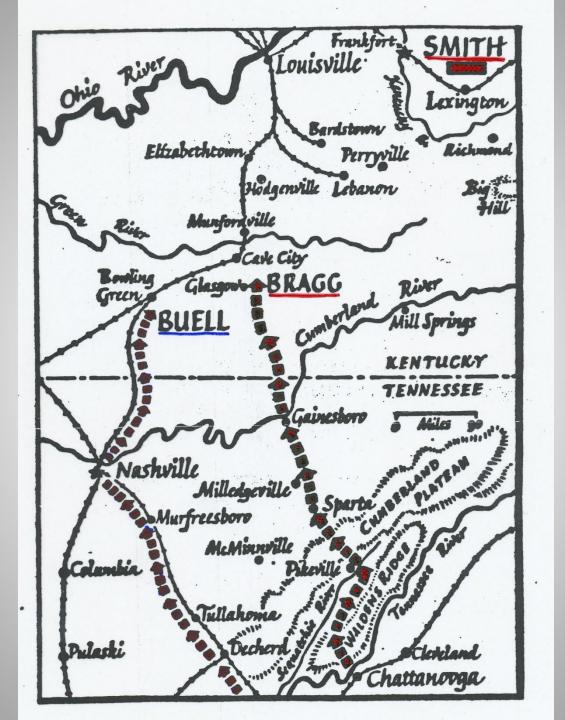
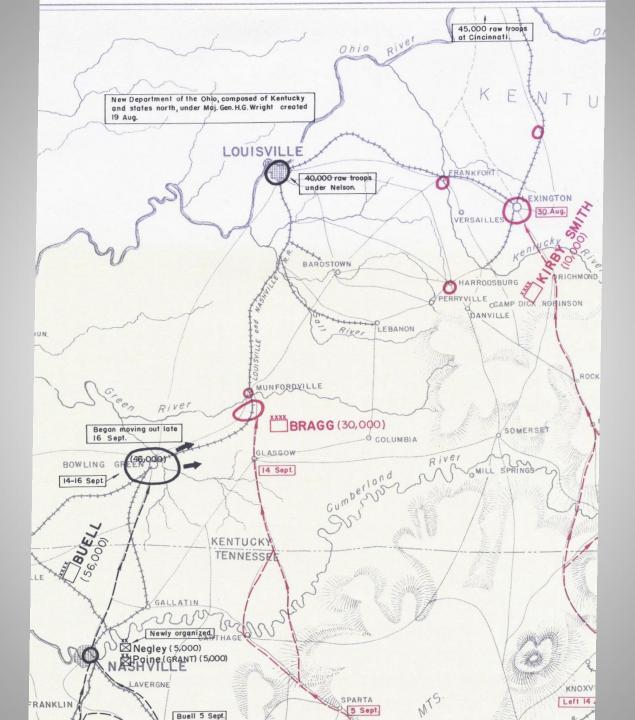
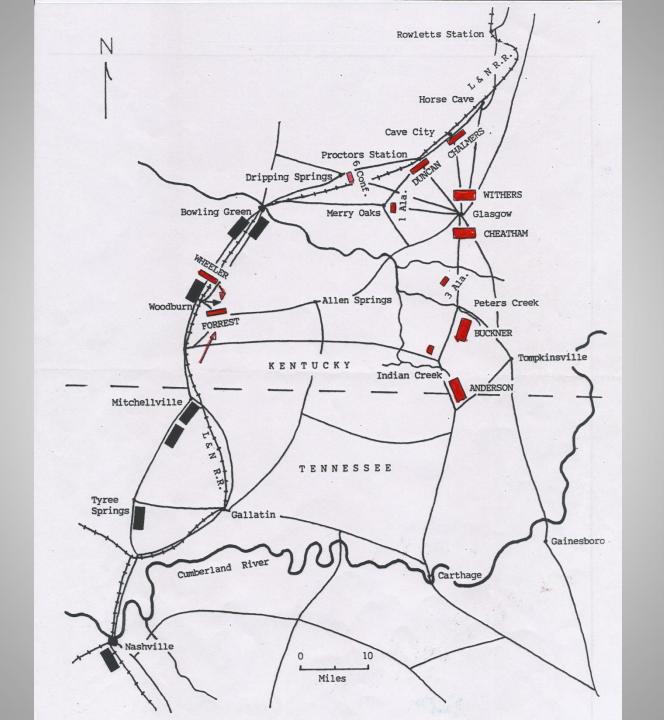
## The Civil War in Kentucky 7

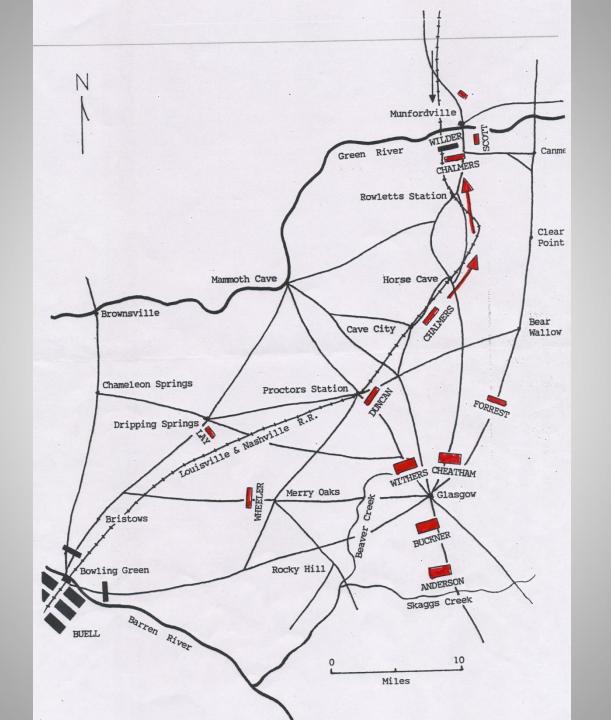
## FRIDAY AUG 29TH [1862]

Nelson was furious at the way Metcalf's men behaved & had the straglers arrested wherever found. They were taken to Col. McCook's camp near Lex. & every one made to run round a stump for 24 hours without stopping. A company of the 93d Ohio1 has been encamped in the college lawn near our house as provost guard but left today & another company (from the 52 Ohio<sup>2</sup> I believe) has taken their place. A right funny story is told of Gen Nelson. When he was in Nashville or Danville, I forget which, he was one day passing a house at the door of which stood a very fine lady who spit on him when he was opposite to her. "Madame" said he "I don't allow anyone to treat me in that manner so you must apologize. I've been looking around for a house that will do for a hospital & I have 50 smallpox patients in my regiment. If you don't make me your best curtsey and apologize in the words I dictate, I shall quarter them on you." The lady obeyed at once & never gave him any more trouble. (He didn't really have any smallpox cases among his men, just said it to scare her).







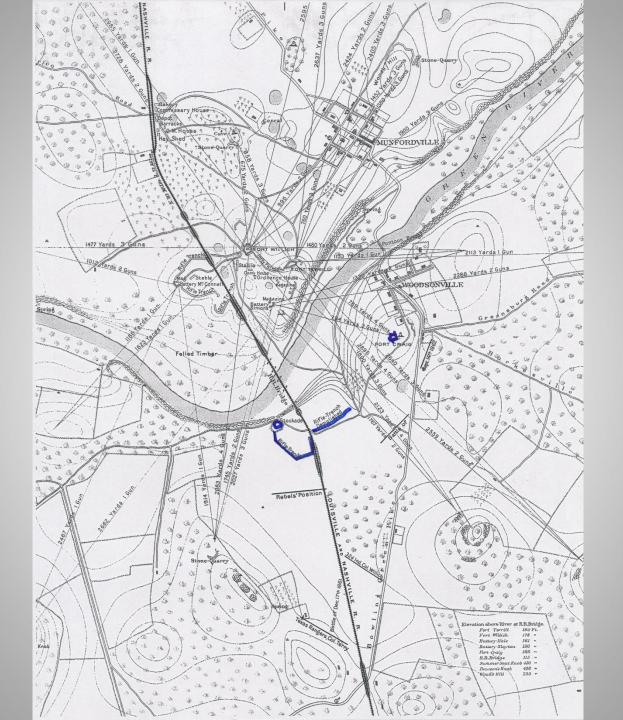


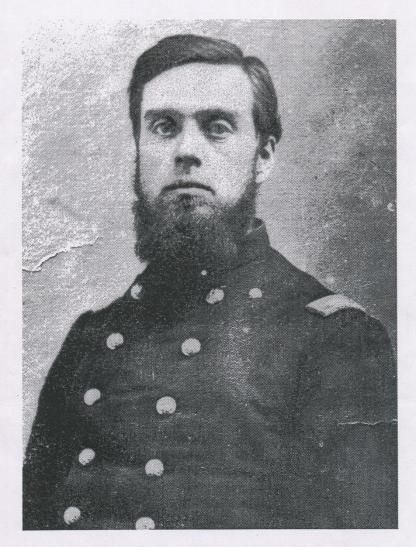


Old Munfordville



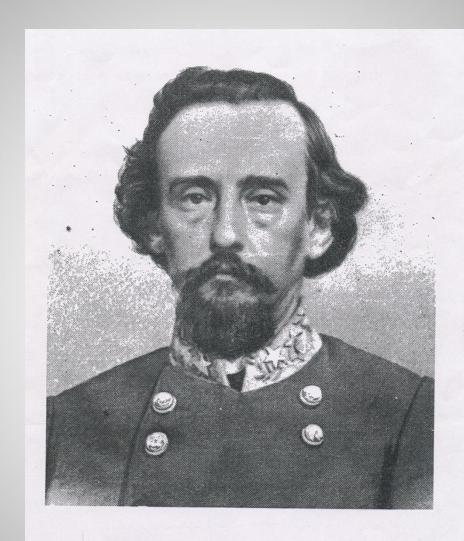
UNION FORT AT MUNFORDVILLE, CAPTURED BY BRAGG, SEPTEMBER 17, 1862—THE GREEN RIVER BRIDGE ON THE LEFT. FROM A PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN IN 1886.



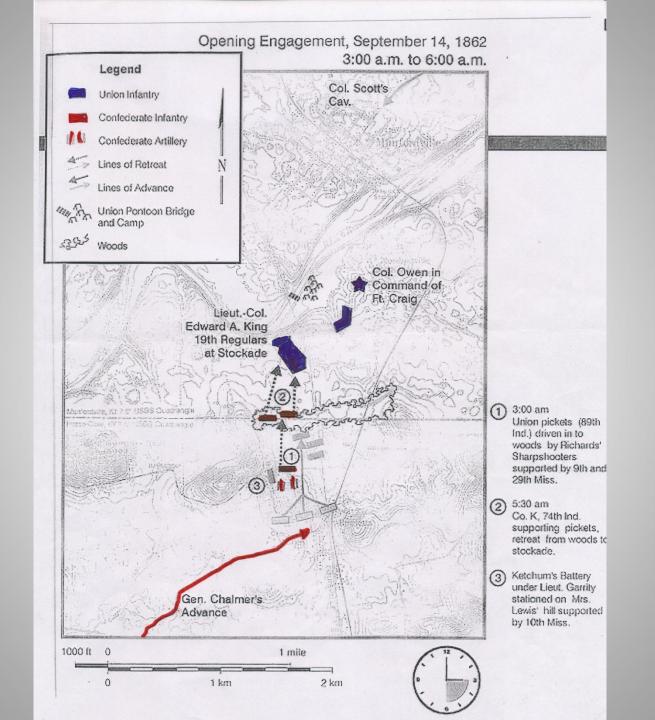


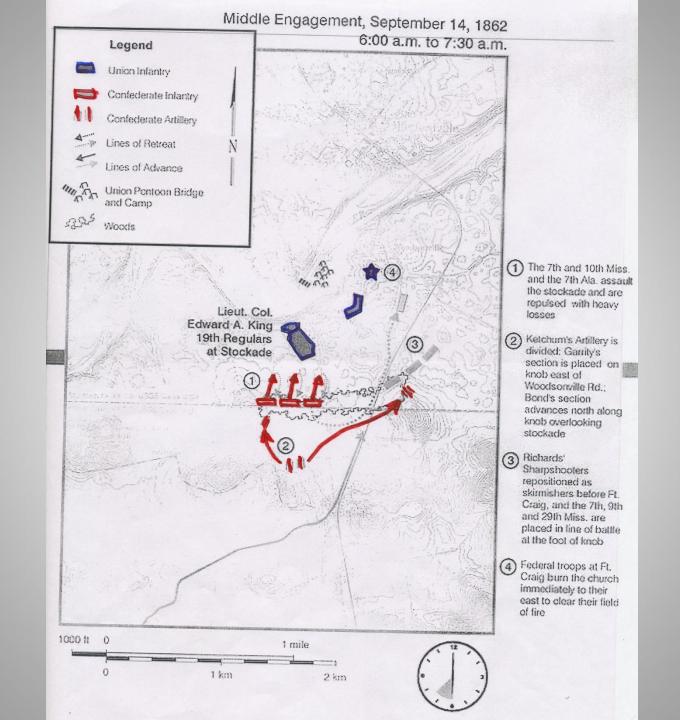
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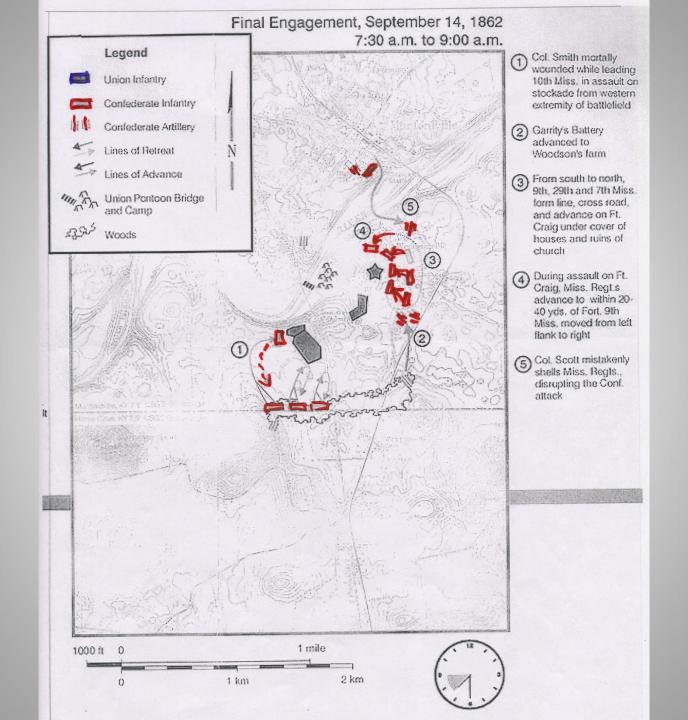
New York-born and an Indiana industrialist when the war began, Wilder held Munfordville for nine days during the approach of Gen. Braxton Bragg's army,

