



CALL FOR PAPERS

Symposium on the 19th Century Press, the Civil War, and Free Expression

November 13 – November 15, 2008

The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

The steering committee of the sixteenth annual Symposium on the 19th Century Press, the Civil War, and Free Expression solicits papers dealing with U.S. mass media of the 19th century, the Civil War in fiction and history, images of race and gender in the 19th century press, presidents and the 19th century press, and sensationalism and crime in 19th century newspapers. Selected papers will be presented during the three-day conference in Chattanooga, Tennessee, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, November 13-15, 2008. The top three papers and the top three student papers will be honored accordingly.

The purpose of the November conference is to share current research and to develop a series of monographs on the 19th century press, the Civil War and the press, the Civil War in fiction and history, 19th century concepts of free expression, images of race and gender in the 19th century press, presidents and the 19th century press, and sensationalism and crime in 19th century newspapers. Papers from the first five conferences were published by Transaction Publishers in 2000 as a book of readings called *The Civil War and the Press*. Purdue University Press is publishing papers from past conferences in three distinctly different books titled *Memory and Myth: The Civil War in Fiction and Film from Uncle Tom's Cabin to Cold Mountain*, *Words at War: The Civil War and American Journalism*, and *Seeking a Voice: Images of Race and Gender in the 19th Century Press*.

The symposium is sponsored by the George R. West, Jr. Chair of Excellence in Communication and Public Affairs, the Frank McDonald Chair of Communication, the UT-Chattanooga Department of Communication, the UT-Chattanooga Department of History, the *Chattanooga Times Free Press*, WRCB-TV Channel 3, and the Hazel Dicken-Garcia Fund for the Symposium, and because of this sponsorship, *no registration fee will be charged*.

Deadline August 31, 2008

Papers should be able to be presented within 20 minutes, at least 10 to 15 pages long. Send your paper (including a 200-300 word abstract) as an MS Word e-mail attachment to **West-Chair-Office@utc.edu** or mail four copies of your paper and abstract to:

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