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Allardice, Bruce S., and Hewitt, Lawrence Lee, eds. KENTUCKIANS IN GRAY: CONFEDERATE GENERALS AND FIELD OFFICERS OF THE BLUEGRASS STATE. (Lexington: 2008). 1st ed., 336p., illus. Perhaps more than any other citizens of the nation, Kentuckians held conflicted loyalties during the Civil War. While Kentucky officially aligned itself with the Union in 1861, individuals made their own choices between North and South. The first complete reference source of its type on Kentucky Civil War history contains full biographies of 39 Confederate generals who were native Kentuckians or commanders of brigades of Kentucky troops, as well as short biographical sketches on every field officer to serve in a Kentucky unit. Signed; as new; d.j. \$40.00

Babits, Lawrence E., and Howard, Joshua B. LONG, OBSTINATE, AND BLOODY: THE BATTLE OF GUILFORD COURTHOUSE. Chapel Hill: (2009). 1st ed., 320p., illus., maps. On March 15, 1781, the armies of Nathanael Greene and Lord Cornwallis fought one of the bloodiest and most intense engagements of the American Revolution. Although victorious, Cornwallis declared the conquest of the Carolinas impossible and made the fateful decision to march into Virginia, eventually leading his army to the Yorktown surrender and clearing the way for American independence. In the first book-length examination of this battle, Babits and Howard draw from hundreds of previously under-utilized pension documents, muster rolls, and personal accounts to piece together from the bottom up what really happened on the wooded plateau in what is today Greensboro, North Carolina. "The best and most complete account of Guilford Courthouse produced to date, and it serves as a model for future battle histories dealing with the War of Independence." --- Gregory J.W. Urwin. Signed; as new; d.j. \$30.00

Brands, H.W. TRAITOR TO HIS CLASS: THE LIFE AND RADICAL PRESIDENCY OF FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT. New York: 2008. 1st ed., 888p., illus. The acclaimed bestselling historian and biographer of Benjamin Franklin, Andrew Jackson, and Theodore Roosevelt offers a compelling and intimate portrait of Franklin Delano Roosevelt's life and career, revealing the inner strengths as well as the unerring political instincts that shaped him. Brands examines the roles and influence that Roosevelt's mother, his uncle Theodore, and his wife Eleanor all had on him. He traces, in breathtaking detail, FDR's revolutionary efforts with his New Deal to alter the very fabric of the American economy in order to save it, his forceful (and cagey) leadership up to and during World War II, and his legacy in creating the foundations of postwar Europe. Signed; as new; d.j. \$35.00

Emerson, Jason. LINCOLN THE INVENTOR. Carbondale: (2009). 1st ed., 111p., illus. "Abraham Lincoln is the only U.S. president ever to have patented an invention. That solitary invention is a window into [his] mental geography, a concentrated, unsentimental, unromantic, mathematically precise mind, teeming with self-taught curiosity about the inner causes and springs of action --- whether of men or machines. You will come away from *Lincoln the Inventor* the wiser for understanding how the mind that devised a patent for floating grounded riverboats could also be the same mind that turned out the perfectly balanced phrases of the Gettysburg Address, labored to promote transportation as the keystone to economic mobility, and piloted emancipation through the shoals of war." --- Allen C. Guelzo. Signed; as new; d.j. \$24.95

Egnal, Marc. CLASH OF EXTREMES: THE ECONOMIC ORIGINS OF THE CIVIL WAR. New York: (2009). 1st ed., 416p., maps. Sweeping from the 1820s through Reconstruction, and filled with colorful portraits of leading individuals, Marc Egnal, while giving careful consideration to social conflicts, ideology, and the rise of the antislavery movement, emphasizes that economics, more than any other factor, moved the country to war in 1861. The result is a bold reinterpretation that will challenge the way we think about the conditions that led to secession. A must read! As new; d.j. \$30.00

Flood, Charles Bracelen. 1864: LINCOLN AT THE GATES OF HISTORY. New York: (1964). 1st ed., 521p., maps. This masterful narrative brings to life the drama of Abraham Lincoln's final year, in which he oversaw the last campaigns of the Civil War, was reelected as president, and laid out his majestic vision for the nation's future in a reunified South and in the expanding West. "It was the crucial year, one that changed everything, and Charles Bracelen Flood has written a captivating history of 1864, and of the vivid characters whose lives shaped the American future." --- Jon Meacham. "... a unique reading experience. You feel in touch with the essence of America." --- Thomas Fleming. Signed; as new; d.j. \$30.00

