

May 9, 1933

Dear Judge DeBoice:

Of course I am glad to autograph the envelopes which you send. They go to you in the enclosed envelope. I do hope they will be of some help in building up your endowment to ~~endow~~ the Lincoln Trail Hike. I have always been deeply interested in that undertaking, and only wish it were possible for me to go with the boys on one of these trips. I am afraid, however, that will never be. My days for long hikes seem to be over. *jm*

You have my very best wishes for the success of your undertaking.

You say that you are sending a letter with the compliments of the Boy Scouts in the form of a letter franked by Abraham Lincoln from New Salem in 1835. It will probably be coming on in a day or two and I shall be most glad to have it for my collection.

With all good wishes, believe me

Very truly yours

Judge Benjamin S. DeBoice
Probate Court Sangamon County
Springfield, Illinois