



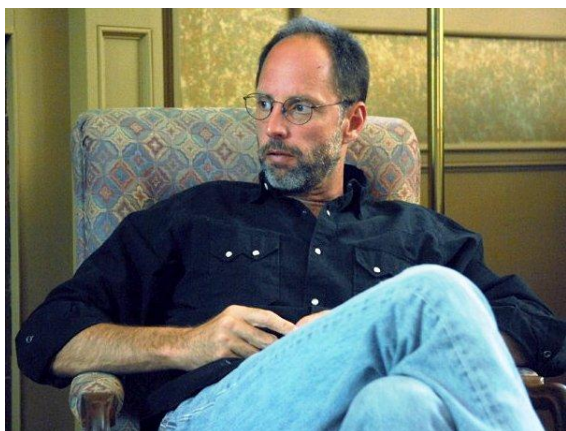
The Bushwhacker

January 2012

The Civil War Round Table of Saint Louis

*“How the Civil War Transformed
American Literature”*

Dr. Randall Fuller



Randall Fuller grew up in central Missouri and received his B.A. in English at the University of Missouri. Upon graduation, he traveled to New York City, where he worked in magazine publishing for six years, writing and editing for *Conde Nast Traveler*, *Vanity Fair*, *Smart Money*, and many other publications. Upon receiving his PhD at Washington University in St. Louis, Dr. Fuller began teaching at Drury University, where he is currently a Professor of English.

Dr. Fuller has published many articles and several books on nineteenth-century literature and culture. His articles have appeared in *American Literature*, *American Literary History*, *Early American Literature*, *ESQ: The Journal of the American Renaissance*, *The Journal of Modernism*, and many others. His books include *“Emerson’s Ghosts: Literature, Politics, and the Making of Americanists”* (Oxford UP, 2007), *“The Business of Reflection: Hawthorne in His Notebooks”*, co-edited with Robert Milder (Ohio State UP, 2009), and *“From Battlefields Rising: How the Civil War Transformed American Literature”* (Oxford UP, 2011), which recently won the Phi Beta Kappa Christian Gauss Award for Literary Criticism.

“How the Civil War Transformed American Literature” will show how some of the nation’s best-known authors were deeply involved in defining the terms of war and, more importantly, in trying to make sense of it for posterity. As Dr. Fuller argues, the Civil War wasn’t only fought with minie balls and artillery, it was also fought with words and ideas. How those words and ideas were expressed by Emerson, Hawthorne, Melville, Dickinson, and others will be the subject of his talk.

MEETING DATE: JANUARY 25, 2012

TWO HEARTS ON LINDBERGH BLVD NEAR GRAVOIS

Doors open at 5:30 pm; Meal served at 6:30; Presentation at 7:30

**Make reservations by JANUARY 18 and let us know if you are eating.
Please reserve via our Web Site at <http://civilwarstlouis.org/main/>
or Call Gary Scheel at 314-623-2062**

Bushwhacker deadline: Three weeks prior to each meeting. Please submit items of interest to Walt Bittle waltb50@charter.net or John Harris ce342@swbell.net.

Upcoming Speakers

- February 15, 2012 – “*Bushwhacking in Northeast Missouri*” by Saint Louis CWRT member Robert G. Schultz, author of *Political Cartoons of the American Civil War*, and editor of *General Sterling Price and the Confederacy* by Thomas C. Reynolds, *Army Life: From a Soldier’s Journal, Sketches and Record of a Union Soldier’s Army Life, in Camp and Field, 1861-1864* by A.O. Marshall
- March 28, 2012 – “*TBD*” by Joseph T. Glatthar, PhD, Stephenson Distinguished Professor at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, author of *General Lee’s Army*
- April. 25, 2012 – “*Civil War Fractional Currency*” by Robert Kravitz
- May. 23, 2012 – “*Major General Lew Wallace*” by Monocacy National Battlefield volunteer Gail Stephens, author of *Shadow of Shiloh, Major General Lew Wallace in the Civil War*

A Note From Our President

Dear Fellow Enthusiasts of the Late Unpleasantness (known by a variety of names),

Allow me to apologize for not being at the December meeting. Something unavoidable arose, and I had to go to Washington, DC. But all was not cloudy; the silver lining of my trip was I got to spend a day with my brother John visiting Civil War sites Ox Hill (aka Chantilly), Bristow Station, and Manassas – and I attended the December meeting of the Bull Run Round Table. Had a great time.

