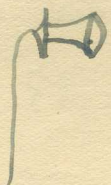


eine Blume die halb eine
Narzisse und halb ein
Märzbecher.



Sie war hellgelb
als wir zurück gekommen
waren und Tee gehabt haben
gingen wir in den Garten
um zu arbeiten. Wendy
und ich haben einen Garten
und die Bullen haben
einen. Ich habe auch
einen Garten in der Schule



⊗ = Rockery

⊗ = Crazy Paving mit
Grass zwischen den Steinen.

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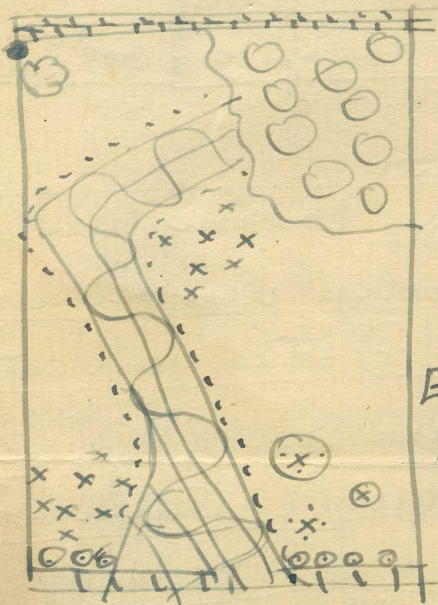
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den habe ich mit Janet
Parker. Janet ist meine
beste Freundin.

Freitag war Speechology.

Es war ganz fein aber

wie der Mayor gesprochen hat
 bin ich bald eingeschlafen.



Bussis
 von
 Kari

Extra Bussis
 für Nene.

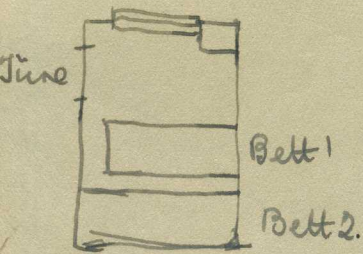
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- Pairing with Grass growing
 between the stones.

1. Nov. 35.

Liebe Mutter,

Ich schreibe gerade mit meiner neuen Füllfeder die ich vom Dicki bekommen habe.

Am seinem Geburtstag war ich dort und der Dicki hat deinen Brief im selben Augenblick aufgemacht, wie ich an die Tür geklopft habe. Es war ein sehr feiner Geburtstag. Wir haben die Zimmer angeschaut und sind über Zimmer B zu folgendem Entschluss gekommen:-

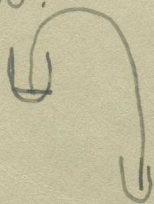


Die Wohnung ist
sehr fein. (Soweit sie
ist.) und nicht sehr
weit von der Schule.

In der Schule ist alles herrlich.
Es gibt nicht viel Homework mehr.
und Physik und Chemie sind
furchtbar interessant. Ich habe
gerade meine Chemie Aufgabe
gemacht. Soweit haben wir folgen-
des gelernt, Wie man Sauerstoff
macht und woraus. und wir
haben ein Experiment gemacht
um zu sehen ob etwas mehr

oder weniger wiegt ^{bevor} ~~for~~ oder nach es
verbrannt ist. Wir haben gefunden
das es 66.6% mehr wiegt nach
dem brennen. Das ist sehr inter-
essant.

In Physik haben wir eine
Wasser-
Pumpe gemacht. Ein "Syphon" wo-
mit man Wasser von hoch zu
nieder bringen kann über etwas
in Weg. So:-



Wir haben auch einen Barometer

gemacht und haben die
gas pressure gemessen.

Viele Bussis
von
Kari

Ich gehe heute zum Dicken.



0036 Genève. Monument Brunswick et vue sur la Ville.

GENEVA (Switzerland)

July 7th.

PAR AVION

Dearling Mother -
Arrived in Geneva on Friday night - ~~for~~ 2 days hitch from Paris. Got your letter with enclosure from Dicki. Had 2 wonderful days up in the mountain in French Alps with a group of Swiss "Jugendbewegung" - nice crowd. Now leaving for Zurich. No need to fear the weather - it's literally unbearably hot, day & night too. We slept out up



Mrs Rosa Polang;
49^a ~~Horsey Lane~~ Gardens

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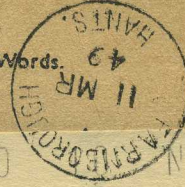


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LETTER ON WAY GETTING MARRIED JAN TWENTYFIRST MUCH LOVE

KARI

13th June, 1962

My sweet Kari -

My heart is too full, thinking of your phone call this morning. I was wondering and fretting last night, fearing some hitch or other. Now this work is opening up for you everything is different here for us, as when some weeks left and even the trees and the river are different. I have been thinking back of the morning Duchi brought the pink roses to the hospital and the belated baby clothes (the nurse cut out a tiny jacket of tissue-paper to clothe you as there was nothing at all to wrap you in). Then of an other morning, when I was four or five years old, and woke up very early and wanted to run out into that morning: I could hear the farmer making the pebbles on the drive and all the birds sang. But Munko said "sh-sh" and that it was much too early, and I never tasted that morning.

Life has become in the last few days, different, more all-round. The cramped and frustrated waiting is not with us, we walk and breathe differently. Only today did I quite realize that with the "P. & P." we were right in the middle of the battles in Hungary. They had a Workers' Association

General Meeting and it seems to have been an issue,
and I made the break-through all right! And all this
out of dear old Stunk's Hollow.

As to H. H., I'm still harvesting the leaves
of last Fall, but the garden is coming. While we
were in the h-luc the ^{berry} bushes + peach trees, instead of
dying from neglect as would have been logical,
simply conquered the leaf curler on slow sun and
are heavy with fruit -

This is a kiss on your birthday, my love.

M.

P.S. The Punt is a condensed birthday present
for you and Tommy. I'm catching it

[From Elena P. to her daughter, Kari;
written in Budapest]

10th Oct
[1963]

My darling, this is the half-way mark of our stay and a very lovely morning. Yesterday Dicki gave his full-dress address, on which he worked for a solid week, and it was heavy going, Parsons-ian sociology and in Hungarian. We were both quite sick in the end, of the stuff. We were left in peace and that was necessary. But Dicki had a few weaker days and the day of the lecture was not good at all, so we were clouded over so to speak and made arrangements that I would read it out, if he had difficulties and the strain should be too big. But it went off very well, and Dicki spoke more or less freely, as he knew it by heart by now, and for something not much less than two hours.

