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"LINCOLN MADE BY HARD LABOR"

-IDA M. TARBELL

"We need the educative force of hard labor if we are going to make Abraham Lincoln. The country is being ruined by steam heat and upholstered chairs. Don't pity Abraham Lincoln because he was born in poverty and had to work to get his education. Pity your own children because they have money and ease and soft things.

"Abraham Lincoln didn't have steam heat. But he had fresh air, and he had it all the time. And, oh, what fresh air does to a man. Makes him breathe more fully and more physically, makes him vigorous and able to think and so work.

"Some people say that Lincoln was not educated, because he didn't go to high school, never graduated from college. Wonder if they know what education means? It doesn't mean stuffy facts into people, forcing them to learn things. Education means leading out the powers within oneself, the powers which set him above other men, which made him the world figure he was when he was living, and which he is today."

Lincoln Trail 400 Years Old.

These unlooked truths were spoken by Miss Ida M. Tarbell, writer, lecturer, Lincoln historian, thinker, speaker of facts, critic of the world's affairs. In her talk before the meeting of the Mid-Day Luncheon club held at the Leland Hotel yesterday noon in her honor. Miss Tarbell spoke to an audience of men and women who filled the banquet hall of the hotel to capacity, and held her audience throughout her talk by the force of her utterance, the value of the things she had to say, and by her real charm as a speaker.

Her subject was "The Lincoln Trail," which, she explained, dated back for four hundred years and leads from Bingham, Maine, where Satan Lincoln, the first member of his Lincoln family, lived, to America, landed with a group of Pilgrims to Amsteldyck in the sixteenth or seventeenth years old, and leads west by Kentucky and Illinois, Springfield and Old Salem, and then to Washington and around the world.

"Miss Tarbell is in Springfield traveling this trail, which she made twenty-five years ago when she wrote her first book on the life of Lincoln. She is now gathering material for a new book, and in engaged in research in this city. She has spent much time in the Lincoln library, the state historical library, with Henry B. Rankin, at the Lincoln tomb, and at the various Lincoln sites about the city, and at Old Salem near Petersburg.

"I have been asked why I am making this pilgrimage once again. People say to me, 'You have written one life of Lincoln, don't you know all about Lincoln that you can learn?' My friends, I have undertaken this fresh work, this new pilgrimage over the Lincoln trail to his birthplace and home in Kentucky, to his home at Old Salem, and to Springfield, because I do not know enough about Lincoln."

Powers Can't Win Within.

"There is something in Mr. Taft's philosophy, some depths of his spirit, of his conception of democracy which I have not yet come in contact with, and it is much bigger than a form of government, a social system. We have found this out the last six years. The idea in democracy was not merely a form of government, but a great human tide, coming from the beginning of things, going on and on, moving all men with some intellectual and moral force. Its basis was not economic, but moral, and educating purposes which became an act-

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Visitors At Lincoln’s Tomb

There were four pages of callers at the last two days at Lincoln’s tomb.
The most distinguished guest Wednesday was Congressman Richard Yates, former governor and son of the Civil War governor.

It was the forty-sixth anniversary on election day of the attempt to steal Lincoln’s body.

Other caller were: Richard L. Smith, the Chicago landscape gardener, who was out with Herbert George, the photographer.

Other enthusiasts were Fred L. France, who paid a visit to the tomb Wednesday and sent the message that a complete set of the president’s was for sale Thursday.

Charles Kettner, formerly of Davenport, and Mrs. Harry Olson, whose home is in Davenport, were called. The latter was accompanied by Mrs. C. F. Connoll of South Pekin.

The most distinguished caller of yesteryear was Miss Ida M. Tarbell of New York, the most famous living biographer of Lincoln. She paid an hour at the tomb and extended the time after 6 o’clock and got locked in the cemetery. She was out with the Misses Faye and Young, in automobiles, and Custodian H. W. Fay came to the rescue and let them out.

Ining force with all peoples of the world.

Lincolln was not ‘raised up.’ No one from without could have elevated him. That power came from within, and if we, my friends, could just find out what his philosophy was, how he thought, then we, when we read the Bible to him, might have come from the Bible. (Ed.) I’d like to find it.

Pays Rankin Tribute.

Miss Tarbell paid a beautiful tribute to Henry B. Rankin, now eighty-seven years old, who has lived on his couch thirty-nine years, and who a few years ago wrote a book, “Personal Recollections of Abraham Lincoln.”

“Mr. Pope, more, Miss Tarbell stated, to the Lincoln students to a better understanding of Lincoln, than any other writer I have ever known.”

I came back to Springfield six years ago to see Mr. Franklin after I had read the manuscript of his book. He is one of the big souls I have ever known, with his indomitable courage under suffering and handicap as he has, and he has contributed more to a real understanding of Lincoln than any other writer I have ever known.”

Mrs. Jesse Palmer Weber presented as chairman of the meeting yesterday afternoon, introducing Miss Tarbell to the audience. Seated at the speaker’s table were representatives of all the leading women’s organizations of the city. Rev. W. F. Rottengruber gave the invitation, Mrs. Gary Westenberger, whose lively voice is always enjoyed by a Springfield audience, and who is at her best in a big room such as the banquet hall of the Lincoln hotel, sang two songs, “Mighty Lak’ a Rose,” by Noyes, and “From the Land of the Sky Blue Water,” by Cadman, both Music Memory compositions. Mrs. Esther Hock-Wolowsky played the accompaniment.

TELLS AD CLUB OF MARY GOSA

How the small commercial institutions of the country are being aided in their advertising and marketing of goods-free of charge, by the department of research of the Chicago Publishing company was graphically described yesterday noon by Miss Marian Gosa, Philadelphia, in an address before members of the Abe Lincoln Ad club, in the Sangamo club.

Miss Gosa was formerly connected with the institution, and told of the extent of the work.

Other speakers were Morris Myers, Myers brothers, and Mrs. Hal Kane Clements of the Illinois State Journal.

Mr. Myers read a report on the convention of the advertising clubs of the world, which is to be held in London, England, in 1926. He said that extensive preparations are being made by the public and the advertisers of the old world to entertain the American ad men.

Mrs. Clements gave an address on advertising that would appeal to the women buyers.

Efforts are being made by the dance committee of the club to secure the arrears for their mask dance to be held soon, and as soon as arrangements are made the date will be definitely announced.

ONE KILLED, THREE HURT IN COLLISION

Peru, Ind., Nov. 8—Engineer Parrish was killed and three trainmen injured today when two freight trains on the Lake Erie and Western collided head on between Peru and Denver.

The trainmen were only slightly hurt. Two of them live in Peru and one in Tipton.

Thirteen freight cars were derailed and traffic was delayed several hours.

Three Hens Stolen.

John Marx, 1839 North Eighth street, reported to police yesterday that his hen coop was entered Wednesday night and three Plymouth Rock hens stolen.