I was very impressed by both Ox Hill and Bristow Station. When I first visited Ox Hill around twenty years ago, it was a tiny park with swings, a jungle gym, and two historic markers memorializing BG Stephens and MG Kearny. Today the swings are gone, replaced by panels describing the battle. The jungle gym has been replaced by a split rail fence and corn field – just as it was at the time of the battle. Bristow Station was an even bigger surprise. I hadn’t been there for a decade, when you stopped on Bristow Road by the railroad crossing to interpret the battle. Today, there is a large county park with trail markers and descriptive signs outlining not only the Battle of Bristow Station, but also the lesser-known Battle of Kettle Bridge. At Bull Run (Manassas), I saw a few sites I had never visited and viewed the new movie on the battle. Very good – 3 stars out of 4!

If you get the chance, go visit another Round Table. The folks at Bull Run CWRT were very friendly. It was their Christmas Party, with a talk on the Battle of Drainsville.

Even though it’s only January, it’s time for us to begin thinking of the future. We will have elections for new officers and board members at the May meeting. I hope everyone will consider serving the Round Table in some capacity. I, however, will not be running for re-election.

So start thinking folks; the future is closer than you think. We need to step up and serve. The Round Table is only as good as its membership. See you at the meeting on January 25.

Mike Scully

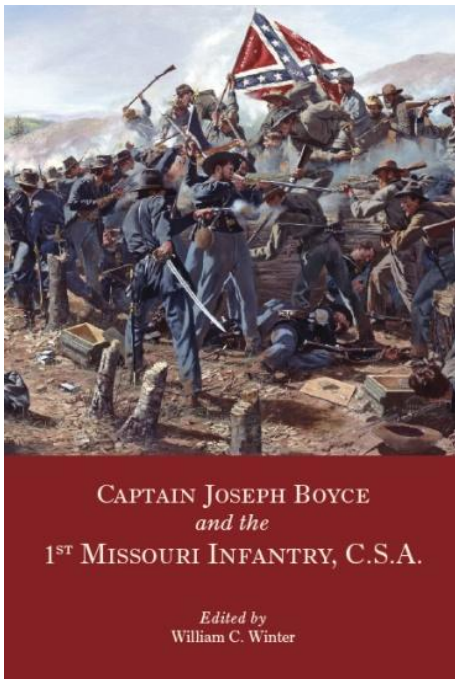
Missouri History Museum – Opening Weekend

November 12th & 13th was the opening weekend of the *Civil War in Missouri* Exhibit at the Missouri History Museum. On Saturday, as Maureen and I arrived for the all day “Civil War St. Louis” Tour, it looked a lot like the gathering before a typical Round Table meeting. Paul Hauser commented that we probably had a quorum! After a quick 50 minutes touring the new *Civil War in Missouri* Exhibit at the History Museum (before it was opened to the public), we boarded the bus with tour guides William C. Winter and Pam Sanfilippo and headed for the St. Louis Mercantile Library on the University of Missouri St. Louis campus, while Bill filled us in on some of the Civil War related events that occurred downtown at the library’s original location. We were delayed with a medical emergency as we were boarding the bus. Members John and Tish Mullen (a nurse) provided first aid until the paramedics arrived. From there it was off to Alton, Illinois where, after a stop for a great lunch, we visited the site of the last of the Lincoln-Douglas Debates; then to the ruins of Alton Prison. Even though one of my ancestors was the last survivor of the Alton Prison (see the January 2011 *Bushwhacker*), I had never been there. There is a very informative display set up next to a reassembled corner of the prison wall. The next stop was the prison cemetery, about 2 miles from the prison, where those who died in the prison (except those who died on Smallpox Island) are buried. As the grave markers had been lost over time, a large memorial contains the names of the deceased. The final stop before heading back to the museum was the Alton City Cemetery and the Elijah Lovejoy monument, with the entire trip being ably annotated by Bill and Pam.

