

U Mr. Montgomery was  
there July 1961 + wanted  
to hunt Glorieta - had  
he come from Iowa or Indiana  
for that purpose?

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Mr. Walter Wright,  
Original Curio Store,  
201 W. San Francisco,  
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Dear Walter:

For two years I've told you I'd send you the information on where the Glorieta Mountain meteorites were found. I failed to do so because for a long while I couldn't locate the book that had the information, a big ("quarto"?) volume that won't fit into an ordinary bookshelf. I finally ran across it yesterday in some books I had stored at our wholesale building.

It is "Catalogue of the Meteorites of North America to Jan. 1, 1909" by O. C. Farrington. He gives Glorieta at lat.  $35^{\circ} 34'$  N.,  $105^{\circ} 45'$  W., but I wouldn't take those co-ordinates too seriously as I don't know where he got them or what kind of map he was using.

8-9-84  
Roibal  
I will try to copy the relevant pages on our copying machine at the store and send them to you but the book is so big I don't know if I can. He quotes Kunz as saying the first mass (three pieces that broke on impact? --would be very unusual for an iron) were found by a prospector named Charles Sponsler on some unclaimed land on Glorieta Mountain about half a mile from a house in the woods 1 mile northeast of Canoncito, Santa Fe County in 1884. The next year a Mr. J. H. Bullock thoroughly examined and dug over the ground and found three more little pieces nearby. Bullock gives the location as the ranch of Mrs. Roibal 5 miles from the summit of Glorieta Mt.

I will check my maps and maybe you can better locally on running some of this down. If I'm out there next summer I'll proposition you to go over a day and see if we can find the general area. Hunting for anything would be the usual huge gamble.



You doubtless know La Paz recovered one (or more?) of these; I think one was an unusual cane-shaped piece. Whether he ever published anything on the locality is doubtful. I don't find anything listed specifically in a bibliography of meteorite articles up to 1950. There might be something in his catalog, which I'll try to find.

I have about decided to go ahead with the purchase of a good lapping machine. I recall talking to you once about what type and size you preferred, and I think your experience had been best with a Highland Park. I do not remember whether it was a 12 or 16" diameter but it seems to me it was the latter; I do not locate my notes.\*

Refresh my memory on this and quote me something on price and specifications, as I think I will order one thru you. Have you ever tried the vibrating laps I see advertised?

Yours sincerely,

\* 7C 12" 115 wheel  
1/3 HP motor needed 151 complete

7C 18" ?

Highland Park Lapping Mel.