



# THE CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE

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## LADIES' NIGHT - SONGS of the CIVIL WAR at JAZZ, Ltd.



The picture is from one of the most memorable Friday nights at Jazz, Ltd., when Bill Reinhardt's band (in dark suits) and the Franz Jackson Jazz All Stars (in light suits) had a Battle of Jazz. It was the first time that 14 Dixieland men played that music for the public. Bill Reinhardt is at the left.

"Songs of the Civil War" and Ladies' Night at Jazz, Ltd., last year was so popular that the event is being repeated on Friday, November 16.

The evening will begin with cocktails and a buffet dinner in the mezzanine dining room of the St. Clair hotel. The buffet will be prepared and attended by the same staff which serves the buffets that have proved popular at Chicago Press Club. If there is any business to transact, it will be attended to at the St. Clair gathering.



Ruth Reinhardt

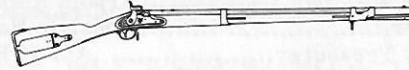
The remainder of the evening will be in the hands of the talented musicians of Jazz, Ltd., with Bill Reinhardt, director, and his wife, Ruth Reinhardt, hostess and genius of lighting effects. There are two innovations this year: dancing to the band and Family night. Children accompanied by their parents will be admitted.

The Jazz, Ltd. band is considered by many critics and jazz buffs as the best band in the Dixieland idiom. Typical is the comment of George Frazier, leading jazz critic and writer: "Jazz, Ltd. is just about the pleasantest jazz temple now holding services in the United States."

Bill Reinhardt, clarinet, is the only player who has been with the band since it began June 11, 1947. The band, though ever changing, always has a carryover of "old hands". Those who were with the band last year are Quinn Wilson, sousaphone and string bass; Dave Rasbury, trombone, and Freddie Kohlman, drums.

New this year are Lou Gautreaux, trumpet, Louisiana born and from New Orleans; Earl Washington, piano, Chicagoan and alumnus of Red Saunders' famed Club DeLiza band, and Mike McKendrick, banjo and guitar, from Paducah, Ky. Mike, singer of old songs, was first banjo man with Louis Armstrong when Louie entered the big time.

Great names of the past with the Jazz, Ltd. band included Mugsey Spanier, Marty Marsala, Pete Fountain, Doc Evans, Big Chief Moore, Sidney de Paris, and the late Miff Mole and Sidney Bechet.



LADIES' NIGHT

215th REGULAR MEETING

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"Songs of the Civil War"

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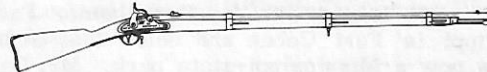
JAZZ, Ltd.

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1962

Cocktails and Buffet Dinner 6 to 8:30 p.m.  
Mezzanine, St. Clair Hotel, 162 East Ohio Street

Jazz, Ltd. Doors Open 8:30 p.m.  
164 East Grand Avenue Music at 9 p.m.



Bill Reinhardt was born in Chicago, attended Lake View High school and the University of Illinois, and has been in music ever since. He married Ruth Sate 21 years ago. She was in Broadway shows and was hailed as the most beautiful Eurasian (Japanese-Irish) on the stage. After Bill got out of the navy, they invested in the place that has become a Chicago institution and spread its fame over the land. Records made by Jazz, Ltd. band will be available during the evening.

For those who attended last year, little need be said of the stirring music. The songs to be played are varied, from New Orleans funeral hymns to rousing Civil War songs such as "Battle Hymn of the Republic", "The Battle Cry of Freedom", "Dixie", "Maryland, My Maryland", "Georgia Camp Meeting", "Lorena", "Yellow Rose of Texas", "Tenting Tonight", "Just Before the Battle, Mother", "Marching Through Georgia", "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp, the Boys Are Marching", "Jine the Cavalry", and others.

