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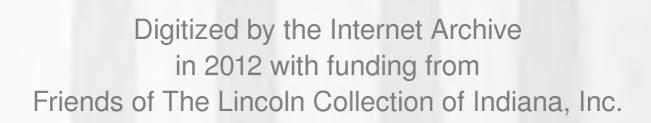


The Assassination of Abraham Lincoln

Funeral Train Route
Pennsylvania
April 21–24, 1865

Excerpts from newspapers and other sources

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might hesitate to give him shelter openly, but he would facilitate his escape, or cover his retroat, if possible. Every incident of the assassination shows with what care the whole scheme was elaborated, and it seems idle to suppose that the arrangements for escape were not equally complete with those for the murder. We have never doubted that Booth might cross in a boat the negligently-guarded Potomac, and that once on the Virginia shore he would be harried away into enemy's territory by guerrillas skulking near for that purpose. It is Southerners therefore, loyal, neutral, and hostile, who are to be tempted by great offers into surrendering Booth. Wo presume the spirit of Mr. Stanton's offer would include a delivery of the body of the criminal, dead or alive.

QE. CHAUGIES COMMISSIONERS AND CORRECTION.

We print this morning an abstract of the Fifth Annual Report of this important branch of the public service." It will be seen that the uffairs of the Department present a marked contrast to the state of things, which prevailed when the Commissioners superseded the corrupt Board of Ten Governors. During the year part over 127,000 persons, embracing the indigent, the helpless, the sick and the criminal, have come under the care of the Commission, and the sum of \$729,543 has been dishursed for their relief. The Commissioners arge again the necessity of the amendment of the laws relating to the treatment of persons arrested for minor offenses; refer with pride to the success of their protracted litigation with the Emigrant Commissioners, by which the County of New-York will be reimbursed to a large amount, and ask that the Commission may be required to take care of their own patients sick of contagious or infectious diseases. A building is soon to be creeted upon Ward's Island for the care of inobriates, in which it is hoped that the course of treatment to be adopted will go far toward rostoring to society and their friends many persons now prostrated by intemperance." The necessity for an amendment in the course of Penitentiary discipline is urged; and various desirable reforms are recommended. Once more the evils rosulting from wholesale and indiscriminate charity are dwelt upon, and other topics pertinent to the duty of the Commission are discussed. Two members of the Board, Messrs, Draper

and Grinnell cease their connection with the Commission in a few days, unless the Legislature should interveng. We regard their retirement frem a position which they have filled with so much usefulness and credit as a public misfortung. Remembering what the Depart ment was when they took charge of it, and considering how thoroughly and faithfully they have administered it, we cannot regard a change, at this time more especially, without apprehension and regret and the STATE OF STREET

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stationed at Camp Berry, "Washington City, in a private letter of the 15th inst. to his father,"

J. S. Dye, No. 100 Broadway, gives the following account of the cendent of Booth immediately before the assassination, which proves that the near the infigurant men from th work. It seems that they expected the President of New Hampeline, for members of Congress, show the dent to leave the close of the District Union.

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"I was standing in front of the theater when this two assassing were conversing. I heard part of their con. versation: It was not autholeatly plain for an outsider to understand the true mean agof it; yet it spurised Sergt. Cooper and myhelf that they were approved that the Precident should come out to lds ournings, which was standing just boundous. The second not would soon end, and they expected he would come out thou. I stood awhile betwoen those and the oarriago, with my revolver ready, for I bug in to mappens, thom. Tho not ended but the President did not appear; so Booth went ato a restaurent and took a drink; then eame out and went into the ulloy where his horse was thou standing, though I dld pot know that eng, horse was there. He came back and whispered to the other raseal, then stepped into the theater. There were at this time two police officers standing by them. I was invited by my triend C. to have some cysters, "und we went into a suloun around the corner, and had just got seated when a man come renning in and enidt the President was eliut ! This go startled as that we enald hardly roulize It, but we stopped out and were convinced. . . J. M. Dyg."

Mr. William Gowans, the antiquerian bookseller, advises, us that the lines published in our last, which have been absurdly ascribed to President Lincoln, were written by a young Scotchman named Knox, who was regarded by Walter Scott as of great promise, but who early full a victim to oonsumption, and a sure of the second of the

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Gov. Curtin, of Pennsylvania, has signified his intention to possensity attend the remains of the President while they shall be within the limits of his State, and his issued the following proclamation:

A PROCLAMATION.

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The Richmond Whig on the Death of the President.

