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Dear Dr. Stenzle:

This will inform you that I am at last back in Texas and glad of it. I have accepted a position with an independent producer in the capacity of geologist. I am working in East Texas in the Tyler Basin; perhaps now I can help you gain more stratigraphic knowledge of this area while pursuing the field work needed for a thesis.

I would like to have your suggestions for a suitable problem I could work out in the area around (Longview-Kilgore-Gladewater, etc.). My present employer is favorable to cooperating with me as much as possible to this end.

I am seeking some special information which I would appreciate your immediate attention if possible. Would you suggest what new publications or other information I could acquire to familiarize myself as thoroughly as possible with the geologic history, stratigraphy, and over all structure of the East Texas Geosyncline area.

Hoping that this finds you well and as cheerful as ever.

Your friend sincerely,



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