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On the March for Franklin...

Time is growing short, and a very busy Fall campaign season is drawing near. We are less than a month away from the Division's maximum effort event at 140th Franklin, and even less time between smaller events at both Arkansas Post and Pilot Knob, Missouri.

The Division and Brigade are fine-tuning their plans for the 140th "anniversary" re-enactment of the Battle of Franklin on October 1-3, and the TMVI staff briefly emerged from hibernation late last week to provide some insight as to their plans.

The key event information for Franklin was posted in last month's *Sentinel*, and I won't reprint all that minutiae here, other than to provide a few updates and key changes. If you're missing last month's issue, a copy can be found on the Company web site, and all updates are posted to the Capitol Guards message board as they become available.

Franklin will be held at the Saturn property in Spring Hill, Tennessee on October 1-3, 2004. As of July 31 at the N/SA meeting, they had a total of 4,975 registered; 3,364 Confederate and 1,611 Federals, these figures counting non-military impressions. Registration will close on September 15, so if you haven't made up your mind yet, you'd better start thinking about it pretty hard. You can register yourself on-line at <http://www.battleoffranklin.com>. If you should miss the registration date for some off-the-wall reason, I still have a couple of paid slots where I can get you substituted, at some cost to my patience and sanity.

Here are the key updates since the last newsletter came out:

ARRIVAL TIMES. You should plan your travel so that if at all possible, you arrive at the event site before 5:00 p.m. on Friday afternoon, October 1. This will give you time to get parked, get your gear on, and find the Company before 6:00 p.m. Obviously, if you wait until 5:00 p.m. to get there, you are going to be really rushed for time. The earlier you can arrive on Friday, the better.

There will be a tactical battle on Friday afternoon to entertain whatever spectators may be there at the time, so the **entrance to the event and camp sites will be closed Friday afternoon at 2:00 p.m.** You will not be able to enter the event



"Bringing Cleburne In" – December 1, 1864: a 1991 print by Mort Kunstler

at this time but you can unload into the parking lot until 3:00. By 3:30 p.m., all motor vehicles must be out of camp and moved to the designated parking areas. If your vehicle is still in camp at that time, it will be towed away. Period. The Friday Tactical will commence at 4:30 p.m., participation is not mandatory, and at this point, we don't intend to take part in this one in any organized fashion.

The camps will temporarily re-open to reenactors' vehicles at 5:30 p.m. We will be forming the Company no later than 6:00 p.m., and joining up with the ELK RIVER BATTALION for Friday night's activities and move to the field. Rations will be issued sometime Friday afternoon, as well.

The only TMVI companies that are taking part in the campaign phases of the

event are the 6th Arkansas, the 19th Louisiana, and a couple of guys from the 19th Texas. All the other TMVI companies will be operating from the "base camp" during the weekend.

The Mississippi Valley Brigade (e.g., us) will march out for the Friday night campaign camp site at 6:30 p.m., followed by the other

"the wails and cries of the widows and orphans made at Franklin Tenn Nov 30th 1864 will heat up the fires of the bottomless pit to burn the soul of Gen J.B. Hood for Murdering their husbands and fathers at that place that day."

— CPT Samuel F. Foster, 24th & 25th Texas Cavalry, Granbury's Bde, in *One of Cleburne's Command*.

two brigades at approximately 1-hour intervals. This will be approximately 1 ½ miles of marching. If you arrive after 6 pm and you are going to be camping campaign style, you may march to the site on your own. However, all the roads around the event site will be closed to all foot traffic after 9:00 p.m. There will be guards, both the Tennessee State Guard and pickets from the various brigades, out to enforce

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The Captain's Tent

by Tom Ezell

Infinite space

It's not just a mathematical concept, but it's a common feeling when you start off the new month with a goal to get out a new newsletter with all those blank pages to try and fill.. somehow combining the desires to keep the pards informed of what's going on in the local reenacting scene, as well as providing some historical content and all the time trying not to overflow anyone's mailbox in the process.

It gets a little tougher when you get to the end of the month to put things together and you realize that because a lot of this stuff was time-sensitive, you already sent it out to everybody by e-mail as it came in. There's a firm rule in leadership that you can only take up to one-third of the remaining time to process new information and decide what you're going to do about it before you need to pass those instructions on down to the folks who actually have to carry it out, and I try my best to follow that philosophy. So, if much of the stuff in this month's newsletter looks familiar, it's because (hopefully) you have seen it before, and (again, hopefully) this will be a reminder of all the stuff that's supposed to happen and what needs to be done to get ready for it.

With the flurry of information that's been coming out over the various events this fall, as well as a few nudges from Guardsmen Dave Sesser and Andy Fraize, I've been using the Company web site and message board to publish event news as it came out. Rather than having to sort through your old e-mail to try and remember what time we need to be at Franklin or how to get to Pilot Knob, you can go to the Capitol Guards site at <http://www.geocities.com/capitalguards>, click on "Message Board" and then "Events" to see all of the available updates. It's interactive, so you can post your own notices, ask questions, and discuss any issues, or whatever's on your mind. It's a great tool, accessible from just about anywhere on the Web.

A Busy Fall

Summer is rapidly winding down, and after this weekend we are almost officially into the fall season. This is the time of year when everyone in the world wants to have their own event, so it usually means a period of high demand for reenactors and our services. This year isn't any exception, and the current

company calendar has something going on every weekend from the middle of September to the middle of October. One is the battalion and Division max effort event at Franklin, TN (October 1-3), another is an event held only once every three years at one of our longtime members' hometown, the other two are semi-local living histories at Arkansas parks where we have been asked by name to come out and lend a hand – once at a National Park Service site (Arkansas Post National Memorial) and then by Arkansas State Parks, at Old Jacksonport State Park near Newport.

Four weekends, back-to-back, is a tough schedule to meet with the other demands on our time. So, we've prioritized things, and our all-out max effort is set for the Division event at Franklin/Spring Hill. Our next priority will be to support the event up in Ken Nations' home town at Pilot Knob, Missouri; and we will support the two living histories on either end of the fall rush with whoever can get the extra time to come out to play. All three have a great potential to be fun and memorable events.

Arkansas Post National Monument – September 18-19

This will be a unique little event on the original battlefield at the National Park Service site. It's the park's annual "Civil War Weekend," and we were specifically invited based on our good reputation as a serious and authentic group. Believe me, the NPS doesn't do that very often, so it is indeed an honor.

