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Dear Ms. Steele,

Let me introduce myself by telling you that I once told Fred Smith of Donrey that I was partly responsible for the success of Don Reynolds. I explained to him that when I was six years of age living in Hartman, Arkansas, I started delivering newspapers. One of the papers that I delivered was the Southwest American. Later to my list I added the Grit Newspaper, the Fort Smith Times Record, the Arkansas Democrat and the Sunday issue of the St. Louis Post Dispatch. That was in 1922. I never met Mr. Reynolds but I have known of him all of the years I have been in Las Vegas since 1952. He had a big home and estate on the slope of Sunrise Mountain not too far from where my daughter now lives.

Back to the main reason for my letter. I will try to tell you a few things about my father, our family, the Arkansas Country Doctor Museum and how it came about. I can supplement my narrative to you by a selected number of news clippings which I think that you might find interesting and would add to the things which I have to say.

My father was born, November 13, 1886 on a small farm in the foothills of the Ozarks in a little community of Bethlehem. He was the eldest of eight children, four boys and four girls. His father was William Smith Boyer who was born 1861 the son of a veteran of Mexican War and also having served on both sides in the Civil War. I am enclosing a copy of our family history dating back to those early days.

At the age of eight, when my father's mother was dying of tuberculosis, she asked him to become a physician, which he did.

He graduated from the University of Arkansas School of Medicine in 1911 as one of a class of thirty four physicians, seven of whom were from Johnson County Arkansas of which Clarksville is the County Seat.

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