The room was large, but intimate and friendly, people sitting in groups, an audience of about a hundred, partly the staff of the Economics University, partly old-timers, partly academic people from other fields, historians and ethnographers. There was a heavy sprinkling of old and oldest friends and when we came into the room, well, it's difficult to describe wie uns das Herz zu ignen ausgegangen ist, und auch umgekehrt. Old Árpád was there, too, very battered for he has been gravely ill.

Imre Vajda, the Principal of the Economics University introduced Dicki - we had a long talk here at home before that with him - incredibly warmly. And the most amazing thing to my mind was that the audience was very receptive to this very complex lecture and stood up to it ~~mm~~ not only patiently, but even got a lot ~~mf~~ out of it.

Well, when the lecture was over our friend Otto Beöthy (who is also one of the hosts) took us home with a détour up to the Gellért hegy. It was dusk and the city very touching in the October mists. And so now we are here in the morning after sitting in the sun and looking forward to seeing our friends all, and I went round on the Island, picking up wild chestnuts and taking a photo of the old hotel, where we are quartered in regal comfort. It is a little ramshackle and immensely lovable and mellow. Like in Skunk's Hollow there are also cobwebs, but the ceilings are some 15 feet high, so they look only like a skyscape.

There was also a lot of business talked over, the translation work is coming ~~mm~~ into shape.

At the lecture we met András Nagy, the young economist who had Paul invited here. A very bright and nice fellow, he will come out here to see us. He is leaving in a couple of weeks for B.G. of all places, so I'm giving him all your titles and hope that useful co-operation may come of it on all sides. He may be a little lost in B.G. to begin with.

To-night we go to the Opera (!) to a Bartók evening and take three young students with us (Márta's adopted daughters plus friend). Márta is in Italy, Mária is in Vienna, but both will be back soon.

Love and more love,

M.

On Saturday we shall be motoring down to Lake Balaton, to see Jani's sister, and to visit at the great Németh László's His wife, who is very nice, and an 'organizing' wife, takes us down. I haven't seen the Lake since 1917, I'm almost scared (But no, that's not true, I saw it in '48 - that's better)

[1964
Sept
Oct]

Dear Mother,

I have drafted up a Subscription-blank -
It should be reduced in size (to save cost of
paper). Perhaps you could type up the copy
after making any changes - & show it to Harry for
changes. I think it is really quite essential
to have something like this enclosed in every copy.
I would suggest print 4000 or 3,500 (enough for
two issues #2 & #3).

Am enclosing latest form R.S. for information.

Also the Japanese name is repeated here. Re Conser -
a deadlock. Until the Editorial Board really functions
R.S. has a de-man control here & nothing can be done;
certainly I am not in a position to do anything. ~~this is apt~~
I think we must be quite careful not to upset relations
with Rudolf. Let's see the Dichi matter through before
picking more arguments with him. I wrote him that he
will be receiving 3 pieces on Dichi, by Paul, Terry & myself

and that you will be wry to his concern; the matter -
I confess I am very afraid what he will do
& ~~that~~ he will want to edit out anything he
disagrees with; but I feel you should quietly
but firmly assert your prerogative in this question -
also send them to K. Muir; Joan Robinson; on a personal basis
+ A. Schatt.
If there is real trouble, they should go to the whole
editorial board. Please do be warm + nice etc
to R.S. Let us assume that he won't give trouble;
but I have great fears. [However, ~~this~~ I don't feel
wicked to have my articles edited by him on this occasion
- nor will Paul, but don't please convey this sentiment to him].

Put stuff in mail (registered) in Ottawa yesterday
morning.

Love my love -

Kari.

Ottawa

Sept 10/65.

My darling,

I must confess to being terribly spoilt by the telephone because I can't quite get used to the idea that I can't pick up the phone and call AT2-5988 every time I think of something I want to tell you.

First, I am delighted about the school. I just hope that it will not be too difficult for the boys to keep up with the work and that they will not become too discouraged. I think you will probably have to give them a lot of help at the beginning. It is not only the language - it is also the fact that the work is so much more advanced. If it is not too much of a burden on you it is probably a good thing for them to be close to you at first.

I had a very sweet but a little desperate letter from Pudel who is terribly concerned about you because she has not heard from you for so very long. Are you alright? etc?. I replied immediately and told her our news, also your address, so you will probably hear very soon.

Please do keep in touch and let me know what help you need. The other things will be ~~airfreighted~~ airfreighted within two days or so. They consist of my rucksack with winter things, boots and skates and one wintercoat. Also books. Let me know realistically and exactly about finances, please.

Harry Campbell passed through Ottawa yesterday and showed me a letter from Pergammon Press, also a ~~rambly~~ letter he consequently wrote to Schlesinger. It is quite obvious that Co-Existence has been sold out completely, over our heads, by our ~~finandan~~ friends in Europe and there is absolutely nothing that can be done about it. As you will see from the letter Harry will send you, Maxwell is exactly what we always suspected he is - he wants a 'prestige journal' and is prepared to pay for it. It seems he does not care whether this journal is read by anybody, especially not by anybody on this side of the Atlantic. The price will go up to \$10.00 per year for two issues (.) People who have prepaid. i.e. subscribed, and are supposed to get a November 1965 issue will not ~~get~~ get the January 1966 issue instead, as it seems Pergammon disclaims responsibility. The result is that all the American institutional subscriptions (libraries) will be cheated out of the fourth issue on a two year subscription and they will not continue to subscribe, of this I am sure. As for the individuals, they clearly cannot afford to pay \$5.00 per issue, to a journal which, in any event, leaves everything to be desired as to quality. Meanwhile Schlesinger gets £100 ~~pounds sterling per annum~~ per issue and the publisher has a prestige journal - for as long as the whole ~~fasco~~ fiasco continues. I have no idea what to do. There was a meeting here a few weeks ago and Dubuc, Ken and I decided to start promotion work, Dubuc also thought that we might take over N. American distribution from here to ensure that circulation does not fall. This plan is finished of course, with the latest move by our ~~finan~~ friends; all basis for voluntary work disappears if the journal is priced prohibitively and the Editor accepts remuneration as well.