Our role at the Post will be to represent members of the Confederate garrison who manned this fort as part of the defenses of the lower Arkansas River in the fall of 1862. Aside from the routine weapons and some camp life demonstrations, we'll be showing how outpost duties were carried out, and rehearsing many of the tasks we'll be called on to do at the Franklin event. The Company Kitchen will be fielded, and we'll feed period rations during our stay, testing the skills of our "Iron Chef - Confederate."

The troops occupying the ground where we will be for the most part were Hardy's 19th and Portlock's 24th Arkansas Infantry, which after being exchanged in the summer of 1863 became part of Govan's Arkansas Brigade of Cleburne's Division, and served alongside the 6th & 7th Arkansas from Chickamauga onward. On our end of the field, at least, this will be a good, history-based experience. Our numbers tentatively look like we'll have four or five from the Capitol Guards, plus some reinforcements from the Wretched Mess and some other friends.

Pilot Knob, MO – September 25-26

This is one of those Missouri State Parks events that only comes around once every

three years. We skipped the last one in 2001 in order to support the 7th Arkansas folks up at Hardy. Steve Shore, Tyson Savell, Paul Trotta, and Ken Nations went up there on their own and had a grand old time.

This event replicates one of the battles during Sterling Price's 1864 Missouri Raid, where the Confederates attempted to surround and capture a Union garrison in order to take the supplies and ammunition stored inside the fort. As with all other Sterling Price enterprises, the Confederates' attacks were piecemeal and poorly managed, and the regiment of Yankees inside the fort were not only able to hold off two assaults, but slipped out of the fort and escaped in the dead of night, and blew up all the ammunition—leaving the Rebels holding only an empty bag and a long casualty list.

The event is held at the original fort, whose earthworks are still standing. The Federal forces will be camping inside the fort. We elected to go to this one as Federals, and will link up with our pards from the 37th Illinois and the Frontier Brigade's 2nd (northern) Battalion. This is one that we haven't been to in a long, long while, and has great potential for a good time. Pilot Knob is Ken Nations' home town, and Ken has agreed to show us all the good places.

140th Franklin

Pert near all the mail flowing back and forth over the past month has focused on the 1st Confederate Division max effort event at Franklin, so I'll just hit a few high points here. So far, we have 19 men registered for this one: Tom Ezell, Steve Shore, Bob Black, Bryce Blanco, Matt Bond, George Davis, Robert Giles, Mike Loum, Ken Nations, Matt Nichols, Jake Osburn, Tson Savell, David Sesser, John Shoptaw, Corey Shumate, Jerry Simpson, Chris Stewart, Robert Tibbet, and Paul Trotta.

Franklin will be a campaign-style event for the most part, however to accommodate the less progressive members of both the Confederate and Federal divisions, there will be a fixed, or static camp for each side where units will commute (march) back and forth each day to field with the rest of their respective brigades. The 6th Arkansas, along with the 19th Louisiana and a handful of guys from the 19th Texas will be campaigning it the whole weekend, and will be attached to the Elk River Battalion Friday and Saturday nights. The remainder of the TMVI will be in the static camp and will join us on the field early each morning.

Rations will be provided, so you don't really have to bring food for this one save for what you might want for Friday's lunch or supper.

The guiding impression for Franklin is that of the 17th & 18th Texas Cavalry, a

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the “no wandering around in the dark” rule.

Rations. The 6th Arkansas will be taking part in the Brigade ration issue on Friday afternoon. The brigade rations will include salt pork, potatoes, onions, green corn (on the cob), parched corn, corn meal and molasses cookies. The Capitol Guards will supplement this issue with a small amount of coffee and sugar, since we are all fairly dependent upon the Bean or a reasonable substitute thereof. Rations will be issued once we get to the campaign camp site at Spring Hill.

Rations will be issued “as is,” so you will need to be able to cook for yourself, or better yet, pair off into three or four-man “messes” to share the load... e.g., one man carries a frying pan, another a coffee boiler, etc. and share the cooking and kitchen duties.

Since we will be issuing a fair amount of rations, you don’t need to bring food to the event, and can just show up with an empty haversack. You will need to bring your personal mess gear, for example a cup and/or coffee boiler, a plate or canteen half, and some sort of utensils to eat with. A good, sharp pocketknife is strongly recommended. We will need to have at least one good butcher knife or side knife in the company to cut up the meat ration; we will probably bring one from the Company mess chest.

CASUALTIES - Every man will receive from the Battalion a “fate card” with the name of a Confederate soldier from the 17th & 18th Texas who fought at Franklin. (Names will be drawn randomly, by rank) That’s the person you will represent at this particular battle. In addition to the soldier’s name, rank, and a few personal facts, the card will indicate what happened to that man at Franklin, whether he was killed, wounded (and where he got hit), and/or captured.

Each battalion’s casualty lottery will be based upon the historical percentage of killed, wounded and captured for each regiment represented. Those men who draw a casualty are to remain as a casualty until after midnight in order to give the survivors the unique experience of being with out their comrades who were lost. There will not be a mass “resurrection” during the lull of fighting between the end of the Battle and the evening skirmishing.

Your fate in the Saturday afternoon “Battle of Franklin” will match whatever happened to the man whose name you draw. If he was killed, wounded, or captured, then that’s what will happen to you. Those who are **Killed** will leave the field after the battle to return to the base camp and you will NOT rejoin the campaigners (until Sunday morning... to recreate the sense of the battle’s losses for those “surviving” the fight). If you are designated as **Wounded**, serious wounds will need to be removed from the field by wagon or stretcher and taken to the surgeon. “Walking



George Davis and David Sesser take aim during the Company Drill at Reed’s Bridge Battlefield Park on August 14. The drill was well-attended, with 10 members showing up for a little rifle practice, company meeting, and picnic. Photo courtesy of the Jacksonville Patriot.

wounded” will leave the field. Those **Captured** - will have their weapons taken and tagged by the Federals. You will be a prisoner of the Yankees, probably overnight, and under their control. Escape attempts will be “dealt with” by the Feds. Those men whose card does not indicate death, wounds or capture are the **Survivors**, and will re-group and stay with the Company Saturday night. The 17th & 18th Texas Cavalry apparently got off pretty lightly during the fight, so the killed/wounded/captured ratio per company will be fairly small, just in case you’re wondering.

Sutlers. The Mississippi Valley Brigade will have a very period correct sutler’s wagon set up merchant style in the field with primarily food items for sale, although there will be some socks, shirts and tobacco items (2cases of cigars and loose pipe tobacco). It will be very unique. He will accept only that blasted federal currency however, so please remember to bring a little pocket money. (Preferably not in 20 dollars bills either.)

