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BELLE PLAINE METEORITES

Dear Sir:

The two stones I have from the above were found as shown on the enclosed map of the Wellington, Kansas, quadrangle. Please mark hereon the place of find of the stone you have and return it to me; then we will each have complete information on the exact places of discovery.

If there is a later, better map I would appreciate a copy of a reference to it. I have a Belle Plaine quadrangle of 1955 but it doesn't extend far enough south.

I will try to get small samples of our stones for you later, as well as decent photographs, but at present both pieces are boxed up in a safe place in our wholesale dry goods building, which is my actual daily business. It may be a month or so before I can get to this, but I do want to co-operate.

Thank you for the picture and the data concerning yours. I have been planning to go to this region and work for additional stones, which I think will be there if the populace is alerted. I am inclined to believe they are related, tho perhaps not. Ours are similar to each other and tend to be somewhat knobby, a feature I have not observed before in meteorites.

Should these be related we shall have to agree on a numerical terminology. I think we are agree on No. 1 but you have been calling yours No. 2 and I thought of my second one as No. 2 because I didn't know of yours. If we would name them in the reported order of find by date, yours would become No. 3, I believe.

Sincerely,