

# Animated Figure Of Lincoln Arouses Heated Controversy

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (UPI)—A controversy boiled today over whether a life-like Abraham Lincoln figure that sits, stands, talks and gestures is dignified and characteristic or "grotesque."

Walt Disney came to the land of Lincoln Tuesday to talk about the project, which will be the heart of the \$1 million Illinois exhibit at the New York World's Fair.

"He is going to speak to you," Disney said. "His voice is as close as we could get from actual descriptions of this great man. He will appear in a very dignified setting."

"While seated in a chair before speaking he will drop his head in thought, a characteristic Lincoln action," Disney said. "When he is introduced he will stand — putting his hands behind his back — as though deep in thought."

Disney said the Lincoln presentation would appear to audiences "as life-like as I am standing before you — perhaps more so." He said the figure even would tap its fingers on its chair while waiting to be introduced.

Disney's statements to newsmen were in answer to criticism the Lincoln figure would be "grotesque" and would resemble a carnival sideshow.

"It's almost as ghoulish as the idea to play a mock recording of the voices of the four presidents enshrined at Mt. Rushmore," one person said.

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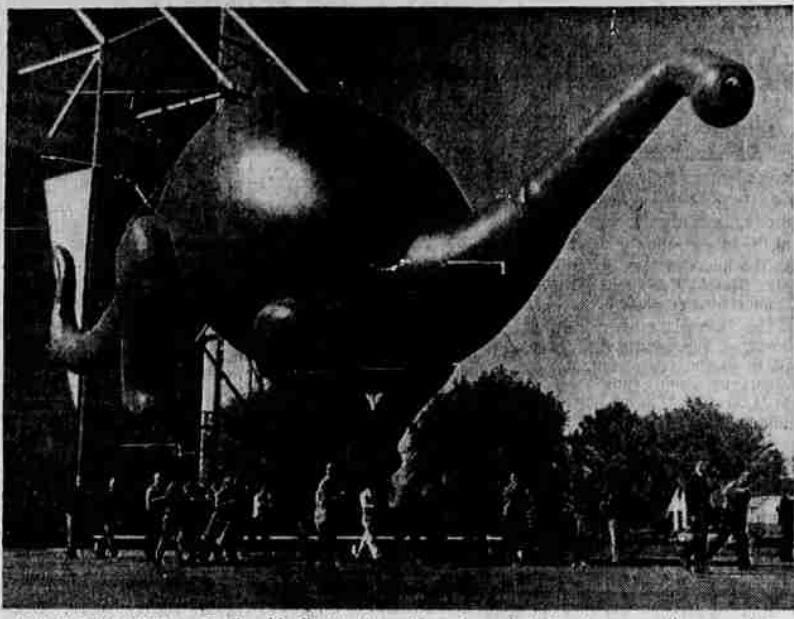
The Lincoln figure will be in a 12-minute presentation called "Great Moments with Mr. Lincoln," held in a 500-seat auditorium in the Illinois pavilion. An estimated 25,000 persons will see the show daily.

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"I have more at stake in this than the state of Illinois," said Disney, a Chicago native. "I am staking my reputation on this — my integrity. I am not a carnival operator."

Disney and other Illinois officials did not elaborate on some of the details.

In this day of suave looks and sonorous tones — a politician's television tools — would they authentically reproduce Lincoln's craggy appearance and squeaky voice?



**GIANT DINOSAUR** — Getting his first taste of flight in a test before his debut as the newest figure balloon in the New York Thanksgiving Day parade, a life-sized representation of a giant brontosaurus dinosaur steps out of his hangar in Akron, Ohio. The balloon is 60 feet long and stands four stories tall. (UPI)

## Scout-O-Rama Set At Local Armory

This is the year that Boy Scouts hold their Scout-O-Rama and it is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 23, in the Medford Armory with more than 1,000 Cubs, Scouts and Explorers participating.

