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ABRAHAM LINCOLN MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION

Sponsored by:
The Old Salem Lincoln League
Petersburg, Illinois

PETERSBURG, ILLINOIS
HOTEL NEW SALEM

Being Produced by:
The Worth Film Corp.
St. Charles, Illinois



January 31st 1936

Miss Ida Tarbell
120 East 19th Street
New York City

Dear Miss Tarbell :

Many biographies of Abraham Lincoln have been written in book form, but never has one been created in motion picture form. This is now being done.

This film will be a perpetual source of information to students of history, geography, and economics.

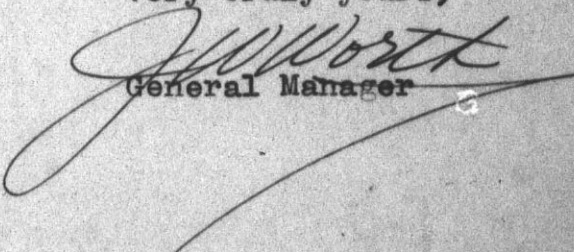
Knowing of your interest in Lincolniana, we take the liberty of asking your support of this project, as explained in the inclosure attached hereto.

Any contribution you can make will be invaluable toward the completion of this production.

Should you be in this vicinity, we would welcome your visiting us.

Thanking you in advance for your consideration and assistance,

Very truly yours,


General Manager

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FILM TITLE

The Life Of Abraham Lincoln.

DESCRIPTION

A motion picture (sound and silent versions) beginning with the entry of Lincoln's grandparents into Kentucky in 1792, and ending with his departure from Springfield Illinois in 1861. The film is being constructed in true historical and biographical order ;

Reel 1 - Ancestry, birth, and boyhood in Kentucky and Indiana.

Reel 2 - His youth in Indiana.

Reels 3 & 4-Young manhood in Illinois and the formative years at New Salem.

Reels 5 & 6-As a lawyer and politician (Springfield, Washington, and the 8th Judicial Circuit)

PURPOSE

- 1 - To be shown to school classes as a historical and geographical subject.
- 2 - For lectures before clubs, churches, colleges, historical societies, and other adult groups.
- 3 - For sale or rental to individuals for home use.

SPONSORS

The Old Salem-Lincoln League of Petersburg, Illinois, who, since 1917, have devoted themselves to the restoration of the old village of New Salem, and the erection and furnishing of the old cabins in their original form.

PRODUCERS

The Worth Educational Film Corp., of St Charles, Illinois, who are engaged in the production of motion pictures for the non-theatrical field.

FINANCE

Neither the sponsors, nor the producer, are financially capable of defraying the entire expense of this lengthy production, and it will be necessary to obtain Ten Thousand Dollars from contributory sources, which will be returned to the contributors from the potential earnings of the finished film.

INSTRUCTIONS

Make checks payable to "The Abraham Lincoln Production"