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Dear Mrs. McCown:

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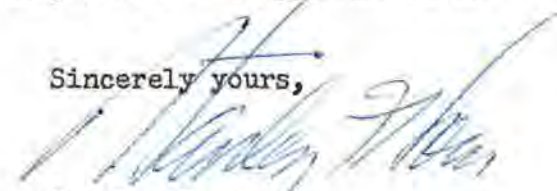
On behalf of Tennessee's Civil War Centennial Commission, I cordially invite you to serve as a member of the Advisory Council, as provided for in the legislation by which the General Assembly established this Commission, your name having been suggested as one who is interested in Civil War history.

The general purposes of the Commission, as defined by the legislation, are to commemorate the one hundredth anniversary of the Civil War in 1961-1965 in a dignified and proper manner, to the end that the citizens of the state may be reminded of the sacrifices made by our forefathers in that historic and tragic struggle. It is contemplated that the Commission will encourage local groups in the observance of specific anniversary dates of battles and other important events of the war, will issue books and pamphlets that will be helpful in understanding the war, will mark unmarked historic sites, and otherwise assist in the observance of this historic anniversary.

It is not possible at this time to define precisely the services that may be asked of the Advisory Council, but we shall want the privilege of seeking your advice from time to time, and will welcome suggestions from you whenever you see how the Commission's work can be advanced. It is not contemplated that it will be necessary to call any general meeting of the full Council, or that there will be any burdensome demands on your time. Your principal function would be, as the name indicates, to give advice to the Commission, and to be available as a medium for stimulating interest in the Centennial in your community.

The legislative enabling act does not provide for any compensation for members of the Commission or the Advisory Council, and we shall all be contributing our efforts as a patriotic service. I hope that you will feel sufficient interest in this Centennial observance to accept appointment to the Advisory Council. On the other hand, if you are not interested, it will be appreciated if you will so advise us.

Sincerely yours,

  
Stanley F. Horn  
Chairman

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Dear Mr Horn---

Your invitation to serve as a member of the Advisory Council of the Civil War Centennial Commission received. I shall be pleased to give whatever services I can for this forthcoming celebration.

As I had a grand father in each army, I feel well qualified to render unbiased service to any such celebration. I have been a student of the earlier phases of our country's history, but I do have in my collection many interesting facts about that tragic struggle of 1861-65. Had I been living then, I would most likely have been a "Rebel". But, I'm a great believer in preserving the Union- so have always wondered how I could have been a neutral observer.

I think one of the greatest contributions which this special Commission can make would be the collecting and preservation of all bits of historical data relative to both sides. There are many such items which should be preserved. I'm sure there could be found many weapons which were used then, as well as uniforms, old letters sent to families, in fact all sorts of historical data which should be in our State Museum for permanent preservation. My Grandfather on paternal side- Jordan Council Hardin made iron ore pigs for the Confederacy at the Cranberry Iron Mines, in western North Carolina. On the other side- Maternal- my grandfather Dr James McLin Cameron, of Elizabethton, Carter Co, served as Asst Surgeon General in the 13th U S Cavalry Regiment. I have some of his orders- his Pension claim and his wife's- I also have a small piece of Pig Iron from the Cranberry mines. I also have his Oath of Allegiance which he had to take before getting into the army as an American Citizen afterwards.

I live where families were divided- brother against brother- I know many interesting tales of life in those days- My own mother was born in 1868, while my father was born in 1864 at the Cranberry Iron mines. Sam Simerley, father of the "boys" living at the Tipton-Haynes home, was the hammerman at the Cranberry Forge then Sam, the older "boy" was born in 1869 there.

With assurance of my services for this celebration,

I am,

Yours sincerely,

Mary Hardin McCown (Mrs.L.W.)



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Mrs. Mary Hardin McCown,  
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Dear Mrs. McCowan:

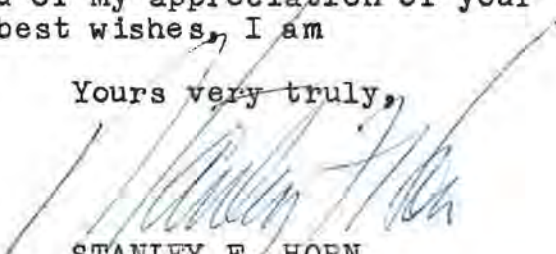
Thank you for your letter of November 26 accepting appointment as a member of the Advisory Council of the Civil War Centennial Commission. I am pleased to have this assurance of your interest and support.

The Commission has not yet formulated its program of activities, but you will hear from us early next year as to what we hope to do.

I certainly agree with you that we could do nothing more constructive and helpful than to collect all the available information, documents, relics, etc., relating to the war - and it is in this field of activity that the members of the Advisory Council can be most useful.

Assuring you of my appreciation of your cooperation, and with best wishes, I am

Yours very truly,

  
STANLEY F. HORN  
Chairman

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State of Tennessee

CIVIL WAR CENTENNIAL COMMISSION  
Nashville, Tennessee

State Library and Archives Building  
January 15, 1960

Mrs. L. W. McCown  
512 E. Unana Avenue  
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Dear Mrs. McCown:

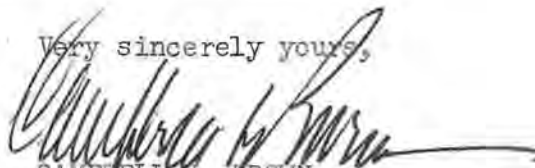
We are pleased to transmit herewith a Statement of Policy by the Tennessee Civil War Centennial Commission and certain other papers which we hope will be of assistance to local committees in securing an appropriate commemoration of events which occurred during the Civil War period.

One of these items is a chronological listing of battles, engagements, skirmishes, and other events known to have taken place during the Civil War period. The Commission feels that while every effort has been made to produce an authentic record, it is possible that there may be some errors and omissions. Therefore, it will be greatly appreciated if you will carefully scrutinize such entries in this list as apply to your locality and advise the Commission as soon as possible of any corrections or additions which should be made to the existing list. In reporting such corrections, it will be appreciated if you will quote the authority for the information, whether it be by entry in a recognized history, a notice appearing in a contemporary newspaper, or statement of local person or persons.

Also included for your information and guidance, if desired, is a list of suggested plans for operation by county or city Civil War Centennial Committees. It will be appreciated if you will advise this Commission of any suggestions you may have for the improvement of the list of operations given there. Please feel free to call on this Commission at any time.

With appreciation of your services, and best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,



CAMPBELL H. BROWN  
Executive Director

CHB/rnk  
Enclosures



April 12, 1960

Mrs. L. W. McCown  
East Unaka Ave  
Johnson City, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. McCown:

I still am working on this Bent Creek "mess". Whether the promotion is successful or unsuccessful remains to be seen, but I can say one thing, I have learned more local history and more about "who's who" than I ever dared to hope for. I made endless notes, but by the time I find time to transcribe them I may have the kith and kin royally scrambled.

We are making progress. But slowly. By next Sunday afternoon I hope to have the mailing piece pretty well wrapped up ready for final approval by the Board of Trustees. I plan now to slip over to Dandridge tomorrow afternoon and look up the deeds to the other tracts now a part of Bent Creek. I have had pictures made of the stones. The monument which is to be erected to the first grave has been ordered. The mailing list is growing. So- by the first of May I want to get the thing in the mail.

I am enclosing a list of the the members of the State Historical Commission, and wonder if you would fill in complete addresses where you can. I suspect you can do all of them. Also, please send me names and addresses of anybody you can think of who should have a notice. I had written to Aunt Gertrude (Mrs. Claude Taylor) for a list of the Johnson City folks together with their addressees, which I thought she could get from the telephone directory. However, not having heard from her I have written to the telephone company for a directory.

*age 91*  
Mr. J. P. Roddy told me last week that he was sure James Roddye is buried in Bent Creek but that he could not identify the grave. I am inclined to think we shall quote him and say "unquestionably" the grave is there.

James Burn was up home yesterday. I made arrangements for him to visit some relatives of mine who had the old Tidence Lane Bible and original land grants, etc. Just a wealth of Lane material and today met one of the ladies on the street and she said she and her sister had decided while James was there just to give him the whole thing to go into the archives. I was so happy for I've been so fearful they would die without doing this or that they would be burned.

I did have a letter from Mr. Alderson and he said the matter would come up at the meeting May 6th. I hope for a marker for Bent Creek, though he did not seem inclined to think it would be approved.

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Mrs. L. W. McCown  
512 E. Unaka Avenue  
Johnson City, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. McCown:

In formulating our plans for the observance of the Civil War Centennial, 1961-1965, our Commission will welcome advice and suggestions from all interested citizens. Particularly do we invite such advice and suggestions from the members of our Advisory Council. It will be appreciated, therefore, if you will write to me and tell me of the things that our Commission should do (and can do) either in your locality or on a state-wide basis. It is not possible, of course, to guarantee that all suggestions can be put into effect; but I can promise you that all such suggestions will be given the Commission's most serious consideration.

