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Dr. Henryk B. Stenzel
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answered
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Dear Dr. Stenzel:

In regards to our conversation at the annual meeting of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists concerning the fossil Ostrea^{sub} spatulata. Our Department has moved to new quarters and during the move, specimens of Ostrea^{sub} spatulata were misplaced; consequently, I am unable to send you samples of the specimens as promised. Time would not permit me to get into the field to collect new specimens. During the Fall I certainly will find our specimens or at least I will collect new specimens at which time I will send you some specimens of Ostrea^{sub} spatulata. (Miss. State Univ.)

I have been studying the Cretaceous of Tennessee for the last 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ years and this Summer, I found considerable number of Exogyra species. I believe that I can demonstrate in the field the phyllogenetic development from the ponderosa stock to the cancelatta stock.

I regret that I have been unable to send you the specimens you asked for but will certainly do so in the Fall.

Sincerely,

DIVISION OF GEOLOGY

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