

Dear Both,

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Picked the mail up on route to Hana's, Lil admired those beautiful pictures on the way in and I did after we got home. She is down by the pond seeing if any more chestnuts fell. Absent any interruption, your travelogue when she returns.

You put it well and succinctly: if you know nothing Posner's book is impressive.

Roffman wrote his book when in high school. He then started spending summers here and he was as free as if he were our son. Exceptionally bright, probably brightest person I've known. He was here maybe three summers before Univ. Penn, full scholarship. I did not consciously influence his book. I presume ~~at~~ I had some influence on him and on his thinking and that can be reflected. I remember one probably reflection of that. When he was in the Univ. Fla. law school, Gainesville, he told ^{me} freshman year, that his evidence prof asked him how he came to know so much about or have such a good understanding of evidence. He said, I put it briefly, from me.

I had no idea Henry Hurt was going to go ape or would impose his political beliefs on his book. We spent some time together before he started ^writing and then as he finished a chapter he sent it to me. He got his peer review before ^{any} publisher saw it. I spent a great amount of time on it, But when he got the second half he was much less willing to accept the suggestions he had welcomed when it was not political. It was only when I ridiculed him that he then made any changes. He did not show me the Easterling stuff. I knew nothing about it until it was published. I do not know why but if it is that he feared what I'd have done with it he would have been correct. Sick! It started out as a Readers Digest book but at some point they copped out. Well into it.

Tell Betsy we appreciate the time she took to explain the pitax pictures. I'm amazed there is ~~en~~ enough light that far under water to see and to photograph!

Rush before supper: what I've heard about how beautiful a place Hawaii is was not a bit exaggerated! Really magnificent! Thanks, and tape ready to mail Monday a.m.

Best to both,
Herold