

## Civil War 150 years ago, August, 1862

War is continental in scope. McClellan abandons positions six miles from Richmond, VA to counter Jackson's operations in the Shenandoah Valley

Aug 5 Engagement at Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Aug 6 CSS Arkansas scuttled near Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Aug 9 Battle of Cedar Mountain (Slaughter Mountain), Virginia. Northern Virginia Campaign. When Maj. Gen. John Pope was placed in command of the newly constituted Army of Virginia on June 26, the Northern general vowed to bring the vagaries of war to the Southern populace. Gen. Robert E. Lee responded to Pope's threats against his home state by dispatching Maj. Gen. Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson with 14,000 men to Gordonsville in July. Jackson's force was later bolstered by additional troops under A.P. Hill. In early August, Pope began his offensive into Culpeper County, hoping to capture the rail junction at Gordonsville. On August 9, Maj. Gen. Nathaniel Banks's advancing corps ran headlong into Jackson's troops at Cedar Mountain. Though the Federals gained an early advantage, a swift counterattack by A.P. Hill's Confederates drove the Federals back and won the day.

Aug 10 Affair on Nueces River, Texas

Aug 11 Confederate partisans capture Independence, Missouri

Aug 13 Skirmish on Yellow Creek, Missouri

Aug 15 Skirmish at Clarendon, Arkansas

Aug 17 Sioux uprising begins in southwest Minnesota

Aug 19 Federal raid on the Louisville & Nashville Railroad

Aug 22 Affair at Catlett's Station, Virginia

Aug 24 CSS Alabama commissioned at sea off Portugal's Azore Islands. Will become most successful CSS commerce raider.

Aug 27 Northern Virginia Campaign. Stonewall Jackson captures and plunders Union supply depot at Manassas Junction, VA

Aug 28 Battle of Brawner's Farm (Groveton), Virginia

Aug 29 Northern Virginia Campaign. Battle of Second Manassas (Bull Run), Virginia begins. CSA victory. Spring board for Lee's first invasion of the North.

Aug 30 Battle of Richmond, Kentucky. CSA victory.