



THE CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE

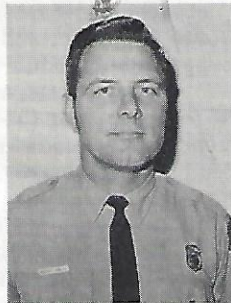
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Hobart G. Cawood on Cold Harbor, January 8

Hobart G. Cawood, superintendent of the Richmond National Battlefield Park will discuss the Battle of Cold Harbor at the first meeting of the New Year of the Civil War Round Table, Friday, January 8, 1971, at the Chicago Bar Association, 29 South LaSalle Street.



Hobart G. Cawood

Mr. Cawood will be remembered as having been given the Civil War Round Table Distinguished Service Award in 1965 during the Chattanooga Battlefield Tour. He has been speaker at Civil War Round Table meetings in Atlanta, New York, Richmond, Fredericksburg, and the Prison Civil War Round Table of Richmond, on a variety of subjects.

Born in Jonesville, Virginia, June 15, 1935, Hobart G. Cawood calls Middlesboro, Kentucky, his home town. He was educated at Emory and Henry College where he received a B.A. in History in 1957. He entered the National Park Service as Historian in March, 1958, at the Cumberland Gap National Historical Park. Since then he has served as Historian at Fort Frederica National Monument, as Supervising Historian at Fort Sumter, as Chief Historian at Castillo de San Marcos National Monument and the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park, as Park Planner (Historian) in Washington, D.C., and has been superintendent of the Richmond National Battlefield Park since November, 1969.

He writes: "I really look forward to meeting with the Civil War Round Table in January.

LEO H. JACOBSON LIBRARY

The 600-volume Leo H. Jacobson Civil War Memorial Collection was dedicated at the Park Forest Public Library, Friday, November 20, 1970. The occasion was the first anniversary of the death of Mr. Jacobson who was pharmacist, village trustee, former member of the Park Forest Health Council, and a wheelhorse of the Park Forest Civil War Round Table. A bronze plaque calling attention to the collection was unveiled. After invocation by the Rev. Francis Garrity, pastor of St. Irenaeus Church, a brief presentation was made by James Gallagher, secretary of the Park Forest Civil War Round Table, in adding a four-volume set of "Battles and Leaders of the Civil War" to the collection. Stanley Gongola, president of the Park Forest Rotary Club, spoke of Mr. Johnson's activities as service club member. Miss Leona Ringering, librarian, accepted the collection for the library. B. G. Cunningham, village president, presided at the ceremonies. The plaque, affixed to a wall in the main reading room, was designed by Richard Axtell of Matteson, commercial artist and member of Park Forest CWRT, who also designed a bookplate for the books in the memorial collection. This report comes to us from CWRT member Charley Shields of the Park Forest Star.



297th REGULAR MEETING

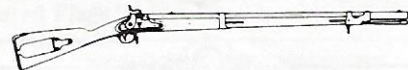
Hobart G. Cawood
Superintendent,
Richmond National Battlefield Park
on
The Battle of Cold Harbor

Friday, January 8, 1971

Chicago Bar Association
29 South LaSalle Street,
Chicago

Cocktails at 5:30 p.m.

Dinner at 6:30 p.m.



HERE AND THERE

Scheduled for publication in the February, 1971, issue of Civil War Times Illustrated is an article on the 1863 "Zouave" rifle by Albert P. Hout, historian of the National Park Service.

An exceptionally detailed set of maps accompanied an article on "Resaca: 'A heap of Hard Fiten'" by Richard M. McMurray in the November, 1970, issue of Civil War Times Illustrated. There were also two pages of photographs taken at the time by George N. Barnard, and many other illustrations. Donald B. Dodd introduces John R. Phillips, "An Alabama Bluecoat," with extracts from Phillip's book "My Life Story" of which only two copies have been located. Edward G. Longacre writes on Marsena Patrick, provost marshal general of the Army of the Potomac; and Frank H. Smith contributes "The Forrest-Gould Affair." Capt. Frank E. Moran's "Escape from Libby Prison" appeared in two parts in the October and November issues.

