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# The Star Congress, 1927.

6th International Congress of the Order of the Star  
in the East. Ommen. August 5th—13th, 1927.

The next Congress will be held again at Ommen from August 5th (arrival before Dinner) to 13th (departure before or after Lunch).

As will be seen from the preliminary programme, the Camp has been extended one day, the first day being devoted to various activities as E.S. and T.S. etc.—

*Only members who registered through National Representatives are admitted. Those occupying rooms obtained by their own arrangements as happened last year, will not be admitted.*

*Hotel-rooms to be reserved through American Express (See No. 6).*

## PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME (subject to changes):

FRIDAY,	August 5th.	6 p.m. Evening	Arrivals. Dinner. Free.
SATURDAY,	„ 6th.	Morning. 2.30 p.m. 4 p.m. 6 p.m.	Various activities. E. S. Tea offered by Camp. Dinner. L. C. C.
SUNDAY,	„ 7th.	8.30 a.m. 9 a.m. 10-30 a.m. 1 p.m. 2-30 p.m. 6 p.m. 8 p.m. 8-30 p.m.	Meditation. Breakfast. Opening of Camp. Lunch. Public Lecture. Dinner. Music. Camp-fire.
Aug. 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th.		8-30 a.m. 9 a.m. 10-30 a.m. 1 p.m. Afternoon 6 p.m. 8 p.m. 8-30 p.m.	Meditation; Breakfast. Lecture or Address. Lunch. Games. Dinner. Music. Camp-fire.
FRIDAY,	August 12th.	8-30 a.m. 9 a.m. 10-30 a.m. 1 p.m. Afternoon 6 p.m. 8 p.m. 8-30 p.m.	Meditation. Breakfast. Lecture or address. Lunch. Games. Dinner. Music. Camp-fire and closing of Camp.
SATURDAY,	August 13th.		Departures,



1. CONGRESS PRICE: F30.—(Dutch Florins) (£2 ros. od.) for the 8 days, including Registration Fee, board, (dinner on Friday, August 5th and lunch on Saturday, 13th, included) and lodging in tent, including also campbeds and thin mattress, which will be provided for everybody this year, without further expense.
2. N.B.—The date on which the letter containing the full amount of Congress money is received by the National Representative is treated as the date of registration. This applies to the respective dates mentioned hereafter.
3. INCREASE: For registration after May 15th, extra of F 2.  
For registration after June 15th till July 1st: F5.  
Registration for board and lodging received after July 1st by the National Representative cannot be accepted.  
For those not staying and not boarding in Camp particulars in March HERALD.
4. WITHDRAWALS: If cancelling before June 15th: F25. will be refunded.  
If cancelling before July 1st: F15. will be refunded.  
If cancelling after July 1st: no restitution.  
Amounts to be restituted will only be remitted after the Camp is over.
5. SPECIAL TENTS: As we have again hired and bought a considerable number of small tents, we are sure that those registering in time will get the accommodation asked for.  
Any profit on this item is used to buy again new tents so that in a few years it will, we hope, be possible to procure a much larger amount of this special accommodation, probably at lower prices.  
The following extras will be charged:
 

SMALL TENTS.	LARGE TENTS.
For 1 person F3. each person per diem.	F8. each person per diem.
For 2 persons F2.50 each person per diem.	F4. each person per diem.
For 3 or 4 persons F2. each person per diem.	F3. each person per diem.
6. HOTELS AND ROOMS: F3. per diem extra, including breakfast, which however must be taken in Camp (cannot generally be taken in hotels as erroneously stated). Hotels and rooms should be mentioned in application and paid for to National Representative as last year, but after member gets back receipt, application for hotel or room should be made to *American Express, Beursplein, Rotterdam* (Holland) mentioning besides name and address of member, also number of receipt.
7. OWN TENTS: Members who bring their own tents will please mention this fact to the National Representative when registering. If tents are sent on in advance they should reach Ommen not later than July 15th.  
As space occupied by own tents is considerably more than by other tents generally, registration for own tents instead of being lower like last year, will be increased to F36. (£3.), whilst it is to be understood that own tents have to be pitched by the owners themselves, not by any of the Camp-helpers.  
For own Tents Campbed and Mattress are provided, but no other extras.
8. OWN MENAGE CAMP: Distance to Camp will be further than last year. No own menage rooms are possible this year, whilst own menage tents will be allowed for special reasons to be stated to the Camp Management.  
Cost: F15. including registration fee.  
If registered after May 15th: F2. extra.  
If registered after June 15th to July 1st: F5. extra.  
No registration will be accepted after July 1st.
9. PAYMENT OF EXTRAS: The extras for special tents and hotels have to be sent together with the Congress money to the National Representative. If in a few exceptional cases the special accommodation should not be available the money will be refunded on Members' arrival in Camp.



