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This Week in The Civil War for Sunday, March 29: Fall of Richmond, Virginia, seat of Confederacy.

The forces of Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee reached the breaking point this week 150 years ago in the Civil War. Lee ordered infantry and cavalry units to hold a key defensive line at Five Forks, Virginia, only to come under withering Union attack. Union forces took many prisoners as they beat back Lee's forces and soon cut off Lee's only remaining supply line for the Confederacy to Petersburg and nearby Richmond, Virginia, seat of the Confederacy. News reports of the week recalled bloody combat and thousands of Confederates taken prison as the Southern troops were rapidly becoming demoralized. The dire turn of events forced Lee to inform Jefferson Davis that both cities would have to be evacuated and the Petersburg-Richmond siege lines abandoned. After a hasty Confederate evacuation begun on April 2, 1865, Union troops entered Richmond the next day. "Richmond and Petersburg Taken!" blared the New York Tribune in bold headlines in its April 4, 1865, edition. It added: "Colored Troops the First to Enter the Slaveholders' Capital ... THE REBELS LEAVE IN HASTE. Gen. Grant Attempting to Cut Off Lee's Escape." That same day, President Abraham Lincoln would visit the city, greeted by jubilant former slaves. Lee's surrender would only be a matter of days.

US

The end of the slave trade

<http://opinionator.blogs.nytimes.com/2015/03/27/the-end-of-the-slave-trade/? r=1>

New York Times Opinionator

<http://opinionator.blogs.nytimes.com/category/disunion/>

Civil War Trivia

Bennett A. Young, a Kentucky cavalryman who was trained under John Hunt Morgan, led the sensational Confederate raid on St. Albans, Vermont, in October, 1864, at the age of twenty-one. With his band of twenty-six he "captured" the town, robbed the banks of some \$200,000, and fell back to his base in Canada almost fatally disrupting Anglo-American relations as a result.

Arkansas

Three Arkansas Civil War 150 historical markers approved

<http://arkansastoothpick.com/2015/03/three-arkansas-civil-war-150-historical-markers-approved/>

Missouri/150 Years Ago

Failure to stop Jackson a bad omen for future peace, writes Fisk

http://www.columbiatribune.com/news/civil_war/years-ago-failure-to-stop-jackson-a-bad-omen-for/article_a9ac8d97-c127-57bd-80b5-fd0e2e5f718d.html

Delegate satirizes State Convention actions, personalities

http://www.columbiatribune.com/news/civil_war/years-ago-delegate-satirizes-state-convention-actions-personalities/article_294e81d5-c9d2-5dbf-8c72-d2793eb771fe.html

General sets date for hanging of Boone County rebel

http://www.columbiatribune.com/news/civil_war/years-ago-general-sets-date-for-hanging-boone-county-rebel/article_6e0ef97f-fe42-5fca-852f-70968b46bb2c.html

Rope breaks during hanging of Boone County rebel

http://www.columbiatribune.com/news/civil_war/years-ago-rope-breaks-during-hanging-of-boone-county-rebel/article_a94c0d85-1573-55a8-a2ff-c0047654cf40.html

Slavery's expiring agonies' cause upheaval, hardship in Central Missouri

http://www.columbiatribune.com/news/civil_war/years-ago-slavery-s-expiring-agonies-cause-upheaval-hardship-in/article_5cd130ce-2a78-5b5a-b30e-0a5100899719.html

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Large guerrilla band reported moving east toward Central Missouri

http://www.columbiatribune.com/news/civil_war/years-ago-large-guerrilla-band-reported-moving-east-toward-central/article_1186eedc-0816-56ee-b8f0-ec8601ba250d.html

State Convention blocks efforts to secure voting rights for blacks

http://www.columbiatribune.com/news/civil_war/years-ago-state-convention-blocks-efforts-to-secure-voting-rights/article_c91854b8-7316-5132-b2da-282c05a15ad7.html

US

A grandmother's trove of Civil War photos goes to Library of Congress

http://www.washingtonpost.com/local/a-grandmothers-trove-of-civil-war-photos-goes-to-the-library-of-congress/2015/03/28/19e41776-d1a3-11e4-8fce-3941fc548f1c_story.html?wprss=rss_local

Blood, sweat and whiskey at the Narcoossee Mill Civil War re-enactment at St. Cloud (Fla)

<http://www.orlandosentinel.com/news/breaking-news/os-civil-war-battle-reenactment-narcoossee-mill-20150329-story.html>

Black towns, established by freed slaves after the Civil War, are dying out

http://www.washingtonpost.com/local/black-towns-established-by-freed-slaves-after-civil-war-are-dying-out/2015/03/26/25872e5c-c608-11e4-a199-6cb5e63819d2_story.html?wprss=rss_local

Missouri

Ozarks man needs help to restore Civil War era cemetery

<http://www.ozarksfirst.com/story/d/story/man-needs-help-to-restore-civil-war-era-cemetery/28132/wl4yoZx7y0KREH10zv9AKA>

US

Plethora of events celebrate sesquicentennial end of Civil War

http://www.godanriver.com/news/danville/plethora-of-events-celebrate-sesquicentennial-end-of-civil-war/article_2116783a-d4e2-11e4-a55c-43fbe19d6a1b.html

Arkansas

Arkansas Civil War sesquicentennial events for April announced

<http://arkansastoothpick.com/2015/04/arkansas-civil-war-sesquicentennial-events-for-april-2015-announced/>

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Confederate heritage day to be celebrated Saturday at State Capital

<http://arkansastoothpick.com/2015/03/confederate-heritage-day-to-be-celebrated-saturday-at-state-capitol/>

Arkansas Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission approves three historical markers

<http://arkansastoothpick.com/2015/04/arkansas-civil-war-sesquicentennial-commission-approves-three-historical-markers-3/>

Civil War Daily Gazette

Lincoln : Let them surrender and go home

<http://civilwardailygazette.com/2015/03/28/lincoln-let-them-surrender-and-go-home/>

Grant begins the final campaign

<http://civilwardailygazette.com/2015/03/29/i-now-feel-like-ending-the-matter-grant-begins-the-final-campaign>

Lee stretches thin to counter Grant

<http://civilwardailygazette.com/2015/03/30/to-severe-for-all-their-resources-lee-stretches-thin-to-counter-grant/>

Meade's confusion all along the White Oak road

<http://civilwardailygazette.com/2015/03/31/meades-confusion-all-along-the-white-oak-road/>

The Battle of Five Forks

<http://civilwardailygazette.com/2015/04/01/at-the-bayonets-point-the-battle-of-five-forks/>

The fall of Petersburg and Richmond

<http://civilwardailygazette.com/2015/04/02/the-rebellion-has-gone-up-the-fall-of-petersburg-and-richmond/>

The Federals enter Richmond

<http://civilwardailygazette.com/2015/04/03/all-the-horrors-of-the-final-conflagration-the-federals-enter-richmond>

Arkansas/150 Years Ago

Colonies in NW Arkansas

<http://arkansastoothpick.com/2015/03/arkansas-in-the-civil-war-colonies-in-nw-arkansas/>

Music during a war-era

<http://arkansastoothpick.com/2015/03/arkansas-in-the-civil-war-music-during-a-war-era/>

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