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Mr. Don E. Crabtree Route 1, Box 39 Kimberly, Idaho 83341

Dear Don and Ev:

Thanks for your letter of November 8, it was good to hear from you. I want you to know that we all had our first reunion in Lincoln a few weeks ago, but missed you and Chris. I gave a paper on the mechanics of eraillure formation, which I am enclosing here.

Most interesting news seems to be the prospects of digging Silver Mound, a source of Hixton quartzite, which shows up in sites all over this state in all levels. Silver mound faces destruction by a company from Pennsylvania which wants to grind it up for fire brick. In any case, have you any suggestions about how to go about tackling a quarry site? The surface is littered with thousands of bifaces in various stages of manufacture, many broken in end shock. All quite as one might have expected. But the stuff is often brightly colored - red, orange, yellow - in the biface form, but white in exposed outcroppings of the raw material. Looks as if we will have to carry out extensive heat treating experiments on the stuff. Surely heat treating improves it, for there are many fluted projectile points made out of it!

Take good care of yourselves, and I hope to see you all again soon. Happy holidays!

Best wishes,

Alaric Faulkner

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