



GRAND REENACTMENT

The Battle of First Manassas

(Bull Run)

July 22-23, 1961



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Artillerists of the North-South Skirmish Association bring here a preview of their role in the First Manassas Re-enactment.

WHERE

The Reenactment will be staged at Manassas National Battlefield Park where the first major engagement of the Civil War occurred on Sunday, July 21, 1861.

The site, embracing 2300 acres under control of the National Park Service, is located on Highways 29, 211, and 66, some 25 miles southwest of Washington, D. C.



THE REENACTMENT

The Battle of First Manassas (Bull Run) contained elements of starkest drama in a setting shaped by nature for an audience. Here Gen. Irvin McDowell's green troops engaged the equally untrained Confederate forces commanded by Gen. Pierre Gustave Toutant Beauregard. Through merciless heat and murderous cannon and musket fire, lines of assault were hurled through the morning and afternoon, leaving examples of bravery and devotion to duty in an everlasting enrichment of our heritage. Here Thomas Jonathan Jackson's name changed in a flash of fire to Stonewall. On this field the guns of Ricketts and Griffin thundered the courage that would be the Union army's in battles yet to come, and Southern boys showed a determination that indicated the war would be more than a three months' affair. The Reenactment will commemorate in action, sight, and sound the courage and devotion demonstrated here in 1861 and the need for similar dedication in the years to come.

INFORMATION

SPONSORSHIP CERTIFICATES

Individually engrossed and suitable for framing are awarded to persons contributing more than five dollars toward the Reenactment. **THESE CONTRIBUTIONS ARE TAX-DEDUCTIBLE.** Individuals desiring to make donations may so advise the address noted below, being sure to include the exact name they wish to appear on the certificate.

TICKETS

THE SAME SCENES ARE REENACTED EACH DAY.

Displays and exhibits (admission free) will open at 10:00 A.M., EDST.

The Reenactment will open at 1:00 P.M. and terminate at 3:30 P.M.

ADMISSION

Grandstand seats, reserved by seat.....\$4.00
Bleacher seats, reserved by section.....\$3.50
Chair seats, reserved by section.....\$2.50

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The Reenactment is directed by First Manassas Corporation, a non-profit organization composed of history-minded and public-spirited citizens. It functions in cooperation with the National Civil War Centennial Commission and the Virginia Civil War Commission. General direction will be under Maj. Gen. James C. Fry, USA (Ret), graduate of West Point and distinguished officer of World War II, and Korea. Logistical and staff work of the Reenactment is supported by the Department of Defense. Historians of the National Park Service are entrusted with historical authentications. Narrations will be professionally prepared. Adequate rehearsals will be held.

NORTH-SOUTH SKIRMISH ASSN.

This non-profit organization, representing units of both the North and South, is dedicated to the preservation of history and the spirit of the Civil War. The members encourage the maintenance of Civil War material and participate in extensive rifle competitions, limited to authentic Civil War weapons. Individuals desiring to participate with this organization in the First Battle of Manassas Reenactment should contact:

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