Assuring you of my appreciation of your cooperation in this important undertaking, I am

Sincerely,

  
STANLEY F. HORN  
Chairman

SFH/rnk



Mar 23, 1960

Mr Stanley F Horn, Chairman,  
Civil War Centennial Commission,  
Nashville, Tenn.

Dear Mr Horn---

I have been planning for some time to write to you re the Civil War Centennial, and some things which could be done to make some lasting contributions to it and which would also serve as additions to the ~~the~~ history of Tennessee for that period.

As you know, for years, I have been interested in the location of the last resting sites of the veterans of both the War of the Revolution and also of the War of 1812. I have laughingly said that I would never live long enough to get to the Civil War- but it seems that I have. As I had a grandfather in each army, I would surely be torn between my loyalties. My Grandfather, Jordan C Hardin, owned and ran the Cranberry Iron Mines which made iron for the Confederacy in North Carolina. On the other side- my maternal Dr James M Cameron, of Elizabethton, Carter Co, was Asst Surgeon on the 13th Tenn Cavalry Regiment, and served thru the war. I have many of his records- orders, etc.

I think that one large contribution would be the collection of all data which pertains to the War- ask for donations, or if not willing to part with records- allow them to be copied- microfilmed or photostated for Tennessee Archives. It seems that Tenn. has a very good list of its Confederate enlistments, etc- but I wonder if we have those of the Federal companies. Do you know that? There are histories which contain these. Scott & Angel, both of Elizabethton, Tenn compiled their book- "The 13th Tenn Cavalry", of which I have my Mother's copy- and this book gives a complete roster of the 13th Tenn Cavalry. It also has some of the 4th Tenn- Col Daniel Stover's group. Now, there may be many others which others are familiar with-

Then, all the stories, anecdotes, old pictures, letters-many of these are extant. I know of some from camp, from Prison, etc. They could be copied- if not donated.

Then, one thing which the school children could help with- is the recording of the graves of Veterans. I manage Oak Hill Cemetery (for free these past 16 years) - I have a list of all Veterans- we now have about 120 from John Wright, War of 1812-down thru Korean War, and we have 56 Confederates- our local U D C have a plot there-where Henry Johnson, for whom J C was named- and his son was killed in War- are buried. I have those lists- Then for years when I have copied Cemeteries, I have always copied all Government markers- and many others who served 186-65, who had private markers.

An appeal could be made for this listing of all Veterans of 1861-65. This would be a wonderful project. Our American Legion is very active here- and I have worked for years with them on this project. Washington county has not organized as yet- I suggested to Judge Elliot who called me as soon as he got your first letter- that he should call a group meeting of delegates from all civic clubs, all patriotic groups



and the school superintendents to form the Washington County Com

Everyone should be made to feel their part in it.

I enjoyed the first letter which contained the battles in each as I wondered if they had all in East Tenn- We are so usually omitted from so many records- I know we had one engagement here in J C- I've always heard of the battle at South Watauga, as it was then called- now they just call it Watauga- it is where the Southern crosses the Watauga river- about 4 miles towards Bristol, Tenn.

Hugh Klepper told me recently about a fight near the old Gillespie stone house- and where 2 men are buried- One they operated upon at his house, and he died and is buried in a field nearby-that is at Limestone, Wash Co.

It might not be a bad idea for Col Brown to offer to come up and assist Judge Elliott with his organization meeting. The State group should be included in our group here.

Well, this may seem a rambling letter, but this is what is on my mind and I am relaying it to you for your thought and consideration.

We have had the most snow which even the oldest inhabitants have ever seen here- in fact the sun has almost ceased to shine- but, this morning, it came forth in all brightness, refusing to obey the prediction that we might have spits of snow today. It is only 25 degrees, but I'm sure it will get warmer if Old Sol stays out.

With best wishes for you, I am,

Yours sincerely,

Mary Hardin McCown (Mrs. L)



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Mrs. L. W. McCown,  
512 East Unaka Avenue,  
Johnson City, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. McCown:

Thank you for your letter of the 23rd which I have read with much interest.

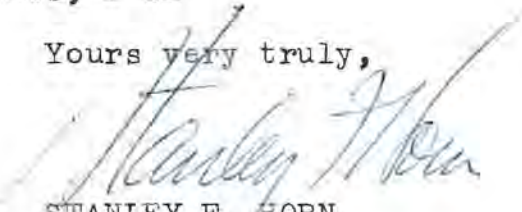
I think well of your suggestions, and they will be presented to the members of the Commission for their consideration at our next meeting.

I quite agree with you that one of the most important things the Commission can do is to encourage the collection of all documentary material relating to the war, including lists of the Tennessee soldiers on both sides. Also, I think that we should draw the school children into the commemoration of the Centennial to as great an extent as possible.

Colonel Brown is planning a trip to East Tennessee within the next few weeks and he will get in touch with you at that time and discuss these matters with you in detail.

With best wishes, I am

Yours very truly,

  
STANLEY F. HORN  
Chairman

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Mrs. L. W. McCown  
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Johnson City, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. McCown:

Thank you very much for sending me a copy of your March 23 letter to Mr. Horn. Please be assured also that it is a great pleasure to be again associated with you in connection with historical matters.

At the present I expect to be in Johnson City on Thursday, April 7, and shall at that time call on you and confer with you. It is particularly interesting to have your views on the matter of collection of documents. Too many people, particularly those who are prone to collect things, seem to lose sight of this feature of the commemoration.

In your area is also the problem of the organization of a county or city centennial committee. I shall be glad while I am there to call on Judge Elliott if you think it will do any good, but it is our general policy to leave these matters to the local people, especially since county judges are inclined to be pretty well established in their own ideas on how to run the county.

In connection with the mimeographed chronology of events which we sent you, I am convinced that it is far from complete. There is, for example, nothing said about the "bridge burners" and their activities in the summer of 1861. There were other items such as the movement and killing in some instances of refugees from both factions. I believe we placed a special marker at the Bell Cemetery to commemorate one of these operations, but when it took place I have forgotten. If you can lay your hands on a few dates especially such as we may not have in the chronology, I will be glad to add them to the next issue.

Also on my visit to Johnson City I intend to call on Mrs. Chambers the President-General of the UDC on the subject of Confederate markers. I had thought that the UDC would have a list of Confederate markers within the State but am informed that they have not and that she has been expecting this Commission to prepare one. This we will do if we can. With best wishes and looking forward to seeing you, I am

Very sincerely yours,

CAMPBELL H. BROWN

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April 9, 1960

Mrs. L. W. McCown  
512 E Unaka Ave.  
Johnson City, Tennessee


Dear Mrs. McCown:

After a discussion with Col. Campbell H. Brown, Executive Director of the Civil War Centennial Commission, I am hereby appointing you to serve as Chairman of this Committee, and to appoint whomever you wish to serve with you.

I will very much appreciate your taking this Chairmanship and know the fine job you will do will be also appreciated by Col. Brown.

Thanking you in advance, I am

Yours very truly,

  
James D. Elliott  
County Chairman

JDE:kr



April 12, 1960

Judge J D Elliott,  
Washington County, Tenn.  
Jonesboro, Tenn.

My Dear Judge Elliott---

I very much appreciate the honor you have conferred upon me in appointing me as Chairman of the Civil War Centennial Commission. But, It will be positively impossible for me to accept that task. I thought I made it clear to you when discussing it, that I could not possibly undertake the chairmanship of it. I have tasks which are unfinished, and others which I have undertaken and which daily keep me loaded to the hilt- so to speak. It seems to me that Mr Paul Fink, who is right there in Jonesboro, would be the most logical person to serve in that capacity. I will be most happy to do my part, and shall do that in many ways- in collecting data, in the location of the graves of the veterans on both sides, and in any way, which I can, but I would under no consideration, be chairman of the group for Washington County. I told Col Brown, as I told you, it should have representatives on it from different groups- the Civic Clubs, the Patriotic Societies, the Schools-both city and county; the State College should be well represented- in fact, it might not be a bad idea, to have a co-chairman from out there. Talk it over with Mr Fink, and get his ideas about it.

I regret very much that I cannot do this for you, but I cannot.

Sincerely yours,

Mary Hardin McCown (Mrs.L.W.)

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Mrs. L. W. McCown  
512 East Unaka Avenue  
Johnson City, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. McCown:

Dr. Alderson has asked me to write you to give you the names of the markers which were sent in for repair from the Knoxville Highway Garage. Attached you will find this list.

We will be looking forward to seeing you when the Commission meets on May 6.

