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Mr. Oscar E. Monnig
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Dear Oscar:

We have divided our portion of the Kaufman stone and if you would like to get a portion of it let me know and we can work out a deal.

We are slowly getting started to work again. The chemical laboratory is just about completed and within the next few weeks we should be working in a new laboratory. That will be wonderful.

We have a good man in charge of the grinding laboratory and he is reconditioning it. However, we are still unable to grind and refinish large iron meteorites properly. The old laps have to be replaced and our new man must learn the tricks of handling iron meteorites.

He is certainly tops when it comes to making thin sections of rocks and he has made one section of a meteorite. Hope to get him acquainted with the problems of meteorites and then we should be in tip top condition to handle anything.

Hope you can run down some more of that stone from near Kaufman. Also, thanks for the information about the La Villa stone.

Sorry we misspelled Mrs. Hinrichs name and have corrected that in the files but it was too late to do anything about her letter.

Very truly yours,

Ed

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