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JOURNAL FROM ENGLAND

The Journal of the Confederate Historical Society is published quarterly and enquiries concerning membership should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, K. M. Broughton, 19 Montague Avenue, Leigh-on-Sea, Essex, England. The Spring, 1970, issue opens with a discussion by Richard M. McMurry on "Two Great Abolition Nations: A Dissenting View on England, France, and the Secession Crisis." Col. H. M. Campbell's "Robert E. Lee, A Victim of Circumstances" is accompanied by a full-length portrait. In the Summer, 1970, issue a portrait of Grant accompanies Fred Holcroft's "Ulysses S. Grant, Fighter or Failure?" Continuing series in both issues include "Uniforms of the Confederacy" with full-page drawings and "A Young Texan Goes to War: A Collection of Personal Letters by Captain Thomas Jewett Goree, C.S.A., Aide-de-Camp to General James Longstreet."

*from the
Editor's pen*



John Patrick Hunter of Madison, Wisconsin, shared with us his enthusiasm for Frank A. Haskell, lieutenant in the Iron Brigade, whose letter to his brother describing Gettysburg has become a classic. Search for the original manuscript eventually disproved that it was run serially in a weekly newspaper, as had been reported. It was published as a pamphlet in 1881 and reprinted in two editions of 1909 and 1910. Haskell's son Harvey had moved to Pennsylvania and the original manuscript turned up in the Pennsylvania Archives. Comparison showed some deletions in printed versions, mainly relating to persons then living, notably much criticism of Gen. Dan Sickles.

There were other letters—about the "Black Hats," the 6th Wisconsin at Gainesville preceding Second Manassas; about South Mountain and Antietam, Second Fredericksburg, Culpepper, and Bristow Station. There is indication that Haskell wrote these letters, asking his brother to save them, as a part of the history of the war he planned to write. Haskell was of some local prominence. He had been unsuccessful Republican candidate for mayor. Both Meade and Gibbon recommended him as colonel of the 36th Wisconsin, and Haskell was commanding a brigade when he was killed at Cold Harbor.

One curious omission occurs in Haskell's letter of July 10, 1863. As aide to Gibbon he attended the dedication of the cemetery at Gettysburg. Haskell wrote, "We had little interest in ceremonies and shall not describe them." There was not a word about Lincoln's Gettysburg Address.

"Railroads in the Civil War," an address by John W. Barriger, reprinted from the Bulletin of the National Railway Historical Society, Volume 31, Number 6, 1966, was distributed to members who attended the December meeting, courtesy of our fellow CWRT member, John W. Barriger. This is a 32-page pamphlet accompanied by a folding map, 11½ by 18½ inches, "Railways of the Southeastern United States, April, 1861," with six differing track gauges indicated in color and conventional signs. There are 26 pictures from contemporary photographs, a lot of illustration for 32 pages.

There are those who noted that the December meeting was originally scheduled under the heading "Future Meetings" for December 11, along with the further statements that regular meetings are scheduled for the second Friday in each month. So it was until press time; in fact the familiar movie drama cry of "Stop the Presses" rang out as it was discovered that through some legal technicality as yet not passed upon by the Supreme Court, the Bar Association rooms were pre-empted for the 11th. Our speaker, John Patrick Hunter, was agreeable to the change in schedule, and it was well that he was, for on the 11th he was snowed in at Madison, Wisconsin, and would not have been able to make it! The type was already set and the corrections were made as the Bulletin was on its way to makeup—but there was one slipup: The Camp Followers' meeting remained dated the 11th. However, as the Ladies were not going anywhere alone, no great harm was done. Also the ladies have a quaint habit of making reservations by telephone, so all could be notified. Would that their spouses had the same habit, or would at least make prompt use of the pre-paid post card provided. Make not the excuse that the Bulletin was late. Lucky for you that the December Bulletin was late. Unhappily this January issue also bid fair to have a tough time making its postal way through a couple of holidays.

