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My dear Dr. Stenzel:

We are assuming that you and all paleontological workers are greatly interested in seeing that the H. J. Plummer foraminiferal collections and library are properly arranged and cared for in the shortest possible time in order that they may be readily available for consultation.

Before attempting the unpacking and arranging of these materials some specialist in micropaleontology should be secured at least for a few weeks to superintend such operations. Later on, perhaps in the Fall, a permanent curator, not necessarily a micropaleontologist, will probably be appointed to care for the Institution's collections generally.

Since Mr. Feray has written with regard to a manuscript and a project he and Mrs. Plummer were jointly interested in, and concerning which we judge you are very familiar, we have wondered whether he might not be a competent person for such preliminary but highly specialized work, arranging for a short vacation, with suitable compensation, from his regular work.

Mr. Feray's suggestions with relation to publication and other matters seem well-considered: we do not know him personally, but appreciated his interest. From your more intimate knowledge of the situation and of workers, you may have suggestions for us, which you may be sure will be very gratefully received.

Our problem is how to get the material ready for study, and our hope is that it may be done this summer.

Sincerely yours,

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