It is quite plain to me that the whole thing is a very deliberate move by Schlesinger to make himself free of all control by anybody. Meanwhile Roby Kidd wrote me a very nice personal letter from India, having spent a week in China just recently and I can, I believe, secure contributions from China, through these connections. I shall do so, but in great fear that the whole thing will blow up eventually. It is truly a case of money talks! I cannot assess whether

the Poles, etc are serious about this CoExistence Journal, but I am quite quite sure that the publisher is not and that the result of the double move of failing to honour the November issue plus raise in price to \$10.00 for two issues, plus a minimum ridiculous discount of 10% offered to distributors will have the effect of cutting circulation to nothing. Without a genuine financial independence there is of course no ideological independence either. Another journal gone the way of all the rest! I doubt whether anybody can do anything - only a group of the Editorial Board i.e. Muir, Robinson, Schaff, etc could put a stop to this, but I doubt if they care enough. I would be much happier now if the journal ceased to exist, temporarily, even if it takes a year to re-organize the whole journal financially, editorially and in every other way. It is not impossible to get academic or semi-academic financing, and to continue independent publication, only it would take a year to arrange.* The minimum conditions which Pergammon should be required to meet must be 1. honour the November issue; 2. price of \$5. per year as a maximum; discount for loose sales of customary 30%; contract with an editorial committee, not with Schlesinger himself, to ensure responsible editorial behaviour.

What else is new? I am working, still in Ottawa. Determined to get out of this whole thing by May. 1966. (The last output, I mean).

Please do write me about the boys. I cannot help wondering how everything goes, and how they are, and whether it isn't all a little too hard on you. Had a very very nice letter from Herbert Steiner, if you happen to see him, do please tell him I received his note and will reply very shortly.

With lots and lots of love and hugs and kisses,

Kari

* It would have to be a joint operation between us, cashing in next summer when we are together in Europe. But I have little

Pope

Meanwhile I do fancy my life is already different, I have much more than; so find I am again writing letters, promoting Hayds magazine New World, etc. I ~~do~~ know we could have do a lot with CoExistence here but not under these conditions. Very soon we must decide what to write to the November subscribers. We can a) TRY TO PERSUADE MAXWELL TO GIVE THEM JAN. INSTEAD 2.) if we decide to block the whole Pergammon deal, we should not do this but write to all subscribers, explain the exact situation. Mary favours this.

Love

My darling mother,

①

Jan 13 1975.

Just received your letter dated
Dec 22nd via Urbala. Very prompt
mail.

I am glad you are relatively cozy
and comfortable, at least in respect
and surrounded by friends of all generations.
That is good & how it should be.
Please do try not to walk yourself into
the ground in Vienna. Vienna is
hard on the body & spirit alike &
when you feel a little low just
take a trip to Hungary to re-
plenish the human and personal well of
life.

Here all is totally wondrously wonder-
ful. I am very very well, as usual
when alone here, happy & untroubled
and full of life. We had quite the
most wonderful holiday of 17 adult

(2)

Life here with Harry + Tom
and Stan who's here visiting
and our many many friends, old +
young. Harry left last Tuesday
he came on a 21 day ticket
and was really enchanted by
Tindad. He brought the guitar + his
playing was more appreciated here than
is usual in Canada - and this
being a country of music, rhythm +
dance, was quite encouraging to him.
Together, we had a wonderful
time. I took 3 weeks of work
+ we went visiting, went to beaches,
to concerts, to parties (or fetes as
they are called here). I have
rented a very large comfortable house.
~~and~~ Tom came down with Harry looking
better, much better than I left him
in Canada, but since arriving here
he is now quite relaxed and happy
and I have invited him to stay here

(8)

Lois and Eleanor, as Lo really
has with, pressing to go back
to at this time. I think Lo is
sort of out his mind as to what he
wants to do with himself, which is
exactly what is needed. And here is
very much more friendly, human and
with better vibes as they say than
Ottawa or Montreal.

We spent Xmas day at the beach
with friends, Xmas dinner at
Anita Williams' house; Xmas even at
the neighbours, with Harry playing guitar
& singing his songs. His music incidentally
is very very interesting & he seems to
know exactly what he wants to do
with himself musically, that is

We missed you but were happy
you were with friends in Hungary. We
miss Steve & I am happy for the
lunch photo.

Lois all is very well. I am busy.

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reading, preparing lectures, writing +
also just enjoying life and can only
enjoy it here where pot nature +
humanity is kind, warm and
not overly ambitious. You will be
pleased to hear that Harry claims
I look 10 years younger and that he
has understood why I like to come
here at every opportunity?

So rest assured, all is very well
+ I am plenty considering what is
to be done in the future (next year)
It certainly includes the Mandy
project, that is more + more + more
urgent + relevant. if possible, I
will attempt to liberate myself from
Nelson which looks ^{even} worse, in the calmer
state of mind in which I am here deep
than I looked to be last winter
when I was anything but calm!

So, do write me again please via letter
love + love Kari

20 Hilltop Drive
Champ Fleury

Tor 18/75 T/dad.

Darling mother,

I was so pleased to get your letter
and enclosed one from Arthur. Yours came
through very fast in about 3 days. The postal
services here are functioning fine, also in Toronto.
Quebec seems to be the worst postal holey!

I have already replied to Arthur!

Now, as for plans. I am coming up

approximately August 12th. Is it at all possible

for you to postpone your departure from Aug 15th to
say, August 25th? I would like to come and

stay with you for a few days, unless if possible

to come to Toronto first, and then go on to Quebec.

On Sep 26-27, 28 I have to be in Halifax

②

To speak at a Conference - the Conference is accidentally
framing my travel I/ded to Canada return.

Then early in Sept, more exactly Sept - to Sept 15
I shall be in England, more exactly in Sussex
& London. I have written to Arthur to suggest
we meet during that period. Again, a conference
this one very interesting on New Approaches to Trade
& Development. Then I plan to pass through
Natal, stay there from Sept 15 to Oct 1, then
return here.

Service trips have clarified. The first is that
I have decided that I shall not return to Adill
next year, This is so whether or not they
grant my request for an extension of leave
I simply have too many things I wish to do
to be able to expend time and energy on
Adill at this time.

③

Allegedly there is the preparation of the Delhi
book. This is now more urgent and I prefer
than ever and for this reason beg you
to consider a 10 day postponement of your visit
to Europe.

Dam here has been wonderful. For the first
time in countless years I am organized, able to
read a bit, to write a bit, to keep in excellent
heart & spirits, and even to do what has always
been my dream - to spend time in the garden,
even though it is only a rented house and I
continue to dream of owning my own house with a
garden. As for Bloomsford, I shall fix & paint
the upstairs apartment and rent it out. After living
here, where one is surrounded by nature & beauty
and space, there is no way I can live
in any upstairs flat with a view of brick walls
all around. Harry is in agreement and wants

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to move out of there because ~~perhaps~~ other things
he is probably in conflict with daughters' about
house + life styles.

The joint work with Lloyd is doing well,
well on the way to being finished and still very
interesting, in spite of the passage of so much time.
Even though I am doing 80% of the work, I
don't mind.