TAPS

Dr. John T. Hubbell, editor of *Civil War History*, reports the death of Stuart L. Bernath, a CWRT Fellowship Award recipient, and the establishment of memorial library collections in his name:

An early recipient of the Civil War Round Table Fellowship was Stuart L. Bernath. At the time of the award he was a doctoral candidate in history at the University of California, Santa Barbara. After completing his graduate study he was an assistant professor of history at California State College, Long Beach. In 1970 his dissertation was published by the University of California Press as *Squall Across the Atlantic: American Civil War Prize Cases and Diplomacy*. Articles related to this subject were printed in *Journal of Southern History* and *Civil War History*.

But even as his scholarly career was thus beginning so auspiciously, Stuart Bernath was struck by cancer and, after a year's cruel illness, died July 3, 1970. With his final words he expressed gratitude for those who aided his work and offered comfort to his parents and friends who so regretted the pain he was suffering.

Stuart's parents have announced two memorial library collections in his name, one at the University of California at Santa Barbara and one at California State College at Long Beach. The enclosed sheet gives details.

I exceedingly regret the circumstances that prompt the writing of this letter, but I know that the members of the Round Table share a just pride in the accomplishments of the Fellowship recipients and will share a mutual sorrow at Stuart Bernath's untimely passing.

Sincerely

John T. Hubbell
Editor, CIVIL WAR HISTORY

THE STUART L. BERNATH MEMORIAL COLLECTION IN AMERICAN DIPLOMATIC HISTORY

As a tribute to the memory of Stuart L. Bernath, Collections of Books in American Diplomatic History will be established in the Library of the University of California at Santa Barbara and in the Library of the California State College, Long Beach. The collections will be a permanent part of each library, each item in the collection will bear a book plate which identifies it as a part of the Stuart L. Bernath Memorial Collection in American Diplomatic History, and the collections will be available to anyone who has a serious interest in American Diplomatic History.

Contributions to either of the collections in the form of funds or books should be directed to Dr. David A. Williams, Department of History, California State College, Long Beach, California, 90803. Checks should be made to: Bernath Memorial Collection Fund.

Marshall Krolick presented the tenth in his series of quiz questionnaires scheduled for appearance in *Civil War Times Illustrated*, and 20th in the aggregate of quiz programs. Giving way to the boos and greet his every appearance—boos provoked by the realization that only he knows the answers—he announced that he was turning over future quizzes to Miner Coburn. Predictions were made that Marshall is hiding out and will be back with even more unanswerable questions in due course.

Dr. David N. Wood on Edwin M. Stanton was the November 10 program of the Cleveland, Ohio, CWRT. In the November bulletin Editor Guy Di Carlo, Jr. (P.O. Box 5028, Cleveland, O. 44101) starts a series on Civil War research with 14 pages on bibliography and Civil War photographs.

TO THE LADIES —

The Program: Frantic efforts are under way to arrange a suitable program for the occasion.

The Time: Friday, January 8, 1971

The Place: The Book and Bottle at 17 East Chestnut Street, across the street from the Abraham Lincoln Bookshop.

And the Girl to call for reservations is Joyce Warshaw, 1319 Crain Street, Evanston, Ill. 60202, phone 866-6667.

Last Meeting: We sent out for our Yuletide dinner of coq au vin and cookies supplemented by the famous fudge of Eleanor Smith. Joyce Warshaw read a description of Christmas in 1863 from *Civil War Times Illustrated*, and each of the 13 Camp Followers who attended was asked to give some reminiscence from her own store of past Christmases. Joyce provided one with a Civil War angle. It was her duty as a child to set up a cabin of Lincoln logs under the Christmas tree. It did not occur to her for years that many children played with Lincoln logs throughout the year and that Lincoln really had little to do with Christmas.

The ancient tradition of the grab bag had been abandoned two years ago and in accordance with the new tradition a contribution was made to the Fellowship Fund.

The Civil War Roundtable of Decatur, Illinois, opened the fall season Sept. 10, 1970, at Blue Mill Restaurant with a talk by Ivan Light of Shirley, Ill., on the Confederate cruiser Alabama. Thomas H. Carter is president.

