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Mr. Tryg Saco,  
Sherman, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I'm chasing the meteorites I think fell from the fireball so widely seen about 10.08 last Saturday night, Sept. 9. I made a trip up that way with a friend of mine yesterday and we got as far as Sherman, but then had very little time at our disposal so I didn't have time to look you up.

Finding these things is largely a matter of making a survey to determine over what point the meteor ended, and to do this I have to interview on the spot observers who were actually out doors and saw the fireball proper in the sky (not merely the flash). The region between Sherman and Bonham would be especially critical, and I even need some good observations from Sherman proper. Somebody who had seen it at Bells, Whitewright, etc., would help me locate it more precisely.

Cantrell says you know everybody and his dog around there, so I hope to come up the latter part of the week and work some more on this. If you can find any observers for me in the meantime, please get their names and addresses, and I'll be grateful. If you want to ride around with me when I come there and see how to waste time and money, you'll sure be most welcome and could probably help me.

I phone your local paper trying to get a little publicity along these lines today.

Yours sincerely,

P.S. The pieces picked up at McKinney were not meteorites; you may have read of them or seen them on television. The meteorites are black crusted heavy rocks, probably lying on the ground east or southeast of Sherman, but maybe a little northeast. I need more observers to get my end region more accurate.