







OBJECT

To properly observe throughout the Nation the One Hundredth Anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln; to preserve to posterity the memory of his words and works, and to stimulate the patriotism of the youth of the land by appropriate annual exercises.

Banquet
given on the
One Hundredth Anniversary
of the birth of
Abraham Lincoln
by the
Lincoln Centennial Association
February the twelfth
Nineteen hundred and nine
The Illinois State Armory
Springfield

We are not enemies, but friends. We must not be enemies. Though passion may have strained, it must not break our bonds of affection. The mystic chords of memory, stretching from every battlefield and patriot grave to every living heart and hearthstone all over this broad land, will yet swell the chorus of the Union when again touched, as surely they will be, by the better angels of our nature.

(From Lincoln's First Inaugural Address.)

Menu

COTUITS

Martini Cocktails

MOCK TURTLE—AMERICAN

CELERY

OLIVES

RADISHES

Haut Sauternes

CRAB MEAT WITH FRESH MUSHROOMS—ILLINOIS

TENDERLOIN OF BEEF—SANGAMO

DUCHESS POTATO

GREEN PEAS

Appollinaris

BREAST OF GUINEA SQUAB—OLD SALEM

COMPOTE OF FRUIT

LETTUCE AND ENDIVE SALAD

Lunard

ICE CREAM

ASSORTED CAKES

Pommery and Green S

CREAMED ROQUEFORT CHEESE, IN CELERY

CRACKERS

COFFEE

Cordials

APPOLLINARIS

CIGARS

CIGARETTES

Fondly do we hope—fervently do we pray—that this mighty scourge of war may speedily pass away. Yet, if God wills that it continue until all the wealth piled by the bondman's two hundred and fifty years of unrequited toil shall be sunk, and until every drop of blood drawn with the lash shall be paid by another drawn with the sword, as was said three thousand years ago, so still it must be said, "The judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

With malice towards none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphan—to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves, and with all nations.

(From Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address.)

Toasts

TOASTMASTER, THE HONORABLE J. OTIS HUMPHREY

INVOCATION THE REVEREND EUCLID B. ROGERS, D. D.

LETTER FROM THE HONORABLE SHELBY M. CULLOM
UNITED STATES SENATOR FROM ILLINOIS

LETTER FROM DR. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON
THE TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE

ABRAHAM LINCOLN AS FRANCE REGARDED HIM
THE HONORABLE J. J. JUSSERAND
AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND
MINISTER PLENIPOTENTIARY FROM
THE REPUBLIC OF FRANCE

SOME REFLECTIONS ON THE CHARACTER AND CAREER OF
MR. LINCOLN THE RIGHT HONORABLE JAMES BRYCE
HIS MAJESTY'S AMBASSADOR EXTRAOR-
DINARY AND MINISTER PLENIPOTENTI-
ARY FROM GREAT BRITAIN

THE ROYAL ART OF GOVERNMENT THE HONORABLE WILLIAM J. BRYAN
OF NEBRASKA

OUR HEROIC AGE THE HONORABLE JONATHAN P. DOLLIVER
UNITED STATES SENATOR FROM IOWA

POEM "OUR LEADER" MR. CHARLES HENRY BUTLER
CLERK OF THE UNITED STATES
SUPREME COURT

THE SUPREMACY OF THE LAW

Let every American, every lover of liberty, every well-wisher to his posterity, swear by the blood of the Revolution never to violate in the least particular the laws of the country, and never to tolerate their violation by others. As the patriots of seventy-six did to the support of the Declaration of Independence, so to the support of the Constitution and the Laws let every American pledge his life, his property, and his sacred honour; let every man remember that to violate the law is to trample on the blood of his father, and to tear the charter of his own and his children's liberty. Let reverence for the laws be breathed by every American mother to the lisping babe that prattles on her lap. Let it be taught in schools, in seminaries, and in colleges. Let it be written in primers, spelling-books, and in almanacs. Let it be preached from the pulpit; proclaimed in legislative halls, and enforced in courts of justice. And, in short, let it become the political religion of the nation.

(From Lincoln's Address before the Young Men's Lyceum at Springfield, Illinois, January 27, 1837.)

Music

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| 1 MARCH OF THE REPUBLIC | <i>Thiele</i> |
| 2 OBERON-OVERTURE | <i>Von Weber</i> |
| 3 A WALTZ DREAM | <i>Strauss</i> |
| 4 SEXTETTE FROM LUCIA | <i>Donizetta</i> |
| 5 CARMEN (GRAND SELECTION) | <i>Bizet</i> |
| 6 HEARTS AND FLOWERS | <i>Tohani</i> |
| 7 WILLIAM TELL-OVERTURE | <i>Rossini</i> |
| 8 TONE PICTURES OF THE NORTH AND THE SOUTH | <i>Bendix</i> |
| 9 THE GRAND MOGUL (EXGERPTS) | <i>Luders</i> |
| 10 MY OLD KENTUCKY HOME | <i>Moses</i> |
| 11 AMERICA FOREVER (FANTASIE) | <i>Tohani</i> |
| 12 (A) RIGOLETTO QUARTETTE
(B) 2ND VALSE | <i>Verdi</i> |
| 13 ILLINOIS | <i>Chamberlain</i> |
| 14 GRAND ARMY SELECTION | <i>Kilburz</i> |

Dear Madam:

I have been shown in the files of the War Department a statement of the Adjutant-General of Massachusetts that you are the mother of five sons who have died gloriously on the field of battle. I feel how weak and fruitless must be any words of mine which should attempt to beguile you from the grief of a loss so overwhelming. But I cannot refrain from tendering to you the consolation that may be found in the thanks of the Republic they died to save. I pray that our heavenly Father may assuage the anguish of your bereavment, and leave you only the cherished memory of the loved and lost, and the solemn pride that must be yours to have laid so costly a sacrifice upon the altar of Freedom.

Yours very sincerely and respectfully,
ABRAHAM LINCOLN

(A Letter to Mrs. Bixby of Boston, November 21, 1864.)

Autographs

Fourscore and seven years ago our fathers brought forth upon this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.

Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battle-field of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field as a final resting-place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this.

But in a larger sense we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it far above our power to add or detract. The world will little note nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us, the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us; that from these honoured dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom; and that government of the people by the people, and for the people, shall not perish from the earth.

(Address at the Dedication of the National Cemetery at Gettysburg,
November 19, 1863.)

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My friends: No one not in my situation can appreciate my feeling of sadness at this parting. To this place, and the kindness of these people, I owe everything. Here I have lived a quarter of a century, and have passed from a young to an old man. Here my children have been born, and one is buried. I now leave, not knowing when or whether ever I may return, with a task before me greater than that which rested upon Washington. Without the assistance of that Divine Being who ever attended him I cannot succeed. With that assistance I cannot fail. Trusting in Him, who can go with me and remain with you, and be everywhere for good, let us confidently hope that all will be well. To His care commending you, as I hope in your prayers you will commend me, I bid you an affectionate farewell.

(Lincoln's Farewell Address at Springfield, Illinois, February 11, 1861.

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