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BIRTHPLACE OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN GIVEN COUNTRY

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democracy! There is nowhere in the land any home so remote, so humble, that it may not contain the power of mind and heart and conscience to which nations yield and history submits its processes. Nature pays no tribute to aristocracy, subscribes to no creed of caste, renders fealty to no monarch or master of any name or kind. Genius is no snob. It does not run after titles or seek by preference the high circles of society. It affects humble company as well as great. It pays no special tribute to universities or learned societies or conventional standards of greatness, but serenely chooses its own comrades, its own haunts, its own cradle even, and its own life of adventure and of training. Here is proof of it. This little hut was the cradle of one of the great sons of men, a man of singular, delightful vital genius who presently emerged upon the great stage of the nation's history, gaunt, shy, ungainly, but dominant and majestic, a natural ruler of men, himself inevitably the central figure of the great plot. No man can explain this, but every man can see how it demonstrates the vigor of democracy, where every door is open, in every hamlet and countryside, in city and wilderness alike, for the ruler to emerge when he will and claim his leadership in the free life. Such are the authentic proofs of the validity and vitality of democracy.

"Here, no less, hides the mystery of democracy. Who shall guess this secret of nature and providence and a free policy? Whatever the vigor and vitality of the stock from which he sprang, its mere vigor and soundness do not explain where this man got his great heart that seemed to comprehend all mankind in its catholic and benignant sympathy, the mind that sat enthroned behind those brooding, melancholy eyes, whose vision swept away an horizon which those about him dreamed not of, that mind that comprehended what it had never seen, and understood the language of affairs with the ready ease of one to the manner born,—or that nature which seemed in its varied richness to be the familiar of men of every way of life. This is the sacred mystery of democracy, that its richest fruits spring up out of soils which no man has prepared and in circumstances amidst which they are the least expected. This is a place alike of mystery and of reassurance.

It is likely that in a society ordered otherwise than our own Lincoln could not have found himself or the path of fame and power upon which he walked serenely to his death. In this place it is right that we should remind ourselves of the solid and striking facts upon which our faith in democracy is founded. Many another man besides Lincoln has served the nation in its highest places of counsel and of action whose origins were as humble as his. Though the greatest example of the universal energy, richness, stimulation, and force of democracy, he is only one example among many. The permeating and all-pervasive virtue of the freedom which challenges us in America to make the most of every gift and power we possess every page of our history serves to emphasize and illustrate. Standing here in this place, it seems almost the whole of the stirring story.

