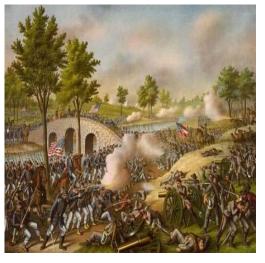
# **Union** Weekly

# **Bloodiest Day of the Civil War**

Breaking News-Yesterday, more men were killed or badly injured at Antietam. The Northern lost 12,410 and the Confederates lost 10,700 men one fourth of their army was defeated. In 4 hours there were more than 5,000 injuries on the sunken road. "Bloody Lane". Neither side gained a decisive victory. The battle also gave President Lincoln the opportunity to issue the Emancipation Proclamation. Which on January 1st, 1863 all slaves became free in states still in rebellion against he United States. Now the war had another purpose: to preserve the Union and end slavery. Be-

## **Eye Witnesses**

fore the battle started the Union private found a copy of



Battle at middle bridge

Lee's special orders wrapped around 3 cigars at an abandoned confederate camp site. In essence, the orders di-

"The stillness of the night is broken by the hostile

to the front. What are the thoughts that fill the minds of the men as they lie there, anxiously awaiting the morning? Who can describe them?"

CPL. Arthur S. finch, Company B, 107th New York Infantry

"As night drew nearer, whispers of a great battle to be fought the picket shots close next day grew louder, and we

shuddered at the prospect, for battles had come to mean us, as they never had before bloods, wounds, and death"

Mary Bedinger Mitchell, (Resident of Shepherdstown)

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# McClellan vs. Lee

After the loss at the second Bull Run, Pope was running back to Washington with Lee. However, McClellan Heard of his advance and was going to head them off before Lee got a chance to touch Washington. After Lee had crossed the Potomac McClellan, finally cut him off at Frederick, Maryland on the 12th. The next day one of McClellan's men found a box of cigars which contained the notes for all of Lee's plan. McClellan held both sides of the river while Lee's army was concentrated between Sharpsburg and the Antietam River.



Lee

McClellan

# The Dunker Church– Battlefield Shrine

During the Battle of Antietam, the church was the main point of a number of Union attacks against the Confederates. As for the church it was severely damaged from the bullets of the battle. By 1864 the church was repaired. The military engagement of Sept. 17,1862. More than 23,000 soldiers on either side were either killed, wounded, or

#### **The Cautious General McClellan**

General George Brinton McClellan was the commanding officer of the Union. He drew the criticism of turning of what could have been an obvious victory for the North into a blood bath.

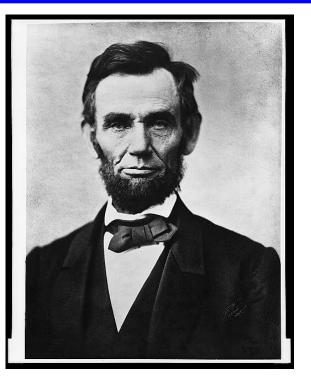




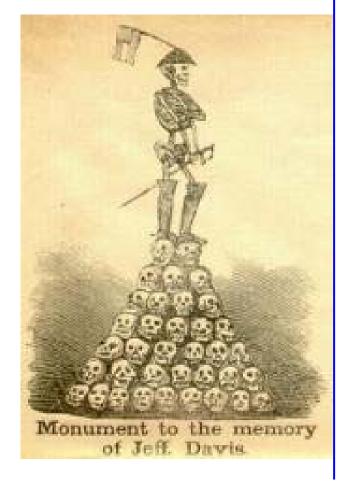
Our former lawyer president Abraham Lincoln is trying to cope with all of the losses and is angry with McClellan's choices. He is still hesitational about ending slavery. Many of us northerners are starting to be irritated over this. If he would end slavery for good we would get all the African Americans to fight for our side. Heck with the border states if we can get all the African Americans we will beat them without any sort of problem and have a slave free Union.



Recruits wanted for the Brave Southern Army-Good pay, (in Confederate Bonds) and good quarters, (in a horn.)

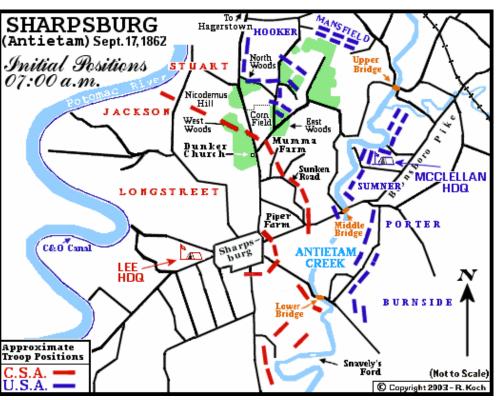


**Political Cartoons** 



Union	
Killed	2100
Wounded	9550
Missing	750
Captured	750
Total	12,400

Editors	Derek Wacey
Typer	Dana
Supervisor	Drake
Pictures	Sawyor Austin
Organizer	Katie Taylor
Cartoons	Tanner



## **Editorial**

The president is not really showing whether he wants to emancipate slaves or not, but most of our goodhearted northerners want our fellow humans to be freed.. Our president is not going indepth about it, and it is a key term on which we will be happy with his position or not. It is also a key term on whether the Border States stay in our Union or go to the Confederacy.

We obviously are for the emancipation of all slaves and think that slaveholding is absolutely morally wrong. We are starting to get



impatient with the Lincolns' hesitation to free slaves. Surely he will make a change in this tactic or free slaves by then end of the war.

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