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**ANNOTATIONS**

Waugh, John C.  
Lehrer, Jim  
Fall 2004

**Waugh, John C. and Lehrer, Jim.** *20 Good Reasons to Study the Civil War.*  
McWhiney Foundation Press, $12.95 ISBN 1893114465

In a series of vignettes, John C. Waugh provides short and succinct answers to the question why study the Civil War? Designed as an educator's tool, the book offers, among others, the following reasons to study the war, *Because It Was Unique, Because It Killed Slavery, and Because It Tested Our Faith.*

Comey, Lyman Richard, Editor  
Fall 2004

**Comey, Lyman Richard, Editor** *A Legacy of Valor: The Memoirs and Letters of Captain Henry Newton Comey, 2nd Massachusetts Infantry.*  
University of Tennessee Press, $38.00 ISBN 1572332476

Henry Newton Comey began to write his memoirs in 1863 and wrote correspondence regularly throughout the first few years of the war. The editor has spliced together correspondence and memoirs, presenting a full record of Comey's experiences rising through the ranks.

Knight, Wilda Hurst  
Fall 2004

**Knight, Wilda Hurst** *A One Mule Plantation.*  
Ivy House Publishing Group, $18.95 ISBN 1571973966

This brief novel takes place in rural North Carolina and concerns the unexpected arrival of a mysterious Confederate officer to a small plantation. This is Wilda Hurst Knight's second novel.
Roland, Charles P.
Fall 2004


Carmichael, Peter S., Editor
Fall 2004


Peter S. Carmichl has brought together six diverse essays by leading Civil War historians to confront myths and controversies surrounding the southern general. Contributors William J. Miller, Gordon C. Rhea, Robert E. L. Krick, Max R. Williams, and Mark L. Bradley cover topics ranging from Lee's military leadership style to a parallel essay comparing the life of Lee and North Carolina governor Zebulon B. Vance.

Pratt, Richard Henry
Utley, Robert M. , Editor
Fall 2004


This autobiography by General Richard Henry Pratt covers his service fighting the Indian Wars of the latter 19th century and his controversial
off-reservation education program. The editor includes a critical introduction and appendixes.

**Cozzens, Peter, Editor**

*Fall 2004*

**Cozzens, Peter, Editor** *Battles and Leaders of the Civil War: Volume 6.* University of Illinois Press, $39.95 ISBN 252028791

The original four volumes of this series feature classic first-person accounts and opinion articles edited by Robert Underwood Johnson and Clarence Clough Buel. Peter Cozzens continues this tradition with new volumes five and six, featuring the items and views that were published in American newspapers in the decades after Volume 4 was printed.

**Bergemann, Kurt D.**

*Fall 2004*

**Bergemann, Kurt D.** *Bracket's Battalion: Minnesota Cavalry in the Civil War and Dakota War.* Borealis Books, $15.95 ISBN 873514734

This book follows the exploits of a Minnesotan cavalry contingent from its mustering in 1861, its defeats at the hands of Confederate cavalry during the initial months of the Civil War, and then the unit's action when it was recalled back home in order to fight against the Dakota Indians in 1862.

**Fears, Mary L. Jackson**

*Fall 2004*


Mary L. Jackson Fears has written a guide book for Civil War Era historical reenactments for African Americans. The book includes brief biographies of
black historical figures and the ways and means of accurate reenacting.

Hunt, Roger D.

Fall 2004

Hunt, Roger D. *Colonels in Blue: Union Army Colonels of the Civil War, New York.* Schiffer Publishing Ltd., $59.95 ISBN 764317717

This book is the second volume of a series providing brief biographies and photographs of Union Colonels. The first volume contained bibliographic sketches of colonels of the New England states, volume two is dedicated to the colonels of New York.

Jamieson, Perry D.

Fall 2004


Originally published in 1994, Perry D. Jamieson's study on late 19th century United States military tactics has been reprinted in a new paperback edition. Jamieson covers the introduction of new weapons and the evolving army tactics brought on by the Indian and the Spanish American Wars.

Ferris, Jeri Chase
Smith, Kimanne , Illustrator

Fall 2004


This book is a children's biography of Mary Ann Shadd Cary, who was a free black woman born in 1823. She would go on to found a school, publish a newspaper, and attend law school. This volume is intended for students in grades...
three through six.

