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Bell Irvin Wiley was the author or editor of some two dozen books on the Civil War, including *The Life of Johnny Reb: The Common Soldier of the Confederacy* and *The Life of Billy Yank: The Common Soldier of the Union*.

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