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Lease of Perth Amboy plant

George Baekeland, called me
at phone at 2 P.M. to urge me to sign lease to Am.
Tobacco Co for Perth Amboy Plant. - They are all
for it. - Told him I want

1/ Specific lease for five years

2/ Costs for alterations and renovation not to exceed the ~~sum~~ sum mentioned by Rossi in his telegram during
the five years the lease lasts

3/ option for sale should be the subject of a special contract.

In order to avoid misunderstanding I confirmed my conversation by a
Day light letter telegram which I sent directly afterwards.

Nov. 10. Cool and bright weather.

Thermometer last night went down to 55°F.

Hgrometer from 95% to 45% Nov. 11

The election has been a veritable landslide. Hoover

carried only 5 states. The Socialist vote altho'

stronger than in former years amounts to little. Franklin Roosevelt will have both houses overwhelmingly

de men of his party

own party.

Nov. 11

Hurricane in Cuba

The hurricane in Cuba drowned
a whole city by a 20 foot high wave near Camaguay and killed 1500 people. The city was built on very
low lying ground. Nov. 12 Beautifully
clear weather here and bright full moonlight. Just after sunset wind
calmed and suddenly mosquitoes appeared, due to northerly wind
during the day. These are the first mosquitoes I have seen since my
arrival notwithstanding the early sultry days.

November 12 Cool and bright, pleasant
weather. Spent morning answering letters. Cool but bright. Wind shifting
to the north. Evening went to Photoplay "Igloo" at Coconut Grove theatre
with Celine

Nov. 13

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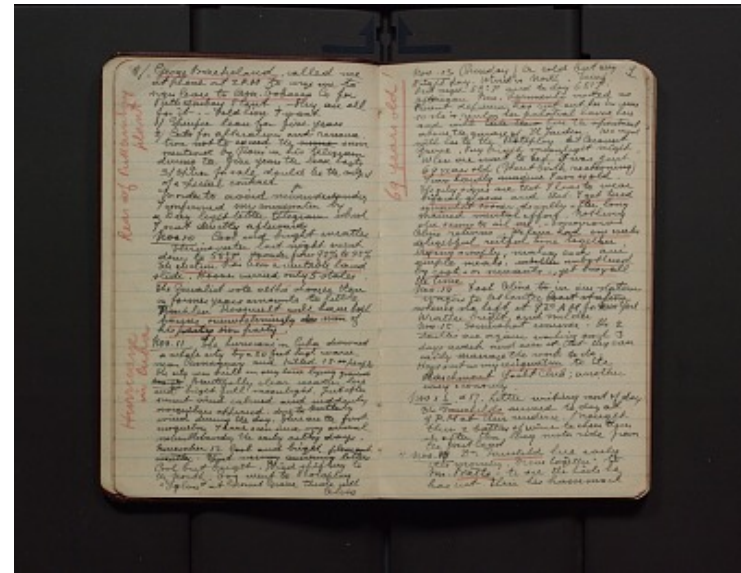
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Nov. 13 (Sunday)

69 years old!

A cold but very bright day. Wind is North. Temp last night 58°F and to
day 65°F.

Afternoon Mrs. Sarimento
visited us. Present depression has cut out her income so she is
renting her palatial home here
and will have the apartment above the garage of Il Jardin. We went with
her to the Photoplay at Coconut Grove. Very bright moonlight night.
When we went to bed I was just 69 years old.
(Ghent birth reckoning) I can
hardly imagine I am so old. The only signs are that I
have to wear bifocal glasses and that I get tired
somewhat sooner, specially after long strained
mental effort. Nothing else seems to ail me.
- Tomorrow Celine returns. We have had one weeks delightful restful time together living simply, making
each our simple meals, unbothered by cooks or servants, yet busy all the time.
Nov. 14. Took Celine



~~in our station wagon to Atlantic Coast station whence she left at 9:30 AM for New York~~
Weather bright and milder
Nov. 15. Somewhat warmer. The 2 darkies are again working each 3 days a week and even at that they can easily manage the work to do. Have sent in my ~~resignation to the Larchmont Yacht Club; another easy economy.~~
Nov. 16. & 17. Letter writing most of day. The ~~Fairchilds~~ arrived today at 8P.M. at their residence. Brought them 2 bottles of wine to cheer them after the long motor ride from the west coast.
Nov. 18 Dr. ~~Fairchild~~ here early this morning. Drove together to Mr. ~~Bretts~~ to see the trails he has cut thru his hammock

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