





**CASE FILE OF
DET. JAMES MCDEVITT
APRIL 1865**



On the night of April 14, 1865,
Detective James McDevitt was
on duty at the Washington
Metropolitan Police headquarters,
a half-block from Ford's Theatre.
Just before 10:30, frantic witnesses
rushed in with horrifying news:
President Lincoln had been shot
at the theatre. Today, you will join
Detective McDevitt in revisiting
the sites and reexamining the clues
from the investigation into the
Lincoln Assassination Conspiracy.

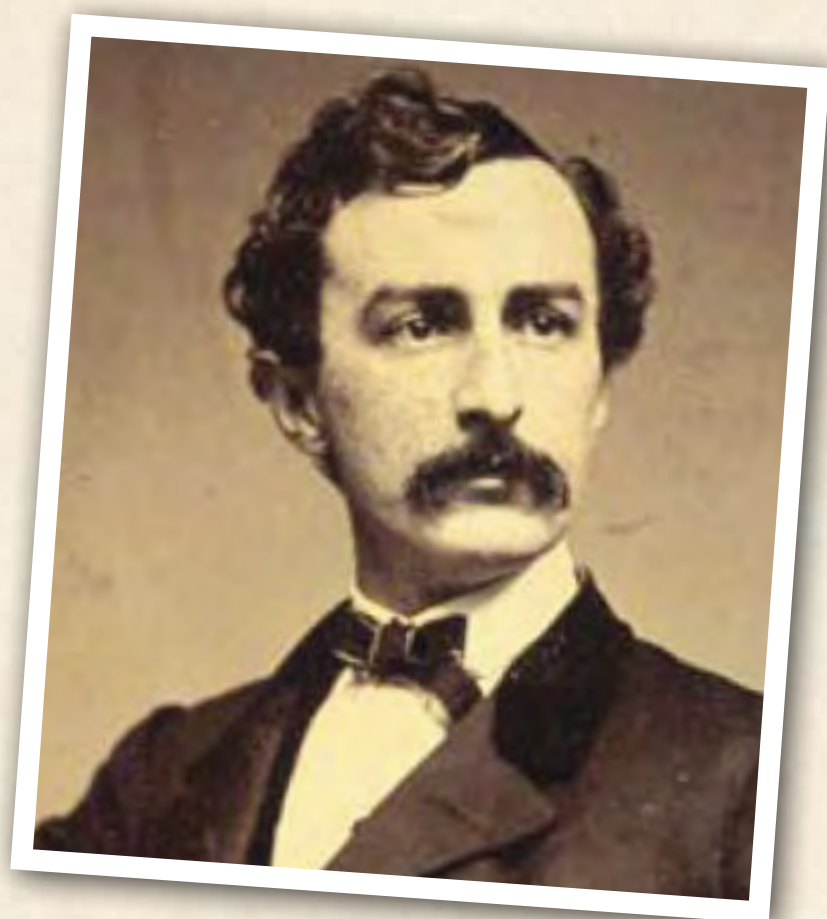


The Investigation Trail Stops

- 1&2 Outside Ford's Theatre and Petersen House
0-10 minutes
- 3 Baptist Alley
13 minutes
- 4 Corner of F and 9th Streets
20 minutes
- 5 F street between 8th and 9th Streets
26 minutes
- 6 7th Street between D and E Streets (Klein Theatre)
33 minutes
- 7 10th Street and E Street
51 minutes
- 8 12th Street between E Street and Pennsylvania Ave.
55 minutes
- 9 Freedom Plaza
1 hour, 4 minutes
- 10 The Willard Hotel, corner of 14th Street and
Pennsylvania Ave.
1 hour, 12 minutes
- 11 15th Street and Pennsylvania Ave.
1 hour, 15 minutes
- 12 Madison Place and H Street
1 hour, 21 minutes

Stops on the tour may be skipped or combined due to inclement weather, construction, road closures or other extenuating circumstances.

Persons of Interest



John Wilkes Booth

Age: 26

Date of Birth: May 10, 1838

Place of Birth: Bel Air, MD

Occupation: Actor

Remarks: Identified by several eyewitnesses as the assassin of President Abraham Lincoln. Believed to have fled on a bay mare toward the Washington Navy Yard Bridge into Southern Maryland. Possible injury to his leg; may shave his mustache or employ other means of disguise. Considered armed and dangerous.



Edman Spangler

Age: 39

Aliases: Ned, Edward, Edmund

Date of Birth: August 10, 1825

Place of Birth: York, PA

Occupation: Stagehand at Ford's Theatre since 1853

Remarks: Known associate of John Wilkes Booth and Southern sympathizer. May have abetted Booth's escape from the theatre.