10. **CONDITIONAL REGISTRATION:** If a member makes the special accommodation (tent or hotel) a *condition* for coming to camp, this should be clearly mentioned to the National Representative. In case it cannot be procured communication will be sent to the member without delay and the money refunded.

11. **THEOSOPHICAL ORDER OF SERVICE CAMP:** The Order of Service will hold a camp starting the moment the Starcamp is over (Saturday afternoon, August 13th), for which not only members of the Order of Service, but also members of the Order of the Star in the East and of the Theosophical Society can register.

NO correspondence or registration regarding this camp should be addressed to National Representatives of the Star, Starcamp-Management or other Star-Officials, who will neither answer, nor return such letters. *For particulars see June HERALD.*

12. **CHILDREN:** By courtesy and under responsibility of the Head of the Own Menage Camp it is now possible to bring children under 7 years of age (but belonging to the family), to the Own Menage Camp, *free of charges*, even if the children should not be members of the Order.—The names and the ages of the children have to be mentioned to the National Representative in the registration.

These young children, whether they be members of non-members are not allowed to enter the ordinary camp, but have to stay in the Own Menage Camp or outside the Camp-grounds.

Children of 7 years and older can only be admitted (to the Own Menage Camp or to the ordinary camp) if they are members of the Order and have to pay the full camp fee (with the condition mentioned in No. 31).

Members who through this new arrangement are only able to register now, can do so till July 1st with the National Representative, without the increase mentioned in No. 3.

13. **SANITARY ARRANGEMENTS:** As about 3,000 members are expected the sanitary installation will be extended again. As last year many members occupied showerbaths far over the allotted time of 10 minutes, some even going so far as to using these rooms as dressing rooms, thereby keeping fellow-members waiting and often preventing them from having their shower, it is hereby repeated, that only 10 minutes are allowed, and we expect Star-members to live up to this rule. Probably a bell will sound every 10 minutes, which gives waiting members the right to enter.

Members will remember the unpleasant announcement which had to be made on account of ladies disposing of rubbish in the lavatories. We expect this not to reoccur and would kindly ask National Representatives to instruct members as fully as possible in this respect. Like last year the necessary arrangements are made to dispose of all rubbish.

14. **TRAVELLING AND CAMP FUND:** All members especially those who have arranged to go to Camp this year, are reminded of the position of members who live in European Countries where the rate of exchange makes it difficult to face the expense.

A fund is open through which we may come to their help.

Will each send some gift for this purpose to the National Representative along with the registration money?

15. **CAMP OUTFIT:** Cup, plate, spoon, fork, knife. Electric torch, sheets, blankets; pillowcase, soap, towels, etc.  
Nights may be cold even in August.  
See also 1924 and 1925 HERALDS.
16. **BLANKETS:** Can only be given in exceptional cases. It is not possible to have stocks large enough to provide for everybody.



17. SUGGESTIONS FOR 1927 CAMP will be appreciated and followed up as far as possible.
18. CORRESPONDENCE: All enquiries and requests to be addressed to National Representatives only. The Camp Office cannot answer members individually.
19. LUGGAGE: All luggage registered should be marked "Ommen (O.)" and labelled with member's name. Personal (hand) luggage also to be labelled.
20. LUGGAGE SENT IN ADVANCE: has to arrive in Ommen before July 15th and should be marked "Franco Bestelgoed Starcamp, Ommen, (O.)" Holland," with again member's name clearly marked as despatcher.

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## CAMP SERVICE.

The Corvee service has not worked satisfactorily in some departments last year, due on one hand to our being late in organizing it, and on the other hand to some star-members forgetting or shirking their responsibilities. This makes it all the harder on the faithful band of workers, who stick to their jobs and without whom the camp could simply not be run.

We are sure if members realised the amount of work carried on "behind the screens," all would be eager to undertake some part of the work.

To know beforehand on whom we can count, we add a list of the various activities. First of all we divide the members into two large groups:

A. Willing to do any work at any time, agreeing, if necessary, to miss a lecture or the like. The Camp Staff and their assistants belong to this group, also many of the kitchen and technical departments.

B. Undertaking some definite job(s) at prearranged times.

Specification of jobs and times:

required:

B.1:	Kitchen and dining tents	..	7—10 a.m.	100
B.2:	" " " "	..	12— 3 p.m.	100
B.3:	" " " "	..	5— 8 p.m.	100
B.4:	Supervision during bathhours	..	6— 8 a.m.	6
B.5:	" " " "	..	8— 9 a.m.	6
B.6:	Inspection of bathrooms and sanitary	..	frequent inspection during the day	3
B.7:	Ushers (stewards for lecture-tent, etc.)	.. ..	during lectures	20
B.8:	Transport of food	.. ..	during dinner hours	25
B.9:	Stenogr. and typing in office	.. ..	morning	2
B.10:	" " " "	.. ..	afternoon	2
B.11:	Telephone	.. ..	8—10 a.m.	2
B.12:	" " " "	.. ..	10—12 "	2
B.13:	" " " "	.. ..	12— 2 p.m.	2
B.14:	" " " "	.. ..	2— 4 "	2
B.15:	" " " "	.. ..	4— 6 "	2
B.16:	" " " "	.. ..	6— 8 "	2
B.17:	Stenographers (only fully qualified members who can take down lectures will please apply as this work is of great importance)	.. ..	during lectures	10
B.18:	Nurses Red-Cross tent	.. ..	hours to be fixed by the available Staff themselves	12
B.19:	Office Messengers	.. ..	8—11	2 young members



B.20: Office Messengers	.. ..	11— 2	2	..	..
B.21: .. ..	.. ..	2— 5	2	..	..
B.22: .. ..	.. ..	5— 8	2	..	..
B.23: Baggage tent	.. ..	every other day	10	strong members.	
B.24: Canteen Management assistants		all day except during lectures..	6		
B.25: Canteen service	.. ..	idem	(20 boys, 20 girls)		
B.26: Bus conductors	.. ..	all day of arrival and departure other days principally morning and evening	12		
B.27: Guides	.. ..	only day of arrival	..	30	
B.28: Gate keeper	.. ..	alternating morning of one day 8 a.m.—1 p.m. and after- noon of next 1—6 p.m.	..	6	
B.29: .. ..	.. ..	evening 6—10 p.m., every other day	..	3	
B.30: .. ..	.. ..	Night 10 p.m.—8 a.m. May sleep; only to act in case people want to enter..	..	3	
B.31: Camp-police	.. ..	Constant eye on matters in camp	50		
B.32: Night-watch	.. ..	during 2 hours every other night	30		
B.33: Emergency squad (in case of storm, fire or the like). Only those who are experi- enced in the handling of physical plane difficulties are asked to apply.	.. ..	reporting as soon as emergency signal given .. ..	50		
B.34: Post-office assistants	.. ..	during open hours of post-office. Not during lectures	..	10	
B.35: Lost and Found	.. ..	in the afternoon	..	4	
B.36: Technical assistants (only techni- cal members will please apply)	.. ..	a few hours during the day	..	10	
B.37: Leaders for games (only experi- enced game-leaders)	.. ..	Afternoons	..	30	
B.38: General service (willing to do any job between certain hours) ..		6— 8 a.m.			
B.39: General service	.. ..	8—10 a.m.			
B.40: .. ..	.. ..	10—12 ..			
B.41: .. ..	.. ..	12— 2 p.m.			
B.42: .. ..	.. ..	2— 4 ..			
B.43: .. ..	.. ..	4— 6 ..			
B.44: .. ..	.. ..	6— 8 ..			
B.45: .. ..	.. ..	8—10 ..			
B.46: Care of flags	.. ..	morning and evening	..	2	
B.47: Cleaning of offices	.. ..	early morning	..	6	
B.48: Motor-service (for those owning motor cars)	.. ..	any time during the day when required by the camp-man- agement.			
B.49: Storekeeper's Assistants	.. ..	hours to be fixed later	..	4	



Now first of all not all registering for a certain job can be taken : this depends on the number applying, etc.

But if you do undertake one of the above jobs, regard is as a point of honour to appear at the exact hour.

If not enough members do apply, the Camp management will have to deal out tasks, as was partially done last year, but it is preferable to let members chose to their own ability.

In a Star camp it should not be difficult to find servers.

Please send the following form of application with your name, number of your receipt and the number of the service you desire to render and post to the Starcamp-Management, Ommen (O), Holland:

I, .....section.....

undertake the following as my share in the camp-service:

Please scratch A. Full time duty wherever and whenever wanted.

whatever not B. Nos.....

wanted

Receipt No..... Signature .....

Speaking languages .....

Special ability .....

N.B.—The fore- and after-camp can only be attended by the helpers invited by the camp-management and nobody is admitted in camp before August 5th or after August 13th, unless possessing an official invitation, signed by the Camp-Management. (See also No. 30)

22. LATE COMERS: Though we fully appreciate the difficulty of some of our members to know a month or so ahead whether they will be able to go or not, we have, for the sake of our Staff and the smooth running of the Camp to adhere to the dates given above. Last year many members who did not register in time, started a rather extensive correspondence with the Head, National Representatives or members of the Camp-Management.

May we point out that such a procedure is useless, apart from causing extra work to those addressed.

Would it moreover be fair to admit late-comers, who want to break the rules, whilst members, who have been thoughtful enough not to trouble others on account of their bad luck, or forgetfulness would have to stay at home? We hope this year members will refrain from trying to register after the fatal date. Those coming to Camp without having registered cannot be admitted.