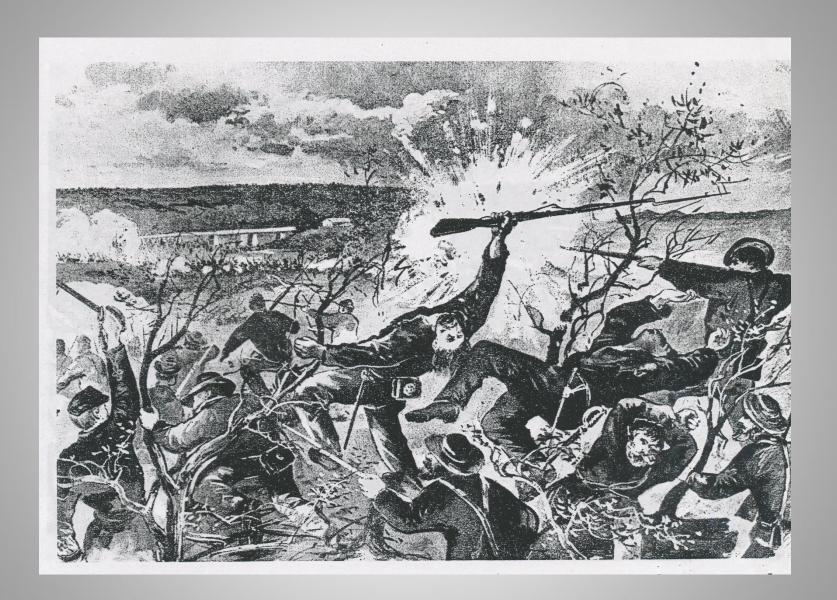


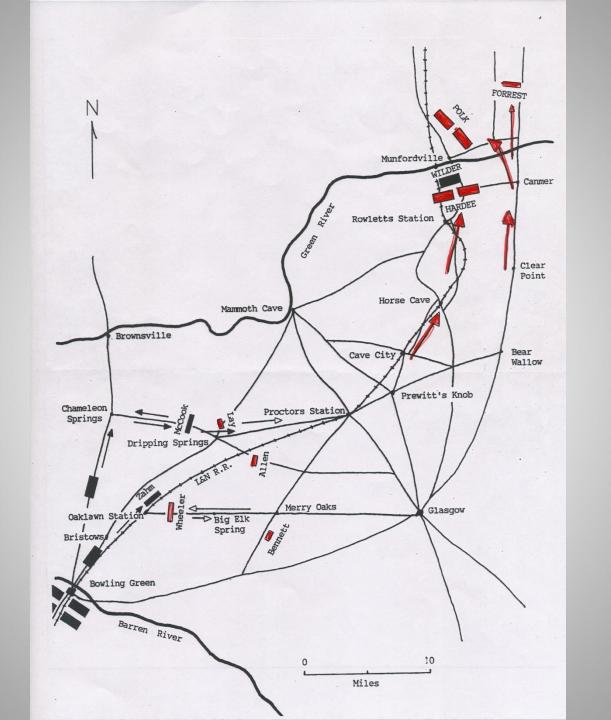
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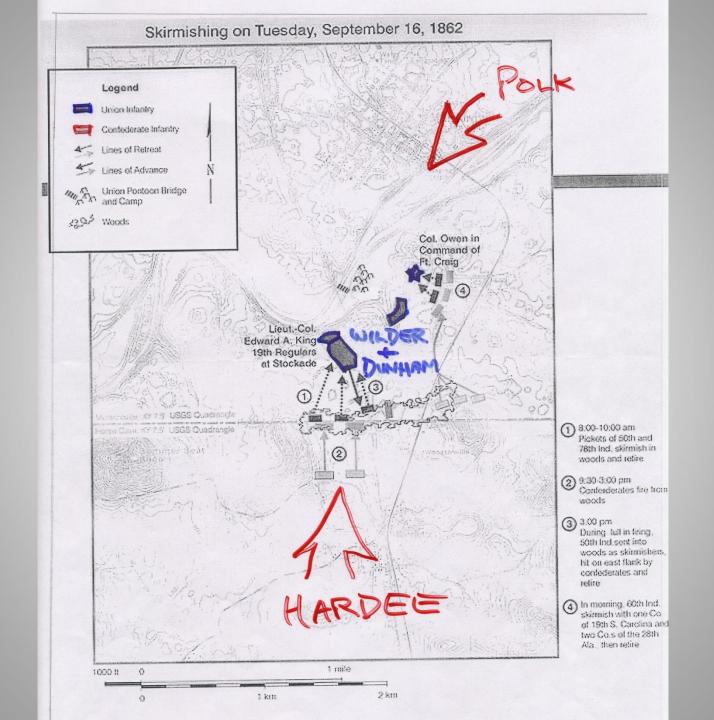


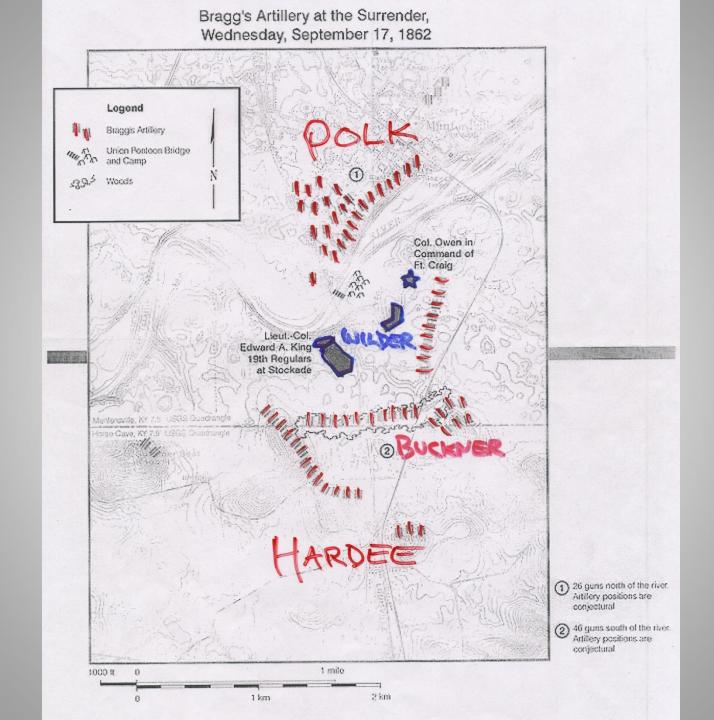


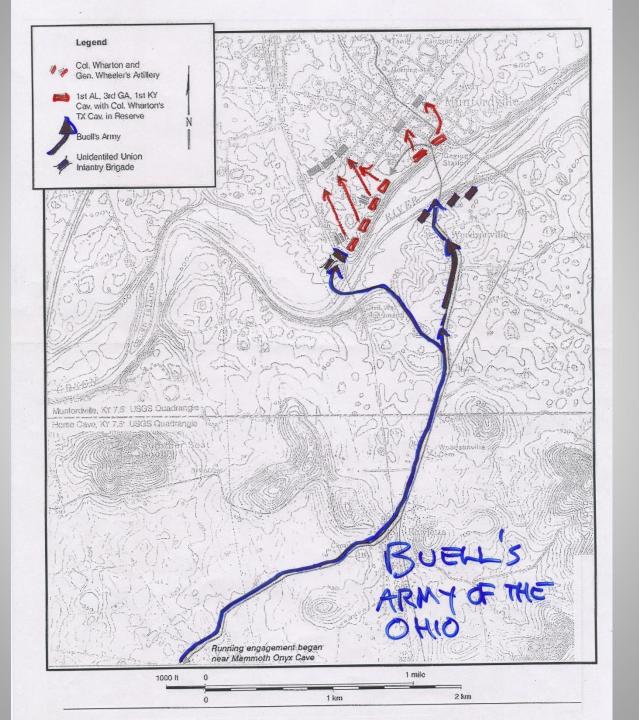


















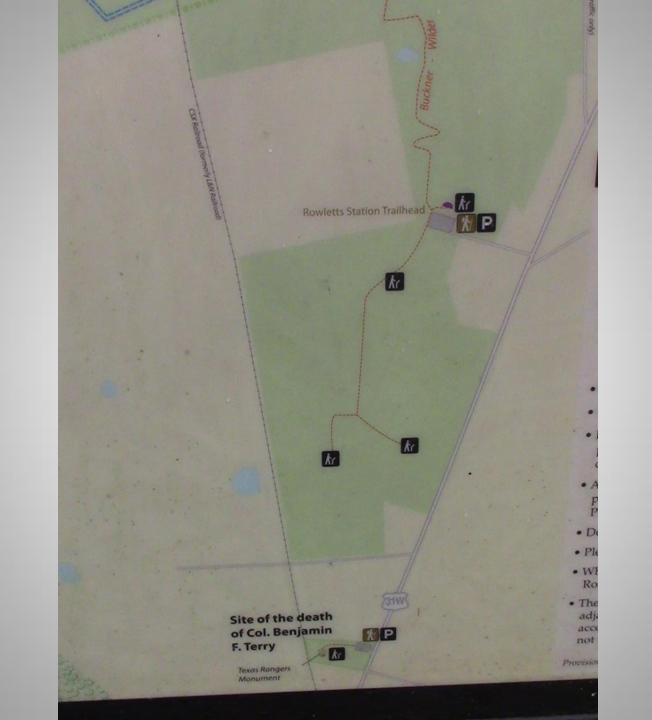
## For Your Safety - And to Protect the Preserve

- The land of the Preserve is not publicly owned. Virtually all of it is farmland, held by private landowners, the Hart County Historical Society, or the Civil War Preservation Trust. Please remain on the developed trails and do not trespass onto private areas. This is a rural setting—please respect its life and work.
- The railroad track and right-of-way are the property of CSX Corporation, which runs several trains per day on this line. There is no designated crossing within the Preserve. DANGER Trains cannot stop if you are in their way. Make no attempt to cross the railroad for any reason.
- Relic-hunting is forbidden throughout the Preserve.
- · Because of fire risk, smoking is prohibited on the trails.
- Pace yourself on the trails and avoid overheating. Always carry plenty of water – no water sources on the Preserve should be considered safe to drink.
- All animals and plants are protected in the Preserve. Do not pick plants or feed or harm wildlife. No fishing is permitted in the Preserve's ponds.
- · Do not throw litter on the trail
- Please park only in the parking areas provided for your convenience.
- When visiting the Stockade Trail, note that the Rush Island Bend Road is single-lane. Use caution and drive slowly.
- The Charlie Dowling Road, Woodsonville Road, and Bragg Avenue adjacent to the Preserve are residential access roads, and not for access to the Preserve. Please respect the local community and do not use them.

Provisions of KRS 411.190 apply throughout the Preserve.





