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LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION.

Arrangements are completed for the celebration at Springfield by the Lincoln Centennial Association on February 12, 1916, of the one hundred and seventh anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln.

A luncheon will be given at the Executive Mansion by Governor Dunne to the speakers and other guests.

A meeting will be held in the afternoon at the Tabernacle, the building especially erected for the revival services conducted by the Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, to which the general public is invited. At this afternoon mass meeting the principal address will be delivered by Rev. William A. Quayle of St. Paul, Minnesota, Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

At the banquet to be given in the evening at the State Arsenal, United States Senators James Hamilton Lewis and Lawrence Y. Sherman will be the principal speakers. Judge J Otis Humphrey will be toastmaster.

ILLINOIS DAY, DECEMBER 3, CELEBRATED BY A  
BANQUET AT THE ST. NICHOLAS HOTEL,  
SPRINGFIELD.

The Springfield Commercial Association gave a banquet on Illinois Day, December 3, 1915, at which the Illinois Centennial Commission and the Directors of the Illinois State Historical Society were guests of honor. About two hundred men and women were present. Governor E. F. Dunne acted as toastmaster and introduced the speakers, who were: Hugh S. Magill, Jr., Kent E. Keller and N. W. MacChesney of Chicago, who delivered the principal address. Letters and telegrams of greeting were received from commercial associations of numerous other cities throughout the State, who were at the same time celebrating the birthday of Illinois.

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ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ILLINOIS STATE  
HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

The seventeenth annual meeting of the Illinois State Historical Society will be held in the Senate Chamber in the State House at Springfield, Thursday and Friday, May 11-12, 1916.

A fine program will be presented. The annual address will be given by the Hon. Fred J. Kern, chairman of the State Board of Administration.

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FORT ARMSTRONG CENTENNIAL, JUNE 18-25, 1916.

The Tri-Cities—Moline, Rock Island and Davenport—will, during the week of June 18-25, 1916, celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of Fort Armstrong on the Island of Rock Island.

The week's celebration will begin on Sunday, June 18th, with a home-coming day, with special services in the churches.

The week will be filled with many interesting features, among which will be a river pageant, the dedication of the rebuilt block-house or Fort Armstrong, historical and floral pageants and many other interesting events.

The Rock Island Historical Society is one of the principal agents in the centennial plans.

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### THE INDIANA CENTENNIAL.

The year 1916 is the one hundredth anniversary of the admission of Indiana as a State of the Federal Union. Preparations have been made under the auspices of the Indiana Historical Commission for a celebration in each county of the State and for a general celebration at Indianapolis in October. The people of Illinois will watch with interest this centennial observance in their neighboring State and will profit by its experience.

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### LINCOLN EXHIBIT RETURNED FROM SAN FRANCISCO AND PLACED ON EXHIBITION IN CHICAGO.

The Lincoln Memorial Exhibit which was shown in the Illinois Building at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition has been placed in the G. A. R. Memorial Hall in the Public Library Building in Chicago.

Thousands of people from all parts of the United States and many from foreign countries, including large numbers of school children, visited it in San Francisco. The Chicago Tribune asked the Illinois Commissioners to the Exposition and the Trustees of the Illinois State Historical Library to place it on exhibition in Chicago in order that the citizens of Chicago, especially the pupils in the schools, might have the privilege of visiting it, which was accorded the citizens and school children of California.

The Directors of the G. A. R. Memorial Association gladly gave their beautiful hall for the purpose and many citizens of Chicago and other places loaned additional articles, especially relics, which were too precious to be risked, or too large to be taken to California. Mr. Charles F. Gunther loaned for the exhibit the piano which Mrs. Lincoln owned while at the White House.

Mr. Frank G. Logan loaned the coat worn by Mr. Lincoln on the night on which he was assassinated; the original shawl which Mr. Lincoln wore, and in which he was so often photographed, was also loaned by Mr. Logan; the Chicago Historical Society made a fine exhibit, which was beautifully and carefully installed by Miss Caroline M. McIlvaine, librarian of the Society. Dr. B. J. Cigrand of Batavia, also placed an interesting case of historical material in the exhibit. Many persons aided in making this exhibit even more complete and interesting than it was in San Francisco.

It was installed in Chicago by the secretary of the Illinois State Historical Society, Mrs. Jessie Palmer Weber, assisted by Miss Georgia L. Osborne, the assistant librarian. Miss Osborne had charge of the exhibit in San Francisco for five months and is most familiar with it in every detail. Hon. N. Elmo Franklin, chairman of the committee of the State Commission to the Exposition under which the exhibit was made, gave his personal attention to its installation in Chicago.

The exhibit will be in Chicago during January and February, and it will be shown as a part of the Lincoln's Birthday services by the G. A. R. Memorial Association. All of the officials of the Memorial Association were most kind and helpful in placing the exhibit in its beautiful hall. Special mention must be made of the unfailing kindness and courtesy of General Walter R. Robbins and Mr. Charles E. Vaughan.

The exhibit will be in charge of Miss Anne C. Flaherty who had charge of it in San Francisco from May to August.

LORADO TAFT AGAIN HONORS TOWN OF OREGON.

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SOLDIERS' MONUMENT TO MEMORY OF OGLE COUNTY'S CIVIL WAR  
VOLUNTEERS FOR CITY SQUARE.

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Lorado Taft, the sculptor, for a second time will honor Ogle County and the little town of Oregon, one hundred miles west of Chicago, by offering his sculptor's art in originating the design for a monument.

This last great work, now nearing completion, is to be a monument to the memory of the men who went from Ogle County to fight in the Civil War—a soldiers' monument. Mr. Taft already has completed the models and they are now in Georgia where exact replicas are being carved in marble.

Several bronze tablets, forming the background, will bear the names of the three thousand five hundred volunteers. The monument is to be dedicated in May. It will stand in the center of the court house square.

Six years ago, Mr. Taft honored Ogle County by selecting Eagle's Nest, a picturesque cliff which overlooks Rock River, as the site for the Indian statue known as the Black Hawk statue, erected to the memory of the first Americans.

At either end of the soldiers' monument will be the figure of a soldier—a cavalryman at one end and an infantryman at the other. In the center will be the draped figure of a woman, representing the Republic.

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GIFTS OF BOOKS, LETTERS, PHOTOGRAPHS, MANU-  
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