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"Lincoln's Wartime Education," by Dr. Harold M. Hyman, Friday, May 15



Dr. Harold M. Hyman

An old friend, Dr. Harold M. Hyman, professor of history at the University of Illinois, Champaign, will be our speaker Friday, May 15, on "Lincoln's Wartime Education".

Dr. Hyman spoke at our 136th meeting, Nov. 19, 1954, on "The Loyalty Oath in the Civil War" and at our 204th meeting, Oct. 12, 1961, "Lincoln's Mars: The Lincoln-Stanton Relationship." And he has been a guest at some of our other meetings.

"An attempt to re-measure Lincoln's performance in the White House by relatively precise analogies rather than by traditional, abstract, and isolated criteria," is Dr. Hyman's guideline in his May 15 talk. "As example, I compare the issues and perils involved in his removal(s) of McClellan with Truman's removal of MacArthur from the Korean command," he says.

"In the same vein I try to estimate Lincoln's capacities as overseer of his cabinet and civil administration, as compared with Franklin Roosevelt and John Kennedy.

"Eventually, I want to explore in a book-length treatment the whole of the Lincoln administration by these criteria developed lately in administrative science, political science and public law studies.

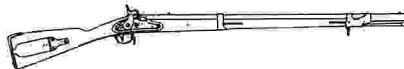
"But as an initial exploration, 'Lincoln's Wartime Education' represents the fruit of a large amount of digging and thinking."

This is Dr. Hyman's first year at the University of Illinois after six years at the University of California, Los Angeles, where he was a member of the Civil War Round Table of Southern California. He earned his undergraduate degree at UCLA and master's and doctorate at Columbia. He has taught at Earlham College and Arizona State University.

His first book was "Era of the Oath: Northern Loyalty Tests During the Civil War and Reconstruction" (1952) and it won the Albert Beveridge Award of the American Historical Association. Then, "To Try Men's Souls: Loyalty Tests in American History" (1959) won the Sidney Hillman Civil Liberties award. His "Stanton: The Life and Times of Lincoln's Secretary of War" (1962 with the late Benjamin P. Thomas), was a selection of the History Book Club. Most recent (1963) was "Soldiers and Spruce: Origins and Purposes of the Army's Labor Union of World War I, the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen."

Dr. Hyman is a native of New York. At Columbia his mentors were Henry Steel Commager and Allan Nevins. He is a World War II veteran of the Marine Corps. He is married and has three children.

ELMER GERTZ wrote "O.E." for the Spring 1964 issue of The Chicago Jewish FORUM. The article is an appreciation of the late Otto Eisenschiml. Gertz was a co-founder with him of the Civil War Round Table.



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Dr. Harold M. Hyman

on

"Lincoln's Wartime Education"

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FRIDAY, MAY 15, 1964

St. Clair Hotel
162 East Ohio Street

Cocktails at 5:30
Dinner at 6:30 p.m.



TRAVEL to the National Park System rose 6.4 per cent in 1963, with visits totalling 94,092,900, compared with 88,457,100 in 1962. The National Capital parks system was the leader with 8,617,000. Then came Blue Ridge parkway, 7,233,900; Colonial (Williamsburg and Yorktown), 6,280,800; Natchez Trace parkway, 5,288,800, and Great Smoky park, 5,258,700. Places related to the Civil War were Lincoln Memorial (D.C.), 3,461,000; Gettysburg, 2,024,000; Chickamauga-Chatanooga, 1,084,600; Petersburg, 1,031,400; Vicksburg, 923,900; Shiloh, 745,700; Harpers Ferry, 709,300; Fort Donelson, 630,300; Custis-Lee Mansion, 473,400; Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania, 465,800; Richmond, 311,800; Grant Memorial, 304,000; Manassas, 242,500; Lincoln Museum (D.C.), 239,100; Kennesaw Mountain, 203,600; Cumberland Gap, 159,700; Fort Sumter, 142,900; House Where Lincoln Died, 135,000; Antietam, 103,300; Pea Ridge, 44,700; Stones River, 33,100; Fort Union (N.M.), 12,500; Brice's Cross Roads, 2,600; Tupelo, 800.