Muckenhoupt, Margaret
Fall 2004

Muckenhoupt, Margaret *Dorothea Dix: Advocate for Mental Health Care.* Oxford University Press, $28.00 ISBN 195129210

Margaret Muckenhoupt's biography of social activist Dorothea Dix is a part of Oxford University Press's series of short biographies, Oxford Portraits. Dix lived through most of the 19th century and is primarily remembered for her role in improving health care for people with mental illnesses, she also served as a Union nurse and was a best-selling author.

Driver, Jr. Robert J.
Fall 2004


This book is an extensive history of the two units that served in the Confederacy from the Maryland. The history of these units covers the full chronology of the war. Robert J. Driver, Jr., has included a large muster roll with known information about most of the soldiers who fought for the 1st and 2nd Maryland Infantry Regiments.

Browning, Robert M.
Fall 2004


This biography of Confederate cavalry commander Nathan Bedford Forrest is the latest addition to Brassey's Military Profiles series. Robert M. Browning, Jr., describes Forrest's success in civilian life and how it would shape success
during the Civil War.

Morris, Roy
Fall 2004


Originally published in 2003, Roy Morris, Jr.'s analysis of the bitter presidential election of 1876 is now available in paperback. Morris's book details the brazen political tactics of the Rutherford B. Hayes and Samuel Tilden camps and the eventual compromise that ended Reconstruction.

Foner, Philip S., Editor
Fall 2004

Foner, Philip S., Editor *Frederick Douglass on Slavery and the Civil War: Selections from His Writings.* Dover Publications, Inc., $1.50 ISBN 486431711

This short collection is compiled of Frederick Douglass's writings on the nature of slavery and the Civil War. The editor has divided his writings into four different sections (Slavery, The Civil War, Reconstruction, and the Democratic Spirit). Philip S. Foner provides an introductory essay.

Ofele, Martin W.
Fall 2004

Ofele, Martin W. *German-Speaking Officers in the U.S. Colored Troops, 1863-1867.* University Press of Florida, $55.00 ISBN 081302692X

This study examines the multifaceted relationships among German immigrants who served as officers in the U.S.C.T. These officers came from various backgrounds and had a wide variety of views on race. Serving with black soldiers allowed immigrants a much better change at promotion than service in other units.

This is the new paperback edition of the bestselling novel of an alternative history of the battle of Gettysburg. See Fall 2003 Issue for a full length column on the hardcover edition.

Feis, William B. *Grant’s Secret Service: The Intelligence War from Belmont to Appomattox*. University of Nebraska Press, $16.95 ISBN 803269110

Originally published in 2002, William B. Feis provides an in-depth examination of the gathering and use of military intelligence by Ulysses S. Grant during the Civil War. He argues that Grant's use of military intelligence was a significant factor in Lee's defeat. This title is newly available in paperback.


Bruce Nichols has written a detailed study of the guerrilla operations in Missouri during 1862. He includes both guerrilla raids and recruitment efforts along with descriptions of the Union efforts to thwart their activities. The volume is richly illustrated with period photographs, sketches, and maps.
Fall 2004

**Murphy, Kim** *Honor & Glory: A Civil War Novel*. Coachlight Press, $14.95 ISBN 971679061

Kim Murphy has published a new novel in her series. The novel picks up in the aftermath of Fredericksburg and continues the story of two sisters, Amanda and Alice, one betrothed to a Union officer and the other confronted with the destruction of her home by the North.

**Yarbro, Chelsea Quinn**

Fall 2004

**Yarbro, Chelsea Quinn** *In the Face of Death*. BenBella Books, $14.95 ISBN 1932100296

A part of Chelsea Quinn Yarbro's Count Saint-Germain series, this unusual novel follows the trail of Madelaine de Montalia, a vampire studying Native American culture. Her journey is interrupted by the Civil War and a courtship with William Tecumseh Sherman.

