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Speaker: David Dixon

Presentation Overview: The Lost Gettysburg Address

Few remember Edward Everett's oration that preceded Lincoln's famous address, but hardly anyone is aware of Kentucky native Charles Anderson's oration, which concluded the day's events. The speech was never published, and the lost manuscript only recently uncovered at a ranch in Wyoming. Dixon argues that the three featured speeches of November 19, 1863 need to be viewed as a rhetorical ensemble to better understand the political context of the Gettysburg dedication.

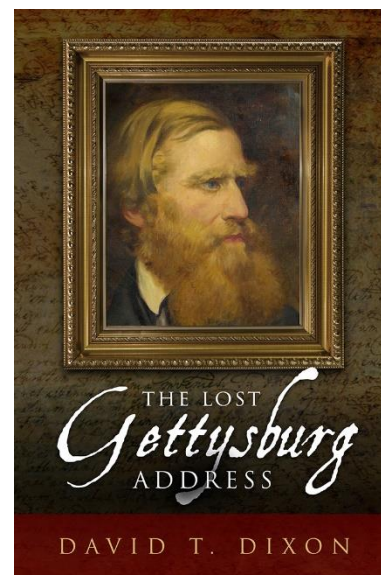
The back story to this is the saga of Anderson himself, a slaveholder

who sacrificed nearly everything to help Lincoln save the Union. An escapee from a Confederate prison in Texas, he became Lincoln's emissary to Great Britain. He then nearly died commanding a Union regiment at Stones River. He eventually became governor of Ohio. His wartime exploits abound with intrigue and adventure.

BIO: David Dixon earned his M.A. in history from the University of Massachusetts in 2003. He has published numerous articles in scholarly journals and magazines. Most focus on Union sympathizers in the Civil War South.

He hosts B-List History, a website that features obscure characters and their compelling stories. You may download free pdf versions of his published articles on that website at www.davidtdixon.com.

David's latest book is the biography of German revolutionary and Union General August Willich, published by the University of Tennessee Press in September 2020. It highlights the contributions of 200,000 German-born immigrants to the Union effort in the Civil War. Transatlantic radicals like Willich viewed the war as part of a much larger, global revolution for social justice and republican government.



In Case You Missed it...

In February, Frederick County Civil War Roundtable and guests (over 20 dialed in Nationally) received an excellent presentation from Mr. Miller recounting the events surrounding Frederick Douglass' visit to

Frederick, MD, giving the popular lecture "Self-Made Men".

In April 1879 United States Marshal of the District of Columbia Frederick Douglass visited Frederick City to deliver a lecture to benefit Quinn Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, led before, during and after the Civil War by reverends associated with Douglass and his family. Mr. Miller offered a detailed story of

LOST HISTORY OF FREDERICK DOUGLASS IN FREDERICK

John Muller

author of **Frederick Douglass in Washington, D.C.: The Lion of Anacostia**

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Frederick Douglas and his interconnectedness and relationship to local institutions and Fredericktonians and to students at Howard University to caterers, barbers, ministers, educators, physicians and politicians. John was

tremendously insightful about Maryland and the politics that effected the period and told part of our history during the reconstruction era.



RECONSTRUCTION IN WESTERN MARYLAND

CIVIL RIGHTS TO THE COLORED MAN.—The *Cumberland Times* of the 1st instant, says:—For the first time in the history of this State a colored man has been regularly drawn and summoned to serve on a jury of a State court. Judge Pearce yesterday drew the juries for the next term of the Circuit Court for Garrett county, and among the number appears a colored man of the name of Davis. The first name of this new juror we did not learn but we understand he is an employee of the Messrs. Johnson, of Johnson's district, Garrett county, and is the only colored man in that section.

(L) *National Republican* (Washington, D.C.), NOV. 14, 1874.

(Above) *Democratic Advocate* (Westminster - Carroll Co., MD)

— Sept. 4, 1875. Judge George A. Pearce, Sr. reviews first ever summons for "colored man" to serve on jury of state court.

With passage of 15th Amendment generation of African-American US Representative & Senators enter halls of Congress. 21 served from 1870 - 1901 MD not represented among states; MD 6th only district remained GOP. Many encouraged Douglass to represent Maryland, including friends, family, politicians.