Sincerely,



(Mrs.) Ruth Armstrong  
Secretary to Dr. Alderson

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Markers sent to studio for repair from  
Knoxville Highway Garage, and shipped  
back to Knoxville on March 18, 1960

- \* 1 C 4 Asbury Chapel
- \*\* 1 C 12 History on Boyd's Creek
  
- 1 E 13 John Mitchell
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- 1 C 8 Sevier-Knox County Line
- 1 C 18 The New Port
- 1 F 15 Sequoyah
- 1 B 4 Great Indian War Path
- 1 A 27 Daniel Boone
- 1 F 10 Kentucky-Tennessee-Scott County
- 1 F 9 Roane-Morgan County
- ~~1 A 14 Isaac Lincoln's Home~~
- 1 B 49 Michael Looney
- 1 B 50 Rogers Cemetery

\* Asbury Chapel marker title changed to  
Shiloh Chapel

\*\* History on Boyd's Creek title changed to  
The Great Indian War Trail

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Mrs. L. W. McCown,  
512 E. Unaka Avenue,  
Johnson City, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. McCown:

As you will probably recall, at the June meeting of the Commission it was agreed that we should have a committee on historical markers and I was authorized to appoint a committee consisting of:

Mrs. L. W. McCown  
Mr. Vernon Sharp  
Mr. Seale Johnson, chairman

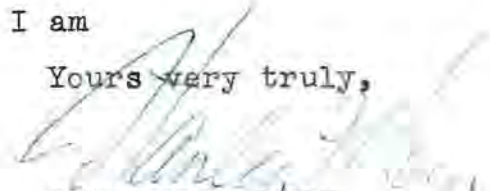
It was the opinion of our Commission that such a committee as this, composed of individuals who are also members of the marker committee of the Tennessee Historical Commission, could best coordinate the interest and activities of the two organizations. Our Commission has received a large number of suggestions as to historical markers, and a complete list of all these suggestions will be submitted to your committee as soon as they can be summarized by our Executive Director. It will then be the duty of your committee to decide which of these markers shall be placed - and then it will be necessary for us to make arrangements to get the money from the state to pay for them.

As you will recall, the Historical Commission has consented to handle the details of ordering and installing the markers with the understanding that they shall be paid for out of the budget of the Civil War Centennial Commission.

I am writing to you at this time to refresh your memory and to alert you for prompt action when the list of suggested markers is submitted to you in the near future.

With best wishes, I am

Yours very truly,

  
STANLEY F. HORN  
Chairman



512 East Unaka Ave.,  
Johnson City, Tenn.  
Nov 16, 1960

Mr Seale B Johnson,  
McCowatt-Mercer Press  
Jackson, Tenn.

Dear Mr Johnson---

On Oct 18, 1960 I was in receipt of copy of letter from Col Campbell Brown to you with listing of markers which are recommended for erection in commemoration of the Civil War Centennial in Tennessee.

I note that on p-2, the last paragraph where he lists:

"Carter's East Tennessee Raid"--

In this he says-- "Samuel P Carter, a native born East Tennessee Yankee".. I would hardly call the grandson of Col Landon Carter, of Carter Co, a YANKEE.

General Samuel P Carter was born in Elizabethton, the son of Alfred Moore Carter, whose beautiful home which he built about 1821 is standing today, in the possession of great-great grand daughters of the builder. That house should have been marked by Tennessee long ago. The data on it was submitted, but has not been marked.

I think that most likely more than three markers should be placed for this campaign. I think the very best description of it is in the book- "History of the 13th Tennessee Cavalry" by Scott & Angel. Published c 1902. My own maternal grandfather-Dr. James McLin Cameron served as Asst Surgeon in that Regiment, which was commanded by Col John K Miller, also of Elizabethton, and I have grown up on those stories, especially the tales of the Bridge-Burners. This is told by those who took part in it themselves in that book. I personally knew John G Burchfield, and he was a great help to me in my early travels around Carter County et al. There are two other books- one- "Loyal Mountaineers"-I think by Temple, and "East Tenn & The Civil War" by Humes. I do not have the latter two, but I possess my mother's copy of the 13th Tenn Cavalry. The Andrew Campbell, who killed Gen John H Morgan belonged to this Regiment. That story is also told in 13th Tenn Cavalry.

Recently I found a Copy of a Conscription List for Carter County- You know that after Tennessee seceded the Confederacy conscripted soldiers in this area. This appears to be the original list for a man named Orr.

Our Mayhe Williams Library here has a copy of the Randal McGavock Letters- A Tennessean Abroad- published in 1854. Is this a rare book? It has the signature of "Col McAlpin, Oct 21, 1854" inside.

We have had gifts of books thruout the years from many people so we have no idea whence it came. Mr Samuel Arnell and his sisters, Miss Mayes Arnel, who was our first Librarian, came from Columbia to Johnson City in the early days, it could have been from them.

The Cobb House restoration is coming along nicely- we do have such a good team of 2 men who are doing the actual work on it, and they just love it, and are doing such a good job. Now we are waiting for the shingles to be riven out for the roof. The old house has assumed a dignity and character since the weather boarding was torn off, and the old additions taken away. Now, with the leaves down, you can see it from the highway-ll E-

Hoping to see you in Nashville on Dec 2, I am,

Yours sincerely,

Mary Hardin McCown (Mrs.L.W.)

C C to : Mr Stanley Horn  
Col Campbell Brown



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Mrs. L. W. McCown  
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Dear Mrs. McCown:

I greatly appreciate your sending me a copy of your letter to Seale Johnson. I am, of course, greatly interested in your comments in the matter of General Carter's raid.

I have a copy of the history of the 13th Tennessee Cavalry. In that I notice that he entered Tennessee through Moccasin Gap. The most likely place of this name which I can locate is the one which lies about fourteen miles due north of Bristol. If we could fix the route over which he entered Tennessee, a marker might be placed at the boundary.

It is of course logical that we place a marker at Blountville where there was an action. It is also logical to expect that a marker should be placed at Bluff City where they burned a bridge. It is also logical to expect to place a marker near the site of Carter's Depot which I assume is the present settlement of Watauga near the Carter-Sullivan County line, at which place they burned a bridge over the Holston River. If I am incorrect as to the location of Carter's Depot, please advise me. The history states that they withdrew in "a safe but hasty retreat back to Kentucky." It would seem to me more logical that they had returned to Virginia since they would have had to march over sixty miles to reach any place in Kentucky. However, I shall check this further with the Official Records.

Aside from the above I can see no other points that might be marked unless we mark the birth place of General Carter. If this is the house of Alfred Moore Carter, of which you make mention, we shall of course be glad to consider it since we are at this time preparing copy for markers to show the known birth places of various Confederate generals, and the inclusion of this marker would not only give us a non-partisan angle but would enable us to incorporate the quite interesting information as to his service both in the navy and in the army.

I shall look forward to getting your suggestions, particularly in regard to additional markers for the Carter raid. With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

CAMPBELL H. BROWN

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November 29, 1960

Mrs. L. W. McCowan  
512 East Unaka Avenue  
Johnson City, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. McCowan:

My thanks for your most interesting letter of November 16th. Also my apology for delay in making reply.

I agree with you that ~~London Carter~~ <sup>"Yankee"</sup> is a name that might give offense. I am sure that Colonel Brown will be glad to alter this. Incidentally, the Civil War Commission is not the Confederate Commission, but is to pay tribute to both sides who fought in the great conflict in Tennessee.


I am very much interested in the Carter's East Tennessee Raid, and particularly with the sidelights revealed in your letter. Why don't you prepare copy for three markers and present it for consideration.

I have never been able to procure Humes' East Tennessee in the Civil War, but I do own Loyal Mountaineers. Also, I have a number of Tennessee regimentals both Federal and Confederate but have never located a copy of the 13th Tennessee Cavalry. We have Andrew Campbell's picture in a book that we put out several years ago, Kentucky Cavaliers in Dixie. This book has enjoyed a fair sale but not as good as it deserved.

I have seen the copy of McGavock's letters A Tennessean Abroad but never found one offered at a price low enough for me to buy. You don't happen to have a copy of Brazeale's Life as Is, do you? Or an extra copy of Putman's History of Middle Tennessee? I've been on the lookout for these for years.

Looking forward to seeing you at the meeting of the Commission this weekend, and with all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

  
Seale Johnson

sj:jp



April 28, 1961

Col Campbell H Brown, Ex Dir-  
Tennessee Civil War Commission  
State Library Bldg,  
Nashville, Tenn.

Dear Col Brown---

Yours of March 28 received- I have been ill with a throat trouble, then the Carter Sisters went to Washington about April 10- and only returned last night- I went up there last night and conferred with them re the Samuel P Carter marker. As to the others, I will abide with the decision of the other two members of the Committee- for I am not conversant with data on them.

