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Dear Schuyler:

From your recent letters to mother I gather that you could use a good rug. Now I would like to make you and Jean a present of a good living room rug. To this end I am enclosing a check made out to Jean for \$150.00 Please put this with the one I gave you a few months ago and get a good oriental. Probably all the imported ones are out of circulation but the domestic Ghulistans etc are just as fine. Likewise it will probably be impossible to get anything good in Washington so I would suggest a trip to New York.

I will be in Camden about the first of December and have every intention of taking a few extra days off to come and see you two in Washington. Perhaps we can arrange to make a joint trip to New York for the rug. Its just too bad we didn't think of it or have time to do anything when you were here last September. You know I happened to remember that you spent considerable time around Philadelphia. If you want to, it may be more convenient to get the rug in Phila provided a reasonable selection can be had. What stores handle this line of Merchandise?

Yes I know Gustafson but didn't realize he had advanced to the position of Vice President. Thanks for the promotion. Right now we are in somewhat of a state of flux at Stewart Warner. Yesterday the senior vicepresident died. He is the one who my immediate superiors have been cultivating. There has been considerable rivalry between this group and the sales group headed by the junior vicepresident. The radio group has been in the ascendancy mainly due to the influence of the deceased gentlemen. Under these circumstances you know that quite often some people get fresh air in large quantities. Now it so turns out that I have been quite friendly with certain parties of the Alemite and sales group. All this is superimposed on a general reorganization for peace time business. Further, the President has handed down the dictum that he wants his company to develop electronic devices and appliances. The situation is quite a mess but it is not inconceivable that I can come out with a considerable promotion when the whole thing is boiled down. I am going to stick around a couple of months and see what happens. If I don't get ahead substantially than I am certainly going to see Gustafson.

Well, the whole situation is quite interesting and I'll have more to tell you when I see you in person.

Give Jean my regards.