

Zermatt, Sept. 4th 1961

Dear Mario and dear Marta,

We suddenly decided to go away to Sirtz, Valais (na Alpbach, Tyrol), because I have an operation on Sept 19th and should charge up the battery prior to it. Your two letters of August 15th and 23rd reached us only here, a few days ago; though we did not take our car, we wandered without address from one place to the next.

I shall send you the papers you are asking for in your second letter as soon as at all possible.

Your first letter was very interesting indeed. I had no idea that you were facing so much opposition in your department (or in the University). Also, what you write about Marta's studies is most interesting and promising. That your son has "discovered" Q.M. must be very interesting for you too. I wonder whether he will become a Bolivian!

Since you left, I have developed further my theory of getting nearer to the truth, and I have defined (a) the truth-content of a statement (or a theory), and (b) its degree of verisimilitude (i.e. likeness to the truth). The definition is in terms of (1) Tarski's concept of truth and (2) probability (or its ~~inverse~~ ^{complement}, which is content). I know you do not like me to use probability ~~in~~ ^{as} a definition, but it is very convenient because its properties have been laid down axiomatically (see L. Sc. Disc. new appendices iv and v).

I shall send you this too, as soon as possible.

As to the publishing business, I really have no idea except perhaps Cohen and West in London. But Bartley may be able to help, or perhaps Hayek (even though he does not contribute). Another man who might be able to help is a Professor of Psychiatry, Szass or Sasz (who has contributed to the BJPS) in New York.

He has recently published a book 'The Light of Mental
~~Illness~~ Illness' in which he refers frequently to
 my work. Ultimately, you might perhaps ask
 Herbert Feigl, or Russell Hanson. As you see,
 my ideas are not very promising! I am
 sorry that you have so much trouble with
 this!

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We have had some very nice days but the good
 weather seems to have taken a holiday now:
 it is cloudy, and there is a little bit of rain.
 I was very glad to hear that you had a wonderful
 full summer, and so in France who sends
 with me our love to both of you.
 Yours ever, Kurt