



Manassas was the scene of the first and second battles of Manassas, often called Bull Run, on July 21, 1861, and August 28-30, 1862. The first encounter, the opening battle of the Civil War, pitted General Irvin McDowell's unseasoned Union Troops against ill - trained Confederates under General P. G. T. Beauregard.

The Confederate victory was sparked by General Thomas J. Jackson's stand in which he gained the epithet "Stonewall." The second battle , also a Confederate victory, cleared the way for General Robert E. Lee's first invasion of the North.

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Manassas National Battlefield Park (Historic District)

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