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HERALD REPRINTS April 15, 1865

The account of the assassination and death of Abraham Lincoln which occured seventy-five years ago last week was probably the most sensational was probably the most sensational news story ever printed in America. It is not strange that people would preserve and cherish these black-lined mourning sheets which told of the President's death. It is also reasonable to conclude that reprints would be made of some of these copies.

The Lincoln National Life Foundation has listed up to date forty-one different reprints of the New York Herald for April 15, 1865, and most of these papers are in the collection of the Foundation. This bulletin is an attempt to classify them as they have been reproduced from the original issues.

Two factors definitely separate the original and the reprint copies. The originals are printed on rag paper and have eight pages; the reprints or facsimiles are printed on wood pulp paper and in no instance have more than four pages.

ORIGINAL EDITIONS

REGULAR EDITION 2:00 A. M.— A small caption, "The State Capitol," appears in the fourth column.

SPECIAL EDITION 3:00 A. M.— Condition of President made known in fourth column under caption, "The Latest News."

MOURNING EDITION 8:10 A. M.—
"Death of the President" announced in fourth column under
headline "Extra."

REWARD EDITION 10:00 A. M.— Offer of \$10,000 reward for as-sassins is made in fifth column under "Postscript

5. INAUGURATION EDITION 2:00 P. M.

—"Inauguration of Vice President
Johnson" announced in headline, fourth column.

REPRINT COPIES REGULAR EDITION

 Johnson — Four pages printed from plates. No display advertisements. Second page bears Johnson & Co. inscription.

Unidentified-From same plates as above copy. No name of dis-

tributor appears.
Insert — From same plates as
Johnson copy. "The" has been inserted in last line of sixth column. Distributor unknown.

Virginia—Same plates as Johnson copy. "The Virginia Publicity Company" printed in margin. Winston—Sixty-nine page booklet 5\%" x 9\%" reprinting news data. Published by J. H. Winston, 1891. Nebraska Republican—Same as Johnson, plate execut, for page 3

Johnson plate except for page 3

which contains "Nebraska Republican State Central Committee" article.

MOURNING EDITION Kitchell Series

N. B. Advertising testimonials differ in

First and fourth pages are facsimile of original edition. Kitchell advertisements on second and third pages; also 1890 in date line at top margin.

Same as No. 7 except date 1891 on page 2, still 1890 on page 3.

Same as No. 7 except date 1892 on pages 2 and 3.

Same as No. 7 except date 1893.

Same as No. 10 except for change

in advertising copy testimonals. Same as No. 7 except date 1894. Same as No. 7 except date now 1894 on page 3.

Same as No. 7 except date 1905.

Lincoln Picture Series

(a) Archambault — First page, picture of beardless Lincoln two columns wide. Original edition had no picture. News items on pages 1 and 4 from original 8:10 A. M. Edition. Pages 2 and 3 have advertisements of Dr. Archambault. Numbered 10459 instead of 10456. (1897)

(b) Archambault-Same as above but earlier edition as indicated by 1894 dates on testimonials.

(c) Archambault—Same as above but dated 1896 and contains differ-

ent advertisements on back page. (d) Archambault—Has only two pages. Same plate but plate is injured.

Genesee-Two pages with first page the same as above. Second page has Genesee Food Co. advertisement.

Malena-Has "Free copy, etc." on top margin of first page. Other three pages contain Malena Co. advertisement.

Smith—Advertisements on pages 2, 3, and 4 of W. F. Smith Co.

Bearded—First page, first column head, "Important." Sixth column head, "Extra." Picture of bearded Lincoln, two columns wide.

Dietrich—One page. Imprint on back, "Compliments of Dietrich Galleries, Inc., Detroit, Michigan." Eichmann — Two pages. Second page has "The American Histori-

cal Research Bureau, Michael F. Eichmann and Ass., 1437 to 45 North Gordon Street, Hollywood, Cal."

Union—Union Label in upper right corner. Two center pages blank, wide margin at bottom of pages 1 and 4. Back page shows reproduction of damaged copy.

Plate Reprint Series

26. Barnet-Printed from plates with text on pages 1, 2, 3, and 4 identical with pages 1, 2, 7, and 8, rerespectively, in original edition. Inscription of H. M. Barnet on margins of first and third pages.

Same as above except inscription of Emporium and Golden Rule Bazaar in first page margin, noth-

ing in third.

Magill Weinsheimer Co. — Same as No. 26 but has "Price four cents" at top of first page and "Planographed in 1938 by Magill-Weinsheimer Co., Chicago" margin of page 4.

Unidentified—Same as No. 22 except no inscription.

Six Column Reset Reprint Series

Coldwater - Same wording as original text but number of lines in columns differ. Page 3 has advertisement of Coldwater Road Cart Co.

Mutual-Mutual Union Association advertisement on pages 2 and 3.

Tibbets-Tibbets Cigar Company advertisement on page 3.

Latest - Rearrangement of text showing a caption headline, "Latest," at top of fourth column.

Kansas — Third page advertisement of Kansas City, Memphis, and Birmingham railroad.

Fort Scott — Second and third page advertisement of Kansas City, Fort Scott, and Memphis railroad.

Toppenish-Much changing of position of text due to use of col-umns 2½" wide. No advertise-ments. Distributed by Central Bank of Toppenish, State of Washington. 150,000 copies print-

Wakeley—Like No. 33 but top of first page has "Application pending for copyright, 18?9, by M. Wakeley." Opposite side has "Fassimile copy."

"Facsimile copy.

Brant — First page rearranged and titled "The New York Spe-cial." Pages 2, 3, and most of 4 contain advertising for J. W. Brant and Company, Albion, Michigan.

Seven Column Reset Reprint Series

- German Advertisement of German American Staff of Physicians on second and fourth pages.
- 40. Memorial—Same as above copy except added imprint "Abraham Lincoln Memorial Edition" in margin of first page.
- He-pat-i-cure—Pages 2 and 4 have patent medicine advertisements, one is He-pat-i-cure.