Ammunition: Steve Shore is currently rolling 50 cartridges a night in order to get the ammo account built up. If anyone is interested in buying ammo for Pilot Knob or Franklin. He needs an e-mail message ASAP instead of at the last minute. The cartridges are still \$3.00 for a pack of 10. Each cartridge has 60 grain of 3FFF black powder and a cotton ball in the nose to make it look authentic. If you want the type package that has the caps included, they are \$4.00 a pack of ten that has the 12 musket caps wrapped in the package just as the original issue ammunition did. This saves buying caps separately at the sutlers. These are the RWS German caps that are reliable and safer than the cheap CCI caps.

You will need approximately 150 to 160 rounds for the weekend, counting on spending 40 rounds in each of four fights.

From the Elk River Battalion:

August 31, 2004

Captain Ezell,

I spoke to General Griffin last week and he told me about his plans to temporarily attach your company to my battalion on Friday at Franklin for the purposes of guard mount, ration issues, etc. Since then I’ve been browsing your company’s website and I’d like to tell you I’m very impressed with the site and the information available on it.

You and your company are more than welcome with us in the field at Franklin. I know at least 2 (and probably some of a 3rd) of my companies will be campaigning the whole weekend. There are some in our battalion staying back in the family camp, so your men will certainly help replenish those numbers when it comes our turn for guard mount. My adjutant is going to be the Commander of the Guard for our battalion. I’ll have him contact you ahead of time if you wish to discuss anything. I noted you had an excellent section on your website on the proper performance of guard duty, so assuming the men in the ranks have actually read it, they all should be well prepared.

I know of one possible update from what you have on your bulletin board: When I spoke to Mark Griffin last week he told me he planned to move the brigade north at about 3:00 on Friday, instead of 6:00 like you have posted. You should probably confirm this with him and then let your men know to make sure they arrive on time.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. I look forward to seeing you Friday at Spring Hill!

Kevin Gray
Colonel, Elk River Battalion

N/SA Annual Meeting held July 31

The North/South Alliance held its annual business meeting over near Brentwood, TN this past Saturday (July 31). I didn't attend this time, but some of our pards who were there on behalf of the WIG report the following developments:

The meeting began with a "State of the Alliance" briefing by General Moore (1CD) and General Dolive (1FD) highlighting several problems, specifically the failure to hold an Alliance event in 2003 and \$65,000 in unforeseen costs associated with leasing land for the '04 Franklin event at Spring Hill. Much of the meeting focused on the upcoming Franklin event.

N/SA Five Year Plan:

The "five-year plan," the Alliance's max effort event schedule, was fleshed out in a little more detail. The goal is one Alliance event per year, held somewhere in the MidSouth. As of this weekend, here's where they're going:

- 2004 – Franklin (Oct. 1-3)
- 2005 – Corinth, MS (early October)
- 2006 – Spring Tactical, to be held near St. Louis, MO
- 2007 – Mill Springs, KY
- 2008 – Raymond III, Raymond, MS

The pitch for Corinth in '05 was pretty good. Lots of interest from all parties involved. They have the land already. It was Corinth citizens that presented it, which is always a good sign of community support.

The Mill Springs site has obtained more property and will have a new visitor's center open in '07. The N/SA last went to Mills Springs in the fall of 1998, the last year where we had two Division events per year, and all involved asserted it was a good event.

The Yanks have access to 3,000 acres near St. Louis, probably in and around Bellefontaine Park. They held a reenactment of "Westport" there last May while we were fooling around down at Jefferson. A committee was formed to work out the details of judges, observer/controllers, etc. to control the "tactical." Judges were the hot topic of negativity on this one.

Originally, Atlanta was on the schedule for 2006, but there was little interest in it. A lack of land pretty much killed it. The Atlanta events are typically held near the Olympic horse arena and park in Conyers, about 20 miles east of Atlanta just off I-20. I've been there, and they really just don't have the room to accommodate the N/SA and its friends.

Galvanizing

The First Confederate Division wanted to know what the First Federal Division was doing to recruit more Union members. The Confederates are tired of galvanizing. Former FFD commander Chuck Warnick made the observation that the two sides were both doing some disservice to themselves. He mentioned that some southern units did Federal at small events, but Confederate at N/SA events. The northern units apparently can't get along well enough to cooperate on the field. There was more to it, but it sailed over the heads of the room and was not further addressed.

On the subject of galvanizing, the FCD infantry brigades drew names from a hat to determine the order of forced galvanizing at FCD events. Jack King will be required to galvanize his battalion if US numbers aren't sufficient for the Nashville scenario at Spring Hill. Hopefully that would be enough.

In order, the folks who would be required to galvanize are:

- 1) King's 1st Texas Battalion
- 2) Beck's Trans-Mississippi Brigade
- 3) Griffin's Mississippi Valley Brigade
- 4) Rambo's 1st Confederate Legion
- 5) Flowers' Heartland Brigade

Lots of comments were swapped between Rambo and Flowers about Flowers' "Heartland Brigade." The HB is composed of two small battalions, one formerly from the Mississippi Valley Brigade and one formerly from Rambo's Legion. This led to a discussion about changing the FCD by-laws to limit the number of brigades in the Division.

Franklin

Registration is currently a mess. The folks handling it can't get reenactor names and units matched. They will rely on an alphabetical listing to find registrants at the gate. Those using plastic to register online will bypass the process and hand in paperwork at the gate to parking and be done.

As of Friday, 7/30, there are 4,975 total participants registered.

According to General Moore, registration will remain open until September 15, 2004.

Site security will be tight. The Tennessee State Guard will be handling site security. The country is still at war, and the TSG may be looking at you as if you were Osama Bin Laden's second cousin or something. Don't screw with them. If you do, you will regret it.

Down time during the Franklin event will be minimal. Don't expect much wandering about. We'll have sometime on Sunday morning, otherwise get any sutlering or whatever you need done before dark on Friday night.

The focus of the event is the Franklin scenario. The CS approach is over 1,500 yards. Wagner's advanced line is over 300 yards to the mainline. The trench line is something like 750

yards. The field to be used has been doubled in width by removing a fence line down the middle. The AoP/1st Federal Brigade will hold the center line around the "Columbia Pike" and Griffin's Mississippi Valley Brigade will strike it.

The Alliance meeting for 2005 will be held in July, 2005, in the Memphis, TN area.

Old State House sets October 9 date for third annual Civil War seminar

The Old State House Museum will host its third annual Civil War Seminar, "A General Desolation: Civil War Arkansas, 1864" on Saturday, October 9.

