

SUGGESTED SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION BY MR. CYRUS EATON:

1. The circumstances that brought about your adoption of Cleveland as your home city, and what kind of a city was this ~~it~~ at the turn of the century.
2. How did you happen to win employment by John D. Rockefeller, and how long did you work for him? What were your duties? What ~~was~~ is your most vivid memory of that association?
3. Why did John D. Rockefeller endow ~~the~~ the University of Chicago rather than a Cleveland college or university?
4. Why did John D. leave Cleveland to take up residence elsewhere? Did he feel this city had treated him unfairly or badly?
5. What are your recollections of other great men of that period early in the century...men like Tom L. Johnson, Newton D. Baker, Peter Witt, the Van Sweringens?
6. Who was the greatest Clevelander you ever knew?
7. You are criticized in many quarters for being too friendly with the Soviet Union and yet you are also recognized as one of America's leading capitalists. Does the criticism hurt you? And how do you reconcile the apparent conflict between your position as a capitalist system leader and your friendship with the Soviet leaders.
8. What, in your opinion, led to Khrushchev's downfall?
9. What has been, to date, your greatest achievement as a financier?
10. What are some of your current financial interests so far as you are willing to divulge them.
11. What do you think of Cleveland as it now stands?
12. What do you think the future holds for this city?
13. What do you find here that is most praiseworthy, and what phase of this community's life and personality is most irksome to you?

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R. CYRUS EATON:

Attached list of questions used in interview by George Condon with Mr. Eaton today. Mr. Eaton said they did not get through all of them and that he promised Condon another session.

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