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FALL OF *DOCCO* STONY METEORITE, NIGERIA

Name: *DOCCO*.

The place of fall or discovery: 30 km from the village of Hanam Tombo, Nigeria.

Date of fall or discovery: FALL, February 19, 1962, approximately 12 h. 30 m.

Class and type: STONY, chondrite.

Number of individual specimens: 2.

Total weight: 1.25 kg (weight of sample brought to Paris Museum of Natural History); the second sample was kept by the local authorities.

Circumstances of the fall or discovery: _____

Source: Report of Dr. E. Jérémine (Paris, France) to E. L. Krinov in a letter, IX.19.1962.

DISCOVERY OF *BAGDAD* IRON METEORITE, USA

Name: *BAGDAD*.

The place of fall or discovery: Along Burro Creek about 20 km West Bagdad, Arizona, USA; $\varphi = 34^{\circ} 32' N$; $\lambda = 113^{\circ} 25' W$.

Date of fall or discovery: FOUND, in the spring of 1961.

Class and type: IRON, octahedrite medium.

Number of individual specimens: 1.

Total weight: 2.20 kg; semi-spherical, 10 cm diameter.

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Circumstances of the fall or discovery: This meteorite was found on the surface of the desert during a mineral collecting expedition. The meteorite is in the Ninninger Meteorite Collection at Arizona State University (Tempe, Arizona, USA).

Source: Report of Dr. Carleton B. Moore (Tempe, USA) to E. L. Krinov in a letter, VIII, 9, 1962.

DISCOVERY OF *EFREMOVKA* STONY METEORITE, USSR

Name: *EFREMOVKA*.

The place of fall or discovery: Efremovka State Farm, Pavlodar District, Pavlodar Region, Kazakh SSR, the USSR.

Date of fall or discovery: FOUND, July, 1962.

Class and type: STONY, chondrite.

Number of individual specimens: 1.

Total weight: 21 kg.

Circumstances of the fall or discovery: The meteorite was discovered when sections were made for soil survey. The meteorite was turned over to the Committee on Meteorites of the USSR Academy of Sciences (Moscow).

Source: Report of soil scientist P. V. Kharin VII, 21, 1962.

FALL OF *BOGOU* IRON METEORITE, UPPER VOLTA, AFRICA.

Name: *BOGOU*.

The place of fall or discovery: Near the village of Bogou, situated about 130 km northeast of Feda-N'Gourma, Upper Volta, Africa; $\varphi = 12^{\circ} 52' N$, $\lambda = 0^{\circ} 48' E$.

Date of fall or discovery: FALL, August 14, 1962, approximately 10 : 00 A. M.

Class and type: IRON, octahedrite coarse.

Number of individual specimens: 1.

Total weight: 8.8 kg.

Circumstances of the fall or discovery: The eye witness reports that a noise was heard similar to an airplane flying at high altitude. Seconds later, a second noise was heard, more muffled than the first then becoming a shrill sound like a rocket.

About the time the sound reached its maximum, a flash was seen. A crater between 20 and 30 cm in radius, and about 50 cm, deep, was made. This meteorite is in Washington, USA, as a loan from the President Yameogo of Upper Volta.

Source: Report of Dr. E. P. Henderson (Washington, USA) to E. L. Krinov in a letter, XII, 4, 1962.

NEW *BONDOC PENINSULA* STONY-IRON METEORITE, THE PHILIPPINES

Name: *BONDOC PENINSULA*.

The place of fall or discovery: Bondoc Peninsula, Luzon Island, the Philippines.

Date of fall or discovery: FOUND, 1956.

Class and type: STONY-IRON? (unusual); 70% of its polished surface of 255 sq. cm is stony class, 11% — iron and 17% — stony-iron (mezosiderite). Specific weight varies from 3.26 to 6.35.

Number of individual specimens: 1.

Total weight: 886.788 kg.

Circumstances of the fall or discovery: The meteorite was received by Dr. H. H. Ninninger in August 1962 (Sedona, Arizona, USA).

Source: Report of Dr. H. H. Ninninger (Sedona, USA) to E. L. Krinov in a letter, IX, 15, 1962.

LIST No. 10 METEORITES NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRIOR-HEY CATALOGUE OF METEORITES, 1953

ARGENTINA

ARROYO AGUIAR, near the railway Station Arroyo Aguiar, La Capital Department, Santa Fé Province, Argentina; $\varphi = 31^{\circ} 25' S$, $\lambda = 60^{\circ} 40' W$ (Gr.).

Fall, in the summer of 1950.

Stony, chondrite.

1 specimen, weight 7.45 kg. The meteorite was seen to fall by a rancher, who found it soon after in the soil which it penetrated some 50 cm.

Source: The Article by J. L. Benet: «El meteorito de Arroyo Aguiar (Provincia de Santa Fé)»: Universidad Nacional del Litoral, Santa Fé, Republica Argentina, 1961, and a letter of Dr. L. O. Giacomelli to E. L. Krinov, November 10, 1962.



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REPORTS ON NEW METEORITES

An article by M. W. Rowe, M. A. Van Dilla, E. C. Anderson: «On the Radioactivity of Iron Meteorites». *J. Geophys. Res.* 67, 9, 3594, 1962, reports about a new iron meteorite, **Seattle**, Washington, USA, which consists of two specimens with a total weight of 232 g that fell on January 17, 1955.

B. Mason's book, «Meteorites», John Wiley & Sons, New York, 1962, on page 96, mentions a new stony meteorite, carbonaceous chondrite, **Bells**, Texas, USA; weight 0.3 kg; fell September 9, 1961.

A letter from Dr. E. P. Henderson (Washington, USA) to E. L. Krinov, November 5, 1962 reports that the right name of the stony-iron meteorite found in Antarctica in January, 1962, is Thiel Mountains and not Horlick Mountains as previously reported in the *Meteoritical Bulletin*, No. 24, August, 1962.

BRIGHT BOLIDE OBSERVED IN USSR, NOVEMBER, 1, 1962

A large bright bolide was observed in the Central and North Urals in the Soviet Union at 4 hrs 10 min on November 1, 1962. It flew for 5 to 7 seconds from southwest to northeast and was seen in Sverdlovsk and also in Talits, Baikalovsk, Taborinsk, Garinsk, Ivdelsk and other districts of Sverdlovsk Region. The bolide was observed within a radius of 250 to 300 km. It was pear-shaped and had a diameter practically equal to the visible diameter of the Moon. The tail of the bolide was seen in the shape of a «beam of bright flames of a bluish shade». The head of the bolide was a bright yellow. At the end of the bolide's flight there were two bright flashes; during the last flash «the bolide burst into a multitude of sparks (pieces) and faded». After the disappearance of the bolide a trail in the shape of an elongated cloud remained in the sky.

S o u r c e: Report from I. A. Yudin, Scientific Secretary of the Commission on Meteorites of the Urals Branch of the Mineralogical Society of the Soviet Union, in a letter to E. L. Krinov, November 30, 1962.

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