The show and demonstrations will open at 2:30 p.m. and continue until 8:30 p.m. There will be between 35 and 40 booths arranged by Scouts of the Big Pine district, Clair Schiffman, publicity chairman for the district, announced.

The Scouts prepare and man their own booths and put on demonstrations throughout the afternoon and evening.

In addition to the demonstration there will be entertainment by Scouts, Cubs, Explorers and visiting bands and performers. A magic show is scheduled and there will be music by the Shrine German band and by a Dixie Land band, Schiffman stated, along with other floor shows.

Each booth will be judged. Acting as judges will be Medford Mayor James J. Dunlevy, County Judge Earl Miller, Archie Fries of Ashland and Bill Longmore of Medford, according to George Brennan, Scout executive.

Students will be admitted free if they are accompanied by their parents.

**Six Monorail Routes Suggested in Detroit**

DETROIT (UPI) — A mass transportation plan drawn here five years ago recommended a primary system of six monorail rapid transit routes radiating from the central business area.

The plan also recommended 11 secondary routes. If given authority by the Michigan legislature for a Metropolitan Transit authority, Detroit officials have indicated they will consider the 1958 plan.

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Joseph and Vivian Clark, who have 10 children of their own ranging in age from 2 to 17 and are expecting still another, adopted a 10-month-old boy Tuesday.

"We plan to adopt one more, too," said Mrs. Clark, 40, "and who knows what'll happen after that," added Clark, 43, a dentist.



**FIRST DANCE** — Princess Margaret and her husband, Lord Snowdon, take the floor for the first dance at a ball in aid of the Dockland Settlements. Ball was held at the Savoy Hotel late Monday. (UPI)

**THE Lighter Side... BY DICK WEST**

**Marriage, Labor Contracts Similar**

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The similarity between a labor contract and a marriage contract is obvious to anyone who knows anything at all about collective bargaining.

Up until now, however, I was not aware that the resemblance had any official standing with the National Labor Relations Board.

"My eyes were opened on this point by a decision recently handed down by an NLRB trial

examiner in an unfair labor practice case in Tennessee.

The examiner, George L. Powell, ruled that a dairy products firm acted wrongly in turning over to an independent contractor work that had previously been performed by its own employees.

Powell held that the company should have notified the union before taking this step, which resulted in the dismissal of some of the workers.

In support of his decision he noted that the union-management relationship "in certain respects is like a marriage."

"... we can well imagine the almost universal cry in every home in the land should the husband, without first talking it over with his wife, rent out the spare room in the home to a lovely young roomer, be she blonde, brunette or redhead," he wrote.

Yes, indeed. I can well imagine that. In fact, I can visualize the negotiations step by step.

First there would be what is known in labor-management-marriage circles as a "lock-out." The wife would lock her husband out of the bedroom while she had a universal cry.

These pressure tactics would force the husband to the bargaining table. He would rather go to the dinner table but there wouldn't be any food on it because she was in the bedroom crying when she should have been in the kitchen cooking supper.

Then the negotiations would reach a stalemate, although the husband would have settled for a slice of stale bread.

As a result of the impasse, the issues would be submitted to an impartial mediator — her mother.

By that time the lovely young tenant would have left town without paying her rent. So the case would be settled by the mother moving into the spare room.

**Rapid Transit Subway In Ohio Never Used**

CINCINNATI, Ohio (UPI) — The city of Cincinnati has had a rapid transit subway since 1911 but it has never been used by passengers.

Local political interests made so many route changes while the subway was being built that it became impractical for mass transit and was converted to a tunnel for utilities lines. The city is currently in the process of completing a \$1.5 million study of a possible rapid transit system to adjoining areas in Kentucky and Indiana.

## Italy's Tourist Boom Not As Big As Was Expected

ROME (UPI) — Italy's fabulous tourist boom is still going strong in 1963—but not as strong as had been expected.