I have an appointment here as Professor of
International Economic Relations at the Institute and
3 year contract - but the general uncertainty of
the situation here for non-nationals does not
mean that I really don't necessarily expect to
stay 3 years. As for the period 1975/76,
I shall definitely stay here.

In many ways, too complicated to explain
in a letter & also not necessary. Dochi's work
is ^{becom} an integral part of ~~my~~ my own and the two

To do what we have to do is the real ⁵
goal, when you return from Europe. I am
delighted that you are planning to come back in
October, because it is time to settle
down and stop the endless gypsy-like
moving around. When we get together in
August, we can make more concrete plans.
I am very settled here and, as the boys
probably told you physically very comfortable in
the sense that, for the first time in my life, I
have a comfortable large house in which we
can work + live. It is not really hot either
except ~~for~~ perhaps between 11 am and 4 pm
but here we get up early in the morning when the
light breaks at 5.30 or 6 am. And in the evening
when the sun comes down at 6 pm it is always
breezy + cool. And I have a whole large room
in which I can install an air conditioner because it

is ~~not~~ not open at the top, as our rooms ^b
here normally are. Conceivably, what I am
suggesting is that you come to stay here for
two to three months, let us say ^{between} November &
February, which is also the coldest part of the
year, and buy with you ~~some~~ a good part
of the documents. This is a country where one
can find everything, including I am sure translators
from German to English. There are 50 Austrians here
& perhaps Germans too. Then at Xmas I
have visited the boys again and am fairly
sure they will want to come - certainly Tom
maybe Harvey, depending on whether he can tear
himself away from his bands. Incidentally, I
hear nothing from Tom, but am in constant
communication with Harvey who seems to be ok.
How did you find Tom? You'd better write about his visit.

(7)

I get news of Tom only indirectly - from Harry,
from Joe, from the odd other person. They all
say he's well & in good spirits. Do write
me of his visit. As for me, I shall be
able to get away from here after packing
trunks, i.e. in June 76, & do whatever else
needs to be done. But there is absolutely
no better place to work than here. One of
the advantages is the virtual absence of any
news of the world outside. At first this is
a little disturbing, but one soon gets used to
it and it has great advantages in terms of not
being distracted or spending useless time reading
newspapers! For writing & getting immersed in
material such as we shall have to do it is
ideal. Additionally, there are many friends here
and, when necessary, help of any kind - medical,

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legal, car-fixing etc etc. This is the advantage
of a small community where one has jobs to
know everybody.

Although I do have to teach here also. The
teaching is far less demanding, there are very
few students and virtually no graduate students
who, I found at NIRM, are the most burdensome
in terms of claims on time.

As far as your talk of feeling tired —
that is largely in the mind, and also due to
the everlasting moving about. I know that
because even at my stage in life, I have
in the past, got myself endlessly tired & confused
by being in too many places at one time.
But the work on Kare must be done and
I cannot do it alone, not at all, in no way
ever. Nor can it be done in Ranchal, where

There are too many people to claim my ⁽⁹⁾
time and attention and I feel too frustrated
and bad tempered to do anything constructive.
Nor am I able to spend months in Peking
because, apart from other commitments such as
the apartment here, I ~~feel~~ would feel too
captive and too much oppressed by the part.
The work of my father belongs to the future, ~~and~~
although what we have to do is to bring into
focus the past in terms of his work & biography
and we must do that from a point which is
not surrounded by personal memories, but in
the mainstream of nature and the universe.
~~and~~ You will marvel at how well things here
will go, and perhaps take pleasure in seeing
the surroundings which I am at peace with the
world and which are, incidentally very beautiful
Here one does not need to hide away from society

(6)

enveloped in a little here to escape the
depressing plague of high rise apartments and
concrete expressways and people are unbelievably
friendly, even if not very sophisticated in terms of
their experience with the outside — exceptions
of course are many to the sense that ~~so~~ many
people here have spent time in all parts of
the world. For, here is the place to reach
the backbone of the work, including the biological
+ every part, especially these. Some of the
editing also, we can do here. I am reactivating
the Canada Club application, especially for
translation and typing expenses; but if worst
comes to worst, I can pay for these services
perfectly here because I have a comfortable
salary and all services, including typing are
considerably cheaper in terms of N. American money.

I hope you will understand that the delays, in the past, in getting men on this project were unavoidable. I simply had to get my self reorganized in a number of ways before being able to stand of this project.

Now the Ottawa study is finished - one volume is in press, the second in process of production.

The work with Lloyd well on the way to completion.

The hell of Melvin, I have opted out of. ~~and~~ the boys, I find, are fine and quite pleased with my decision to stay here for a while. So now the line is here.

In view of all this, taking a longer perspective, please do consider a postponement of 10 days - optional, what are ten days in the perspective of what remain to be done here. As for

the W. Indies, I'd do the exact, you
have always wished to visit here - but
what I propose is more than a visit, it's
I can live & work for a few months.

I have given this much thought and am
quite sure that given the physical comforts of
my boarding, it is a good plan. As I
said, I have friends here who are medical doctors
& family ones, and if you need medical care,
it is all here. Noel stayed with me for
two weeks - they are very near, in Guyana
about 1 hour away by plane & sometimes come
here to visit.

Please do write me. Letters reach fast -
also there is the telephone, costs ~~\$~~ \$9.00
Caribbean per 3 mins + you can receive charges
on me. The number is 662-3809 ^{Caribbean}

4th March, 76

Darling Kari -

This is a little memo of all kinds of things, before I'm off.

Medical score: I feel a lot better as far as pain goes. The warm lake will do the rest. Otherwise, they found a single, large gall stone which is keeping quiet (had been quiet all along) and of course the porosity of the bones (had been there for years, too).

I aim to be back by mid-May, but will not put any bad pressure on myself - as that does not work any more too well.

First thing in Vienna, I'll see to getting the "Österr. Volkswort" material xeroxed and will send them back in advance to Millie.

As to family history there is a fantastic account at Eva Ziesel's, all ordered by the Hungarian researcher who had spent some time in New York to go through this material. "Hundreds, if not a thousand letters written by Cecile", she wrote to me.

Eva was asked, to donate this material eventually, to the Literary Museum in Hungary. - I wrote to her, asking her to keep it back, for the time being. [^{and Hans's} Eva's address is: 5825 South Dorchester Ave, Chicago 60637; the Hungarian researcher's, who is a good friend of mine and knew Cecile + every body else, is: Mme Erzsébet Vezér, 1117 Budapest XI, Mészöly u. 4.]

