

In Honor Of the Birth Of the Great Commoner--Abraham Lincoln



LINCOLN AND GENERALS COMMANDING THE ARMY OF THE POTOMAC AT ANTIETAM SEPTEMBER 1863



EL PASO PLANT TURNS OUT CEMENT

Factory Costing a Million and a Half Dollars is Now in Operation.

CARL LEONARDT STARTS THE PLANT

Wheels are turning at the plant of the Southwestern Portland Cement company, which is now operating at a capacity of 750 barrels a day while 150 men are being given employment.

C. Leonardt, of Los Angeles, president of the Southwestern Portland Cement company, came here from the coast and personally superintended the starting of the plant for the regular runs.

FIRST NATIONAL NOT TO MOVE

President Reynolds Says It Is Not After Other Property, However.

That the First National bank will remain in the present location at the corner of San Antonio and El Paso streets is the statement of Joshua Reynolds, president of the bank.

GEN. MILLS TO REBUILD WOULD MAKE IT 4 STORY, CONCRETE HIS BUILDING ENTIRELY

San Jacinto plaza will be known unofficially as skyscraper plaza if the building operations around the central park continue. Gen. Anson Mills, owner of the Mills building on the corner of Oregon street and the plan, has written H. B. Stevens, his agent here, that he would arrive in El Paso on March 1 to arrange for replacing the present Mills building with a four story, reinforced concrete office building to be known as the new Mills building.

NEGROES FARE BETTER THAN WOMEN

Mrs. Clardy Says the Negro Can Vote, But Woman Is Taxed and Does Not Vote

EL PASO HAS MADE HER A SUFFRAGET

"Why should not women vote?" This simple question is today stirring the world of woman kind. It has moved to heroic action the women of London; it has caused a numbering fire of discontent in the women of New York city. It is one of the great questions of the age: men who think have recognized it so. It is a firebrand of the century.

And now the war cry of the suffraget—"Votes for Women"—is sounded here in El Paso, so far removed from the center of the hubbub. It is Mrs. Z. B. Clardy, extensive property owner and woman of affairs, who asks the question of the moment. "Why should not women vote?" asks Mrs. Clardy, as thousands of men in America and England are now asking each other. But Mrs. Clardy does not stop there. "Indeed, women should vote," she declares. "It is wrong and bad that women can not vote."

Not a Parlor Suffraget. Now, it may not be fairly said that Mrs. Clardy, widow of the late Zeno B. Clardy, attorney, is a suffraget through theory, a parlor suffraget, so to speak. As a woman of affairs, one who pays heavy taxes, deals every day with business men in the operation of her business affairs, in fact a woman quite as active in the handling of dollars and cents as any woman, Mrs. Clardy has reached her conviction. She applies her suffraget creed to herself, to her everyday life, not to some other woman along lines prompted by some other thinker. And better yet—perhaps not so for some—Mrs. Clardy applies it to El Paso. It goes something like this:

"The mayor and the common council of El Paso, Texas, have made me a suffraget. My state and county taxes amount to \$982. And my city taxes alone foot up at \$5,930. And yet, they tell me I can't vote! And you let a lot of ignorant negroes and Mexicans vote for me?"

LINCOLN, THE HOOSIER—ABE LINCOLN

Character Sketch Of the Great American

In one corner of a country burying ground in southern Indiana there is a simple stone tablet, the inscription on the face of which reads: "Here lies Nancy Hanks Lincoln, mother of Abraham Lincoln." This tablet was placed there to mark the last resting place of the frail little woman who gave to her country a physical and intellectual giant—Abraham Lincoln.

That little tablet at the head of a grass grown grave marks more than the resting place of the mother of Lincoln. It is a milestone in the eventful life of this man of destiny. There in that little clearing near Gentryville, Ind., Lincoln spent his boyhood. For 14 years he romped over the hills and through the maple woods of southern Indiana hunting, fishing and thinking.

A Kentucky Hoosier. He was a Hoosier. Born in Kentucky, which is only Indiana divided by the Ohio, and making his home after he was of age in Illinois, which is just across the Wabash, young Lincoln was born, reared and buried within sight of the corn fields and the green meadows of the Ohio valley which is home to every Hoosier. His mother, a delicate

creature, stricken with the fatal milk sickness two years after Thomas and his son Abe had driven the ox cart from Hardin county, Kentucky, to Spencer county, Indiana, died and left them. With his own hands Thomas fashioned a coffin of green timber, using an old rip saw and a hammer as his only tools. In this unpainted casket the mother of the man of men was laid in the little cemetery near Gentryville. No services were said over the grave, and only a few neighborly mothers and wide-eyed children witnessed the burial. This impressed the young boy so deeply that he persuaded an itinerant preacher to stop over night at the Lincoln home cabin that he might say a prayer over the newly made grave.

The Mother's Influence. It is doubtful if this mother had a great influence on Lincoln's early life. That the prenatal influence was great is shown by the peculiar blending in his character of the traits which his mother possessed with those of his father, plus the ruggedness he gained from the great outdoors and the refining influence of the second Mrs. Lincoln. This woman, strong, robust and full of ast-

Head of Military Institute Thinks Such an Institution Is Needed Here.

