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Dr. H. B. Stenzel
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Houston 6, Texas

Dear Dr. Stenzel:

It certainly was good to hear from you. All of us were happy to read in your letter of April 9 that you are progressing so nicely. We hope the progress you have been making will continue and that you will be able to visit us real soon.

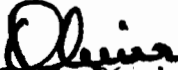
Susie told us of her conversation with you folks when she was in Houston. Her schedule is such that she has only a short time in Houston.

With reference to the box of fossils mailed to you in Austin by someone in France, I tried to get in touch with Dr. J. T. Lonsdale, Bureau of Economic Geology. He, however, was out of the city, and I talked with the secretary of the Bureau, Miss Josephine Casey. Josephine told me that she does not have a recollection of receiving any packages addressed to you. She stated that any mail reaching them addressed to you would have been forwarded to you in Houston. I then contacted Dr. S. P. Ellison, Department of Geology -- he told me that if any mail addressed to you at the Department of Geology would have been received, it would, in the ordinary course of handling, been sent by faculty mail to the Bureau of Economic Geology for further handling. Dr. Ellison, likewise, did not have a recollection of seeing a package for you. He stated he was out of the city for several months. He also assured me that he would make a search and if the package could be found, he would send it to the Bureau where Miss Casey would forward it to you.

It is quite difficult to trace such an article with the meager information you gave me. I suggest you notify the sender of the package and ask him to institute a tracer so that the handling of the article may receive further attention. In so doing the sender would furnish particulars of mailing and the exact manner in which the package would have been addressed. I'm sorry I cannot give you a more favorable report, but assure you it was a pleasure to try to be of assistance.

With warmest regards from all of us to all of you.

Cordially yours,


O. N. Bruck, Postmaster