

History 225

Re: Outline/Questions for BCF, Chpts 14 & 15
and Gallagher's essay on the Generals

1. Begin by going over McPherson's essay. Lay out the differences between the External and Internal schools of thought about the reasons for the Confederacy's defeat.
2. Ask about Gallagher's essay. Which school of thought does he subscribe to?
How does he develop this in his essay?
3. Reference BCF chpt. 14 for what could be used as evidence of the homefront or Internal school argument.

Chpt. 15 in BCF deals w/ Jackson in the Valley. His brilliant campaigning. Ties this in with the Peninsula campaign.

Point to make here is how the Peninsula Campaign initiated the change in the Union war aims. (See Grimsley on this).

McPherson ends chpt. 15 with a discussion of the impact of the rifle on the Civil War.

And w/ the state of medicine and care for the sick and wounded.

Much of this is picked up in Linderman's book.