December 26, 1985

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

DECEMBER MEETING
Our December 5, 1985 meeting at Sand Point Officers Mess was attended by 32 of our members, including six couples. Several members were unable to attend due to date conflicts resulting from the snowstorm and resulting cancellation of our November 21 meeting.

Our speaker, Dr. Tom Pressly, prominent UW professor and nationally acclaimed lecturer and author on the Civil War era presented three vignettes of Civil War personalities. Dr. Pressly has now joined our group and will attend future meetings as one of us.

DATES AHEAD
The meeting dates are: Thursday, January 16; Thursday, March 13 and Thursday, May 8. We were unable to change the January meeting to the second Thursday as we hoped, but we were successful for March and May. All meetings, of course, will be 6:30 pm for cocktails — followed by dinner at the Sand Point Officers Mess.

***J-A-N-U-A-R-Y—16 will feature Charles Ellington (see enclosure) noted "Grantophile" with topic: Sam Grant Was Sober -- An End to Pacific Coast Mythes.

FUTURE PROGRAMS
Excellent response at our last meeting gave us a top flight reservoir for future programs. Your program chairman is eager for more ideas — note Loren’s address and phone in the heading. The most important item for success will be the quality of our programs. We hope to continue a first-rate format through the involvement of the membership.

MEMBERSHIP
Enclosed are membership blanks to be filled in and returned to the Secretary-Treasurer together with your $10.00 yearly membership dues if you have not already paid. You might also be interested in becoming a member of the national CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE ASSOCIATES. Their monthly DIGEST lists activities of the national organization, activities of the individual round tables, and updates information on Battlefield Preservation throughout the country. We understand that their $10.00 membership fee is tax deductible as a charitable contribution due to the Battlefield Preservation activities.

LIBRARY
Most of us have a "Civil War Library" ranging from a few books to many. It has been suggested that a file be created on all our books with a list from time to time so members could share. What we need is a member who could take on this project.

ROSTER OF MEMBERSHIP
Enclosed is a roster of members to date. This could be helpful in arranging transportation and further suggestion for members. Please help us with corrections — after all — we are amateurs!