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HONOLULU 17, HAWAII

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Mr. Grote Reber
General Delivery
Wailuku, Maui

Dear Mr. Reber:

Your letter about the carbon from lava flows arrived when I was on Kauai. I am just now able to take up my summer's correspondence.

Your discovery of tree moulds four to six feet in diameter is startling. It makes the dating of lava flows much more important. I would say, collect and keep such charcoal samples as you can obtain which would date the flows. We will just have to wait until more laboratories are in operation for dating, or more efficient means of dating have been worked out.

I presume Crane ran your last sample free of charge? If paying for them is necessary to get them run sooner, have you any suggestions as to how funds for such a project might be obtained?

Sincerely yours,



Kenneth P. Emory

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