

The Presidential Box

Fact: After the shooting, John Wilkes Booth leapt from the box to the stage, breaking his leg in the process.

The presidential box at Ford's Theatre had the partition between two boxes removed to make one large box, and the usual cane furniture was replaced by a chair, a couch, and a rocking chair. President Lincoln preferred rockers because they allowed him to stretch his long legs.

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