Should you be back before me and have a go through the Dicki papers - they are all in the boxes near the air-conditioning in Dicki's room.

Keys of house + car are with Mrs Emmi Breney, 383, Woodgrange Ave. Car, in good running order, is standing on their ground.

To have the water put on phone 1-683-1471 and close tap at bottom of water-heater.

Further: % Mrs. Peter Allward, R. R. 3, Uxbridge. (1-852-7125).

Now I can't think of any more for the Memo! I'll be in touch from Vienna

All my love,
M.



Kari Lent
250, rue Ste. Anne,
Ste. Anne-de-Bellevue,
Quebec.

Feb 15, 1978

My darling,

Only a few telephone numbers:

Fritz is 229-3278,
the Rodergane is 36-60-025
the Rosners are 77-68-384

I don't know yet where I'll be staying in Budapest, but I'll take care that the strikers have my number (correctly), and if there's room at their house, I may well be staying there (122-965)

Oh, tell Gerdie-Gang it's not only the granny he's mining - it's the Strabauer, because the Spring is in the air.

Ich bin so glücklich,
Kari -

Mr.



Wien II. Prater.



Mrs T. ...
49 a ...
LONDON N. 6
ENGLAND



liebe Mutter

Diese Karte habe ich in
der kleinen Papierhandlung
gekauft und die Leute dort
sind doch schön gnädig
sie haben mich erkannt -
und sogar ^{an} meinem Namen
sich erinnert. Ich Schreibe dir
bald ... so was liebe Mutter
Karl

x) there was a slight reference to
Orchi in a long article.
HANS ZEISEL

Dear Kari,
you might
be interested^{x)}
Where are you?
Ever come this
way? We would
love to have
you. As ever

Hans

Kari, you and your sons - (I talked to
Raymundo once this summer) are more than
welcome here or in the Nass Co County (summer)
It would be good to see you. Love Esp

BEDALES,
PETERSFIELD,
(HANTS)

Dear Nettle,

I am absolutely swamped with letters concerning Kitty. It is one, now that I can appreciate Irene. How does she do it?

Well, the difficulty is this. Kitty would not be allowed to do any work, paid or unpaid (for ~~the~~ family). Till she is 16 she must be educated at the cost of the person looking after her. Mrs Bruce has done all she could, but she doesn't know of any one who would be willing to maintain her. I am talking to Freddy, after breakfast about this. Whether there is a possibility of Bedales - which I don't believe, but both Mrs Bruce & the Austrian Self Aid have advised that - or whether he knows of other schools ^(boarding) with suitable scholarships. I will add the results at the end. But I have got hold of the situation - if only there isn't another wretched

BEDALES,
PETERSFIELD,
(HANTS)

Schools or the roads auction. So are all other schools
be can think possible. So there is no hope in that line.
I didn't think there would be.

So now F Bedales and Mrs Bruce are
cancelled. There is now the Austrian Self Aid & the
Jewish Committee. I think it is time to tackle about
Rosie.

Endless Love to Dicki & Co,
Kari.

Monday

I have got an answer from Miss Waburg. She
has forwarded my letter to the Inter Aid Commi-
tee for Children in Germany. I won't write to
Rosie till I get an answer from them.

Now you can take it that I am dealing
with

1. The Austrian Self Aid
2. The Inter Aid C. for children in Germany

I had a grand time this last weekend. In the
Cox match we won 10-1. And on Sunday, Chloe + I
went out with Hilary, a friend here in the R/S's Royce
Super etc. Quite amusing, but strange.

None love her.

Q to Dicki of course.

I am sending that old watch to Ingersoll's, as
I unexpectedly found the guarantee in the
box. It cost least. If they charge anything
awful, they can keep it, although they
really will do it for nothing.

Thank you for the parcel received this
morning.

PLEASE GET ME A GAS MASK
at home, as these have must remain at school
during the holidays.

Medium size.

Dear Mother,

Just a line to thank you for your lovely illustrated letter to Tommy. I read it to him at bedtime and he was very thrilled, especially with the picture of Granny's house. As soon as he saw it, he recognized it "~~Great~~" "Gan-ma house - Tom ride Dad's blue car, see Gan-ma house". I tried to put the letter away after that, but he insists "mine" he says, so it's in his bed with the animals.

The weather is just lovely here, we have many real spring days. Like the day you left, and, believe it or not, the Serf's, it seems, will have a garden this year. The kids have a huge sandbox in the back of the yard. The front bushes are doing fine, as are 2 of the 3 roses, and all the perennials. I put some plant food around them all, and am now digging up the whole back part of the yard.

Joe & I build a wall, concrete steps etc etc. Joe is graduating as a car mechanic & is doing a piston ring job on our car - with expert help & advice, it's true, but still he's doing it. Still no work, we hope with the fine weather the building game will open up soon, but everything is very slow this year.

Harry continues to be the best baby in town, now he sleeps outside in the back yard all day, in the sun.

What else is new? Joan, Henry & Iel visited yesterday & we had a very nice evening. Also here were two friends of ours who just visited Germany for some months. The chap brought back a lot of pictures including a dozen or more very striking pictures of Helen Weigel, - in ~~the~~ the theater she directs. She was a friend of yours, was she not? These pictures are really terrific, you'll have to see them when you come back.

Speaking of pictures, do make lots of snap shots so you can tell us all about your trip. We get very itchy feet to go places ourselves, but the furthest we are likely to travel is to the Bay. We haven't been there yet, but are planning to go soon, maybe with Joan & Henry too.

The children are really so well & healthy, it's a pleasure. Tom is outside from breakfast till after supper & has a suntan already.

I guess I'll close now. Do keep writing us, it's very exciting to get mail all the way from Mexico.

So give Trude all my love.
Kari

May 4th

Dear Mother,

Its so nice to get your many post cards & letters. I guess I'm not much of a letter writer - or maybe its because we keep so busy its hard to find time.

Last Sunday we went out to Rosebank for the first time - everything is just lovely. Your currant bushes are gigantic & loaded with blossom & everything else is coming up fine. I took home a few delphiniums, some violas & one lupin plant. I hope thats OK. Also a little black soil & some peat moss. We picked up the cherry tree & planted it. This year the little drway apple is blossoming. In fact today the whole neighbourhood smells of blossom & lovely scents.

Tommy had a nice time on Sunday. He went to make friends with the little girls next door & enjoyed himself. While the baby slept outside all afternoon in a basket we brought for him.

My garden is improved over last year, but
the soil is so terribly poor, I've decided to
buy a load of top soil, which will come this
weekend. So we'll have a garden after all.
The poppies, & everything else is doing ~~ok~~, its all alive
but suffering from the poor soil.

