

BIBLIOGRAPHY

This bibliography is not intended to be comprehensive. Inclusion is based upon probable availability and utility for staff ride preparation.

I. Conducting a Staff Ride.

Robertson, William G. *The Staff Ride*. Washington, D.C.: U.S. Army Center of Military History, 1987.

This pamphlet outlines the philosophy of the staff ride and offers suggestions on creating and conducting rides.

II. Campaign.

Ambrose, Stephen E. *Struggle for Vicksburg*. N.p.: Eastern Acorn Press, 1982 (1967).

This booklet, available at National Military Park bookstores, provides an excellent general overview of the campaign.

Arnold, James R. *Grant Wins the War: Decision at Vicksburg*. New York: John Wiley, 1997.

Although containing some tactical-level errors, this work is an excellent one-volume military analysis of the campaign.

Ballard, Michael B. *The Campaign for Vicksburg*. N.p.: Eastern National Park & Monument Association, 1996.

Comparable to the Ambrose work cited above, this booklet is also sold at many National Military Park bookstores.

Bearss, Edwin C. *The Vicksburg Campaign*. 3 vols. Dayton, OH: Morningside House, 1985-86.

This is the most comprehensive treatment of the campaign available. The level of detail exceeds the requirements of most staff riders.

Catton, Bruce. *Grant Moves South*. Boston: Little, Brown and Co., 1960.

Intended for a general audience, Catton's gifted prose makes an excellent introduction to the Civil War in the west, placing the Vicksburg campaign within a broader strategic context.

Carter, Samuel III. *The Final Fortress: The Campaign for Vicksburg 1862-1863*. New York: St. Martin's Press, 1980 (1963).

A narrative history for a general readership, this work is rich in anecdotes and first-person observations from participants and eyewitnesses.

Foote, Shelby. *The Beleaguered City: The Vicksburg Campaign*. New York: The Modern Library, 1995.

Excerpted from Foote's monumental three-volume popular history of the Civil War, this masterfully written account errs in attributing to Pemberton a degree of foresight that actually was hindsight. Foote utilized unquestioningly Pemberton's *postwar* recollections.

Grabau, Warren E. *Ninety-Eight Days: A Geographer's View of the Vicksburg Campaign*. Knoxville, TN: University of Tennessee Press, 2000.

Grabau's book provides a highly detailed, comprehensive study, particularly useful for tactical analysis. The chapter on geographic setting is essential reading for a full understanding of the theater of operations. The book contains sixty-eight maps showing details down to the regimental level.

Johnson, Robert U., and Clarence C. Buel, eds. *Battles and Leaders of Civil War*. Vol. 3. New York: The Century Company, 1885-87.

This collection of essays from high-ranking participants has long been a standard work and is available in various reprints. The section on Vicksburg includes a campaign account by Grant, plus other essays by Johnston, Samuel H. Lockett, Andrew Hickenlooper, and others.

Miers, Earl Schenk. *The Web of Victory: Grant at Vicksburg*. Baton Rouge, LA: Louisiana State University Press, 1984 (1955).

While a very readable narrative account of the campaign, this work is not particularly strong on military analysis.

The War of the Rebellion: A Compilation of the Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies. Vol. 17, pts. 1-2, and Vol. 24, pts. 1-3. Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1886-87, 1899.

Originally compiled and published by the United States government, the *Official Records* have subsequently appeared in several reprints and in CD ROM format. Indispensable for any serious study, these records include a wide variety of reports and correspondence from both sides. Volume 17 encompasses the Chickasaw Bayou campaign; Volume 24 treats all subsequent actions in the struggle for Vicksburg.

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While possessing a useful set of campaign maps, this work contains some minor errors regarding troop strengths and dispositions.

Winschel, Terrence J.

Champion Hill: A Battlefield Guide

Chickasaw Bayou: A Battlefield Guide

Port Gibson: A Battlefield Guide

Raymond: A Battlefield Guide

This series of excellent brochures was prepared by the Vicksburg National Military Park historian and is available for purchase at the visitor center.

