

HIST 207B  
History of the United States  
Civil War and Reconstruction Bibliography  
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**Reference Works**

Ref. E 178.5 A48 1981. Adams, James Turslow. *Album of American History*. Scribner, 1981. V.3-4. Print.

This work contains many interesting illustrations from the Civil War and Reconstruction eras.

Ref. E 176 D563 . *Dictionary of American Biography* . Scribner. 1990.Print.

This work contains biographies of notable persons in United States History. v. 1- Index 3

Ref. E 183 E5 1984. Green, Jack. *Encyclopedia of American Political History* . Scribner. 1984. Print.

This work contains essays on various themes and topics in American History. v. 1-3

Ref. PN 771 G27 Gale Research Company. *Twentieth Century Literary Criticism*. Gale Research Co. Print.

Please consult the last volume in the series for Fast, Howard in order to learn about his standing among American authors. v. 1-

**Primary Source Material**

E 173 A793 *Annals of America*. Encyclopedia Britannica. 1968-1974. Print

This set of books contain original documents focusing on all aspects of American life during the selected time periods. v. 8 [1850-1857] v.9 [1858-1865] v.10 [1866-1883]

**Newspapers**

Ref. AI21. N453x 1851-1979. Green, Lillian. *New York Times School Microfilm Collection*. Microfilming Corp. of America. 1982. Print.

This is a great resource for the Civil War era.

Take your microfilm requests to the reference desk and the librarian will obtain them and give instruction on microfilm reader/printer use.

## Magazines

Ref. E 171 A43 1999. Indexing Research (Firm). *American Heritage 45 –Year Cumulative Index*. American Heritage. 1999. Print

This index points to entries in American Heritage Magazine located in the periodicals storage area of the library. vol. 6, no. 1-vol. 50, no. 8, December 1954-December 1999 There is also a subject supplement.

Ref. G 1 .N27 National Geographic Society. *National Geographic Index - 1888-1998*. National Geographic Society. 1990. Print.

National Geographic has many issues with information about United States History. The following issues can be found in the magazine storage area. More issues are available by searching the indexes.

- “American Giant Comes of Age”. May, 1965.
- “Iron vs Oak: The day the Wooden Navy Died.” March 2006.
- “Civil Wa”. April, 1961.
- “Civil War Battlefields”. April, 2005.
- “Just One Hundred Years Ago”. July, 1963.
- “Lincoln: Man of Steel and Velvet”. February, 1960.
- “Our Land Through Lincoln's Eyes”. February, 1960.
- “Virginians”. November, 1974.
- “Wreck of the C.S.S. [Alabama] Avenging Angel of the Confederacy”. December, 1994.

**EBSCO Host.** This is a database containing over 1900 full-text magazine titles. It can be accessed through myCuesta ([my.cuesta.edu](http://my.cuesta.edu)) and then to the Library Web Site under resources.

General Search: United States Civil War (please be sure to check full text.)

The following list contains many of the magazine titles that touch on American History. Search the contents of these magazines using this format in the search field:

JN "name of magazine" and "place, person, or topic" . (example: JN "America's Civil War" and "reconstruction") Be sure to select full text before initiating the search.

[African American Soldiers in the Civil War.](#) (full text 09/01/2009 to 09/30/2009)

- *America's Civil War.* (full text from 07/01/1996 to the present)
- *American Heritage.* (full text from 09/01/1990 to the present)

- *Battlefields of the Civil War*\_ Vol.1 (full text 01/01/1998 to 01/02/1998)
- *Battlefields of the Civil War*\_ Vol.2 (full text 01/01/1995 to 01/02/1995)
- *Civil War History*\_ ( bibliographic records start 07/01/1996) order articles through Inter-Library Loan
- *Civil War Times*\_ ((bibliographic records start 07/01/1993 and full text 12/01/1996 to the present.)
- *Civil War Times Illustrated*\_ ((bibliographic records start 07/01/1993 and full text 12/01/1996 to the present.)
- *Civil War Timeline*\_ (full text 09/01/2009 to 09/30/2009)
- *Journal of American History*\_ (bibliographic records from 09/01/1990 to the present.) Cited articles can be obtained through inter-library loan.)
- *Journal of Social History*\_ (full text from 03/01/1984 to the present.)
- *Military History*\_ (full text from 06/01/1996 to the present).
- *Seward's Plan to Avert Civil War*\_ ( full text 01/07/2009 to 01/31/2009)

## Books

### Library and Net Library Books

Please consult eLibrary (which is our electronic index to the library collection) under the subject headings **Reconstruction (U.S. history, 1865-1877) or United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865—**

There are dozens of titles under these two subject headings.

