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Dr. H. B. Stenzel
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Dear Dr. Stenzel:

Your card of October 17th calling our attention to your latest address was received.

I did receive your Stone City Pelecypod publication and acknowledged it. Probably the card went to your old address. I was very pleased to receive your paper. It is splendidly done and helps us on many of the fine points of Texas stratigraphy.

It is in connection with some Texas material that I am now writing to you.

We are going to publish a catalogue of the type and figured specimens in this institution. This will be a big book. We are in the final stages of compiling the final form to be published. In so doing, we come up with various discrepancies in text and figures. These we are trying to rectify and give as much information as possible where the original is lacking or ambiguous.

In Dr. Sheldon's monograph of the Arcas in *Palaeontographica Americana* No. 1, she figured Arca cuculloides Conrad. The locality states only "Jackson Eocene of Texas". There is no further description of the locality nor is there a station number on the specimen so that we might get a description of the locality from the station book. Enclosed is a copy of the plate to show you a picture of the specimen. Actually, what cannot be seen from the picture is that the specimen is imbedded in the matrix of the rock which is about 6" X 6" X 2". The sediment is full of small mollusks, and perhaps Forams. I have not examined it. I am wondering, therefore, since you are so familiar with the association of fossils in Texas that perhaps if we sent you a small chunk of the matrix, you might be able to determine the approximate locality of the specimen. Naturally, we know the horizon. If you think this is feasible, please let us know and we will send as much of a specimen as we can.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Katherine V. W. Palmer'.

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