

Cover. Image of completed Memorial in 1922.

001. View of Potomac Park Lincoln Memorial Site, circa 1913.

View west from the Washington Monument observation level toward the future site of the Lincoln Memorial and Reflecting Pool on land recently reclaimed from the Potomac River.

002. View southwest showing pile-driving operations, May 1, 1914.

View west/southwest toward Arlington Ridge and the Potomac River on May 1, 1914. Work crews are engaged in driving several dozen concrete-reinforced, steel piles to bedrock to provide structural support.

003. View west showing substantial progress on the Lincoln Memorial foundation, December 1914.

View west/southwest illustrating the substantial progress made on the northern portion of the memorial foundation along with a large section of structural support for the main eastside approach steps.

004. View northwest of emerging southern foundation, December 1, 1914.

View northwest on December 1, 1914 illustrating the emerging southern foundation walls and the completed structural support for the memorial's main approach steps.

005. View south showing north façade with emerging marble walls and columns, May 3, 1915.

View south showing the emerging north façade of the memorial on May 3, 1915 with Colorado Yule marble blocks and drums being assembled into walls and columns, respectively.

006. View of the north wall showing progress of colonnade by July 1, 1915.

View south showing the substantial progress along the north wall and colonnade by July 1, 1915; note the stacks of column drums in the foreground awaiting assembly.

007. View of the southeast corner of the exterior colonnade, spring 1916.

View northeast showing the emerging wall and colonnade along the memorial's south façade by spring 1916; note completed column on southeast corner.

008. View of the nearly complete north façade, March 1, 1916.

View south showing the completed colonnade and entablature along the north façade of the Lincoln Memorial by March 1, 1916.

009. View from within the emerging memorial chamber, spring 1916.

View northeast from the construction crane showing the progress of the interior chamber construction by spring 1916. Note the structural brickwork that is being covered by decorative limestone and marble blocks.

010. View from within the emerging memorial chamber, spring 1916.

View southwest from the construction crane showing the emerging south chamber by spring 1916. This area was dedicated to the themes of freedom and emancipation expressed by Lincoln's Gettysburg Address.

011. View illustrating the construction of the east plaza, January 2, 1917.

View north on January 2, 1917, showing the lower level plaza construction near the site of the emerging Reflecting Pool.

012. View of the tiers of steps under construction, April 2, 1917.

View southwest on April 2, 1917, showing construction of the structural support for the east plaza and the main approach steps to the memorial—visible in upper right.

013. View of the nearly finished east front of the Lincoln Memorial, April 2, 1917.

View west on April 2, 1917, showing the nearly completed eastern façade of the Lincoln Memorial. Construction crews made substantial progress toward completion within just three years of breaking ground.

014. View showing lower plaza work in progress, July 1, 1917.

View northwest on July 1, 1917 showing the ongoing work to complete the main approach plaza toward the memorial, visible at upper left. This lower plaza would be tied to the Reflecting Pool.

015. View toward the essentially completed Lincoln Memorial from the Reflecting Pool site, circa 1917-1921.

View west circa 1917-1921 toward the Lincoln Memorial showing the morass that eventually was excavated to construct the Reflecting Pool.

016. Aerial view of the Lincoln Memorial, December 12, 1918.

Aerial view westward on December 12, 1918 showing the completed Lincoln Memorial and the main eastern approach. Note the continuing step installation, landscape development, and land reclamation along the Potomac River.

017. View of the construction of the pedestal for the Abraham Lincoln statue, December 1, 1919.

View northwest on December 1, 1919 from within the Lincoln Memorial central chamber showing the completed pedestal for the Abraham Lincoln statue.

018. Aerial view of the Lincoln Memorial, circa 1918-1920.

Aerial view northward circa 1918-1920 showing the Lincoln Memorial and grounds. Note the World War One temporary buildings for the Munitions Department, visible on upper right.

019. View showing work on the Reflecting Pool, circa early 1920s.

View northward in the early 1920s showing work crews laying tile and applying asphalt moppings to the bottom of the Reflecting Pool. Note the temporary World War One military buildings in the background.

020. View showing work on the Reflecting Pool, circa early 1920s.

View east in the early 1920s illustrating work crews laying tiles on the Reflecting Pool bottom and coping stones along the edge. Note the Washington Monument in the distance.

021. Close up view of crew laying tiles for the Reflecting Pool bottom, circa early 1920s.

View north in the early 1920s showing a work crew laying tiles within asphalt moppings at the bottom of the Reflecting Pool.

022. View of Piccirilli brothers assembling the Lincoln statue, winter 1920.

View west/southwest within the interior chamber during the winter of 1920, showing the Piccirilli brothers assembling the twenty-eight Georgia marble pieces to form the statue of Abraham Lincoln.

023. View of Piccirilli brothers putting final touches to the Lincoln statue, spring 1920.

View west/northwest in spring 1920 showing the completed Lincoln statue with final detail work being accomplished by the Piccirilli brothers.

024. View of the Lincoln Memorial area from the Washington Monument, 1921.

View west from the Washington Monument observation level in 1921 showing the Lincoln Memorial and preliminary work on the Reflecting Pool and Rainbow Pool. Note the temporary World War I Munitions and U.S. Navy Department buildings on the right.

025. View of the completed Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool area, circa 1927.

View west from the Washington Monument observation level, circa 1927, showing the completed Lincoln Memorial landscape. Note the piers for the Arlington Memorial Bridge in the Potomac River.

026. View of Daniel Chester French at work in his studio, circa 1920s.

View of sculptor Daniel Chester French at work in his Massachusetts studio in the 1920s. Note that one of the many statue models appears in the background.

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