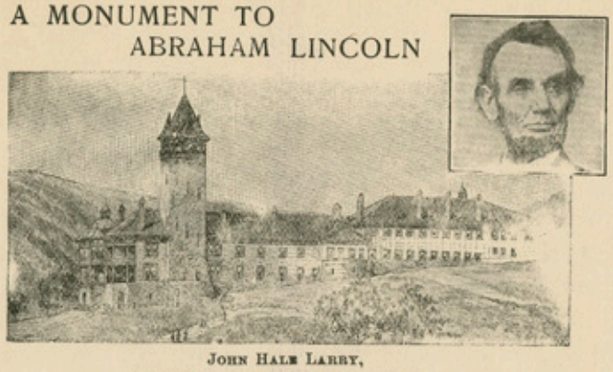
Lincoln Memorial University

Cumberland Gap, Tenn.

A MONUMENT TO
ABRAHAM LINCOLN



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Cumberland Gap, April 26, 1900.

Dear Mr. Converse:-

Our acting President, Mr. Larry, has brought me to the building pictured above, and I have been with him a week. It is marvelous how much has been done the past winter. I enclose the letter of a promising young lawyer, Mr. Hughes, who lives at Tazewell, the country-seat.

It is only a beginning, but it is a good one. I feel that the $15,000 that I have raised to give us a clear title to this beautiful farm, and the $2,000 expended to redeem and repair the Grant and Lee hall (that had been five years without occupant) of all the Harrow School plant, with considerable ground and several buildings, valued at $40,000 is a part of the endowment. By the unpaid subscriptions $7,450; by promises contingent on our securing $100,000; and a subscription of $5,000, not including yours, the endowment is further increased. Again, Dr. Pearsons told President Blanchard, of Wheaton College, that he, Dr. Pearsons, would give us $50,000 when certain industrial features of our school are further developed- which will be easily effected.

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Necessary repairs on Grant and Lee Hall, ---------	2,000.
Your own contingent subscription----------	5,000.
Total, ----------	$84,450.

The miscellaneous donations have been as follows: Hoe and Co., N. Y., printing press, value $1,200; steam-engine, purchased $800; eleven acres, to obtain entrance to farm, $362.50; W. H. Barry, Boston, piano and organ, $300; Haines & Co., Boston, band instruments, $290; Mr. Moen, Worcester, wire fencing, $350; Funk and Wagnalls, Century Co. and Merriam and Bros., books, $160; Dr. Larry, job-press $100; Remington & Co., type-writer, $100, Prof. A. D. Lerethe, school-desks, $67.60; P. P. Mast and Co., grain-drill, $85; National Sewing Machine Company, Sewing machine, $35; Silverman & Co., Salem, Ohio, feed-cutter, $45. Total $3,895.10.

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26 Broadway,
New York.

April 26th, 1900.

Gen. O. O. Howard,
Care Col. Adams,
177 Broadway, New York.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of April 21st to Mr. John D. Rockefeller was duly received. Mr. Rockefeller feels, however, that he can add nothing to his letter to you of February 3rd, 1899.

Very truly,

George D. Rogers

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Pastor's Study,
Dwight Place Church,
New Haven, Conn.

April 26, 1906

My dear Gen. Howard.

I did not realize when I left you at the Church last Sunday night that I should not see you the next day. But going on the first train in A.M. to attend the Ecumenical Conference prevented a more courteous leave taking.

Allow me to express my great satisfaction at your presence with us & the words you spoke which

had so much to do with making the Service Sunday Evening worthy the work & merits of Dr Pritchett.

I shall seek the opportunity of securing a Collection in the near future for the Lincoln Memorial University: not in any sense as pay for what you have done but in sympathy with what we believe must be a good thing because of your interest in it. Our Annual Home Mis Offering Comes May 20th & my Boys Brigade & Boys Chois & Girl Chois have been at

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Dwight Place Church,
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mch several mebs on the
Exercise "Boys & Girls Home
Missionary Army" & will
present at May 13th to stir
up interest in the Collection
May 20th.
Wishing you length of days
& continued strength in the
service of our Lord &
Master, I am
Sincerely Yours
Wm W. Leete

Pastor's Study,
Dwight Place Church,
New Haven, Conn.

Noch Jemand welche von Ihr
Kennen "Gott sei Dank"
Unterzeichnete "Jesus Heiland
Heraus" Mai 13 ist es
ist erschienen in Gelbe
Blätter so:

Wenn Ihr Lieb'st du Ihr
Gewinnst Christi zu
Werke, so Herr
Meister, Du Christ!