From The Richmond Whig of Monday last, which comes to us in the garb of mourning, we extrect the following editorial: " Com at

the following editorial:

Assassination of President Liecoln I—The heavlest blow which has ever tellen upon the people of the South has descended. Abraham Incoln, the President of the United States, has been assassinated! The decease of the Chief-Magistrate of the antion, at any period, is an event which prafoundly affects the public mind; but the time, number and circumstances of President Lincoln's death repuler; it he most momentous, themost appaling, it of post daylerable calamity which has over befalled the people of the United States.

The thoughtless and the victions may affect in derive satisfaction from the sadden and trucic close of the President's corcer; but overy reflecting person will deplore the award event. Just as everything was happilly conspitued to a restoration of tranquistry, under the bengham on magnanizous policy of Mr. Lincoln, comes this terrible blow. God grant that it may not reknudle excitement or inflame passion again.

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MATCH AT PIGEON SHOOTING .- Yesterday a MATCH AT PIGEON SHOOTING.—Yesterday a until at pigeons, for \$200 a side, between John Taylor of Jursey Clip and Wm. Seek, better known as the Jersey Buy, came off at Groonville, near Jerrey Clip. This is the third match that these well-known crack shots there corresped, Taylor having been successful on the two previous occasions. There was a large attendance of spectators, and a good doal of money changed hands. The match was to shoot at forty double birds each, 14 feet, shoot is forty double birds each, 14 feet, shoot is greated boundary. Mr. Taylor was the favorise at 500 to 520, but his opponent, shooting with exponentially precision and skill, won the match, hig. Taylor losizating the contest after alooting at all pulved birds. The sharet killed 55 out of 62 birds; the looser 45 out of the same analysis, thus losing the match by 13 birds. the match by 13 birds.

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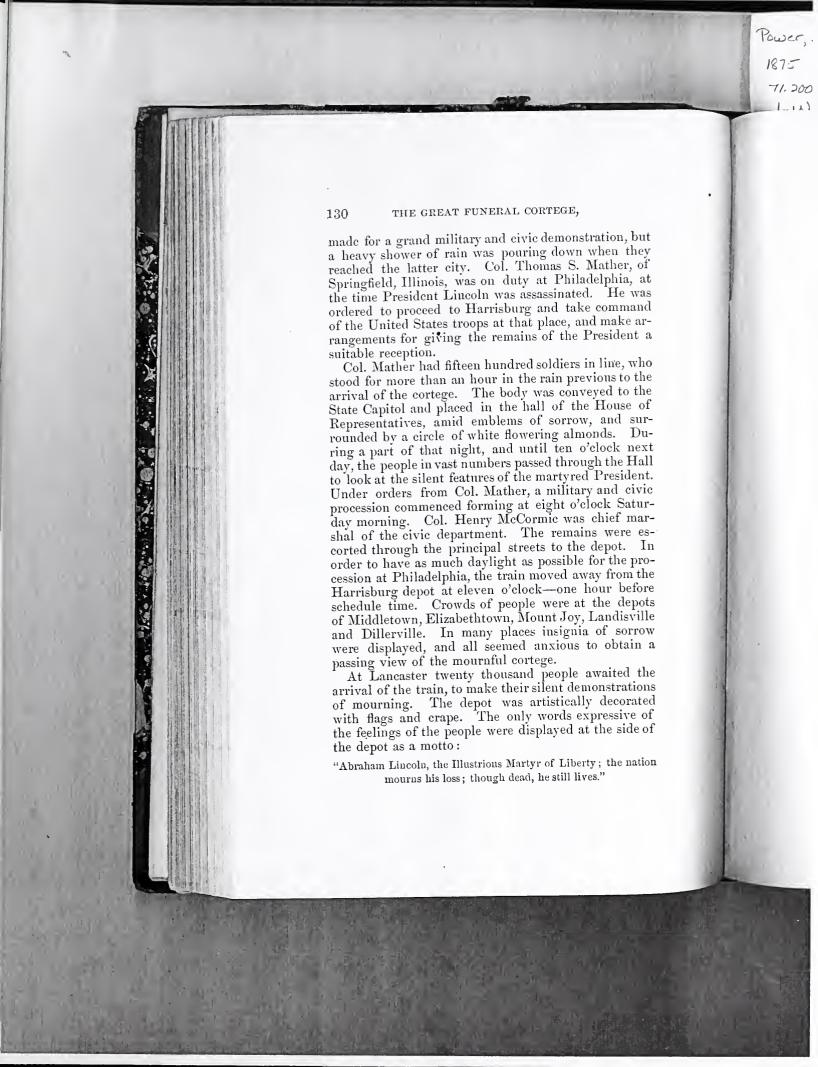
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After leaving Washington there was no stoppage for public demonstrations until the train reached Baltimore, at ten o'clock the same morning. The city, through which Abraham Lincoln, four years before, had hurried in the night, to escape assassination, now received his remains with every possible demonstration of respect. The body was escorted by an immense procession to the rotunda of the Merchants' Exchange, where it was placed upon a gorgeous catafalque and surrounded with flowers. Here it rested for several hours, receiving the silent homage of thousands who througed the portals of the edifice to take a last look at the features of the illustrious patriot.

