

1957, Feb. 27

Dr. E. P. Henderson,  
Associate Curator,  
Division of Mineralogy and Petrology,  
Smithsonian Institution,  
United States National Museum,  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Dr. Henderson:

Mrs. Rosa D. Hinrichs has kindly consented to give her permission for you to cut the specimen of the stony meteorite from Kaufman, Texas, which she allowed me to submit to you for general examination.

She is further willing, at my suggestion, to present approximately half of the piece to the United States National Museum, and you will accession it accordingly, as a gift from her. She does specifically request that you return the other cut half to her, and I think she would like it if you would kindly polish the cut area on the piece sent back to Mrs. Hinrichs. You may want to return it to me, but I think it would save time and expense if you returned it directly to her by insured mail.

I am sending Mrs. Hinrichs a copy of this letter, and am sure you join me in feeling grateful towards her for thus consenting to a step which will allow the meteorite to be more fully examined and classified, with a specimen section preserved in our national collection, for future reference.

I take the liberty of stating that you will probably be able to handle this to completion within approximately 30 days.

Yours most sincerely,

cc Mrs. Carl G. Hinrichs,  
3101 Hawthorne Blvd.,  
St. Louis 4, Missouri.

Oscar E. Mornig