150 years ago during the Civil War—July 1862

July 1 Battle of Malvern Hill, Virginia. Final battle of the Peninsular campaign a Union victory. But, McClennan continued his withdrawal to the Potomac.

July 2 Morrill Land Grant Act approved by President Lincoln. Authorized the organization of land grant colleges.

July 12 Morgan's Confederate raiders capture Lebanon, KY on their first raid

July 13 Garrison at Murfreesboro, TN captured by Confederate General Nathan Bedford Forrest

July 14 Secession of the western counties of Virginia recognized by Senate as state of WV

July 15 Iron clad CSS Arkansas sorties from Yazoo River and passes the combined Union fleets inflicting severe damage and steaming on to Vicksburg, MS



July 16 Confederate representative meets with Napoleon III of France to discuss foreign aid

July 22 President Lincoln presents the Emancipation Proclamation to the Cabinet

July 29 Belle Boyd, Confederate spy, captured