Herzlich Grüsse

Custom-House, Portland, Me.,
SURVEYOR'S OFFICE,

Apl. 26th, 1900

Dear General Howard:

What can we do but try to get Senator Frye to get a pension bill through Congress in dear Sampson's behalf?

We can't take it off as individuals. We need aid unsolicited on account of disabilities incurred in the service.

The State could hardly make provision for her, suitable to her present condition.

It is "competent" for Congress, I think, to grant her a pension on the ground of long, faithful and taxing service, — & perhaps disability incurred in the line of such service, — and I think such a measure would receive the favor of Congressmen from other States. Her service ought to be recognized. God bless you in your noble work. Yours as always

Joshua L. Chamberlain

Dorothea is quite sick with "grippe" & is totally blind. C.

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Custom-House, Portland, Me.,
SURVEYOR'S OFFICE,

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Do you think you could present this to Senator Frye? Would not Senator Dorsey take it up?

I will hold Col Griffin's letter until I hear from you again.

yrs
J. L. G.

Are you coming to Commencement?

G.

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Office of
Chas. T. Yerkes.
54 Wall Street.
New York City.

Cable Address, YERKES, NEW YORK.

April 27, 1900.

General O. O. Howard,
Care Col. H. H. Adams,
177 Broadway,
New York City.

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Yours truly,

T. K. Waller

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Cable Address:
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American Bible Society,

Post-office Address:
Box B, Station D,
New York.

EDWARD W. GILMAN, D.D.,
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WILLIAM I. HAVEN, D.D.,
Corresponding Secretaries.

Bible House, New York.

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Gen. O. O. Howard,

156 College St., Burlington, Vt.

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W. I. Haven
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Rec. Sec.

4 Olyphant Park,
Morristown N.J.
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To Gen. Gen. Howard,
Burlington, Vt.

My dear Sir:

I wish to make use of the story in dipping in reference to Gen. Howard's visit here June 17th. It is capital — as like the General. May I ask if it is substantially correct? Sorry to trouble you again. Kindly return the same and thanking you for your favor, I am

Very truly yours,
H. W. Lundgren

4 Olyphant Park,
Morristown,
New Jersey.

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Hellmuth-Verl.
Wilhelmsdorfer Str.
Berlin 17. 1906.

An den Verleger,
Buchhändler etc.
Wolmar Sie:

Damit Ihnen nun y Ihr
einer ein Exemplar zu sogenannen
e-Ihre. Hermann u. mein. Dem
Jahre 1906 ist ein erfolgreiches
für Hermann. Wir hoffen sich-
ich ...tatsächlich erreicht; Ihm
e-Familie gut gehen. Leider
nehmen Ihr Hermann und Familie
gegen Ihre gute Hermann, dem
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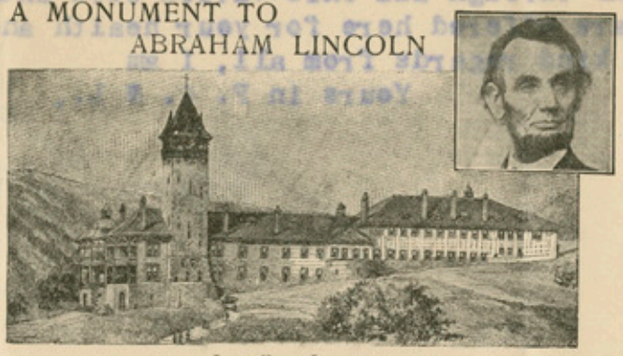

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~~Burlington, Vermont,~~ 190
Cumberland Gap, Tenn. APril 28, 1900.

GenO. O. Howard,
Burlington, Vt.
My dear General:-

We have just received word from your son that you cannot be here until commencement week. I feared this would be the case when you left, as I know how many calls there are upon you at this season of the year. We shall miss having your advice on the many things that are now coming up but we will do our best and look for Divine guidance.

Mr. Myers is here but so far I am none the wiser for his coming. The Harrow School board-meeting will be to day and Mr. Eager will inform you of results. I am very sorry that neither you nor Mr. Hughes can be present but trust that all will go well. I am sending out personal invitations to the Directors to come at the close of the school, promising them entertainment, etc. Would it not be well for you to invite those who may be helpful to our work, asking them to notify me as well as yourself of their acceptance I have ordered the material for our new coach (stage coach) and I hope to get it ready on time but if I should fail, I will have our new farm wagon fixed with sprung seats, etc.

