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Visit to Villa Marguerite
39, Avenue Vaneville, Roquebrune
Thursday 14th Sept 1972.

I telephoned Josephine Baker on Wednesday evening. She had returned on 10th September from Stockholm. There had been some embarrassment between us over the project of the Josephine Baker Foundation in Senegal to send a team out to pockets expenses, also for the short-changing of her London agent, Peter lundie. Josephine was glad I was away and so explosive about Germany. She added that she had all the children with her, that is ten of them, thus, the Columbian boy being a sergeant in the army and part, the Finnish boy, then he bows or Christmas having returned to his father in Bonn in South America. Peggy spoke after me and it was arranged that we would go to Roquebrune between 6.30-7.15 pm (Thursday) and would dine at the famous "Vistaero" hotel which projects from the rock on the Grande Corniche between La Turbie and Monaco. This restaurant is famous to English television audience on the background to the late Fernandel’s commercial for Dubonnet.

It had been a depressing day with incessant and sometimes heavy rain. We set out from the Promenade des Anglais about 4.30 pm and arrived by auto...
at Massena caught 2 bus almost at once for Menton. We got off at Roquebrune Cap Martin and it being not yet 6 p.m. spent fifteen minutes in a small hotel near on the main road with local and were (1.50 fr. for 2). Crossed road & mounted escalator to Avenue Varavella, a stiff climb. In the boy up we ran into Jeanot, the Japanese boy, who had been sent shopping. At first I thought he was Mara, the Red Indian and was confused because this boy had a bowl of soup in the French style & crossed at lower gate which was open. Ran back and greeted on steps by Mme Maire & HALLIN. Thence into house where we found Josephine in old clothes and an overall dancing "French" cleaning assisted by two "in poor" girls, one Italian & one Japanese. I asked if they were "students" but did not introduce them by name. Also, the Rosco dressed in a Remora, presented himself to them all the others, the Indian, Brown. Little Coffe, the African, Novak, Franco-Jewish. I think but possibly Swiss-Jewish, More, Solm, Jean-Claude (French ЖInvestigator, shoulder length hair) Mara, Red Indian, Mara, Marracca boy joined, tall & fair. Scared. Who works in the casino & hopes to day to become a croupier. J. B's confidence in this later that evening, the 3 am return, & strict rules to 8 receiving the boy at home. The is only 16 years old.
Josephine is on a strict diet and so am I for a nurse came to give us an injection. The support considerably from another. Jean Claude was sent to fetch Morris water from the village and an upholstery to work on. Now, but came to roquebrune also for another which he says is very curious, described a new mattress for them and removed the old one. He joined us for dinner with my surprise. She gave him to drink a jean. Claude, we laughed about hypnosis ritual, translated for the benefit of the upholstery. Josephine he would like to buy it and I replied that in bed just like it from Homeric, if it came back, I would hire it for a week or sell it back! The upholstery left again about ten minutes later. She changed into a red tunic suit with black stripes. I saw her stop to look at her. Camille but Josephine kept smiling and searched in the pocket of her coat. She was still in -0- with sore feet, directed us out on to noyeve camcide in pouring rain. Done up his to the right of up gouve camcide in Votelero hotel. Very impressive, expected shady. Having been replaced by coats there to prevail table in last position with splendid view of the more immediately below. Surly on of the most magnificent views in the world, particularly at night with thousands of lights of different hues. Without a order for Peggy and me as agreed, dinner for Josephine. She had over emphasised how hungry the 1500 and ate little, turtle soup for us to begin. He missed the course. Then an excellent fish dish with a red wine sauce, very good, very very dry. Vin, Rac, chilled in ice bucket. He had a green salad & beer. Then we had roast beef, with excellent sauce & potatoes only a half of which we ate. All this had
a glorious paté en croute with coconut. No
cheese wanted or coffee. Be talked mostly
of the children and of Marianne’s new
young cousin, and J.B. very worried.
Marianne returned at 5.30 and
just had time to send her to Paris, although
I had promised to send her: “I am blushing,”
with a laugh. He said we felt there
was an improvement generally. “I added
And there was room for it.” Josephine
nobody probably laughing as well.
He left about 10.45 pm and Josephine
drove as the way she known longer
than that directed – just to own within
and so on to the Regent’s at the top of
the Casino Gardens. It was still raining
as we got out. Josephine quoted “goodbye”
above off to Regent’s park.
A bus came shortly after 11 pm so
we were back home with the lower
having caught a taxi at the station.
My impression of the outing was that
Josephine was very happy. I had been
about London &Change & wanted to
make sure that was much appreciated
by us both.