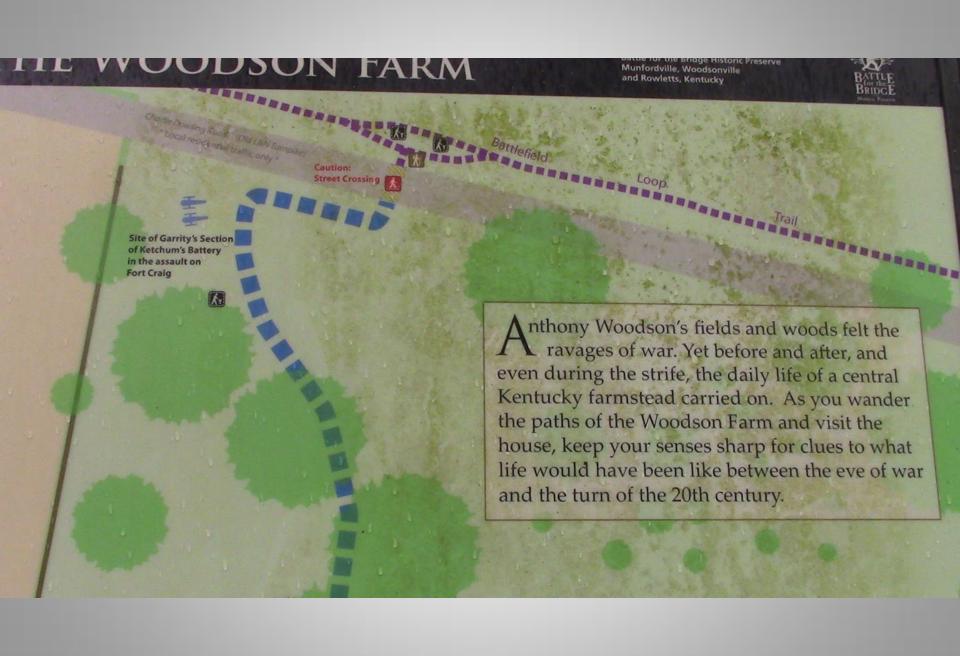


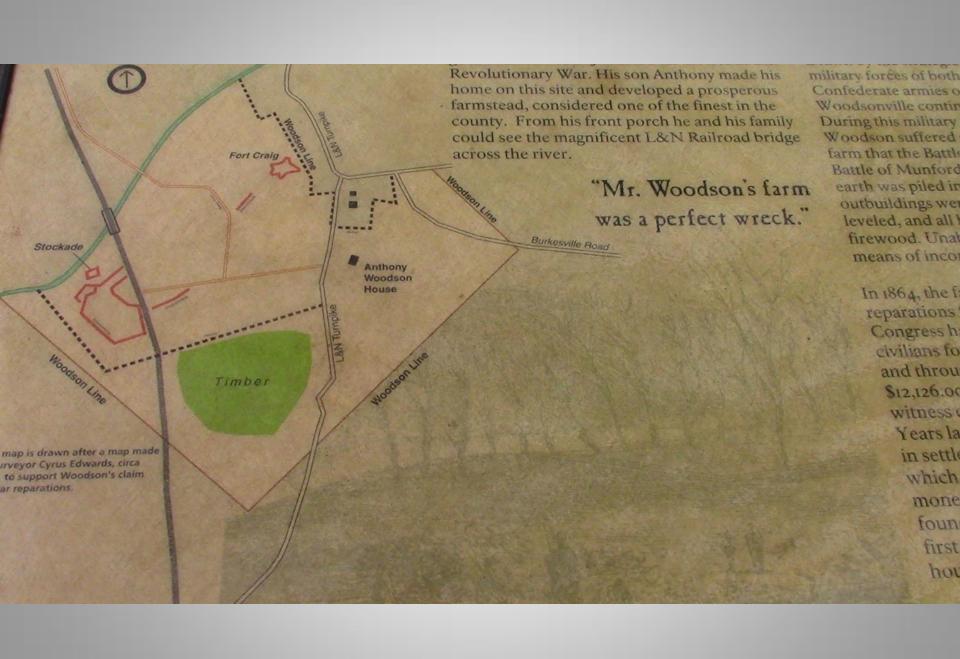












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That bridge would be Woodson's undoing.
Drawn by the strategic importance of the bridge,
military forces of both the Union and
Woodsonville continually throughout the war.
Woodson suffered great losses, as it was on his
Battle of Munfordville were fought. His fertile
earth was piled into fortifications, his barns and
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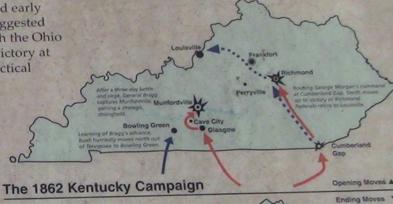
In 1864, the family filed a claim for war reparations from the Federal Government. Congress had passed act to reimburse loyal civilians for losses caused by the armies in battle and through occupation. Woodson's claim for \$12,126.00 was at first disallowed because a witness described him as "a Southern man." Years later the family finally accepted \$4,594.00 in settlement, in time to rebuild their house, which had recently burned. They used the money to rebuild their home using the same foundation and much the same design as the first. The Summer Kitchen at the rear of the house is original.

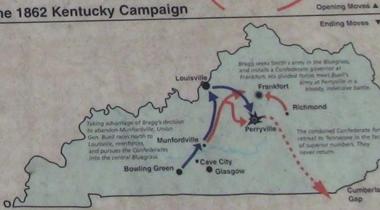


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In the Civil War, Kentucky was one of the "border states," allowing slavery but not seceding. Kentucky's early neutrality gave way as competing forces sought to force Kentuckians to take sides. The state would become pivotal for its rails and rivers linking North and South.

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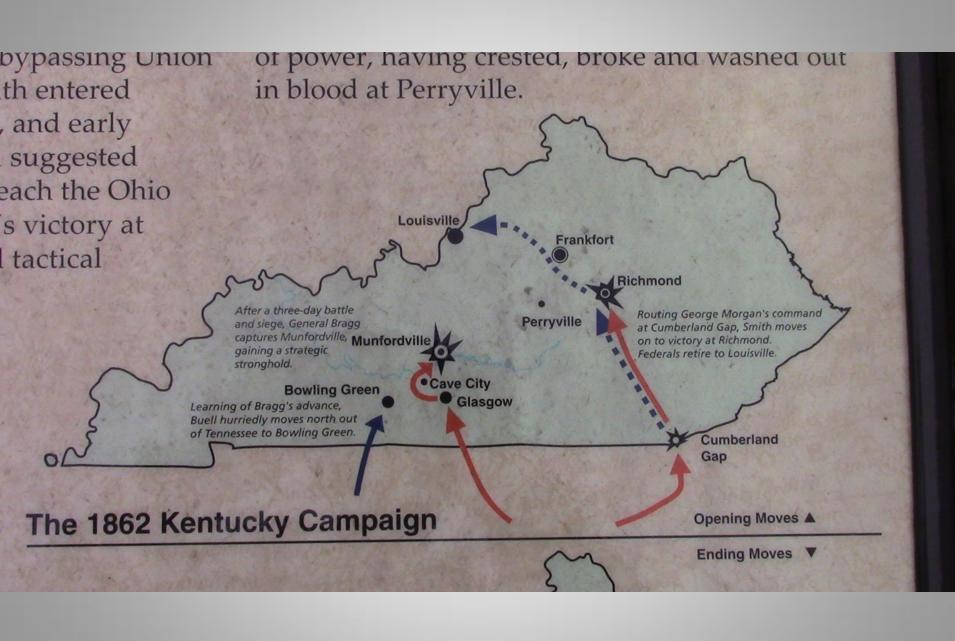
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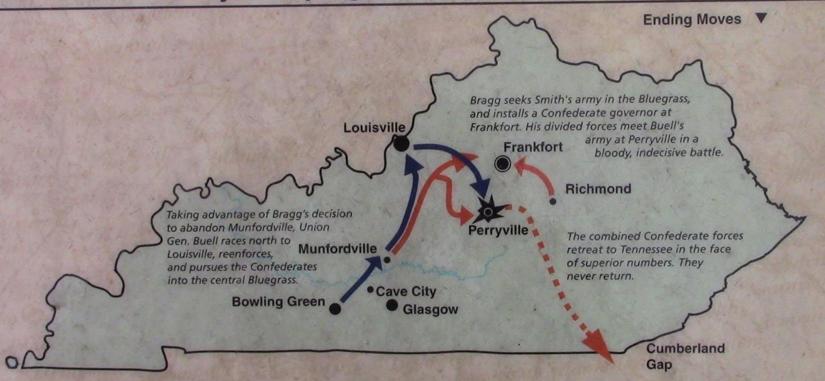
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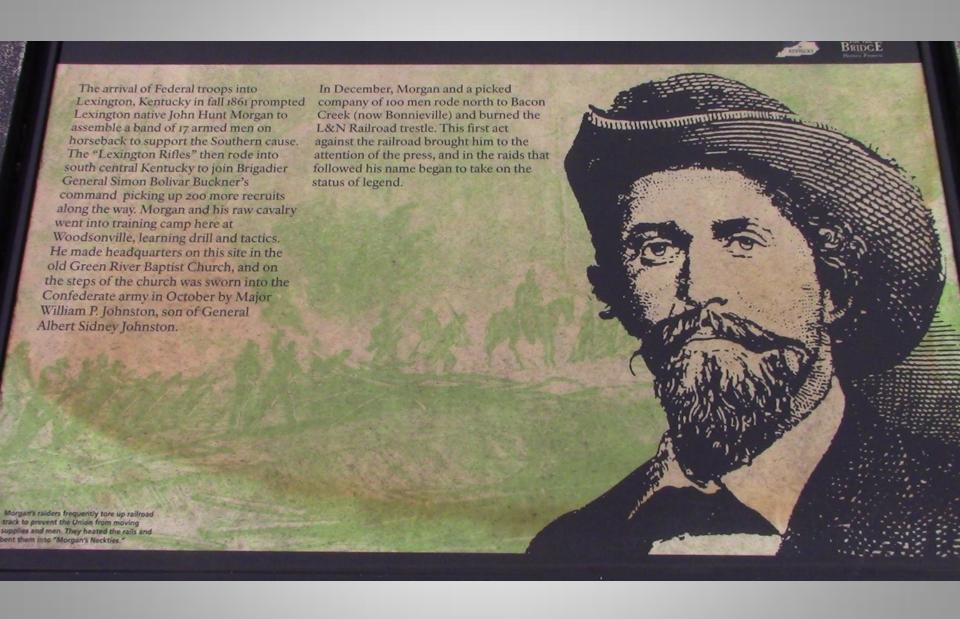
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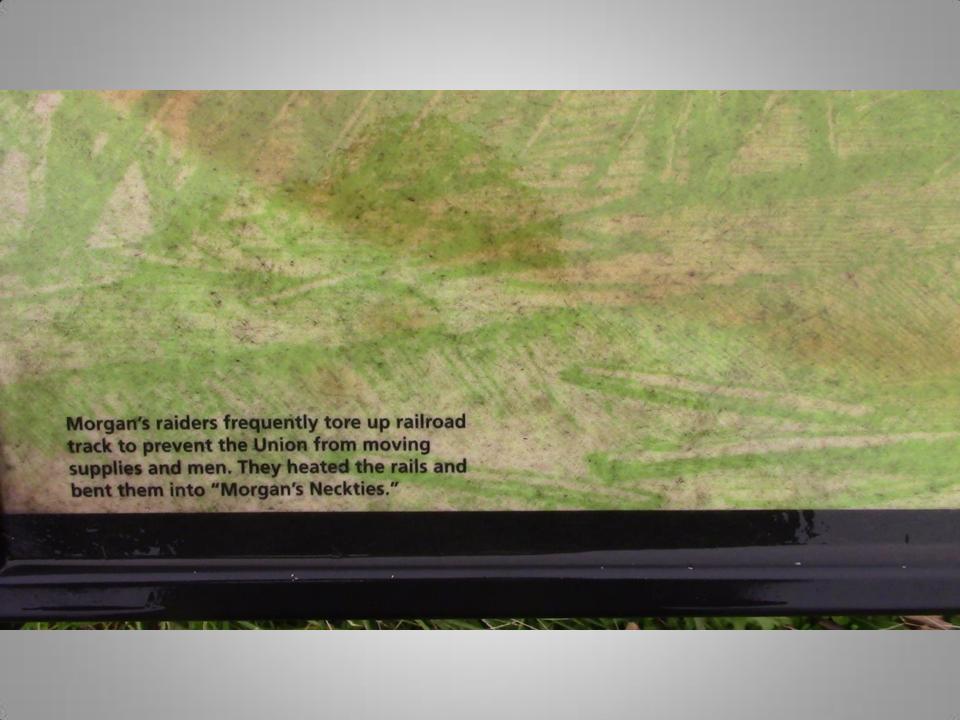