The seminar will focus on events that took place 140 years ago in 1864. Planned speakers and topics include:

- Dr. Gary D. Joiner, Louisiana State University at Shreveport, "Fred Steele's Dilemma and Kirby Smith's Quest for Glory."
- Dr. Daniel Sutherland, University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, "Guerilla Conflict in 1864: The Day of the Outlaw."
- Dr. William L. Shea, University of Arkansas at Monticello, "North to Missouri: The Origins of Price's Raid."
- Tom Wing, University of Arkansas at Fort Smith, "A Den of Corruption and Iniquity: Confederate Indians and Fort Smith."
- Mark Christ, Arkansas Historic Preservation Program, "The Queen City was a Helpless Wreck: J.O. Shelby's Summer of '64."

The \$15 seminar fee includes breakfast pastries and lunch. The registration deadline is October 1, 2004. For additional information, call the Old State House Museum at (501) 324-9685, or send an e-mail message to georganne@arkansasheritage.org. The Old State House is a museum of the Department of Arkansas Heritage.

DeGray Lake Civil War Weekend is October 9-10.

DeGray Lake Resort State Park will host its 8th annual Civil War Weekend on Oct. 29-31, 2004. Activities will include drilling, tactical maneuvers, living history demonstrations, a skirmish, and a Civil War haunted trail. Interested reenactors can contact DeGray Lake Resort State Park, 2027 State Park Entrance Road, Bismarck, AR 71929; phone (501) 865-2809.

Arkansas Post Living History on September 18-19

Arkansas Post National Memorial is hosting a Civil War living history encampment on Saturday September 18th and Sunday September 19th. This year's encampment will focus on the Confederate side of the story. Groups who wish to camp may set up on Friday. Programs, camp talks and weapons demonstrations will be held all day Saturday and until noon on Sunday. Visitors will tour the camp area to learn about Civil War camp life from you. Speakers will hold programs in the Visitor center theater.

A National Park Service black powder safety specialist will be on hand to assist with weapons demonstrations and to inspect weapons for safety and authenticity.

Arkansas Post will provide fire wood and hay. We will purchase food for campfire cooking and breakfast fixin's for groups that confirm by September 1st. If you are planning demonstrations or activities that will require special set-up or supplies please call or e-mail Arkansas Post to make arrangements or if you have questions or need additional information contact Donna Evans at 870-548-2270 or donna_evans@nps.gov.

Re-enactors may set-up camp on Friday afternoon. If you are arriving after 5:00pm, please let us know so a campsite can be set up for you before our maintenance staff leaves. The camp area will be along the Visitor Center Lake. The camp area will represent a Civil War soldiers' camp and should look as authentic as possible. If you have questions concerning authenticity contact David Sesser at thecivilwardude@hotmail.com or call me, Donna Evans at 870-548-2207. Fire rings, hay and wood will be provided. We will purchase breakfast food, campfire stew fixin's, and cold cuts. A confirmation of who and how many are planning to attend will help us purchase the right amount of food. Arkansas Post is two miles off of hwy 165 on hwy 169. We are 20 miles south of Dumas and 20 miles north of DeWitt. The closest town is Gillett; which is 7 miles away. You will not find shopping opportunities in Gillett, so bring what you need. Insect repellent is a good idea.

Saturday September 18, 2004 8:30 Presenting the Troops

Re-enactors will assemble in formation and march to the Fort Hindman exhibit. Each unit will present their flag and introduce the unit you represent and where you're from. The Introductions will be followed by a welcome from Arkansas Post Superintendent, Ed Wood and a Ranger(me)will give an overview of the

Battle of Arkansas Post.(Can I raise a Confederate Flag here?) The original Ft. Hindman would have been across from the picnic area road in what is now Post Bend. The rifle-pits extended from the Fort to Post Bayou. The march can proceed down that road to the trail which winds back to the Visitor Center Lake then around to the artillery area; which will be on the other side of the Lake.

Beginning at 9:30- Weapons demonstration in the artillery area (Be sure Matt Atkinson inspects your weapons first, he is our black powder safety expert), Military drills at Fort Hindman and camp life programs in the camp area. I would like to see simultaneous programs and demonstration throughout the day. Let's keep the visitor's busy and interested. Re-enactors- Please have someone in your unit prepared to explain your demonstrations. You're the experts. My challenge is to organize and coordinate. I'll reserve time-slots and locations for your demonstrations and programs if you let me know in advance what you are planning. Ranger programs will be scheduled around speakers and demonstrations. Since I'm the only Ranger here, those without a plan need to find me when they get here, so I can work you around anything scheduled and make sure you have what you need.

10:30 Miss Ellie will perform her program on Women in the Civil War in the Visitor Center Theater

11:30-1:00 Lunch break. Food for camp cooking demonstrations will be provided for re-enactors who let us know in advance what they need and how much. If you're not cooking, we'll have cold cuts in the break room. You may take them to your camp area or picnic in the park. Speakers, employees and volunteers can eat in the break room whenever an opportunity arises. Don't look for the golden arches here, you won't see them.

11:30 to 12:40 A Civil War music video made for PBS by Civil War music historian Bobby Horton, will be shown in the Visitor Center theater.

1:00-2:00 Miss Ellie is a Civil War re-enactor from Lake Village Arkansas. She participated in the Hunley Funeral as one of the ladies in mourning. She will show her slides of the funeral and tell us about it in the Visitor Center Theater.

2:30-4:00 The Struggle for the Life of The Republic - Barbara Tillery will tell the story of her great-grandfather, Charles Dana Miller, and how his manuscript detailing his life in camp and in combat during the Civil War came to be published over a century after it was written. Miller's narrative includes a firsthand account of the Battle of Arkansas Post. She will share her scrapbook, photos and artifacts with the audience.

4:00-4:30 Book signing by Barbara

Tillery. An opportunity to view the scrapbook and artifacts up close and ask questions or have your copy of The Struggle for the Life of The Republic autographed by the ancestor of Charles Miller, who co-edited his original manuscript.

5:00 Visitor Center closes. The park grounds stay open until dark. If you are camping, let the staff know if you need anything before we leave you alone in the wilderness. Remember we will feed you - Don't shoot the deer, play with the alligators or fire weapons while we are gone. You can fish in the lake and cook and eat what you catch.

Sunday September 19, 2004

8:00 Very important -soldiers who camped Saturday night -Have campfire coffee ready for the Ranger when she arrives.

Remember, visitors will be coming into the park by this time.