Some of the songs were written and published by the Chicago firm of Root and Cady, the Civil War kings of Tin Pan Alley, and popularized by the Chicago singers, Jules and Frank Lumbard. The writer of "Dixie", Daniel Emmett, in his later days was in the pit orchestra of McVickers theater.

The buffet dinner at the St. Clair will be \$4 per person. Persons and parties will pay for their own drinks at Jazz, Ltd. where the minimum is \$2.75 per person and tax, with no cover charge. Guests will be welcome. The city parking garage at the corner of Grand and St. Clair streets is convenient to both the hotel and Jazz, Ltd.

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"THE ROCK", where members of the Chicago CWRT battlefield tour were visitors in 1961, is for sale. Mr. Homer G. Davis, our host, has decided to sell The Rock Hereford Ranch and move back to New Orleans. The mansion of the Rock is on the highest point of ground between Vicksburg and New Orleans and overlooks the confluence of the Big Black river with the Mississippi. Down the hill is the old Van Dorn home. Facing the Mississippi is Fort Cobun and below that Grand Gulf which is now a Mississippi state park. Mr. Davis can be reached by mail through Port Gibson, Miss.

TWO GETTYSBURG TRACTS were added September 20 to the National Military Park. One a 102 acre farm and another of 162 acres were presented by Mrs. W. Alton Jones, president of the foundation bearing her late husband's name. The tracts adjoined the park's western boundary west of Seminary ridge and were the sites of bitter fighting. The GETTYSBURG BATTLEFIELD PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION (GBPA, Box 1863, Gettysburg, Pa.) calls attention to its continuing drive for funds to purchase land to add to the publicly owned area of the Gettysburg battlefield. There is a great need to keep this land out of commercial use and preserve the ground and vistas of the actual encounter.

JACKSON JENKS, director of the New England Naval and Maritime museum, Newport, R.I., has conducted survey diving operations at the site of the sunken gunboat Cairo in the Yazoo river north of Vicksburg, Miss. A team of Walter Hendrick and Ralph Mercier, divers, and John Bower, marine artist, have collected data which will be used to prepare a report on methods and estimated costs for raising the Cairo, which was sunk by an underwater mine in December, 1862.

THE JOSHUA W. SILL CWRT of Chillicothe, Ohio, is in its 7th year with a membership of 50. A feature will be an exchange of speakers with Dayton CWRT.

*from the  
Editor's pen*



With the increase in postal rates in January, we will make a further paring of our mailing list. Members whose dues are not paid will be dropped. Persons at present on the courtesy mailing list are invited to submit applications for membership. The future policy will be to keep a name on the courtesy list only three months.

Mailings in the exchange CWRT list and other classifications will be reviewed. CWRTs which do not have a newsletter, but which have made previous requests will be retained on the list. Others where there is no exchange will be dropped. As we have advocated, a number of CWRTs have permanent mailing addresses. Others become incorrect when officers change, but we wait for direct notice of change before making it. We would be glad to hear from these persons. Speakers are kept on the mailing list for a year. Libraries and other agencies which keep a permanent file of our newsletter are retained.

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At this time of year, due to resignations, deaths, and failure to renew membership by paying up, there are a number of vacancies in our authorized membership. Members who have someone to propose are urged to request an application form of the secretary.

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September, October, and November meetings have been in the nature of special events. Beginning in December the program will get down to the old time format - regular meetings, all male, subjects applying to the Civil War and discussion periods. This leads off with the "Legal Aspects of the Civil War", a panel of distinguished lawyers in December; notable speakers in January, February, and March, and a preview meeting on the Richmond Battlefield Tour in April.

THE BATTLE OF FREDERICKSBURG will be recalled, Dec. 9-15, with dinners, exhibits, and battlefield tours. Gen. Alfred N. Gruenther, president of the American National Red Cross, will speak at the dedication of a marker to Clara Barton, founder. The nights of Dec. 5-8, a play, "The Lady of Lyons", first staged at Fredericksburg by the Washington Artillery on Dec. 8, 1862, just prior to the battle, will be presented in the Dupont Theater at Mary Washington College. The battle observance will be on December 13.

