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Dear Dr. Stenzel:

I was greatly shocked to hear that our beloved friend Helen Jeanne Plummer passed away so unexpectedly. As I intend to write a memorial for her in the "Contr. Cushman Foundation .." but lack the necessary data of her life, I would greatly appreciate if you or somebody else in Austin would be kind enough to let me have such information as could possibly be found in newspaper obituaries. I would return them within a few days, if so requested.

What I need especially, as a frame to my memorial, are data regarding the sequence of her life (born, where studied, when married, where she lived until she came with Fred to Austin, etc.). My main task in my memorial will be to bring forward her tremendous achievements in the field of micropaleontology and especially foraminiferology. I would also be interested to hear what is going to happen to her extensive collection of materials, her private library, her unpublished works and manuscripts, and other such data. Would you be kind enough to help me get these informations? I would be deeply indebted to you.

Helen never answered my letter of August 1, 1950, in which I inquired whether Fred Plummer's posthumous work, published by your Bureau about a year or so ago, contained any informations regarding Foraminifera. Perhaps you would be kind enough to tell me about this point, because if so, I would include Fred's work in my forthcoming "Bibliography and Index to Forams..". If there are lists of Foraminifera in Fred's paper, please let me have a copy of it sent to my address C.O.D.

With cordial regards and best wishes,

as always yours,

