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Dear Folks:

Thank you for the clipping about the final disposition of the Harleton meteorite. I had missed this and was glad to get the copy you sent.

If they really paid as much for the meteorite as the article indicates, they have really temporarily wrecked the market in that region! That was the thing I was not willing or able to do, because I have to remember that there may be other meteorites, from that fall or others, that I will want to buy, and I was telling Craver the truth when I quoted him the highest I had ever paid for any meteorite—\$10 a pound for a rare type iron of 35 pounds.

Meanwhile, the world moves on. A man phoned me last week and on Friday brought in a meteorite from a new Texas locality. It is an old stony meteorite, badly oxidized, but of real interest. It weighs between 2 and 3 pounds, and fell countless years ago—I don't know whether to guess 500 or 5,000. It was caught in a cotton stripper near Venus, Johnson County, Texas, some 40 miles southeast, during harvesting work last September. He wants to donate it to T. C. U. and now I have to talk him into giving or selling it to me! The way of the meteorite collector is hard.

I have not forgotten Harleton entirely and eventually "I shall return" for another supplementary search and canvass. I am still convinced more pieces are there. Keep me informed if anything pops up.

Yours most sincerely,