Baltimore was then under the control of loyal men, who felt deeply grieved that a plot had been laid there for his destruction when on his way to assume the duties of his office; and they suffered still greater mortification that it was a native of their own city who had plunged the nation into mourning by the horrid crime of assasinating the President. The city added ten thousand dollars to the reward offered for the arrest of the assasin. Those who accompanied the escort the entire journey say that there was no other place where the manifestations of grief were apparently so sincere and unaffected as in the city of Baltimore, although they admit it was hard to make a distinction when all were intent on using every exertion to do honor to the memory of the illustrious statesman.

At three o'clock p. m. the train left the depot, and making a brief stoppage at York, Penn., a beautiful wreath of flowers was placed upon the coffin by the ladies of that city, while a dirge was performed by the band, amid the tolling of bells and the uncovered heads of the multitude. The cortege arrived at Harrisburg at twenty minutes past eight o'clock p. m. By a proclamation of Mayor Roumfort, all business houses and drinking saloons were closed during the stay of the funeral cortege in Harrisburg. Preparations had been

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Every place of business was closed, and insignia of mourning were upon every house. At the outskirts of the town the large force of the Lancaster Iron Works lined the road, their buildings all draped in mourning. It was affecting to see old men who had been carried in their chairs and seated beside the track, and women with infants in their arms, assembled to look at the

passing cortege.

This city was the home of ex-President Buchanan and of the Hon. Thaddeus Stevens. Mr. Buchanan was in his carriage on the outskirts of the multitude. In approaching the town there is a bridge or tunnel through which the train passed. Under this bridge, standing upon a rock, entirely alone, Mr. Stevens was recognized by personal friends on the train. An eye witness, who related the circumstance to me, says that he seemed absorbed in silent meditation, unconscious that he was observed. When the hearse car approached he reverently uncovered his head, and replaced his hat as the train moved away.

Crowds of people were assembled at Penningtonville, Parkesburg, Coatesville, Gallagherville, Downington and Oakland. At each place flags draped in mourning and uncovered heads were the sole expressions of feeling. At West Chester intersection, about a thousand persons were assembled at the stations. As the train approached the city of Philadelphia, unbroken columns of people lined the railroad on each side for miles. Minute guns heralded the news as the train passed on to the depot of the Philadelphia, Wilmington & Baltimore railroad, on Broad street. Here the people were not counted by thousands, but by acres. The train reached the depot at half past four p. m., being one hour in advance of schodule time.

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nental Hotel. While here, the hearse car was additionally decorated, the materials being furnished and the work done by the eitizens, who regarded it a privilege to add this testimony of their respect to the mem-

ory of Abraham Lineoln.

At two o'eloek a. m., Monday, April 24, the eoffin was elosed and preparations made for the departure. At four o'clock, the funeral train moved out of the Kensington depot. After leaving Philadelphia, the track was lined on both sides with a continuous array of people. At Bristol and Morristown, large erowds stood in silence, with uncovered heads. From the time of leaving Washington, at many points where no stoppage was expected, entire neighborhoods, old and young, men and women, the latter frequently with ehildren in their arms, turned out by the roadside by night and by day, and anxiously watched the gorgeous funeral train as it passed. Flags at half mast, mourning inscriptions and funeral arehes, testified the sorrow that was in every heart. Clusters of people were eollected at various points between stations. The men reverently uncovered their heads as the funeral train glided by.

The train reached Trenton at half past five in the morning, and was greeted by the tolling of bells, firing of minute guns and strains of solemn music. Crowds of people were assembled, the number estimated at twenty thousand, and the array of mourning inscriptions and other evidences of sorrow were abundant. This is the only State capital passed by the funeral cortege on the entire journey, at which they failed to stop for the people to engage in public demonstrations of respect. Its location between the two great cities, and so near them, is, no doubt, the cause of its being made an exception. Governor Parker and staff, with many citizens were taken on board here, and accompanied the remains to New York. At Princeton, a large number of college students were standing with

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SPRINGFIELD, ILL.: EDWIN A. WILSON & CO. 1875. —Pennsylvania refused to allow the national government to pay the expenses incurred by transporting the President's rountins through the State. Governor Curtin maintained that Ponnsylvania would at least do so much to evince her respect for Mr. Lincoln's memory.