**Jackson, Rex T.**

Fall 2004

**Jackson, Rex T.** *James B. Eads: The Civil War Ironclads and His Mississippi*. Heritage Books, $16.00 ISBN 788424777

Rex T. Jackson has written a short biography of one of America's greatest engineers—James B. Eads. Eads designed the inland ironclads that contributed to the capture of Forts Henry and Donelson early in the war. Latter in life he designed a bridge that would span the Mississippi River in St. Louis and opened the river to the gulf shipping trade.

**Chicoine, Stephen**

Fall 2004

Stephen Chicoine follows the career of John Basil Turchin, born Ivan Turchaninov. Turchin was a Russian immigrant and served in the Czar's army before coming to America. He would lead the 19th Illinois Infantry Regiment and his actions in Athens, Georgia, would eventually lead to a court-martial.

Sehlinger, Peter J.
Fall 2004

Sehlinger, Peter J. *Kentucky's Last Cavalier: General William Preston, 1816-1887*. Kentucky Historical Society, $33.95 ISBN 916968332

William Preston was one of Kentucky's leading citizens of the Antebellum era and was a prominent member of the Confederate military and government. He was educated at Yale and Harvard and served in the Mexican War before becoming a member of Congress. During the Civil War, Preston rose to the rank of major-general and was the Confederate minister to Mexico.

Alexander, Bevin
Fall 2004


Originally published in 1992, this study argues that Stonewall Jackson was a superior strategist to Lee and that had he lived the South would have won the war. Bevin Alexander performs a detailed analysis of Antietam, Fredericksburg, and Chancellorsville in an attempt to demonstrate Jackson's genius and has provided several detailed maps in order to help the reader.

Saurs, Richard A.
Fall 2004

This biography of the commander of the Army of the Potomac, George Gordon Meade is the latest addition to Brassey's Military Profiles series and the first biography of Meade in several years. Richard A. Sauers describes Meade's victory at the Battle of Gettysburg, the controversies surrounding his actions following the battle, and his tense relationship with Ulysses S. Grant.

Fleischner, Jennifer
Fall 2004

Fleischner, Jennifer *Mrs. Lincoln and Mrs. Keckly: The Remarkable Story of the Friendship between a First Lady and a Former Slave*. Broadway Books, $15.95 ISBN 767902599

Jennifer Fleischner's examination of the relationship between Mary Todd Lincoln and Elizabeth Keckly is now available in paperback. See Summer 2003 Issue for a full length review of the hardcover.

Hess, Joan
Fall 2004


Set in the present day, this novel is a comic mystery continuing the story of Arly Hanks, female chief of police of Maggody, Arkansas. Hanks must unravel the mystery of the disappearance of several citizens of Maggody as a reenactment of the Skirmish at Cotter's Ridge of 1863 approaches and rumors of hidden Confederate gold spread through the town.

Haeger, Diana
Fall 2004

This romance novel imagines William T. Sherman as the star crossed lover of a rich planter's daughter. See the Fall 2003 review of the hardcover.

**Roland, Charles P.**

Fall 2004

**Roland, Charles P.** *My Odyssey through History: Memoirs of War and Academe.* Louisiana State University Press, $29.95 ISBN 807128538

The memoirs of Charles P. Roland span his early formative years in Tennessee, his service in the infantry during the Second World War, and his fifty years as professor of history at Tulane and the University of Kentucky. Roland has written several books on the Civil War such as *An American Iliad: The Story of the Civil War, The Confederacy, and Reflections on Lee: A Historian's Assessment.*

**Partington, Richard O.**

Fall 2004


The Grand Army of the Republic was the country's largest veteran's organization through its membership was restricted to Union veterans of the Civil War. This slim volume records the author's experiences and remembrances of the G.A.R. during his youth. The book is illustrated by many original photographs and includes a recounting of the 75th anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg.

**Mahon, John**

Fall 2004

This regimental history spans over nearly a century. The regiment was originally formed by Irish immigrants in 1851 and was first known as the 69th New York State Militia but would later become the 69th New York Volunteers during the Civil War. During the First World War, the unit was known as the 165th Infantry and was a part of the Rainbow division.

Jones, D.D., Rev. J. William  

A new edition of the work originally published in 1875 by Lee's Chaplin. The work is a compilation of Lee's personal correspondence and touted as a companion to *The Civil War Memoirs of Ulysses S. Grant*.

