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asked me if I wanted any information about the exhibits. I found my photograph exhibited also a photo of the page in my laboratory notebook in which I had recorded the date and day when I had succeeded in creating Bakelite.

[[vertical in left margin]] Robert Osborn [[/left margin]]

The young man came ~~[[/del]] who ~~[[/del]]~~ to me and asked whether I was Dr. Baekeland. His name is Osborn. He made a good impression and seemed to be well informed about the exhibit. Told me few visitors came around early in the morning. Most come in the afternoon or evening. Contrary to what I understand George Baekeland to tell me yesterday, our exhibit was excellent and well planned. Afterwards visited the Belgian Pavillon and exhibitions and took light luncheon. Belgian exhibition very impressive and well planned. Gerearts photographic exhibit, very distinguished. The whole very artistic and many visitors. On the ~~[[/del]] desk ~~[[/del]]~~ reception desk was a young man born ~~[[/del]]~~ here ~~[[/del]]~~ in the U.S. from Belgian father who made an excellent impression his name: Raymond de Clerville who lives in Huntington. (His full name is Raymond de Coninck de Clerville. Took one of the fair sight seeing~~~~

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wagons which took us around all the exhibits, while explaining the different displays. This World's fair is by far the best conceived, the largest and most impressive of any of its predecessors here and in foreign countries. - I can say so since I visited its predecessors here and in Europe. Furthermore this is the general impression. Dick drove me back via the Bronx district where I noticed the admirable new park ways. Altho' I felt somewhat tired, I had a most interesting day.

Sunday July 9. A good sleep, and feeling at my best. Spent the day reading and writing. Yesterday and today unpleasant hot humid weather.

Monday July 10. Went to office = <sup>^</sup>[[Very]] Sultry day. Celine came back from camp healthy and cheerful. Hot and sultry weather Tuesday July 11 = This morning, fine weather so drove to World's fair with Dick. Visited Netherland's exhibit. Very impressive by its variety and dignity. Afterward to small but distinguished exhibit of Siam which reminds me so much my visit to Siam. Also rapid visit thru France then Brazil - with its varieties of various mineral products, plants etc. - Very interesting. Then back



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