You may remember that some time back we submitted data for marking the Alfred Moore Carter home in Elizabethton- where Samuel B & his two brothers were all born. This data was published in the Tennessee House & Gardens book, which was published by the Garden Club et al about 1938- a copy of which is in our State Library. This house was built by Alfred Moore Carter in 1819. His wife, mother of the 3 boys, was Evalina Parry. Samuel P was first named PARRY, he then changed it to POWHATAN, then it was later changed back to PARRY. I would not know what to call him on the marker.

Anyhow, he, and brothers- Rev Wm B Carter, of the Constitutional Convention of Tenn. in 1870, and Col James P T Cater, Col of 2nd Tenn. Cav U S A, and Terr. Secretary of Arizona, were born there.

I am sending you copy of data which Miss Carrie Hunter had obtained one time in Washington about Samuel P Carter. He is supposed to have graduated from the first class of Naval Academy in 1846. He served at Vera Cruz et al. I thought best to send you the data, and let you get your record from it.

I do hope that some markers can be erected to commemorate Capt Dan Ellis' services to the Union. I can give you the site of his Rendezvous at the Valley Forge-O'Brien's on Doe River- and also where he crossed the Holston near Pactolus in Sullivan Co- and where he crossed the  
(South Fork)

North Fork of Holston near the Virginia-Tennessee line beyond Kingsport.

I think that 2 markers for him would be sufficient. If you scanned his story of his travels, you can see what an important part he played for the U S.

Sorry to have been so long getting these done, but when I could get at it, the Carters were out of town. Some time when you are around these parts, come by and you would be thrilled to visit the Carter home. We think it is equal to any home in the country, and Mrs Seiler and Miss Carrie Hunter are most hospitable with it.

Sincerely yours,

Mary Hardin McCown (Mrs. L.W.)



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Mrs. L. W. McCown  
512 East Unaka Avenue  
Johnson City, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. McCown:

I enclose copy of a letter which I recently wrote to Dr. Robison, which outlines the policy of the Civil War Centennial Commission in regard to the erection of historical markers dealing with Civil War subjects. This should, I think, clear up any lack of understanding in regard to our policy and insure that we get erected in the shortest practicable time such markers as can be properly authenticated and are of sufficient importance within the general scheme to warrant the expenditure of funds for that purpose.

You will recall that on March 28 we sent you a copy of the material for twelve historical markers for your approval or modification or disapproval. We have already received decision from Mr. Johnson and Mr. Sharp, the other members of the marker committee of the Centennial Commission. If you can do so conveniently, it will be greatly appreciated if you will write me advising of your sentiments in regard to the contents, wording and location of these markers. We propose to erect approximately fifty (50) markers during the coming fiscal year and these are the first of this group.

With best wishes and looking forward to hearing from you,  
I am

Sincerely yours,



CAMPBELL H. BROWN

CHB/rnk



copy

copy

April 21, 1961  
State Library and Archives Building

Dr. Dan M. Robison  
Chairman  
Tennessee Historical Commission  
Nashville, Tennessee

My dear Doctor:

You will recall that this Commission received through the Miscellaneous Appropriations Bill funds which will enable it to add to the marker system already established by the Historical Commission. The following procedure in the acquisition of markers is presently intended:

This office will prepare the initial copy which will also give location of the proposed marker, and will submit it to the marker committee of the Civil War Centennial Commission, composed of Mr. Seale Johnson, chairman, Mrs. L. W. McCown, and Mr. Vernon Sharp, Jr. Upon return of the copy, either modified or approved by the membership of this committee, the copy will then be submitted to the chairman of the Civil War Centennial Commission for approval. Following his approval, the copy will be submitted to the Historical Commission with a request for assignment of code numbers, which connotes approval by the Commission of the erection of the marker with the copy as submitted.

Some conversation has been had with Mr. Sharp in this matter but it will be appreciated if such circulation as you may see fit could be made among the Commission membership, to the end that they may understand the procedures intended, particularly in view of the fact that the Historical Commission itself is engaged in a program of curtailment of the addition of a relatively large number of markers to its present system.

Very sincerely yours,

CAMPBELL H. BROWN

CHB/rnk

March 28, 1961  
State Library and Archives Building

Mr. Seale Johnson  
McCowat-Mercer Press  
Jackson, Tennessee

Dear Seale:

We were successful in obtaining an appropriation in the Miscellaneous Appropriations Bill with which, among other things, we will be able to erect some historical markers. I intend to prepare copy for at least fifty markers to be erected as soon as possible after July 1st. I think this is important since it would be a good idea to have the markers on the road by the time the tourist visitation gets into full swing.

I am enclosing tentative copy for the first thirteen of these markers. In addition to these, we propose to erect markers descriptive of the raid of Brigadier General Samuel P. Carter (3), the activities of John Hunt Morgan (7), and Forrest's Murfreesboro raid (9); the rest of the list of fifty will be taken up by individual markers of what I consider some importance.

I hope that your committee will get approval or modification of the recommendations of the thirteen markers I enclose back to me as soon as possible. By the time they come back, I will have more for you.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

  
CAMPBELL H. BROWN

CHB/rnk  
Enclosure

cc to: Mrs. L. W. McCown ✓  
Mr. Vernon Sharp



1 A \_\_\_\_\_

SAMUEL POWHATAN CARTER  
Aug. 6, 1819 - May 26, 1891

Born in this house. After attending Washington College and Princeton, graduated from U. S. Naval Academy; serving in the Navy until May 1, 1862, he was appointed brigadier general, U. S. Volunteers. His most conspicuous service was a raid into East Tennessee with a cavalry brigade late in 1862. Brevetted major general, he returned to the Navy as a commander, retired as a commodore in 1881, and was named a rear admiral on the retired list in 1882. He is buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Washington, D. C.

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LOCATION: Carter Co., in Elizabethton, in front of home of Alfred Moore Carter

3 D \_\_\_\_\_

"THE HARRISON HOUSE"

The Civil War touched this house. Here, Sept. 2, 1864, the mortally wounded Brig. Gen. John H. Kelly, CSA, was brought after the battle between his cavalry division and Federal forces under Brig. Gen. L. H. Rousseau. He was buried in the garden, in 1866 reinterred in Mobile. Here Gen. Hood held his last staff conference before committing his army to the Battle of Franklin. Here the wounded Brig. Gen. John C. Carter was brought after that battle. He died Dec. 10, 1864, and was buried in Columbia, 16 mi. South.

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LOCATION: Williamson Co.; US 31, 3½ mi. south of Franklin in front of residence of Ewing Grizzard.

3 B \_\_\_\_\_

CAMP THOUSDALE  
(Arrow points E on N-S Road)

This was an early staging and training area for Tennessee Confederate units. Regiments receiving their early training here included the 7th Infantry (Hatton), 16th Infantry (Savage), 18th Infantry (Palmer), 20th Infantry (Battle), 32nd Infantry (Bushrod Johnson),

1st Infantry (Tillman), 4th Infantry (McDaniel); the 1st (McNairy) and 2nd (Samuel Jones) Cavalry Battalions, later (May, 1862) to become the 1st Cavalry (Biffle), trained here after organizing at Nashville and Mt. Pleasant, respectively.

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LOCATION: Sumner Co., US 31W at junction with State Highway 52.

1 F \_\_\_\_\_

JOHN CRAWFORD VAUGHN  
Feb. 21, 1824 - Sept. 10, 1875

NOTE: For biographical-type markers, insert dates of birth and death on either side of Term. dingbat.

Born in a house which stood here. Captain in the 5th Tenn. Inf., Mexican War; organizer and first commander of the 3rd Tenn. Inf., CSA, whose first action was the first Battle of Manassas. Promoted brigadier general, he was captured at Vicksburg July 4, 1863; on exchange commanded the cavalry brigade which eventually escorted President Jefferson Davis on his flight from Richmond. Speaker of the Tennessee Senate in 1871. He died near Thomasville, Ga., and is buried there.

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LOCATION: Monroe Co.; in Madisonville; US 111, on east side of street south of junction with Tellico St.

4 C \_\_\_\_\_

MARK FERRIN LOWREY

Dec. 30, 1828 - Feb. 27, 1885

Born 4.3 miles east, he moved to Mississippi in 1845. Enlisted in 2nd Miss. Volunteers for Mexican War. In 1861, initially commanding the 4th Miss. Militia, he became colonel, 32nd Miss. Infantry, CSA in 1862 and a brigadier general in 1863; his brigade was part of Cleburne's Division, Army of Tennessee. Resigned commission March 14, 1865. Founded Blue Mountain Female Institute in 1873 and was president until his death at Middleton, Tenn. He is buried in Blue Mountain, Miss.

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LOCATION: McNairy Co.; US 45 at crossroads 3/4 mile south of Chester Co. line, leading to Finger.



