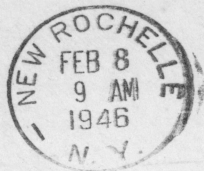


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25 LESTER PLACE

NEW ROCHELLE

— NY —

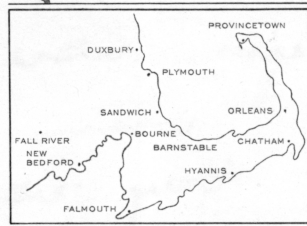


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finished my first week work  
with Celanese. It was good to  
get back doing "something"  
even though I won't be doing  
much there just few weeks.  
It is to be in "management" —  
Celanese has a new plant  
in Texas which they refer to  
as their "southern plant near  
Mexico" as it is better than  
saying where it is —  
you understand!

We were driving thru  
the Bronx the other night &  
I chanced to see a sign  
reading "BENJAMIN SHERMAN" —  
a corner store. Remembering

where's Texas?



Feb 2 -

Dear Hector —

Congratulations on becoming  
a Mayor — if you are not  
already informed, you will be  
(from your separation center) & if  
you don't — check on it — for  
yesterday's mail brought me my  
~~notification~~ — i.e. to the effect  
that any capt who served in  
grade for two years & had  
not been promoted may be.  
& time overseas counts double.



but he said that merely because  
he thought you were a friend  
of mine — when I got there  
telling him they were from  
Paris — he thought — you  
guessed it, no differently!

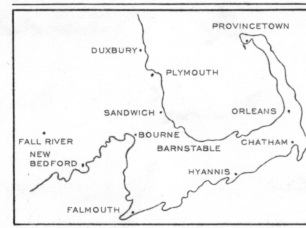
We are in N.Y. & at the  
present time we are living —  
i.e., "existing" in two "closets",  
in a private home. We  
have no kitchen or bathroom  
& we have been — pains taking  
looking for a place with one  
but no luck! The situation  
is bad! New Rochelle is  
but 30 minutes by train from  
downtown N.Y. — Yesterday

(2.) I must refuse this one for  
my original one came from  
your dept Dec 15 — which  
means that I will undoubtedly  
lose my mastering and pay  
— although I am studying &  
& I think I see a way out —

Dad — thanks loads for  
sending me the oranges &  
paper-joint. — W (the cat) came  
when M & I were home, morning  
so my family opened them  
& were enjoying them when  
we arrived home. Dad  
says they were the finest  
paper-joint he has ever eaten

him & with that he surprised me  
by assuming me you meant no  
harm - that you were a good honest  
officer - good doctor etc - etc - etc -  
I really had him going - his  
& I then stopped by for about  
an hour at his house - met his  
mother & aunt etc. -

I am sincerely sorry that you  
are finding the medical field so  
unpleasant to return to - & that  
you & your brother have not been  
seeing eye-to-eye - but I am not  
surprised for you told me the same  
once before - but if I know you  
you'd do something about it for you  
are a Man of Action. Any word as to  
when Wanda may be coming soon?  
hope, I hope, I hope - Charlie



the "dave's" "big boy" used to tell  
I guessed perhaps it was his  
& so I stopped & went in -  
but it was a different "Sherman"  
I got a Xmas Card from him  
you know. -

his & I had dinner  
with Ruffl J. the other  
night. He is "Sculpturing"  
& claims to be taking N.Y.C.  
by storm. Went out to  
Phil Van Praag's house another  
night for dinner & enjoyed

saw Mr. Quinlan — Called  
him first & scared the  
pants off him by telling  
him I was from the  
office of the Quartermaster  
General in "Philly" & a report  
had just reached us that  
he had left some equipment  
shredded in "Nancy France".  
He denied ever being there  
& asked what the equipment  
was. I said a "pair of  
rubber boots" — to which he  
denied <sup>again</sup> ever owning a  
pair. I told him that  
you had counter signed for

seeing him again after so  
long a time as he left  
us in Byzantium, you know. —

Havent seen Slater or  
McAfee yet — but will look  
up "Mc" once we get  
settled. —

Heard from Fraser —  
He was invited to that  
Big #1 Social, wedding in  
BANSTON on Dec 29 but  
couldn't make it. — sent  
his regards to you "when  
ever" I may be visiting you.

On the way down  
from Canada — (near Boston  
you know) I stopped off &