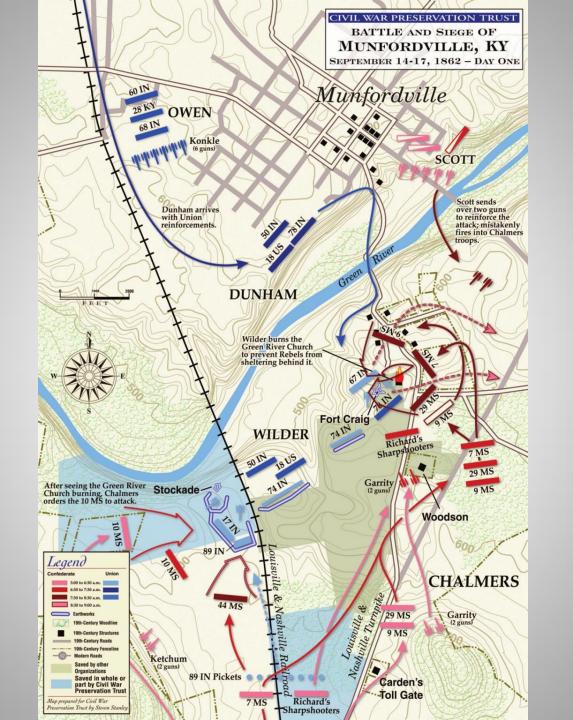


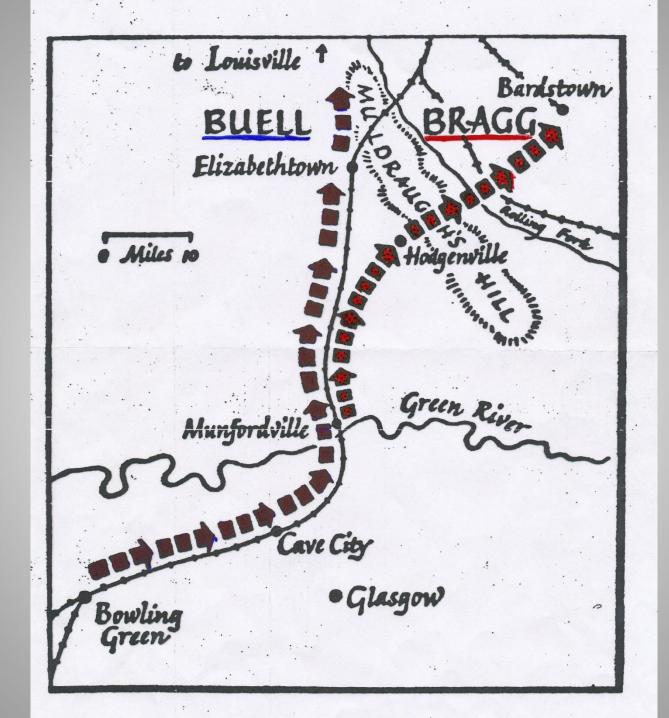


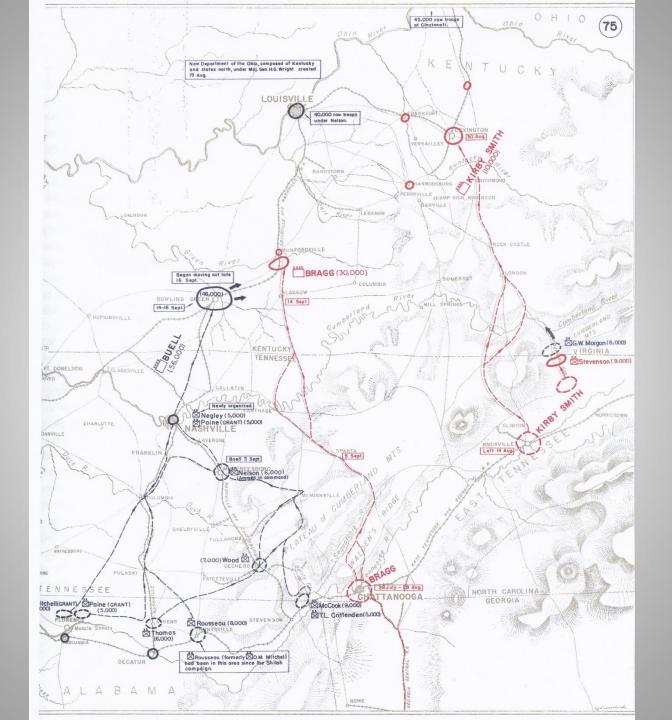
The arrival of Federal troops into Lexington, Kentucky in fall 1861 prompted Lexington native John Hunt Morgan to assemble a band of 17 armed men on horseback to support the Southern cause. The "Lexington Rifles" then rode into south central Kentucky to join Brigadier General Simon Bolivar Buckner's command picking up 200 more recruits along the way. Morgan and his raw cavalry went into training camp here at Woodsonville, learning drill and tactics. He made headquarters on this site in the old Green River Baptist Church, and on the steps of the church was sworn into the Confederate army in October by Major William P. Johnston, son of General Albert Sidney Johnston.

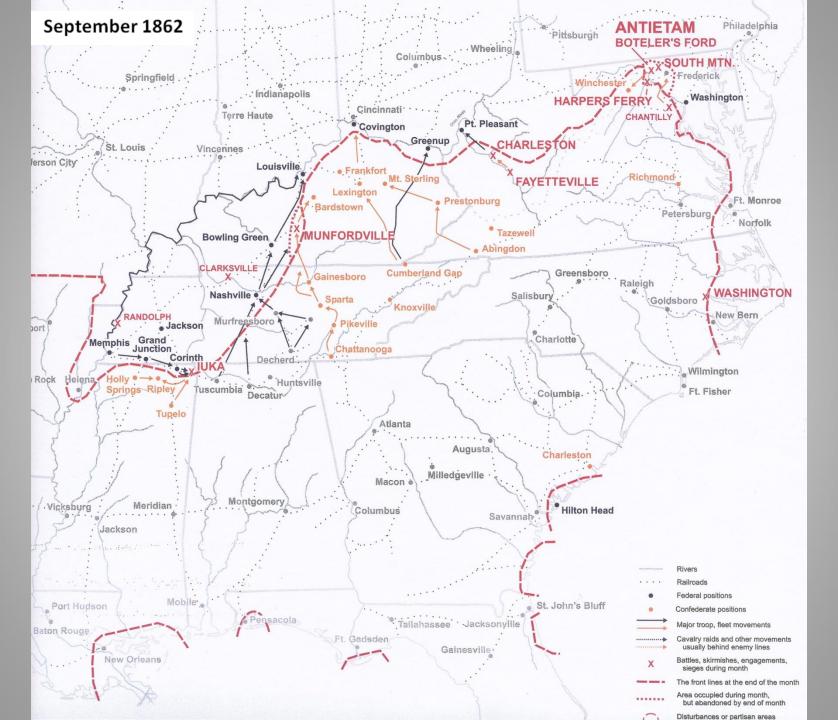
In December, Morgan and a picked company of 100 men rode north to Bacon Creek (now Bonnieville) and burned the L&N Railroad trestle. This first act against the railroad brought him to the attention of the press, and in the raids that followed his name began to take on the status of legend.

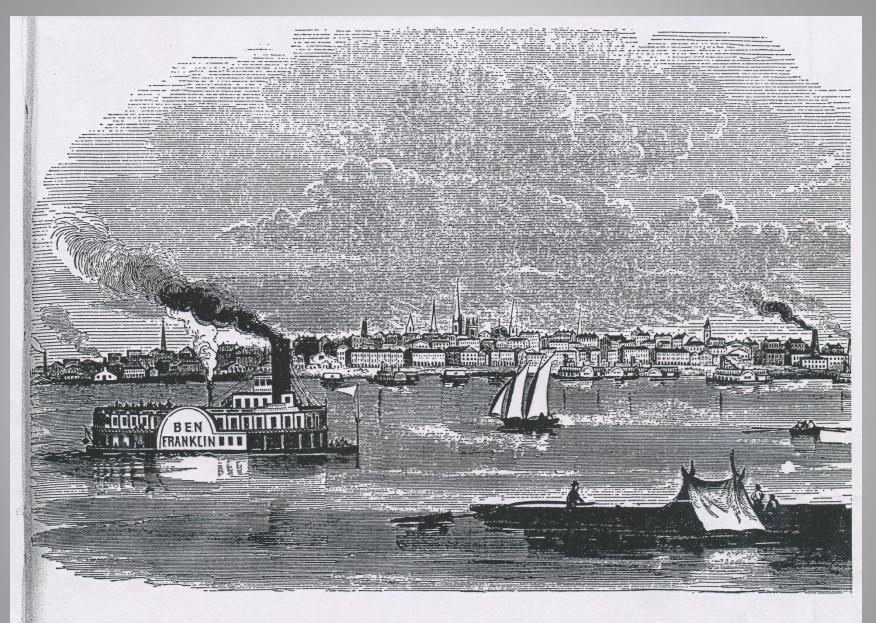




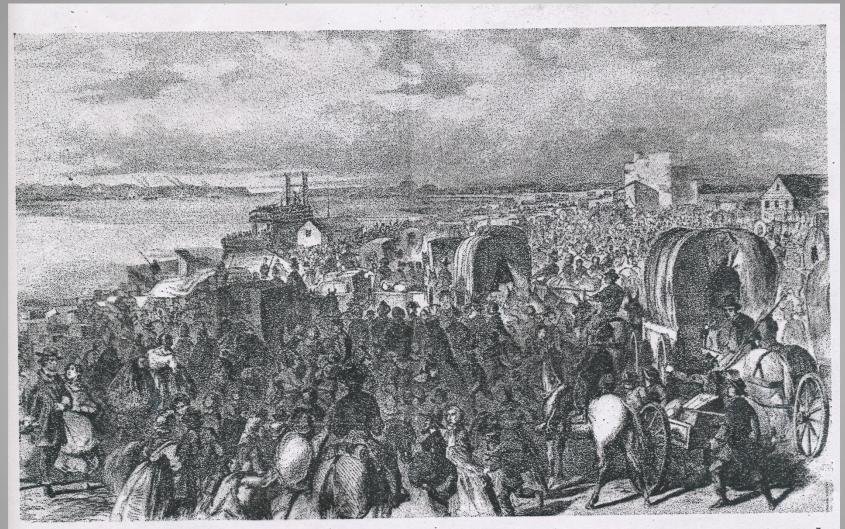




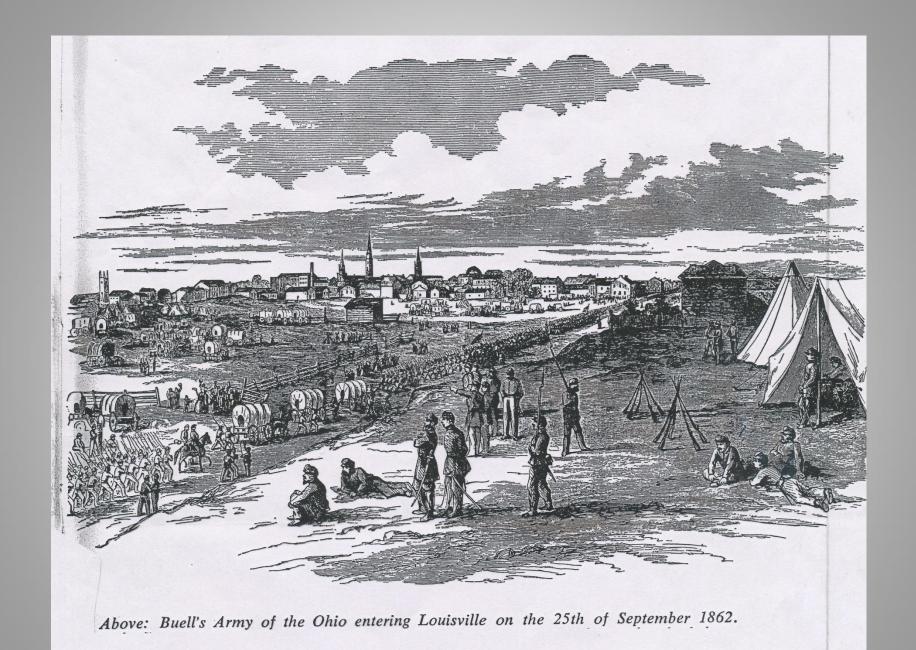




Above: View of the City of Louisville from the river front just prior to the beginning of the war.

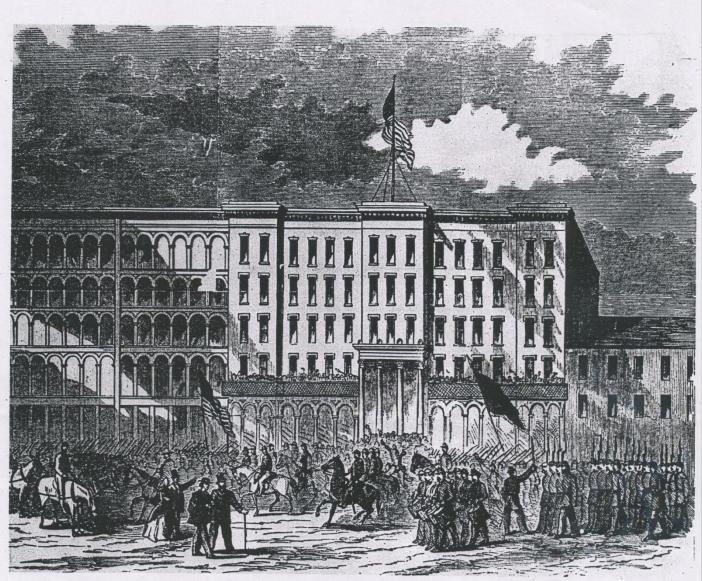


A sketch in Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper in October, 1862, was captioned: "Civilians fleeing the city preparatory to the expected rebel bombardment."





General Don Carlos Buell, Commanding, Department of the Ohio. National Archives.



Federal troops marching up and down the streets were a familiar sight. The famed Galt House, shown here, was a favorite place for conferences between such Union bigwigs as Grant, Sherman and others.



Maj. Gen. William "Bull" Nelson, commander, Provisional Army of Kentucky, U.S.