Douglass actively supported MD Republican party; work w/ MD delegates at National Conventions. MD's 6th District was "battleground" in which Douglass was deeply connected through Cong. (83-91) & Sen. (89-95) Louis McComas of Hagerstown, introducing US Marshal FBD in April 1879 at Wash County Courthouse. Culmination of MD GOP was the election of Gov. Lloyd Lowndes in 1895, a former Congressman, accompanying US Marshal Douglass in Cumberland.

Minister network is Frederick-county closely affiliated.

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Prez Sez

I want to thank our February speaker, John Muller, for coming in and filling a hole in our speaker schedule. Even with some of the connectivity glitches we were able to have a good presentation about an important local topic. Fortunately, our speaker for this month, David Dixon, has been looking forward to our meeting for quite some time now and we are pleased hear his presentation on Charles Anderson, a Kentucky Unionist who spoke at Gettysburg on November 19, 1863, the same event in which President Lincoln gave the Gettysburg Address! Many folks remember that Edward Everett gave a lengthy speech prior to Lincoln, but few recall Anderson, or what he spoke on.

To keep you up to date on our host, the National Museum of Civil War Medicine, both the museum in Frederick and now the Clara Barton Missing Soldier's Office in DC are open for touring by appointment. In addition, both sites have been very active with their social media and have been presenting multiple talks through their YouTube channel.

Speaking of which, the National Museum of Civil War Medicine YouTube channel is currently the best way to join in our monthly meetings. It is unlikely that we will be back on site before our season wraps up in May, but we will continue to stream our meetings with the help of the museum. As such we have been asked to steer members towards the YouTube channel, as opposed to the Facebook page. Apparently, the traffic and discussion is easier to handle on YouTube than elsewhere.

So, keep that in mind as we jump into March and I look forward to seeing you all on-line on March 18 at 7pm for our presentation from David Dixon!

~ Matt Borders

March Book Report by Matt Borders

REVIEW: David A. Welker, *Tempest at Ox Hill – The Battle of Chantilly*. 279 pp. Maps, End Notes, \$27.50 (hardcover) ISBN: 978-0306811180 Reviewed by Matthew A. D. Borders

For most students of Civil War history, the Battle of Chantilly is not a fight that immediately comes to mind. Those who are aware of the battle may recall some of its trivia, that it was fought amidst a raging thunderstorm and that it saw the death of two Union generals. While true, these snippets of history do little to enlighten us as to the battle itself. Besides by those who fought at Chantilly, this is how the battle was remembered for 140 years, a footnote, until 2002 when *Tempest at Ox Hill* was published.

Being fought on September 1, 1862, at the very end of the Northern Virginia Campaign and just three days before the first Confederate invasion of the north began with the Maryland Campaign, Chantilly was quickly swallowed up in the news of the day. The terrible Union defeat at Second Bull Run, the return of George McClellan and the fighting that followed at South Mountain, Harpers Ferry and Antietam. What happened to Union forces after Bull Run though? How did the Union Army of Virginia make it back to the District of Columbia to be amalgamated into the Army of the Potomac? Those were the questions historian David Welker looked to answer with a full battle study of Chantilly.

The opening chapter of *Tempest at Ox Hill* gives a solid overview of the Civil War in 1862 from the Peninsula Campaign to the Second Battle of Bull Run. A significant portion of this chapter is spent on the fighting at Bull Run as it is important for not only setting the stage for Chantilly, but also introducing the various historic characters. Major General John Pope and his relationship with the War Department in Washington comes under scrutiny, as do the various commanders on both sides. Particularly interesting were the biographical sections on Brigadier General Isaac Stevens and Major General Philip Kearny, two men of action that were rising stars in the Union war effort, but who met their end on the rain swept fields near Ox Hill.

The battle itself, a rear-guard action as the Army of Virginia was attempting to retreat into the defensive perimeter of Washington DC, is very well analyzed using a variety of sources. The Official Records of the War of Rebellion are of limited help for studying this battle as two of the major Union commanders are killed and the primary Confederate commander, Major General Thomas J. Jackson, is also cut down later in the war prior to him writing his report. Instead, the author has utilized extensive writings by the soldiers and officers themselves, their personal, unvarnished writings in letters and journals. This gives an appropriate grittiness to the narrative, making it very readable.

The Chantilly battlefield is not large, but the see-sawing movements of the lines, both on purpose and accident, can make for a confusing read. That is where the well-drawn and placed maps of *Tempest at Ox Hill* come into play.

various movements of the the almost claustrophobic nature of also crucial to the interpretation of almost entirely developed over.