Stephen Z. Starr spoke on "Officers and Gentlemen" (Cavalry) at the Sept. 17, 1970, meeting of Cincinnati CWRT at the University Club.

NEW AT LIBRARY

Chicago Public Library reports among recent acquisitions Randall's "Civil War and Reconstruction" and Vandiver's "Their Tattered Flags."



JOHN H. MORGAN'S REVOLVERS. This pair of ivory-handled Colt's now in the White House of the Confederacy belonged to the famous Confederate cavalry leader. And for the information of gun collectors, the top one bears the legend Colt's patent 6341 on the cylinder and E126341 on the frame; the bottom revolver is 6319 on the cylinder and E126319 on the frame. A new building is planned by the Museum of the Confederacy, 1201 East Clay Street, Richmond, Va. 23219.

THE NEW BOOKS

(Compiled by Dick Clark)



Abodaher, David J. *Rebel on Two Continents: Thomas Meagher*. N.Y.: Messner [1970]. \$3.50

Benner, Judith Ann. *Fraudulent Finance: Counterfeiting and the Confederate States, 1861-1865*. Hillsboro, Texas: Hill Junior College Press, 1970. ltd. 500 copies. \$3.95

Braden, Waldo W., ed. *Oratory in the Old South*. Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 1970. \$10.00

Byrne, Frank L. and Andrew T. Weaver, eds. *Haskell of Gettysburg: His Life and Civil War Papers*. Madison: State Historical Society of Wisconsin, 1970. \$6.95

Chase, Henry and C.H. Sanborn. *The North and the South: Being a Statistical View of the Condition of the Free and Slave States*. Westport, Conn.: Negro Universities Press [1970]. Reprint 1857 ed. \$9.00.

Cheek, William F. *Black Resistance before the Civil War*. Beverly Hills, Calif.: Glencoe Press [1970]. Paper \$2.95

Clark, Peter H. *The Black Brigade of Cincinnati*. N.Y.: Arno, 1969. \$4.50. Reprint 1864 edition.

Connelly, Thomas L. *Autumn of Glory: The Army of Tennessee, 1863-1865*. Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 1970. \$15.00. Sequel to *Army of the Heartland*.

Cox, Samuel Sullivan. *Three Decades of Federal Legislation, 1855 to 1885 . . .* Freeport, N.Y.: Books for Libraries, Inc. \$24.50

Cushing, Caleb. *The Treaty of Washington; Its Negotiation, Execution and the Discussions Relating Thereto*. Freeport, N.Y.: Books for Libraries, Inc. \$9.75. First pub. 1873.

Fulkner, Virginia, comp. *Dear Annie: A Collection of Letters, 1860-1886*. Parsons, W. Va.: McClain, 1969. \$5.95

Hanchett, William. *Irish: Charles G. Halpine in Civil War America*. Foreword by Allan Nevins. Syracuse: Syracuse University Press [1970]. \$8.00

Harvey, Paul, Jr. *Old Tige: General William L. Cabell, CSA*. Hillsboro, Texas: Hill Junior College Press, 1970. ltd. 500 copies. \$3.95

Hassler, Warren W., Jr. *Crisis at the Crossroads: The First Day at Gettysburg*. University of Alabama Press, 1970. \$8.75

Kakuske, Louis F. *A Civil War Drama; The Adventures of a Union Soldier in Southern Imprisonment*. Translated from the original German of the author (1895) by Herbert P. Kakuske. N.Y.: Carlton [1970]. \$3.00

Klement, Frank L. *The Limits of Dissent: Clement L. Vallandigham and the Civil War*. Lexington: University of Kentucky Press, 1970. \$10.50

Knoles, George Harmon, ed. *The Crisis of the Union, 1860-1861*. Essays by Glyndon G. Van Deusen, Roy F. Nichols, Avery O. Craven, and David M. Potter. Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press. Paper, \$1.75

Elliot, Ian, ed. *Abraham Lincoln, 1809-1865; Chronology, Documents, Bibliographical Aids*. Dobbs Ferry [N.Y.]: Oceana, 1970. \$5.00

