



examine me. And then instead of an internist with experience in phlebitis more than most (my purpose in going there) to this vascular surgeon.

He spent an amount of time that surprised me palpating my right calf - more than any other spot. Thereafter it remained an uncomfortable spot for several hours. When I entered the hospital and as I recall for some time after leaving it I had no discomfort there. In fact, the first I remember is during the veinogram (vein scan). As I recall, that was decided on by the radiologist after ~~he~~ had trouble getting the saline into the left one. As I also recall this ~~ray~~ was the idea of the intern, not Turner, who I was told approved it.

I began by explaining to Hickey my GHA problem and that while I was thoroughly dissatisfied and now without trust I think I'll have to keep paying the \$1,200 a year because anything else by way of insurance will have a waiver on this. His agreement was emphatic. I told him I would be writing them about this and asking them to pay the costs, that I expected them to refuse to (he agreed) and that I'd then turn all of this over to you.

So, is there anything else for which you can get ready? If so, do!

Aside from the potential seriousness of this new problem, new to me, there is another problem in this for me: my apprehensions were justified. And then, of course, affording it.

I'm sure glad I've started writing again. Losing myself in that, if and when it is possible, is probably the best medicine. I was working some adds into the draft of the third chapter when a long phone call from Tom Tiede interrupted me until I had to leave. I'll clean up today's mail and orders and in the morning get back on that.

Wednesday will keep me busy except on the bus, which will be too dark for reading when it leaves in the morning.

Of course this leaves me uneasy until I learn more.

Best,