Praises Public School System

"There never was a more opportune time for the establishing of a school for girls in any community than there is just at this time in El Paso," said Capt. T. A. Davis, head of the El Paso Military Institute. "There has been for years the demand for a high grade school for girls as there has been the demand for such a school for boys, which demand we have filled in the establishment of the El Paso Military Institute. The same conditions that have contributed to the success of the military institute would contribute to the success of a girls' school, as is evidenced by the enrollment of 118 students in this second year. These students have come from Spokane, Wash.; states of Sonora, Chihuahua, Coahuila, Durango in the republic of Mexico; Arizona, New Mexico, Tennessee and Texas.

ural mother love, was the guardian angel of the young Lincoln in his adolescent years. Disgusted at the lad's shiftness, a touch of which he had given the boy by inheritance, Thomas rebuked Abe often for his preference for his Pilgrim's Progress, Aesop's Fables, the life of Washington and the revised statutes of Indiana, over rough field work. But Mrs. Lincoln, who was the real ruler of the home, provided a quiet place in the corner for the long-legged lad to read, and she would make the other children be quiet when Abe was in that corner.

Getting His Education. There for hours he would sit on a stool without a book, munching a piece of bread and reading. With a piece of charcoal from the broad fireplace he learned to write on clapboards. When he went up to the garret to his bed of shacks he would take his beloved books with him and would read himself to sleep by candlelight. His appetite for books and for knowledge was equally insatiable. What he could not get from books he would learn from rubbing el-

Probe Starts Into Death of Missouri Man and Relative; Hyde Not Afraid.

SAYS PUBLICITY IS WHAT HE WANTS

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 12.—A new chapter to the Swope case was begun today when the grand jury began what promised to be a most thorough investigation of the now complicated case.

ATTACKS THE STEAMER GOES CENTRAL BANK DOWN; 156 KILLED

Ex-Secretary of the Treasury Gage Says Standard Oil Would Control It.

NAMES TWO MOST SERIOUS MALADIES

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 12.—"I do not think there can be any doubt in the minds of anyone who studies the question in the light of admitted conditions that if a central bank is established in this country it will be owned, or at least controlled by the Standard Oil company," said Leslie M. Shaw, former secretary of the treasury today, at a meeting of the Pennsylvania Bankers' association this city. His topic was "The Central Bank."

There are two diseases prevalent in this country, either of which is liable to prove fatal," he continued. "One is the Wall street mania and the other Wall street fobia. I do not think we have been badly inoculated with either, but am frank to say it seems to me quite un-American to place within any group of men the power to contract or expand our currency at will and to grant or withhold credit to any bank, to any merchant and to any corporation at pleasure."

TRAINS COLLIDE IN
FOG ON TRESTLE.

Oakland, Cal., Feb. 12.—More than a score of persons were injured today, one fatally, as a result of a collision between Oakland and Berkeley trains on a long trestle of the Key route.

DEMOCRATS FIGHT IN COURT.

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 12.—Injunction proceedings instituted by the Pleasonton City Democratic committee against two other rival committees, involving the right of authority, came up today before the Dallas judges Enban. The hearing was continued until next Friday.

Three Americans on Board the French Ship Sunk in Storm off Minorca.

MANY OTHER VESSELS LOST

Paris, France, Feb. 12.—The French transatlantic steamer General Chanzy, which went to pieces on a reef near the Island of Minorca, Wednesday night with the loss of 138 lives, carried three American passengers, Miss Elsie Henry, address unknown; Leon Derina and possibly Derinda's partner, a man named Green, said to have come from San Francisco or Portland, Ore. They were members of a vaudeville combination on a tour of the colonies.

The wreck occurred while the vessel was running before a terrible storm. The ship struck the reef with great force, and went to pieces almost immediately and only one person was saved. Incoming vessels report the storm in the Mediterranean the worst of their experience.

NEWS OF OTHER WRECKS WAS RECEIVED AT MARSEILLES TODAY. THE SCHOONER MATHILDE FROM DUNKIRK WAS WRECKED NEAR WHERE THE GENERAL CHANZY WENT TO PIECES. THE FATE OF THE CREW IS UNKNOWN.

THE SOLE SURVIVOR.

Palma, Island of Majorca, Feb. 12.—Bodies are floating ashore today from the wreck of the steamer General Chanzy. Marcel Rodet, Algerian customs official, and only survivor, is still unable today to give an account of the disaster. When the vessel went down he clung to a piece of wreckage and was washed ashore. When tossed on the rocks he was rendered insensible. When he finally revived, he wandered aimlessly along the shore finally stumbling into the village of Ciudad Eila almost dead.

FAKE STORY OF MRS. SAGE'S GENEROSITY

That Galveston fakir has been busy again. He sent out a telegram one day this week to the Globe-Democrat of St. Louis, the Hearst papers and several others, not a word of which is the truth. Mrs. Sage gave \$1500 to be divided between the charity associations of San Antonio, and that is all the charity she distributed in Texas. The Galveston fake says:

Wants Street Widened. Gen. Mills's plan is to cut off 15 feet

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