2 D \_\_\_\_\_

GEORGE GIBBS DIERRELL  
Apr. 12, 1822 - May 9, 1888

Born in a house which stood here. A leading citizen, he was elected a Union delegate to the proposed secession convention of 1861, but enlisted for the Confederacy at Secession; recruited hereabouts and commanded the 8th Tenn. Cavalry. Later commanded brigades under Forrest and Wheeler; on flight from Richmond was guardian of Confederate archives. Member of Congress, 1874-84; prominent in railroad and coal mining activities in this area. He is buried in Sparta.

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LOCATION: White Co.; US 706, in Sparta, at 304 Broadway.

3 G \_\_\_\_\_

HENRY BREVARD DAVIDSON  
Jan. 28, 1831 - March 4, 1899

Born in a house which stood here. Enlisted in the 1st Tenn. Volunteers for the Mexican War; on graduation from US Military Academy in 1853, commissioned in Dragoons. Resigning for the Confederacy and rapidly promoted to colonel, he was captured at Island No. 10; promoted on exchange and given a brigade in Wheeler's Cavalry Corps. Surrendering at Greensboro, N. C., he moved to California, where he was once deputy Secretary of State. He is buried in Oakland, Calif.

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LOCATION: Bedford Co., US 231 in Shelbyville, on N. Main St., in front of Bedford Paper Box Co.

2 E \_\_\_\_\_

CAMP HARRIS  
(Arrow points E on N-S Road)

Here was one of the earlier training camps of the Confederacy. Units training here included the 1st Tenn. Infantry (Maney) and 17th Tenn. Infantry (Newman). The area, covering the former mill settlement of Allisonia, was heavily fortified to protect

highway and railroad bridges over Elk River. General Braxton Bragg, commanding the Army of Tennessee in 1863, established his command post here briefly in his withdrawal to the Chattanooga area in June. Traces of fortifications remain.

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LOCATION: Franklin Co.; US h1A at crossroads 1.6 mi. South of Estill Springs.

3 C \_\_\_\_\_

CAMP BOONE  
(Arrow points E on N-3 Road)

Here in 1861 was established a staging area and training camp for Kentuckians desiring to enlist for the Confederacy. An early camp commander was Brig. Gen. Simon Bolivar Buckner, CSA. Col. (later Brig. Gen.) Roger W. Hanson brought here a regiment of Kentucky State Guards, which became the 2nd Ky. Inf., CSA. Other Kentucky units staging here included the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Ky. Cavalry Regiments.

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LOCATION: Montgomery Co.; State Highway 12 (US h1A) at road junction near Ringgold Creek.

2 E \_\_\_\_\_

CAMP SMARTT

This staging and training area was established in the summer of 1861 by Alderman Benjamin J. Hill, who organized and commanded here the 35th Tenn. Infantry, CSA, until his promotion to Brig. General. Discontinued for a time, the camp was reactivated in 1862 by Col. Marcus J. Wright, who was promoted to Brig. Gen. while here. The camp was then used mainly as a center for Confederate conscripts, but the 9th Texas and 20th Alabama Infantry Regiments were here briefly.

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LOCATION: Warren Co.; State Route 108 at road fork about 2 mi. south of McMinnville.



## CAMP BEAUREGARD

Among the Confederate units activated and trained in the staging area which stood here the 6th Tenn. Infantry (Stephens), 9th Tenn. Infantry (Douglass), 12th Tenn. Infantry (Russell), 13th Tenn. Infantry (Wright), and 15th Tenn. Infantry (Carroll). The camp was activated in May, 1861; Col. William H. Stephens, CSA, was its first commander. Normal procedure was for companies to organize in their home communities, then to repair here for organization into regiments.

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LOCATION: Madison Co.; in Jackson, at junction of US 70 with State Highway 20.

3 C \_\_\_\_\_

## CAMP CHEATHAM

Named for Benjamin Franklin Cheatham, recently appointed brigadier general in the Provisional Army, Independent State of Tennessee, and its first camp commander, the training camp established in this area in June, 1861 was used by numerous Confederate units, including the 3rd Tenn. Infantry (John C. Brown), 11th Tenn. Infantry (Rains), and 42nd Tenn. Infantry (Quarles). Other units, organized elsewhere, trained here; among them were Woodard's 2nd Ky. Cavalry.

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LOCATION: ROBERTSON CO.; US 41, at crossroads leading into Cedar Hill.

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Mrs. L. W. McCown  
512 E. Unaka Avenue  
Johnson City, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. McCown:

Thank you very much for your letter of April 28. I have gone carefully over this and the enclosed information and since I can find nothing in your letter or the enclosure at variance with the information on the prospective marker, I shall go ahead and order the marker unless you have some special feature that you would like to have changed.

The information which you sent me is extremely useful and we expect to use this in preparing marker data for about three markers to cover Carter's East Tennessee raid. These markers we expect to place at Blountville, Bluff City and Carter's Station.

It is of course most appropriate that we consider markers descriptive of the activities of Captain Dan Ellis who, as I recall it, gained fame as "The Red Fox" in The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come. There is available his Memoirs and I think with the information you give me and these we can prepare the two markers you recommend.

With repeated thanks for your letter and best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

CAMPBELL H. BROWN



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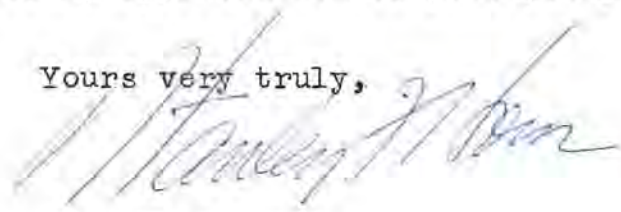
Dear Mrs. McCown:

In your capacity as a member of the Historical Markers Committee of the Civil War Centennial Commission (as well as a member of the similar committee of the Tennessee Historical Commission), we sent you several weeks ago a list of twelve markers which the Civil War Centennial Commission proposes to erect.

The other members of our Markers Committee (Mr. Vernon Sharp and Mr. Seale Johnson) have approved these markers, but so far we have not heard from you. You understand, of course, that the wording for the markers, as well as the question of whether they shall be placed, is subject to the approval of the Committee, and if you have any objection to any of these or if you think the wording of any of them should be changed, I shall be glad to convey your views to the other members of the Committee. If you approve the markers as submitted, we can now go ahead and have these made, and thus get our marker program under way.

Assuring you of my appreciation of your prompt reply, I am

Yours very truly,



STANLEY F. HORN  
Chairman

SFH:mdb



May 12, 1961

Mr Stanley F Horn, Chairman  
Civil War Centennial Commission

2916 Sidco Drive,  
Nashville, Tenn .

Dear Mr Horn---

Your letter surprised me, for I had replied to the letter with the Marker data in it on April 28. I looked in my file to see about it. This letter came from Col Brown, and I delayed from Mar 28- until Apr 28 to reply for the reason that I had been ill, and then I wanted to call on the Hunter sisters- who live in the Alfred Moore Carter home, built in 1818-19, to get data from them.

I'm sure that Col Brown has my letter, and also the data on Gen Samuel P Carter, taken from an 1890 publication of records of men who were then living. Gen Carter died in 1891. He (Col Brown) replied that the data I sent him would be invaluable to you all in compiling the markers which will be placed commemorating his East Tenn Raid.

I would have stated on the marker that this home was built by his father, Alfred Moore Carter, and there the three sons- Samuel P Carter, Wm B Carter and James P T Carter was all born. All three of these men were outstanding in their services to our country. I did not comment on the other markers, as they were all in the middle part of our state, and I knew that you others members of the Committee were more capable of writing them, than am I. Assuring you of my heartiest co-operation with you on this committee, and I would never be a stumbling block to you.

I am enclosing a report of our oldest Cemetery in Johnson City- Oak Hill Cemetery, which I have had the joy and task of resurrecting from oblivion during the past sixteen years. Col Robert Love, who commanded the 62nd North Carolina Regiment during the War, and who encamped in the town of Johnson City- at the Brushy Creek Campground at that time, later coming here in 1867 and buying a farm, right in the town limits, founded Oak Hill in June 1867, when his daughter died and was buried on the hill above his house.

He allowed other townfolk to use the site for the nuriel of their loved ones. Later it has been enlarged from the original half acre, given by Col Love and Samuel H Miller, to four and one half acres.

All of the ddder families, including my own, are buried there. We have fifty-eight Confederates, and one hundred and twenty veterans of other wars, including the War of 1812, there. I have been listing all the burials therein, and plan to compile and will likely mimeograph the copies, a list of all Veterans graves with some family data and news itmes about them. For many years I have copied Cemeteries in East Tennessee, and I hope to be able to compile a list of all Veterans from these Cemeteries.

