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Dear Mr. Wili:

Thanks so much for your interesting letter of Nov. 12th. I was pleased to hear of your rewarding experience with Francois and your visit to Les Eyzies. Professor Bordes can demonstrate in a few minutes techniques which would require volumes of print to describe even the simplest of manual procedures. I am looking forward to seeing Francois on Dec. 2nd at Urbana, Illinois where we can break a little rock together and compare techniques.

In 1964 my wife and I were in Zurich enjoying the beauty of the city and the hospitality of the people. It is a shame that we could not have known of our mutual interest at that time.

I will be interested to learn of the results of any of your experiments in thermal alteration of siliceous materials for each material seems to respond differently to the heat. I hope to have a paper written on this soon and cover more materials than I did in my first short article.

I am sure that Jacques Tixier will be delighted to meet you and discuss your mutual interests. You will enjoy him very much and gain from his knowledge and experience. I shall write to him soon and tell him of your interest. It will be a privilege to bring you two together. I think I forgot to mention that Tixier has made a flintknapping film which has an international tape and can be rented or purchased through the National Museum. I have seen this film and it is really superior. He will be excited about the hafting and techniques of the Lake Dwellers.

I would be ever so grateful for anything pertaining to the pre-history of Switzerland but, in return, you must tell me what you would like from this country.

Thank you again for your letters and for your interest in lithic technology.

With best regards,

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