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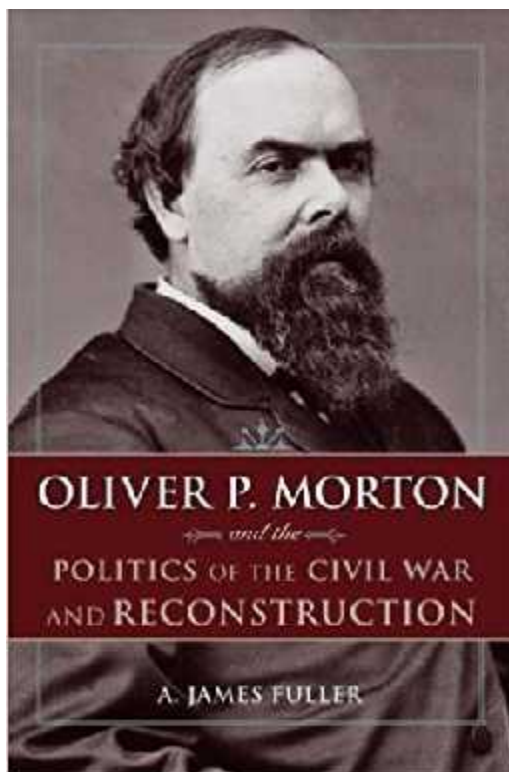
Indianapolis Civil War Round Table Newsletter

<http://indianapoliscwrt.org/>

January 14, 2019 at 6:45 p.m.  
Meeting at MCL Cafeteria Township Line  
2370 W. 86th Street

## *The Plan of the Day*

### Oliver P. Morton and the Civil War in Indiana



The talk examines Morton's role as War Governor, as he mobilized the state for war, became known as "The Soldiers' Friend," supported the Union cause, and fought the Copperheads. A polarizing figure in his own time, Morton continues to divide historians, most of whom see him as either a tyrant or as a political opportunist. This lecture helps place his actions in context, showing how he consistently held to his nationalist principles even as he did take advantage of political opportunities.

### **JOIN US BEFORE THE MEETING AT MCL CAFETERIA!**

**All ICWRT members and guests** are invited to join us at 6:00 P.M. at MCL Cafeteria, 2370 W. 86th Street before the meeting to enjoy dinner and fellowship.

### *Our Guest Speaker*



**James Fuller** is a Professor of History at the University of Indianapolis. He has published six books including *The Election of 1860 Reconsidered* (2013) and his biography of Indiana's War Governor, *Oliver P. Morton and the Politics of the Civil War and Reconstruction* (2017).

### *Roster of Officers and Committees for the 2018-2019 Campaign*

#### *Officers:*

President: Tony Trimble

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#### *Committees:*

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#### *Quiz Master:*

Tony Trimble

#### *HARDTACK Newsletter:*

Editor: Jenny Thompson

**Members are encouraged to wear their badges to the meetings, so people will know who you are.**

If you have a short article, book review, or some other item that may be of interest to our members, please submit it via email to the editor at [jkt60jet@gmail.com](mailto:jkt60jet@gmail.com) by the tenth day following the preceding month's meeting.

### *2018-2019 Campaign Plans*

February 11, 2019 – Steve Williams– "Lambdin P. Milligan and the Fire in the Rear"

March 11, 2019 – David Finney – "Valor, Gallantry, and Remembrance: The Medal of Honor, Taps, and Memorial Day"

April 8, 2019 – Kraig McNutt – "Battle of Franklin"

May 13, 2019 – Gary Johnson – "Countering Mallory's Infernal Machines"

June 10, 2019 – David Koehler – "Census in the Civil War"

NOTE: Our meetings will start at 6:45 p.m. and now will be held at MCL Cafeteria, 2370 W. 86th St.

### *Other Camp Activities*

**Hamilton County Civil War Roundtable:** They meet at the Carmel City Hall, located at 1 Civic Square, Carmel, IN 46032. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., and the program will start at 7:00 in the Second Floor Counsel Room. Join them for dinner at 5:15 p.m. at Dooley O'Tools Restaurant at 160 E. Carmel Dr., Carmel, IN 46032. Meetings will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month, September through May, excluding December.

January 9, 2019 - Judy & Merideth Wilson - Civil War Diaries

February 13, 2019 - Jim Fuller - Gov. Oliver P. Morton and the Civil War

March 13, 2019 - Rob Girardi - Jefferson Davis

April 10, 2019 - Mac Wyckoff - Bombardment of Fort Sumter

May 8, 2019 - Curt Fields - General Grant, part II

**Madison County Historical Society Civil War Roundtable:** They meet on the third Monday each month except July, August, and December at 7 p.m. at the Madison County History Center, 15 West 11<sup>th</sup> Street, in downtown Anderson.

September 17, 2018 - Jason Lantzer - "Rebel Bulldog"

October 15, 2018 - Steve Ritchie - "Robert E. Lee: West Point Cadet"

November 19, 2018 - DVD "Finance and Supply"

December - no meeting

### *Special Orders*

**Reconstruction: America After the Civil War:** PBS recently announced a new four-hour documentary, produced and hosted by Henry Louis Gates, Jr., the Alphonse Fletcher University Professor at Harvard University and director of the Hutchins Center for African and African American Research, will premiere next spring. <https://to.pbs.org/2OmMpRT>

**Crossroads of America Civil War, Political Postcard, and Paper Show:** This event will be held on March 22, 2019 (4 - 6:30 p.m.) and March 23, 2019 (9 a.m. - 4 p.m.) at Beech Grove High School, 533 Hornet Ave, Beech Grove (exit 52 on I-465). For more information contact Harvey W. Warner at [www.ironbrigaderelics.com](http://www.ironbrigaderelics.com) or 317-784-2617.