THE ARMED FORCES Institute of Pathology, founded as the Army Medical Museum in 1862, has arranged an exhibit at 701 Independence Ave., S. W., Washington, D. C., as a demonstration to the public of the work it carried on during the Civil War. It will be dedicated at ceremonies on November 13, observing the agency's centennial. In the exhibit are thousands of items showing the total development of the field of pathology during the war, the actual conditions of military camp and hospital life, and actual specimens of bone and tissue accumulated then.

DR. OTTO EISENSCHIML will address the American Chemical Society meeting at Dayton, Ohio, on November 20 on "Interesting Chemists of the Civil War". Members of the Dayton Civil War Round Table will take part in the banquet and meeting.

# Gettysburg Civil War Conference

The Sixth Annual Civil War Conference, November 18-19, will have a changed format. It will feature one speaker, who will deliver two lectures - one to the public at large and the other to the student body (with the public admitted).

The featured lecturer this year is Bruce Catton, author and senior editor of American Heritage. He will lecture on Sunday, November 18, 8 p.m., in the college chapel on "The Gettysburg Address - A Revolutionary Manifesto." The College choir will present a program of Civil War songs. On Monday, at 11 a.m., Catton will address the student body on "The Irrepressible Centennial".

Dr. Robert L. Bloom, chairman of the conference, said that admission is free and added, "We shall look forward to having members of the Civil War Round Table of Chicago with us."

After the college program, the Lincoln Fellowship of Pennsylvania will hold its annual observance of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. The high points are a luncheon, ceremonies at the national cemetery where Lincoln spoke, and the annual dinner of the fellowship. This year is the 99th anniversary of the address.

Gettysburg National Battlefield park also will have a special attraction this year. It will formally observe the opening of the new visitors' center and display of the battle cyclorama, renovated and installed in its special new setting.

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THE FIRST SILVER MEDALLION commemorating the Centennial of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address was presented to former President Eisenhower by Maj. Gen. Malcolm Hay, Adj. Gen. of Pennsylvania and chairman of the Gettysburg commission. Eisenhower also was presented one of the silver medals created to commemorate the anniversary of the battle of Gettysburg. Similar souvenirs now are available to the public in silver and bronze.

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ST. LOUIS COUNTY Park Board has been developing recreational facilities in the old Ordnance section of Jefferson Barracks. Among them will be a museum in a restored powder magazine on a beautiful overlook above the Mississippi river. Display cases have been installed. Mannequins will display Civil War attire. A series of tableaux will depict the Civil War period and other scenes representing significant events in the 120 year history of the post - firearms, edged weapons, uniforms, furniture, military customs and others.

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TENNESSEE HISTORICAL COMMISSION, Nashville, has published a Marker Guide (50¢) listing the markers telling the story of certain campaigns and raids, birthplaces of general officers, training camps and staging areas, and minor isolated engagements in the state. The commission is planning to publish, on Jan. 1, 1965, a Tennessee Civil War anthology compiled by its chairman, Stanley F. Horn, and a military history of Tennessee during the war.

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WINCHESTER, Va., a town that saw much of the activity and fighting of the Civil War as it switched back and forth between sides numerous times, has taken steps to record the Confederate dead buried in its Stonewall Cemetery. A well-indexed booklet recently prepared by Lucy Fitzhugh Kurtz and Benny Ritter supplies a roster by states.

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## BULLETIN BOARD

Dr. Gerald McMurtry reports that the Fort Wayne CWRT voted unanimously in favor of the Code of Ethics for Historical Writers proposed by Dr. Otto Eisenschiml.

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS: Dr. William Soybel to: 75 Pleasant St., Wakefield, Mass.

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AVAILABLE at meetings: Gold filled lapel pin, \$1; Cloth patch of emblem, 50¢.