Not only do these maps convey the contending troops but help to show this battlefield. These maps are the battlefield as the site itself is Sadly, this bloodied landscape has

a mere four-acre memorial park as the extent of its preservation. The plot is more for the memorial stones commemorating the deaths of Kearny and Stevens than it is for the rest of the battle.

Upcoming Virtual Events

(For any event listed please remember to confirm it's happening before hitting the keyboard)

The upcoming Speaker Series sponsored by the Civil War Roundtable Congress (CWRT), to register for one of these events, follow the link at the bottom.

Fridays with Grant Series, featuring Living Historian Dr. Kurt Fields presenting:

Mar 12 @ 7 PM EST - COLD HARBOR: General Grant recalls the Battle of Cold Harbor including the intelligence he received, the strategy employed and the battle outcome. #33, registration is here: <https://www.cwrtcongress.org/grant/G33.php>

Other Presentations:

Mar 10 @ 7 PM EST - Historian Mike Gorman will tell the story of Gaines' Mill: The Most Important Battle You'll Never Hear About" Register here: <http://cwrtcongress.org/speaker/87-gorman.php>

Mar 11 @ 7 PM EST - Historian Daniel Davis tells the story of "Hurricane from the Heavens" an exploration Cold Harbor and learn about a unique opportunity to preserve hallowed ground at the battlefield. Register here: <http://cwrtcongress.org/speaker/76-davis.php>.

Mar 17 @ 7 PM EST - Historian Ronald S. Coddington presents "Faces of Civil War Nurses" about the experiences of women of all ages and walks of life who provided care during the war as nurses, aid workers, and vivandières. Register here: <http://cwrtcongress.org/speaker/77-coddington.php>

Mar 24 @ 7 PM EST – Living Historian Gerald Payn tells us of "1863 the year in review" from the eyes of Mr. Enos Foreman, Editor and Proprietor of the Wooster (Ohio) Republican. Register here: <http://cwrtcongress.org/speaker/73-payn.php>

You can subscribe to the Congress YouTube Channel at: [YouTube channel - CWRT Congress!](#)

To Register follow this link: <https://www.cwrtcongress.org/speaker.html>

FCCWRT Lectures Available

For those of you who may have missed any of the Virtual Presentations from the FCCWRT, all presentations can be found on the National Museum of Civil War Medicine YouTube channel found here: <https://www.youtube.com/user/nmcwm/videos>

Other Virtual Offerings for casual viewing (tip of the cap to the CWRT Congress for providing many)

American Civil War Game Club Virtual Offerings

<http://www.wargame.ch/wc/acw/>

Woodman Museum in Dover, NH has a YouTube channel

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i85KAlvJbxM&t=500s>

History Channel's documentary on U. S. Grant

<https://meaww.com/history-leonardo-di-caprio-documentary-ron-chernow-grant>

Loudon County CWRT – The Battle of Island #10

<https://www.facebook.com/SoundOfTheGuns/posts/10157017701015913>

Gettysburg CWRT – The Joint Committee on the Conduct of the War

<https://www.facebook.com/CivilWarRoundTableOfGettysburg/live/>

American Battlefield Trust's distance learning classroom

<https://www.battlefields.org/learn>

[Visit Gettysburg with War Photographer Louie Palu](#)

National Museum of Civil War Medicine Facebook Page, offering Facebook live opportunities weekly: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/CivilWarMed/videos/>

National Museum of Civil War Medicine now offering its own YouTube Channel, tons of content available: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdGkf5-Y7aEZsXEBhRhEKjg?>

SWCW member Lavonda Kay Broadnax, Digital Reference Specialist at the Library of Congress, has compiled a web guide to the historic full text of works, now available in digital format with free and open access, written by and about African American women who lived during the U.S. Civil War. Access the guide here: <https://www.loc.gov/rr/program/bib/aacivilwarwomen/>

The CWRT Congress' Annual Report is Available:

https://mcusercontent.com/4ed2502d26ff277723afd52f5/files/5a85fff0-4f74-4c51-af18-1eff908a6e72/Annual_Report.2020.pdf

CWI Conference 2021 Registration is Now OPEN

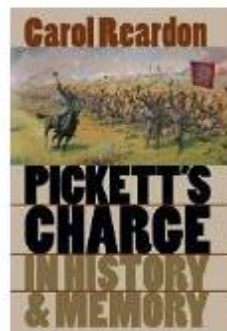


2021 Conference Registration is Now OPEN

Register for CWI 2021 Today!