Lewis Thornton Powell

Age: 20

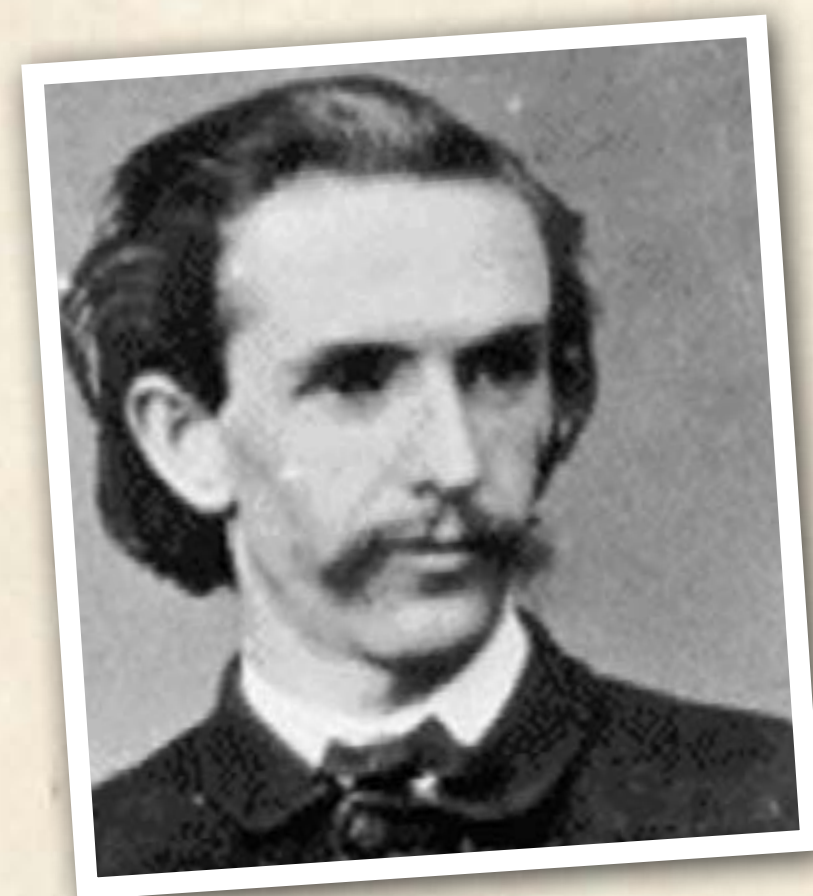
Aliases: Lewis Paine, Lewis Payne, Lewis Kensler

Date of Birth: April 22, 1844

Place of Birth: Alabama

Occupation: Soldier

Remarks: Escaped POW; Confederate operative. Possibly attacked Secretary of State William Seward.



John H. Surratt, Jr.

Age: 21

Date of Birth: April 13, 1844

Place of Birth: Congress Heights, MD

Occupation: Confederate Courier

Remarks: Has extensive connections to Confederate agents in Richmond. May use family tavern in Surrattsville, MD, or mother's boarding house on H Street in Washington, D.C., as base. Claims to have been in Elmira, NY, at the time of the assassination.



Mary Elizabeth Eugenia Jenkins Surratt

Age: 41

Date of Birth: May 1823

Place of Birth: Waterloo, MD

Occupation: Owns boarding house at 541 H Street, NW, Leases tavern in Surrattsville, MD

Remarks: Known Southern sympathizer. Tavern and boarding house may have been the sites of numerous conspirator meetings. Transported guns and field glasses to tavern early on April 14; these may have been picked up by Booth during his flight.



David Herold

Age: 22

Date of Birth: June 16, 1842

Place of Birth: Maryland

Occupation: Pharmacist's Assistant

Remarks: Familiar with Maryland countryside; has access to various chemicals including chloroform. Identified as having been seen with Lewis Powell and John Wilkes Booth on several occasions.