THE NEW VISITOR CENTER at Stones River National Battlefield, Murfreesboro, Tenn., was dedicated April 11, along with new roads, parking areas, three employe residences, water and sewer system, and a shop-utility building. The Y-shaped visitor center is a one-story brick structure, which has a commodious lobby with views overlooking the battlefield and national cemetery. One wing of the building contains museum exhibits that graphically portray the events marking the battle of midwinter 1862. Another wing houses a small assembly room for audio-visual programs, and the third wing has administrative offices.

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April 17, 1964

Mr. H. George Donovan,
President
The Civil War Round Table

The nominating committee appointed to recommend a slate of officers for 1964-65 makes the following report:

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CWCC and CWRT at Atlanta

The Seventh National Assembly of Civil War Centennial Commissions will open at the Americana Motor Hotel in Atlanta June 10 with a panel titled "Atlanta 1864". Dr. Allan Nevins, national chairman, will speak at a luncheon. The afternoon panel will feature film documentary showings.

On the second day, a panel, "The Confederate Home Front", will discuss the social, economic, political, and archival aspects of life behind the southern lines. Then "Problems of the Civil War" will analyze Confederate military leadership, personnel problems in army administration, and internal problems of the respective governments. That night Sen. Ralph Yarborough of Texas will speak at an informal dinner.

On June 12, the 6th Annual Assembly of Civil War Round Tables will join the Centennial commission assembly. A panel, "After the Centennial—What?", will deal with such subjects as scholarly works remaining to be

T. Harry Williams, honorary award life member did a bit of free-wheeling April 17 in his fourth appearance before our Round Table. First he had some comments on the book he is writing on Huey P. Long — not a poor, ignorant boy as he was pictured, but an astute politician. Then Harry had some comments on our battlefield tour to Louisiana before launching into his address of the evening, "The Civil War in Louisiana". He had provided booklets relating to the subject for each of the 70 members and guests present.

Dr. Williams told something of the operations of the Louisiana Civil War Centennial commission, of which he is vice chairman. A film the commission has prepared deals with the secession meeting of the legislature. The marker program was keyed to the route of Gen. Grant's march down the Louisiana side of the Mississippi in the Vicksburg campaign.

He emphasized the importance of the capture of New Orleans since it was a great business city, a rail terminus, and outlet of the Mississippi for midwestern states. He touched on personalities and generals of New Orleans and the state and the battles of Baton Rouge, Mansfield, and Port Hudson. Then there was the trans-Mississippi fighting, such as the Red River campaign, after Vicksburg fell. He gave estimations of generals in the fighting.

Among the audience were Dr. Harold M. Hyman and Grady McWhiney, future speakers; Dr. Robert Friedlander of the University of Illinois; and Dr. Frederick Tilberg, National Park Service research historian at Gettysburg.

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E. B. (Pete) Long, chairman, read the report of the nominating committee. Our apologies for an incorrect listing of the committee last month, and it is now printed correctly in column 1. Treasurer Mal Hoffman was drafted to a job of overseeing concessions at the Illinois exhibit, New York world's fair. So, William Krone is finishing out the year for Mal and is on the slate for next year.

done, what the layman still wishes to read, contributions of a lasting nature that state commissions can make, and comments on how valuable the Centennial has been to study of the Civil War. Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr., of Atlanta will speak at a luncheon.

Delegates of both groups will board buses for a tour to the Cyclorama, explore Stone Mountain's Old Plantation, the new Civil War museum, ride the scenic railroad, and then the skylift to the mountain top. The reactivated 26th North Carolina band will give a concert using original wartime instruments. There will be a barbecue dinner under the stars and Gov. Carl Sanders of Georgia will speak.

The Round Table assembly will continue through June 13 studying the battle of Peachtree Creek and reconnoitering Kennesaw Mountain battlefield park and its new visitor center. There will be a dinner followed by a critique of the Atlanta campaign. For detailed information: Civil War Round Table, P.O. Box 1943, Atlanta, Ga. For Reservations: Americana Motor Hotel, Spring street at Carnegie Way, Atlanta, Ga., 30303.

