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The Difficult Birth Of Modern American Journalism

(NAPSA)—During the Civil War, modern newspaper reporting was born on both sides, with patriotic correspondents anxiously providing optimistic reports of battlefield carnage that their readers were eager to believe. Truth was often an incidental item.

Now a new book examines the reports from The New York Times

THE CIVIL WAR BATTLE REPORTAGE OF

The New York Times

AND THE

CHARLESTON

MERCURY

...and what historians say really happened

THE WORDS OF WAR



Grabbing Headlines—A new book examines newspaper coverage of the Civil War.

and the Charleston Mercury, comparing history's record of the conflict to the fact and bias each newspaper shared with their readers.

The book, "The Words of War" (History Publishing Company, \$24.95), looks at each newspaper's coverage of "the enemy" and the drive to sharpen public opinion, encourage support of troops and to keep readers informed of daily events.

Complete with wire reports and correspondent sketches, the book tracks war coverage from the opening shot through the surrender at Appomattox.

"The Words of War" by Donagh Bracken is available at www.HistoryPublishingCo.com and bookstores.