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## RECENT ACQUISITIONS: IMPORTANT FIFTIETH-ANNIVERSARY GIFT FROM LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE'S AGENCY HEADS



In honor of the fiftieth anniversary of the Lincoln Library and Museum, Richard B. Davies of Lincoln/Davies Inc. in Nashville, Tennessee, headed a campaign to raise money for a gift from the Lincoln National Life Insurance Company's one hundred agency heads. The response was extremely fine, and on September 11th of this year the agency heads were on hand to present the first of three items: a bronze statuette of Lincoln by William Zorach.

Zorach (1887-1966) was one of America's most successful modern sculptors. Examples of his work are in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Museum of Modern Art, the Whitney Museum of American Art, and other great museums. Like Lincoln, Zorach was born in a log cabin, but Zorach's birthplace was Lithuania. He came to America with his family in 1891, settling in Cleveland in 1894. He attended school only through the eighth grade, became a lithographer, and studied drawing and painting at the Cleveland School of Art. Zorach later studied art in New York and Paris, and he exhibited in the famous 1913 Armory Show, which introduced Americans to the Cubism of Braque and Picasso, the abstract art of Kandinsky, Brancusi's sculpture, and the post-Cubist painting of Duchamp, whose Nude Descending a Staircase outraged critics. Zorach took no interest in sculpture until 1917, when he began to carve - with a jackknife on wood. He never had any formal instruction in sculpture.

Zorach's sculpture turned away from the "modernism" of his painting. Critics would not say of any of his sculptures, as one did of one of his paintings, that it showed "a cubistic mother feeding a geometrical baby out of a trigonometrical bottle." He became one of the first to advocate direct carving by the sculptor, rather than modeling in clay to be executed by stonecutters. Most of his subjects were conventional and domestic — mothers with children and cats were typical. When he executed a rare historical piece, he altered his style somewhat. Of his statue of Benjamin Franklin for the Benjamin Franklin Post Office in Washington, D.C., Zorach said: "I felt I was doing something for the American people. People have a definite image of Franklin, Washington, Lincoln you just can't ignore this image if your sculpture is to have meaning to the people. I tried to augment that image and give it greater power, dignity and authenticity."

Zorach's Lincoln statuette, executed as a plaster sketch model in 1936 (perhaps for some architectural purpose never realized), seems to have embodied the same philosophy of public sculpture. He admired Daniel Chester French's statue for the Lincoln Memorial, but he did not think it "a great work of art." It was, rather, a monument and, therefore, had to be "awe-inspiring." It had to "have meaning to all people and to children" and "not just for the sophisticated people of the art world."

Zorach's Lincoln — The Emancipator,  $25 \cdot 1/2$  inches high, is only a statuette, but it seems to radiate that monumental purpose. One of six copies cast in bronze, it has the feel of having been carved and a rough-hewn angularity that meshes nicely with Lincoln's oversized rail-splitting hands. The bronze casting appears in none of the standard works on Zorach, and its placement in a collection accessible to the public should be good news for students of art as well as Lincoln enthusiasts. It is an exceedingly important addition to the Lincoln Library and Museum, providing interesting points of comparison and contrast with the heroic bronze statue commissioned by Lincoln National Life in the same period, Paul Manship's The Hoosier Youth. Zorach is often paired with Gaston Lachaise as representing the best in American sculpture between the World Wars, and the Lincoln Library and Museum is much enhanced by the addition of his work.

The gift from the agency heads included as well two extremely rare broadsides. The first is an order concerning the procession in New York City for Lincoln's funeral. It is remarkable in that it associates Lincoln's name with desegregation at a very early date.

The Joint Municipal Committee in Charge of Obsequies was composed of appointees of the Board of Aldermen and the Board of Councilmen. When Negro representatives requested a place in the parade, arguing that there was to be a place even for the PresiThe Colored Leople in the Procession To-day.

#### WASHINGTON, April 24, 1865.

Major-General JOHN A. DIX—It is the desire of the Secretary of War that no discrimination respecting color should be exercised in admitting persons to the funeral procession to-morrow. In this city a black regiment formed part of the escort.

### C. A. DANA, Assistant Secretary of War.

Colored people, or their societies, who wish to join the procession to-day, can do so by forming on West Reade street by twelve o'clock, their right resting on Broadway. Societies should appoint their own Marshals to preserve order.

## Special Time Table for Funeral Train, on Hudson Biver Bailroad, to-day, Tuesday, April 25.

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dent's horse behind the hearse, the Committee turned them down. Republicans charged that the Committee was Tammany controlled, and the New York Times put it very succinctly: "... prejudice against color was supreme with a majority of the committee." The President of the Board of Police Commissioners, Thomas Acton, fought the decision. Accounts differ in regard to whether Acton succeeded before the appearance of the War Department order banning "discrimination respecting color," or because of it. It seems likely that the latter was the case, since newspaper reports of the decision to allow Negroes in the procession coincided with the appearance of the War Department order in the press. Though widely reprinted in the newspapers, the order in its broadside form is not mentioned in any of the standard accounts nor reproduced in books on Lincoln's funeral. This may well be its first publication.

