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Dear Don:

Thank you for the good letter - and especially for the beautiful examples of flaking. I have never seen better, as you surely know. I shall exhibit them with pride. Jane hasn't yet seen them, and we look forward to watching her expression!

Re the reprints, you understand that these are not for me, but for very fine young man who is Director of the Museo Regional in Hermosillo. If they are not available, I can, of course, Xerox the ones I have. I have been keeping him supplied with copies of reports which pertain to his area, since his museum has no money, and he has no means of securing reports. So I do appreciate your asking Dr Swanson for the reprints. Hope he can find some.

Your remarks about my silverwork embarrass me a little. I told you that the piece I sent was originally a faulty casting, from my reject box, but the only one of that design I had left. So I patched it and backed it, just for costume jewelry. As a craftsman yourself, you understand my feeling of apology for it. It was just for fun.

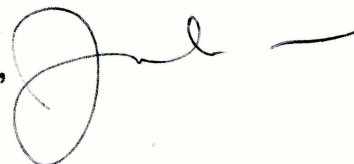
Had a wonderful weekend in Pinacate with Emil ^Haury, Art Jelinek and Chip Lockwood. I've been trying for ten years to get Emil down there, so that he might see what I've been talking about, and form some idea of his own, instead of talking about what he didn't know about! Well, it worked perfectly, we all were relaxed, had good weather, good food, good tequila, I did the work, and I think Emil now has an appreciation of what the situation is there. He's even talking about a feature article for Science! Pinacate archeology is, after all, a new world, unique. Only wish there were some way to make it clear in text to those who haven't been there.

Your shell mounds are interesting, and I believe I might contribute this: I now am certain that not only San Dieguito I but the Malpais folk (basal stage of SD I) from an earlier, long and severe Pluvial occupied the whole region, and surely worked the shellfish resources. That puts us back between 20 and 40 thousand years, which would explain partial mineralization of the lower shell deposits. I'll have something on this in the paper I'm slowly writing for Amer Antiquity (or Science?).

Raining here, no work today - not that there is much. Thanks again, and our very best to you both.

Sincerely,

Julian Hayden



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