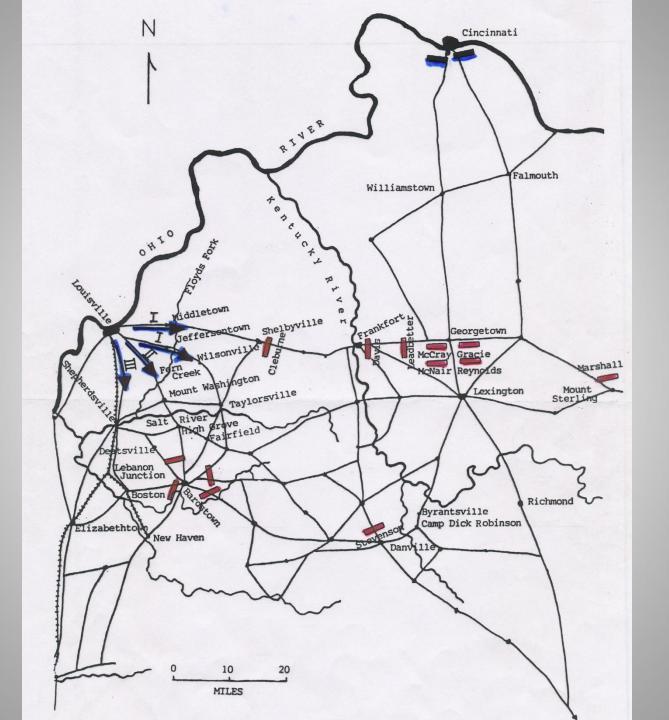


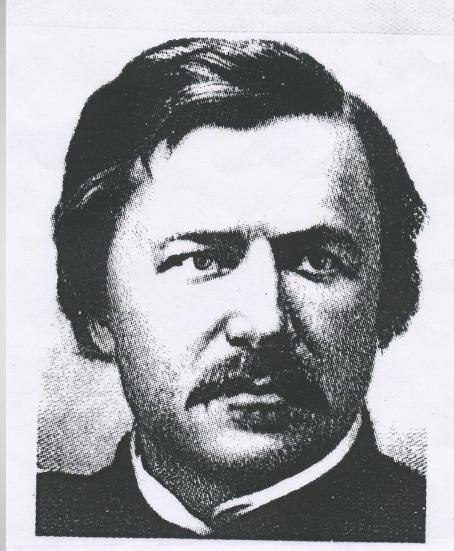
Brigadier General Jefferson C.

Davis, once an officer in Fort Sumter, in
late September shot and killed his superior,
William Nelson, after an altercation.



The end of "Bull" Nelson.

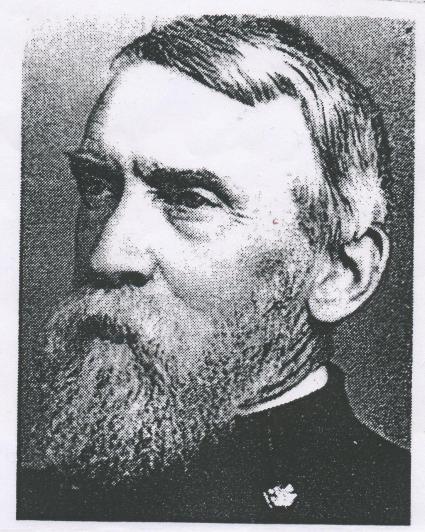




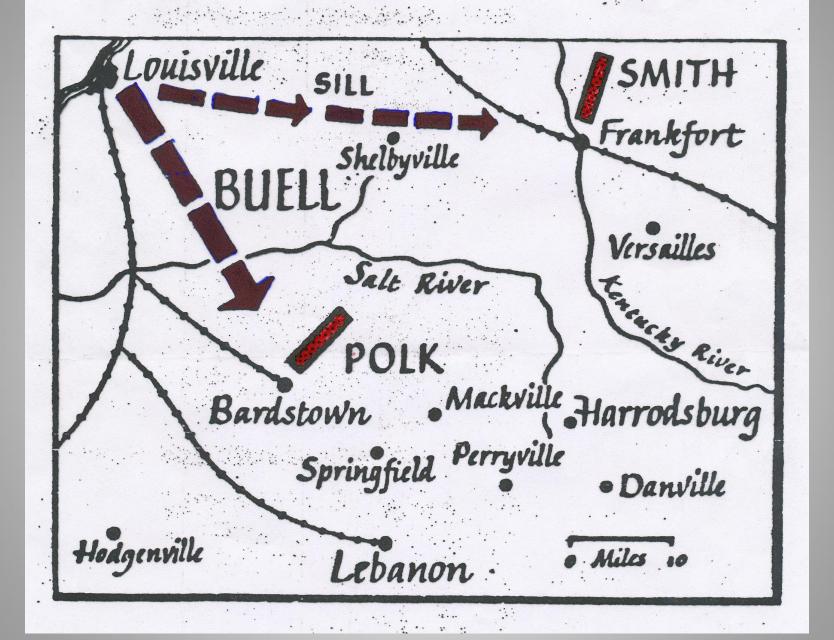
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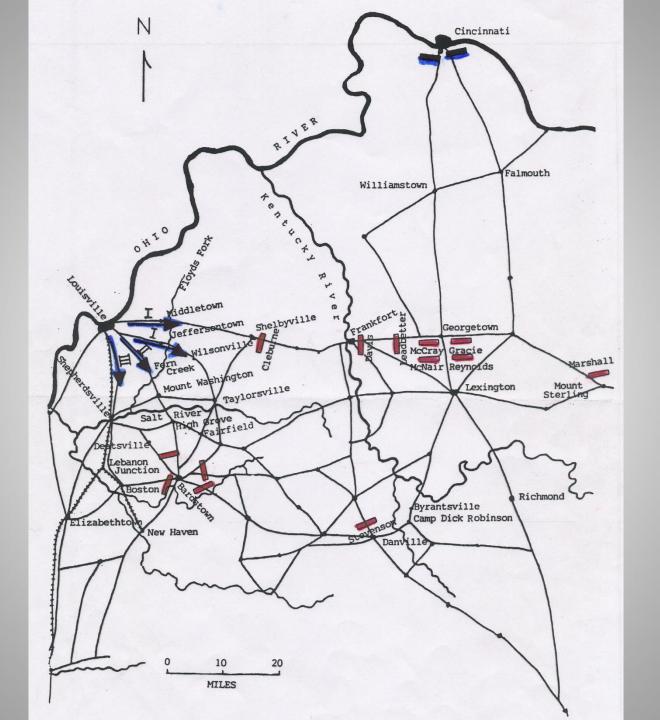


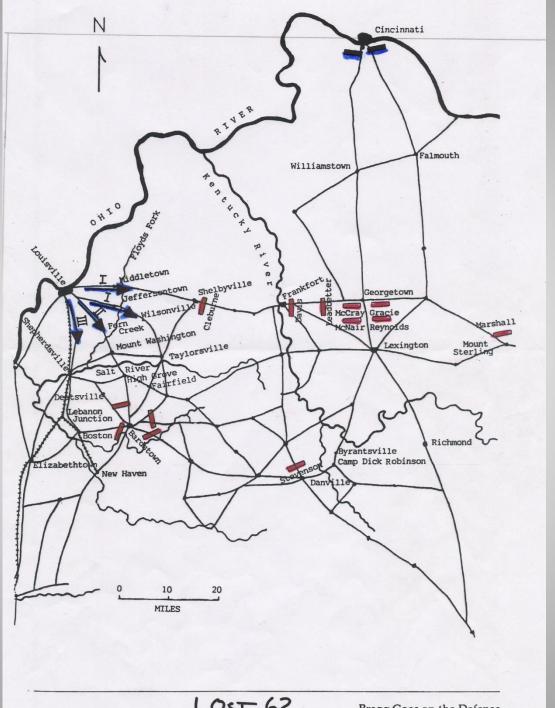
General Thomas L. Crittenden. A Kentuckian and a son of Senator John J. Crittenden of Kentucky, General Crittenden commanded the Second Corps of Gen. Don Carlos Buell's Union Army of the Ohio during the Perryville Campaign. *Library of Congress* 

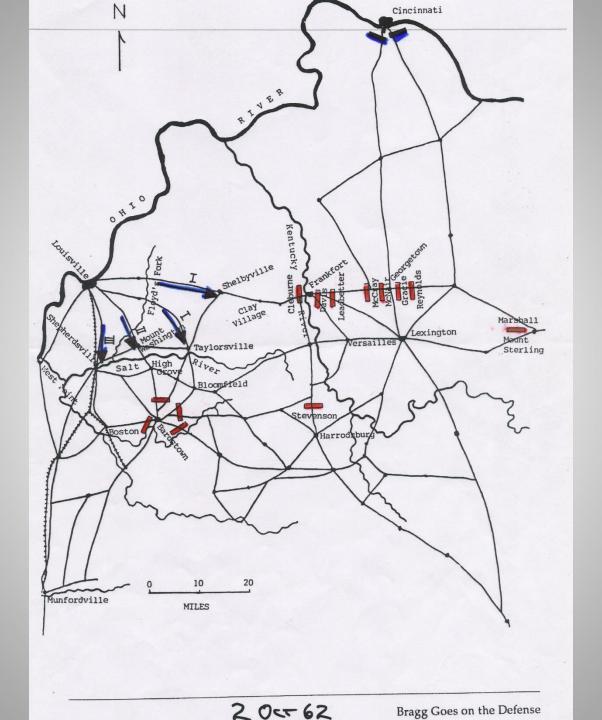


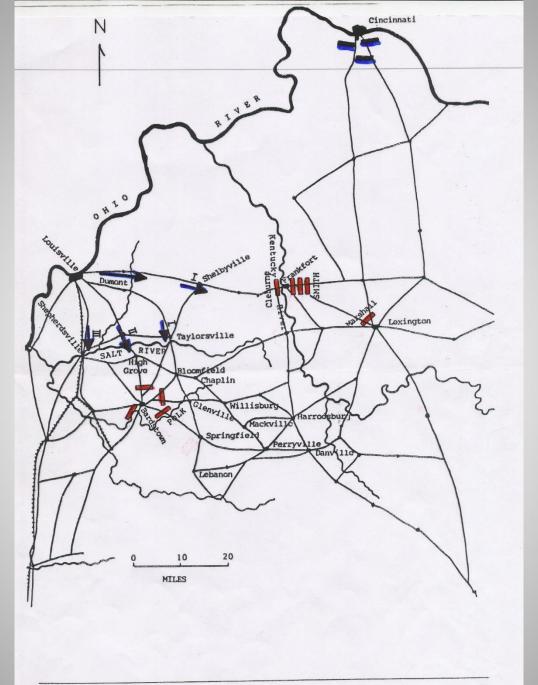
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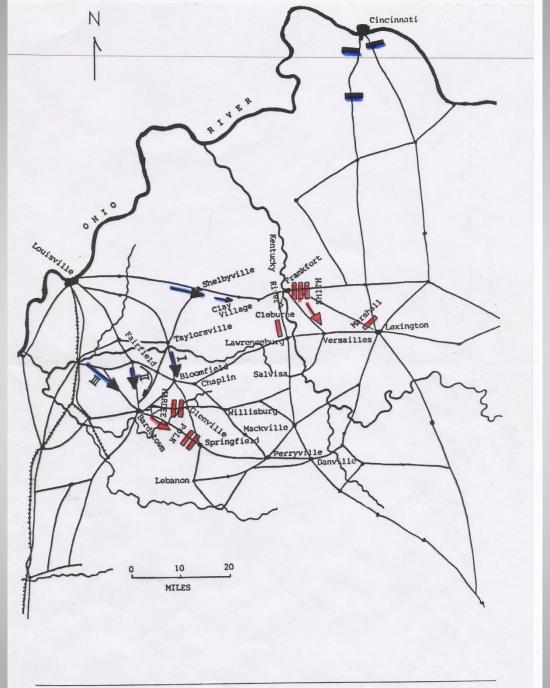