Our young people are working very hard now. The girls have breakfast ready at 5 o'clock and all hands go to work at 5.30, making gardens and doing other kinds of work. We are celebrating Arbor Day in earnest. We shall set out over 400 trees today, apples, peahes, plum, pears, quinces, apricots, cherries, etc. These were obtained through the "Mountain Herald" advertising by the help of Mr. Thomas Fulkerson, who is proving himself a real friend. A Pennsylvania firm sent us a fine horse cultivator at his suggestion. It will be just what we want. Seeds have also come from another firm. I am anxious to see some decision in regard to a building on the old foundations but I suppose I shall have to wait till the annual meeting before any start can be made.

We hope to see you soon. Please let us know just when you

will arrive that we may have our team at the station. Take good care of yourself through all this varied work and remember that many prayers are offered here for your health and your success.

With kind regards from all, I am

Yours in F. C. & L.,

John Hale Lavry.

LINCOLN MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY

GEN. O. O. HOWARD, MANAGING DIRECTOR — DR. JOHN HALE LARRY, ASS'T MANAGING DIRECTOR

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CHAS. F. EAGER. SEC.

HARROW AND ELLEN M. MYERS SCHOOLS

JOSEPH M. WEAVER, PRINCIPAL

Cumberland Gap, Tenn. Apl. 28, 1900.

Gen. O. O. Howard,
New York City,

Dear Gen. Howard: Your kind favor of 24th inst at hand. Regret that you will not be with us longer before closing of school, but hope that your change of plans is all for the best, and that the harvest will be great. Bro. Myers returned within a day or two after you went away.

I at once called a meeting of the Harrow School Directors, which was held today. All the directors were present except Mr. Myers. It was unanimously voted to request the trustees of Harrow School property to make, at once a deed of all the property both real and personal to Lincoln Memorial University in accordance with the contract entered into Dec. 13, 1897, and that Mr. Hughes prepare the necessary papers for the transfer and get them executed. He will be here next Tuesday May 1st for that purpose. I will report the result later. We can use some funds here to good advantage whenever there is any for that purpose.

Sincerely Yours. Chas. F. Eager Sec'y

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Chicago April 28th, 190 0
1218 Wrightwood Avenue.

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Dear Friend:-

I have long, as managing editor of Young People's Weekly been intent upon turning to you for help. Now, with the close of the century, we purpose to start in good and strong with every one who can give inspiration to our young people. The hope of the nation is our young folks, and we must in every way in our power, keep their eyes fixed upon that which shall make good growth for the future.

With this I mail you a copy of our Young People's Weekly which has been under my supervision since its initial number. It now has a paid circulation of over two hundred and thirty thousand young people. This is a mighty army to care for, and these young folks are the heart of Christian families. In its earlier day, Young People's Weekly entered the homes through the medium of the Sunday-school. Entirely But it has outgrown that day, and now has a large single subscription, and among our readers are many who will, with the coming campaign, cast their first vote. We are particularly anxious not only to interest them, but guide them. Can you not furnish us an article for publication during the year 1901, on the subject of "West Point In 1854" procuring for it photographs that will attract the eye of the youth even before he seeks to read. We are in no haste for the article, but we simply ask for an assurancethat it will be forth-coming during the year. For an article of two thousand words in length we shall be glad to pay $50.00 paying for it on its receipt, without waiting for issue. Also re-imbursing you for the expense of any photographs you may incur. I sincerely hope Mr. Howard, you may find it in your power to grant this request. The day has gone by when our young folks read only sensational fiction; they are willing to read better, if it is placed before them in portable shape. But time goes with a sweep. They are hasty and eager, and everything now must be focused for them.

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180 avenue Victor Hugo
Paris France
Apr 29 1900

Dear Father: Please note my new address for letters as above. My cable address which you will not need is, HARJES FOR HOWARD PARIS. Your welcome letter of Apr 10 from Cumberland Keys came & I sent it to Adelbert who has read it & sent it back to me. He joins me here about May 4 & stays here a month or two. Not decided yet how long. We never live beyond our income. We must save something for old age. We are well. I am very busy & pretty tired. Rise 5½ breakfast 6½ work 7 to 12 & 1 to 6. Then after supper & keeping books & write letters. Sundays I rest, read a very little & write letters. I think these long hours & days will stick in 8 weeks more when the exhibits I am setting up for 4 different companies will be ready. Then I will only have my jury of awards work to perform. I come to rest at Paris but I am working harder than ever. I come expecting to live at a loss. But with two new clients here I am earning a living. At least for the present. I am about to decline $10 a day from the Govt for some temporary engineering work because it interferes with other previous engagements. The U.S. Commission is crowded with general administrators but no men with technical & practical education or experience. Hence it has difficulty in getting the actual "construction" accomplished. There is plenty of work for me or has been since

