

318 Church St.,
Vincennes, Ind.,
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New York,

Dear Sir:-

You asked for items concerning myself & how
I am connected with these Lincoln events:

Well, I am very much interested in Lincoln
& you shall have a full outline or resume of
my work when the plan for the University is
complete, if you care to act as trustee in a "Free
National University" to be erected in honor
of Abraham Lincoln's efforts in obtaining
an education we will send you full in-
formation. As this University will be on the
Lincoln farm I did not answer you about
Sally Lincoln Grigsby's grave.

This explanation is for you; if you care to
have the full report I will give it to you in
two months.

I am sorry the photographs are so late
Have you no newspapers connected with your
syndicate? "The Lincolniana" is the literary
fad of this year. The Times-Herald, Chicago, has
one page every Sunday devoted to men who want

to tell a story about "Abraham Lincoln & I"; The Ladies' Home Journal will have "Lincoln's Sweethearts in Ill. ^{by Spaulding} The Evansville, Ind. Journal is having, well the life of A. L. in detail.

Now, as not one of these have his boyhood sweethearts I hunted up as many as I possibly could in the two weeks I was in Southern Ind. & I am very sorry you cannot wait the country photographer's leisure. As Shore charged \$15 a day & it took three days for the trip you see at your prices I could not send you much extra material. I have ^{ordered} the photographs of the three living Branfords; the two living Gentrys; two Grigsbys; the two cupboards that Thomas Lincoln made; an old flatboat; two sweethearts of A. L.; & several neighbors; making eighteen in all. I have Capt. & Mrs. Lamar's & Gen. Deatch's photographs but I think all the neighbors should be in one issue. Therefore I send you a four page ms. & save the other to go with the photographs I have ordered. Yet I want them all together. In haste yours respectfully,
A. Hooser.