George Atzerodt

Age: 29

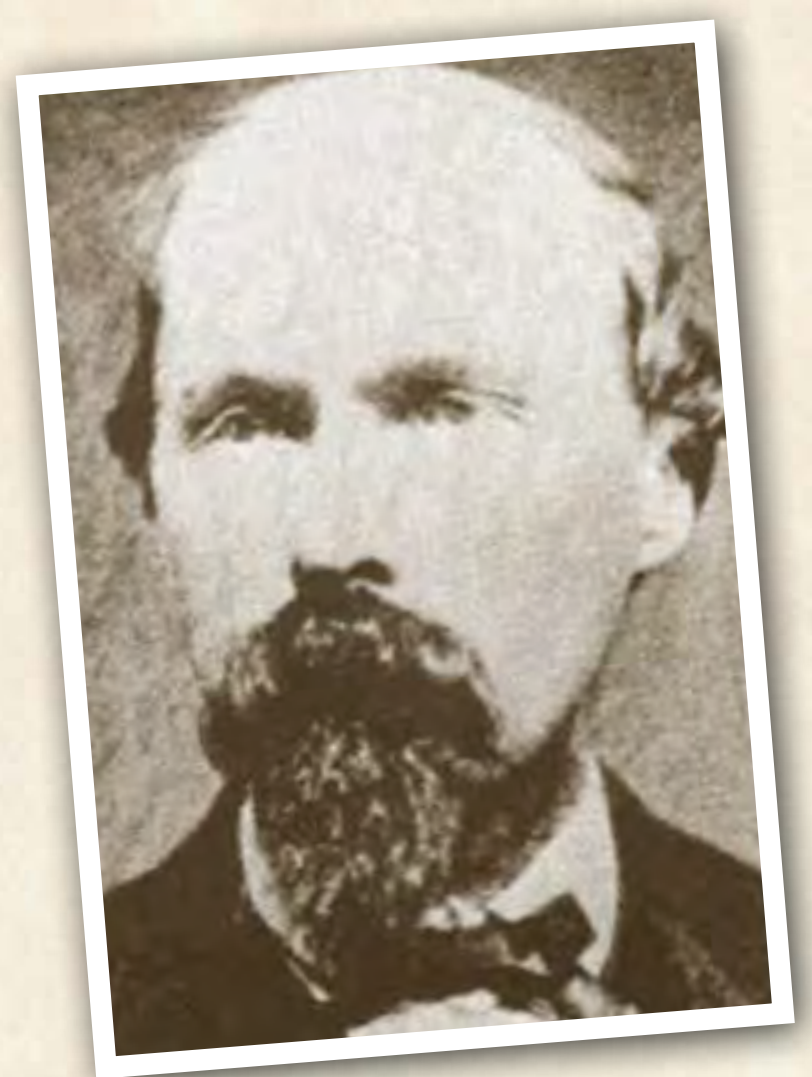
Alias: Mr. Azworth, Mr. Atwood

Date of Birth: June 12, 1835

Place of Birth: Germany

Occupation: Carriage Painter,
Confederate Spy

Remarks: Familiar with the intricate network of creeks and inlets along the Potomac River in Virginia. Seen with Booth several times by local stable workers. Was staying in the same hotel as Vice President Johnson.



Dr. Samuel Mudd

Age: 31

Date of Birth: December 20, 1833

Place of Birth: Charles County, MD

Occupation: Medical doctor, Farmer

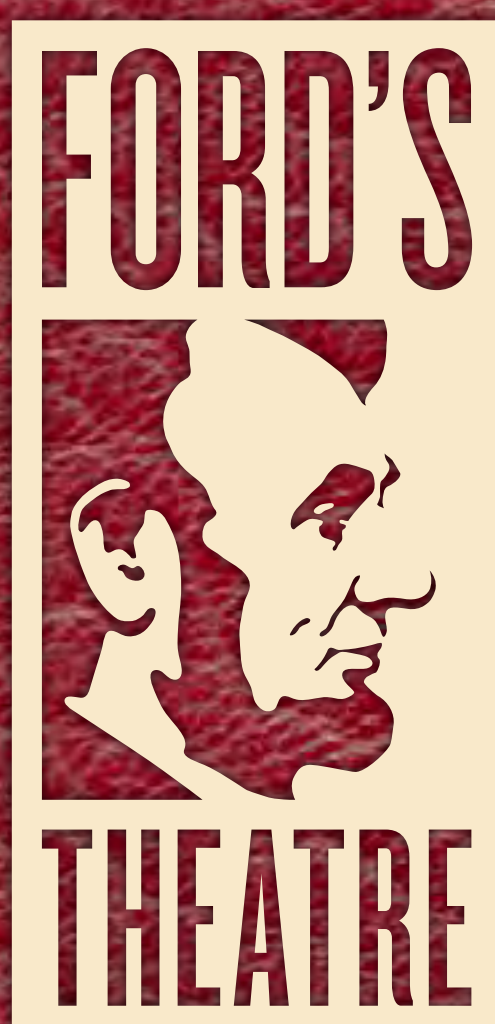
Remarks: Met Booth at least twice before the assassination; may provide haven and medical assistance to Booth during his flight.



INVESTIGATION: DETECTIVE MCDEVITT

**Written by: Richard Helleesen
Directed by: Mark Ramont**

Thanks for joining us! We hope you enjoyed the tour. To learn more about Ford's Theatre and the events of April 14, 1865, please visit us on the web at www.fords.org.



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