GEO. RAINEY
Postmaster
ENID, OKLAHOMA

January 31, 1931.

Mr. F. L. Black,
Dearborn, Michigan.

My dear Mr. Black:

Your letter of the 13th was forwarded to me at Washington, D. C. and reached there after my departure from that city and was later returned by the hotel to my address at Enid. The pictures arrived in good condition and were safely deposited in our vault by my assistant to await my return home. I indeed thank you for these and assure you that all will be properly and carefully looked after to warrant against mar or damage. I trust that you will be able to locate others which I may find available for use.

While in the East I made a trip down into the lower neck of Maryland and succeeded in fully establishing the fact that Franklin Robey lived long after the Civil War. Found his daughter-in-law who, while she refused to reply to letters written, after a good deal of "getting acquainted" finally talked and told me all and even signed her name to a written statement of facts, identifying this Franklin Robey as the identical Franklin Robey who was overseer for Samuel Cox, giving the exact date of his death, the place and the place of burial. This, it would appear, effectually sets at rest the claim of Bates that Robey was killed at the Garrett farm instead of Booth. I further succeeded in getting access to the secret archives of the War Dept. where I was permitted to make a picture of the Booth boot, plainly showing that it was for the LEFT and not the RIGHT foot. While this is but a kodak picture, yet it is quite good and I shall take pleasure in sending you one in a few days.

Again thanking you, I am sincerely yours,

Geo. Rainey