8:30 Fire the Cannon - just to let everyone know you're still here (This will depend on what time the Superintendent wakes up on Sunday morning. He lives in the park)

9:00 Military drills

10:00 Weapons demonstration

11:00 until 12:00 camp life programs and demonstrations

Afternoon break down camp, leave when you need to, stay if you want to

1:00-2:00 Second showing of Bobby Horton Film in the Visitor Center

2:00 Ranger Program at Fort Hindman exhibit ' The Forts and Fortifications of Arkansas Post'

Uniform Standards - Confederate Infantry

1. Headgear- A. Civilian Beehive or other slouch

B. Confederate jean kepi

No Federal hats or brass

2. Jacket- A. Arkansas Frock

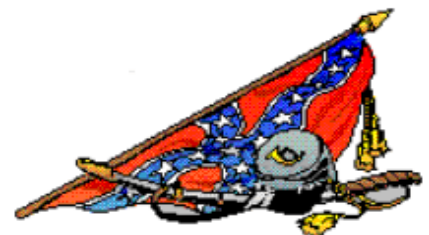
B. 9 button shell jacket (RD2 type)

C. Civilian coat NO Columbus, Federal, Tait, or Houston jackets.

3. Shirts- Civilian or documented Confederate issue

4. Trousers- RD pattern or other type including civilian

NO Federal trousers



Pilot Knob Living History Reenactment Weekend Sept. 25-26, 2004

“There Never Was A Prettier Place To Die” and there never has been a prettier place to reenact a famous Missouri Civil War battle than Fort Davidson State Historic Site. Nestled in the beautiful Arcadia Valley, this popular historic site is home of the original earthwork fort which was the centerpiece of the Sept. 26-27, 1864, Battle of Pilot Knob.

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Division of State Parks is pleased to announce the 2004 Battle of Pilot Knob Living History Weekend at Fort Davidson State Historic Site. As it has been in past years, Pilot Knob is a reenactor’s event. The sponsors care about you and are working to provide you with what we hope will be an exceptional experience.

What follows is an effort to provide you with everything you need to know to enjoy the Pilot Knob weekend. As with all events sponsored by the Department of Natural Resources, full amenities will be provided. We sincerely hope you will feel like the important history resource that you are.

REGISTRATION – If you are interested in participation in this historic event, please fill out the enclosed information/registration form as promptly as you can. Non-Missouri Civil War Reenactor’s Association (MCWRA) participants (those who have not paid MCWRA dues for 2004) must pre-register by Aug. 1 to get their names on the insurance policy. A \$5 per person fee will be charged upon arrival to pay for insurance coverage. MCWRA members already have insurance coverage. In essence, you will be a member of the MCWRA for the weekend. Remember: *YOU MUST BE A MEMBER OR PAY THIS FEE TO PARTICIPATE*. Registration packets should be mailed to Leslie Harding, 6428 Southwest Ave., St. Louis, MO. 63139. If you have questions or need additional packets, maps or whatever, look first on the internet at either www.arcadiavalley.biz or www.mostateparks.com/ftdavidson.htm. If the information is not there, please do not hesitate to write Leslie, above, or Walt Busch, Site Administrator, Fort Davidson State Historic Site, P.O. Box 509, Pilot Knob, Mo. 63663, or call Walt at (573) 546-3454.

BASIC GUIDELINES – This event is specifically designed for the serious, authentic living historian. All participants, whether members or not, must operate under the rank

structure of the MCWRA. MCWRA safety rules will be strictly enforced. An officer’s meeting will be held at 8 a.m. on both Saturday and Sunday mornings in the auditorium of the visitor’s center. Attendance at the officer’s meeting is mandatory for all unit commanders to cover scenarios and safety. At this meeting safety rules will be provided to each unit commander. Unit commanders are responsible for ensuring that every single participant in their unit is familiar with these safety rules. To protect reenactors and spectators, violators of ANY safety rules MAY be removed immediately from Fort Davidson State Historic Site.

In order to provide the most professional and meaningful experience for the visiting public and your fellow reenactors, please make sure you can justify what you bring to the event.

Authenticity guidelines are attached to help you tailor your impression to look as much like those who fought at Pilot Knob as possible. It goes without saying that modern eyeglasses, wristwatches, penny-roll cartridges, Zouave rifles, aluminum or graniteware cooking gear, and modern jewelry are not authentic.

Expect the military camps to be set up in regimental fashion and be run in an orderly manner. For logistical reasons, there will be one civilian, or “refugee” camp, located between the military camps. This will be subdivided North and South.

Arrival may begin on the Thursday before the re-enactment. Late arrivals on Friday are asked to be as quiet and courteous as possible when setting up. On Saturday night, quiet hours will be in effect in camp from midnight until reveille. If you must party late, do it out of hearing of the camps. Though both camps will have a full-time provost, all participants are expected to act in such a manner as to be a credit to themselves and their uniforms.

WEATHER AND INSECTS – Summer weather breaks in September. Daytime temperatures run to 90 degrees. Nights can be cool, going to the low 40s. It has been known to rain as well, but then that is historically correct. Insects have never been a problem, but you can expect a few mosquitoes. There also will be ticks if you hike in the woods.

CAMPING – All camping will be in the authentic Union, Confederate or refugee camping. You are encouraged to bring your own poles and stakes with you. Due to space limitation, there is no modern camping area. The best we can do is to allow you to stay with your vehicles in the reenactors’ parking area, but this area is graveled and not suitable for tents.

PARKING – There is ample parking for reenactors approximately 300 yards from the campsites.

REGISTRATION – Please check in on arrival. A registration table will be kept open until 8 a.m. on Saturday at the gate off Industrial Drive. You may pick up directions and schedules at check-in.

If you arrive after 8 a.m., you must go to the Turner Brigade camp to register. Rations and musket cap issues will be made based upon registration. Registration is restricted to 750 participants. All caps, foodstuffs, and/or bounties distributed to reenactors are supplied through gifts by private contributors.

AMENITIES – There will be no daily issue of food at this re-enactment. At registration, a package will be available for each reenactor which should have some coffee, fruit and other storable food items. While these will not suffice for full meals, they will provide some sustenance over the weekend. For those who can’t or won’t cook, there are restaurants and food concessions nearby.

Additionally, straw, firewood, water, sanitary facilities and good hay will be provided. Infantry will receive through private donation musket caps and cavalry will receive #11 pistol caps.

FOR THE FAMILY – Besides the many activities available in Pilot Knob, there is much to see and do in the area. Just a few miles from Pilot Knob are Elephant Rocks, Taum Sauk Mountain and Johnson’s Shut-Ins state parks. You may swim at Johnson’s Shut-Ins in spectacular surroundings, you can hike a short trail that takes you through a herd of giant granite “elephants” at Elephant Rocks, or you can visit the highest point in the state and see some spectacular scenic views at Taum Sauk Mountain State Park. All three places are great for kids and adults.