### 23 TRAIN CONNECTIONS:

#### LONDON—OMMEN per BATAVIER:

Departure	London Vict.str.sta.	17.40
Arrival	Gravesend	18.40
Departure	„	19.-
Arrival	Rotterdam, Boompjes	8.-
Departure	Rotterdam,	
	Maas Station	9.04 11.32
Arrival	Zwolle	11.41 15.17
Departure	Zwolle	12.50 17.09
Arrival	Ommen	13.30 17.46

#### LONDON—OMMEN (via Hook of Holland):

Departure	London	20.30
Arrival	Rotterdam,	
	D.P. Station	7.24 8.10
Departure	Rotterdam, Maas St.	9.04
Arrival	Zwolle	11.41
Departure	Zwolle	12.50
Arrival	Ommen	13.30



## HAMBURG/BERLIN—OMMEN:

I & II Cl. (Day connection).		
Departure Hamburg	14.03	
Departure Berlin Fr. Str.	12.31	
Arrival Almelo	21.40	
Departure „	21.44	
Arrival Marienberg	22.15	

no connection to Ommen.

I, II and III Cl. (Day-conn.)		
Departure Hamburg	11.-	
Departure Berlin Fr. str.	9.09	
Arrival Almelo	18.52	
Departure „	19.50	
Arrival Zwolle	20.54	
Departure Zwolle	21.22	
Arrival Ommen	22.-	

I & II Cl. (Night-connection).		
Departure Hamburg	22.18	
Departure Berlin Fr. str.	21.49	
Arrival Hengelo	7.08	
Departure „	8.13	
Arrival Almelo	8.31	
Departure „	8.39	
Arrival Marienberg	9.12	
Departure „	9.24	
Arrival Ommen	9.40	

## BERLIN—OMMEN.

I, II and III Cl. (Night-connection)		
Departure Hamburg	22.18	
Departure Berlin Fr. sti.	21.49	
Arrival Bentheim	5.33	
Departure „	7.09	
Arrival Almelo	9.35	
Departure „	10.47	
Arrival Marienberg	11.18	
Departure „	13.15	
Arrival Ommen	13.33	

## VIENNA—OMMEN. I, II and III Cl.

Departure Vienna West	9.05	
Arrival Arnhem	9.39	
Departure Arnhem	10.17	
Arrival Zwolle	11.40	
Departure Zwolle	12.50	
Arrival Ommen	13.30	

## BAZEL—OMMEN. I, II and III Cl.

Departure Bazel	19.18	
Arrival Utrecht	12.06	

Departure Utrecht	12.46	
Arrival Zwolle	14.55	
Departure Zwolle	15.04	
Arrival Ommen	15.34	
Departure Bazel	20.55	
Arrival Arnhem	10.35	
Departure Arnhem	10.50	
Arrival Deventer	11.59	
Departure Deventer	12.15	
Arrival Ommen	13.26	

## PARIS—OMMEN

I, II and III Cl. (Night-conn.)		
Departure Paris Nord	0.15	
Arrival Roosendaal	9.30	
Departure „	11.22	
Arrival Zwolle	15.47	
Departure Zwolle	17.09	
Arrival Ommen	17.46	

## PARIS—OMMEN

I and II Cl. (Day-connection)		
Departure Paris	9.—	
Departure Brussels	13.01	
Arrival Rotterdam D.P.	16.13	
Departure Rotterdam Maas	18.19	
Arrival Zwolle	20.56	
Departure Zwolle	21.22	
Arrival Ommen	22.—	

## COPENHAGEN—HAMBURG.

Departure Copenhagen	23.25	10.10
Arrival Hamburg	10.26	20.10

## FROM OMMEN TO LONDON:

per Batavier Line:

Departure Ommen	13.36	
Arrival Zwolle	14.17	
Departure Zwolle	15.—	
Arrival Rotterdam, Maas Station	18.09	
Departure Steamer	19.—	
Arrival London Vict. Sta.	9.—	a.m.
via Hook of Holland-Harwich:		
Departure Ommen	17.06	
Arrival Zwolle	17.47	
Departure Zwolle	18.13	
Arrival Rotterdam Mass Sta	20.22	
Departure Rotterdam D.P. Sta	22.13	
Arrival London Liv. str.	8.38	



## OMMEN—BERLIN—(via RAALTE—DEVENTER):

	I & II Cl.	I, II and III Cl.
Departure Ommen	7.26	18.30
Arrival Deventer	8.35	19.45
Departure Deventer	8.40	22.02
Arrival Oldenzaal	9.50	
Departure Oldenzaal	11.04	
Arrival Berlin Fr. str.	17.27	7.29
Arrival Hamburg	16.03	6.24