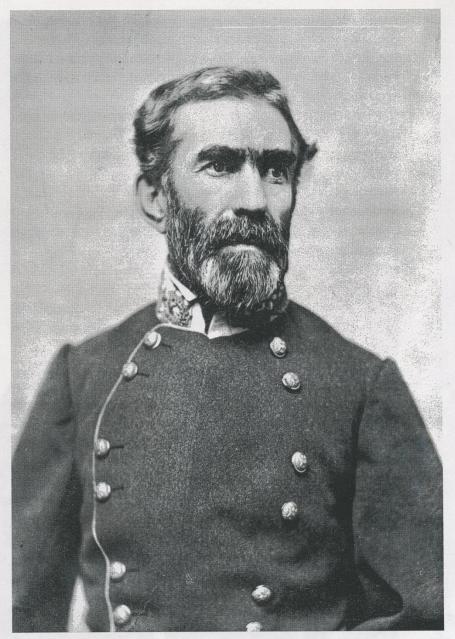






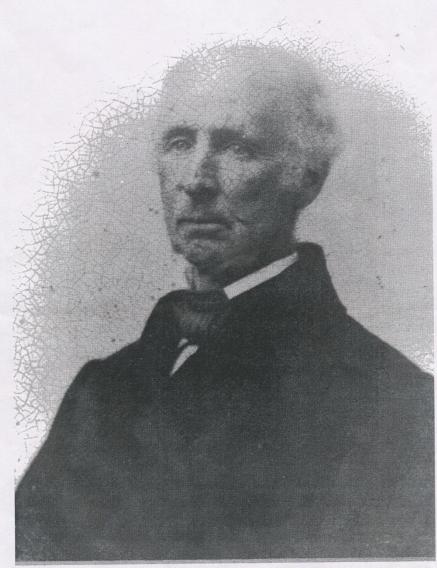




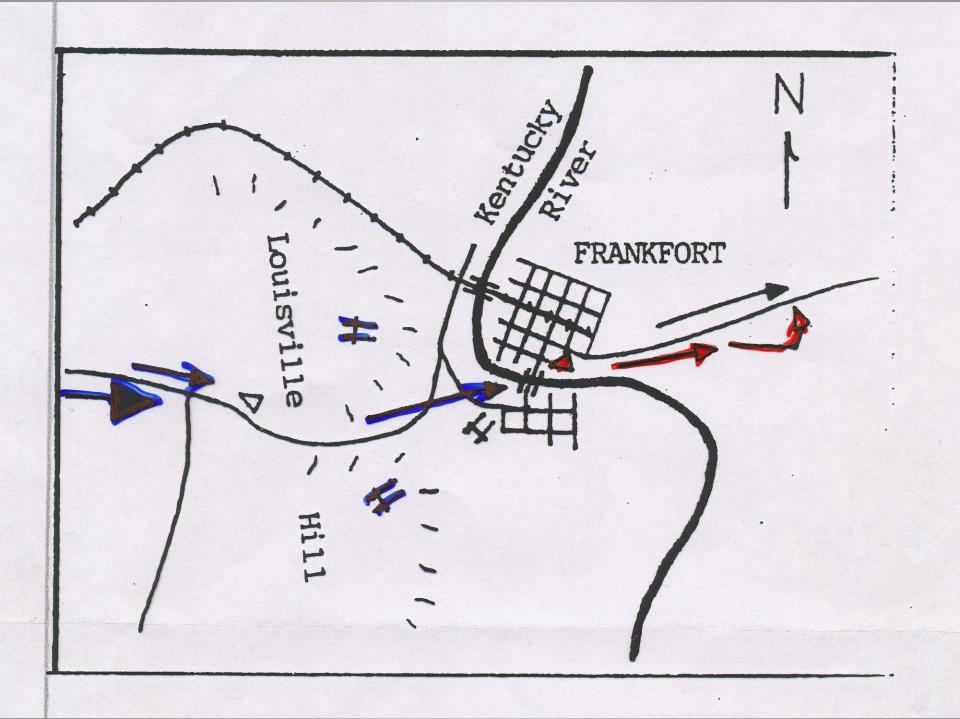


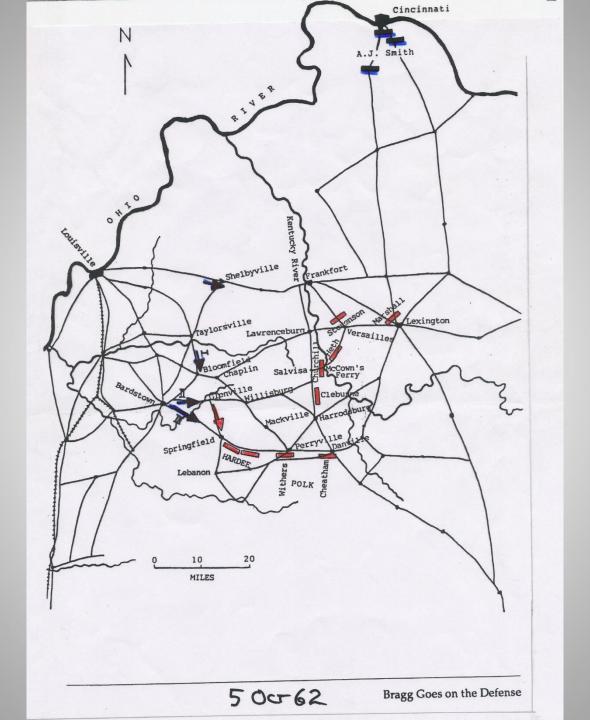
General Braxton Bragg. As commander of the Army of the Mississippi, the dyspeptic and contentious Bragg engineered one of the most remarkable movements of large bodies of troops in military history when he invaded Kentucky. His indecisiveness once in the Bluegrass State, however, proved disastrous to the campaign. *Library of Congress* 

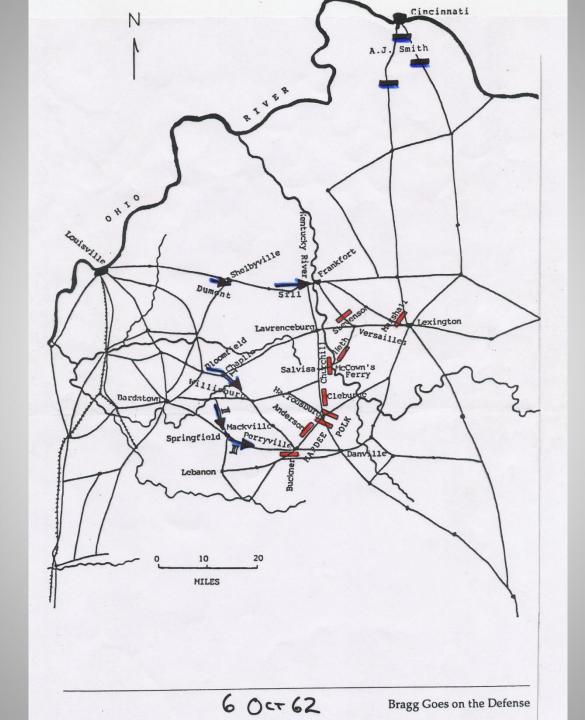
## THE CIVIL WAR IN KENTUCKY

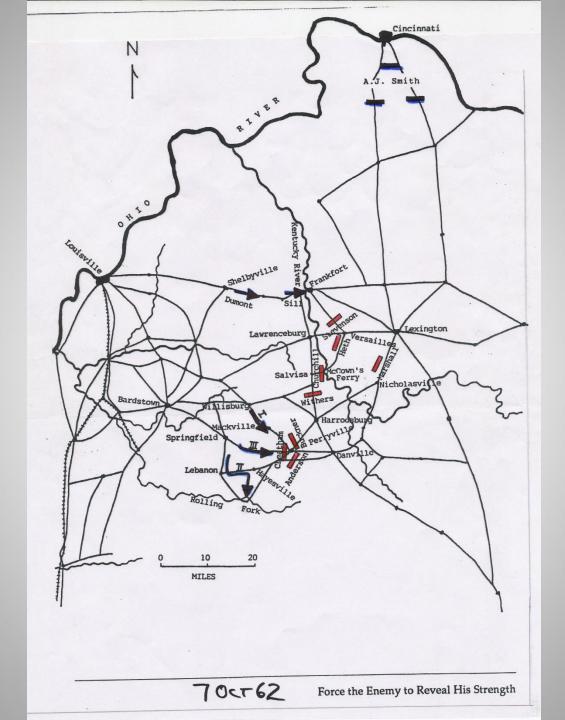


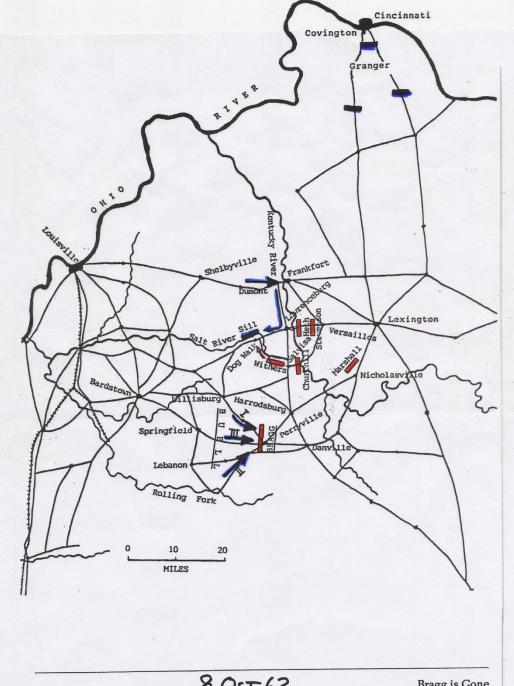
A rarely seen tintype of Governor Richard Hawes. A Bourbon County, Kentucky lawyer before the war, Hawes was named governor of Confederate Kentucky after the Battle of Shiloh. Sworn in on the State Capitol steps in front of a large crowd on October 4, 1862, during the invasion of Kentucky, Hawes fled a few hours later at the approach of Union troops. *Kentucky Historical Society* 











THE BATTLE OF PERRYVILLE

Bragg is Gone

## CONFEDERATE FORCES AT PERRYVILLE

ARMY OF THE MISSISSIPPI—Braxton Bragg, commanding

RIGHT WING—Leonidas Polk

Benjamin Cheatham's Division (The brigades of Donelson, Stewart, Maney and Smith)

Cavalry-John Wharton

LEFT WING-William J. Hardee

Patton Anderson's Division (The brigades of Brown, Adams, Powell and Jones)

Simon Buckner's Division (The brigades of Liddell, Cleburne, Johnson and Wood)

Cavalry—Joe Wheeler

TOTAL STRENGTH: 15,000 (approx.)

## UNION FORCES AT PERRYVILLE

ARMY OF THE OHIO—Don Carlos Buell, commanding; George H. Thomas, second in command

I Corps—Alexander McCook

Lovell Rousseau's Division (The brigades of Harris, Lytle and Starkweather)

James S. Jackson's Division (The brigades of Terrill and Webster)

II Corps—Thomas L. Crittenden

William Smith's Division (The brigades of Grosse, Hazen and Cruft)

Thomas Wood's Division (The brigades of Hascall, Harker and Wagner)

Horatio V in Cleve's Division (The brigades of Beatty, Hawkins and Matthews)

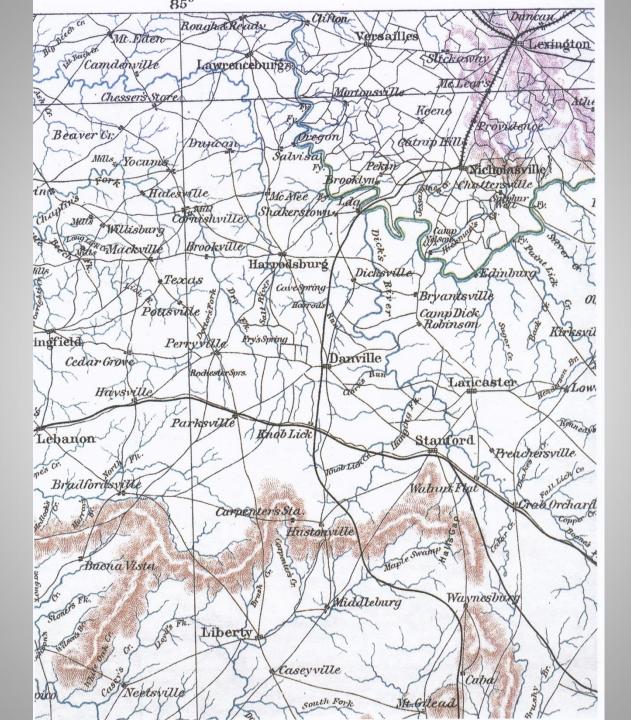
III Corps-Charles C. Gilbert

Albin Schoepf's Division (The brigades of Walker, Fry and Steedman)

Robert Mitchell's Division (The brigades of Gooding, Carlin and Caldwell)

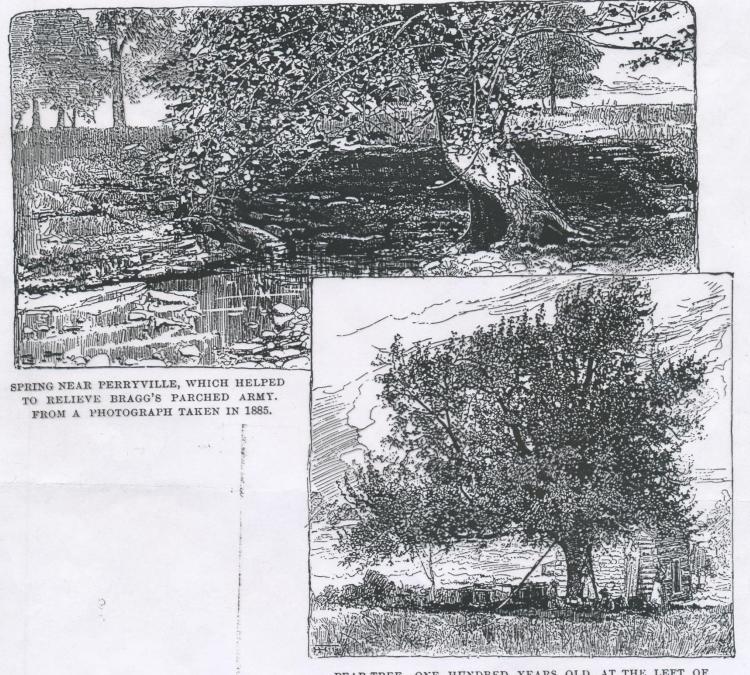
Phil Sheridan's Division (The brigades of Laiboldt, McCook and Greusel)

TOTAL STRENGTH: 55,000 (approx.)

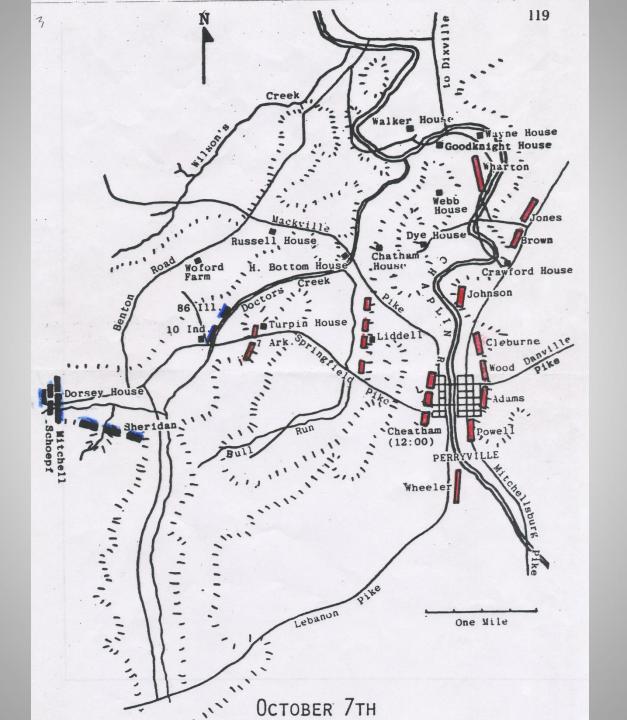




PERRYVILLE, KENTUCKY, LOOKING SOUTH-EAST FROM THE MACKVILLE PIKE. FROM A PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN IN 1885.