Hattaway, Herman  

Herman Hattaway has compiled a collection of essays written over the course of his forty years as a Civil War scholar. Some unpublished material is included. Hattaway's essays cover topics such as Civil War Leadership, The War Inside the Church, and The Evolution of Tactics in the Civil War.
Fall 2004


Jewett and Allen's book on slavery provides a short essay on each of the southern slave states. Each essay explores the growth, economics, the life of slaves and free blacks, the legal code, and Civil War, Emancipation, and Reconstruction experiences of blacks in each state.

Markle, Donald E.

Fall 2004


In this revised and expanded work, Donald E. Markle collects several hundred cases of Civil War male and female spies, from spymasters to newsboys. These stories are told through vignettes, photos, and a glossary. The work also includes a spy roster containing 432 names. This expanded edition includes a new chapter, After Life, that tells of the lives of many of the spymasters after the war.

Thornton, Mark
Ekelund Jr., Robert B.

Fall 2004


Part of The American Crisis Series: Books on the Civil War Era, this book provides an economic analysis of the causes and results of the war. The authors include numerous charts and graphs throughout the text.

Harrell, Roger H.

The history of this regiment is characterized by change and redemption. The early forays of the unit were marred by almost complete collapse and failure yet Roger H. Harrell records the unit's rise from its early dysfunction to respectability within the cavalry of the Army of Northern Virginia.

Bertera, Martin Nino

Fall 2004


Martin Nino Bertera has written a brief history of the 4th Michigan Infantry's role in a battle of the Peninsula Campaign. George Armstrong Custer played a prominent part in the action around New Bridge. Bertera has included several photographs and illustrations.

Hinze, David C.
Farnham, Karen

Fall 2004


Two weeks before the first Battle of Manassas, along the border of Kansas and Missouri, Confederate soldiers of the Missouri State Guard and the Union infantry volunteers engaged one another around the town of Carthage. The book concludes with an exclusive in-depth interview with the author.

Stauffer, John
Fall 2004


This title is new to paperback. Please see our review of the hardcover edition in the Fall 2002 Issue.

Richardson, Heather Cox

Fall 2004

Richardson, Heather Cox The Death of Reconstruction: Race, Labor, and Politics in the Post-Civil War North, 1865-1901. Harvard University Press, $18.95 ISBN 674013662

This study revisits the retreat of Reconstruction through personal correspondence, official government documents, and popular literature of the day. Richardson tracks the sway of northern sentiment from Reconstruction to 1900. Convinced that white racism and political expediency were not the only reasons for the end of Reconstruction, Richardson puts forth an alternative theory based on class conflict. This title is newly available in paperback.

Long, Alecia P.

Fall 2004


Alecia P. Long, a historian at the Louisiana State Museum, has written a study examining the sexual culture and industry of New Orleans during the years of Reconstruction and the beginning of Segregation. Long traces this story through Louisiana Supreme Court cases revealing famous and obscure individuals involved in the transformation.
Jarrell, Wallace E.
Fall 2004


Wallace E. Jarrell recalls the service of the men of Randolph County, North Carolina, in the 22nd Regiment of North Carolina Troops. The county itself was divided over the issue of secession but the unit earned a positive reputation for its action in combat.

Barney, William L.
Fall 2004


The University of Alabama Press has released a classic study of the triumph of the Fire-Eaters with secession and the formation of the Confederacy. Originally published in 1974, William L. Barney has provided a new introduction to this new edition.

Reinhart, Joseph R.
Fall 2004

**Reinhart, Joseph R.** *Two Germans in the Civil War: The Diary of John Daeuble and the letters of Gottfried Rentschler, 6th Kentucky Volunteer Infantry.* University of Tennessee Press, $32.00 ISBN 1572332794

Joseph R. Reinhart has translated and edited the writings of John Duble and Gottfried Rentschler. One third of the 6th Kentucky Volunteer Infantry were German immigrants serving in the West. The diary and letters record the action of these soldiers around Chattanooga and the Atlanta Campaign.
Friend, Jack
Fall 2004


Union admiral David Farragut gained much of his fame for his victory at Mobile Bay when he first gave the order, Damn the torpedoes, full speed ahead. Jack Friend provides a detailed recounting of the buildup, action, and aftermath of the battle.