Maureen and I returned to the museum on Sunday afternoon to listen to the remaining two book presentations (they had been going on all day). Professor LeeAnn Whites (Mizzou) made a very interesting presentation on “*Occupied Women*” focusing on the treatment of the “disloyal” ladies of St. Louis. Bill Winter made the final presentation based on his latest “*Captain Joseph Boyce and the 1st Missouri Infantry, C.S.A.*” If Bill’s captivating talk weren’t enough, there were several of Captain Boyce’s descendants in attendance with two prewar photos of him in his militia uniform.

So, next time you hear about a Civil War Tour offered through the Missouri History Museum, sign up! And if you haven’t already done so, buy Bill’s new book (see below).

Submitted by John Harris



Captain Joseph Boyce and the 1st Missouri Infantry, C.S.A.

Editor: William C. Winter

Publisher: Missouri History Museum

Retail price: \$23.95

The role of the Missouri Confederate in the Civil War is too often typified as that of the Bushwhacker, guerrilla, or partisan ranger. Although these soldiers are certainly part of Missouri’s Confederate history, Missouri also provided soldiers who fought for the South at Shiloh and Corinth, from Vicksburg to Atlanta, in the assault at Franklin, and in defense of Fort Blakely in Mobile Bay. Printed primary accounts about these Confederate regiments from Missouri are few. William C. Winter presents the story of the 1st Missouri Infantry, one of the best of these regiments, through the words of Captain Joseph Boyce of Company D, the St. Louis Greys. Through introductions to each chapter, extensive endnotes, and the incorporation of other writings by Boyce, Winter has significantly expanded Boyce’s history, but has maintained the focus on the regiment’s service in the war’s western theater.

Off The Wall

Civil War and Pop Culture

What matters more: History or how it's perceived? Any or all of these books would broaden your view of the Civil War era and how it is perceived in American memory.

- *Abraham Lincoln – Twentieth Century Popular Portrayals (1999)* by Frank Thompson
- *The Blue & The Gray On the Silver Screen – More Than 80 Years of Civil War Movies (1996)* by Roy Kinnard
- *The Civil War in Popular Culture – A Reusable Past (1995)* by Jim Cullen
- *The Reel Civil War – Mythmaking in American Film (2001)* by Bruce Chadwick
- *Past Imperfect – History According to the Movies (1995)* by Mark C. Carnes, General Editor
- *Causes Won, Lost, and Forgotten: How Hollywood and Popular Art Shape What We Know About the Civil War (2008)* by Gary W. Gallagher

The Carnes book includes, but is not limited to, the Civil War era. Cullen covers more than just movies. Thompson includes television and stage productions as well as movies.

Submitted by Walt Bittle

Kudos for Past Speaker

September 2011 speaker Greg Wynstra's book, "*The Rashness of That Hour: Politics, Gettysburg, and the Downfall of Confederate Brigadier General Alfred Iverson*" won the James I. Robertson Prize for Confederate History from the Robert E. Lee Civil War Roundtable's Library and Research Center. The award recognizes the best new book on Confederate history during 2010.

Off The Shelf

A Tour Guide to Missouri's Civil War

by Greg Wolk, 2010

Member Greg Wolk has created an outstanding tour guide of five different sectors of Missouri, each accompanied by descriptions of what occurred at each destination stop to which very detailed driving directions are provided. Its accompanying rich history of people and events for each stop (and beyond) would seem to serve as a kind of mobile school for history buffs of all types. With roots in the 1820 Missouri Compromise, the state's own Civil War was triggered by the 1854 Kansas Missouri Act, and continued as guerilla activity for a decade or more after Appomattox.

Submitted by Phil Baker

November/December Meeting Recap

The meeting of December 7 was particularly busy. Bill Winter introduced and sold copies of his new book (review above), and fellow authors Greg Wolk (review above) and John Nischwitz each donated a book to a special raffle to benefit the Round Table. Pocket change was collected to help defray the cost of adding the names of Missouri battles won on each of our period flags – the remainder of the cost will be borne by an anonymous donor. Greg Wolk reported on a recent archaeological dig at the "Shut-Ins Gap" in Southern Missouri which was partially sponsored by the Round Table.

Wynn Ward did an admirable job of relating the connection between religion and the War, and how each affected the other. Thank you, Wynn, for sharing your insight and expertise.

John Nischwitz announced that January's trivia will focus on Gettysburg. Best be ready!

