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Dear von Neumann,

You are right that August-September is a vacation period here. The vacations begin about July 18. I am very sorry that a talk at our Colloquium therefore is out of question. However, I shall be delighted to see you personally. I shall be in town from August 20th until the beginning of the Amsterdam congress.

Yours most cordially

(B.L. van der Waerden)