We're glad to have you home soon, but
sorry you couldn't stay longer. Can't you stay an
another few weeks? Mexico seems like a wonder-
ful place - and not really so far away at all.

Since you're there I've found out all kinds of people
I know have been there, including your friend Mr
Vaughan, of Vaughan nurseries. He sends you his regards,

Al Harry is getting bigger. Father & heaver all the
time still as good humored as ever.

Joe is working again, for which we are all
thankful. The steamshovels etc are all gone
which is good because they made a terrible
mess. Am enclosing some pictures.

Lots of love from us all,
Kari.

Abfender:

Nene

Herzensbrevier

zu Weihnachten

Kavi.



Mrs Polanyi

72 West End Lane

W. Hampstead N.W.6

London

England.

Dear Mother.

We're going to arrive
in Wien in a few minutes
and I will post this there
Had a lovely journey.
good crossing. Stayed
~~four hours in the boat~~
and four of us went to
see everything it was
lovely.

My German is much
better than I thought.
Looking forward to see

7.15 p.m.

Darling mother,

You are sleeping so beautifully I don't want to wake you. Everything is very well with all of us. Abe has been with Dicki since yesterday. I am going out this evening and will stay till Monday - perhaps Tuesday. Either Abe or I ~~both~~ or both of us will be there all the time. The neighbours are very kind. Mary guest comes to do shopping. The little car is - mercifully - down and won't start. Would you think it alright if I disconnected the distributor or something so it will continue not to start? It is my only fear that Dicki will mount that little steed.

I will try to arrange a visit here ~~on Sunday~~ either tomorrow or Sunday - Dicki and I will come together. Incidentally, Dicki is in very high spirits and has plans that he and Abe will be finished some kind of draft of the chapter they are working on in 10 days or so.

What are they doing to you here? I do hope it is not too painful and miserable. The boys send you their love. Tom has some little things he made for your birthday, all ready, and now he wants me to bring them to you. But that will be next time.

With a big hug and a kiss.
your, Ken,

(Ken) looked in (kind lady next to you said you were enjoying thankful sleep).

see you tomorrow.
Karl says all is fine, fine.

Montreal. Sept 22.

Darling mother,

Your long letter came today - and I was so happy to hear from you. Here all is well, especially with the children. They have settled down very much, are very sweet and very good. Harry has a new guitar, because he had somewhat ruined his old one. It is full size, and he is taking lessons again, and working very hard. The Monkey craze has been suspended, ~~at least~~ at least. Both children work hard at homework, and Tom has made a darkroom downstairs in the basement, and is doing some nice work with photos again. We spent the last two weeks in August renovating the house, and you won't recognize it when you return! All the floors have been cleaned + varnished, and it looks so beautiful.

David has now completely settled down. He has taken possession in the back of the house. The kitchen + his bedroom + study and all foreign + downstairs cats have been banished early there. It is his domain. He is quite happy, so long as other cats aren't there. I don't know yet what we shall do in the winter but surely there must be a solution. Once in a while there are terrible cat fights, but he holds his own very well.

Harry plays both Canadian football and soccer, for Osherson High School. So he is busy + happy, and very sweet.

I am just counting the weeks till you return. It is a constant battle against loneliness, and I look back on the lonely days at Skunk Hollow. I find it very hard to work as I did Tom, because it is just too lonely and depressing. I keep

travelling, because I know only by getting the work finished, is there any
hope of more freedom and peace of mind. But it gets very
bad, at times. This is the first letter I have written since
July, to any body at all - but I want you to know
that I think of you so very often, and hope all goes well.
I had some very nice letters for Lisa & Peter. Please
give my love, also to Herbert & Marika. Eva Zerbe phoned
a few weeks ago, just to say hello, which was very nice.
Kati was here, for a few days, and we spent a nice
morning at Expo, at the Czech pavilion. I missed Ken,
unfortunately. I was out at the IGA, doing some shopping
when he phoned someone told him I was away, I
believe. I am very sad about that.

Your news is all good, and I am so happy.
We received all the little post cards, but it is hard
to get the children to write.

I haven't been to S.H., but still have hopes.
Partly, because I have such a battle against that

Spirits, this also slows down the work, very much. I
keep hoping there must be an end to that, sometime.

Otherwise, there is a lot of life & activity in Canada,
as also in the U.S. Peter had, I think, a very interesting
one here. I had a very nice long letter from a U.S. friend
him. I was glad he had the chance, there to meet



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Darling mother,

Just a note to say I was so
happy to receive your letter. I'm glad
you are feeling better. Suddenly, the winter
seems to have let up a little and ~~the~~
Spring is in the air.

The big news is that Tom is coming home.
I decided that it would be better, all around,
we came home. Better also for the school's
part from. But chiefly because I think he has
had enough, and Harry & I are also very lonely
for Tom. I am very proud of him & his achievement.
So he will come home at Easter. I don't know
yet how we will all fit into 1175 Van Home, but
somehow or other, it will have to be managed,
or else we can get our house back. I had



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a very sweet letter from little - she seems
pleased that Peter is invited here.
So it looks as though I will really get a full
family again!

Will write again soon. Are the
kids in good well, work hard, but
it is moving. The car finally arrived
and it is a big help.

Much love.

Karin

Darling mother,

Hope you arrived home safely and the journey was not too tiring. Please give my love to Harry, if he is still there when the auto arrived.

Tom is off to 8½ this evening with a gang of friends, boys & girls, all very growing up.

Yesterday, after you left, we had dinner with the Devas' & Tom decided to prepare the Sambar, very nice. Harry got 50/50 on his arithmetic test & everything is very nice at home. This weekend I shall fix up the lights in Harry's room.

Thanks again for the visit, and the help. I am getting a lot of rest, my sleep at night & am feeling very well
Love & care. Kani.

16th Nov

My darling —

Dochi's brain-exhaustion is lifting, slowly. He is definitely much better to-day. We had this kind of thing before, but that makes not much difference — it terrifies me.

But this is a good, restful day. Even I am resting, after a big strain of rough-translating for Margaret. I'm longing to write a few letters. And to give a "little bit of attention" to the house, to mend a few things, to put some order into papers and books. The little house had some attention at the ^(by others, not me) outside.

It was painted and the cellar-entrance has now rough field-stone "walls" instead of the concrete slabs that began to fall inwards. It looks lovely, no longer slummy.

The little house should not be
derelict when we go away,
Beth and Jack have gone. Very
sad.

