Anthony J. Esposito The New York Times Times Square, N. Y.

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- 1.The Sun, April 27th, 1913, Magazine Section, pages 5 and 6; Caption: "Capt. S. H. Beckwith, Grant's Shadow Describes etc." Photostats ordered 12/21/37
- 2. N.Y. Daily Tribune, Aug. 16, 1885-Narrow Escape of Lincoln-No record in file at Sifth Ave. Public Library; checked every Lincoln story during that month in the "morgue" of the Herald-Tribune; then using the index from 1881-1888 traced all stories regarding Lincoln during the eight years.

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3. The Sun, 1902 series of Samuel Arnold stories re: the assassination. Gaot the dates in the Sun "morgue" and went to the Public Library checking each date, page number etc ordered photostats for following:

Dec. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20. ordered photostats 12/23/37

- 4. New York American, Feb. 7, 1909, Magazine Sect. pages 2 and 3; caption: "By the Man Who..etc-True Stories of Lincoln etc." ordered photostats 12/21/37
- 5. New York World, April 14, 1901, "Anniversary of Lincoln's Assassination etc" 12/22/37-norecord of the story in the file during the whole month nor the preceding year which was the 35th anniversary.
- 6. New York Times, July 12, 1936 story about "Got's Diary". In the New York Times "morgue" got a clipping of the articled which was killed after 1st edition; photostat of this on 12/21/37; also a photostat of 1885 story about Booth tossing the call-boy at the Ford Theatre a \$5.00 gold piece as he ran out to kill Lincoln.
- 7. John Wile's Booth's playing career. Went to **The** Players, 16 Gramercy Place, New York City on Jan. 1st, 1938. Copied from "Notable Players of the Past and Present" which was a book containing biographical articles clipped from "The New York Clipper", 1910-11 and carefully pasted. It traces his life from his debut in 1855 in Baltimore until the assassination.

At the Public Library on 1/4/38 ordered photostats of the playbills for his first appearance in Washington, Grove's Theatre, April 11, 1863; and the Winter Garden benefit performance of Julius Caesar of the three Booth brothers, Nov. 25, 1864. Ordered a photostat of the "ad" in the N.Y. Times the day before (not aware that I would be able to get the original playbill).

1/3/38 looked thru the files of the New York Times March, 1862 and Nov. 1864. His first appearance in N.Y. at the Mary Provost Theatre running two weeks between March 17 to 31st; and The Winter Garden appearance in 1864.

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THE NEW YORK TRIBUNE, The Assassination Trial, from May 30th to July 10th, 1865.

May 30, and 31 pages 1 and 8; June 1, 3, 6; " " " " 7 " " 6; " 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 17, 20, 21, 22, 24, 28, 29; pages 1; July 7, 8, 10; pages 1;

NEW YORK DRAMATIC MIRROR, Feb. 26, 1916; story of Booth at School by James Shettel.

- (a) This publication not kept on file in the newspaper file room; later checked the clipping folders in the Theatrical Sect. on 3rd floor where I found the story and ordered photostat, 1/4/38.
- (b) Since the above publication not kept on file, my only resort was to clipping file: the clippings on him were for the most part after the assassination; the "Spirit of The Times"(N.Y.) gave one column on his 1862 appearance at "Mary Provost's"; no references to earlier performances; no Southern newspapers in point; saw playbill of Grove's Theatre, Washington, announcing first appearance which I had photostated.
- NEW YORK TELEGRAPH, May 23, 1909; story by Deery.

"Sun Telegraph" as given me was an error. Fortunately I was able to unearth the very article in the Theatrical Sect. photostats ordered 1/4/38.

NEW YORK HERALD, June 27, 1909; "Recollections of John W. Booth" by Sir

Charles Wyndham; magazine Sect. pages 1 & 2.

28 pages

Ordered photostats on 12/31/37; on 1/4/38 was informed it was copyrighted; went to Herald-Tribune twice and then The Sun for written consent; neither paper seemed to know who owned the copyrights; situation absurd in that paper was printed 29 yrs. ago having passed the copyright limitation; managed to wrangle a negative consent from the Sun "will not object etc." which satisfied the technical librarians.

N.B. Regarding item 5 on page I: Anniversary of Lincoln's Assassination etc.

The New York Times, April 11th, 1915 in the Sunday Magazine Sect. devoted the issue to the "50th Anniversary of the Death of Abraham Lincoln" 1) The Murder; 2) Punishment of the Plotters; 3) How New York mourned Lincoln; 4) Funeral Oration in Union Square, eulogy by Hon. Geo. Bancroft.

Jan. 6th, in program "We The People" over WABC John Wilkes Booth's granddaughter spoke in regard to the assassination, the plotters, and the escape of J.W.B.

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