UNIFORM GUIDELINES

U.S. Infantry: The 14th Iowa is described as having black hats and Springfield rifles. There are also references to shelter halves. Beyond that we speculate. Mixed uniforms are common in photos of late-war western troops. For that reason, we will not require exact uniformity of dress among individuals other than the following: three-band weapon, standard leather gear, sky-blue trousers, brogans, blanket roll and a black hat in good condition. Those participants with a frock coat and Hardee hat are encouraged to wear them. Please limit hat decorations to the cord and bugle, though undecorated hats are possibly more authentic. Pistols should only be carried by officers and the color sergeant.

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SUTLERS: Authentic sutlers are welcome and there is a \$25 fee. However, all authentic sutlers must pre-register! For a registration form and guidelines write Friends of Fort Davidson, P.O. Box 509, Pilot Knob, Mo., 63663, or call (573) 546-3454. Space is restricted to registered sutlers only. Those selling modern goods should contact the Arcadia Valley Chamber of Commerce (send self-addressed stamped envelope to PO Box 343, Ironton, MO 63650) for booth space.

Authentic sutlers will be located near the refugee/civilian camp. Sutlers who are also reenactors must picket their horses in the cavalry area.

CIVILIAN IMPRESSIONS FOR THE BATTLE OF PILOT KNOB: Many civilians were present in Pilot Knob and Ironton, MO., before, during, and after the battle. They lived on local farms, kept stores and businesses in town, or were connected with the iron mines or the Iron Mountain Railroad, which terminated in Pilot Knob. Because of the close proximity to St. Louis by rail, soldier's wives and families were frequent visitors. Rail service made possible the presence of a wide variety of civilians – peddlers, sutlers, Christian Commission, Western Sanitary Commission, Ladies' Union Aid Societies, etc. Because 1864 was an important election year, one could expect to find politicians canvassing for votes. Civilian reenactors with horses must picket them in the cavalry area.

Many area residents were pro-Union and had provided men for the 47th Missouri Volunteer Infantry, which had been organized in Pilot Knob between Aug. 22, and Sept. 11, 1864. More than 200 civilians were present in the fort at the time of battle including 100 African-Americans and approximately 100 white males. Six companies of the 47th fought in Fort Davidson and many of their families joined the subsequent Federal retreat rather than be left with the rebels.

There were many Southern sympathizers in the surrounding countryside who grew bold as rumors of Price's impending advance reached them. Many boasted openly to the pro-Union neighbors that they would get even once the rebels were in power. Such talk had made the pro-Union population apprehensive and fearful by Sept. 26, when Price's advance guard suddenly appeared from Fredericktown. In the days that followed, the Southern sympathizers suffered nearly as greatly as their unionist neighbors – their crops appropriated, horses stolen and men impressed into the Confederate service.

Re-creation of civilian life in Pilot Knob provides many opportunities for the civilian impression because of the wide variety of activities that revolved around the community, the mines, the railroad and military camps.

TABLEAUX AND PERIOD ENTERTAINMENT: This is being prepared by the Turner Brigade Ladies. For more information or to participate, contact Pat Baehr at pbaehr@earthlink.net.

CONCERT AND BALL – Saturday night a concert and ball will be held. Ladies and gentlemen should bring appropriate attire for a period ball.

More information and schedule updates may be posted periodically at www.arcadiavalley.biz/Reenactment/reenactment.html or www.mostateparks.com/ftdavidson.htm

Directions to Pilot Knob:

From North Little Rock, AR, take I-40 to the U.S. Highway 67/167 interchange near McCain Mall. Merge onto US-67 N via exit number 143B toward MEMPHIS. Go 122 miles to WALNUT RIDGE.

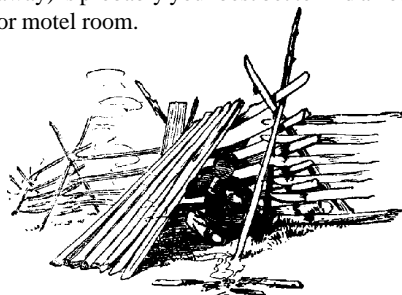
Turn LEFT onto US-67 BR/US-412/W MAIN ST. Continue to follow US-67 BR. US-67 BR becomes US-67 N. Follow this for 129 miles to FREDERICKTOWN, Missouri.

Take the MO-72 ramp toward FREDERICKTOWN/ARCADIA. Turn LEFT onto MO-72/US-67 BR. Continue to follow MO-72 for 18 miles to ARCADIA. Turn LEFT onto MO-21/VETERANS MEMORIAL HWY. Go 2 miles to PILOT KNOB, the historic park and event site will be on your right.

Total distance from NLR to Pilot Knob is 276 miles; estimated driving time is five and a half hours. (Source: MapQuest.com)

Housing: Standard issue for Federal infantry in 1864 was the shelter half, one per soldier, which were combined to make 2- or 3-man "dog tents." Shelter halves & dog tents are the preferred tentage for this event, if you have one, please bring it. Officers fared little better – Captains and lieutenants were simply issued two shelter halves, and used the dog tents just like the troops. We'll set up a company "street" or area with shelter halves.

For the "Motel Militia," the Fort Davidson Inn is a motel located directly across the street from the event site. You might also check in Pilot Knob, Ironton and Caledonia for B&Bs. Other than that, Farmington (15 miles away) is probably your best bet to find a hotel or motel room.



The Drill Field

Turning, or Change of Direction to the Side of the Guide.

413. The change of direction to the side of the guide, in marching, will be executed as follows: The instructor will command:

1. Left (or right) turn. 2. MARCH.

414. The first command will be given when the rank is yet four paces from the turning point.

415. At the command *march*, to be pronounced at the instant the rank ought to turn, the guide will face to the left (or right) in marching, and move forward in the new direction without slackening or quickening the cadence, and without shortening or lengthening the step. The whole rank will promptly conform itself to the new direction: to effect which, each man will advance the shoulder opposite to the guide, take the double quick step, to carry himself in the new direction, turn the head and eyes to the side of the guide, and retake the touch of the elbow on that side, in placing himself on the alignment of the guide, from whom he will take the step, and then resume the direct position of the head. Each man will thus arrive successively on the alignment.

(Casey's, School of the Soldier. The same language can also be found in 1862 Hardee's at SoS400, and Gilham's at 214.)

So, what does this all mean?

