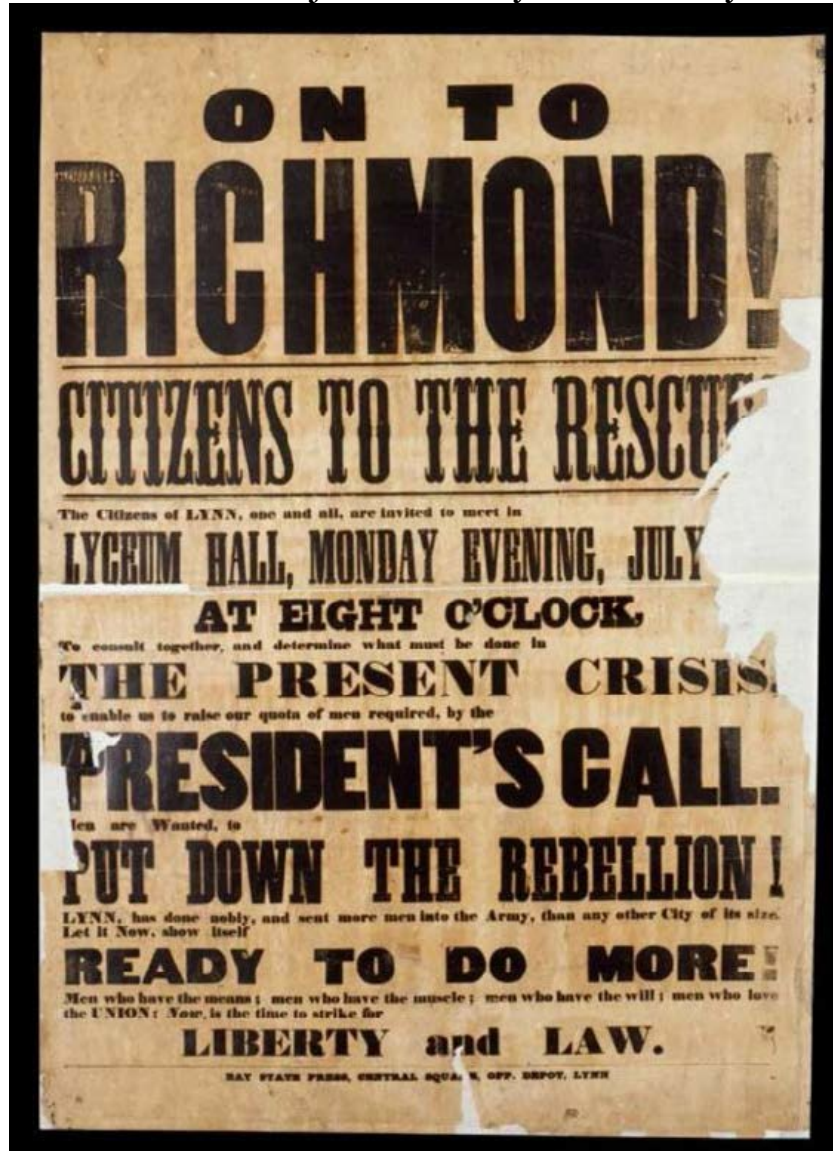


Civil War May & June 1861

May 3 Lincoln calls for volunteers to join the army for a three-year term



Fair Oaks, Virginia. Prof. Thaddeus S. Lowe replenishing balloon INTREPID from balloon CONSTITUTION - May 1862 (Library of Congress)

- May 6 Arkansas and Tennessee secede from the Union
- May 13 U.S. troops move to occupy Baltimore, Maryland
- May 20 Richmond, Virginia is named the new Confederate capital North Carolina secedes from the Union and Kentucky declares neutrality
- May 24 Federal troops seize Alexandria, Virginia
- June 1 Skirmish at Fairfax Court House, Virginia
- June 2 General P.G.T. Beauregard takes command of Confederate forces in northern Virginia
- June 10 Engagement at Big Bethel, Virginia
- June 16 Balloon demonstration in Washington, D.C.
- June 17 Engagement at Boonville, Missouri Action at Vienna and Aldie, Virginia