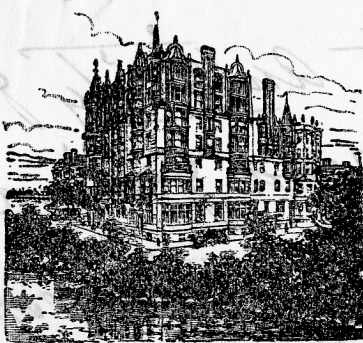




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Boston,

Jan. 31st 1926

My dear Miss Tarbell —

Upon a recent
visit to Washington D.C., I was speaking
of wanting to find out in what Book
or Writing on Lincoln there was the
record of a certain Lincoln incident —
& was told that you were the Lincoln
Authority! And so I am troubling you!
To explain my quest I enclose my
article of 1923 in the Boston Transcript
on "The Lincoln Salute for Women".
Will you kindly read it thro, & better
to understand my quest.

I greatly desire the authority for
this incident — a good friend
Mrs Saml. J. Mixter of Boston
told it to me — during ^{the} War — I failed
to ask her where she found it.
She has since died — also her husband
the Dr. We always felt Mrs Mixter
Never spoke without authority — & that
all she ever stated as fact was
fact & truth — so was she trusted!
Some one suggested my asking you
as you may have come across the
incident in your thorough readings &
study of Lincoln. I have "put
my hand" to the making of this
Salute a national one for women
wherever used, to carry Lincoln's name!



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It has gone already further than
my article quotes - from that
Convention at the State House of
Mass. Legion Auxiliaries - of 1920
it was taken on to the National
Conference of ¹⁹²¹ same & there adopted.
There are many threads of connection
that should take it on into hundreds
of organizations! Will you help me
& you can on this bit of the road?
Keep my article, & picture of them ^{salute} for reference
if you have the interest to do so.
Cordially - M. B. Becker (Mrs Frederic Becker)