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Dedication of Lincoln memorial statue, Cleveland (statue by
Cleveland artist, Max Kalish), 1932.



"Our children
Shall behold his fame,
The kindly, earnest,
Brave, foreseeing man."

Lincoln Memorial Program

MUSIC HALL

FEBRUARY TWELFTH, NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO

THE LINCOLN MEMORIAL COMMISSION



On Memorial Day, May 30, 1923, the Lincoln Memorial Commission, organized through the initiative of Mr. David Dietz, launched a campaign to obtain funds from the people of Greater Cleveland for a memorial statue to Abraham Lincoln. During the two years following the fund received \$30,361.11 and since that time it has accumulated \$7,336.37 in interest, thus making available \$37,697.48 for the memorial and its dedication.

Very appropriately, money for this memorial to Abraham Lincoln, that great lover of humanity who knew no distinction of wealth, race or religion, came from the school children of the city and from spontaneous givers throughout Greater Cleveland. Names of these contributors are on the Honor Roll on the base of the statue.

The Lincoln Commission, after the funds were obtained, selected Max Kalish, Cleveland sculptor, to create the statue to be unveiled today.

With the building of the new Administration Building for the Board of Education and the development of Cleveland's Mall, the City of Cleveland and the Board of Education have made it possible to place the Lincoln statue on the Mall at the entrance of the Administration Building.

The granite base for the statue was provided by the Board of Education and the bronze entablatures upon it by the Lincoln Memorial Commission.

With the unveiling of the Lincoln Memorial, on this, the anniversary of Lincoln's birth, the Memorial Commission will have completed its obligation and service to the givers of this memorial. The Commission is grateful to all whose gifts and labor have combined to provide, for the City of Cleveland, a statue of The Great American.

PROGRAM



Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Chairman



Music Selected

Glenville High School Band

Ralph Rush, Conductor

Life of Lincoln Film

Address Rev. Joel B. Hayden

Broadcast by WTAM

Presentation



Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

For the Lincoln Commission

Acceptance

Mayor Harold H. Burton

For the City of Cleveland

Pres. Edward M. Williams

For the Board of Education

Music America

Mr. R. V. Morgan, Directing



UNVEILING CEREMONY

at the Board of Education

Administration Building

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