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Fort Worth, Texas  
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Mr. Oscar E. Manning  
Fort Worth, Texas

Dear Sir:

While visiting my son  
in November who lives in Dallas  
I noticed an article in the  
Dallas Times Herald on Nov. 8th  
Wanting the public to help  
you locate the Meteorite that  
was seen on Sept 9th.

On that date my husband  
and I were fleeing from Hurricane  
Carla. We were on our way to a  
little community called White Oak,  
which is between Longview and  
Gladewater on Highway 80. When  
we were on Highway 36 between  
Henderson and Kilgore. At  
exactly 7 miles before we  
got to Kilgore according to  
a highway sign we saw

Two huge object falling to earth. I was driving and it was on the left of the highway. I thought it was a airplane an fire as it had the shape of a plane taking a nose dive. We were near enough to see the flames shooting upward just as you would see the flames of a house burning. It seem to have fallen a few blocks from us.

Is it possible it could have flung those pieces that were found near Denison while it <sup>was</sup> several miles up in space. I have looked on the map and from the location from where we saw it fall to the earth it seems it must have fallen between Kilgore and Tyler, Texas.

You may have received hundreds of letter as to

found that this object looked like, and as to where it fell so, this will only add one more letter to your collection.

I've heard of Meteorites all my life but never saw one before. Of all times to see something like that when you were fleeing from Carla and had had enough excitement for one day. We could always drive to White Oak in five hours but the traffic was so heavy it took us eleven hours to drive it.

We saw this object between 10:00 and 11:00 P.M. Sept 9th so here is wishing you very good luck in finding what you are looking for.

Yours truly,  
Mrs. S. E. Gartman