



Die Fliegerofsturz zu Weiler-la-Joux  
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15<sup>th</sup> September 1947.

Dear Friend,

It is indeed a great pleasure to hear from you. As you say in your letter I cannot remember your name but I do remember coming from the woods to you at night time. I also remember staying with you for 2 days. Much happened to me in that time. I'm sure you must be able to remember, and that I was able to get a hot wash in your house. The first service I had out of my life and it felt so comfortable. Also that I was given my first meal of egg and sausage, and that you gave me seven packets of cigarettes, and I know that they were hard to get. Do you remember how I all drank wine







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It is indeed a great pleasure to hear from you. As you say in your letter, I cannot remember your name but I do remember coming from the woods to your house at night time. I also cannot remember staying with you for 2 days, but as so much happened to me in so short a time, I'm sure you must be correct.

One thing I do remember, and that is, I was able to get a good wash in your house the first since I baled out of my aircraft and it felt very comfortable. Also that I was given my first meal of egg and sausage, and that you gave me several packets of your cigarettes, and I know that they were very hard to get. Do you remember how we all drank wine

together, and how I laughed when your wife brought those clothes to me and Mr Scholtes explained that I must be dressed as a woman to be able to get by the Germans in case we were stopped for identity cards. I'm sure I must have looked very funny as a woman, especially when I tried to ride that <sup>man's</sup> cycle.

Enough of ~~remembering~~ remembering, let's get <sup>down</sup> to present day occurrences. Since

returning home from Luxembourg I have been married but unlike you I have no children. I have not a photograph of my wife and myself together, but I send you one of myself and a friend taken about 1 year before we met.

I am indeed glad to hear that you and your family are all in the best of health, and I and my wife congratulate you and your family <sup>on</sup> ~~and~~ the increase you have had. you speak of our mutual

friend Mr Scholtes, do you see him often? If so, I would very much like you to pass on my new address, to him. I have written to him several times but I must get his address wrong, and consequently I have not had a reply to my last letters, and I would so like to hear from him.

Also since leaving you I have left the Royal Air Force and joined the Durham County Police Force

I am trying to send all my friends in Luxembourg and Belgium food, but at the present time I can only send my own rationed food (this is a law passed by the Government) and as you know we are in dire need of food in England and under strict rationing, but as soon as I can I will send a parcel to you.

Write soon friend and kind regards to all at Hesfèrangé, and from myself I say, as this is my

opportunity, thank you from the bottom  
of my heart for all that you have  
done for me, I shall always be  
indebted to you.

Gratefully yours,  
your sincere friend  
Ronald Dawson.