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Dear Walt:

I shall try to send you a supply of the meteorite circulars. They are admittedly written from a regional point of view, especially as to rocks likely to be encountered, and might not be entirely appropriate for New England.

This edition is very slightly revised and any suggestions or criticisms will always be welcomed. I have another very good idea that I may put into effect one of these days: two or three colored postcards showing various types of meteorite, say an iron; a fresh stone; an old stone. While they would be expensive, I think they might be effective in my correspondence with people who think they have a meteorite.

A couple of letters to your Kansas points in efforts to run down Belle Plain and May Day have brought no response up to now; obviously they will not be easy.

A third piece of the Bells, Texas, fall of Sep. 9 has come to light. It was found by a science teacher at Bonham to whom I had sent a circular giving the news of the first find and the probable path. He personally searched in selected areas for 6 hours and then came upon a 4 ounce piece that was quite obvious, setting on grass. It broke into two parts as he picked it up, showing how fragile these are. It had been thru several rains and was beginning to show rust spots, especially on the underneath surface where the grass had held the moisture. Our first two pieces weighed only about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  ounces each! It looks like recoveries are going to be small and few.

I observed Comet Seki in Leo twice in the morning sky before the moon got around to it, and the H.C.O. cards indicate it might be an intriguing object with very rapid apparent motion as it zooms by us in a retrograde orbit about mid-November. I hope to photograph it then.

Thanks greatly for the back issues. I know what you mean about IBM. We tried them once at our retail store and got in a mess as well as lost money some years ago; we had a sales volume of only some 5 or 6 millions then, and such a store is too small to use IBM machines for sales distribution and analysis.

Sincerely,