Your fat-legged lads will
be on the way soon, at last.
Nicholas talked to the transport
companies, and it appeared that
they only pick up things which
they also crate at the point
of departure, and the charge for
that ran to \$52. But if the
sydoh is taken down to the
River, the expense is quite
slight. So Nicholas wrote
to-day to say, that he will have
the help of ~~Paul Medow's~~
Ivan Medow's brother with
his car early next week,
and they'll take it down to
the River and send it off.

I have made cell arrangements with Pickford about the book-cases, and hope to have them to set it up, too. (Some of the ^{small} books are here in the cellar). In the end "tut es sich zusammen-läppern".

I find that I am dreadfully lonely for the children, Harry's mat is always on the round table.

Just right now, my darling. It's good to hear your voice. Irene's dear letter is enclosed.

Love and love,
M.

P.S. Should we try to get these two articles published in English? And when? I'd like to have your view.

Wed. evening

My darling — I'm sending
you some of the letters and
wires. Keep them with you till
I come.

Ken phoned just now.

One week ago — one evening, I
just watched Didi's face as he
spoke to you

132 Lakeshore Boulevard
Toronto.

Darling mother,

October 18th

I was so happy to receive your long letter and altogether I cant tel you how happy I am about your work for the past months. I am sorry I did not write before and hope this didn't worry you too much. The truth is that I was waiting so I could tell you something definite about my plans. Yesterday we had the first Convention of the NELY in Toronto and Joe is now back in the job and I am free of further commitments. All summer I was working full time for our youth movement, first on tour in the Province in Windsor, Welland, St Catherins and Hamilton and then as acting Toronto organiser while Joe was away. He came back some four weeks ago but we were so busy planning our work for the next season that I worked in the office all day even after he was back. Now at last I can quit worryng about that and start worrying about what I am going to do.

Now I feel silly about this but I am really very mixed up still and would very much like your advice if you have any to give. Joe and I get on well these days because he has really quit trying to force me in one way or another to marry. We are both prepared to do whatever is best for us both individually and for the movement and if that means we separate there will be no bad feelings, not is it any longer a case of me feeling sorry for him if I leave because Joe can very well stand on his own feet particularly after this summer's experience which did him a lot of good and has developed him into a first rate worker.

I dont know very much about love but I suppose its true to say I am not in love, though we get on very well providing we have lots of work to do and there is of course lots of work.

On that basis I am prepared to stay here if I thought I could be more valuable here than there. (Now what I cannot estimate at all and where I really want your advice is just what I can do and how I can fit in in Hungary and whether I can really make a contribution there. What worries me is that I know in an english speaking country I have enough experience to be a good general worker. Here it is not a case of using an specialised knowledge but we are of course very short of people with general organising abilities and imagination.) I work well with young people. The kind of thing I would do if I stayed would be to go into a plant (I intend to get a job in a plant anyway this week because I have to earn some money and dontlike to be idle even for weeks) and perhaps in some months, if I prove good at it get full time work as a union organiser or leter, finances permitting, back to full time youth work. (This latter is what I prefer but I doubt if we can support another worker in the youth field). As far as statistics or economics is concerened over here I consider it a waste of time, either at the university or even more so, commercially. Maybe when socialism comes, and I know it will come even over here in my lifetime - always provided of course we live to see it - if I still remember anything maybe I'll return to economics, maybe not.

So that's it. The one way I can use my training but it is such avague proposition becuase I dont know the circumstances and in particular I dont know if I could ever be anything more than a paper worker; the othe way I know I'll be a live part of the movement and us my general organising abilities (incidentally I think I have develoed into a very good organiser I'm not a very good speaker or mass leader, but I'm a good organiser and can get people to work for me very well and build very good relations

with them and teach them quite a lot).

As far as this country is concerned I have discovered that it's an interesting country, mainly on account of the many European peoples here. The only unbearable people are those middle class Anglo-Saxons, Tory, Liberal but mostly CCF. These last are the most detestable.

If I were to go transportation could be arranged from here.

I feel very silly to be so indecisive in times like these especially. I know you can't make a decision for me but I would like your opinion on this (because you more than anybody understand all sides of this problem and there is one thing however, that I wonder whether people know and that is that I'm not really a fully trained economist etc, though I could learn. On the other hand, since I left England I have made great advances as a trained political worker because for the first time I have really gotten a mass of experience and responsibilities.)

Well, apart from this all is going well, I had a wonderfully interesting summer and now am in good health and good spirits except for this thing which is hanging over us and is very frustrating. Joe is well and much nicer even than before. He is broadcasting tonight - one of a series of radio talks against war.

So I am expecting to hear from you very soon and hope everything is going well with the work. Please forgive me for talking about myself so much but I am always trying to run away from my problems so it ain't a bad thing to talk about them.

I bet London is nice and autumny this time of the year, wish I were there, right now it's teatime and I could do with a nice cup of tea and a cig. Give my love to anybody I know.

Lots of love, darling mother,

Kari.

was. 5062 Aug.

Darling Kari -

here is Paenl's letter with papers
for you. Do send it back, please.

Dochi was much touched by some of it,
I no less.

D. is recovering, but this recovering
will take two weeks, after which
he surely wants to see him
again. The wound is healing beautifully
but the general state is slow, with
some bad nights.

As to Geneva: There is ^{he is} (if ^{she is} there) at the ~~Hautes Etudes~~ ~~Univers~~
~~Internationale~~ ~~(a kind of)~~ Institut
Universitaire de Hautes Etudes
Internationales (known as the
Hautes Etudes) a serious and
scholarly Hungarian of 1958,
by name of Miklós Molnár
who refused any companionship.

Wed. after tea maid

Darling Kari —

With a live letter from you,
how different it all feels!

How we are longing to come
and see that establishment.

Harry and Tom as the "new
boys" at school, and all that.

I'm dreadfully homesick for
each and all of you, no food making
out anything else.

We read McLuhan's "Mechani-
cal Bride" which is fascinating.

It is a profound cultural
criticism of America. Once in
my life I did so wrong by never
reading a book written by a friend.

Do write us a p.c. from en route.

We are so glad you are taking
the linguistic barrier in the district.

I removed some of contents
of this letter for Joe + Tom
little red sweater ^(found here) goes
by parcel post.

Could you send us a copy
of ^{your} the Ate. Prov. Report which
I generously let you cut up
in Woor? Very glad of
the excellent reception of the
W. I. Report (we had some
news of that from B. K., only
he wrote it will take a while
longer to reach you, since it
has to go "through channels".)

Darling love, I'm sure I've
forgotten no end of things -
they pop up night and day.
Me.

