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"This government cannot endure permanently half slave and half free"

ABRAHAM LINCOLN

THE
Lincoln-Douglas
SOCIETY
of FREEPORT, ILLINOIS

OFFICE—121-123 S. LIBERTY AVENUE
FREEPORT, ILLINOIS

"I am not for the dissolution of the Union under any circumstances"

STEPHEN A. DOUGLAS

August 6th. 1929.

Miss Ida Tarbell,
120 E. 19th St.,
New York City, N. Y.

c/1st

Dear Madam:

You are hereby cordially invited to become a member of the Lincoln-Douglas Society of Freeport.

The Society is organized to preserve and foster an interest in the great Lincoln-Douglas episode in American history and keep alive its lessons in patriotism and civic worth. It also aims to cultivate the field of more local historical interest. It should be a matter of pride to the people of northern Illinois that Freeport is one of the milestones in American history by virtue of the great debate held here August 27, 1858 and the momentous consequences that flowed from it. It is, therefore, in a sense, a patriotic duty of this community to preserve this great distinction. The unveiling of the Crunelle statue of Lincoln here August 27th is appropriately in line with this duty and makes opportune the forming of a strong society for the laudable purpose of recalling Freeport's historical heritage.

Not only the citizens of Freeport and Stephenson County are invited to enroll in the Society but those of other cities and localities as well.

The enclosed circular gives more fully the objects and purposes of the Society. With this circular is also enclosed an application blank for membership, which may be returned to the office of this Society.

Trusting that we may have the honor of your membership and cooperation in the inspiring purposes of the Society, we are

Cordially yours,

THE LINCOLN-DOUGLAS SOCIETY

Donald L. Breed.

D. L. BREED,
Chairman, Membership Committee

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You are cordially invited
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a statue of

ABRAHAM LINCOLN

in Freeport, Illinois

August twenty-seventh
nineteen hundred twenty-nine

The Seventy-first Anniversary
of the Freeport Debate

The Lincoln-Douglas Society

Freeport, Illinois

THE STATUE IS BY LEONARD CRUNELLE AND IS PRESENTED TO THE CITY OF FREEPORT BY HON. W. T. RAWLEIGH. BESIDES AN INTERESTING PROGRAM, THERE IS BEING ARRANGED AN UNUSUALLY INTERESTING EXHIBIT OF OBJECTS AND MEMENTOS OF HISTORICAL INTEREST RELATIVE TO THE LIFE AND WORKS OF LINCOLN