## OMMEN—BERLIN (via MARIENBERG—ALMELO):

	I & II Cl.	I, II and III Cl.
Departure Ommen	7.25	11.02
Arrival Marienberg	7.42	11.15
Departure Marienberg	7.50	11.31
Arrival Almelo	8.21	12.02
Departure Almelo	10.05	13.11
Arrival Oldenzaal	10.42	13.27
Departure Oldenzaal	11.04	13.45
Arrival Berlin	17.27	21.58
Arrival Hamburg	16.03	20.27

## OMMEN—VIENNA (via ZWOLLE—ARNHEM):

	I, II and III Cl.
Departure Ommen	17.06
Arrival Zwolle	17.47
Departure Zwolle	18.34
Arrival Arnhem	20.49
Departure Arnhem	21.49
Arrival Vienna Westbahnhof	23.20

## OMMEN—BAZEL via ARNHEM:

Departure Ommen	11.03
Arrival Zwolle	11.35
Departure „	12.36
Arrival Arnhem	14.45
Departure Arnhem	15.42
Arrival Bazel	6.45

## via UTRECHT—VENLO:

Departure Ommen	17.06
Arrival Zwolle	17.47
Departure „	18.13
Arrival Utrecht	19.34
Departure „	19.43
Arrival Bazel	11.33

## OMMEN—PARIS:

	I & II Cl.	I, & II III Cl.	I & II Cl.
Departure Ommen	—	7.23	17.06
Arrival Zwolle	—	8.03	17.47
Departure Zwolle	6.18	8.52	18.13
Arrival Utrecht	8.42	10.11	19.34
Departure Utrecht	8.52	10.35	20.02
Arrival Roosendaal	10.51	12.47	22.11
			15.52



Departure	Roosendaal	11.29	12.54	22.22	
Arrival	Brussels Midi	13.01	Nord 15.34	— .18	17.34
Arrival	Paris Nord	17.10	22.27	6.53	22.54
			(Dep. Roosendaal:		
			to Brussels	16.16	
			to Paris	16.52	

## HAMBURG—COPENHAGEN: I, II &amp; III Cl.

Departure	Hamburg	8.45	19.04
Arrival	Copenhagen	19.05	6.05

24. DOGS: No dogs are allowed in camp.
25. SMOKING: It was reported that some members smoked in their tents. Apart from the discomfort caused to others, this exposes the whole camp to the danger of fire. Smoking is strictly prohibited in camp, whether in or outside tents. Members smoking inside a tent expose themselves to removal from camp.
26. TALKING: Many complaints reached us about members talking after 10 p.m., even near midnight. If a kind request to stop has no result, please report names to Camp-Management.
27. EVENING ARRIVALS: Last year a few members arrived on cycle or by car between 11 and 12 p.m. As this is disturbing the Camp nobody will be admitted after 10 p.m., except those arriving by the last train (about 10 p.m.).
28. We came across the queer conception that "requests" are not "orders" and therefore have not to be obeyed. For the instruction of these few members we point out that a request in a Star camp should be even more than an order in ordinary life and has to be obeyed as if it were such.
29. ILLNESS: Members whose illness may cause inconvenience to their tent-partners or to the camp-management are requested to refrain from coming to camp. Members suffering from furunculosis (serious form of boils) or other affections of the skin cannot be admitted. (Much to our regret two members had to leave on this account last year). The camp doctor's decision in such cases is final.
30. FORE AND AFTER CAMP: Only workers invited by the Camp Management can attend these camps. Last year a few members arrived a few days earlier, thinking they might help. They could not be admitted, and to prevent goodwill members from getting a refusal, we point out that only those in possession of an invitation signed by the *Camp Management* and a special badge issued, will be admitted.
31. If parents come to camp accompanied by more than one child the other children will only have to pay F20, instead of F30 (but only if their age is 7—18 years, and they are living with the parents at home).  
The receipt will have to be marked: "2nd (or 3rd a.s.o.) child, 7-18 years, still at home." If too much has already been paid, the amount will be refunded at time of arrival in camp.
32. WOODEN HUTS: It is planned to erect a limited number of small wooden huts for members, willing to pay a sum of probably about F200/F300, and larger wooden houses with running water (at £F600 to F1000). The structure becomes the property of the Camp-Management, but the member, by paying this amount, acquires the right to use this hut personally during camptime for this and following camps (of course only as long as she or he is a Starmember). Will those planning to have a hut put up, get into touch with the Camp-Management as soon as possible, which will send full particulars and drawings on application.



33. **MOTOR CARS:** This year's camp will contain a limited number of places where motor cars can be parked, protected from sun and rain at a price of F20.— for the 8 days of the camp. Members wishing to rent such a place are asked to send in their names as soon as possible to the Camp Management, Ommen.

34. **ARRIVAL:** Will members arriving by train at Ommen kindly keep their seats and not start moving luggage till they are asked to leave their carriage.

The "Star"-part of the train remains at Ommen; the carriages will be emptied one by one so as to prevent congestion on the small Ommen platforms and to accelerate transportation to camp.

