

TEXAS RESEARCH FOUNDATION  
RENNER, TEXAS

August 2, 1960

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Dr. Froelich Rainey  
Sugar House  
Greensboro, Vermont

Dear Dr. Rainey:

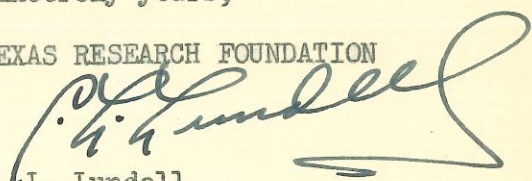
I expect to be back in Dallas by September 1, but I suggest you contact my office by telephone when you arrive in Houston. My office number is Adams 5-7108, my home EML-2034, both Dallas exchange numbers. It would be a pleasure to have you visit with us.

I am leaving next Monday for an extended trip to the East. I will be at the Statler Hotel in Boston, August 11-12. During the week of August 15th, I will spend several days at Burlington, Vermont, and I could be reached there at the Department of Botany, University of Vermont, c/o Dr. H. W. Vogelmann.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

TEXAS RESEARCH FOUNDATION

  
C. L. Lundell  
Director of the Foundation

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TEXAS RESEARCH FOUNDATION  
RENNER, TEXAS

September 20, 1960

*Wife  
Arch.  
Techniques*

Dr. Froelich Rainey, Director  
The University Museum  
University of Pennsylvania  
Thirty-Third and Spruce Streets  
Philadelphia 4, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Rainey:

This will acknowledge your letter of September 15 to Dr. Lundell, who is away from the office on a business trip to the West Coast. Dr. Lundell is expected to return to Renner on or about the first of October, at which time your letter will be called to his attention.

Sincerely yours,

TEXAS RESEARCH FOUNDATION

*Lillian Harvey*  
(Mrs.) Lillian Harvey  
Secretary to Dr. Lundell

January 25, 1961

Mr. Richard E. Linington  
Texas ~~Research~~ Company  
Renner, Texas

TEXAS RESEARCH FOUNDATION

Dear Richard:

Thanks for yours of the 17th reporting progress on the testing. I'm just trying to clear up a few things to get away this afternoon and wanted to ask you if you would drop me a note at the Hilton-Biltmore, Guatemala City, Guatemala, where I will be up until the 30th at least.

It is my intention to stop by in Texas to see how things are going there and talk with Mr. McDermott some time during the first week of February. Could you let me know if you are going to be there and where to find you.

Sincerely yours,

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Froelich Rainey  
Director

P. S. Mr. Linington: this letter has been delayed in getting to you, thus the special mail. I am sorry for any inconvenience this may cause you.

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TEXAS RESEARCH FOUNDATION  
RENNER,  
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DEAR DR. RAINEY,

FIRSTLY PLEASE EXCUSE THIS RATHER STRANGE TYPEWRITER, WHICH  
WAS THE BEST I COULD FIND.

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TEAM YESTERDAY AS PLANNED. THE MAIN DIFFICULTY, A RATHER UNEXPECTED

ONE, PROVED TO BE THAT THE AREA OF THE TEXAS RESEARCH FOUNDATION IS

UNSUITABLE FOR TEST PURPOSES AS THE NATURAL CHALK ROCK, WHICH UNDERLIES

THE WHOLE AREA, WOULD COMPLETELY CONFUSE ANY READINGS. I THUS SPENT

MOST OF LAST WEEK HUNTING FOR AN ALTERNATIVE SITE. AFTER SEEING

REPRESENTATIVES OF SEVERAL CITY DEPARTMENTS WE ENDED UP AT THE

SEWAGE DISPOSAL PLANT, TESTING DIGESTER TANKS ETC. THE RESULTS SO

FAR APPEAR TO BE QUITE INTERESTING, HOWEVER DIFFICULTY IS STILL BEING

EXPERIENCED, THIS TIME WITH THE BACKGROUND NOISE LEVEL FROM THE

SURROUNDING AREA. IN ORDER TO AVOID THIS DIFFICULTY WE ARE GOING

OUT TO A SITE IN THE COUNTRY TOMORROW. IF THESE RESULTS ARE REASONABLE

I WILL PROBABLY TRY TO FIND A TEST SITE AWAY FROM DALLAS.

WHAT IS BECOMING OBVIOUS IS THAT THE EXISTING EQUIPMENT IS  
FAR FROM BEING DIRECTLY APPLICABLE TO ARCHAEOLOGICAL PROBLEMS IN  
GENERAL. HOWEVER EVERYONE SEEMS VERY INTERESTED IN THE WORK, POSSIBLY  
MORE SO THAN BEFORE WE STARTED, IN PARTICULAR THE SUN OIL PEOPLE  
HAVE BEEN VERY COOPERATIVE.

IT WILL REMAIN UNCERTAIN UNTIL WE COMPLETE THE NEXT SET OF TESTS  
AS TO HOW LONG IT IS WORTH STAYING, IN ANY CASE I WILL TRY TO  
OBTAIN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF INFORMATION FROM THE EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE,  
AND THEN TRY TO GET FURTHER DEVELOPMENT ORGANISED WITH TEXAS INSTRUMENTS.

I AM DEFINATELY FEELING MORE CERTAIN ABOUT THE PROBLEMS INVOLVED,  
SO THAT EVEN IF WE DO NOT PRODUCE ANY VERY EXCITING RESULTS I THINK  
THAT THE WORK WILL PROVE TO HAVE BEEN WELL WORTH WHILE.

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*Richard Linington*

January 22, 1963

Dr. C. L. Lundell, Director  
Texas Research Foundation  
Renner, Texas

Dear Dr. Lundell:

In our radiocarbon laboratory here, we have, as you probably know, spent many months in dating samples of wood from Tikal with the hope of correlating the Maya calendar with the Christian.

We seem to have many unanswered questions about the growth characteristics of zapote and other trees at Tikal, and I am wondering if I could talk to you for an hour or so about these.

I am leaving for San Antonio today, and hope to stop in Dallas on my way home on either Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, January 29th, 30th, or 31st. I shall telephone you from Texas with the hope that I may see you on one of these days.

Sincerely yours,

*Elizabeth K. Ralph*  
Elizabeth K. Ralph (D.H.)

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