In the first seven months of this year, government officials reported 11,709,000 foreign tourists visited Italy. This was an increase of 10.1 per cent over the same period in 1962.

But in all of 1962 tourism jumped 12.6 per cent over the preceding year, and Tourism Minister Alberto Folchi admitted that he had been expecting the growth rate at least to keep up this pace or even increase.

What went wrong?

There are a number of factors, but almost everybody agrees that the major factor keeping many tourists away has been the general price rise in Italy.

**Budget Resorts**

Folchi noted that tourism also has shown a slight slump in France and Switzerland for the same reason. Economy-minded tourists are going to such places as Yugoslavia, Greece and Spain where prices are still considerably below those in Italy and its other neighboring countries.

The most worrisome fact in the situation for the Italians is that the number of German tourists this year has actually decreased. They always had been the leading national group by far to visit Italy.

Prof. Augusto Premoli, director general of the Italian Tourist Agency, says other factors are an insufficiency of airline flights, inadequate highways and the neglect into which many of Italy's artistic and historical monuments has fallen.

Venice, a favorite spot with American tourists, is getting fewer Americans this year than in the past, and officials there put the blame squarely on the price situation.

**Expensive Venice**

They estimate that a tourist going first-class cannot spend less than \$32 a day in Venice while the cost for one going second-class is about half that.

From July 1 to Aug. 15, the peak tourist period at Venice, the number of American visitors was 3,500 below that for the same period in 1962.

Adding to Italy's worries is that more Italians than ever before are traveling abroad instead of spending their vacation money at home. In the first seven months of this year, Italian tourism abroad was up a phenomenal 44.1 per cent over 1962.

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The nation's highest concentration of college graduates is in Washington, D.C., where more than 14 per cent had at least four years of college, according to a recent survey by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.

## U.S., Allies Vow Increased Aid for Emergent Nations

PARIS (UPI) — The United States and its Western economic Allies were expected to pledge increased aid to developing nations today at the close of a two-day conference.

Other points likely to be included in the closing communique of the 22-member Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) were an announcement that the member nations are closer to balancing their trade and international payments and are hopeful of reaching the target of 50 per cent economic expansion by 1970.

The council wound up its talks today with discussion of maintaining a balance of international payments and adapting farm, industry and manpower policies to changing conditions.

The OECD is composed of the 18 Western European nations, the United States and Canada plus the executive commissions of the European Common Market and the European Free Trading Association.

**Raising Tariffs**

The meeting closed as an arbitration panel of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) in Geneva was preparing a ruling on how much the common market owes the United States for raising tariffs on poultry in the "chicken war" affecting U.S. poultry exports.

OECD sources said general agreement had been reached in the Paris conference that easing of the U.S. dollar crisis is an important economic goal of the entire Western world.

**Picture Testament Now Ready in New Version**

NEW YORK (UPI) — The American Bible Society's "New Testament With Pictures," previously available only in the King James version, has now been published in the Revised Standard version.

In large magazine size with paperback covers, both versions are printed in rotogravure illustrated with nearly 600 photographs, maps and diagrams.

Central Point Grange will meet Friday evening, Nov. 22. This meeting was postponed from Nov. 15. An interesting program is being planned by the lecturer.

## Journalism Dean Cited by Columbia

EUGENE — The Dean of the University of Oregon's School of Journalism has been cited a "distinguished graduate" of Columbia University.

John L. Hulteng, veteran newspaperman and educator, is the author of a chapter in a recently published book and has been awarded a Bronze Medal in commemoration of his achievements.

The book, "Journalists in Action," was published this week by Channel Press in New York in observance of the 50th anniversary of Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism. It is a compilation of stories written by 63 noted alumni of the New York university. The contributing authors and 57 additional graduates were awarded medals for their professional accomplishments.

**NO NEWS CONFERENCE**

WASHINGTON (UPI)—President Kennedy will not hold a news conference this week. The Chief Executive last met with newsmen Nov. 14.

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