35. **GUIDES:** No guides will be sent to the frontiers as so many members know the way now. Only at Zwolle where some groups may have to change trains, a few guides with the Star armlet will be present.

36. **PRICE OF STAR CAMP:** To avoid misconceptions we expressly state that our keeping the same camp price for 8 days has only been done with a view to the first day not being essentially a "Star"-day; it does not mean that the price per day has been lowered.

37. **POST:** Though this year's camp will possess an official village-post-office, members will facilitate matters by having forwarded as few letters and papers as possible.

38. **BANKING, MONEY CHANGING, TOURIST-OFFICE:** The American Express Co. will again look after all this. No personal or bank cheques are cashed, but we draw the attention of members to the American Express Travellers' cheques, which are very convenient. As last year we heard some complaints about rates of exchange being too high and fares above the normal, we would ask to report any such cases *with full date* to the Camp-office. Moreover at the American Express office, boards will be found containing rates of exchange and 1st, 2nd and 3rd class fares to the principal towns in Europe.

39. **FOOD:** We had a few complaints about the food being too "starchy," others' however, wanted more potatoes! (To say nothing of the uncooked food adherents). This is becoming a "doctor's dilemma," Making different menus would be too hard on the kitchen-staff and too complicated altogether. We would therefore propose that members forget their culinary tastes just for one week, which will doubtlessly help them over their difficulties. Moreover the store will have some "raw" and "hard" foodstuff in stock.

40. A few cases came to our notice where members harboured non-registered members in their tents. Such members will be removed from camp with their guest.

41. **DAY VISITORS (ONLY STAR MEMBERS ADMITTED):**

On: 1. Saturday 6th.  
2. Sunday 7th.  
3. Thursday 11th.

The camp will be open on the above days to Star members from 8-15 a.m., till after the campfire (about 9-30 p.m.) at the following charges:

F. 5—each day without food.

" 8— " " with "

(sleeping in camp is impossible and not permitted).

Members wishing to visit one or more days will please register through National Representative *before July 15th*, adding the amount required. A receipt will be sent with badge(s), bearing the number of the day (1, 2 or 3) and name of member. These badges must be worn visible in camp and have to be handed back at the gate in the evening on leaving the camp; members failing to do so will be charged double the camp price (F.60).

Nobody will be admitted without badge, whilst registrations reaching the National Representative after July 15th, cannot be accepted.

Light refreshments can be had at the Canteen; all kinds of foodstuffs at shop.



42. PUBLIC LECTURES: Probably on Sunday afternoon at 2-30 p.m. (Dutch Summer-time) and Wednesday afternoon also at 2-30 p.m. (Dutch Summertime) in lecture tent. Admission Fr. 50 to be paid at the gate on entering, which does not entitle anybody to enter the general camp. Star members' day visitors are admitted to the Sunday public lecture free of charge, after the general public has been admitted. Star members-campers only after general public and day-visitors have entered.

These lectures will be broadcasted from Hilversum, wave length 1070 M.

43. If doctors, other than the camp doctor, treat patients they are bound to inform the camp doctor of the names of such patients and of the nature of the illness.
44. Registration for hotels will take place near the station (probably just opposite) and indicated by sign-posts. Those staying in hotels should for their own comfort register there *before* going to the hotel or coming to camp, as otherwise they cannot be admitted and would have to go back.
45. Telegraph address: Star Camp, Ommen.
46. Telephone: Ommen No. 29.
47. The fact of being invited by Mr. Krishnamurti, Mr. Rajagopalacharya or others for Presswork, selling books or some other special job, does not relieve members from the necessity of registering in the ordinary way through their National Representative.

We apologize for having to be strict in so many respects, but with a camp of 2,500—3,000 this cannot be avoided.

Looking forward to meeting you all, old and new friends,

THE CAMP-MANAGEMENT,

Ommen (O.)



## RE CAMP RULES.

It was found last year that the rule "Be considerate" demanded some further explanation, which we are offering below.

For the comfort of members we first give general information, followed by "kind requests" and ending with "It is prohibited."

We would ask members to study information and "prohibitions" before coming to the information-window. This saves your time and ours.

Members are particularly asked to study the various requests.

The leaders were much hampered last year in their movements (in the most literal sense) by members showing their enthusiasm at too near a distance. With 2,500 to 3,000 members for the coming camp this would be even worse, so please . . . !

The shower bath is another sore point. Though of course you like to be and feel clean, there are many, many members having the same desire, whose politeness prevents them from tearing open the door behind which they expect you to be dressing your hair, or looking in the mirror before venturing in the open again. Well, the showerbath is exclusively destined to shower (not only on you, but also on others), so please . . . !

If tent-partners prove to be offensive by smoking, or talking during the night, there is every reason to report to the Camp Bureau (information window) giving exact name and if possible number of the one concerned. Nobody has the right to spoil the rest of others.

