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whom I had not seen since long. A very busy day

Nov. 16.

Catalin *vertical note in left margin*

Busy day at Snug Rock all day studying patent situation of Catalin & prior patents and comparing samples with Brannon report.

Nov 17 Sunday. Still at study of Catalin situation and preparing letter for Schmidt and Brannon on further suggestions

Nov. 18 At office as usually

Nov 18. Mailed to ~~B~~

~~Smith & Brannon~~ copies of my English translation of

French Pat. ~~Eiltson~~

~~Elertsen~~ filed May 31-1914 and published Jan 14-1916 in France, disclosing process claimed by Catalin and antedating even French patent of Bruhat which was filed in 1916 Nov 4-1916 after Bruhat after many months after Bruhats application. But Bruhat was published Oct 28-1909.

Reychler *vertical note in left margin*
Both patents probably had their inspiration from my earlier patents and from the patent of Albert Reychler which showed how to react upon anhydrous phenol with paraform. Henson sent in a report ~~raf~~ a recent decision of the courts as to revocable and irrevocable trusts, as applied to the 2 trusts I created in favor George Baekeland Nina B. Roll
Nov 20.

Catalin *vertical note in left margin*

Meeting at 3 P.M with Jerome Alexander and Buchanan to confer about showing microscopic and ultramicroscopic analogy between samples obtained from Catalin and those made by Bannon following French patent of Bruhat which antedates the Catalin owned patents and gives same effects of appearance and workability.

Told them not to lose himself in too many details. Main purpose now was to compare

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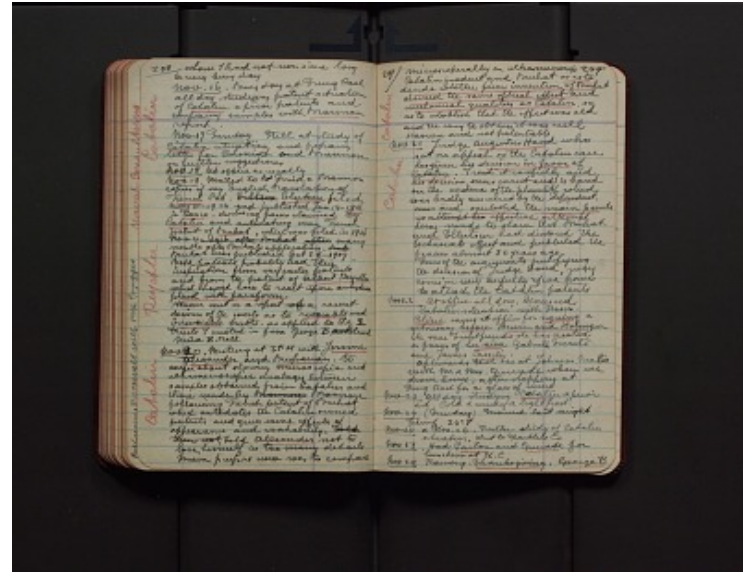
Catalin *vertical note in left margin*
microscopically or ultramicroscopic

Catalin product and Bruhat so as to decide whether prior invention of Bruhat showed the same optical effect and mechanical quality as Catalin so as to establish that the effect was old and the way to obtain it was well known and not patentable

Nov 21

Catalin *vertical note in left margin*

Judge Augustus Hand who sat on appeal on the Catalin case has given his decision in favor of Catalin. I read it carefully and his decision seems correct and is based on the evidence of the plaintiff which was badly answered by the defendant. ~~an~~ and overlooked the main points ~~no~~ attempt has ~~effective attempt~~ being made to show that Bruhat and Ellertsen had disclosed the technical



effect and published the process almost 20 years ago. Some of the arguments justifying the decision of Judge Hand, may come in very usefully if we have to attack the Catalin patents

Nov 22 At office all day. Discussed Catalin situation with Rossi. Celine came at office for signing & witnessing before Henson and Holmgren the new Trust funds she has created in favor of her niece Gabrielle Swarts and James Casseli. Afterwards took her at Johnson Malis with Mr & Mrs. Grenade whom we drove home, after stopping at Snug Rock for a glass of wine. Nov. 23 All day studying Catalin & prior art. Cold & windy & light frost.

Nov. 24 (Sunday) Snowed last night Temp 24°F.

Nov. 25 & Nov. 26. Further study of Catalin situation. Went to Sparklets Co

Nov 27. Had Sarton and Grenade for luncheon at U.C Nov 28 Raining. Thanksgiving. George B

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