Louisiana Historical Association. *Calendar of the Jefferson Davis Postwar Manuscripts*. N.Y.: Burt Franklin [1970]. Reprint 1943 ed. \$22.50

Okie, Howard S. *General U.S. Grant: A Defense*. N.Y.: Vantage Press [1970]. \$2.95

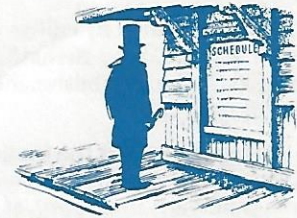
Owsley, Frank Lawrence. *The South: Old and New Frontiers*. Selected Essays of . . . Ed. by Harriet Chappell Owsley. Athens: University of Georgia Press [1969]. \$8.00

Schuckers, Jacob W. *The Life and Public Services of Salmon Portland Chase*. N.Y.: Da Capo, 1970. Original of 1874.

Simpson, Harold B. *Hood's Texas Brigade: Lee's Grenadier Guard*. Waco, Texas: Texian Press, 1970. \$10.00

Stampp, Kenneth M. *And the War Came. The North and*

BULLETIN BOARD



FUTURE MEETINGS

Regular meetings are held at the Chicago Bar Association, 29 South LaSalle Street, 11th floor, second Friday in each month except as noted.

January 8: Herbert Cawood on "Cold Harbor." Meeting of CWRT Board of Trustees at 5:30 p.m.

February 19: Harry Caudill on "The Guerrilla War in Kentucky."

March 12: To be announced.

April 2: 300th Meeting and Ladies Night

April 29-May 2. The annual Battlefields Tour: The Shenandoah Valley including the three Winchesters, Cross Keys, Port Republic, Front Royal, Kearns town, New Market, Cedar Creek, Fisher's Hill. Tour leaves O'Hare Field Thursday morning for Dulles Airport; Thursday and Friday nights at motel in Winchester as headquarters; travel up the Valley Saturday, spending night at Harrisonburg; Sunday we take the Skyline Drive to Second Manassas and back to Dulles Airport, arriving in Chicago Sunday night.

May 14: To be announced.

June 11: To be announced.



Elden E. (Josh) Billings spoke on "Confederate Diplomacy: Possibilities and Problems" at the Sept. 15, 1970, meeting of the Civil War Round Table of the District of Columbia at the Army & Navy Club. Walton M. Onslow is president.

"The Battle at Newtonia" was the subject of Judge Paul E. Carver of Neosho at Sept. 9, 1970, meeting of Civil War Round Table of the Ozarks at the Ramada Inn, Springfield, Mo.

the Secession Crisis, 1860-1861. Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 1970. Paper, \$2.95

Thomas, Emory M. *The Confederate State of Richmond: A Biography of the Capital*. Austin: University of Texas Press, 1970. \$6.75

Thompson, Lawrence Sidney, compiler. *The Southern Black: Slave and Free*. A bibliography of anti- and pro-slavery books and pamphlets, and of social and economic conditions in the Southern States from the beginnings to 1950. N.Y.: Whitston Pub., 1970. \$13.50

U.S. President, 1865-1869 (Andrew Johnson). *Report on the Condition of the South*. [Accompanied by a report of] Carl Schurz. N.Y.: Arno Press, 1969. \$5.00. Orig. entitled: Message of the President of the United States, communicating, in compliance with a resolution of the Senate of the 12th instant, information in relation to the States of the Union lately in rebellion. Accompanied by a report of Carl Schurz on the States of South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana; also, a report of Lieutenant General Grant, on the same subject, issued as Ex. doc., no. 2 of the 39th Cong. 1st sess., House. New Introductory and bibl. material added.

Weber, Thomas. *The Northern Railroads in the Civil War, 1861-1865*. Westport, Conn.: Greenwood Press [1970, 1952]. \$12.50

Wright, John S. *Lincoln and the Politics of Slavery*. Reno: University of Nevada Press, 1970, \$6.00