Sincerely yours,



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Mrs. L. W. McCown,  
512 East Unaka Avenue,  
Johnson City, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. McCown:

Thank you for your letter of May 12. I am sorry to have worried you further about the matter of the markers, but I got the impression from Colonel Brown that he had not heard from you about this. Our offices are several miles apart and I don't see him every day and sometimes communications between us breaks down.

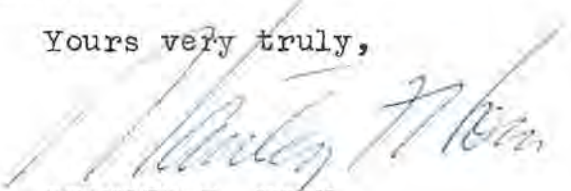
I recall some of the trouble the Tennessee Historical Commission had about some of its historical markers and I may lean backward in my desire to have the accuracy and desirability of the Civil War Centennial Commission markers definitely determined before they are erected.

I have instructed Colonel Brown to submit the wording for all the markers to the members of the Markers Committee and get their approval before any markers are made, as I certainly don't want any markers erected that will be subject to future criticism.

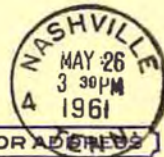
I thank you for sending me the information about your local cemetery and I congratulate you on the work you have done there. It is depressing to observe how often our old cemeteries are neglected, and it is a good thing that there are people like you who will do something to avoid this neglect.

With best wishes, I am

Yours very truly,

  
STANLEY F. HORN,  
Chairman

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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mrs. L. W. McCown  
512 E. Unaka Avenue  
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CIVIL WAR CENTENNIAL ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

The second annual assembly of Civil War Centennial Committees will be a "dutch-treat" luncheon at the Hermitage Hotel, Nashville, at 12:30 p.m., on Saturday, June 17, 1961, the centennial of the secession of Tennessee from the Union.

For the luncheon, the speaker will be Mr. Virgil Carrington Jones, author of "Mosby, the Grey Ghost," and several other authoritative works on the Civil War.

Price of the luncheon will be \$2.50. Tickets will be available at the hotel.

Please advise, not later than June 5, whether or not you will attend the luncheon, using the attached postage-paid card.

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Dear Mrs. McCown:

When I sent you a copy of my letter of July 19 to Mr. Sharp, in which I enclosed copy for a group of markers, I failed to ask you if you would please approve or disapprove this copy as a member of this Commission's highway marking committee. It is extremely important that we do this in order that when we finally put a marker up there shall be no doubt that it has been approved by persons in authority.

I will send you another tentative list for markers in the near future.

Looking forward to hearing from you, and with best wishes,  
I am

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Campbell H. Brown', written over a horizontal line.

CAMPBELL H. BROWN

CHB/rnk



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August 14, 1961

Col Campbell Brown, Ex Dir-  
Tennessee Civil War Commission  
Nashville, Tenn.

Dear Col Brown-

I have looked over the list of markers which came while we were away the later part of July, and I can see no corrections to be made on them. I have told you before I am not too familiar with the progress of the war in middle Tennessee.

I am preparing text for 3 markers which you suggested that we could place marking the part which Capt Dan Ellis played in his role as Scout and pilot in conducting the Federal troops thru the lines into Kentucky. I know the exact location of their Rendevous at the Valley Forge (O'Brien's Forge) of the Doe River in Carter County. This is near the village of Valley Forge. Then he crossed the south fork of the Holston river near the mouth of Kendrick's Creek where it empties into the Holston river in Sullivan county. This is almost the site of the Hammond bridge over the Holston river between J C & Kingsport. Then he crossed the north fork of Holston near the Tenn-Virginia line. This was en route from Kingsport to Gate City, Va. That marker can be set on the highway at the state line. The crossing was just a few hundred yards over into Virginia.

I will prepare these and send them into you soon.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Mary Hardin McCown (Mrs.L.W.)

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Mrs. L. W. McCown  
512 E. Unaka Avenue  
Johnson City, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. McCown:

Thank you very much for your letter of August 14. We shall proceed with ordering these markers as soon as I get approval from committee members and others who are not as prompt as you are.

I shall look forward to getting the information on the Dan Ellis situation. You may recall that I mentioned that we had 154 nominations for markers. Of course, not all of this number will go up since a great deal of the information consists merely of a nomination and there is nothing to authenticate text for a marker in many cases. This means that every site on which we have authentic information and which is considered to be of sufficient historical importance has just as good a chance as any other.

Again with thanks for your letter and with best wishes,  
I am

Sincerely yours,

  
CAMPBELL H. BROWN

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September 14, 1961

Mrs. L. W. McCown  
Johnson City, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. McCown:

At the Commission meeting on Friday, Stanley Horn asked me to contact all members of the Civil War highway marking committee to request prompt action on marker copy submitted. I failed to ask you if you had sent your copy back, but if not, it would be helpful if you can get around to this shortly.

We are very anxious to have this copy included in the new highway marker guide. This is due off the press, I believe, in about six weeks so we must all act promptly.

It's always a pleasure seeing you at the meeting. I'm sorry that this time there was just time to say "hello."

My very best!

Sincerely,

Seale Johnson

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P-151 - 13th Jan. <sup>Cer -</sup>  
See Letter Andrew Johnson -  
Gen A. C. Gillem, at; Gen  
of Jan - Command of Troops  
Known as The 'Governor's Guards'  
- 1864 Aug 1 -

Sent into East Jan in Apr 1865  
command of 3 Brigades (3 Reg, each)  
to carry out Gen George Stoneman's  
instructions. - He commanded the  
Expedition which killed Gen -  
John H. Morgan -  
Last active service was  
in Mexico War in 1873 -  
Died in Davidson Co. -

p 130 - Volunteer State  
N.C. Hist Review Jan 1961. p 28 et al.  
T. Moore.



Gen A C Gillem -  
Adj Gen Tenn -

"Governors Guards"

West Point 1851 -  
Served in Florida &  
Texas until 1861 -

Commissioned adj Gen - Tenn

on 5-13-1862 -

On Apr 1-1864 - Sent into  
East Tenn & in 1865 - he  
was placed took command  
of 3 Regiments <sup>23 Regt</sup> to carry out  
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Mrs. Leonidas W. McCown  
512 East Unaka Avenue  
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My dear Mrs. McCown,

I was extremely sorry to have missed you on Wednesday when I made a visit to Johnson City. There was nothing particularly important except that it seemed quite inappropriate for me to pass through Johnson City without calling on you.

When I got back to the office, I found that Mr. Sharp and Mr. Johnson had written me approving of the contents of the markers which I submitted on October 13. There now remains only your decision as to modification, approval, or disapproval. As soon as I hear from you, I shall proceed as may be indicated.

Again with best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

  
CAMPBELL H. BROWN

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Col Campbell H Brown,  
Civil War Centennial Commission  
Nashville, Tenn.

Dear Col Brown--

Mr McCown told me that you had been here- Am sorry to have missed seeing you. I have had the script for the markers and have been trying to make out a little more detailed data for Gen A C Gillem- is the reason I have not returned the data. But my world seems to just spin around- with the Cobb House dedication and then every thing else seems to have taken this week to happen. You have both the History of the 13th Tenn Cavalry- and the 4 volume History of Volunteer State-by J T Moore- where his sketch is given. His troops were known as "The Governor's Guards"- after he was commissioned by Andrew Johnson- and if course that comprised the three Brigades- of three Regiments each- which were to carry out Gen Stoneman's orders. If you would give a bit more detailed data on him, I would like it better.

The others are O K- as I have told you, I am not too well informed on the movements in other parts of Tennessee during that period. Having a grandfather in each army, I try to be as neutral as possible. I am surely glad I did not live then. Please tell Mr Horn just how much I wish he could have been here for the Samuel Powhatan Carter marker unveiling. Mrs Seiler said she told you of her plans for the ceremony tomorrow at 1 P M- before their DAR Tour of the Carter houses 2-5 P M. I am to present the marker to Carter County & Elizabethton. She has found a veteran of Spanish American War who knew Gen S P Carter, who will be present.

Sincerely Yours,

Mary Hardin McCown (Mrs.L.W.)



August 24, 1962

Col Campbell H Brown,  
Nashville, Tenn.