145 years later, remembering Lincoln funeral train stop in York

By TERESA McMINN For the Daily Record/Sunday News Updated: 04/22/2010 07:07:43 AM EDT



Becky Winand waits as the waning moments of sunset pass at the train station in York. The Winand family commemorated the exact moment 145 years ago Wednesday that the Lincoln Funeral train passed though York. (DAILY RECORD/SUNDAY NEWS - PAUL KUEHNEL)



Becky Winand waits for the moment Lincoln's funeral train passed through York. (DAILY RECORD/SUNDAY NEWS - PAUL KUEHNEL)

Hannah Winand stood along railroad tracks and focused on her mother, Becky, who wore a black mourning gown, held a wreath made of white roses and waited for the exact time that marked the arrival of President Abraham Lincoln's funeral train in York.

Amid the modern-day downtown noises from car traffic and sirens, a ceremonial cannon salute and church bells could be heard in the distance.

As sundown approached, the noises melded and April 21, 1865, faded into April 21, 2010, in a stunning yet eerie display.

Dr. Andrew Winand -- a York-area physician and Lincoln impersonator -- and his wife, Becky, on Wednesday were at the former train station, now a bus depot, beside Sovereign Bank Stadium to set the scene for the 145th anniversary of the Lincoln funeral train's stop in York.

Their daughter, Hannah, 17, a junior at York Suburban High School where she takes a photography class, took pictures of the event.

"He strives for authenticity," Becky Winand said. In the background played a recording Andrew Winand made of sounds that hundreds of people lined up in 1865 to see the funeral train probably heard.

Becky Winand's parents, Vonnie and Ray Lauer of Springettsbury Township, were at the photo shoot.

"He's a doctor that doesn't play golf," Vonnie Lauer said. "But he loves playing Lincoln."

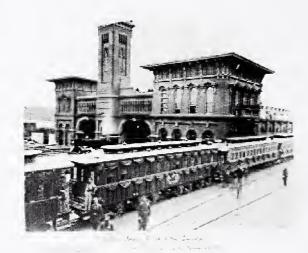
Andrew Winand and his son Noah, 10, will perform as Lincoln and his son Tad at President Lincoln's Cottage in Washington, D.C., in June.

"I'm always humbled to be anywhere Lincoln has been, dead or alive," Andrew Winand said.

"I think a lot of people don't even realize the train even stopped here," he added of Lincoln's funeral procession through York.

While the Winands worked on the photographic recreation project, Baltimore resident Jennerk Gray stepped off a bus that arrived at the station. She had been visiting family and was headed home, she said.

"That's amazing," she said when she looked at Becky Winand standing near the railroad tracks and learned



This old photo shows Lincoln's funeral train when it stopped in Harrisburg in 1865. (SUBMITTED) what was going on.

"That's a whole tidbit I never knew about," Gray said of Lincoln's funeral train stop in York. "I'm glad I could be here for this."

DID YOU KNOW?

- In 1865, Abraham Lincoln's body was aboard his touring funeral train when it stopped in York. Within earshot of a Philadelphia Inquirer reporter, an elderly black man proclaimed, "He was crucified for us."
- To prepare for the funeral train's stop in York, Chief Burgess David Small issued an order that called for:
- 1. All businesses to close after 4 p.m. on April 21 and remain closed . . . as long as the body was in the state.
- 2. Military and citizens to assemble in York's Centre Square with the procession to march to the North Duke Street rail station.
- 3. The formation of a line at the station, extending toward Baltimore. "During the passing of the train the line will remain uncovered (with hats off)," the order stated.
- 4. Citizens to take their flags and "drapery of mourning" to Water Street for suspension along the buildings on the railroad line.
- 5. The tolling of bells while the body was within the borough limits.
- 6. For Col. J.A. Stahle to act as chief marshal.

• Carrolus A. Miller, a Hanover native, piloted the train between Washington and Baltimore but was not at the helm when the train rode the Northern Central Railroad into York. The train arrived late and stayed about 10 minutes. Some prominent York women were admitted to the funeral car. Aquilla Howard, a well-regarded black citizen, bears a wreath of flowers on behalf of York.

Source: Daily Record/Sunday News archives; "Never to Be Forgotten" by James McClure

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Andrew Winand gives free performances as Abraham Lincoln for area schools, church groups and other organizations.