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THE FIVE FORKS BATTLEFIELD, where Grant's armies won the battle that cracked the Petersburg defenses, will become a part of the Petersburg National Battlefield park. Congressional action has authorized the National Park Service to acquire 1,200 acres at the site.

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The CWRT of Waco, Tex., will give an annual John Bell Hood award (\$25 and a plaque) to the outstanding paper submitted by a McLennan county junior or senior high school student writing in the field of Texas Confederate history.

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LEE CHAPEL, at Washington and Lee university, Lexington, Va., has been closed for a major restoration which will be completed May 15, 1963. Steel beams, fireproofing, and air conditioning will be added. The work has been made possible by a grant from the Ford Motor company. The chapel contains the tomb of Robert E. Lee and Edward Valentine's famous Recumbent Statue of Lee.

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VIRGINIA CIVIL WAR COMMISSION is pushing a "Treasure Hunt" for material that will be useful to historians. The Virginia Junior Chamber of Commerce is assisting. Sought are letters, diaries, and other documents of Civil War vintage. The Jaycees will make two photocopies of each document submitted, returning the document and one photocopy to the owner. One photocopy will be turned over to the state library. If an owner chooses, he may donate the document to the library and retain a photocopy. The system insures a permanent preservation of documents.

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AN EXHIBIT, "New Developments in Interpreting the Civil War in Virginia," is on display at the Centennial Center in Richmond. The exhibit calls attention to Fort Darling, improved by the National Park Service; Appomattox Manor, at Hopewell, which served as Grant's City Point headquarters; the Electric Map of Jackson's Valley Campaign, shown in Harrisonburg; the Shenandoah Valley Circle Tour; Saylor's Creek state battlefield park near Farmville; the Mariners Museum in Newport News, to which a new wing, "Sea Power in the Civil War", has been added; the Confederate Medical Exhibit in Richmond; Richmond's Byrd airport, where three battles were fought; the five National Battlefield Parks associated with the Civil War, Richmond, Manassas, Fredericksburg, Petersburg, and Appomattox. A film, "The Character of Lee", has been produced and is available from the Virginia Civil War commission. Centennial Center welcomed its 100,000th visitor on July 13.

## THE NEW BOOKS



CONFEDERATE MILITARY HISTORY, 12 volumes (Yoseloff, \$78; pre-pub. \$66.95; individual volumes, \$6.50).

CAMPAIGNS OF THE CIVIL WAR, 8 volumes, the Scribner's Campaigns reprinted (Yoseloff, \$44, pre-pub. \$34.95).

THE CIVIL WAR AT SEA: July 1863 to November, 1865; The Final Effort, Vol. III, by Virgil Carrington Jones (Holt, \$6).

CIVIL WAR IRONCLADS: The Dawn of Naval Armor, by Robert MacBride (Chilton, 200 pp).

THE CONFEDERATE NAVY: A Pictorial History, by Philip Van Doren Stern (Doubleday, \$7.95, pre-Christmas, \$6.50).

THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION, by John Hope Franklin (Doubleday, \$2.50).

GREEN MOUNT: A Virginia Plantation Family, Journal of Benjamin Robert Fleet and letters to his family, selected by Betsy Fleet and John D. P. Fuller, editorial consultant Clement Eaton (U. of Kentucky, 512 pp, \$9.50).

JOHN J. CRITTENDEN: The Struggle for the Union, by Albert J. Kirwan (U. of Kentucky, 512 pp, \$8.50).

MILITARY MEMOIRS OF A CONFEDERATE, by E. P. Alexander, edited by T. Harry Williams (Indiana U., 696 pp, \$7.95).

A VISIT TO THE CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA IN 1863: Memoir Addressed to His Majesty Napoleon III, by Charles Girard, edited by William Stanley Hoole (Confederate Publishing Co., 126 pp, \$4.50).

For information on publications: "The Picture Story of the Port Hudson Battlefield" (\$3), "Port Hudson, Its History" (\$3), "Battle of Baton Rouge, 1863" (\$4), "Among the Cotton Thieves" (\$5), and Port Hudson film strip (\$2 rental), write to Committee for the Preservation of the Port Hudson Battlefield, 114 St. Louis St., Baton Rouge, La.

