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Miss Blanche DeBar Booth 1319 Yale Place Minneapolis Minn

Dear Miss Booth:

Thank you very much for your interesting letter of May 13th and for the clippings from the New York World of January 11th and 18th dealing with the assassination. This letter gives a story of your life that is worth while and sounds authentic. Unfortunately, the statements and affidavits given to Mr Bates March 29, 1922, and the stories given to the Minneapolis Daily Star do not agree, which naturally made us question your statements. Since we have positive proof that Mr Bates' statements are unreliable, your support of his story made us wonder still more.

I feel that after reading our articles you will become convinced that the body of John Wilkes is in the family plot in Baltimore. I don't doubt at all the story of the incident that happened in Enid, which you tell in the World. The chap who sent in the paper could have easily been David George but since he was a dope fiend he may have actually thought he was John Wilkes while under the influence of morphine. In connection with the story told you by Wilfred Clark, it is interesting to compare the statements about how startled Edwin Booth was when he first saw Dr James Clasgow Armstrong.

If you have any documents dealing with the Booth family or with the assassination, we would appreciate tremendously your loaning them to us for a few days.

Thank you very much for writing us and assuring you that we will be quite glad to hear from you again, we are

Very truly yours

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