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Dear Sir:

I was absent on a vacation trip to California for two weeks, and your letter arrived during my absence; hence the delay in answering. I have today written the Chase National Bank of New York to remit to you \$25.00. As I understand it, this is to be sent on your bank Nr. C 4154 Dr. Hillen of the Sparkasse Meppen. Let me know if this reaches you in due course.

Yesterday I mailed to you with my compliments a complete set of the reprints of The Meteoritical Society from 1935 thru 1946; with the 1947 and 1948 copies already sent you, this will give you a complete file. Altho I had to resign as Secretary on account of the pressure of business duties, I will try to see that your name is kept on the mailing list and maybe some day we can enroll you as a member.

I appreciate your kind offer to keep on the lookout for other meteorites that may be available from time to time, and hope you will write Mr. Krauss in Bavaria and learn what he wants for the stony meteorite he has, and what fall it is from.

Thanks again for the pictures you sent me. Is there any way I could help you get the desired type of microscope? I cannot read German except in a most halting way, but if you prefer, certainly go ahead and write in German in the future, and I will get it translated. I must beg your permission to continue writing in English, as I cannot write German at all. I am of German descent and spoke it in a simple fashion to my grandmother while she was alive, but the rest of our family all uses English and I have not cultivated the little knowledge of German that I had.

Yours sincerely,