W. M. Morrison, Waco, Tex., publisher: COMPANY K, 2nd TEXAS INFANTRY, by Ralph J. Smith, \$5; COMPANY M, 1st TEXAS VOLUNTEERS INFANTRY, Hood's Brigade, Longstreet's Corps, CSA, by D. H. Hamilton, \$5; PARSON'S TEXAS CAVALRY, by W. M. Morrison, \$10; FUGITIVES FROM JUSTICE LIST OF 1891, issued by Texas Rangers, \$3.

INFORMATION for the IMPACT SERIES of books sponsored by the National Civil War Centennial Commission is now being assembled. The volumes of 300 to 350 pages will cover all sections and extend as far into the post-war period as necessary to show the war's impact. They will be published by Alfred A. Knopf. Persons who believe they have useful information to contribute or wish more details on the project should write to the National commission at 700 Jackson Place, N. W., Washington 25, D. C.

RICHARD W. IOBST, of the state Department of Archives, Raleigh, N. C., is working on a history of the 6th North Carolina infantry regiment and would appreciate any data that anyone can supply.

SELECTED CIVIL WAR MAPS, reproduced from originals made by the United States Coast Survey, 1861-65, are available from the Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C., for \$5 per set of 20, each 24 x 30 inches.

## FUTURE MEETINGS



Thursday, Dec. 6 - "Legal Aspects of the Civil War", panel, Arnold Alexander, chairman, Judge John W. McCormick, Jerry Slechta, Reuben S. Flacks, Prof. Philip B. Kurland.

Friday, Jan. 18 - Edward Coffman, on "The Civil War Career of Captain Thomas H. Hines."

Thursday, Feb. 28 - David C. Mearns, new material on the Gettysburg Address.

March - Col. Allen P. (Ned) Julian.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

Nov. 13 - Armed Forces dedication of Civil War Centennial exhibit at Old Army Medical Museum, 7th St. and Independence Ave., S. W., Washington D. C.

Nov. 18-19 - Gettysburg College, 6th annual Civil War Conference, Bruce Catton, two addresses.

Nov. 19 - Dedication of Visitor Center-Cyclo-rama building, Gettysburg National Battlefield park; Lincoln Fellowship of Pennsylvania, ceremonies at Gettysburg National cemetery.

Dec. 9-15 - Fredericksburg, Va., Dedication of improvements to National Battlefield park; centennial observance of Battle of Fredericksburg; open house at visitors' center and conducted tours of Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania battlefields.



A GRANTS-IN-AID PROGRAM has been established by the Wisconsin Civil War Centennial commission to encourage original contributions and understanding through historical research, editing or compilation on various aspects of Wisconsin's role in the Civil War. The grants are intended to defray travel, clerical and other expenses incidental to the research project, and will range up to \$500 each. The commission expects to publish qualified manuscripts. Letters of application, supported by the names and addresses of three persons qualified to appraise the applicant's ability, may be addressed to William B. Hesseltine, chairman, 816 State St., Madison 6, Wis.

A GUIDE TO FEDERAL ARCHIVES relating to the Civil War has been completed by National Archives and will be published by the Government Printing Office. A similar guide pertaining to archives of the Confederate States Government is in the making. Henry P. Beers, National Archives, Washington 25, D. C., will be pleased to hear from anyone who can give help in locating official records, especially those not in recognized depositories.

FIVE SCORE YEARS AGO, by John Fetterman, a 16-page, 8 x 11 leaflet, was published along with the centennial observance of Louisville's "1862 Month of Crisis". The leaflet reprints a series of articles which appeared in the Louisville Times, Sept. 4-22, 1862. Fetterman is a reporter for the Times.

CWRT of New Orleans held a testimonial dinner for Dr. T. Harry Williams.