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Mr. Oscar E. Monnig, Texas Observers, 312 West Leuda Street, Fort Worth, Texas

Dear Mr. Monnig:

The Casas Grandes iron meteorite does not now show any coating of travertine and if such was ever present it has been cleaned off." I have no suggestion to offer as to what it may refer to "where it fell among loose stone on the surface which were imbedded in the lower part."

I am enclosing a copy of Tassin's description of the Casas Grandes meteorite from my own files in case you do not have one.

Our list of known metéorite falls is now nearing completion and as soon as it is finished we will have mimeographed copies prepared for distribution to important collections and individuals for any corrections and additions that can be made. We will certainly want to include any new finds that you have made. A copy of this mimeographed list will be sent to you when it is prepared.

We are sill holding a slice of the Boerne meteorite for you. If you are interested in exchanges, other than for Texas meteorites, we can offer you at this time some new and undistributed falls. I will be glad to learn of your desires in this matter.

Very truly yours,

W. J. Fochag Curator,

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