



Challenge Yourself

Round 5

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During this down time occasioned by the fight against the spread of the Coronavirus, we want to keep our members in touch with the Civil War with a bi-weekly round of questions and ponderables. Some will be easy, some will not. This is not a formal quiz, but a way to keep your ACW expertise sharp. No response is needed; however, if you do want to comment, send them via email to Emil at emilposey@ardmore.net, and he will post with the next "Staying in Touch," which will also contain the "school solution" to this set of questions.

1. Which Alabama regiments charged up the slopes of Little Round Top and engaged the 20th Maine?
(Check all that apply.)
 - a. 15th Alabama Infantry
 - b. 47th Alabama Infantry
 - c. 4th Alabama Infantry
 - d. All of the above

2. Which state was the first to reinforce (i.e., arrive in) Washington, DC in April 1861?
 - a. Massachusetts
 - b. New Jersey
 - c. New York
 - d. Pennsylvania

For extra points: Name the regiment(s).

3. Who was the only woman to be awarded the US Medal of Honor for distinguishing herself in battle in the Civil War?
 - a. Juliet Opie Hopkins
 - b. Clara Jones
 - c. Mary Edwards Walker
 - d. Mary Livermore

For extra points: Which one of these was a certified medical doctor? Mary Edwards Walker

4. Which unit suffered the first fatal combat casualty in the Civil War?
- a. 1st Pennsylvania
 - b. 6th Massachusetts Volunteer Militia
 - c. 1st North Carolina Volunteers
 - d. 11th New York Volunteer Infantry

For extra points: Name the casualty.

5. In the Union, men over 45 years of age were exempt from the draft.
- a. True
 - b. False

For extra points: What was the age limit for Confederate conscription?

6. What was the last Confederate position to fall on the Mississippi River?
- a. Natchez, Mississippi
 - b. Vicksburg, Mississippi
 - c. Grand Gulf, Mississippi
 - d. Port Hudson, Louisiana

7. Which of these guns was actually used in battle during the Civil War? (Check all that apply.)
- a. Ager Union Repeating Gun
 - b. Williams Rapid-Fire Gun
 - c. Vandenburg Volley Gun
 - d. Gatling Machine Gun

This week's ponderable: Jefferson Davis defend everywhere strategy – was it the right strategy?

Answers to Round 4 Questions:

- 1. c
- 2. b
- 3. d
- 4. b

5. b Bonus: The Philadelphia Press

6. a

7. b Bonus: He was trying to invent an opium-free alternative to morphine.

8. c Bonus: PVT Williams, B Co, 34th Indiana Inf, killed on May 13, 1865 at Palmito Ranch, Texas, a Confederate Victory.

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