Though as many as 5,000 Negroes had been reported ready to march, only two hundred actually did so. Doubtless, many felt intimidated by the obvious hostility of the local parade authorities. Memories of lynchings and murders of blacks during the draft riots just two years earlier were fresh enough to make ominous the reported remark of one Committeeman that the responsibility for allowing Negroes in the procession would rest with the police. In the end, however, it was widely reported that the Negro group was "the only portion of the procession which was received with any demonstrations of applause."

The second broadside stems from an earlier period. It is the "Plan of the House of Representatives" for the Thirtieth Congress, the only Congress in which Lincoln served. In addition to a diagram indicating the seat of each Congressman, there is a list of the residences in Washington of every Congressman at the bottom. This broadside will not only provide a "feel" for Lincoln's Washington surroundings but also a useful tool for analysts of early Congressional voting, some of whom have noted a high correlation between voting behavior and boardinghouse residence. It was the custom for Congressmen to leave their families at home and live with other Representatives in one of Washington's many boarding houses. Mary Todd Lincoln accompanied her husband to Washington, but she soon returned to her home. Lincoln thought that she hindered him "some in attending to business.'

The House of Representatives met in what is now Statuary Hall in the Capitol.

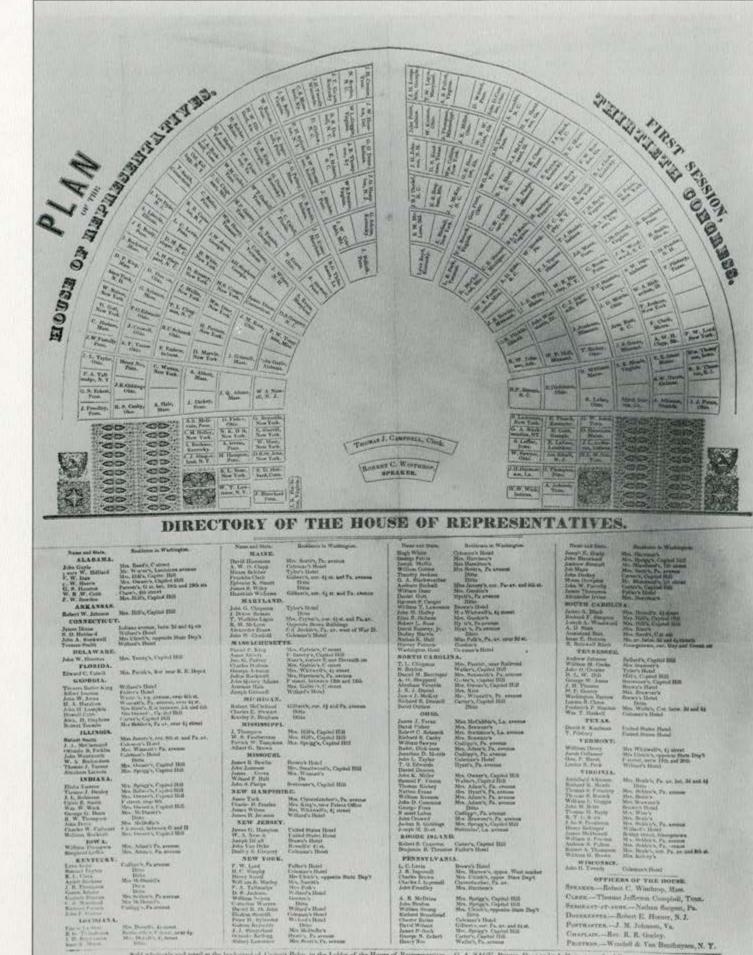
Though there were separate sides of the House for Whigs and Democrats, Congressmen drew their seats by lot. Lincoln's back-row seat was a function of bad luck, not of political obscurity.

Lincoln's single term in national office before the Presidency was memorable for him. He would remember his House colleagues; Indiana's Caleb Blood Smith, for example, would become Lincoln's Secretary of Interior. Even his boardinghouse keeper, Mrs. Sprigg, would be remembered. On July 21, 1864, Lincoln wrote his Secretary of Treasury: "The bearer of this is a most estimable widow lady, at whose house I boarded many years ago when a member of Congress. She now is very needy; & any employment suitable to a lady could not be bestowed on a more worthy person." She became a clerk in the loan office of the Treasury Department.

The Louis A. Warren Lincoln Library and Museum is indebted to Lincoln National Life's agency heads for the generous gift of these items. We owe a special debt to Richard B. Davies for his leadership as well as his personal generosity. It is particularly fitting to have a visible symbol of the spirit of cooperation and support for the Lincoln Library and Museum provided by Lincoln National Life's agencies over the last fifty years.

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