Winschel, Terrence J. *Triumph and Defeat: The Vicksburg Campaign*. Mason City, IA: Savas Publishing, 1999.

This collection of well-crafted, insightful essays covers key aspects of the campaign.

Winschel, Terrence J. *Vicksburg: Fall of the Confederate Gibraltar*. Abilene, TX: McWhiney Foundation Press, 1999.

This excellent introduction to the campaign is complete with biographical sketches of the key participants and is highly recommended.

III. The Navy.

Bearss, Edwin H. *Hardluck Ironclad: The Sinking and Salvage of the Cairo*. Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 1966.

Bearss provides a good understanding of naval operations on the western waters, plus fascinating background information on the *Cairo* exhibit located at the Vicksburg National Military Park.

Milligan, John D. *Gunboats Down the Mississippi*. Annapolis, MD: U.S. Naval Institute, 1965.

Milligan has authored an excellent overview of the Navy's campaigns in the western theater.

Official Records of the Union and Confederate Navies in the War of the Rebellion. Vols. 24, 25. Washington, D.C.: Government Printing Office, 1911-12.

These volumes are the Navy's counterpart to the Army's *Official Records* cited above.

Silverstone, Paul H. *Warships of the Civil War Navies*. Annapolis, MD: Naval Institute Press, 1989.

Silverstone's book is an invaluable source of technical data.

IV. Weapons and Tactics

Coggins, Jack. *Arms and Equipment of the Civil War*. Wilmington, NC: Broadfoot Publishing Company, 1987 (1962).

This very useful primer features instructive illustrations and an authoritative text. It provides a solid grounding in weapons capabilities that is essential to understanding Civil War battles.

Griffith, Paddy. *Battle in the Civil War*. Nottinghamshire, England: Fieldbooks, 1986.

This excellent booklet describes and illustrates the fundamentals of Civil War tactics in a concise, easily comprehended format. Highly recommended.

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McWhiney and Jamieson offer a controversial analysis of the Confederacy's predilection for offensive operations.

Ripley, Warren. *Artillery and Ammunition of the Civil War*. 4th Edition. Charleston, SC: The Battery Press, 1984.

This comprehensive work provides technical information on artillery and ammunition, including data and photos of specific pieces on display at Vicksburg National Military Park.

Thomas, Dean S. *Cannons: An Introduction to Civil War Artillery*. Gettysburg, PA: Thomas Publications, 1985.

This book is a helpful primer on the technical characteristics of standard Civil War field artillery weapons.

V. Combat Support and Combat Service Support

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Provided in this book is general background information on organization, equipment, personnel, and techniques. It includes a section on Grant's Department of the Tennessee.

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This broad survey provides general background information plus several pages dealing specifically with the Vicksburg campaign.

Huston, James A. *The Sinews of War: Army Logistics 1775-1953*. Army Historical Series, Washington, D.C.: Office of the Chief of Military History, Government Printing Office, 1970.

A standard work in the field, this survey provides helpful background data on Civil War logistics.

Lord, Francis A. *They Fought for the Union*. Harrisburg, PA: Stackpole, 1960.

A wide-ranging examination of the Civil War experience, this work details organization, training, weapons, equipment, uniforms, and soldier life.

VI. Biographies (Federal)

Warner, Ezra J. *Generals in Blue*. Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 1964.

This standard reference work provides biographical sketches (and some photographs) of Union general officers.

Grant

Grant, Ulysses S. *Personal Memoirs*. 2 vols. New York: Charles L. Webster, 1885-86.

Several reprints of this work are available, and it is considered to be the standard for military memoirs, but it should still be read with a critical eye.

Logan

Jones, James P. *"Black Jack:" John A. Logan and Southern Illinois in the Civil War Era*. Carbondale, IL: Southern Illinois University Press, 1995 (1967).