When a company marches forward in a line of battle, the commander must indicate the side of the guide: i.e., where to dress. The above paragraphs imply the guide is left: i.e., on the second sergeant. After receiving the command, *march*, the second sergeant faces to the left and continues marching in the new direction which is ninety degrees left of the original line of march. He does not quicken his pace nor shift to his right. The men formerly on the right of the second sergeant will right oblique ("advance the shoulder opposite to the guide"). As each soldier reaches the new direction, he will dress left.

If the commander wishes the men to perform a right turn, he should - but is not required to - inform the men that the guide is now on the right: i.e., "*guide right*". Then the commander orders a right turn. The first sergeant faces right and continues forward in the new direction ninety degrees to the right. The soldiers left oblique onto the new line. As they arrive, they dress right.

This is not a fixed pivot wheel. It more closely resembles the peeling effect of "by company into line" than a wheel. I've heard it also described as resembling a Chinese fire drill without having to run around the vehicle. The end effect can be the same as a wheel: the battle line is now facing ninety degrees to the left (right) of the original line.

Turns are frequently used in battalion formations such as "forward into line".

BATTLE OF PILOT KNOB REENACTMENT SEPT. 25-26, 2004

2004 Main Events	2004 Museum Schedule
Friday	Friday
Midnite. - 6 a.m. Quiet Time in Camp	Museum Open 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Saturday	Saturday
8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Army Camps Open 8 a.m. to ? p.m. Arts and Crafts Booths Open	8 a.m. Officer's Call 9 a.m. To 7 p.m. Museum Open
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Civil War-Era Scenes and Stories (In Camps)	10 a.m. John Bradbury: Refugees
9 a.m to 5 p.m. Tableaus and Period Entertainmen (at Showmobile: times will vary)	11 a.m. Lou Wehmer: Union Guerilla William Monks
9:30 a.m. Drills and Demonstrations	12 noon James McGhee: The Swamp Fox (Gen. M. Jeff Thompson)
1:30 p.m. BATTLE: Driving in the Skirmishers and Assault on the Fort	4 p.m. The Lincoln Conspirators Trial Speaker: Judge Candida Ewing-Steele (Dr. Mudd's former Counselor)
3:15 p.m. to not later than 5 p.m. Camp Tours and Surgeon's Demonstration	5 p.m. The Life of General Thomas Ewing Speaker: Walt Busch
5 p.m. to 7 p.m. No Events Planned	6 p.m -7 p.m. Fort's Video Presentation
7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Luminaries Ceremony 8 p.m. Civil War Concert and Demonstration Ball 8:30 p.m. Blowing Up The Fort and The Retreat 9 p.m. Civil War-Era Concert and Demonstration Ball	
Midnite - 6 a.m. Quiet Time in Camp	
Sunday	Sunday
8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Union and Confederate Army Camps Open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Arts and Crafts booths Open	8 a.m. Officer's Call 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Museum Opened
9 a.m. Battlefield Church Service	10 a.m No Speaker Scheduled/New Video Being Shown
10 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Drills and Demonstrations	11:00 a.m. Marmaduke's Two Raids Speaker: Walt Busch
1:30 p.m. BATTLE: Final Assault on the Fort	12 p.m. The Successes of Price's Raid Speaker: Walt Busch
	3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Fort's Video Presentation

The Captain's Tent *(Continued from Page 2)*

dismounted regiment that fought as infantry in Granbury's Texas Brigade of Cleburne's Division. Whiel I promised a history of the regiment at Franklin in this month's issue, I simply haven't been able to find a whole lot out about them and their role. Even in the book dedicated to Texas regiments in the 1864 Tennessee campaign, it's simply mentioned that "they were there." The Battalion and Brigade is supposed to have, at least a limited roster and casualty list for the Battle of Franklin, and we will be assigned both a company identity from the 17th & 18th; and every man will receive a card with the name of a veteran of that comany and his fate at Franklin. That will be your fate, too, in Saturday afternoon's battle.

Once we move out as a company at Franklin, we're going to be operating as a military unit. We will be assigned at some point in time to man outposts to guard the front, we will have work details to collect and distribute rations, to gather firewood, fetch water, and whatever else the Big Bugs decide that we need to be doing. I ask that, as much as possible, we stay in "first person" character for Friday night and Saturday... That means taking on the character of a Confederate soldier and behaving as one. This isn't staged acting, we just ask that you keep your mind and eyes "in the boat" so to say and respond to things as they wer ein 1864. Conversations should be aimed toward the work and situations at hand in the event, and we don't go talking about modern stuff.

One of the key taks will be outposts and picket duties. Rather than reprint all that stuff here, I ask that you go to the Company web site at <http://www.geocities.com/capitalguards/guardmount.html> and read that article closely. We'll have refreshers on this at Arkansas Post and at Pilot Knob, but it's important that everybody read and understand this article first.

Saturday's afternoon and evening fight at "Franklin should be an extraordinary experience. At last count, we'll have more than 3,000 Confederates in line to attack nearly three-quarters of a mile of trenches held by the Federals, which we will essentially attack and counterattack twice.

The Brigade will stand down Sunday morning, and we'll have time to relax a bit, go visiting, shop at the sutlers and food vendors, etc. before we reform for the Sunday afternoon battle of "Nashville." Here, we'll have the chance to occupy and fight from our own trenches and teh Yankees will have to come and root us out of them. "Nashville" will conclude with the rout of the Army of Tennessee; once we finally break and run, I'll see you guys back in the parking lot!!

We are trying to get a good, common look for this event, and it will be a good time to

Coming Events

September 18-19, 2004 – Arkansas Post National Memorial. Gillett, AR. Semi-immersive living history, Confederate impression.

September 24-26, 2004 – 140th Anniversary Reenactment, Battle of Pilot Knob. Pilot Knob & Iron County, MO. 6th Arkansas/**37th Illinois** max effort event

October 1-3, 2004 – 140th Anniversary reenactment, Battles of Franklin and Spring Hill, Spring Hill, TN. *1st Confederate Division, 37th Illinois Maximum effort event*

October 9-10, 2004 – "Ambush at Jacksonport" reenactment/living history, Jacksonport State Park, near Newport, AR. Hosted by the Wretched Mess.

November 6-7, 2004: Civil War Days at Old Washington. Old Washington Historic State Park, Washington, AR. 37th Illinois event.

December 3-5, 2004 – Battle of Prairie Grove reenactment, Prairie Grove Battlefield State Park, Prairie Grove, Ark. TMVI, **37th Illinois** Maximum effort event.

TENTATIVE LIST -- 2005 EVENTS

January 8, 2005 – David O. Dodd Memorial Service, 12:00 p.m., Mt. Holly Cemetery, Little Rock.

March 26, 2005 – Confederate Flag Day, State Capitol grounds, Little Rock.