Events of Interest

Now Through March 16, 2013

The Civil War in Missouri

Comprehensive exhibit exploring the complexities of the Civil War in Missouri at the Missouri History Museum. For information: www.mohistory.org

2012 – date still uncertain due to construction delays

Opening of the Missouri Civil War Museum.

For information: <http://mcwm.org>

January 12, 2012, 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Lincoln & The Flying Spying Machine

This *History Channel* production examines the little-known reconnaissance machine: a hydrogen-filled spy balloon, equipped with a telegraph that could instantly report on enemy maneuvers. Learn how this incredible innovation came into being and how it was used. Film viewing at the Missouri History Museum, AT&T Foundation Multipurpose Room. Free. For information: www.mohistory.org

January 20, 2012, 7:00 pm

Book Signing at the Chatillon Demenil House

Author John Nischwitz will be signing copies of his new book, *Collections of a Civil War Trivia Junkie*. Free walk-through tours of the Civil War-era restored house will be available after the book signing. Chatillon DeMenil House, 3352 DeMenil Place. For information: scarlett1857@yahoo.com

January 23, 2012, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

Cavalry Raids: Secret Weapons or Flashy Sideshows?

Free presentation by librarian Tom Pearson at Buder Branch, Saint Louis Public Library. Registration recommended, but not required. To register or for information: tpearson@slpl.org

January 23, 2012, 7:00 pm

Kirkwood Public Library American Civil War Series Book Discussion Group

John Nischwitz, *“Gettysburg, Antietam, and Fredericksburg”*

February 14, 2012, 12:00 noon – 1:00 pm

Civil War Love Letters

Upon the outbreak of the Civil War, James E. Love enlisted as a sergeant and left St. Louis with his fellow Union soldiers on June 15, 1861. The following day, James sent the first of many letters home to Molly, the beloved fiancée he left behind. These letters document not only his experiences as a soldier during the war, but also the love story of James and Molly. The Missouri History Museum's online magazine, *History Happens Here*, is publishing each letter 150 years to the day after it was originally written. Commemorate Valentine's Day with the story of James and Molly as we are joined by Associate Archivist Molly Kodner, who discusses this project, including James's life before the war, highlights of the letters that have already been posted, and a preview of what's to come. Missouri History Museum, AT&T Foundation Multipurpose Room, Free. For information: www.mohistory.org

February 26, 2012, 2:00 pm

Caught Between Three Fires – Presentation and Book Signing

Author Tom Rafiner discusses his book *Caught Between Three Fires* which focuses on the communities and families of Cass County, Missouri, who were affected by General Thomas Ewing's General Order No. 11. Missouri History Museum, AT&T Foundation Multipurpose Room. Free. For information: www.mohistory.org.

February 29, 2012, 7:00 pm

Kirkwood Public Library American Civil War Series Book Discussion Group

Robert C. Plumb (New York CWRT), *"Your Brother in Arms: A Union Soldier's Odyssey"*

March 6 through 27, 2012, 6:00 pm

Talking Circles – The Civil War in Missouri

Join facilitated discussions in which participants are invited to reflect on that they've learned after visiting the *Missouri in the Civil War* exhibit. Missouri History Museum, Millstone Learning Center. Free. For information: www.mohistory.org

June 7 through 10, 2012

Civil War Trust Annual Conference

Richmond, Virginia. For information: www.civilwar.org/aboutus/events/

150 Years Ago – January 1862

Jan 3	Battle of Cockpit Point, Virginia
Jan 5	Battle of Hancock, Maryland
Jan 8	Battle of Roan's Tan Yard, Missouri
Jan 10	Battle of Middle Creek, Kentucky
Jan 11	Lincoln removes the corrupt and ineffective Secretary of War Simon Cameron; appoints him Minister to Russia; replaces him with Edwin Stanton.
Jan 19	Battle of Mill Springs, Kentucky. Confederate General Felix Zollicoffer killed.
Jan 20	US warships (including the <i>USS Kearsarge</i>) trap the <i>CSS Sumter</i> in Gibraltar Harbor. Capt. Semmes sells the <i>Sumter</i> for \$19,500 to Britain, where it becomes a blockade runner re-named the <i>HMS Gibraltar</i> . Semmes escapes to the Azores to take command of the <i>CSS Alabama</i> , which never docks in a Confederate port.

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Editorial Cartoon of the Month



Naughty Jonathan. *Punch*, January 18, 1862.

