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<http://www.jscwrt.org>

### September 8

O.C.C. Bartlett Hall Room 214 7pm  
Masks required inside!

(This may change due to the ever changing covid mandates. We will update you if that happens)

#### Zoom Option:

Time: Sep 8, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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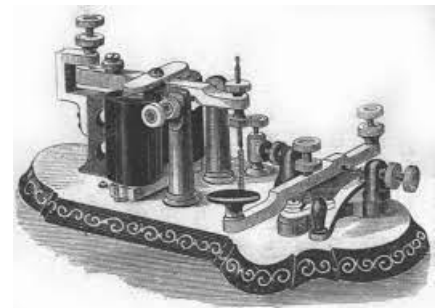
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**September meeting topic  
Professor Charles Cebula  
will present a talk on “The  
Telegraph as a Military  
Innovation”**



Charlie Watts loved Civil War history and when the Stones toured the US he would tour the battlefields in his spare time. Here is Charlie with his collection of artifacts.



### MONTHLY TRIVIA QUESTION!

**September Trivia Question: What Brigadier, who was at Vicksburg and in the Atlanta campaign, captured more than 200 Yankees at Bentonville, North Carolina, on March 21, 1865?**

Answer to August Trivia Question: What general gave up poker, as penance, after three of his children died of scarlet fever in a single week during January 1862? James Longstreet

## What We're Reading

***Bayonet! Forward!*** Is a classic Civil War memoir containing various speeches, battle reports and reminiscences of the war by General Joshua L. Chamberlain and as such, some chapters and accounts are better than others. His descriptions of Fredericksburg, Gettysburg, Petersburg, Give Forks and Appomatto are memorable. Many of his postwar speeches are borderline bloviation, but perhaps that can be expected of a 19<sup>th</sup> century intellectual and the writing style of the time. He is fair in his assessment of the controversial General Phil Sheridan and goes a long way toward defending General Warren against the latter's accusations and charges. His description of the surrender at Attomattox and the Grand Review in Washington are touching in many ways. Chamberlain is a hero to many of us, so this is one of those books that each of us know we should have read a while ago.

Everyone loves escape stories and few are better than the mass escape of 109 Union officers from Libby Prison in February 1864. Douglas Miller vividly portrays the drama and suspense into his ***The Greatest Escape***. He skillfully weaves original accounts (remember Union officers tended to be literate, so their writings survive) into his narrative and the result is a thoroughly absorbing tale. The hideous privations and abominable conditions of life in Libby, the lengthy tunneling, and the scattered flight (about half were re-captured) all make for compelling reading. His final chapters on the officers' return and on what happened to the Libby building, to the self-sacrificing spy master Elizabeth Van Lew and even the former Confederate prison superintendent all add to this remarkable book, one that you will have difficulty putting down each night.

## News and Upcoming Events

- Yearly membership Dues are due in September. Dues can be submitted by Check, Cash, or Venmo. Venmo account will be discussed at first meeting.
- Many thanks to Ms Kim Souza for her generous donation of books and collectables for the JSCWRT raffles.
- Richard Trimble, director of the OCC Military History Institute, the "mother ship" for the JSCWRT, has been working on securing meeting sites for both the JSCWRT and OCC Military History Institute lecture series. Applications have been submitted to OCC Student Life and we are waiting for a response.
- September 8 Professor Charles Cebula will present a talk on "The Telegraph as a Military Innovation".
- October 13 Paul Bretzger will join us and discuss his book "Observing Hancock at Gettysburg: The General's Leadership through eyewitness accounts".
- November 10 Mike Jessberger will join us again and His lecture is will be on "Civil War Medicine".