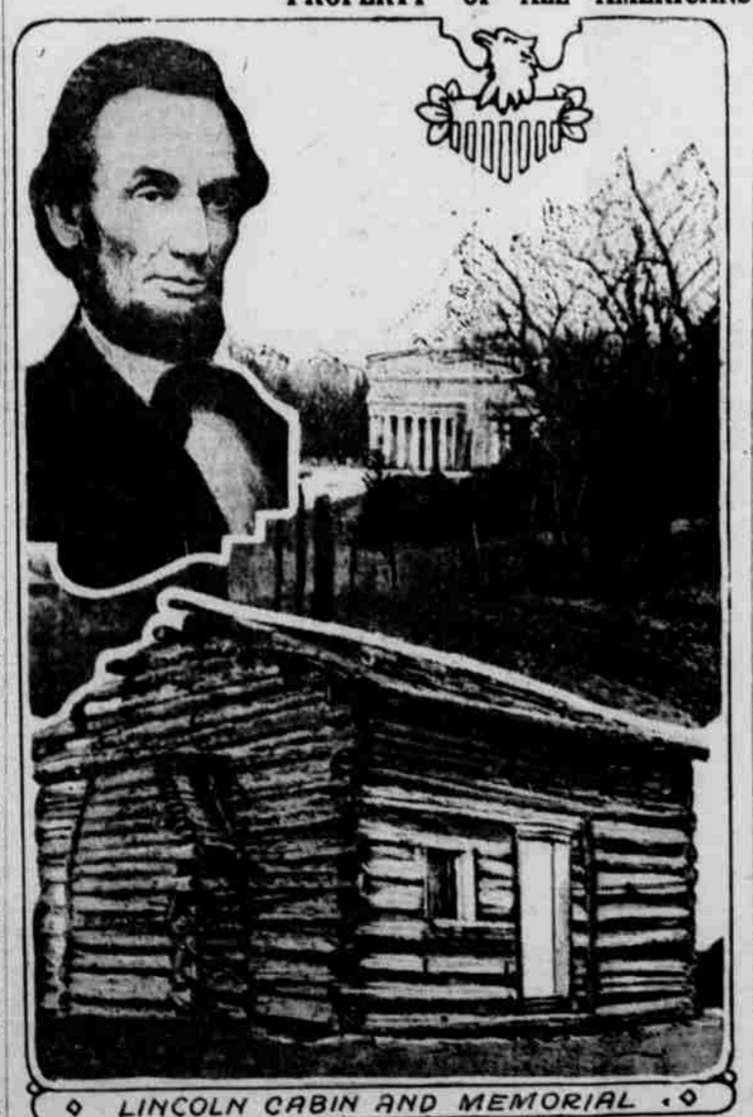
Here Lincoln had his beginning. Here the end and consummation of that great life seems remote and a bit incredible. And yet there was no break anywhere between beginning and end, no lack of natural sequence anywhere. Nothing really incredible happened. Lincoln was unmanufactured as much at home in the White House as he was here. Do you share with me the feeling, I wonder, that he was permanently at home nowhere? It seems to me that in the case of a man,—I would rather say of a spirit,—like Lincoln the question where he was is of little significance, that it is always what he was that really arrests our thought and takes hold of our imagination. It is the spirit always that is sovereign. Lincoln, like the rest of us, was put through the discipline of the world,—a very rough and exacting discipline for him, an indispensable discipline for every man who would know what he is about in the midst of the world's affairs; but his spirit got only its schooling there. It did not derive its character or its vision from the experiences which brought it to its full revelation. The test of every American must always be, not where he is, but what he is. That, also, is of the essence of democracy, and is the moral of which this place is most gravely expressive.

"We would like to think of men like Lincoln and Washington as typical Americans, but no man can be typical who is so unusual as these great men were. It was typical of American life that it should produce such men with supreme indifference as to the manner in which it produced them, and as readily here in this hut as amidst the little circle of cultivated gentlemen to whom Virginia owed so much in leadership and example. And Lincoln and Washington were typical Americans in the use they made of their genius. But there will be few such men at best, and we will not look into the mystery of how and why they came. We will only keep the door open for them always, and a hearty welcome,—after we have recognized them.

"I have read many biographies of Lincoln; I have sought out with the greatest interest the many intimate stories that are told of him, the narratives of nearby friends, the sketches at close quarters, in which those who had the privilege of being associated with him have tried to depict for us the very man himself 'in his habit as he lived'; but I have nowhere found a real intimate as well as a real narrative of Lincoln's life. I nowhere get the impression in any narrative or reminiscence that the writer had in fact penetrated to the heart of his mystery, or that any man could penetrate to the heart of it. That brooding spirit had no real familiars. I get the impression that it never spoke out in complete self-revelation, and that it could not reveal itself completely to anyone. It was a very lonely spirit that looked out from underneath these shaggy brows and comprehended men without fully communing with them, as if, in spite of all its genial efforts at comradeship, it dwelt apart, saw its visions of duty where no man looked on. There is a very holy and very terrible isolation for the conscience of every man who seeks to read the destiny in affairs for others as well as for himself, for a man who lives as well as for himself, for a man who serves as well as for individuals. That privacy no man can intrude upon. That lonely search of the spirit for the right perhaps no man can assist. This strange child of the cabin kept company with invisible things, was born into no intimacy but that of its own silently assembling and deploying thoughts.

"I have come here today, not to offer a eulogy on Lincoln; he stands in need of none, but to endeavor to interpret the meaning of this gift to the nation of the place of his birth and origin. Is not this an altar upon which we may forever keep alive the vestal fire of democracy as upon a shrine at which some of the deepest and most sacred hopes of mankind may from age to age be rekindled? For these hopes must constantly be rekindled, and only those who live with a keen and a true heart, the stuff that can retain the life-giving heat is the stuff of living hearts. And the hopes of mankind cannot be kept alive by words merely, by constitutions and doctrines of right and codes of lib-

LINCOLN'S BIRTHPLACE BECOMES PROPERTY OF ALL AMERICANS



LINCOLN CABIN AND MEMORIAL

President Wilson some months ago formally accepted for the United States the ownership and custody of the birthplace of Abraham Lincoln at Hodgenville, Ky., and September 4 was the date set for the formal taking over of the property by the government, with appropriate ceremonies. The property consists of the farm, with the cabin in which Lincoln was born and the memorial, erected by popular subscriptions, which houses and protects the cabin. Photographs show Lincoln, the cabin and a view of the memorial.