Foner, Eric, ed. OUR LINCOLN: NEW PERSPECTIVES ON LINCOLN AND HIS WORLD. New York: (2008). 1st ed., 336p., ft., illus. Our best historians offer fresh insights on Abraham Lincoln and his time to mark the bicentennial of his birth, showing that it is possible, even now, to shed new light on the most-studied figure in American history. Among the contributors: James M. McPherson, on Lincoln as Commander in Chief; Mark E. Neely, Jr., on the Constitution and civil liberties under Lincoln; Eric Foner, on Lincoln and Colonization; Richard Carwardine, on Lincoln's religion; Catherine Clinton, on Lincoln's family; and David W. Blight, on Lincoln scholarship. Signed by contributor of our choice; as new; d.j. \$27.95

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Gillispie, James M. ANDERSONVILLES OF THE NORTH: THE MYTHS AND REALITIES OF NORTHERN TREATMENT OF CIVIL WAR CONFEDERATE PRISONERS. Denton, TX: (2008). 1st ed., 278p., illus. Over the years the postwar Northern portrayal of Andersonville as fiendishly designed to kill prisoners in mass quantities has largely been dismissed. The Lost Cause characterization of Union prison policies as carnally negligent and inhuman, however, has shown remarkable durability. This is the first broad study to argue that the image of Union prison officials as negligent and cruel to Confederate prisoners is severely flawed. "An outstanding work of Civil War history." --- Steven E. Woodworth. Signed; as new; d.j. \$24.95

Guelzo, Allen C. ABRAHAM LINCOLN AS A MAN OF IDEAS. Carbondale: (2009). 1st ed., 216p., ft. Despite the most meager of formal educations, Lincoln's tremendous intellectual curiosity drove him into the circle of Enlightenment philosophy and democratic political ideology. And from these, Lincoln developed a set of political convictions that guided him throughout his life and his presidency. In this compilation of ten essays, Allen Guelzo ["One of the finest Lincoln scholars of our generation" --- Doris Kearns Goodwin] uncovers the sources of Lincoln's ideas and examines the beliefs that directed his career and brought an end to slavery and the Civil War. Guelzo reveals Lincoln to be a man of impressive intellectual probity and depth, and explores the many influences on Lincoln's thinking, especially the Founding Fathers and the great European champions of democracy. He links the 16th president's often contradictory struggles with the issues of race, emancipation, religion, and civil liberties to the challenges these issues continue to offer to Americans today. Signed; new; d.j. RECOMMENDED! \$29.95

Holzer, Harold, ed. THE LINCOLN ANTHOLOGY: GREAT WRITERS ON HIS LIFE AND LEGACY FROM 1860 TO NOW. (New York: 2009). 1st ed., 964p., illus. This brings together 110 insightful and imaginative selections, including fascinating first-hand observations by Emerson and Hawthorne, surprising commentary by Harriet Beecher Stowe and Karl Marx, moving eulogies by Henry Ward Beecher and George Bancroft, poetic tributes from Henrik Ibsen and Walt Whitman, selections from Herndon and Nicolay and Hay, and thoughts on Lincoln from such diverse and wide-ranging writers as Victor Hugo, Herman Melville, Bram Stoker, Winston Churchill, Mark Twain, Leo Tolstoy, H.G. Wells, H.L. Mencken, Shelby Foote, Allen Ginsberg, William Safire, and Gary Wills. Signed; as new; d.j. \$40.00

Holzer, Harold, and Shenk, Joshua Wolf, eds. IN LINCOLN'S HAND: HIS ORIGINAL MANUSCRIPTS, WITH COMMENTS BY DISTINGUISHED AMERICANS. (New York: 2009). 1st ed., 196p., ft., illus. In conjunction with the Library of Congress 2009 Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Exhibition, this companion book offers an unprecedented look at Lincoln through vivid images of his handwritten letters, speeches, and even childhood notebooks --- many never before made available to the public. In this collection, we can see where he paused to dip his pen in the ink or to capture an idea. We can see where he added a word or phrase, and where he crossed out others, searching for the most precise and concise expression. To underscore the resonance of Lincoln's writings on contemporary culture, each manuscript is accompanied by a reflection on Lincoln by a prominent American from politics, literature, or the performing arts, including Sandra Day O'Connor, Sam Waterston, John Hope Franklin, Steven Spielberg, William Safire, Conan O'Brien, and Presidents Jimmy Carter, Bill Clinton, George H.W. Bush, and George W. Bush. Signed; as new; d.j. \$35.00

