

Donaueschingen, 12.3.1951

Dear Dora, dear Willy,

Thank you so much for the confirmations as to participating of Roger, James and me in Unesco camp, IDM, and Le Chambon. Roger will be glad to speak over his future work with you.

James shall do all he can to get papers ready in time. Fact that he can't receive money from you beforehand bothers him. Now he has been borrowing. But from who? How about costs for his visa. It will be 8 DM about. My opinion is that if volunteer can't take this expenses campcash has to assist. James returns to Donaueschingen. Leaves about end of April.

Jame troubles with me. Do I also get money in Le Chambon. I'll try to borrow too . . . No, I decided to stay in D'eschingen up till end of April, so did Nelly (This are the consequences of your will, by which we are very much impressed . . .) Meta now can smile in order to get one, but rather two, of the longtermers, over there in Schleswig, it won't make us changing our plans once more. And at the other hand we still don't know who can take over my job for the fortnight I'll be away. We needn't to touch the question who could take my place by not returning from Le Chambon.

I'll try to give you some idea of plans of longtermers here. Though Nelly decided, as she told me, to finish up in May (end April). Piet I don't know a thing, about Roger, well I think it better he speaks himself about it with you. I should like to go to Austria or (and) Italy this summer.

Of course we keep Meta as much as possible conversant with everything we want to do.

New volunteers in Donaueschingen: There is pretty close contact between Meta and us. In all my letters and reports I mentioned the fact circumstances on Baustelle were not so that we could accept more than fifteen volunteers (rather we should have kept the number lower (12) before end of March. But when Meta rather wants to take the word of Robert Lienhart for true (who said there is room in the camp for twenty-five volunteers, so why there are only fifteen? without having the slightest idea of the practical side of work on Baustelle and life in camp ...) then it becomes rather difficult for us not to grow a little mad. You must understand me well, we understand Robert Lienhart very well, he is a very nice man; there is only a little thing which makes us being careful with asking Robert's advise in cases concerning to practical camplife etc. We visited Robert once and as it was about twelve o'clock (night) we said to think it better to say good bye cause we had to rise at six again. "What?" was his reply, "you rise so early also when going to bed so late? I always rise later when going to bed after twelve and if I was in a camp I should like to give the volunteers the same liberty." I felt sorry for Meta (as she thinks Robert for us is the man we can and must count upon. This is the way in many of her letters Meta recommends Robert) but I had to take the quilt off the ginger bread in this case. I wrote her about this occurrence too.

Said arrived on Thursday. How fine for him he got his papers fixed after all.

Thank you for sending folders. We are waiting for the books and do our best to keep them in good state

Greetings and best wishes  
Amitiés

Ernst Hulst