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22 July 1977

See July

I am responding to your letters of 20 May from Dallas airport, and 13 and 15 July both from Freiburg. I am writing to Oberurgl in the expectation that you will still be there. (Perhaps you will let us know your movements in the next few months.)

We have sent a copy of Denationalisation of Money to Dr. Franz Pick.

I have not yet been able to begin work on the Second Edition, partly because we have had a stream of Papers on which authors have been working for a year or so and partly because the First Edition is not yet sold out. But I hope to do so shortly.

On the other hand Tiger by the Tail has sold out and orders from eager readers are accumulating, but since it contains extracts of your writings only up to 1971 it will obviously be desirable to bring it up to date. I have asked Sudha to do this but she is in Australia and may not be able to do it for some time. To expedite the compilation of a Second Edition could you possibly help by indicating extracts from the writings since 1971 that we might include? If necessary the linking passages written by Sudha for the First Edition could be written here (or by you if you prefer). We shall then also include the three pieces you have indicated: you gave me a copy of one and we shall try to obtain copies of the other two.

Thank you for your kind remarks about the article on you in The Times. It was intended as a personal tribute from me to you and I hope you accepted it as such. If I was too flattering (which I doubt!) I may have done something to compensate for the neglect of your work in Britain until the last three or four years. May I add that

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Professor F.A.Hayek

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you would be agreeably surprised by the wide range of people who now think well of your work. Some of them are on the (mild) "Left" and more of them may be prepared to accept what you said about the British trade unions in your letter to The Times. To indicate the range I have in mind I will tell you that there is a friendly reference to you in a book by Paul Johnson, (the former editor of New Statesman) called Enemies of Society, and a respectful reference in an article in The Times by Ronald Butt who is a very good Conservative (Tory rather than Whig) journalist. I enclose a copy of a page from Johnson's book and Butt's article.

I shall be interested to hear what you intend to do about the two BBC talks. I remember hearing them in Amsterdam and I recall suggesting then to Ralph that the IEA might consider them if they fitted into our publications programme, if they were not accepted by the BBC.

The address of Vera Lutz's sister, Brenda Fowler, is 10 Silverdale Road, Petts Wood, Kent, England.

*Kind regards
Yours ever
Arthur*

Arthur Seldon

P.S. I am very glad you are writing occasionally to The Times (it helps to remind people that you are a British citizen interested in Britain) but may I suggest that you make the address a little more explanatory i. e. Brg would fox 99.9% of British readers.