This scholarly biography explores military operations as well as the political undercurrents that influenced campaigns in the west.

McClermand

Kiper, Richard L. *Major General John Alexander McClermand: Politician in Uniform*. Kent, OH: Kent State University Press, 1999.

Kiper analyzes McClermand's conduct of tactical operations and his relationship with other Union generals during the campaign.

Porter

Hearn, Chester G. *Admiral David Dixon Porter: The Civil War Years*. Annapolis, MD: Naval Institute Press, 1996.

This book explores Porter's character and capabilities and offers a solid analysis of military operations.

Sherman

Sherman, William T. *Memoirs of William T. Sherman*. New York: Library of America, 1990 (1885).

Several reprints of Sherman's memoirs are available. This one represents Sherman's revised edition, published ten years after the

initial printing. Sherman's outspoken, argumentative, but articulate nature is clearly demonstrated.

VII. Biographies (Confederate)

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This book contains short biographical sketches and photographs of Confederate general officers.

Woodworth, Steven E. *Jefferson Davis and His Generals: The Failure of Confederate Command in the West*. Lawrence: University Press of Kansas, 1990.

Although primarily an analysis of Confederate strategy, this work also offers key insights into the often tempestuous relationships within the high command.

Bowen

Tucker, Phillip Thomas. *The Forgotten "Stonewall of the West:" Major General John Stevens Bowen*. Macon, GA: Mercer University Press, 1997.

Although stylistically flawed, this work helps explain how Bowen came to be Pemberton's best division commander.

Johnston

Symonds, Craig L. *Joseph E. Johnston: A Civil War Biography*. New York: W. W. Norton, 1992.

Symonds' work includes a useful chapter on Vicksburg in which the author supports Johnston's actions.

Loring

Raab, James W. *W. W. Loring: Florida's Forgotten General*. Manhattan, KS: Sunflower University Press, 1996.

Intended for a popular audience, this book provides a highly partisan defense of a controversial character.

Pemberton

Ballard, Michael B. *Pemberton: A Biography*. Jackson: University Press of Mississippi, 1991.

Although not particularly strong on operational issues, this biography offers a clear portrait of Pemberton the man. The only other biography, written by Pemberton's grandson, should be avoided.

Smith, David M., ed. *Compelled to Appear in Print: The Vicksburg Manuscript of General John C. Pemberton*. Cincinnati, OH: Ironclad Publishing, 1999.

This recently discovered manuscript showcases Pemberton's rebuttal of J. E. Johnston's version of the campaign.

VIII. Vignettes and First-Person Accounts

Hoehling, A. A. *Vicksburg: 47 Days of Siege, May 18-July 4, 1863*. Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice-Hall, 1969.

Wheeler, Richard. *The Siege of Vicksburg*. New York: HarperPerennial, 1991 (1978).

Wheeler treats the entire campaign, whereas Hoehling (above) focuses upon the siege of Vicksburg. Both are good sources of vignettes that add color and human interest to a staff ride.

IX. Films

Department of the Army. *The Staff Ride*. TVT 20-762 (706159DA). Thirty-six minutes.

This film presents an excellent overview of what a staff ride entails and provides advice on how to conduct one.

Department of the Army. *.58 Rifled Musket*. TVT 21-84 (705967DA). Sixteen minutes. *12 Pounder Napoleon*. TVT 21-85 (705968DA). Sixteen minutes.

Created by the Department of History at West Point, both films feature firing demonstrations of actual weapons, as well as background information.

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U.S. Department of the Interior Geological Survey.

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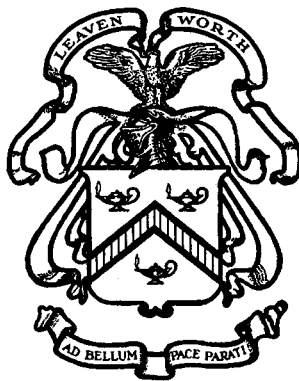
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