

of development of his concept of use-time in describing and understanding domestic work and family relations.

All in all, I think this is a book which needs much wider circulation and discussion. I'd like to see a slightly shortened paperback version available as soon as possible.

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## Counsellor

"It takes a special kind  
Of person, quick to find  
The life behind the laugh,  
The tree within the staff,  
The strife behind the life.  
It takes a certain kind  
Of responsiveness to blind  
The prejudice that sees  
No wood but only trees,  
No grief behind the leaf."

"The amiable witch  
Who reveals the simple itch  
To derive from deep-set roots,  
And with simple words inputs  
The history of the mystery:  
The ruthless pressing witch  
Who with skill lays bare the ditch  
Into which the victims fall,  
Walking wounded in her thrall,  
The race acquiring grace".

This was an attempt  
to present a particular feeling  
from experience of being counselled.  
Now that some months have elapsed  
I see a certain passive-dependency in it.  
But it was valid in its time:  
and paved the way to other things.  
Like, these words don't have to rhyme anymore,  
or fall into an ordered pattern.  
Of course, it's not so easy to read -  
But that's not **my** problem  
(unless I wish it to be).  
Anyway, why should I make life easy for you?  
This is **my** thing, and I'm doing it.  
Oh, but this is all head-talk.  
What is there really to say?  
But: I am just as I am;  
And, if only I can see  
That this is just the way to be,  
Then-maybe-I'll be. . . . . me.

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