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LINCOLN BOOK OF THE YEAR—1955

For the past several years there has been approximately a three foot shelf of Lincoln books and pamphlets coming from the press every twelve months. This last year's installment is an average one in the number of sizeable volumes produced and one of them appeared on the best seller list for many weeks.

When the first two volumes of James G. Randall's work *Lincoln the President* appeared in 1945 they were selected by the Lincoln Advisory Committee as the outstanding Lincoln publications of the year. Now that the last volume of the four volume work is from the press with its subtitle, *Last Full Measure*, it is also given the place of distinction for 1955.

Upon the death of Dr. Randall, Richard N. Current took over the task of bringing the manuscript to completion. The text for about half of the volume had been completed and voluminous notes had been gathered for the remainder. Anticipating his departure, Dr. Randall had asked Mr. Current to complete the work and he carried out his assignment in a most excellent manner. The four volume work will be immediately accepted as the most scholarly exhaustive study of the Lincoln administration.

CLOTH BOUND BOOKS—1955

ABRAHAM LINCOLN ASSOCIATION. *The Collected Works of Abraham Lincoln. Index.*
Rutgers University Press, New Brunswick, New Jersey. 1955.
(Volume IX) Cloth. 378 pp.

This index volume because of the tremendous amount of work involved was not ready for release when the eight volume set was published in 1953. (see L.L. 1246)

ANGLE, PAUL M. *The Lincoln Reader.*
Pocket Books Inc., New York, Cardinal Giant Edition. Stiff boards.
626 pp. Price 50 cents.

A book which has gone through several different editions is now printed in this convenient size pocket number. (see 1947-1)

ANGLE, PAUL AND MIERS, EARL SCHENCK. *The Living Lincoln.*
Rutgers University Press, New Brunswick, New Jersey. Cloth.
673 pp. Price \$6.95.

The subtitle: "The Man, His Mind, His Times, and the War He Fought, Reconstructed from His Own Writings" sets forth the contents. The work consisting exclusively of Lincoln's own writings serves as a sort of autobiography.

BEIM, JERROLD. *The Boy on Lincoln's Lap.*
William Morrow and Company, New York. Cloth. 46 pp. Price \$2.00.

Juvenile for boys and girls up to ten years of age featuring the children who gather about Borglum's famous statue of Lincoln at Newark, N. J. showing the President seated on a bench.

BESTOR, MEARNES AND DANIELS. *Three Presidents and Their Books. Jefferson, Lincoln, F. D. Roosevelt.*
University of Illinois Press, Urbana. Cloth. 129 pp. Price \$2.50.

A review of books that influenced the three above named presidents.

BISHOP, JIM. *The Day Lincoln Was Shot.*
Harper & Brothers, Publishers, New York. Cloth. 304 pp. Price \$3.75.

An hour by hour account of the events in Washington which led up to the assassination of Abraham Lincoln. (See L. L. #1357).

COLEMAN, CHARLES H. *Abraham Lincoln and Coles County, Illinois.*

Scarecrow Press, New Brunswick, New Jersey. Cloth. 268 pp.
Price \$6.00.

This book not only goes into detail about Lincoln's legal and personal contacts with his friends and relatives in Coles County, Illinois, but approaches objectively the story of Lincoln's parents after reaching the Illinois country.

EIFERT, VIRGINIA S. *The Buffalo Trace.*
Dodd Mead & Company, New York. Cloth. 193 pp. Price \$3.00.

A delightful story of the grandparents of the President who migrated to the Kentucky country from Virginia over the Buffalo Trace and the hardships they endured which ended in the Indian massacre of grandfather Lincoln near Louisville in 1786.

LORANT, STEFAN. *The Life of Abraham Lincoln.*
Published by the New American Library. A Signet Key Book.
Stiff boards. 256 pp. Price 50 cents.

A small size reprint of Lorant's short *Life of Lincoln*. (see 1954-34).

MOSES, ELBERT R. *Abraham Lincoln "From Cabin to Capitol".*
College Publishing Co. "Books of Distinction." Daytona Beach, Fla.
Cloth. 139 pp. Price \$2.95.

A series of essays approached from the geographical viewpoint giving emphasis to the cities through which Lincoln passed on his way to Washington for the Inaugural.

MUDD, NETTIE. *The Life of Dr. Samuel A. Mudd.*
Continental Book Co. Marietta, Ga. Cloth. 363 pp. Price \$5.00.
Story associated with Lincoln's assassination. Reprint of M1507 with additional material.

NATHAN, ADELE GUTMAN. *When Lincoln Went to Gettysburg.*
Alladin Books, New York. Cloth. 221 pp. Price \$2.75.

A juvenile for ten year old youngsters which emphasizes some of the traditional human interest episodes which happened enroute to and at Gettysburg.

RANDALL, J. G. AND CURRENT, RICHARD N. *Last Full Measure Lincoln the President.*
Dodd, Mead & Company, New York. Cloth. 421 pp. Price \$7.50.
This is the fourth and final volume of a set of books entitled "Lincoln The President."

STODDARD, WILLIAM O., JR. *Lincoln's Third Secretary.*
Exposition Press, New York. Cloth. 235 pp. Price \$3.50.

Stoddard or "Stod," as Lincoln called him, filled an important place among the White House personnel as one of the three secretaries. It has been left for his son, whose name he bears, to give emphasis to the place he occupied among the secretarial force by editing the reminiscences of his father.

STONE, IRVING. *Love is Eternal.*
Garden City Books, Garden City, New York. Cloth. 468 pp. Price \$1.98.
A reprint of one of the 1954 best sellers. (See L. L. #1330).

TOWNSEND, WILLIAM H. *Lincoln and the Bluegrass.*
University of Kentucky Press, Lexington, Ky. Cloth. 385 pp.
Price \$6.50.

The subtitle "Slavery and the Civil War in Kentucky" sets forth the subjects which are given special emphasis in the book. The fact that Mary Todd Lincoln was born in Lexington and Lincoln visited there, makes the book an important historical source.

TRIETSCH, JAMES H. *The Printer and the Prince.*
Exposition Press, New York. Cloth. 332 pp. Price \$6.00.
"A Study of the Influence of Horace Greeley Upon Abraham Lincoln as Candidate and President (sub-title)."