Bedales,

Sunday 5th June.

Dearest Peter,

It was a grand surprise having Didi come down yesterday. It was an absolute surprise, as the Postcard Salvo, is given out at 10'clock and just as I was opening the envelope of your letter Didi walked into the quad.

Parents Day, was a great success. The only trouble is that one doesn't get a look in on the parents. Didi was talking to the staff all the time and if I hadn't skunked the concert, I wouldn't have seen him at all.

I gather you are having a good time. I'm so glad. It will be lovely to have the works cleaned up and be fit for work (W.S.A?!?!?) level!

There are complications in the Political Society. The president forgot

Wiser ~~is~~ is resigning, and I will have to
carry on, unless there is somebody else
who is capable. But unfortunately I don't
think there is.

Kelvin
Matti
Bali

Today, Sunday, the Platts are taking
me out for the day. They are incredibly
sweet. We are going to Arundel to see
Paul's old school and friends. — I know
them of course from last summer! The 14th
of June is drawing!

Thank you for the information about
the film. But I don't think I can do anything
till our users are cleared up.

Cherio, tons of love, and hope
you get well soon.

Kari.

I hope the fat white Russians are
good company. Or are it you or
speaking terms?

21st June,

My love,

I wrote to you a long letter¹⁾ some ten days ago. It explained, described and argued. I threw it away when I had read through it: it contained, fundamentally, nothing on the subject which I had not said two years ago, one year ago, and six months ago. I stand to all I ever said on the subject. To say it all over again was too silly, and too much of a heartbreak, perhaps.

There are of course, new elements in the situation. One is my own political development during the past year, the firm ground which I found. If I could find more in common with this country, I would be a British Communist. But as it happens, I am rooted there, not here, so if I am anything politically, I am a Hungarian Communist. Of this I accept every implication. Within the hardship that fell on me as a personal fate, i.e., to have to live abroad for the time being, I am trying to formulate a task worth while doing, though academic. As you probably know, D.'s presence, it was thought, would have been potentially awkward there at the height of an ideological battle which has yet to be won, though no harm would come of it at a later stage. His downright and unconditional application for repatriation of some time ago is the joy of our life, and its true foundation. - I want you to see this all very clearly, how else could you see where I take my stand?

The other new element is that a year has passed, a year of hesitancy. With every new month that passed since October, my heart sank. I blame myself very much for not having said to you that this won't do: decide this way, or that way. Gradually, as the months passed by, my Hungarian friends stopped ~~asking me whether you were coming~~ asking me whether you were coming. They stopped asking out of sheer, common, human charity, as their inference was that, after all, you chose the West, so the less said about it the better. 99% of them would think of it in this way, only the tipmost people would perhaps agree that a point of duty towards the Canadian movement could be argued (but they would objectively hold it to be an error of judgment).

I'm only human, Kare, and, knowing to the full extent of your dedication, and how much the idea of staying in Canada is a self-denying ordinance I never could make myself put this to you in its blunt simplicity. I have seen somebody (a friend of ours, whom you will well remember from London) suffer a great deal under vaguely similar circumstances. His desire to stay here (where he was irreplaceable, beyond a doubt) was misinterpreted, and he was called home, taken ~~off~~ out of political work and put on to technological work, to get apprenticed to the country, and to make up for the years he was not there, to make him fully belong. Of course the cases are quite different, but the hurt of having the purest of motives doubted is the same kind of hurt, wherever it happens. It takes a lot to make a Bolshevik.

I know, my love, that the last two years of your life have been more positive than the 14 years in England taken together. But the inspiration to all you stand for lay in the first 10. Without their having been what they were, you would have disappeared in English middle-class life, in all probability. They are your roots, don't you see, my love? Do not deny them. If you are out to achieve things, do not deny them. Man does not live of 'duty' alone, (if, for argument's sake, the validity of that duty were admitted).

If you have got it in you, to throw in your lot with the Hungarians, if you are prepared to live up to the highest standards of reliability and achievement, not shrink from the petty difficulties, work as a shock-brigadier, learn and teach, prove yourself, learn and speak their language, and take part in making that country into a rampart and first-line defence of

the Soviet Union, then go to Hungary. The present difficulties there consist of the fact that there are some who are unable to subordinate purely national interests to the common interest of defending the Soviet Union against American aggression. But defence, to be effective, demands such subordination, and in the last, ruthless analysis which history itself writes, those who refuse to give first place to the Soviet Union will have given it to America. It ~~always~~ always seems to me that we who know the Western Hemisphere from experience will have less difficulty in seeing the obvious, than those who lack this experience.

If you have it in you to face all this, then go to Hungary. You will have no problems there they will fall from you, there's no use for them, (that is why they are so impatient with 'problems'). It's for the movement to have problems, and they are big enough, real, and immediate, and of vital importance. Put an end to your 'Lehr- und Wanderjahre', and go. (It will not run on any smooth rails now, If you are set on it, get there in any way you can, and talk things over with the Party there. Where there is a will, there is a way.)

Sweet Kari, I should have written this long ago. Where would we be if, at one time, you had not taken the responsibility to 'tell us'. The past six months were a nightmare. I could suffer it, but I could not really face it. I know that your life and work in Canada is dedicated to the movement in the most downright way. But I can not see it as the fulfillment of a life, its full deployment, and the release of its energies. This is the cloud that goes with me wherever I go. Take your courage in both hands, shed your problems, and allow your life to unfold where it has its own background and origins, in Europe. This is how you can help us, dont you see, my love? D. feels as I do, and in fact, never had a shadow of hesitation in wishing for you to go to H., and has none for me. He wants to end his days there, many old Hunkies did. Just now we are, each in his own way, overcoming 15 years' crippling effects of England. We live like young people, in two wee furnished rooms and write a book each. We are very, very happy. We love you.

M.

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My dear Eva,

Just this evening I found Jean's license in my purse and am sending it to you. I do hope she has not missed it too seriously. When we went to pick up the rented car there was a suggestion that I should drive it and Jeanne gave me her license, as I did not have even an Ontario license with me at that time. Later we both forgot about returning it.

You have all been so much in my thoughts throughout these last days. ~~and~~ The children have the sweetest memories of Mousi, whom they have always thought of as their aunt as much as mine. Her two day stay here at our home two years ago made a lasting and very clear impression on them.

Did I hear Johnny say he was thinking of coming to Toronto sometime? If so, do please tell him

117 November 5th

we would love to have him stay with us.

with the very warmest love from Joe and myself
to you all.

Kari.

[Faint, mostly illegible handwriting on the reverse side of the paper, appearing as bleed-through from the other side.]