The USS Cairo was the lead City-class ironclad river gunboat used in the Civil War. Commissioned on January 16, 1862, it hit a torpedo (now known as a mine) and sank in the Yazoo River on December 12, 1862. Of its 251 officers and men, there were no casualties. It was raised exactly 102 years later, it and its contents now are part of the Vicksburg National Military Park.