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Mr. O. E. Monnig
29 Chelsea Drive
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Dear Mr. Monnig:

I am sorry to have missed you on your trip east. But you are probably wise in traveling by plane. Perhaps I shall see you at the next Meteoritical Society meeting.

Roy Clarke seems to have satisfied himself that at least the big piece at the Smithsonian is not Bells (enclosure). Probably he has not tested every last crumb, but at least two other samples we measured were non-meteoritic.

I would indeed be most grateful to you for samples of Bells and Crescent. Powder or crumbs are satisfactory, even if they contain some fusion crust. I can pick out the crust under a microscope.

I agree that there are not likely to be many meteorites on the Moon. Without an atmosphere to slow them down, most of them will vaporize on impact. Only a few fragments spalled off the rear of large meteorites are apt to survive.

Sincerely,



Edward Anders

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