

LINCOLN TRUE MASTER OF SELF

Eulogizes Emancipator Before Girl Students

In addressing the students of the National Kindergarten and Elementary college at their annual Hero Day festival this week, Dr. James A. Richards of the Winnetka Congregational church, took as his topic "The Un-Americanism of Lincoln." "In some senses Lincoln was typically American," said he, "and yet the fact stands that it was not his likeness, but his difference, not being just like the people, but being something more than the people, that he really came into his greatness. Abraham Lincoln was not a perfect embodiment of what America was. He was the ideal of what America may become. And so, as we think of him, let us not say, 'What great people we are,' but 'How much we have to learn from one who came out of the common soil and became so much greater than we are.'"

Home Is Foundation
The foundation of what Lincoln came out of was his home, and out of the fact that it was a religious home," continued Dr. Richards. "Was that typically American? Can you trust the average American home or even the average American mother to give first things first place?"

"Again, Lincoln was strong and believed in good health and physical strength. In the work and play in which he delighted, the habits of frugality and wholesomeness, he built a body which became for him not a master, but the instrument of all his higher purposes. Is there anything particularly American about that? For eleven young men struggling on the gridiron there are a thousand watching them. Is it typical in these days of the candy box and the ice cream soda to train one's self to live frugally and wholesomely and not to abuse the body which ought to be the instrument of a living spirit in the life's work?"

"Lincoln was thorough—with a deadly thoroughness. He practically mastered Euclid's geometry in order to learn the meaning of the word 'demonstrate,' but when he had a great people to convince in a titanic struggle he knew how to 'demonstrate' and convince them. In that thoroughness do you see anything typically American?"

"He was poor. He said that the most any man ought to have is a house and \$10,000. When you contrast

his delicate honesty in dealing with other people's things, his fine sense of 'mine and thine,' his keen sense that money is the means of life and nothing more, his scorn of the fight to heap up millions, with American life today—is there anything typically American about it?"

Was Magnanimous
"And then he was magnanimous. I suppose that when the years have gone and we come to our final estimate of him it will be that which we will remember most. His heart was great as the world, but there was no room in it for the memory of a wrong. Does that jibe with our sectionalism, our position in the world today?"

"He was religiously devoted to the right, as God gave him to see the right. He did not think that a thing was right because everyone was doing it. And I regret to say that I discover in that is particularly American?"

"Finally, Lincoln was humbly and passionately religious. It is true that he slighted men's creeds, but he did it in the name of the essential teachings of Jesus. 'Do you thing God is on our side?' he was asked. 'I am not concerned about that. I am concerned as to whether or not we are on God's side,' he replied. Do you think that is particularly American?"

"And yet," concluded Dr. Richards, "when all is said and done, we love him. He probably has a greater power to touch the heart-strings of the American people than anyone who ever walked the earth, save for One who lived in Palestine. We are not as great as he. We are going to be done with this business of praising ourselves through eulogizing him, but if we love him we are going to follow after and bring about that day when it shall be true to say that he was a true American."

Scouts Take Week-end Hike to The Fox River

Scoutmaster Bob Townley and ten Boy Scouts of the Kenilworth troop left for Fox river today and will spend the time between now and Sunday on a hike. Scouting tests and campcraft will be indulged in. The following boys made the trip: Bob Sweet, Cliff Osgood, Jack Rathbone, Al Richards, Harry Dubsy, George Krite, Franklin Bowes, Carl Keith, Dan Snyder, and Carl Carlson. They will stay at the Carlson place.

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PRE-LENTEN DINNER
Members and friends of the Wilmette English Lutheran church are to enjoy a pre-Lenten dinner at the church on Wednesday evening, February 27. An interesting program of music and addresses has been arranged for the evening. Reservations are to be made with William Melbye, Wilmette 1935, it is explained.

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