

# Symposium

on 19th Century Press, the Civil War, and Free Expression

Thursday, November 7

Chattanooga Marriott Downtown, 2 Carter Plaza

- 6:00–7:00 p.m. **Dinner at the Chattanooga Marriott Downtown, located on the corner of 11th St. and Carter St.** (by Invitation)  
Opening Remarks: David B. Sachsman, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga
- 7:00–10:00 p.m. “History as Method: Southern Suppression of Agendas through Newspaper Coverage of Garrison, Douglass, Lincoln, Turner, *The Liberator*, and *The North Star*, 1830-1865,” Thomas C. Terry, Utah State University, and Donald L. Shaw, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- “Yankee Reporters and Southern Secrets: The Legibility of Secessionism in the American Press, 1860-61,” Michael Fuhlhage, Wayne State University
- “‘I Shall Go Crazy my brains are in a fever the world looks hard’: Moral Insanity and the Civil War Press, with Special Attention Paid to the Case of Maj. Gen. William T. Sherman,” Richard Junger, Western Michigan University
- “General Rutherford B. Hayes and the Civil War Press: Learning to Fight for Recognition,” James E. Mueller, University of North Texas
- “Battling the Ku Klux Klan: Newspaper Editor J.B. Carpenter and the Rutherford (N.C.) *Star* 1866-1875,” Michael L. Feely, Independent Scholar
- “American Press Coverage of Sociologist Herbert Spencer During His 1882 Visit to America,” Jack Breslin, Iona College

Friday, November 8

Raccoon Mountain Room, UTC University Center

- 9:00–12:00 p.m. “Abolitionist Letters from the Missouri Penitentiary: Driven to Wield Freedom of Expression Though Deprived of Paper and Pen,” Lee Jolliffe, Drake University
- “Building Secession’s Vocabulary along the Border: The Role of the Methodist Press in Polarizing the Slavery Debate, 1844-1861,” Scott Stephan, Ball State University
- “The Birthing of a Nation: The Southern Press, Slavery, and Nationalism in the Secession Crisis,” Kevin McPartland, University of Cincinnati
- “The First Martyr of the Confederacy: Newspaper Coverage of the Death of James W. Jackson and the Creation of the Confederacy’s First Hero,” James Scythes, West Chester University
- “‘Third Manassas’: The Court-Martial of Fitz John Porter and the Press,” Crompton B. Burton, University of Maine
- “‘All Decent Girls view you with Scorn’: comic valentines and wartime discipline,” Kate Birkbeck, Yale University
- “The Jewish Messenger’s Hebrew Lincoln Acrostic: Who Wrote it, When, and Why?” Menahem Blondheim, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
- 12:00–1:30 p.m. **Luncheon in the Chickamauga Room** (by Invitation)  
“U.S. Newspaper Content from 1820 to 1860: A Mirror of the Times?” David H. Weaver, Indiana University, and Donald L. Shaw, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- 1:30–4:00 p.m. **Raccoon Mountain Room**
- “‘We Believers (?) in Groundhog Day’: Irreverent Coverage in the Nineteenth Century Press of a Great American Ritual,” Katrina J. Quinn, Slippery Rock University
- “Newspapers Debate Manifest Destiny,” William E. Huntzicker, Minneapolis, MN
- “A ‘Printing House Divided’: Charles Dana, Horace Greeley, and the *New York Tribune* on Secession and Civil War,” Carl J. Guarneri, Saint Mary’s College of California
- “The People, the Press and the Court: How Newspaper Coverage of the Civil Rights Cases of 1883 and Its Aftermath Confirmed for Nearly a Century the Country’s Abnegation of Civil War Loss,” Joe Mathewson, Medill School, Northwestern University
- “Reporting from Sea: Captain Nichols and the *Ocean Chronicle*,” Jennifer E. Moore, University of Minnesota Duluth
- “News as Mythic Struggle Against Evil—Joshua Slocum’s Search for Fair Winds,” Paulette D. Kilmer, University of Toledo
- 4:00–6:00 p.m. Panel: “The Civil War Era Press in the West and Mid-West”
- “A Statistical Analysis of the Whos and Wheres of the Mid-western and Western News Industry,” Debra Reddin van Tuyll, Augusta University
- “Acts of Disloyalty: Legal and Extralegal Restrictions on the Civil War-era Western Press,” Mary M. Cronin, New Mexico State University
- “Loyalty and Disloyalty: Press Freedom and the Regulation of Dissent in the Midwest Press,” David W. Bulla, Augusta University
- “The Western Press Reports the End of the War and the Death of Lincoln,” Katrina J. Quinn, Slippery Rock University
- “How Shall the History of the Recent War be Written?” Melita M. Garza, Texas Christian University
- “Editors Take Their Battles West,” William E. Huntzicker, Minneapolis, MN
- “Politics, Partisanship, and the Press in the Midwest,” Michael Fuhlhage, Wayne State University
- 6:00–8:00 p.m. **Dinner in the Chickamauga Room** (by Invitation)  
“The 19th Century Press and American Popular Culture,” David B. Sachsman, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

Saturday, November 9

Chickamauga Room, UTC University Center

- 9:00–12:00 p.m. “Andrew Jackson and John C. Calhoun: Press Attacks in the Election of 1828 and the Petticoat Affair,” Patricia G. McNeely, Columbia, SC
- “The 19th Century Story Without a Source: An Enduring Myth of New Orleans,” Nancy M. Dupont, University of Mississippi
- “‘For whatever troubles are upon us, Democracy is responsible!’: *The Natchez Daily Courier* during the Secession Winter of 1860,” Brian Gabriel, Northwestern State University of Louisiana
- “Kentucky’s Rebel Press,” Berry Craig, West Kentucky Community and Technical College
- “Understanding the New York City Draft Riots Through a 19th Century Newspaper Comparison,” Andrew Haugen, Valley Catholic High School
- “Falsely Framing the Narrative: Louisiana Newspapers in the Reconstruction Period,” John J. Calhoun, University of Virginia, and Dianne Bragg, University of Alabama
- “The Hayesociated Press: William Henry Smith and the 1876 Presidential Election,” Dustin McLochlin, Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Library & Museums

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Gen. Ambrose E. Burnside (reading newspaper) with Mathew B. Brady (nearest tree) at the Army of the Potomac headquarters.  
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