In case you feel like talking after 10 p.m., forego the delight and think that there are still many *days* on which you can talk, so please . . . !

Last year a few members behaved as if we had run out of food supplies and they were too eager to help themselves a second time, before everybody had been served (survival of the fittest, you know). Well they need not fear, so please . . . !

But, badinage apart, we found that a—let us hope comparatively small—group of members, did not live up to Star-ideals last year, sometimes not even to ordinary outside world ideals.

This year a few thoughtless members will not be permitted to spoil the peace and happiness of all the others and the harmony of the camp, so we intend to enforce certain rules, which after all only embody everyday politeness and a thimbleful of thoughtfulness. Should members really feel unable to live up to these rules or to comply with a reasonable request, he (or she) will simply have to go and camp outside the Eerde borders.

We hope, however, that the National Representatives and Local Secretaries will explain these matters to those attending the 1927 camp, so that there will be no jar on the harmony of a gathering like this, which—held in the midst of unspoiled natural beauty—will, if all co-operate, convey spiritual blessings to those assembled and to the work around.

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## GENERAL INFORMATION, REQUESTS AND RULES.

(only preliminary; for definite form see programme handed on arrival, which also contains the maps mentioned).

## GENERAL INFORMATION:

1. Camp-map in centre of programme.
2. Map of neighbourhood at end of programme.
3. The camp has been enclosed this year; unavoidable because of stray passers-by strolling into camp. There are three entrances (on map: A, B, C). Only those wearing badge visibly will be admitted. A is the main entrance, open day and night. B and C will be open from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.
4. The camp is divided into four parts:
 

Ladies' camp.	Gentlemen's camp.
Married camp.	Own Menage camp.
5. The streets are numbered; on each street-corner are boards, indicating tent-numbers.
6. *Information and complaints*: Only at information window of office (open 8—10; 12—1; 2—5), but before asking please note:
7. Post Office open 8—1; 2—7-30, except for issuing letters, see No. 13.
8. Stamps at Post-Office.
9. Telephone at Post Office. Local calls 10 cts. Long distance calls (Holland) ordinary traiff plus 25 cts. International calls, tariff plus Fr.
10. Telegrams at Post Office: Tariff plus 25 cts.
11. Registered letters at Post Office.
12. Money orders at Post Office.
13. Letters given out at Post Office as follows:
 

Names beginning with: A—B—C—D—E	at 2-0 p.m.
F—G—H—I & J—K	,, 2-15 ,,
L—M—N—O—P & Q	,, 2-30 ,,
R—S—T—U & V—W; X, Y, Z.	,, 3 ,,
14. American Express open 9—1; 2—6.
15. Complaints and information *re hotels* at American Express Office.
16. Information about travelling, tickets at American Express.
17. Cashing cheques, changing money, at American Express.
18. The shop will be open 8-45—9-45; 2—5-30. The Shop and Canteen are separate this year. The following articles are available: (list will be found in programme).
19. The canteen will be open 11-30—12-30; 2—5-30; 7—8.
 

Cup of tea, 15 cts.	Biscuits, 15 cts.
,, coffee, 15 cts.	Fruit, 15 cts.
Glass of lemonade, 5 cts.	

 Payment only with tickets worth 15 cts (to be had near the canteen-entrance) in booklets of 5 (75 cts.) and 10 (Fr 1-50).
20. First aid tent (indicated with + on map), marked by a red flag with white cross and the doctor can be called in case of necessity. If the nurses are present at the lectures, they will carry a red flag with white cross, so as to be easily located. *two red lights above each other at night*. Nurses will be in attendance day and night
21. Breakfast, 9 a.m. sharp; Lunch, 1 p.m. sharp; Dinner, 6 p.m. sharp.
 

The dinner tents this year contain about 250 persons each. The tables hold 14 persons (7 on each side). The food will not be served out, but a pail will be put on each side of the table for one row of seven persons. It is necessary that members should fill the tents from the near end and leave no gaps at the tables, but see to it that 7 persons are seated on each side.
22. The orders of the Stewards in each tent as to seating and food have to be obeyed.



