

C H A P T E R 77
VACATION IN FLORIDA.

For a vacation in 1977 we had decided to go to Warm Mineral Springs in Florida. That was a spa that several people had recommended to us who had been there and had gotten relief from arthritis. Since Hedy had these pains in her right knee and we had decided against an operation of the knee, we wanted to try that treatment too and rented a cottage there.

It turned out to be very good. There is a lake there with warm water of 87 degrees all year round. It is warm water that comes out of the ground in the center of the lake from a depth of about 200 yards. The lake is round and measures about 500 yards in diameter. One could go into the water at any point to a floating cord, where it gets gradually deeper. It is very pleasant to swim in such warm water and we stayed in the water often for many hours, sometimes twice a day. There were people there who claimed great improvements of their arthritis. Some people came there in wheelchairs to bathe or with crutches. Most of them came from very far, many from Canada and some also from Europe.

We had rented a car and went often on excursions, had gone to Sarasota which is about 20 miles away and visited there our friend Mrs. Rose Walker in her home. We also went to St. Petersburg and Tampa, but that trip we made by bus. Almost every evening we went out to a restaurant for dinner. We had in our cottage two rooms and a kitchen and had breakfast and lunch there, sometimes also dinner. It was April when we were there and the climate was very pleasant.

Hedy experienced some improvement of her arthritis, could walk better afterwards and we both enjoyed the bathing there.

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We had a relatively pleasant summer afterwards, and I used as much time as possible for the continuation of this biography. There were often interruptions when there were interesting programs on television, but I made up the loss of time by staying up late at night, sitting at the typewriter. I typed everything myself and although I am slow in typing, I progressed nicely. We often went out to the children for weekends. Hedy continued with her activities in the garden clubs and we often had to drive out to Brooklyn for meetings.

Towards the end of 1977 Marvin became busy looking for an opportunity to open a private doctors office, as had all the other doctors who had their offices in the Flower and Fifth Avenue Hospital as the hospital was about to be closed. It was not easy for him to find the right place. He finally succeeded and found an excellent opportunity, joining two other doctors in a very fine and well equipped office on East 75th Street in Manhattan. He had become before a member of the staff of Lenox Hill Hospital and his office was very close to that hospital. It worked out very well and he and his patients are very satisfied.



Day with 2 parrots in Tampa (Florida)







Warm Mineral Springs, Apr. 1977



Busch Garden, Tampa, Florida Apr. 1977



In front of our cabin in Warm Mineral Springs in Florida, April 1977.



With Rose Walker in Sarasota, April 1977