

1938, June 15.

Mr. G. W. Atchison,
Junction, Texas.

Dear Mr. Atchison:

This confirms the receipt I gave you for the small fragment off a meteorite, which I am holding for study and investigation subject to your ownership and request for return at any time.

I hope you will consider the fact that I was very fair in this matter and informed you fully of what the rock was and why it was of interest. I feel that by our identification of this specimen, we have earned sort of a first right or a "refusal right" to it--in other words, I want to be sure that it is not promised to any one else in any way.

If it should happen that you can recall anything about where you found this scrap--I mean fairly definitely--the information would be of great interest because it would be worth while going back to the place where it was found and making further search for the main piece. But I know how hard it will be--probably impossible--to refresh your memory to that extent!

Thank you for your courtesies to Mr. Butler and me. Your shaded lawn was a haven of refuge after we had been chasing meteor observations all day! We did not complete nearly all we wanted to do on the 1917 fall, and will surely be back that way within a few months, at which time I will see you. Should you be up here at any time, look me up at Monnig Dry Goods Co. or by my name in the phone book.

Yours sincerely,

Oscar E. Monnig