AUGUST 21, 1986

With the fall season again approaching we are still finding new areas of interest among our members.

MEMBERSHIP: We now have seventy-five (75) members! We will not make an effort toward formally increasing this number except by word of mouth among ourselves. Your friends and acquaintances, who are interested in our ROUND TABLE, make the best new members for such a group as ours - don't you agree?

INDIVIDUAL LIBRARIES: No-one is sure just what the up-shot of all these inventories will be, but members continue to catalogue and forward their inventory library lists. The lists are processed by member Bill Miller and filed for reference of anyone interested. Send your library inventory list to Bill - 3420 NE 55 Street - Seattle 98105, or call him for assistance (523-6600).

MEETINGS: Shorter business meetings will be stressed in order to save maximum time for programs. The suggestion has been made that we vary our format from time to time by having two presentations at a meeting. In this manner more of us could participate in our ROUND TABLE and also make for a broader general program. We'll try this approach and see how things go.

PROGRAMS: We will try to stay away from the generalities and be specific where possible. In addition to major battles and tactical-strategic maneuvers how about some of the following?

blocade runners - shipbuilding capacity - troop transport - river gunboats - The Cairo - naval gunfire support - river fortresses and the Navy - supply of troops - the world of medicine - economic strength and the weaknesses of the two sides - guerilla warfare - battle flags - cavalry - field artillery - coastal artillery - prisons - prisoner exchange - rations - supply - ordinance - Signal Corps - munitions - unusual weapons - tunnel projects - Intelligence Corps - personalites (e.g., Nathan Bedford Forrest, The Civil War Custer, Sherman, Hood, Lee, Hill, Longstreet, Burnside, Sheridan, Ord, Chamberlain, Ramseur and many many others)

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Stu served in the Navy from July 1940 to October of 1945. Duty afloat included destroyers and smaller craft; enemy action began with the attack at Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941. (continued - over)
W. STEWART POPE

A newspaper man from 1945 - 1948 with the RENTON NEWS RECORD followed with a franchised automobile dealership in Renton for 18 years. Pope has had major involvement in working in the field of mental retardation or mental illness to include manager of Special Industries, a sheltered workshop from 1966 to 1968.

Stu is past president of Youth Tennis Foundation of Washington; board of directors, Friends of the Renton Public Library; board of trustees, Renton Public Library; King County Automobile Dealers Association. He was a member of the Governor's Advisory Council of Washington State's Observance of the Civil War Centennial, 1961-65.

A former news and sports photographer, he has followed photography for 45 years. Other hobbies include: tennis, U.S. Civil War, bird watching, Russian language and reading. --a full life with much more to come!

BATTLE FIELD PRESERVATION

The Civil War Round Table Digest is published and edited by Jerry L. Russell, who is the driving force in back of the Civil War Round Table Associates. The motto of the Digest is: "WE WHO STUDY MUST ALSO STRIVE TO SAVE."

Each issue of the (bi monthly) Digest highlights some of the concerns of historians, National Parks Service persons as well as others interested in historic preservation. Recently, a proposal for a freeway expansion through the Kennisaw Mountain Historic Park was averted largely (I think) through the efforts of Jerry—the Park, so vital in the history of the Battle for Atlanta at least has a breather. This is only one example of the many problems that result from urban expansion, sub-urban development and other commercial developments. Unfortunately, the acquisition of the dollar seems more important than the acquisition of knowledge through historic preservation.

Another person we should all know is EDWIN C. BEARRS (pronounced Barrs), chief historian of the National Park Service. Ed was recently presented with the Bell I. Wiley Award for "his dedication to Civil War research and battlefield narration." This award was presented by the Civil War Round Table of New York, one of the oldest round tables in the nation. Dr. Bearrs has authored or edited a variety of books on the Civil War including Decisions in Mississippi, Rebel Victory at Vicksburg and Hardluck Ironclad the story of the sinking and modern raising of the "Cairo." He is currently completing the second volume of a definitive study of The Vicksburg Campaign.

A final note: to keep up on CWRT Associates activities as well as the Confederate Historical Institute activities, I suggest sending $10.00 for membership in the Association to Jerry Russell, National Chairman, P. O. Box 7388, Little Rock, Arkansas 72217. The DIGEST itself is well worth the ten dollars.

Incidentally, Jerry Russell was the 1983 recipient of the Wiley Award.

(Loren J. Mann)

SEPTEMBER MEETING: September 11, 1986 in the garden room at the Sand Point Naval Officers Club, cocktails at 6 pm followed by dinner at 7 pm. Member Pat Brady, attorney, will be our principle speaker. His subject will be THOPOTOMATO CREEK and COLD HARBOR.

Meeting Dates - 1986-1987:

| September 11, 1986 | Sand Point - Garden Room |
| October 9, 1986 | Sand Point - Garden Room |
| November 13, 1986 | Sand Point - Garden Room |
| January 8, 1987 | Sand Point - Garden Room |
| March 12, 1987 | Sand Point - Garden Room |
| May 14, 1987 | Sand Point - Garden Room |

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