

Meteorite That Hit House Near Sherman Recovered

Meteor hunters Oscar Monnig and H. H. Morse of Fort Worth have found what they believe to be a fragment of the meteor that disintegrated over Grayson County about 10 p.m. Sept. 9. It struck a house a few miles northeast of Sherman.

The fragment, same color and shape as a charcoal briquet, was turned over to Monnig by Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Hanna of the Pink Hill community southeast of Bells.

"The piece apparently hit the roof of their house," Monnig said. "It was found some 40 feet from the house the next morning. Their son, David said he heard it hit, a short time after the meteor exploded over the area."

Monnig said he estimated the disintegration was centered between Bells and Ambrose. "Judging from the direction the rock bounced off the roof, we figure it

came from the northeast," Monnig stated.

The Fort Worth men figure fragments were scattered over an area of five or six miles.

Monnig has requested that residents of that area be on the lookout for other fragments, which will probably be in different shapes. He urged that extreme care be taken if any are found. "These fragments are fragile and crumbly," he explained.

At the same time, Monnig discounted reports that pieces of the meteor were found in Bonham and McKinney. "All the specimens shown me in Bonham are not pieces of this meteorite," he remarked.

Monnig said response to his requests for reports of fragments was good. He urged that anyone else having information contact him at Monnig Dry Goods Co. in Fort Worth.