

July 7, 1923

Mr. William Wittefelt,
125 North Castle Ave.,
Eagle Rock City, Calif.

My dear Mr. Wittefelt:

I hope you will pardon my failure to acknowledge the typewritten copy of letter written by Abraham Lincoln which you sent me some time ago.

You suggested that you might be willing to sell the letter, and I put the matter before one of our best and most experienced Lincoln collectors. He came back with the request to know what you want for it.

Now, my suggestion is this. If you want really to sell this letter, have it photographed. Send the photograph to me and I will print it in one of the newspaper articles I am now publishing under the title of "In the Footsteps of Abraham Lincoln," saying that you own it and that it is on the market. This ought to advertise the letter in a way to bring you customers. Are you willing to do this?

Sincerely yours,