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MOST SIGNIFICANT CARTOON — FEBRUARY 1947

Cartoonists are among the first heralds of current news to emphasize the high points of any international dispute and we might expect the caricatures of Lincoln's birthday for 1947 to gear into the post world war situation and its repercussions. It is amazing how many of these men who visualize the news found something unique at least in Lincoln's Second Inaugural sentiment "With malice towards none."

The Foundation Advisory Group has selected the cartoon entitled *Even Today, Our Biggest Job!* by Alexander appearing in *The Philadelphia Evening Bulletin* as the most significant cartoon for February 12, 1947.

Descriptions of some of the other interesting drawings which were given serious consideration are noted.

"With Malice Towards None"

Statue of Lincoln seated. At his feet, map of U. S. on which are placed six antagonistic groups of different parts of the nation; Oriental question on Pacific coast, Juvenile Delinquency in middle west, Bilbo and Negroes in Mississippi, Georgia governor's race, Elephant vs. Donkey at Washington, Strikes in Pennsylvania area. — *The Pittsburgh Press*.

Dropping In For A Chat

Fireplace scene Uncle Sam and Lincoln seated in arm chairs. Over Lincoln's head the words "Lincoln Ideals." Uncle Sam remarks, "glad to see you, Abe—I always profit by your visits." — *Kansas City Star*.

Model of Humanity

"I tell ya—That Fella Didn't Know His Own Strength."

Two observers looking at statue of Lincoln with inscription on base "A. Lincoln, model of humility." — *Minneapolis Star*.

Mountain of Hope

Head of Lincoln formed into mountain with the crest inscribed "Ideals of Lincoln." A man labeled "The Common People" is attempting to climb the slopes. — *Miami Herald*.

Legacy of the Rail Splitter

A glorified head of Lincoln with an ax driven into log and rails in foreground with the rails inscribed as follows, "Tolerance," "Government of, by, for the peo-

ple," "Humanitarianism," "Freedom of mankind," and "Patriotism." — *Los Angeles Herald Express*.

Barring None

Large profile of Lincoln looks down on miniature capitol at Washington. Inscription at bottom of drawing, "—to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations." Abraham Lincoln. — *Chicago Daily News*.

The Lad Who Walked Seven Miles to Borrow a Book

A cabin in distance surrounded by a rail fence. A youthful Lincoln reading a book while walking with a figure in dim relief by his side called "Self-reliance and Determination," who holds a book inscribed "The Will to Succeed." At the bottom of drawing the inscription "It wasn't so much the book that helped Lincoln — it was the companion who walked with him." — *Chicago Tribune*.

Would They Nominate Him in '48?

Lincoln stands by rail fence with three men observing him designated as "President Makers" with their respective comments "He commits himself on the issues! "Could he carry the silk-stocking wards? "Do you think the plain people would go for him." — *Milwaukee Journal*.

Guidance For Americans Today

A standing Lincoln, hat in one hand, manuscript in the other looking into future designated "Our Post-War Problems" with the inscription "With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us finish the work we are in—" Abraham Lincoln. — *Columbus Evening Dispatch*.

The Stormy Present

Lincoln standing on a globe with inscription, "The Dogmas of the Quiet Past are Inadequate to the Stormy Present. The occasion is piled high with difficulty and we must rise with the occasion." Lincoln's Message to Congress 1862. — *The San Francisco News*.

Lincoln

Lincoln stands on globe with "United Nations" building in foreground and the inscription, "Let us have faith that right makes might and in that faith let us to the end dare to do our duty as we understand it." — *The Indianapolis Star*.

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