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Dear Jim:

Thank you so much for your letter of Sept. 18th and for telling me of the Alonzo Pond book. I knew of the book and tried for years to get a copy but it has long been out of print. Finally, at Ann Arbor, I met Paul Nesbitt of Alabama who kindly had the Air Force thermafax a copy of the book for me. The print came out very good, but the pictures are not clear. Wish he had had access to a Zerox. Had the copy bound and now do have at least a record.

We just returned from ten days in Oregon - Glass butte to gather obsidian and preform. Was lucky this time and located the original quarry site and it is all red obsidian. Those boys were really masters at percussion but found no sign of pressure work. We start the pressure film this coming Monday and will use some of the red material so it will be more effective on film. Will be tied up for about a month making the pressure film.

We really missed going to Grasshopper this year but - with the field school - time did not permit. Hope for better luck next year. The field school was very rewarding and the students learned very quickly. There is talk now of doing the same thing next year and do hope we can get someone from Arizona.

Had a letter from Jonathan Taylor who was at Grashopper in 1966 and is now with Field Museum. He offers me a nice chance to come to Chicago but, again, time does not permit. I think this boy had a lot on the ball and do hope he is doing fine in his present position.

Do give our regards to Joyce and Peanuts and hope we get a brief look at the two of you on our way to Mexico this winter - if we get to go. Please say "hello" to Longacre, Jelinek, Thompson and all the fine staff at the university.

Sincerely,

Don E. Crabtree