

## LINCOLN EULOGY BY CANNON

### Tribute Applauded on Both Sides of the House.

### PRAISES HEROES OF SOUTH.

### Pleads for Memorial Building in Honor of the Emancipator.

[BY A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.]

Washington, D. C., Jan. 24.—[Special.]—The conflict over the creation of a fitting memorial to Abraham Lincoln became hotter today.

Uncle Joe Cannon in the house paid a touching tribute to the memory of Lincoln and sternly rebuked the efforts made to prostitute the memorial plan for the benefit of selfish interests. His utterances were applauded on both sides of the chamber.

The impression prevails that the bill will have a clear majority if the filibuster against its consideration can be broken.

Learning that the fight is likely to continue even if the measure passes, Senator Cullom caused the senate to substitute a joint for the concurrent resolution accepting the memorial temple plan. A joint resolution is as binding as a law.

The erection of a memorial temple on the bank of the Potomac has the support of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Fine Arts commission, the Lincoln memorial commission, and innumerable organizations. The opponents include advocates of the Gettysburg highway, automobilists, boosters of federal road building, real estate speculators, and those who condemn the creation of any memorial to Lincoln.

#### Cannon Extols Great Men.

Objection to permission for Mr. Cannon to speak came from a southern Democrat, but it was withdrawn.

"I am on the Lincoln memorial commission and, as a member of it, did not get my way entirely," said Mr. Cannon. "I would have placed the memorial in the soldiers' home, but the arts commission and an almost unanimous house and senate commission chose the other site.

"It is said great pressure is being brought to bear throughout the country. I will not criticize that. It is the right of the American citizen to promote as best he can that which he is in favor of, whether a member of congress or automobile owners or others are behind him; many men of many minds.

"There were four great characters in that great contest for the preservation of the union—Abraham Lincoln, Gen. Grant, Gen. Lee, and Jefferson Davis. It is all behind us. Arlington, the home of Lee, is now the burial place for union soldiers and confederate soldiers—a monument that will stand for ever across the Potomac in the state of Virginia.

#### Knew Lincoln in Boyhood.

"Mr. Speaker, I stand here a representative from Illinois. I had a personal acquaintance with Abraham Lincoln when I was a young man. I loved Abraham Lincoln personally. I loved his magnificent service in the preservation of the union, the great, wise, strong, charitable, patriotic man.

"Speaking respectfully, to my mind it is prostitution of that great man's name when you speak of using it as an argument for the promotion and construction of good roads."