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Letter to Prof. J.C. Banner, Stanford March 26, 1907

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Professor J. C. Branner
Stanford University
California.
My dear Branner:

In addition to the various things that I have asked you to do for the report of the Commission, could you kindly prepare for me a quite brief statement of the geology of the region traversed by the rift between the south end of Crystal Springs Lake and Chittenden? I would like this to accompany the memorandum you have promised to send me concerning the rift as a physiographic or geomorphic feature between the same points.

In giving a brief statement of the geology of the region traversed by the rift from Crystal Springs Lake northward, I have usually confined myself to the formations in the immediate vicinity of the ruptured zone.

I wrote you the other day regarding the bearings recorded in some of the papers. I find, on looking over Zoffman's paper regarding the vicinity of San Jose, that there is very considerable doubt as to whether his bearings refer to the magnetic meridian or to the true meridian. In one place he records a magnetic bearing, but there is no

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indication anywhere else in the paper as to whether the bearings are magnetic or true.

I would be glad if you would give me a general memorandum regarding all the papers on this point. I find that Robert Anderson has made all his bearings with reference to the true meridian, and it is possible that some of the other papers have followed the same rule, in part at least.

Yours sincerely