Southern Pacific Is Real Nice About It

Conditions as to car shortage on the Southern Pacific remain practically unchanged. The only difference is an apparent disposition on the part of Southern Pacific officials to keep the complaining elements in good humor as far as possible by the writing of explanatory letters. An instance of this is shown in a letter received by the public service commission in regard to a complaint made by the G. H. & P. Lumber company. J. H. Dyer, assistant general manager, accounts for the failure of the lumber concern to obtain cars for logging service on the ground that the railroad company has been compelled to withdraw a number of cars from the logging service in order to take care of the finished product. General Manager Scott of the Southern Pacific company has written the public service commission another letter, but makes no reference to car shortage matters. The letter is a protest against the demurrage rates in Oregon, in which he says that under the present rates the railroad company secures no substantial returns, either in way of earlier release of shipment or collection of demurrage. The public service commission is entirely helpless in this matter.

The object of democracy is to transmute these into the life and action of society, the self-denial and self-sacrifice of heroic men and women willing to make their lives an embodiment of right and service and enlightened purpose. The commands of democracy are as imperative as its privileges and opportunities are wide and generous. Its compulsion is upon us. It will be great and lift a great light for the guidance of the nations only if we are great and carry that light high for the guidance of our own feet. We are not worthy to stand here unless we ourselves be in deed and in truth real democrats and servants of mankind, ready to give our very lives for the freedom and justice and spiritual exaltation of the great nation which shelters and nurtures us."

STAYTON NEWS

Mrs. Pearl Schnackenberg and little daughter Francis of Fox Valley were Stayton callers yesterday.

Ruth Stayton, who has been visiting at Vancouver, is at home. She visited at Silverton on her way back.

G. F. Korinek is entertaining her husband's mother, Mrs. F. M. Korinek, of Portland this week.

Miss Bessie Clow returned home Monday from Mill City where she has been working in the telephone office.

Mrs. Giebler and son, Peter, and Mrs. Tony Van Handle and children of Portland, were visiting in Stayton Monday.

K. F. Mulkey, wife and children of Portland were over Sunday visitors with Mrs. Muikey's sister, Mrs. H. A. Benchamp.

Mrs. Buntley returned home Saturday from Moonmouth, where she has been spending the summer visiting with her son.

Miss Mary Reiger returned to Portland Monday after an extended visit here. Her sister, Miss Hilma accompanied her.

Miss Viola McIntyre of Philomath, returned home Monday after a two months visit with her grandmother, Mrs. L. M. McIntyre.

Wm. Ortmann and family of Junction City are visiting at the home of Mrs. Ortmann's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Shiles.

Miss Dot Olmsted was brought home from the hospital Monday evening. She stood the trip well and will soon be able to be at work again.

A hay fork fell on the right arm of Jas. Schrever of Sublimity Friday cutting a gash 4 inches long. Dr. Brewer took several stitches in the injured arm.

Ed Schaefer and family of Portland, and Miss Lucille Schaefer of Waitsburg, were in Stayton Tuesday morning where they will visit a short time before returning to their homes.

Alva Myers tried to run over a hay stack Saturday evening with his motorcycle and got two broken ribs and several other bruises besides. Dr. Brewer fixed him up, and he was on the motorcycle the next day.

With harvest, threshing, berry picking and hop-picking on hand, to say nothing of the call from the lumber camps there is no lack of work in and around Stayton. Everyone, even to the kiddies is hard at it getting the dimes and dollars.

E. Shepherd and wife, and Jess Shepherd, wife and baby motored to the Wm. Brotherton home in the Jordan country last Sunday. They report that Mr. Brotherton threshed one field of 25 acres of oats that yielded 200 bushels or 80 bushels to the acre.

W. F. Pennington has purchased the Eastman garage at Silverton and will move to that place the latter part of this week. He will still keep open the garage here, under the direction of Frank Grierson. Mr. Pennington's son from Washington will probably be here some time in November or December to take charge of it.

