THE HISTORY OF MISSISSIPPI'S ROLE IN THE CIVIL WAR

At 10 A.M. the morning of January 9, 1861, at Jackson, Mississippi, the United States' Southern States to secede from the Union. During the first two years of the war, there was no actual fighting in Mississippi, but the state was a hotbed of Unionism. In 1864, Union forces advanced into Mississippi, and fought in the fierce battles of northern Virginia.

WAR REACHES MISSISSIPPI

Mississippi's valor was felt the direct effect of the war when Vicksburg, which was captured in 1863, became the Union's supply depot. Vicksburg was captured in June, 1863, and the capital was moved to Columbus.

VICKSBURG

"Godspeed to the West" is a colorful pageant about the story of Vicksburg, featuring the famous Ballroom Hall.

Every Friday evening March 31, April 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5, 12, 19, 26, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 1961.

MISCELLANEOUS

EXCITING PAGEANTS

RELIVING GREAT MOMENTS IN MISSISSIPPI CIVIL WAR HISTORY

Colorful, historic pageants add to the enjoyment of visitors to Mississippi during the Centennial. The pageants are professionally produced with excellent music, acts, dramatic staging and offer a memorable evening's entertainment. Information about time, place and ticket reservations can be secured by writing the Chamber of Commerce in each city.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Many historic events and Civil War sites will be commemorated with special commemorations and pageants. Confederate balls, parades and tours will also be held throughout the Spring and Summer. See "Calendar of Events" for details.

NATCHEZ

"The Life of Jefferson Davis" presents scenes from the President of the Confederacy told in America's most famous ante-bellum setting.