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Dear Dr. Stenzel:

Recently I began work on the Portunid crabs, in particular an Upper Oligocene form from south west Alabama of the genus Necronectes (it's specific is still uncertain). So far, most of my time has been dominated with searching the back literature. I understand that in 1935 you described the crab Necronectes vicksburgensis. That same year Rathbun published on the same crab but synonymously naming it Necronectes vaghani. Henry Roberts of the Smithsonian has informed me that N. vicksburgensis is the senior synonym of N. vaghani. I am very anxious to obtain the contents of your 1935 discription. Asking for a reprint of the paper at this late date would be impossible so if you could kindly supply me with the particulars of the article I would greatly appreciate it. Also, do you have any reprints left pertaining to other Portunids. Any help or advice you might offer will be well received.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,  
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