

St Tropez Oct 20/32

Dear Alice Kinzinger.

I mailed you and Mr K, a letter yesterday with a letter to the Chairman lady of the Weltfriedenbund in Munchen. I see I spelled your name wrong. I could not make out the name as you scribbled it down on a piece of paper.

Indeed, there is nothing surprising that you should have reached the age of 38 and not know anything of Anarchism. This social philosophy having no truck with anything of the existing disorder it is natural that it should be maligned and misrepresented even by every socialist group. I am glad Living My Life has shown you the real scope and nature of the ideas that have guided my life and actions since I first came to know and love them.

Yes, the public school and most higher educational institutions do incapacitate people to think for themselves or see the path they must tread to express themselves for the common good. Still, I have faith in your ability to shake off the old, and turn your face to the new. Whatever you may yet be able to do, at least, you will save Didi the same errors of life and social kinship that have been yours due to the limitation of your parents.

Living My Life has already caused me untold agony of spirit. Both in the process of writing and since. But I am rewarded a thousand fold when I learn that the reading of it is helping men and women to throw off their mental and spiritual shackles. I am so glad it has helped you, my dear.

Since I got your letter it occurred to me that it might be possible to interest some literary and art societies in Munchen

in a lecture on the ~~great~~ Social Significance of American literature. (And, also in Art and Revolution. I wonder if you and Mr Kitzinger have any connection with such bodies. And whether you both would care to approach them for me. I am most grateful for your very kind offer of hospitality. But I should like to combine the pleasant with the practical. I know organizations in Germany now are very poor. Still those who would care to hear the topics discussed might be able to pay enough to cover my traveling expenses, at least. And it would give me an opening. Of course, I am also ready to speak ^{on} ~~about~~ political topics, such as Dictatorship and the Modern Religious Hysteria. This would include Russia, Italy and the dictatorial tendencies in the rest of the world. Will you talk it over with your good man. And write me soon. It goes without saying you are to tell me frankly, if you can do nothing in the matter. If you want to it should not be before Jan. As I will have to go to Holland first right after New Year for a few weeks.

Hug Didi for me. Cordial greetings to Mr K. and yourself.

Emma Goldman