

1965, May 11.

Mr. R. C. Orr,
Route 2,
Tishomingo, Oklahoma.

Dear Mr. Orr:

I am writing just to let you know I haven't lost interest in the meteorites, and intend to be back up there some time in the next few weeks when I can make it.

I would like to really start negotiating with you for them this next time I see you. Frankly, you will find that local interest will die down pretty rapidly unless it is promoted. I do hope to get there early enough to see a number more of your neighbors for several miles around, and will follow your tip to see them from about 10 or 11 a.m. till 2 or 3 p.m.

I am also still hoping to get hold of a more sensitive metal detector to use in the area where the pieces were found, and it may be a few weeks before I can manage this. I am trying to borrow it instead of buying one as they are expensive.

It is hard to get at a market price on big meteorites such as these because there are so few sales—not many are found and there are not many buyers. A fairly standard price basis for years was \$1.00 a pound, and I mentioned that before as a starter. Considering inflation, I would be willing to work out a deal on a higher basis. I bought two very large irons (bigger than these) from Southwest Africa last year thru a broker of minerals, and paid him \$2.00 a pound, but I am sure he paid the finder less.

Any how, be sure to hang on to them and I'll see you and Glen soon. I assume Mr. Whiteley will also hold his until I get back, because I missed him last time.

Sincerely,