On Battlefield Tour

A full story of the 14th annual battlefield tour, April 29 to May 4, will be printed in the June issue of the newsletter. Persons who signed for the tour are as follows:

CHICAGO: Dr. and Mrs. Arthur V. Bergquist, Mr. and Mrs. J. Brooks Davis, Mr. and Mrs. H. George Donovan, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. Kuehnle, Dr. and Mrs. Vernon Schick, Mr and Mrs. Raymond Schwaller, Mr and Mrs. Jerry Warshaw, Frances D. Ames, Margaret April, Frank Curtis, Charles V. Falkenburg Jr., Newton C. Farr, Maurice Fischer, Peggy Lebold, Allen Meyer, Ralph G. Newman, Frank Palumbo, Walter Tatsch, Gilbert Twiss.

SUBURBS: Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Brinkman, Skokie; Mr. and Mrs. James L. Henry, LaGrange Park; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd D. Miller, Kenilworth; Paul C. Behanna, Highland Park; C. Robert Douglas, Northfield; Hal B. Hixson, Hinsdale; Miles Janousek, Naperville; Stanley Kearney, Dolton; Harold G. Mason, Libertyville; Wilson A. Smith, Oak Park.

ILLINOIS: Dr. and Mrs. Donald Burhans, C. L. Johnson, Peoria; Mr. and Mrs. Carl M. Crowder, Bethany; Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe C. Mathis, Prophetstown; Dr. Raymond E. Mulrooney and son, James, Decatur; Mr. and Mrs. Morrison Worthington, New Canton; James L. Capel, Champaign; Dr. G. P. Clausius, Belvidere; Ruth E. Gilster, Urbana; Dr. W. W. Sauer, Paxton; Clyde C. Walton, Springfield.

WISCONSIN: Dr. George J. Gumerman, P. J. Hohlweck, Milwaukee; Frederick F. Hillyer, John P. Hunter, Madison; Jerry Slechta, Jefferson.

INDIANA: Warren A. Reeder Jr. and son, Roger, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Wilhelm, Hammond; Frank J. Welcher, Indianapolis.

OKLAHOMA: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bass, Enid; LeRoy H. Fischer, Stillwater.

MICHIGAN: Louis A. Capek, Bangor; Robert E. Schultz, St. Joseph.

OTHER STATES: Dr. and Mrs. A. Q. Cato, Houston, Tex.; J. Ambler Johnston, Richmond, Va.; Will Plank, Marlboro, N.H.; Mrs. Dorothy Sheman, Lakewood, Cal.; Edward S. Waterbury, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Albert Jernigan, Dallas, Texas.

MORE THAN 200 DESCENDANTS of soldiers were at Mansfield, La., for observance of the battle centennial. There was a parade, speeches, presentation of new battle markers, and a demonstration of sights and sounds of the Civil War. Military and school units from Louisiana and Texas participated in the two day activities, held April 4 and 5, rather than the actual battle date, April 8. It was at Mansfield that Confederates under Gen. Richard Taylor won a victory over Gen. N. P. Banks' Federals. A museum on the battleground displays relics of the fight.

JIM MURFIN, who helped the Hagerstown CWRT in founding Antietam CWRT at the Maryland Institution for Men, quotes the Protestant chaplain of the prison: "In all my years of work with the inmates at this institution, I've never witnessed such a transformation in one group of boys. It is, indeed, marvelous to see what the organization of this club, and its association with the Hagerstown Civil War Round Table, has done to put these 30 young men on the road to total rehabilitation." Besides visiting speakers, inmates have produced scholarly papers and are working on a lasting project, a 6 by 8 feet contour, electric map of Antietam battlefield to be put in the lobby of the new multimillion dollar rehabilitation center now under construction. A library of 60 Civil War books has been established. If you can spare a book or two, please send to Antietam Civil War Round Table, c/o Robert McColley, Box 2000, Route 2, Hagerstown, Md.

BULLETIN BOARD

DOES ANYONE KNOW of a monument or statue in Chicago to a Civil War officer and bearing his dying words, "Lay me down, but save the flag". If so, please write to Col. R. D. Heintz, Jr., 2400 California, N.W., Washington 8, D.C. Send the man's full name, military rank, whether the quotation is correct and the date and place. Heintz is compiling a dictionary of military and naval quotations.

