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Dear Dr. Mayall:

Recently I have read with much interest your fine article on the Crab Nebula. The history you relate is a good piece of scientific detective work. The Indian drawings, in particular, are quite new to me.

I decided to look at my old contour charts taken at Wheaton, Illinois. A reprint of the 480mc data is enclosed. The most outstanding object in the winter milkyway is the loop marked 0.9 on figure 3b. The position coincides with the Crab Nebula. Apparently, I stumbled on this object without realizing its nature.

Thank you for the various Kitt Peak publications which eventually find their way to me here.

I am,

Sincerely yours,

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