**2019 Civil War Institute Summer Conference:** Gettysburg College will be hosting their annual summer conference June 14-19, 2019. It will feature over thirty-five eminent Civil War scholars and tour guides, including Gary W. Gallagher, Ed Ayers, Carol

Reardon, and Peter S. Carmichael. It will also include tours of nearby battlefields and historic sites. For more information and to register for this conference, please visit <https://www.gettysburg.edu/cwi/conference/> Because our Round Table is now affiliated with CWRT Congress, our members qualify for a 15% discount on any package offered by CWI. Contact the CWI office at 717-337-6590 or [civilwar@gettysburg.edu](mailto:civilwar@gettysburg.edu) to get the appropriate discount code.

## *Official Records*

**Attendance:** 28

**Alan T. Nolan Memorial Youth Scholarship Fund:** The Executive Board of the Indianapolis Civil War Round Table has established this fund to provide membership dues, annual tour expenses or other worthwhile purpose for any full-time student of any age. Please see Tony Roscetti to donate to this fund.

**Facebook:** The Indianapolis Civil War Round Table is on Facebook. We invite you to join our group. Feel free to post Civil War related messages on our site.

**Charitable Sponsors:** In an effort to upgrade our speakers and programs, the board of ICWRT is asking members and organizations with which they are involved (companies or charitable organizations) to consider sponsoring one or more speakers. This could be done as a gift now, or a person could opt to make a bequest in a will for that purpose. Because of our limited membership, we can't bring in as many national speakers as we would like to. If you are interested or want more info, call Chris Smith at 450-7430.

**Book Raffle:**

*History of the 72nd Indiana: Wilder's Lightning Brigade*, by Benjamin F. Magee  
*Battle of Bull Run: A History of the First Major Campaign of the Civil War*, by William G. Davis

*Nashville: The Western Confederacy's Final Gamble*, by James Lee McDonough  
*Sherman: Fighting Prophet*, by Lloyd Lewis

**\*Anyone wishing to donate books for upcoming raffles should either bring them to Tony Roscetti at the January meeting or contact him to make arrangements for pick up.**

### *Test Your Civil War Knowledge (with Trimble's Trivia)*

1. By what name is the Battle of Ocean Pond better known?
2. Whose troops were pursued by Sheridan in the Shenandoah Valley in 1865?
3. Name the Confederate general who committed suicide early in the war?
4. What did it mean to, "swallow the yellow dog"?
5. What event began during breakfast at Big Shanty, Georgia?

Answers to the December Quiz:

Identify the Civil War personality or object associated with each nickname.

1. "Kriz" \*\*\* Gen. Waldimir Kryzanowski, USA
2. "Old Cock Eye" \*\*\* Gen. Benjamin Butler, USA
3. "Old Gridiron" \*\*\* American Flag (Southern nickname)
4. "Magic" \*\*\* Col. W.W. Blackford, CSA
5. "Hold Fast" \*\*\* Gen. William S. Rosecrans, USA

### *The Newspaper Speaks*

From Newspapers.com

*The Indiana Herald* (Huntington, Indiana) Wednesday, April 24, 1861, page 3

Proclamation by the Governor.

WHEREAS, An armed rebellion has been organized in certain States of this Union, having for its purpose the overthrow of the Government of the United States.

AND WHEREAS, The authors and movers in this rebellion have seized by violence various forts and arsenals belonging to the United States, and otherwise plundered the Government of large amounts of money and valuable property.

AND WHEREAS, Fort Sumter a fortress belonging to the United States, the exclusive possession and jurisdiction over which were vested in the General government by the Constitution of the United States, has been besieged by a large army and assaulted by a destructive cannonade, and reduced to submission and the National Flag hauled down and dishonored.

AND WHEREAS, The President of the United States, in the exercise of the power vested in him by the Federal Constitution, has called upon the several States remaining true to their allegiance, to aid him in the enforcement of the laws the recovery of the national property, and the maintenance of the rightful authority of the United States.

Now, therefore, I, Oliver P. Morton, Governor of the State of Indiana, call upon loyal and patriotic men of this State, to the number of six regiments, to organize themselves into military companies, and forthwith report the same to the Adjutant General, in order that they may be speedily mustered into the service of the United States. The details of the organization are set forth in the instructions of the Adjutant General, herewith published.

OLIVER P. MORTON, Governor.  
By LEWIS WALLACE, Adju't General.

### *Civilian of the Month*



Photo and information from Find A Grave memorial # 7953

**Oliver Perry Morton** was born August 4, 1823 in Wayne County, Indiana. He served as lieutenant governor in 1861, governor from January 16, 1861 to January 23, 1867, U.S. senator from 1867 to 1877, and unsuccessfully ran for president in 1876. He died November 1, 1877 and lies buried in Lot 37, Section 9 of Crown Hill Cemetery in Indianapolis, Indiana.

### *Historic Site of the Month*



Photo and information from

[http://www.waymarking.com/waymarks/WMD97N\\_Soldiers\\_and\\_Sailors\\_Monument\\_Oliver\\_P\\_Morton\\_Indianapolis\\_Indiana](http://www.waymarking.com/waymarks/WMD97N_Soldiers_and_Sailors_Monument_Oliver_P_Morton_Indianapolis_Indiana)

Oliver P. Morton statue is located at the Soldiers and Sailors Monument in downtown Indianapolis. It was originally erected June 15, 1884 at the center of Circle Park (now Monument Circle), relocated in 1899 to its current site as part of the Soldiers and Sailors Monument, and dedicated May 15, 1902. The inscription reads, "Oliver P. Morton, 'The War Governor' of Indiana, War of the Rebellion, 1861 - 1865."

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