Col. ‘Ned’ Julian: Did the Confederacy Fight for Glory?

AN ASSESSMENT of the Confederacy in the Civil War is in prospect when Col. Allen P. Julian speaks Friday, September 9, on “Glory or Good Management?”

“I have no intention of tearing anyone apart (except as a careless group, perhaps), but I do intend to build up one or two conscientious tollers in the field.” Col. Julian informs us. “If others suffer by comparison, it will not be emphasized by me.

“All of which leads into what historians—rather, history—has done for the Confederacy and especially for General Lee. Again, nothing derogatory, but I mean to emphasize how sound business management, rather than blood and glory, could have saved the day for the Confederacy.”

Col. Julian is director of the Atlanta Historical Society, yet his background is Hoosier and Union.

Margaret Mitchell Marsh, author of “Gone With The Wind”, once autographed a book to him. “Colonel Julian, commanding officer of the last Federal garrison in Georgia.”

But Col. Julian, “Ned” as he is known to many of us, holds the Confederacy in respect and admiration and sees the greatness and grandeur of Georgia’s role in the war through objective eyes, unclouded by local loyalties or pride of heritage.

He is a booster of Atlanta, which he thinks was far more important than Richmond, both strategically and politically he thinks that Georgia’s role was at least equal to Virginia’s.

He feels that had the administration at Richmond not relieved Gen. Joe Johnston, who was defending Atlanta, the Georgian city never would have fallen, or if it fell, it would have been too late to benefit Union arms.

Few persons outside Chicago have been more closely identified with our Round Table than “Ned” Julian. He was made an honorary award member last April. He spoke here on “The Savannah Campaign”, in 1959 he was field marshal of our tour to Charleston and Savannah. He has been with us on other tours.

Col. Julian was born in Dixon, Nebraska, but considers himself a Hoosier since his parents were natives of Indiana and spent all except brief periods of their lives there. His Grandfather Julian was chaplain of the 53rd Indiana Volunteer Infantry and his Grandfather Cogswell was a captain in the 44th Indiana Volunteer Infantry. “Ned” entered the Indiana National Guard in June, 1921, and was in military activity until retirement in 1956 when he became director of the Atlanta Historical Society and Margaret Mitchell Memorial Library. He is a member of many orders linked to the military service and the Civil War and is a past president of the Atlanta Civil War Round Table.

MEETING NOTICE

193rd REGULAR MEETING

Colonel Allen P. Julian, USA (Ret.)

on

"Glory, or Good Management?"

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1960

St. Clair Hotel

Cocktails at 5:30 p.m.

162 East Ohio Street

Dinner at 6:30

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ANY PICTURES OF CHESTER GANNON?

Chester F. Gannon, who accompanied us on our 1960 battlefield tour to Virginia spoke on Edward D. Baker at the death site on the Ball’s Bluff battlefield. That’s the only time Chester stopped snapping pictures with his Polaroid. So, he has no picture of himself speaking. If any member has such a picture, Mr. Gannon would appreciate having it at 2839 Santa Paula Court, Sacramento 21, Calif.

OREGON is the 42nd state to set up a Civil War Centennial commission. Chairman is Thomas Vaughn, director, Oregon Historical Society, Portland, Ore. States without commissions are California, Idaho, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, Utah, Washington, Alaska and Hawaii.
NEW DRESS - To introduce a new brightness into our newsletter, this issue appears in new design and with color. To emphasize this and to clarify printing, white paper is used. Artist and designer was our member Robert M. Reilly. Aiding in technical production was our member Allen Meyer.

Some features of last year’s design, which was by Frank E. Manning, have been retained. In general the format remains the same, but there will be occasional variations.

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WRONG NUMBER - Yes, your editor did misnumber some meetings! The May meeting should have been 191 and June, 192. Now we’re on the right track and the September meeting is 193.

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DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD - A new committee award appears in our listing. It supplements our Honorary Membership Award which has been limited to two a year. The Distinguished Service Award is not limited - except that it does not confer honorary membership - and is intended for members and others whose service in behalf of our CWRT merit special recognition. The first award was in June to Otto Eisenschiml, already an honorary member, on the occasion of his 80th birthday.

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CAMP FOLLOWERS - At the June meeting, for his last official act as president, Jerry Slechtsa named a Camp Followers committee - Peggy Lebold, chairman, Frances Ames, and Barbara Long, ladies who have been members of battlefield tours.

Election of officers was held. Ralph Newman presented a gavel to Mr. Slechtsa. Then Robert Douglas was installed as president.

It was announced that the tour committee had made a preliminary schedule of tours to Vicksburg, 1961; Gettysburg, 1962; New Orleans, 1963; Shiloh, 1964; Antietam and South Mountain, 1965.

Paul M. Angle, director of Chicago Historical Society, spoke briefly on the Civil War collection of the society. Then members and ladies went to the society building and viewed the Civil War exhibit keyed to 1860-61.

HISTORIC HOTEL TO BE PRESERVED

William Stauffer, editor of the Richmond CWRT newsletter, reports a recent visit to the Prince Edward Hotel in Farmville, Va., scene of the stop-over on April 6 and 7, 1865, of Generals Lee and Grant on the road to Appomattox. It had been feared the hotel would be sold and razed. The owners of the hotel, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Moore, Jr., told Dr. Stauffer that they will continue ownership and operation of the hotel and will be glad to show interested Civil War fans the rooms, appropriately marked, occupied by the two generals. The Chicago CWRT 1860 tour to Appomattox visited the hotel.
**SUMMERTIME FUN**

The event that is quaintly called "The Mid-West CWRT Golf Championship" was held Saturday, August 13, at Meadow Springs Golf Club, Jefferson, Wisconsin. Jerry Slechta (the host) was winner of Flight A and Ralph G. Newman of Flight B. President Bob Douglas had the best poker hand on his card. There were prizes for everybody.

