show me. I was really thrilled to have gotten in.

Something strange about H.L. Bath Brin & Fa che have said things that don't correspond to what Peter has told me! Am. Express 3 letters.

Then after lunch at a small place - where Madame recognizes my Sandalwood perfume - then to search for BB suppliers & Peyron who made the paper I used on fr. book. After a long long walk - found her - jolly friendly gave me tea while she drank beer! Bought some papers then back on #42 bus nice ride.

In at six - dead tired.