DAYTON KELLEY, director of journalism and publicity, Mary Hardin-Baylor college, Belton, Texas, lost much Civil War reference material, plus his file of Chicago CWRT newsletters, in a fire which destroyed the administration building of the college. He is rebuilding his collection and would be grateful for help from any source.

INFORMATION SOUGHT on Zouave uniforms worn initially by several Civil War units. Please write Carl A. Zenor, Executive Director, Indiana Civil War Centennial Commission, State Library, Indianapolis 4, Ind.

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NEW MEMBERS: Rev. John F. Baldwin, 114 N. Lincoln Ave., Round Lake, Ill.; Louis E. Capek, 300 Cass St., Bangor, Mich.; B. Herold Griffith, M.D., 320 Greenwood blvd., Evanston, Ill.; W. M. McCardell, 619 S. Park Ave., Hinsdale, Ill.; Clement M. Silvestro, Chicago Historical Society, Lincoln Park at North Ave., Chicago.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: Marshall Krolick to: 5643 N. Kimball Ave., Chicago 45; Michael S. Lerner to: 7528 N. Ridge Ave., Chicago 45.

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

THE STEPHEN T. MATHER training center for the National Park Service was dedicated April 17 at Harpers Ferry, W. Va. It is named for the first director of the service. The training program is for park service uniformed personnel - naturalists, historians, and archaeologists - engaged in the field of interpretation. The center's administration building is named Conrad L. Wirth hall, for the recently retired director. It uses the campus and buildings of the historic Storer college, acquired in 1962 and adjoins Harpers Ferry National historical park and the relics of the John Brown raid.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CWRT awarded it annual Gold Medal on April 21 to Col. J. Gay Seabourne, former officer and ardent worker for the group.

THE FLETCHER PRATT AWARD, given annually by the Civil War Round Table of New York, for "the best non-fiction book on the Civil War," was presented to Shelby Foote for his book "The Civil War, a Narrative" (Fredericksburg to Meridian) on April 14. The award, a bronze plaque, was established to honor the late Fletcher Pratt, distinguished author and former president of New York CWRT.

SPRINGFIELD CWRT was host to Decatur CWRT and members from other central Illinois groups when Dr. Frederick Tilberg spoke at Springfield April 16 on "The Battle and Personalities Involved" (Gettysburg, that is). Congressman Paul Findley of Pittsfield, Ill., will speak at Springfield's annual meeting and Ladies' Night on Tuesday, June 9.

THE NEW BOOKS



ALBERT SIDNEY JOHNSTON: Soldier of Three Republics, by Charles P. Roland (U. of Texas, \$6.50). Served United States, Confederacy and Texas.

PIERCE M. B. YOUNG: The Warwick of the South, by Lynwood M. Holland (U. of Georgia, \$6). The youngest Confederate general.

JOHNNY COBB: Confederate Aristocrat, by Horace Montgomery (U. of Georgia, \$3). Life of Howell Cobb's son during the war years.

COLORADO VOLUNTEERS IN THE CIVIL WAR: The New Mexico Campaign in 1862, by William Clarke Whitford (Pruett Press, Boulder, Colo., 159pp, \$3.70).

AN HISTORIAN AND THE CIVIL WAR, by Avery Craven (U. of Chicago, 288pp, \$6.95). A collection of essays written over a period of 35 years.

THE MIND OF THE OLD SOUTH, by Clement Eaton (Louisiana State U., 288 pp, \$6). A profile of ante-bellum society.

REFUGEE LIFE IN THE CONFEDERACY, by Mary Elizabeth Massey (Louisiana, 360pp, \$8). A picture of the South at war.

NEW JERSEY AND THE CIVIL WAR, by Earl Schenck Miers (van Nostrand, 128pp, \$3.50). A variety of persons relate incidents.

THE ANNOTATED UNCLE TOM'S CABIN, Harriet Beecher Stowe, edited with an introduction by Philip Van Doren Stern (Paul S. Ericksson, \$7.50).

THE ABOLITIONISTS: A Collection of Their Writings, edited by Louis Ruchames (Putnam-Capricorn, 360pp, \$1.65).

THE DEFEAT OF THE CONFEDERACY, edited by Henry Steele Commager (Van Nostrand-Anvil, \$1.45). Collection of readings, North and South.

