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Mr. Oscar E. Monnig
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Dear Mr. Monnig:

I have just talked with Dr. Walter J. Williams who recently retired as chairman of the Mathematics Department. He used to work with Dr. Strecker in the 1920's and early 1930's, and was a curator of the Baylor (Strecker) Museum until about 1940. He remembers seeing the meteorite at least 25 years ago, but he knows nothing more about it than we do. He expressed the opinion that it was more likely Dr. Hawkins ~~who~~ obtained the meteorite from someone else rather than finding it himself. Dr. Williams was my last hope among Dr. Hawkin's friends on the faculty. And none of his students are likely to be around Baylor any longer. Dr. Williams futher stated that, in spite of their long friendship, Dr. Hawkins never did reveal any locality data—concerning artifacts or anything else.

For these reasons I do not think it would be profitable to run the request for information in the campus paper—its limited circulation would probably preclude it reaching anyone who knows anything about the meteorite.

We would like very much to have you talk to our students (a new crop) and hope you will be in touch with us when you are next in Waco so we can try to set up a time compatible with your schedule.

Sincerely,

Richmond Bronaugh

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