

having been knocked off the lunar surface by meteors is centered in western Iowa, according to NASA, because the area is "remarkably free of native stones since underlying rocks are covered by a thick, ancient blanket of fine windblown material". Accordingly, the Iowans of Pottawattamie, Monona, Shelby, Harrison, and Crawford Counties are being requested (largely through the medium of a touring NASA "Spacemobile") to look for such fragments—especially during spring plowing, when any stone turned up in that region is a curiosity.

Announcement of the planned search was made by John A. O'Keefe of NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md., which is conducting the project in cooperation with the US Department of Agriculture.

While the appearance and characteristics of such fragments are not known, Dr. O'Keefe indicated that some "promising" specimens have been found and suggested that there may be grounds for suspecting that material from the moon might look sluggy or spongelike. One suspected fragment is "a brick-red in color, with a greyish coat in some places". Some of the suspected specimens are described as weighing only a few ounces, while others weigh several pounds, and because of their porous nature these suspects tend to weigh considerably less than ordinary rock.

No payment is offered for any of the specimens that may be turned in—the project, according to NASA, being conducted on a "service-to-your-government" basis.

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Harvard University held ceremonies on March 10 for the dedication of a new center for the study of combustion and the behavior of gases at high temperatures, the physics of oceans, and the problems of water supply systems. The Harvard Engineering Sciences Laboratory, a four-story structure built at a cost of \$1.4 million, contains offices, laboratories, and machine shops for the graduate students, faculty, and postdoctoral fellows of the University's Division of Engineering and Applied Physics.

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