

Mr. James A. Cassin, Executive Director Illinois Commission, New York World's Fair 160 North LaSalle Street Room 533 Chicago, Illinois 60601

Dear Jim:

As of this writing, we are 44 days away from opening day at the New York World's Fair.

A major concern at this point is the preview of the Illinois Pavilion on Monday, April 20. As of this point we have a presentation -- not what you would call a "show." Considering the NBC plans for a 90-minute color spectacular, we must make every effort to come on with the best possible preview show.

The major element missing is the color film of the Disney Lincoln figure in operation. This would give us the feature and the excitement needed for a truly outstanding show. If this is not possible, we should turn our thought immediately to other possibilities.

As we now stand, the basic elements we have to work with are (1) brief comments by the Governor and distuinguished guests, and (2) a peek at the various features, except the Lincoln figure, at the Illinois Pavilion.

We are putting this on the air in prime time, Tuesday, April 21, 6:30-7 p.m. on TV. The radio presentation is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday also, between 7 and 8 p.m.

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Also related to this matter are the restrictions to be imposed by Disney on photographing the Lincoln figure. We are concerned at this and would appreciate a clarification as soon as possible.

These are the big ones that you and I have right now, Jim, and I stand ready to work with you on a solution at your convenience.

Kindest regards,

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James G. Hanlon, Manager Promotion and Research

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To: Mr. Ralph G. Newman

Mr. James A. Cassin V

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FROM: Jim Hanlon

cc: Mr. Ward L. Quaal

Mr. Ben Berentson

Mr. Charles Gates

Mr. Dan Calibraro

New York World's Fair RE:

Great Moments With Mr. Lincoln. Needless to say, we are most disappointed that no approval has been forthcoming from Mr. Disney to film or televise all or any portion of this feature. Will appreciate it if you will continue the matter with Mr. Disney.

Meanwhile, for the Preview show, April 20, we are proceeding without this feature. If approval should be received at the last minute, we will be able to cover, black and white.

- Terrace Club membership lineup for WGN. In addition to Mr. Quaal and myself, please add the following names: Ben Berentson, Charles E. Gates. Edward R. Gerken, Robert Innes and Carl J. Meyers. We may make some changes in this lineup once the operation gets under way.
- Special Events. We have now reached the point where we need specific details. This is especially important to the service we will be providing other stations. Would appreciate anything that has been firmed in, the date, the participant, background, etc.
- Section 315. Attached herewith is copy of a

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brief on the subject from the legal department of the Hational Association of Broadcasters. We have refreshed additional information from our law office and well forward to you upon receipt.

The Preylew and Dedication. Need the latest upto-date time table and details including major dignitaries. Also need a list of those to whom WGH discoln plaquettes will be presented. Also your thoughts on to when, where and how they will be presented.

We understand dress for all Preview events will be in-

already started on this project, working with John danger. We will record as many of them as possible at our studies in Chicago, and Virginia Marmaduke is set up to audio-tape them at the Illinois Pavilion. Meanwhile, I am obtaining a proper release form which we must have signed by each person participating in this program.

We should have a most unique library by the end of the Fair.

7. Town and City Days. Need all the specific information available at this time on the various Illinois groups scheduled to visit the Pavilion. Have also discussed with Virginia Marmaduke setting up a standard of procedure to feed this information direct to my attention as each new group is booked. This will enable us to follow through from this end in contacting and servicing other stations.

Art Company, advises delivery of plaquettes will be on or about the 15th of April. Five hundred will be shipped directly to the Pavilion and 500 to Chicago.