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to be a masonry jetty which extends out of the piling. The customs house itself is quite new having been completed in 1929. It was about 9 o'clock when we reached here, and already the weather was getting warmish. We were passed thru the customs as easily as thru Jamaica-our letters <sup>from State Dept.</sup> having had a great deal to do in helping.

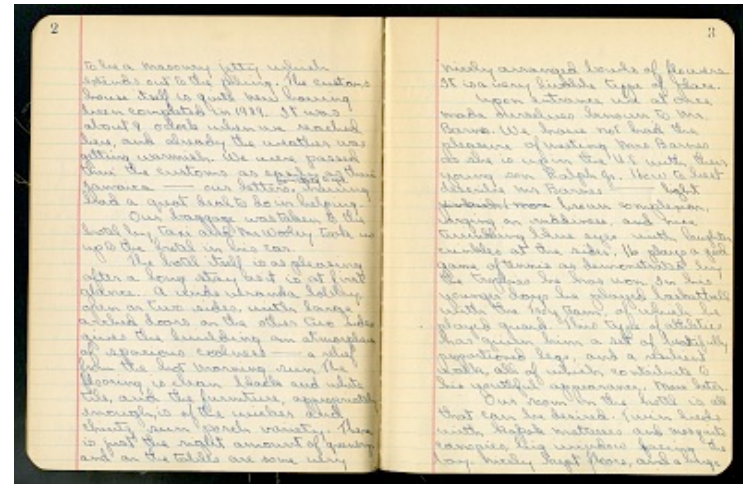
Our baggage was taken to the hotel by taxi and Mr. Wooley took us up to the hotel in his car.

The hotel itself is as pleasing after a long stay as it is at first glance. A wide veranda lobby, open on two sides, with large arched doors on the other two sides gives the building an atmosphere of spacious coolness—a relief from the hot morning sun. The flooring is clean black and white tile, and the furniture, appropriately enough, is of the wicker and chintz sun porch variety. There is just the right amount of greenery and on the tables are some very

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nicely arranged bowls of flowers. It is a very livable type of place. Upon entrance we at once made ourselves known to Mr. Barnes. We have not had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Barnes. We have not had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Barnes as she is up in the U.S. with their young son Ralph Jr. How to best describe Mr. Barnes—light ~~pinkish~~ more ~~brown~~ brown complexion, verging on ruddiness, and nice twinkling blue eyes with laughter crinkles at the sides. He plays a good game of tennis as demonstrated by the trophies he has won. In his younger days he played basketball with the Troy team, of which he played guard. This type of athletics has given him a set of beautifully proportioned legs, and a resilient walk, all of which contribute to his youthful appearance. More later. Our room in the hotel is all that can be desired. Twin beds with kapok mattresses and mosquito canopies, big window facing the bay, nicely kept floors, and a huge



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