March 26-27 — Siege of Port Hudson Re-enactment, Port Hudson SCA, Zachary, LA

April 1-3, 2005 – Shiloh Living History, Shiloh National Military Park. Sponsored by the Salt River Rifles (Federal impression).

April 23-24, 2005 – Battle of Marks' Mills Re-Enactment, Fordyce, Ark. Sponsored by the 1st Arkansas.

August 6-7, 2005 – Battle of Athens Reenactment/Living History, Athens, MO. Hosted by the Western Independent Grays

October 1-2, 2005 – Battle of Corinth Re-enactment, Corinth, MS. Sponsored by the North/South Alliance

*Events marked in **bold type** are maximum effort events as voted upon by the Company, and your attendance is expected. If for some reason you will be unable to attend a max effort event, please contact Steve Shore or Tom Ezell (6th Arkansas) or W.J. Monagle (37th Illinois) beforehand.*

and get everyone as close to our basic standards as possible -- a "Columbus Depot" pattern or plain gray jean jacket, and jean pants. If you don't have such a jacket let me know... we have a couple in the Company loaner box, and it will be first-come, first served.

Franklin will be unique in that this was one of the battles where the 6th (& 7th) Arkansas actually served, and during the Friday night campaign camp and Saturday morning's battle, we'll actually be on the ground where they served at Spring Hill. Sadly, we won't be portraying our beloved Arkansans, but we'll make the best of what we have, and strive to

provide everybody the best experience that we can.

And, if you're still sitting on the fence as to whether you want to go to Franklin or not, time's getting real short to get your name in the hat, and this will be an event that we will fondly remember around the fires, the round tables, and idle conversations for a long time to come. Take your musket down from the mantelpiece, and come fight with us!!

Your pard,

Tom Ezell

Frontier Brigade (Federal) Update for 140th Franklin

The 6th Regiment, Arkansas Volunteer Infantry, Co. A, the "Capitol Guards" is affiliated with the Arkansas Reenactors' Alliance, the Trans-Mississippi Volunteer Infantry Battalion, Mississippi Valley Brigade, and the 1st Confederate Division. We are dedicated to the faithful and historically accurate portrayal of a unit of Confederate infantry in the War Between the States in 1861-1865.

The *Sentinel* is published on a more-or-less monthly basis by the "Capitol Guards", 6th Arkansas Infantry reenactors. Subscriptions are included as part of Company dues; or are available separately for \$15.00 per year. Back issues are \$2.00 each (index available upon request). Send subscription requests, inquiries, and article submissions to the Captain below.

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Visit us on the Internet at <http://www.geocities.com/capitalguards/>

The 6th Arkansas is always in need of "a few good men" to fill the ranks in service of the Cause. If you are interested in Civil War Reenacting, please call the Captain as listed above.

The 6th Arkansas living historians are available for living history presentations to schools, public and private organizations, and community events. Please contact the Captain.

Did you know that the Capitol Guards have a web site?

Looking for a copy of one of last year's newsletters? Did you miss this month's newsletter? Need a copy of Hardee's drill manual? Are you wondering what the duties of the quartermaster sergeant, the corporal of the guard, or a sergeant of police are? What did the 6th Arkansas do at Pickett's Mill in 1864? What battlefields were they on, and what does it look like today? Strangely enough, you can find all that, and more, on the Capitol Guards' web site at <http://www.geocities.com/capitalguards/>

Not only that, but there is a bulletin board, too, where you can find the most recently available updates on what's going on in reenacting and living history in Arkansas.

FRANKLIN UPDATE: July 30-31 & Aug. 01 - Prater & Walsh attended NSA Conference in Brentwood, Tenn. & visited the Franklin sites. NSA Conference Report will be on the Franklin website. **ALL INFORMATION REGARDING FRANKLIN WILL BE POSTED & UPDATED at www.battleoffranklin.com**

REVIEW OF SITES: Land is flat with rolling hills. The Frontier Brigade will have a stationery camp a short distance from Federal parking. As I saw the site, parking will not be visible from our camp.

HOW MANY ROUNDS: Since there are many battles planned it would be advisable for each man to bring no less than 300 rounds.

BATTLES: Dates & times listed on Franklin web site.

I opted to be in a stationery camp on Friday to provide a base of operation. We do not have wagons for our supplies and therefore must return to our camp to resupply. We will be on the march and busy most of Saturday.

BEPREPARED. We will have a Quartermaster to protect our camp and supplies.

TRAVEL LIGHT: This will make things much easier. I plan to sleep on the ground and live out of my haversack. We will hope and pray for good weather but prepare for the worst.

CIVILIANS IN CAMP: In accordance with Commander Dolive's Orders - all civilians will be required to obtain passes from DIVISION to enter the Military Camp.

TRENCH WARFARE: There will be some trench warfare and the trenches have been dug. However, you will still need a shovel to make them secure, etc.

GUARD DUTY: There will be guard duty assigned to protect the perimeter of our camp.

SANITARY COMMISSION: We are pleased to report that Dr. Herschel Stroud and the Sanitary Commission will be located within the Frontier Brigade Camp. They are there to

provide aid and comfort to Brigade troops. We are most appreciative of their care and concern for the well being of Brigade troops.

CONCERNS: We urge anyone who has a concern about the long day on Saturday or any other concerns to make them known to Headquarters. Arrangements will be made to ensure that no one is injured or exhausted. **SAFETY** first and the well-being of troops is first and foremost in the Frontier Brigade.

ARRIVAL: Several Brigade staff and troops will arrive on Wed. to secure our camp. Col. Prater will arrive late Thursday afternoon.

Please send Headquarters the day and time that Brigade & Company Commanders will arrive on site.

REGISTRATION: DEADLINE EXTENDED TO SEPT. 15 @ \$15/person
Register on-line www.battleoffranklin.com
At the end of July the Frontier had 212 registered. We usually take a projected number of those registered and deduct 20%.

Frontier Brigade Impressions for the Event

Spring Hill: 3rd Brigade - FB
Elements of Lanes Brigade 2nd Bde, 2nd Div, 4th Corp (Corp Badge, White Triangle)
• 28th Kentucky
• 100th Illinois

Franklin: 3rd Bde - FB
Elements of 3rd Bde, 2nd Div, 23rd Corp (To the right of the Columbia Pike)
Corp Badge, White Shield
• 50th Ohio
• 72nd Illinois

Nashville: 3rd Bde - FB
Elements of 1st Bde, 3rd Div, 23rd Corp (Doolittle)
Corp Badge, Blue Shield
• 12th Kentucky
• 8th Tennessee (US)