TALES OF THE CIVIL WAR ERA, Cumberland County (Tenn.), a collection of personal experiences (75¢ Col. Campbell H. Brown, Library and Archives building, Nashville, Tenn.).

ANTISLAVERY AND DISUNION, 1858-1861: Studies in the Rhetoric of Compromise and Conflict, edited by J. Jeffery Auer (Harper, 427pp, \$6). Twenty-three essays, among them articles by Kenneth M. Stamp, William B. Hesseltine, and Larry Gara.

BATTLE OF TAHKAHOKUTY (Killdeer Mountain) 1864 (South Dakota Historical Society Bulletin, March, 1964).

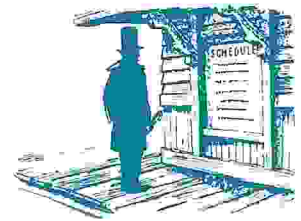
Editor Bob Dykstra has developed a new cover for CIVIL WAR HISTORY with Volume 10, Number 1, March 1964. The title is moved to the top, leaving room for illustration below.

The CIVIL WAR PHILATELIC SOCIETY will issue a special set of three covers to mark the 100th anniversary of the Battle of the Wilderness, May 5. Address: Dept. 283, 662 East 22nd Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11210.

GOV. MATHEW E. WELSH of Indiana visited Columbia, S.C., and returned a Confederate battle flag captured from the state house by Indiana troops on Feb. 17, 1865. Welsh said, "Union troops and our 12th regiment of Indiana volunteers helped put out the fire" set in Columbia at the time Gen. Sherman's troops took it.

THIS SPRING Arlington National Cemetery will be 100 years old. The first soldier buried there was William Christman, Co. G, 67th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry on May 13, 1864.

FUTURE MEETINGS



Friday, June 12 — Grady McWhiney, Northwestern University, on "Confederate Defeat". Installation of Officers.

SPECIAL EVENTS

May 2-17 - Fredericksburg, Va., and battlefield, centennial of Wilderness campaign and battle of Spotsylvania. Issue of commemorative stamp, May 5.

May 9-11 - Memorial to J.E.B. Stuart in Henrico and Patrick counties, Virginia; at Stuart, Yellow Tavern, and Richmond. Exhibit in Centennial Center, Richmond, continues to June 15.

May 15-17 - Evanston, Ill., Orrington hotel and Evanston Historical society, spring meeting and tour of Illinois State Historical society.

May -15 - Commemoration of the Battle of New Market at Virginia Military Institute, Lexington.

May -16 - Re-enactment of battle at New Market, Va.

May 21-24 - Winchester, Va., headquarters for New York CWRT tour of Stonewall Jackson's Valley.

May -30 - Commemoration of Battle of Cold Harbor, Richmond National Battlefield park.

June -10 - Baldwin, Miss., Centennial of Battle of Brice's Crossroads.

June 10-12 - Atlanta, Americana Motor hotel, 7th National Assembly of Civil War Centennial commissions.

June 11-13 - Atlanta, 6th National Assembly of Civil War Round Tables.

July -12 - Washington, D.C., Fort Stevens, centennial of Gen. Early's attack upon the capital.

Aug. 2-23 - Battle of Mobile bay commemoration.

October 25 - Mound City, Kansas, Battle of Mine Creek near Fort Scott.



WHEN OUR "PETE" LONG spoke at Madison CWRT on March 12 he was accorded a life membership in the organization. There are only two — the other is our Ralph Newman.

J.E.B. STUART'S UNIFORM, the one he was wearing when he was mortally wounded at Yellow Tavern on May 11, 1864, is on display at Centennial Center in Richmond. The cavalry uniform, pierced by the fatal bullet, was lent by the Virginia Historical Society (Battle Abbey). It was given to the society by Mrs. A. J. Davis, of Alexandria, Va., a granddaughter of Stuart. Mrs. Davis also lent the exhibit the gun and sash Stuart was wearing and a Confederate battle flag handmade by Mrs. Stuart.

THE ULYSSES S. GRANT ASSOCIATION has signed a contract with the Ohio State University Press for publication of "The Collected Writings of Ulysses S. Grant". The association plans to have the first volume ready within a year.