

There here early Jan 1971 + phoned that piece is
definitely in line of 7 lbs log

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Dear Sir:

Thanks you for your nice letter of Dec. 28th. While I will be happy to get any kind of a picture of the supposed meteorite, I can't always tell for sure from even that information just what the object is.

I would appreciate it if you would give me more details about it, and tell me whether you think it is a stony meteorite or an iron one. These are the two main classes as the intermediate one of stony-irons (sometimes called meso-siderites) is rather scarce.

Better yet, try to have it arranged for Mr. Corwin Butler to inspect this piece. I believe he can tell what it is. He once identified a stone meteorite when he and I were on a trip together. A man near Junction, Texas, had it among other rocks in a flower bed outside his house, where his wife had made him throw it because she didn't want rocks in the house! Butler and I saw it at about the same moment but he was the first really to recognize it.

I am sending the circulars requested, at no charge. Thanks for the copy of the Gazers' Gazette. I never did observe the Uraid shower, the many years ago I was quite a meteor watcher. The friends who used to work with me have mostly got too old, too tired or moved away (like Corwin) and I never did find it much fun going it alone!

Yours sincerely,
Orin E. Murray