An executive committee meeting was held. Dates of meetings were confirmed (see Future Meetings) and the 1961 Battlefield Tour was set for April 26 to May 1.

A special committee was named to plan the 20th anniversary meeting of our Round Table at a special place. Members of the committee are Lloyd D. Miller, chairman, Arnold Alexander, and Gilbert Twiss.

Publication of a 20th anniversary book of the Round Table was approved, details to be worked out. Issue may coincide with our 200th meeting.

Participation in special Civil War Centennial events was discussed. It was decided to publicize the events in our newsletter and leave attendance to individual choice.

After dinner, movies of battlefield tours were shown by Lloyd Miller.

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**SAVE STONEWALL JACKSON HEADQUARTERS**

Stonewall Jackson's headquarters at Winchester, Va., the Fuller house, in which he lived during the winter of 1861-62, a part of the time with Mrs. Jackson, is to be preserved. The town council appropriated $20,000 toward the purchase price, with the understanding that the remaining $6,000 would be paid by the Stonewall Jackson Memorial Foundation of Lexington, Va., Jay W. Johns, head of the memorial, said the building will be restored and operated as a museum and information center for history in and around Winchester.

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**RAILSPLITTER PARTY** - More than 200 CWRT members and ladies and Friends of Lincoln College were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Kist at their home in Elmhurst, Sunday, July 24. Favored by a beautiful day in a lovely setting, the party enjoyed swimming, games, refreshments and good fellowship. Pictures and montage by Al Meyer.

BEEFSTEAK RAID, by Edward Boykin (Funk & Wagnalls, $4.95). Cattle raid by Wade Hampton and his men near Coggins Point on the James, September, 1864.

BUCKTAILED WILDCATS: A Regiment of Civil War Volunteers (1st Pennsylvania Rifles), by Edwin A. Glover (Yosef, $5.95).

CHARLES LUMBER AND THE COMING OF THE CIVIL WAR, by David Donald (440 pp., Knopf, $6.75).


THE CONFEDERATE CONGRESS, by Wildred Buck Yarns (392 pp., U. Georgia, $5).


HORSEMEN BLUE AND GRAY: A Pictorial History, pictures selected by Hirst Dillon Millhollen, text by James Ralph Johnson and Alfred Hoyt Bill (236 pp., Oxford, $10).

LINCOLN'S MANAGER, DAVID DAVIS, by Willard L. King (400 pp., Harvard, $7.50). The story of one of Lincoln's closest friends.

MY FATHER, GENERAL LEE, a new edition, selection of letters long out of print (Rebel Yell, $5.95).

NO COMPROMISE as Path of the Fanatics Who Paved the Way to the Civil War, by Arnold Whitridge (212 pp., Farrar, $4).


SHE RODE WITH THE GENERALS, by Sylvia G. Dannett (320 pp., Nelson, $5). Sarah Edmonds Sewell, who masqueraded as a man to serve in the Union army.

SLAVE'S NEW MEXICO CAMPAIGN, by Martin Hardwick Hall (University of Texas).


SONGS OF THE CIVIL WAR, by Irwin Silber (352 pp., Columbia, $7.50). Piano and guitar arrangements by Jerry Silverman.


WHY THE NORTH WON THE CIVIL WAR, by David Donald (120 pp., Louisiana, $2.65). Five papers presented at 1928 Gettysburg College Civil War Conference by Richard N. Current, T. Harry Williams, Norman A. Graebner, David Donald and David M. Potter.

THE IOWA CIVIL WAR Centennial commission will hold an all day meeting Friday, Sept. 23, at Des Moines to plan centennial observances. Among speakers will be Gen. U. S. Grant III, national chairman, and Karl S. Betts, executive director.

HARRY S. TRUMAN Award of the Kansas City CWRT for 1960 will be presented to Dr. Allan Nevins on a date to be announced.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Thursday, October 6 - Dr. B. J. Womack, "The War in Tennessee".

SPECIAL EVENT


MIWEST CWRT CALENDAR

SPRINGFIELD (III.), Sept. 16 - Ralph G. Newman, "Benjamin Franklin Butler".

BATTLEFIELD TOURS

CLEVELAND, Sept. 15-17 - To Brandy Station and Manassas. Check in Sept. 15 at Anchorage motel near Fairfax, Va.

WASHINGTON D. C., Sept. 24 - To Cedar Mountain, Col. J. Gay Seabourne narrator.

DETOY HASTS CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

Detroit has appointed a Civil War Centennial committee with Robert J. McIntosh, manager of radio station WWJ (Detroit 31) as chairman. Michigan raised a total of 45 regiments, contributed soldiers to more than 50 other military units and sent nearly 600 men to duty in the Union navy. During the war more than half of the Michigan men of military age served in the Union forces.

OHIOANS IN THE CIVIL WAR

A leaflet of the Ohio Civil War Centennial commission notes that 300,000 Ohioans fought in hundreds of battles and skirmishes in the Civil War and 25,000 gave their lives. Foremost military leaders born in Ohio included Grant, Sherman, Sheridan and McPherson. Newly recruited Ohio troops, campaigning in what is now West Virginia, won the first battle of the Civil War at Philippi.

FOR CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL CHAPEL

A committee of Virginians, headed by Mrs. James Branch Cabell, widow of the author, is conducting a drive to raise $25,000 to match a similar sum voted by the state for restoration of the Confederate Memorial Chapel, erected years ago near the Soldiers Home at Richmond with money contributed by Civil War veterans. The funds are needed to strengthen the structure, restore the interior, and install a heat plant. Checks may be sent to John C. Sisson, treasurer, Confederate Chapel Restoration, 7202 Brigham Road, Richmond, Va.