

SLAUGHTER

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Dear Bob:

Thanks for your latest undated letter. Tar Kiln Creek exists somewhere and is ride, if the sample at the Bureau of Economic Geology means anything. Perhaps you should not give up searching for it.

Years ago I worked on an engineering survey for a dam site on the Neches River north of Colmesneib in Tyler County. I spent my spare time looking over the exposures which I took to be Citronelle or Citronelle equivalent, if you wish. I saw no trace of fossils or bones. My impression was that the material had undergone severe lateritic weathering shortly after its deposition and that does not leave any bones.

When you go on your trip, look up F. F. Mellen in Jackson, Miss.; he knows a lot of local geology. Don't forget to stop by at Baton Rouge. I would love to talk to you. Also, Professor Andersen may have some information.

Why don't you start hunting for Zenglodons? If Schuchert could make a hurried trip and get one skeleton, you certainly could. These spectacular beasts make good exhibits.

Best of Success

H. B. Stenzel

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