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Mr. Walter White,
318 North Center St.,
Bonham, Texas.

Dear Mr. White:

I was glad to hear from you again, and can well understand how regular work interferes with side activities, because I have the same trouble all the time!

I made a lot of trips during the fall and wish I had kept track of the exact time spent hunting. I imagine I searched personally at least 15 or 20 hours, and others I took with on some trips probably put in another 10 man hours or more.

I don't have my file on the meteorite here at the store, where I am answering your letter, and don't recall just how much I told you about later finds. We got a shattered one on Rattlesnake Creek Ranch about a mile N of the original find, and I picked up a little complete specimen about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile west of the original find; the owners gave us both of these.

On the day of Sam Rayburn's funeral, I was up there with Dr. Henderson and we searched some 4 hours or more with no results. I had hoped to come over to see you but the funeral traffic bluffed me out. Just before leaving, we knocked at a door to ask permission to search on a place still N and a little west of the other finds; the lady informed us that her grandchild had found one in the drive way but threw it back down, and bless your heart it turned out to be a little meteorite, badly broken and deteriorated, less than an ounce. I let Henderson take it for the National Museum.

I paid the finder of the first piece \$50 for it, hoping to arouse interest, but that apparently did little good. Yours is about three times the weight. I have studied about it and feel \$150.00 is a fair price. If you wish to accept, just hold the meteorite and let me come after it, because the post office is sometimes very rough on fragile objects.

I would like to hunt with you some time and compare notes on the areas covered.