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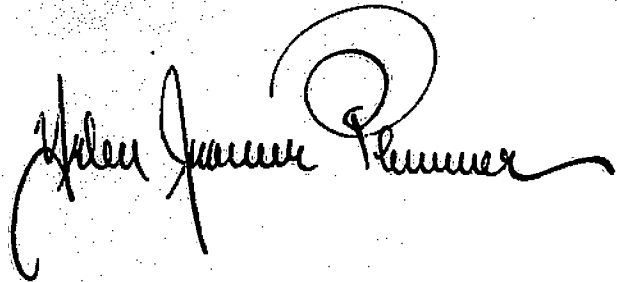
Dear Dr. Stenzel --

The sample of Weches reached me sometime ago, and I should have thanked you sooner, but I wanted to study it first. I finally washed it, and as I have been able to spare time from other duties I have made a slide. It has proved fascinating in its richness in several forms that are well developed, notably Asterigerina texana (Stadnichenko). It does not carry a large number of species but the abundance of tests of these few offers a fine opportunity to study these. I am a strong believer in large suites of specimens of any species to see what the range of variation is within a species.

The general complexion of this lower Weches from Leon County is rather different from that at Smithville. The Leon County material is more typical of what we designate the Weches microfauna, with its Asterigerina and its Lamarckina.

Give my regards to Mrs. Stenzel. We hope you can both come oftener to Austin in the future than you have in the past. Thanks so much for your thoughtfulness in sending the sample.

Ever your friend,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Helen James Sumner". The signature is written in dark ink and features a large, decorative flourish at the end of the name.