

## NOTES FOR LINCOLN BULLETIN

Paul Angle asks me to write for them an article on the contrast between present Lincoln research and what I found forty-five years ago.

### 1. The Biographies in existence

Herndon and Nickolay and Hay, also a great amount of controversial literature and comment which the two had aroused. Think the Century Supplementary Papers should be noted in connection with Nickolay and Hay.

The Herndon Papers were not accessible. Weik was holding them.

### 2. Letters

Mr. Nickolay contended all letters of importance had been published in his complete works. This seemed to me doubtful. Subsequent collections: Tracy, Townsend, Angle, Herz.

### 3. Contemporary Documents

No thorough sifting of newspapers up to that time. Some important things unearthed since.

### 4. Memoirs

Particularly Hay and Wells. These contributions to Civil War period.

### 5. Vast amount of personal reminiscence to be had

J. McCann Davis work, Carl Sandburg's.

### 6. The Big Four

My indebtedness to Major Lambert. Contrast now and then in this matter of collections.