Geo. Spangol got mixed up with a belt and pulley last Thursday and got the worst of it. His right arm was twisted and the muscles crushed and injuries were received on his face and chest, however, he is able to be out again after a few days confined to the house. Dr. Brewer treated the injuries.

The Royal Girls of the Stayton Christian Bible school, Mrs. A. E. Bradshaw, teacher, returned from their camping trip on the Little North Fork Thursday afternoon. That they had a most delightful outing is putting it mildly. In fact, they say words fail to express the fun they had in the eight days they were there. The girls wore middie and bloomers. Put—well just ask them about it. On Wednesday night each girl with her blanket strapped to her back, climbed Boedicker hill and slept in a little grove on the top with the hoot owls. Of course the kodak was used freely, so they will have many pleasant reminders for days to come. Those camping were, Mable Weddle, Alma Nandiel, Thelma Biggs, Mary Tate, Cleo and Marie Wendle, Mableline Wirth, Mable Bradshaw, Viva Davis, Gertrude Shepherd, Zora Stowell and Mrs. E. A. Bradshaw.—Mail.

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TUITION CHARGES FOR OUTSIDE PUPILS

Superintendent Todd Issue Statement of Cost in Different Departments

For the benefit of those who wish to attend the Salem high school who live in districts outside of Salem, the following statement of the tuition charges has been prepared by Superintendent J. H. Todd. This statement may be regarded as official as final action has been taken by the board of education in establishing these figures. Schools in Salem will open for the first semester Monday, September 18.

The tuition for non-resident pupils attending the Salem high school will be \$72.57 per year, one-half due at the beginning of each semester. Under the new law the Salem school board will charge the actual cost of tuition which has been set at \$72.57 per year, but there is a decision of the court pending which will determine whether or not this is the actual cost. Students who pay \$72.57 will be entitled to a refund to the amount of the excess of \$72.57 over the actual cost of tuition of any as determined by the court.

All pupils residing in school districts outside of Salem in which a standard four-year high school is not maintained are entitled to participation in the county high school tuition fund and will not be required to pay anything in advance on account of the pending decision of the court except they come from counties that have a county high school or that have taken advantage of the county high school law. The following counties are included in this list: Polk, Benton, Linn, Lane, Jackson, Lake, Yamhill, Union, Crook, Gilliam, Harney, Klamath, Lincoln and Wasco.

Applications must be made by all students for participation in the county tuition fund before registration can be completed.

Pupils who reside in districts maintaining a standard high school who come from counties organized under the County High School law shall pay \$72.57 per year, one-half due at the beginning of each semester, with this understanding that the excess over actual cost of tuition as determined by court shall be refunded.

Polk county tuition students will be charged tuition at the rate of \$72.57 per year. Since this county operates under the county high school law the said county will pay \$40 towards this tuition. Polk county students then will be required to pay \$32.57, one-half due at the beginning of each semester (\$16.30) and must be paid before the student completes registration. The difference between \$72.57 and the actual cost of tuition will be refunded to all Polk county students or students coming from any other county having the same law.

Pupils who come from outside of the state and who reside with relatives during the school year shall be required to pay the full amount of tuition.

The charge for tuition in the grades one to six will be \$30 per year, one-half of which is due at the beginning of each semester and must be paid before a pupil completes registration.

The tuition charge in the junior high schools grades seven and eight will be \$40 per year, one-half of which is due at the beginning of each semester and must be paid before the pupil completes registration.

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STATE HOUSE NEWS

The Hammond Lumber company of Mill City has notified the public service commission that their platforms are badly congested and that unless they can get cars within the next week or ten days they will be compelled to close down their plant, throwing between 500 and 600 men out of employment.

The annual report of the Oregon and California Power company, which furnishes light and power to a number of towns in southern Oregon, has filed its annual report with the public service commission. The report shows a deficit for the year of \$157,276.04, and a total deficit of \$127,351.28.

Three annual reports were filed with the public service commission this morning. The Bend Water, Light & Power company shows a surplus for the year of \$12,904.96. The Southern Light and Power company shows a deficit for the year of \$433.47, but a total surplus of \$267. The Northwest Oregon Electric company of Portland shows a surplus for the year of \$96,288.22, and a total surplus of \$169,309.80.

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