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Dear Jodi,

Hasty response to your nice note of the 27th while Lil is copying what will keep me bust all day once ~~xxx~~ she finishes it.

On the two file cabinets I recommend that I see if I can get the people from whom I got my file cabinets to package and ship them. Their deliveryman is one of whom Lil and I are very fond. He is a deliveryman to be able to afford being an artist - and he is a decent one, very much so. Named Denis. Denis comes here with a truck and with the packing of the steel cabinets. I am sure he can use that packaging for the packaging of the oak ones. They also deal with trucking companies. I do recommend higher insurance than the cost of the two steel ones I'll be getting, particularly because I'm not hosing you but will be getting the kind I usually do, inexpensive ones, by today's market. If they have slightly damaged ones on which I can get a discount, I'll get them.

If you also want the two oak transfer cases, which can be used separately or on top of the two file cabinets (although they may be a bit longer) same deal.

Those really are the first two file cabinets I ever had - and over the years what stuff they have held! Someday maybe we can relive parts of those periods of my life.

Our hospitality was nothing and far less than we would have liked. We now have no real accommodations for others. While the small sofa in Lil's office can open into a small bed, the space is much too crowded and we've not yet had time to clean that room up after the winter's accumulation of junk and clothes.

Don't worry about sending the advance payment. The regular price of two inexpensive file cabinets is about \$125 each. Last two I got, slightly damaged, were about \$100 ea. I checked. No damaged ones - I cleaned them out - and new ones are \$126.95 plus tax. The cost of shipping might be as much as \$35 each from the owner of the dealership's estimate. He will speak to Dennis about repacking. If they will fit in the same cartons it will not be difficult. If not I think Denis will improvise adequately. I'm to hear from him.

If this is OK, let me know and I'll make what arrangements are necessary. I can pre-pay shipping or send collect, whichever you prefer. Our best,

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Dear Hal,

Just a quick note to tell you how much I appreciated your hospitality and also the thoughts you shared with Art (which he read to me) in your recent letter. I do not believe your adventures with your car in DC. That would be very frightening....

I still want your two file cabinets both because they are beautiful and because they would be a treasure to me because those are the ones you started with. I would only hope that my use of them is as distinguished. I have given some thought to replacing them for you (and shopping, etc.) and feel the best way would be for you to find what you want there, let me know how much, I'll send you a check for that amount, and you have the wooden ones shipped to me. Let me know what you think. I'll pay the shipping on the two wooden ones to me...but we must be careful to use a good firm that will handle them well and not beat them up.

Give my best to your bride...

Jodi