Dear Col Brown---

On Aug 3, and again on Aug .15, I received data re Civil War markers for placing. As I have told you previously, my knowledge of much history of that period is rather sketchy for all except for East Tennessee, and that is not too much. In the group send on Aug 15, I notice the second marker data to be placed at the railroad bridge at South Watauga, or Watauga Station as it is today called. The Col Love mentioned was Col Robert Love, of the 62nd North Carolina Regiment. You may want to give him a name. This railroad bridge over the Watauga river there was the bridge which was one of the very first planned for destruction in November 1961 and which Dr Abram Jobe saved at that time. That data is given in the History of the 13th Tennessee Cavalry-Scott & Angel. Col Robert Love's grandfather was an early settler here in east Tennessee, who left and went to Waynesville, N C and was one of its first settlers. Col Robert Love, encamped with his 62 Regiment at the Brush Creek Campground, located on Watauga Avenue in Johnson City, where he received recruits. He later, in 1867 returned to the town and purchased an acreage of land from Tipton Jobe on waters of Brush Creek right in town, where he built a large house on the hill above the creek. When I was a small child I can remember an elevated walkway from his front porch down over the creek to the railway station. It always fascinated me. In later years it was used as a boarding house. Col Robert Love gave, along with Samuel Hunt Miller, the land for the beginnings of Oak Hill Cemetery, our old cemetery right in the heart of Johnson City. He also gave the land on which was built and still remains, the First Presbyterian Church. His grandchildren love here today. He is buried in Oak Hill Cemetery.

There is no state or Federal highway at Watauga Station- The Jeremiah Dubgen mill is located there- Remember what a time we had finding a site to place that marker?

I still want to have some mention made of Capt Dan Ellis and his part as Union guide for the 13th Tennessee Cavalry. I have data for 3 markers for him. I will bring it when I come Sept 7 for the Commission meeting.

We have had a rather ejctic summer- I lost my younger brother on June 10, and we have had lots of company going and coming, for several weeks, besides the visit we made to North Carolina in July, so I have let things go, hence this late reply to your letter.

Sincerely yours,

Mary Hardin McCown (Mrs. L. H. McCown)



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Mrs. L. W. McCown  
512 East Unaka  
Johnson City, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. McCown:

I enclose copy for five markers which we propose to erect to commemorate Wheeler's Raid Around Rosecrans when they are approved by your committee. Will you please look over these and advise me of your modifications or approval at your earliest convenience. I have checked the authenticity of these markers with local historians and have examined the sites at which they are to be erected.

With best wishes for the holidays, I am

Very sincerely yours,

  
CAMPBELL H. BROWN

CHB:jb  
cc: Mr. Vernon Sharp

Enclosure

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WHEELER'S RAID AROUND ROSECRANS

Dec. 29, 1862

Brig. Gen. Joseph Wheeler's Cavalry Brigade bivouaced hereabouts in the evening. At midnight it moved north on Walterhill, then west on Jefferson, on a raid around Rosecrans' advancing army. The brigade consisted of the 1st, 3rd and 51st Alabama, the 8th Confederate Cavalry, Douglass' and Holman's Cavalry Battalions and Wiggins' Arkansas Battery. The 1st Tennessee Cavalry was attached from Pegram's Brigade.

LOCATION: Rutherford County. State Highway 10 (US 231) in vicinity of entrance to Veterans' Hospital.

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WHEELER'S RAID AROUND ROSECRANS

Dec. 30, 1862

Attacking the wagon train of Starkweather's Brigade near here about 10:00 a.m., Wheeler's Brigade destroyed 20 wagons, took some 50 prisoners and a number of horses and mules. Action by the 1st and 21st Wis., 4th Ill., 79th Pa., Inf. and Btry. "A", 1st Ky. Lt. Art., under Starkweather, forced Wheeler to break off the action and withdraw toward Lavergne. The Federal brigade was immobilized in this area.

LOCATION: Rutherford Co., State Highway 102 at junction with Old Jefferson Pike.

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WHEELER'S RAID AROUND ROSECRANS

Dec. 30, 1862

Striking this area about 1:00 p.m., Wheeler attacked with three columns, and captured 200 stands of arms, numerous horses and mules and 500 prisoners, and destroyed the Reserve Wagon Train of the Federal XIV Corps. To forestall further attacks, Col. M. B. Walker's Federal brigade was deflected from its march on Murfreesboro, but the raiders departed south toward Rock Springs.

LOCATION: Rutherford County. Route 1 (US 70S), in Lavergne, about  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile south of county line.



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WHEELER'S RAID AROUND ROSECRANS

Dec. 30, 1862

After destroying a sizeable wagon train at Rock Springs, about six miles northeast, Wheeler's Confederate raiders, late in the afternoon here captured about 200 prisoners, destroyed a wagon train and took with them a number of ambulances. They then moved southwestward, to bivouac about two miles north of Arrington.

LOCATION: Williamson County. Route 11 (US 31A) at crossroads in Nolensville.

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WHEELER'S RAID AROUND ROSECRANS

Dec. 31, 1862

Leaving its overnight bivouac three miles west, Wheeler's Cavalry Brigade, having passed completely around Rosecrans' army, crossed the highway here about 3:30 a.m., rejoining Bragg's Army of Tennessee in time to actively screen its left flank during the Battle of Murfreesboro.

LOCATION: Williamson County. Route 11 (US 31A) at junction with McCandless Road, 5 miles south of Nolensville.

Dec 8, 1962.

Dear Col Brown-~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Executive Sec  
Tennessee Civil War Commission  
Nashville, Tenn.

Dear Col Brown---

This is to state that the recent list- of Nov 27,  
1962 of Markers proposed which you sent to me to look over, is O K  
in as so far as I can determine.

As I have told you- the greater part of the Civil War was fought  
in areas other than those with which I am familiar, so I do not  
pretend to be an authority on it.

I am still hoping that maybe during 1963, you will get around to  
publishing that Roster of the 13th Regiment of Cavalry of the  
Federal Armies of East Tennessee. You can get this from the  
Scott & Angel's History of the 13th Regiment of Cavalry~~History~~.  
To my mind, this would be a great contribution to the history of the  
struggle. For, as you know, that History has been scarce for years.  
I saw somewhere that someone was offering \$50 for a copy.

I still plan to get Capt Dan Ellis' markers set up- it seems that I  
have too many demands on my time, and am swamped most of the time.

With best wishes for a Happy Christmas, I am,

Yours sincerely,

Mrs L W McCown



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Mrs. Leonidas W. McCown  
512 East Unaka Avenue  
Johnson City, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. McCown:

Thank you very much for your letter of December 8. We shall go ahead with the erection of the markers covering the Wheeler Raid within the near future.

I visited your part of the world last week, but am extremely sorry that I was unable to get over to see you. The weather was so bad that I was afraid that I might not be able to make my schedule, so had to defer the pleasure of a visit.

The roster of the 13th Tennessee Cavalry, USA, will be included as part of the large general roster, which we expect to form part 2 of our Military History.

I shall be glad to consider work on the Ellis markers, if you will send the material to me.

With many thanks for your letter and best wishes for the season, I am

Sincerely yours,

CAMPBELL H. BROWN

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January 9, 1963

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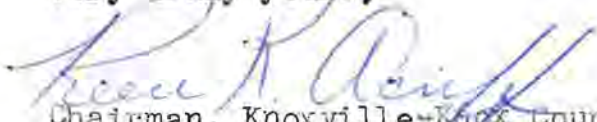
Dear Mrs. McCown:

You are invited to attend and participate in a regional meeting of all Civil War Centennial Representatives in East Tennessee on Sunday Afternoon February 3, 1963 at 1:30 PM at Confederate Memorial Hall 3148 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, Tennessee.

This meeting is being called to give an opportunity for all committees to report on their work and plans for 1963. The meeting will acquaint you with the work of the other committees and give us an opportunity to coordinate our work.

The Knoxville-Knox County Group is host to this meeting. UDC 89 has given permission for our use of Confederate Memorial Hall for this meeting. Mr. Campbell Brown of the state office will attend.

Very truly yours,

  
Chairman, Knoxville-Knox County  
Civil War Centennial Committee



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512 East Unaka Ave,  
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Jan 25, 1963.

Col Campbell H Brown, Dir.  
Civil War Commission in Tenn.  
Nashville, Tenn.

Dear Col Brown &  
Mr Wiggintom,

Recently your letter to me concerning those companies which were raised in Washington county during the Civil War. Now, I am going to Jonesboro soon and will take this letter and discuss it with Charles Bennett, a local man who does know Civil War data.

You say, you do not know of any Federal Units which were from Washington county. The ~~19th~~ 13th- Tennessee Volunteer Cavalry was recruited from men from all of the upper East Tennessee counties. It seems to me that this year of 1963 would be a fine time to reprint that Roster which is contained in that History of the 13th Regiment. There is copy in Nashville in Library. You know that after Gov Isham Harris took over and Tennessee seceded that Union companies had to be recruited secretly and that most likely no one company had in it men just from one county.

I have filed all data sent to me from your office, and plan to preserve it in some concrete form later. I would surely welcome the records which are in the back of that history. Now- a word about the Markers which are for the CARTER'S RAID into East Tenn. Mr Thompson, of Highway Dept. called me to ask concerning the location of that one at the Watauga river Bridge. You may not know that the sattle finally did get to rebuilding that worn out highway bridge across the river near that site. Every thing is torn up at this time, so I told Mr Thompson to just hold that marker, until they get the bridge finished, and then it can be located.