23. The showerbaths are for washing *only*, *not* for making a complete toilette. Members occupying them longer than 10 minutes will be removed. The normal time being 5 minutes.
24. The sanitary buildings have been extended by one. The former two buildings are now both for ladies, whilst the new building is for men (see map).
25. The camp service arrangements are given out with the programme on arrival.
26. As a rule no announcements will be made at table or campfire, members being expected to consult the notice-board(s), near dining-tents, frequently.
26. There will be posts put up where members of the different countries can assemble at 2 p.m. for getting translations of the morning-lectures or information if the National Representative is willing to arrange for this. The Camp management is *not* responsible for this item being carried out.
28. ARRIVAL: On arrival at the station members will remain seated, the carriages being emptied one after the other which makes a constant and well regulated transport to camp possible. On the station, boards will indicate three directions:  
                     To camp.                      To hotels.                      To Own Menage Camp.  
 The luggage of one carriage will follow the bus with the occupants of that carriage, so that the luggage will be standing ready after having registered. But members should attend personally to their luggage being transported out of the station as far as the busses. For registered luggage hand receipt to Star Officials at Station after writing name and registration number on same.
29. DEPARTURE: A departure form is handed out with the programme, which please fill in and hand at the American Express before the 9th. This is only to get an approximate idea of the space needed on each train. The hand-luggage has to put ready two hours before the train leaves, near the board, indicating that train. Luggage to be registered has to be at the departure tent four hours before train leaves (for early morning train the night before).
30. Fire or other emergencies will be dealt with by the Emergency Squad; members should quietly await instructions.
31. Fire or other troubles at night should be reported to the Nightwatch in tent marked N on map, flying a green flag with white N, and moreover marked by three green lights above each other at night.
32. The members of the camp management are wearing gold badges with Camp Management written on.  
     The heads of departments silver badges with the name of department.  
     Assistants bronze badges with name of department.  
     They have to be obeyed within the scope of their department.
33. The lecture tent is provided with wooden benches *behind* which members may sit on their own campstools (collapsible stools or small collapsible chairs). In front of the benches *only sitting on the ground* is permitted.
34. A few acousticons (telephones for deaf members) will be found on the right hand side benches back row, reserved for members of very bad hearing, who have applied to the camp-bureau and got a special ticket, which has to be shown to the Stewards if asked for.
35. A free path has to remain in the centre of the tent (indicated by white stripes). The indications of the stewards with regard to seating have to be carried out.
36. Guides, stewards, ushers wear blue armlets or squares with white star.
37. Lost and found objects at Lost and Found tent (see map).
38. Members not wearing badges are not admitted to camp or meals.
39. Members are not admitted to Meditation or Lectures after the hour indicated.
40. Tents will be inspected between 10 and 12 a.m.
41. The registering for a certain camp service implies carrying it out and appearing at the exact hour. In case of inability to be present at the appointed hour, please report to head of Camp-service department (in the General office).



42. Registering for Star camp service does not imply rendering the same service in the order of Service Camp (following after Star Camp). Members attending the Order of Service camp and wishing to render camp service in it have to apply separately (see publication).
43. To make possible a proper registration for the Order of Service camp, the whole camp will be cleared in the afternoon of the day of departure (August 13th) at 5 p.m., all members leaving through the main gate and those attending the Order of Service Camp, re-entering to be registered. As those only attending the star camp have to leave camp before dinner and the last afternoon train leaves about 5 p.m., this will not cause any inconvenience two hope.
44. Own Menage member will please go to Own Menage camp on arrival and register there with the head of Own Menage (Mr. J. Kraamer).
45. Decisions of the Camp-Management are final and members, by their coming to camp, agree to obey such decision, collectively or personally.

#### KIND REQUESTS.

1. Not to press round the leaders before and after lectures, campfires, on their arrival and departure and so on.
2. To speak quietly at meals.
3. Not to talk in the vicinity of the lecture tent (within some 30 or 40 yards of it) whilst meditation or lectures are going on.
4. To occupy the baths if possible less than half the allotted time.
5. To be very punctual at meals.
6. To leave the campfire at once if the request is made.
7. To bear constantly in mind the purpose for which the camp is held and to act accordingly.
8. To be gay without being loud and quiet without being dull.
9. To bear with imperfections, to which the camp is subject.
10. To complain, if need arises, to the information-window at the office, never to fellow-members.
11. Not to occupy "reserved" seats in lecture tent or round campfire.
12. To hand in any complaints about tent partners (smoking talking at night and the like) at camp office: information window.

#### PROHIBITED (for those who are not naturally considerate).

1. To smoke inside tents or in camp generally.
2. To talk, move about camp, make music or sing between 10-30 p.m. and 6 a.m.
3. To occupy bathrooms longer than 10 minutes.
4. To use bathrooms for hairdressing and so on.
5. To throw rubbish of any description in the lavatories; boxes are provided to dispose of all rubbish.
6. To move chairs into the lecture tent.
7. To move chairs belonging to the canteen or other tents.
8. To light fires in the woods.
9. To stick pins in the cavass of tents.
10. To interchange accommodation in tents or hotels without written consent of Camp Bureau (new registration of F30—will be charged in such cases).
11. To sell articles of any description in camp.
12. To enter the kitchen, unless connected with kitchen-service.
13. To give out information to the Press.
14. To use lights other than electric in tents (unless on official errands with camp lanterns).
15. To light spirit or petrol lamps or other burners of any description.
16. To have dogs or other animals in camp.
17. To remove any utensils from the kitchen.