Focusing primarily on the Gettysburg Campaign, [the 2021 conference](#) will feature lectures and battlefield tours exploring the battle from a variety of angles, including military leadership, civilian experiences, Lincoln's visit to Gettysburg, the commemorative landscape, and battlefield artifacts. The conference will also include special sessions on political disputes within the Army of the Potomac, drug addiction in the Civil War, race and Civil War memory in the literature of William Faulkner, the future of interpreting Confederate monuments, slave kidnappings, and more.

Speakers will include Gary W. Gallagher and Kent Masterson Brown, with battlefield tours led by Garry Adelman, Jennifer Murray, and an impressive lineup of expert National Park Service rangers and Licensed Battlefield Guides! This year's tours will take a new direction and follow individual regiments from battlefield to field hospital, with special visits to some of the lesser-known historic farms in Gettysburg which housed scores of wounded soldiers in the wake of the battle and which still stand today.



We are excited to feature Carol Reardon's classic [Pickett's Charge in History and Memory](#) as this year's book of the conference! All registered attendees will receive a 40% discount from UNC Press on copies of Dr. Reardon's book in preparation for a panel discussion of her work with several distinguished historians, including Dr. Reardon herself. If you're interested in purchasing the book from UNC Press, please contact the CWI for the discount code.

Due to the pandemic, some scheduling specifics and conference details, including availability of full on-campus amenities, are still in flux. We will continue to update [the website](#) as soon as we can confirm further details, so please check back frequently! All deposits and payments will be fully refundable.

We appreciate your understanding and patience as we move through the conference planning process and continue to navigate the uncertain waters of the global health crisis.

Questions? Check out our [FAQ page](#). Still have questions? Please contact the CWI office.



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Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteerism and the ability to volunteer has been interrupted by the COVID-19 circumstances we find ourselves in. We will keep members and friends informed about future volunteer opportunities.

Interested in volunteering to keep the FCCWRT running and growing? Let us know at a meeting or send an email to our President Matt Borders (mattborders@comcast.net). Areas of need are listed below. We will have board elections at the end of the season for members interested in leadership positions.

Areas in which to assist the Round Table:

Programs (help with acquiring possible speakers, field trips, etc.)

Website (maintain and update group's website)

Outreach, Marketing, Newsletter, Others

Who We Are, Where to Find Us



We are on Facebook! Please check out our page for timely updates, local events, or comments. Please read and share our posts!

<https://m.facebook.com/fccwrt>. Gary Dyson is our "face" for Facebook, help us spread the word about OUR FCCWRT!! 837 likes and 932 follow!

Gary Dyson has done an amazing job with keeping up posting interesting Civil War facts and discussions. Help us spread the word about OUR FCCWRT.

Our MISSION

TO cultivate and preserve

Frederick County's Civil War heritage and broaden the understanding of the Civil War Era and its impact on our nation.

TO explore the many facets of the Civil War from the battlefield to first-person narratives, including guest lectures by writers and historians.

TO support historical projects and activities aimed at increasing public interest and appreciation of our Civil War history, both locally and nationally.

Our membership drive is still active as we continue thru our 20-21 season. Please consider renewing your membership as well inviting friends to join. Your membership provides the space for our meetings, attracting well known speakers, and website and P.O. Box maintenance.

For those who remembered to renew your FCCWRT membership, thank you! Your dues make it possible for us to continue to fulfill our mission. We can't continue without your support! If we had more members, we could do more to promote our Civil War history!

As a member of our group, you'll enjoy these benefits:

- receive the current newsletter.
- receive email updates of local events related to Civil War history
- always have a place to be on the third Thursday of the month

Our yearly dues are:

- \$30.00 for an individual (\$25.00 for current dues paying members.)
- \$50.00 for a family up to four
- \$5.00 for out of state members and members under 16 years of age

You can renew your membership at our meeting or by mail. The membership form is attached and may also be downloaded from our website at <http://www.frederickcountycivilwarrt.org/>.

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☐ I am interested in helping with outreach activities

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and our roster of speakers for the season, check our website:**

www.frederickcountycivilwarrrt.org