

1957, May 23.

Mrs. Will Feagin,
Kaufman, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Feagin:

I understand you are a daughter of the late J. J. Hill of Kaufman, and I have been working on the story of a meteorite found near Kaufman about 1892 and turned over to Mr. Hill.

This meteorite was a stone of about 50 pounds weight found some 4 or 5 miles west of Kaufman by a man camping out there, named J. F. Todd. Mr. Todd saw a brilliant fireball and thought the meteorite fell from it, tho actually it turned out to be an old stone. In some way Mr. Hill got it, and later sold it to a man at Lampasas named F. R. Ramsdell.

I wanted to ask if you or the family remembered anything about this affair. I was particularly interested in knowing whether you could tell me just where this stone was found; did Mr. Hill own some land just west of Kaufman at that time?

The principal mass was later sold to a collector in the North, but I was wondering if Mr. Hill's family kept a small piece as a memento or souvenir. It was a very ordinary brownish looking rock on the outside, somewhat heavy for its size.

I have seen several letters Mr. Hill wrote about it, on stationery of the district court there. Was he a judge or a lawyer?

Yours sincerely,

*Write abstract to see if Hill
or Ramsdell
owned land W of Kaufman*