

January 14, 1952

Colonel Richard E. Daley Hanager Army-Navy Country Club Arlington, Virginia

Dear Colonel Daley:

On 2 January, Mrs. Friedman and I gave a small dinner party at the Club, for some English friends. Upon preparing to leave it was discovered that the valuable fur evening cape belonging to one of our guests was missing from the place where it had been hung in the ladies room, and that another cape of somewhat similar design, considerably older and inferior in quality remained unclaimed by its owner. Assuming that an inadvertent exchange had been made by another guest at dismer, the matter was brought to the attention of Mrs. Pearl Little, on duty at the switchboard. Because of the quick thinking and prompt action on the part of Mrs. Little and of Head Waiter Mr. Charles Oliver, our guest's own cape was soon brought back to the Club by the host of the other party, one of whose guests was the lady who had inadvertently made the exchange.

Mrs. Friedman and I deem it fitting to bring this to your attention and wish that you commend both Mrs. Little and Mr. Oliver for the part they played in straightening out with dispatch what could have been a most embarrassing situation, since our guest's cape was a Christmas gift which had just been received and was still uninsured.

Sincerely,