W. H. Ryan

448 Nona Avenue
Dearborn Mich
Sept 21 1921

Mr W H Ryan
Schaefer & Ryan
Furniture & Undertaker
Enid
Okla

Dear Mr Ryan

Herewith, is a copy of a letter I wrote you July 6th. I am really sorry to bother you with this affair, but you can help me disprove this story that is still being fed to the public. I would appreciate your taking the letter with the questions and writing the answer under them and returning to me in the enclosed stamped envelope. Again let me apologize, Mr. Ryan, for bothering you with this, but I cannot get the information you will give me from any other source.

"Possibly you will remember that I talked with you about the D. E. George - Booth matter last January and was quite impressed with the statements you made then and the fact that you did not "fall" for the "bunk" as so many did. I am wondering if you would object to answering the following questions, as I want to get all the opinions together in regular order:-

Who embalmed the body of D. E. George, you or Penniman?

What effects did George leave in his trunk?

Were there any copies of plays?

Did Penniman ever claim the body was John Wilkes Booth?

Did you meet George's friend, George E. Smith, while he was in Enid? What did he have to say?

What do you remember about the coming of F. L. Bates?

How was Bates notified that D. E. George was dead?

How many people saw the body during the first couple weeks?

What scars were on the body? How tall was it?

What color were his eyes?

Did George confess on his death bed that he was John Wilkes Booth?

And any other interesting facts in connection with the case.

I think I have pretty conclusive evidence that D. E. George was not J. W. Booth, but I want yours to add to it, and trust that you will be so kind as to let me have it soon.

Enclosed, is a self-addressed stamped envelope for a reply.

Very truly yours

FLS

448 Nona Avenue,
Dearborn, Mich.,
July 6, 1921.

Mr. W. H. Ryan,
Schaefer & Ryan,
Enid, Okla.

Dear Mr. Ryan:-

Possibly you will remember that I talked with you about the D. E. George - Booth matter last January, and was quite impressed with the statements you made then and the fact that you did not "fall" for the "bunk" as so many did. I am wondering if you would object to answering the following questions, as I want to get all the opinions together in regular order:-

Who embalmed the body of D. E. George, you or Penniman?

What effects did George leave in his trunk?

Were there any copies of plays?

Did Penniman ever claim the body was John Wilkes Booth?

Did you meet George's friend George E. Smith, while he was in Enid? What did he have to say?

What do you remember about the coming of F. L. Bates?

How was Bates notified that D. E. George was dead?

How many people saw the body during the first couple weeks?

What scars were on the body? How tall was it?

What color were his eyes?

Did George confess on his death bed that he was John Wilkes Booth?

And any other interesting facts in connection with the case.

I think I have pretty conclusive evidence that D. E. George was not J. W. Booth, but I want yours to add to it, and trust that you will be so kind as to let me have it soon.

Enclosed, is a self-addressed stamped envelope for a reply.

Very truly yours,

F.B.

F.L.B:LC