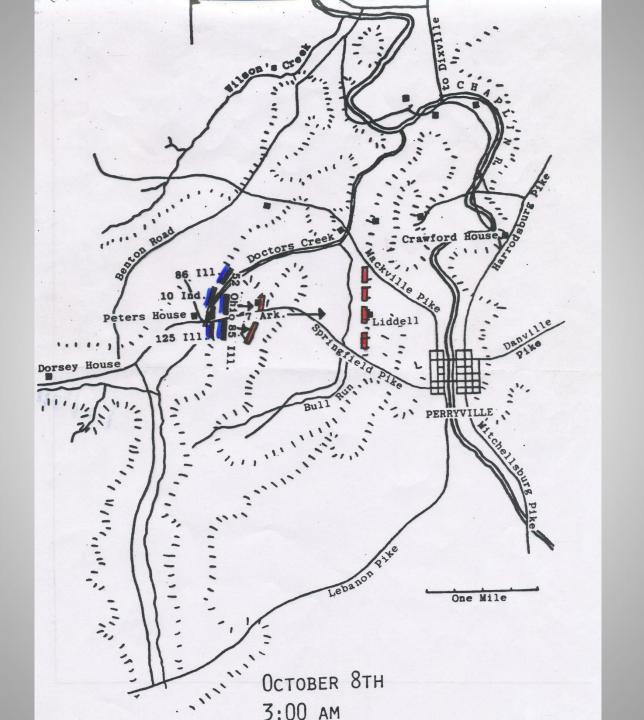


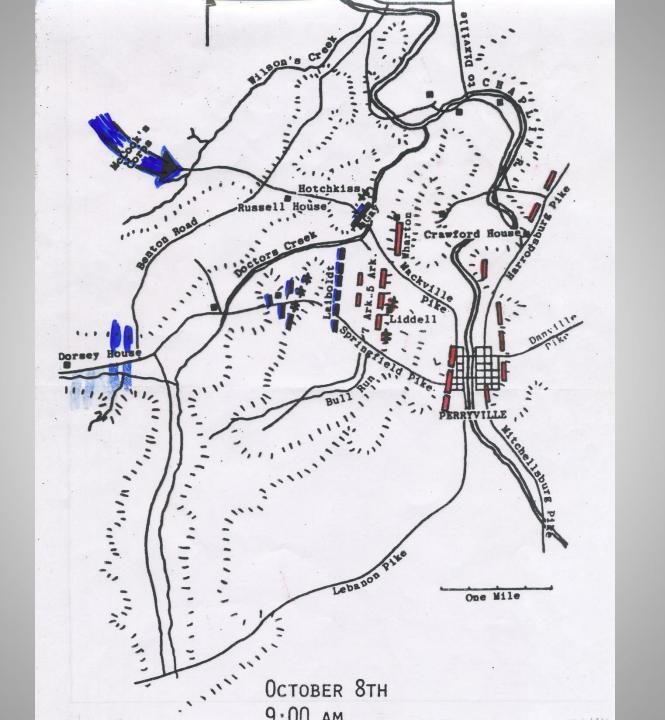
PEAR-TREE, ONE HUNDRED YEARS OLD, AT THE LEFT OF ROUSSEAU'S POSITION, PERRYVILLE. FROM A PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN IN 1885.

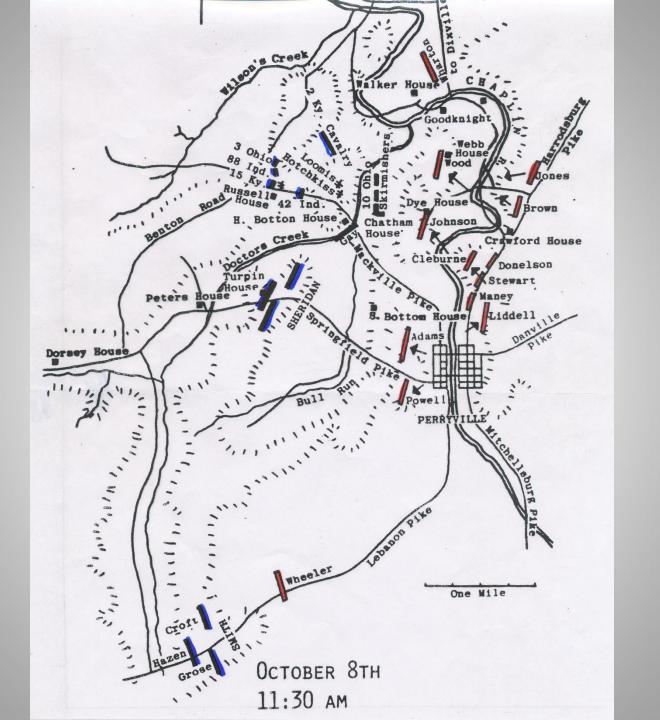


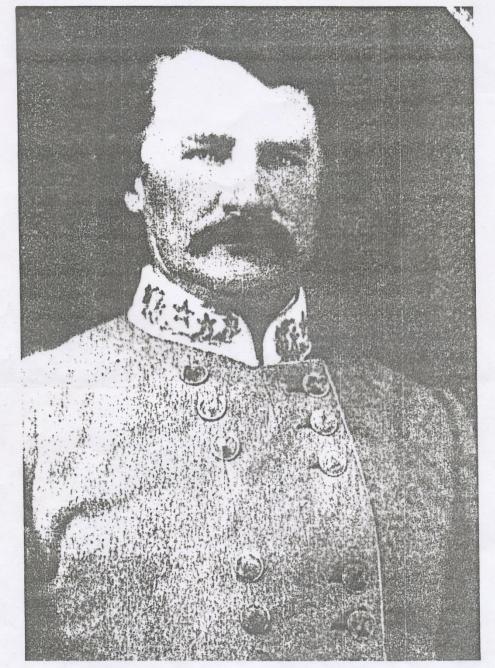


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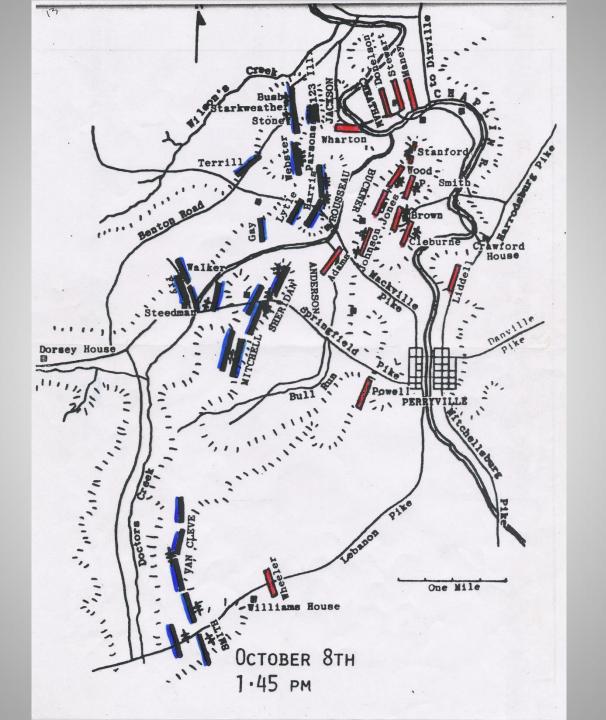


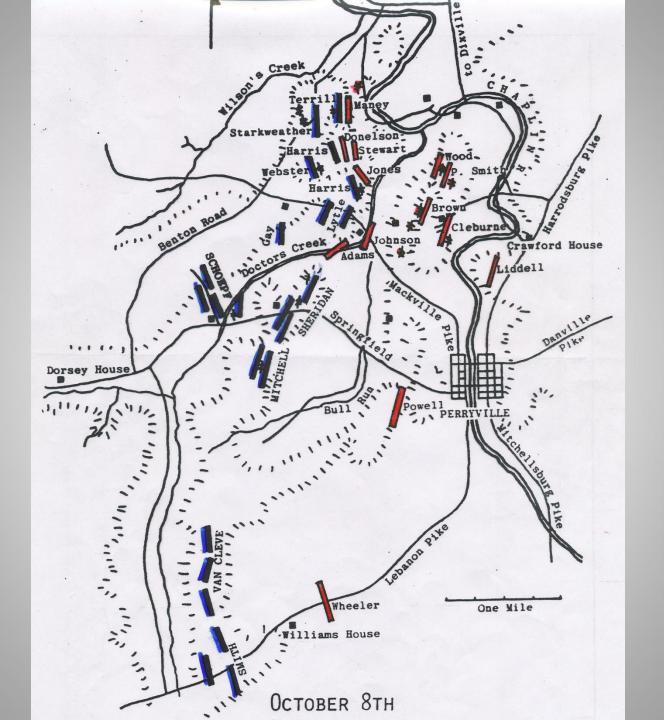


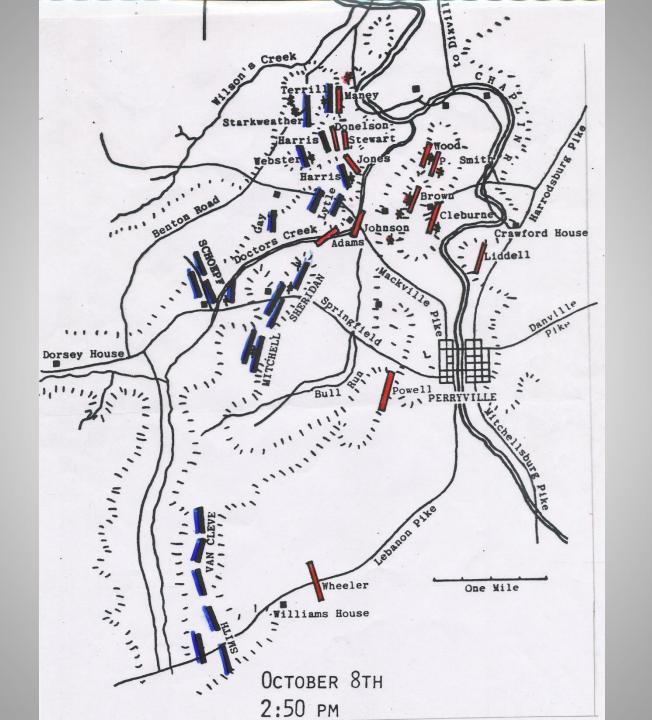


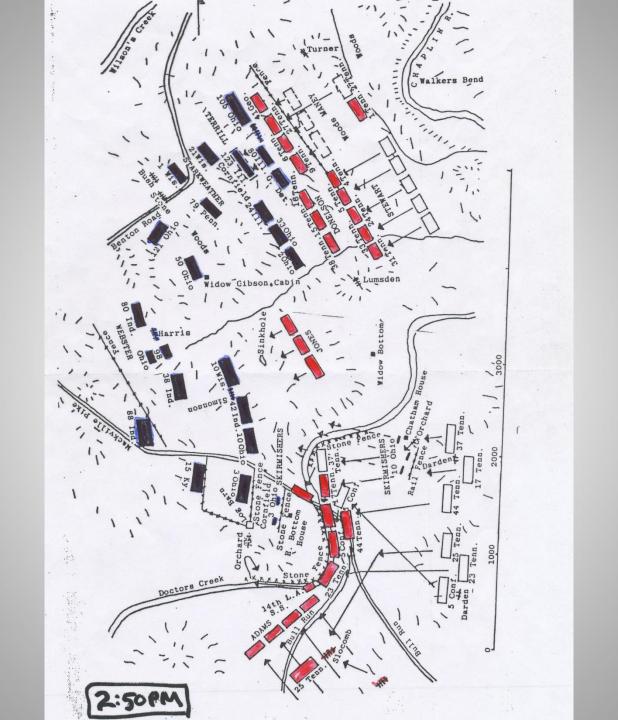


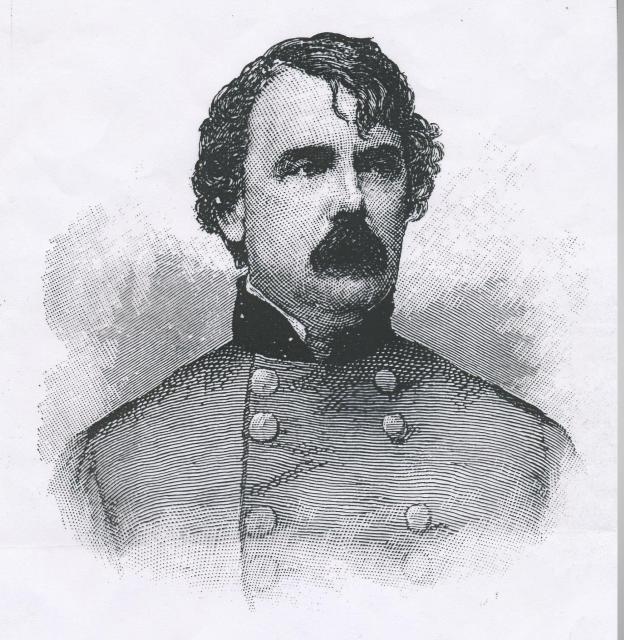
Col. Benjamin F. Cheatham (Tennessee State Library and Archives)