I am very thankful for my general education & for the good opportunities which come to me - success seems to lie in recognizing an opportunity when it comes & in seizing it on the spot. There is doing the work rapidly & well. I may accept the govt work if I can take it on my terms & conditions. I the name & direct my own assistant & resign at once at any time I am not satisfied - It is the erection of some engineering structures & machinery & the men appointed thro' influence have [illegible] to do the work - It must now be done night & day - moreover I speak French which gives me an immense advantage in handling mechanics here. I may be detained here till November - possibly visit the U.S. once this summer on business.

A good letter from Chauncey has arrived - It looks brighter for him now. I wish I could help him more in his many trials - but he hems up bravely. I wish he could get in closer touch with men (not figures) but men.

With love for you
affectionate son Jamie.

Colchester Philippines Aug 9.

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President's Office,
The Fidelity Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Dictated. Philadelphia, April 30, 1900

GEN. O. O. HOWARD,
Burlington, Vt.

Dear Sir;-

Sarah P. Brodie has applied to this Company for insurance and has given your name as one with whom she has been intimate the past few years. In the execution of our important trust we always desire from responsible persons information collateral to the statements. Will you not have the kindness to fill up the enclosed blank and return it to us at your earliest convenience? You can rest assured that what you say will be used only to guide us in the interest of justice, and will be held in strict confidence.

Yours truly,

L G Force

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President.

Governor Barnes, thro' the Board of Regents.

It seems that the Governor would like to have Prof. Murdaugh retained, but he wants some expression from prominent men outside of the Territory, with which to go before the Board of Regents.

Governor Barnes is a G. A. R. man, and an expression, somewhat like the following, from

April 30, 1900

U.S.S. Windom.

My dear General:

My brother-in-law, Prof. E. D. Murdaugh, is a candidate for re-election as president of the Oklahoma Territory Normal School. He has been its president for three or four years, and the results have shown his efficiency. It is an appointment almost wholly in the hands of

you would have weight with him, and be a great favor to all of us: —

"I should be glad to know that Prof. E. D. Murdaugh is still retained at the head of the Oklahoma Normal School".

The Regents meet on May 8th, and any communication that you send, should be in the hands of Governor Frantz at Guthrie, Okla. by May 6th.

I trust you do not think that I am asking more than I should.

Sincerely yours,

W. T. Jacobs.

April 30, 1900.

Ans

Montevideo, Minn. April. 30th 1900

General O. O. Howard
Burlington
Vermont.

Dear Sir:

Through circulars I have become interested in the Lincoln Memorial University. Its purpose and method appeal to me strongly and I believe there is a splendid opportunity to do good work there. I therefore desire to apply through you for a position as teacher in the University.

For eight years I was connected with Redfield college, Redfield So. Dak. teaching Natural sciences, Sociology and History. The trustees of Redfield college wish me to go back next year, and if it is possible for them to offer terms that I can accept, I will certainly return.

I am now Principal of Windom Institute Montevideo, Minn. I came here intending to build myself into this institution if, after a trial of one year, I thought the place suitable. The opening

here is not what I expected and I have not had the unanimous support of the Trustees in carrying out what I deem to be the wisest policy for the school. I wish to locate in a community and in a school where there is a chance of becoming permanently settled. It is my belief that a man can spend his life more efficiently in this way. If no suitable position is available this year I expect to study in a German university. However I would like to have my application placed on file in case I should spend the year in study.

As references I may give you the following names; President J. P. Patile, Redfield So. Dak.; Dr H. W. McGovern Redfield; The Board of Trustees, Redfield; Mr. L. G. Moyer, Sec. Board of Trustees, Windom Institute. Lieut. Gov. Lyden A. Smith, Vice Pres. Windom Institute. Montevideo Minn. & Senator H. E. Hoard, Montevideo, Minn. Prof. G. P. Wyckoff, chair of Sociology, Doane College, Grinnell Ia.; Prof. E. R. Egerly, chair of Eng. Lit. Brookings Agr. College Brookings So. Dak.; Miss Emily E. Harris, Supt. of School Halvard Lake, Minn.

I will also enclose some recommendations which I happen to have.

Yours very truly

J. H. Arnold.