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Dear Dr. Sturzel —

I am enjoying my work very much and feel that I am very fortunate to be working out of Tyler. Here I have some background, whereas there are many places in Texas I would have to start from scratch.

I left my thesis map negative at your home the last time I was in Austin. Is there any of the other material you might want to keep? If so I shall be happy to bring it over to your home the next time I am in Austin.

It seems that I finished school at the right time. I shall be a poppa about January the 1st. It will be a day of course.

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knowledge for myself, my company,
you, and the geological profession
in general. You notice I mention
myself first, that is because I
have less knowledge than all the
others — and therefore need it
most of all.

Please write when time
permits and best wishes always.

With mine regards

Bill

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There have been many times since I have started working, that I wished you were present to prod the answers out of my thick head. In fact I have a cone here in the office today I wish you could see.

I shall be leaving for Caracas in mid-October, since the baby is coming in January. I was very happy that Marsha decided to leave the baby down south, she is actually anxious to be on the way.

I hope you were serious about my sending you fossils from Venezuela. There are so many things about geology which I do not know - yet I see them and realize that they are important, or possibly could be of value in the hands of an expert. I shall be very happy to scout so to speak for you. That way perhaps I shall gain some