Search keywords by entering: united states history civil war and press search everything. Likewise: reconstruction U.S. History and press search everything

## Selected Web Sites

### History of the United States (1849-1865)

This period of United States history saw the breakdown of the ability of white Americans of the North and South to reconcile fundamental differences in their approach to government, economics, society and African American slavery. Abraham Lincoln was elected President, the South seceded to form the Confederate States of America, the Civil War followed, with the ultimate defeat of the South.

*The Civil War* - <http://www.civilwarhome.com/indexcivilwarinfo.htm>

This site at Louisiana State University is an attempt to link all know Internet sites dealing with the civil war. Some links are no longer active.

*Aboard the Underground Railroad: A national travel itinerary* -

<http://www.cr.nps.gov/nr/travel/underground/>

Aboard the Underground Railroad: A National Register of Historic Places Travel Itinerary introduces travelers, researchers, historians, preservationists, and anyone interested in African American history to the fascinating people and places associated with the Underground Railroad. The itinerary currently provides descriptions and photographs on 64 historic places that are listed in the

National Park Service's National Register of Historic Places, America's official list of places important in our history and worthy of preservation. It also includes a map of the most common directions of escape taken on the Underground Railroad and maps of individual states that mark the location of the historic properties.

*The Civil War Home Page* - <http://www.civil-war.net/>

This is a comprehensive site covering every possible aspect of the Civil War. There are a few inactive links.

*The Virginia Military Institute Archives* –

[http://www.vmi.edu/archives.aspx?id=3717&rsm=3757&ekmense1=fb5d653b\\_207\\_211\\_btnlink](http://www.vmi.edu/archives.aspx?id=3717&rsm=3757&ekmense1=fb5d653b_207_211_btnlink)

This site has full-text access to all of the documents and manuscripts found under the links. There is some interesting stuff here but it takes effort to locate.

*The American Civil War* –

<http://www.homepages.dsu.edu/jankej/civilwar/civilwar.htm>

This massive site is maintained by Dakota State University. It is mostly up to date.

*Civil War and Reconstruction* - <http://tigger.uic.edu/~rjensen/civ-war.htm>

This site is a comprehensive list of full-text references to the entire slavery question. Caution: A number of these links are no longer active, but there is treasure to be found in many of the links.

*Cornell University Library Digital Collection* -

<http://digital.library.cornell.edu/m/mayantislavery/>

This is an interesting collection on the anti-slavery movement.

*The National Archives* - <http://www.archives.gov/index.html>

On the top right of the screen enter either Reconstruction or Civil War and press search.

*Ipl2: Information You Can Trust*- <http://www.ipl.org/index.html> Then search by your subject

Librarians verify the usefulness and currency of the sites. This was formerly two separate sites which were organized and maintained by librarians.

*The Library of Congress – American Memory* -

<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/index.html>

Search here for an exciting array of information and images.

*University of Michigan - Making of America Project.* -

<http://quod.lib.umich.edu/m/moagrp/>

This site contains millions of pages of material from the library's collection of books.

## Legal Sites

Santa Clara County v. Southern P. R. Co., 118 U.S. 394 (U.S. 1886)

[http://www.pbs.org/wnet/supremecourt/antebellum/landmark\\_dred.html](http://www.pbs.org/wnet/supremecourt/antebellum/landmark_dred.html)

[http://supreme.lp.findlaw.com/supreme\\_court/landmark.html](http://supreme.lp.findlaw.com/supreme_court/landmark.html)