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Dear Stenzel:

What I am writing is for your information and not for publication. W.H. Monroe, chief of Coastal plain bauxite investigation for U.S.G.S which is serving as consultant for U.S.B.M. was in yesterday. The B.M. has been ordered to start a bauxite investigation in Texas. The G.S. knows of none and are ill prepared to chart a program. The only man available on the U.S.G.S. for such work is Stevenson. I suggested that you are the logical one for this type work, and Dr. Sellards agreed that you would be tops, and indicated that it could probably be arranged providing that you were willing to do it. I thought a little advanced notice might be well.

Monroe will be in Austin again about the 1st and I suspect there will be some correspondence with you before that time. Mathews, by the way, is still war effort minded, but I believe I have him persuaded to take the assistantship. One of the arguments which I presented is that you might take on the bauxite investigation. This appealed to him. He is also on the eligible list of the U.S.G.S.

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Everything is rocking along and rumors
still go the rounds. Looked at another
scheelite deposit last week.

Sincerely
J. E. B.