Now- # 3- Just yesterday I had copy of a very fine newsy letter from one A H BULLOCK, of Sullivan Co., which was dated - just after the Battle of Chicamauga in 1863, and published on Oct 8, 1863 in a Bristol paper called "The Southern Advocate"- He was in Co E, of the 63rd East Tenn Regiment C S A- & gives a list of those wounded and killed- 6 killed & 27 wounded- of that Company; then also gives casualties in Capt Morrell's Company (does not give Name of that company ).

These are all Sullivan county men, names well known to me. I knew old Bro A H Bullock, who was a member of my Christian church here in Johnson City, when I was a child. This would be a fine item for publication in your News Letters.

Again- I do plan to get my Capt Dan Ellis' route data soon.  
Sincerely yours,

Mary Hardin McCown (Mrs

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Mrs. Leonidas W. McCown  
512 Unaka Avenue  
Johnson City, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. McCown:

Thank you very much for your letter of January 25.  
It is always a great pleasure to hear from you.

It was our thinking that recipients of the Civil War military data in each county in Tennessee would make some inquiries in the right quarters and I am very grateful to you for your interest. I might suggest that the local newspapers would be glad to use the material we have sent out as a possible basis for a news story to which would be coupled a call for additional information. We have already had clippings from several papers from which it is apparent that some of the correspondents in the field have made use of our letters in this way.

Thank you also for interesting yourself in the matter of the markers for Carter's Raid. I was in some doubt about the location even after I had made a trip up there. I stopped at the Highway Garage in Knoxville and asked the highway marking man there to put the marker that you have in mind along State Highway 37, as near as possible to the bridge over the Watauga River. This, of course, I realize is not too satisfactory, but it seemed to me at the time to be the best location. From your letter I gather that considerably more relocation of highways is going on in that area and I would therefore leave to your decision the matter of placement of this particular marker, only asking that you advise me as soon as it is done as to the location, which you have given to the Highway Department.



STATE OF TENNESSEE  
CIVIL WAR CENTENNIAL COMMISSION

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We read with interest about the newspaper entry by Mr. Bullock. As you suggested, I am retaining this information and will probably put it in a forthcoming bulletin. Information such as this seems to inspire other workers in the field to greater efforts.

With repeated thanks for your letter and best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,



CAMPBELL H. BROWN

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Johnson City, Tenn.  
Jan 31, 1963

Mr R K Acuff, Chairman  
Knox Co Civil War Centennial Committee  
420 West Church St,  
Knoxville, Tenn.

Dear Mr Acuff---

I regret that it will be impossible for me to be with you all next Sunday at your Civil War Centennial meeting.

I am afraid that we are not doing too much here in Washington county. I have been doing some research on the side- and I have written to Col Brown some of my ideas for 1963.

I think this year would be a grand time to reprint the Roster of the 13th Tennessee Volunteer Cavalry which is contained in the History of that Regiment by Scott & Angel. There is also a partial listing of the 4th Tenn. Infantry- under Col Dan Stover.

Up to this time, it seems that they have spent their time trying to get all the Confederate Regiments into print. This 13th Tenn Cavalry was recruited in the fall of 1863 and rendezvoused at Strawberry Plains near Knoxville. Of course you know that after Tennessee Seceded those men who still believed in the UNION had to hide out or go thru the lines to get to a federal regiment.

We have been trying to locate and mark if unmarked, the graves of men on either side, and we hope to have the county ones recorded by 1965. That is a stupendous task- Try it once and you can see.

Best wishes for a good meeting and let me hear any plans you formulate for the year.

Yours truly,

Mary Hardin McCown (Mrs.L.W.)

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Mrs. L. W. McCown  
512 East Unaka  
Johnson City, Tennessee

Dear Mrs. McCown:

It was very thoughtful of you to send us the pictures of the mule-drawn artillery piece from McMinnville enroute to Washington. Whatever else they may have done, they created a very large volume of newspaper clippings, and it might interest you to look at them the next time you are in the Library and Archives Building.

Thank you also for being so cooperative with Mr. Wigginton on his recent visit. The reports of Captain Semmes seem to me to be of particular use, and we shall stand by in the future for anything else of this type which you may turn up.

Incidentally, Mr. Wigginton's camera suffered a casualty on this last trip, so we are still without pictures of the monument of the staging area and training camp on Lamont Avenue in Johnson City. Will you please see if you can get the Press Chronicle or some other agency to send us a 5x7 slick print, black and white, of this monument. We will be glad to pay for it.

With repeated thanks and best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

CAMPBELL H. BROWN

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512 East Unaka Ave,  
Johnson City, Tenn  
May 22, 1963

Col Campbell H Brown, Dir-  
~~Chattahoochee~~-Centennial Commission  
Nashville, Tenn.

Dear Col Brown----

Altho my Civil War knowledge is always very haz  
I find in the WILLIAMS ISLAND marker an impossible situation-  
James J Andrews, leader of Andrews Raid, who was arrested  
on May 31, 1862.... later was hanged in Atlanta on May 7,  
1862. There is something in error with one of these dates.

I do not have available data which would decide that date,  
but most likely you have there in the Archives. But, do not  
put that on a marker!

The next one- BRIDGE BURNERS--

I have always heard that the reason the bridges were burnt  
was to cut the supply lines for the Confederacy, so that  
they could not receive supplies. I do not believe that  
the wording on this marker is good. How would burning the  
bridges help facilitate invasion from Kentucky by Federal  
forces? I cannot see thru that statement.

That is all my comments on the enclosed list.

Sincerely yours,  
Mrs L W McCown

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215 West Unaka Ave,  
Johnson City, Tenn.  
May 6, 1964

Col. Campbell Brown,  
Civil War Centennial Commission,  
Tenn. State Library Bldg.,  
Nashville, Tenn.

Dear Col Brown--

May 5, 1964

Enclosed find the data for the Civil War marker

for LYON'S RAID-- which you and me to approve.

So far as I know, it is O.K.

Yours sincerely,  
Mr. Vernon Sharp  
3312 West End Avenue  
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Vernon:  
Mrs. L. W. McCown  
(Mrs. L. W. McCown)

The people at Cumberland City have long been anxious to get a marker to cover the action occurring during Lyon's Raid on December 9, 1864. In that connection I have a letter from you as chairman of the Historical Commission's Marker Committee.

I checked this information out yesterday, and have prepared the enclosed copy for the marker. I will appreciate your approving it and advising me at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

  
CAMPBELL H. BROWN

CHB:jb  
Enclosure  
cc: Mr. Seale B. Johnson  
Mrs. L. W. McCown

512 East Unaka Ave,  
Johnson City, Tenn.  
May 6, 1964

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Civil War Centennial Commission,  
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Yours sincerely,  
Mary Hardin McCown (Mrs L.W.)  
Nashville, Tennessee

The people at Cumberland City have long been anxious to  
get a marker to cover the action occurring during Lyon's Raid  
on December 9, 1861. In that connection I have a letter from  
you as editor of the "Text" for my files. I kept the letter.

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it and advising me at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

CAMPBELL BROWN

Mr. & Mrs. L. W. McCown  
512 East Unaka Ave.  
Johnson City, Tenn.



5-5-64-

Gen. Hylan B. Lyon's Confederate Cavalry Brigade ferried here on the raid through West Kentucky, Middle Tennessee and North Alabama, using the Federal steamer Ben South, captured by gunfire of Gracey's Battery under Lt. R. B. Matthews. They later captured the steamer Thomas E. Tutt and towboat Echo with four barges, a Federal lt. col. and 49 other prisoners. The vessels were burned and sunk in the channel off this point.

LOCATION: Stewart County, Route 149, on SW edge of Cumberland City, as directed by Mr. Dave Bradley.

The following Granite upright monument stands on south side of Lamont Street, at its intersection with Tennessee St. en route to Veteran's Administration.

" 1861

Here was Training Camp for Confederate Regiments from the South on their way by rail to Virginia to join General Lee;

In front of this marker was the Parade Ground.

Erected by U C Chapter of United Daughters of the Confederacy."

I feel sure that this must have been by the Johnson City Chapter, U D C, but the inscription is plain as can be-- U C Chapter.

You can feel free to change it to J C Chapter, as I think that is what it meant to be.

If there are others, either federal or confederate here in this area, I do not know of them.

I thought that Mrs Winton Chambers had sent this in to you, but when I asked her recently she said she had not done so. I do not belong to the U D C, and felt that it was their obligation to report this one. Anyhow, here it is.

Yours sincerely,

Mary Hardin McCewa (Mrs. L.W.)