"There, John! He says he is very sorry and that he didn't mean to do it — so you can put this back into the pickle-tub."

This is the last of the Tenniel cartoons about the *Trent* Affair. At this point, the United States issued an apology for stopping the *Trent* and had released Mason and Slidell. Here we have Britannia, the patient mother with the Union Jack apron and wearing a warrior's crested helmet, admonishing the gloating John Russell (British Prime Minister) to put the switches away since Jonathan (the United States) has apologized. But Tenniel manages to get in a few digs at the United States by picturing Jonathan pouting, untidily dressed in comparison to Russell. Tenniel and most of the *Punch* staff favored the Confederacy with their seemingly more aristocratic bearing — even though slavery remained a problem.

Member Bob Schultz has created ***Political Cartoons of the American Civil War***, a 52-page book of contemporary cartoons from many sources, accompanied by a Powerpoint® disc suitable for presentations to organizations or in school settings to supplement conventional study materials on the Civil War. Available to members for \$10 each (see Bob Schultz at the next meeting) or for \$14.95 postage paid. Contact waltb50@charter.net for further details.

Civil War Round Table of St. Louis

November/December 2011 Trivia

1. What cabinet position did President Lincoln's assistant private secretary, John Hay, hold under Presidents William McKinley and Theodore Roosevelt?
Secretary of State 1898-1905
2. What position did Lincoln's eldest son, Robert Todd Lincoln, hold under Presidents James Garfield and Chester A. Arthur?
Secretary of War 1881-85. Although not present at Ford's Theater when President Lincoln was shot, he was an eyewitness to President Garfield's assassination in 1881 and nearby when President McKinley was killed in 1901. Robert was also US Ambassador to Great Britain 1889-1893.
3. What was the military rank of Andrew Johnson of Tennessee?
As Military Governor of Tennessee, he was commissioned Brigadier General of Volunteers.
4. What were the only Confederate ironclads sunk by the Union?
The CSS Manassas was run aground, disabled by cannon fire, abandoned adrift and afire, and sunk near Ft. Jackson and Ft. St. Philip, Louisiana, 24 April 1862. The CSS Albemarle was sunk with a spar torpedo on the night of 27-28 October 1864 during a raid conducted by Lt. William B. Cushing, USN.
5. Jefferson Barracks in St. Louis is the second oldest National Cemetery, established in 1826. What is the oldest?
Ft. Snelling, near Minneapolis, Minnesota, was established in 1819. Arlington National Military Cemetery, the largest, is the only National Cemetery administered by the Department of the Army. Custis House, on the grounds, is administered by the US Park Service. All other National Cemeteries are administered by the US Park Service or the US Department of Veterans' Affairs.
6. What was meant by the Civil War term "coffee cooler"?
There are two meanings. One is a tin coffee cup that was used to hold soup or coffee, and to cook stews and various liquid items. Some had pour spouts and bales like little pots or buckets. It was also called a corn boiler. They were very popular with the soldiers. The alternate meaning was a shirker or malingerer, who was always waiting for something like his coffee to cool.
7. What did sisters Hetty and Jenny Cary and their cousin Constance Cary do for the Confederacy?
They sewed the first three Confederate Battle Flags for General Beauregard. The flags were dispatched to Generals JE Johnston, PGT Beauregard and Earl Van Dorn. Hetty and Jenny smuggled drugs from Maryland to Virginia and were forced to move to Richmond. Hetty Cary married CSA General John Pegram. Hetty was a descendant of James Randolph, Thomas Jefferson, and Rebecca Rolph (Pocahontas).
8. Who were the only two foreign-born Confederate Major Generals?
Patrick Ronayne Cleburne was from Ireland, and Prince Camille Armand Jules Marie de Polignac was from France. They both served in the Western Theater.
9. What product did Barton and Company of St. Louis provide for the Union Army?
Canned stewed beef, often referred to as "embalmed beef".
10. What did these religious sects have in common: Shakers, Mennonites, Quakers, Dunkards (Dunkers), Amanists, Schwenkfelders, and Moravians?
They were all pacifist (or conscientious objector) sects. They were encouraged to take non-combat roles, such as hospital orderlies, and many did. Hospital duty was actually very hazardous due to the rampant diseases that were so common during the War.