Mrs. Beatrix Farrand New Haven Lawn Club 193 Whitney Avenue New Haven, Conn.

Dear Mrs. Farrand:

Thank you very much for your telegram. We all appreciated your kind greetings for the New Year and of course extend to you the greetings of Dumbarton Oaks. It was a very happy coincident that your telegram with the good news that you would still keep your eyes on Dumbarton Caks arrived on the first of the year.

I am delighted that you will be able to come to Washington of Friday, January seventeenth, and I hope that you will be able to spend at least one night in your room here.

I happened to mention to David Finley that you were coming to Washington on the seventeenth, and he asked me whether I thought there would be any chance of your being able to give him a half hour or so in order that he could get your ideas regarding some of the planting at the National Gallery. I believe that he is writing you himself today.

It will be very nice to see you here so soon, and we are all looking forward to your visit.

With best wishes for the New Year,

Yours sincerely,