

# 150 Years Ago in the Civil War, June 1862

Three major campaigns continued in this month:

- **Peninsular Campaign**—the Union used their naval superiority to land their army SE of Richmond and move NW to attempt to capture the Confederate capital and thus end the war. Union forces were led by Gen George McClellan. CSA forces were led by Gen R.E. Lee.
- **Jackson's Valley Campaign**--CSA Gen Stonewall Jackson conducted a brilliant campaign of maneuver to keep vastly superior Union forces in the Shenandoah Valley, thus they were unable to reinforce McClellan in the Peninsula Campaign.
- **Union Naval Campaign**—action begun by President Lincoln at the start of the war called for blockading the Confederate coast and isolating the Confederate Armies from their supply and troop base by systematically gaining control of the southern river system.

June 1-- General Robert E. Lee takes command of the Army of Northern Virginia after General J.E. Johnston is wounded

June 3--Evacuation of Fort Pillow, Tennessee

June 4--Southern planters burn cotton shipments on Yazoo River to keep them from Union hands

June 6--Battle of Memphis, Tennessee

June 7--William Mumford hanged in New Orleans for destroying the U.S. flag

June 8--Battle of Cross Keys, Virginia, Valley Campaign, CSA victory

June 9--Battle of Port Republic, Virginia, Valley Campaign, CSA victory

June 12--J.E.B. Stuart begins his "Ride around McClellan", Peninsular Campaign

June 13--Federals, after a brief skirmish, occupy Romney, Virginia (now West Virginia)

Skirmish at New Market, Virginia

June 16--Engagement at Secessionville, South Carolina, Union Naval Campaign, CSA victory

June 19--Lincoln signs a law prohibiting slavery in the Western territories

June 25--Seven Days Battles begin at Oak Grove (French's Field), Virginia, Peninsular Campaign, CSA victory

June 26--Battle of Mechanicsville, Ellerson's Mill, (Beaver Dam Creek), Virginia, Peninsular Campaign, CSA victory

June 27--Battle of Gaines' Mill (First Cold Harbor), Virginia, Peninsular Campaign, CSA victory

June 28--Passage of Vicksburg batteries by Flag Officer D.G. Farragut's deep water fleet

Action at Garnett's and Golding's Farms, Virginia

June 29--Battle of Savage's Station, Virginia, Peninsular Campaign, CSA victory

June 30--Battle of Glendale (Frayser's Farm), Virginia, Peninsular Campaign, CSA victory