

November 15, 1947

Dear Miss Wolf,

Your very kind letter came in the same mail as one from Mrs Brack. A copy of my reply is attached and is self-explanatory. I hope that you will agree that, in view of Mrs McVicar's illness and my own unexpected complications, it might be better to postpone my visit for about a month. Please tell me quite frankly whether I should be a nuisance at Christmastime. One of my chief reasons for suggesting it is that I might thus be able to benefit from an informal and private orientation from you before I have to meet the full Committee and offer proof that I am fit to undertake the task at all. I am frightened at my own temerity in even thinking that I might. Perhaps when I get a good look at what is involved I shall just make tracks for the Canadian border as fast as my legs will carry me. Nevertheless, I am tremendously proud to have been so much as mentioned as a possible candidate.

As I suppose you are aware, Miss Uprichard's plans have been completely changed and she is to come to Canada during December instead of in January. This change of plan makes it all the more necessary for me to be within reach in Montreal when she arrives so that I may speed her on her western way.

I shall hope to hear from you and Mrs Brack before long and I know that you will not hesitate to suggest other and more convenient arrangements than those I have mentioned.

Gratefully yours

Ethel Johns