Kaplan, Fred. LINCOLN: THE BIOGRAPHY OF A WRITER. (New York: 2008). 1st ed., 406p. Fred Kaplan explores the life of Lincoln through his use of language as a vehicle both to express complex ideas and feelings and as an instrument of persuasion and empowerment. Like the other great canonical writers of American literature, Lincoln had a literary career that is inseparable from his life story. His views on love, liberty, and human nature were shaped by his reading and knowledge of literature. Since Lincoln, no president has written his own words and addressed his audience with equal and enduring effectiveness. Kaplan focuses on the elements that shaped Lincoln's mental world; how his writings molded his identity, relationships, and career; and how they simultaneously generated both the distinctive political figure he became and the public discourse of the nation. Signed; as new; d.j. \$27.95

THE LINCOLN BICENTENNIAL COLLECTION: Holzer, Harold, ed. THE LINCOLN ANTHOLOGY: GREAT WRITERS ON HIS LIFE AND LEGACY FROM 1860 TO NOW. (New York: 2009). 1st ed., 964p., illus.; Fehrenbacher, Don E., ed. **LINCOLN: SPEECHES AND WRITINGS 1809-1865.** New York: [2009]. Bicentennial Edition, 2 vols. (898p.; 787p.). A splendid boxed set from The Library of America! The *Lincoln Anthology* "contains the best and most evocative words written about Abraham Lincoln over the last two centuries, skillfully edited by Harold Holzer." --- James M. McPherson. And the two volume *Speeches and Writings* (first published in 1989), including the complete Lincoln-Douglas debates, and authoritatively edited by Fehrenbacher, contain all of Lincoln's significant words, and is the best compilation short of the *Collected Works*. As new, w/ newly designed bicentennial d.j.s; boxed set. \$99.95

Pitch, Anthony S. "THEY HAVE KILLED PAPA DEAD!" THE ROAD TO FORD'S THEATRE, ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S MURDER, AND THE RAGE FOR VENGEANCE. Hanover, NH: (2008). 1st ed., 493p., illus. Pitch's thrilling account of the assassination of Abraham Lincoln transcends the mere facts of the conspiracy and aftermath. Virtually every word is based on primary source material, with new quotes from previously unpublished diaries, letters, and journals; he masterfully synthesizes the findings of his prodigious research into a tight, gripping narrative that adds important new insight to this story. "The narrative is authoritative, the research impeccable to the last detail, and the style wonderfully, magically evocative of the period. This is a

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Salecker, Gene Eric. ROLLING THUNDER AGAINST THE RISING SUN: THE COMBAT HISTORY OF U.S. ARMY TANK BATTALIONS IN THE PACIFIC IN WORLD WAR II. (Mechanicsburg, PA: 2008). 1st ed., 439p., illus., maps. Although the history of armor in World War II has captured the attention of countless authors, no one has yet chronicled the U.S. Army's extensive use of tanks in the Pacific --- until now. Relying on first hand accounts of the soldiers who fought there, Gene Salecker, author of *Disaster on the Mississippi* and *Fortresses against the Sun*, recreates the battles of the army's independent tank battalions in the bloody struggle against Japan from 1941 to 1945, including Bataan, Bougainville, Rabaul, Saipan, Guam, the epic battle to retake the Philippines, and Okinawa. Signed; as new; d.j. \$34.95

Steers, Edward, Jr., and Holzer, Harold, eds. THE LINCOLN ASSASSINATION CONSPIRATORS: THEIR CONFINEMENT AND EXECUTION, AS RECORDED IN THE LETTERBOOK OF JOHN FREDERICK HARTRANFT. Baton Rouge: (2009). 1st ed., 200p., illus. On May 1, 1865, the new president, Andrew Johnson, appointed John Frederick Hartranft to command the military prison at the Washington Arsenal. From that day through the execution of four of John Wilkes Booth's accomplices on July 7, Hartranft held responsibility for the most notorious prisoners in American history. A strict adherent to protocol, Hartranft kept a meticulously detailed account of his experiences in the form of a letterbook. Two of the most noted Lincoln scholars today, Ed Steers and Harold Holzer, in partnership with the National Archives, present this fascinating historical record for the first time, providing a remarkable glimpse behind the scenes of the assassination's aftermath. Signed; as new; d.j. \$24.95

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