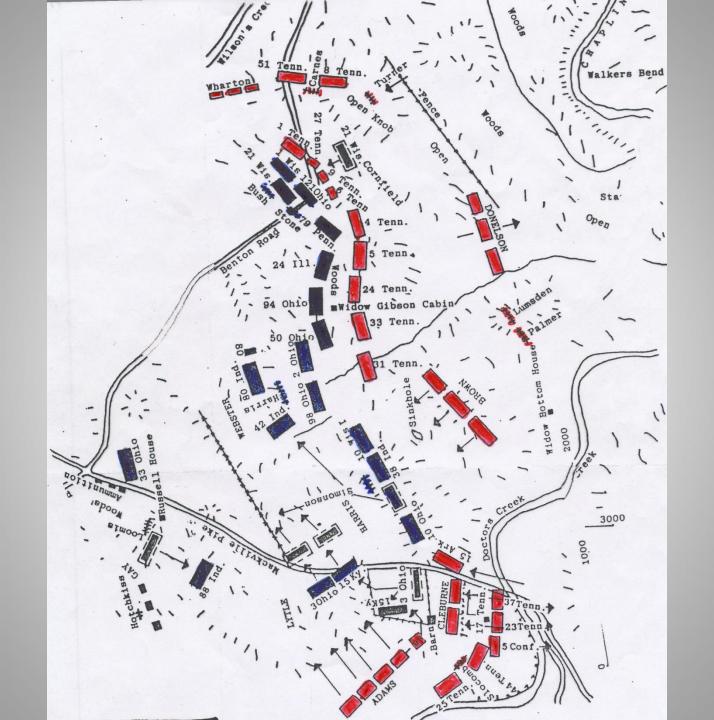


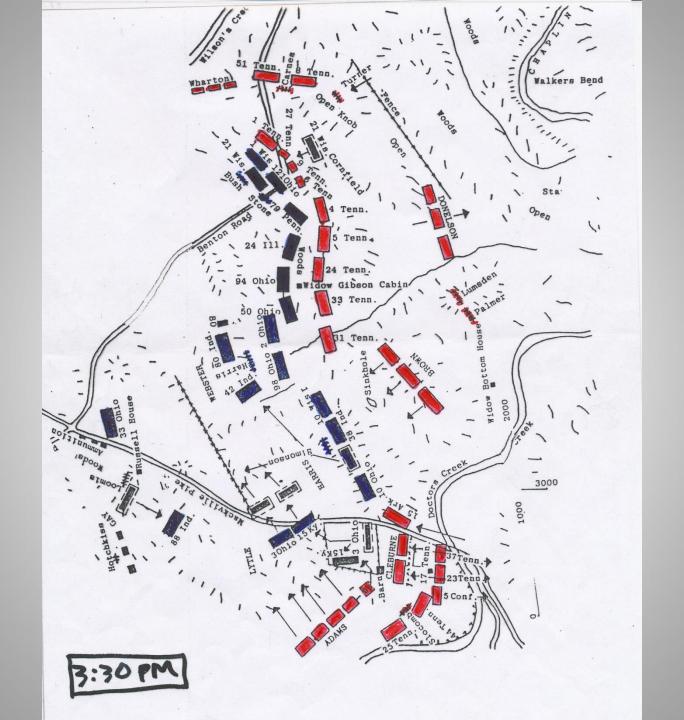


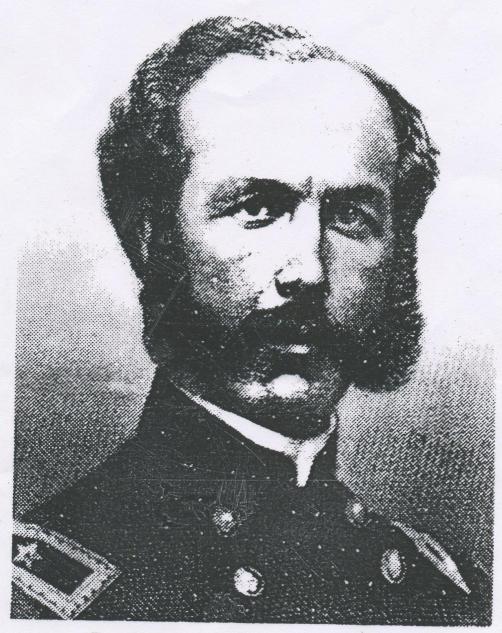
BRIGADIER-GENERAL JAMES S. JACKSON, KILLED AT PERRYVILLE. FROM A PHOTOGRAPH.



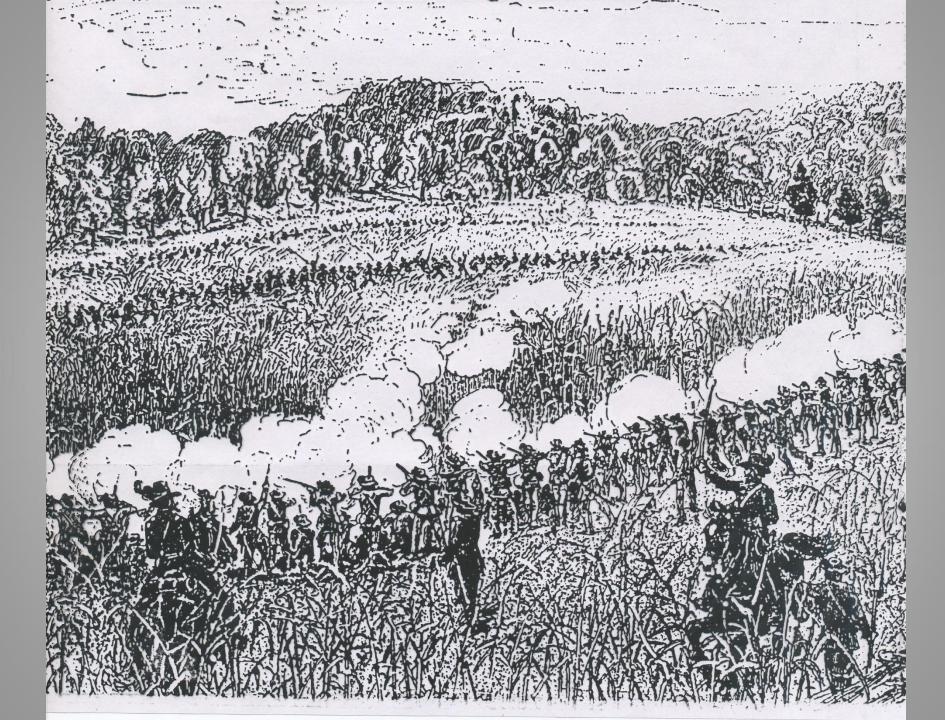
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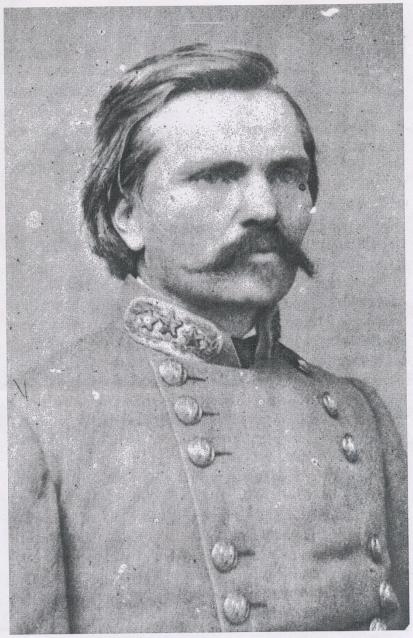






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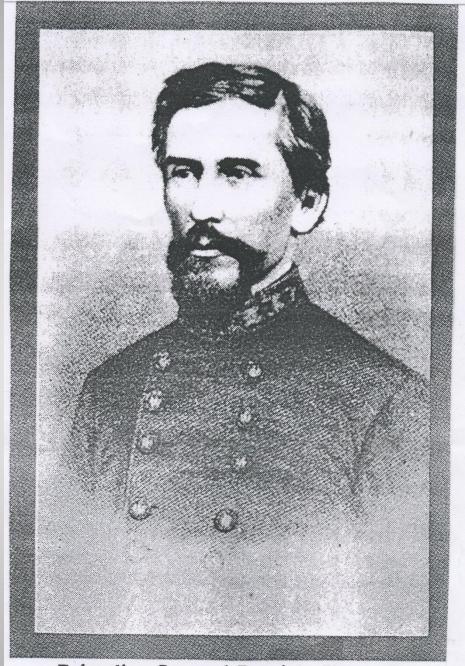


General Simon Bolivar Buckner. Born in Hart County, Kentucky, Buckner negotiated the surrender of Union forces holding his hometown of Munfordville, Kentucky. He was elected Governor of Kentucky after the war. Library of Congress

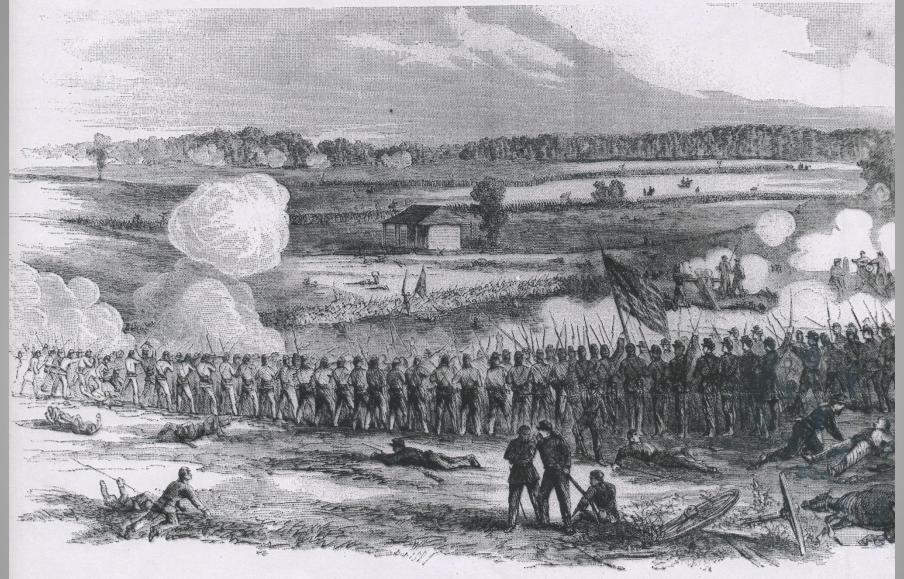


FARM-HOUSE OF H. P. BOTTOM. FROM A PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN IN 1885.

The farm-house stands near Doctor's Creek, under the ridge occupied by Rousseau; and the view is from the old Mackville pike. [See map, p. 24.]

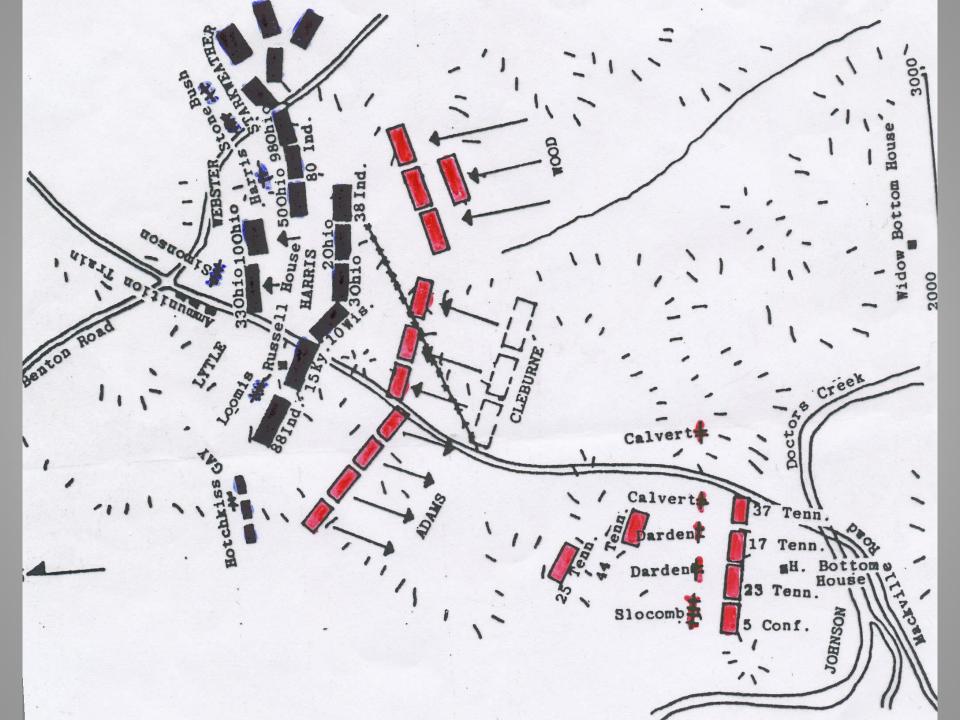


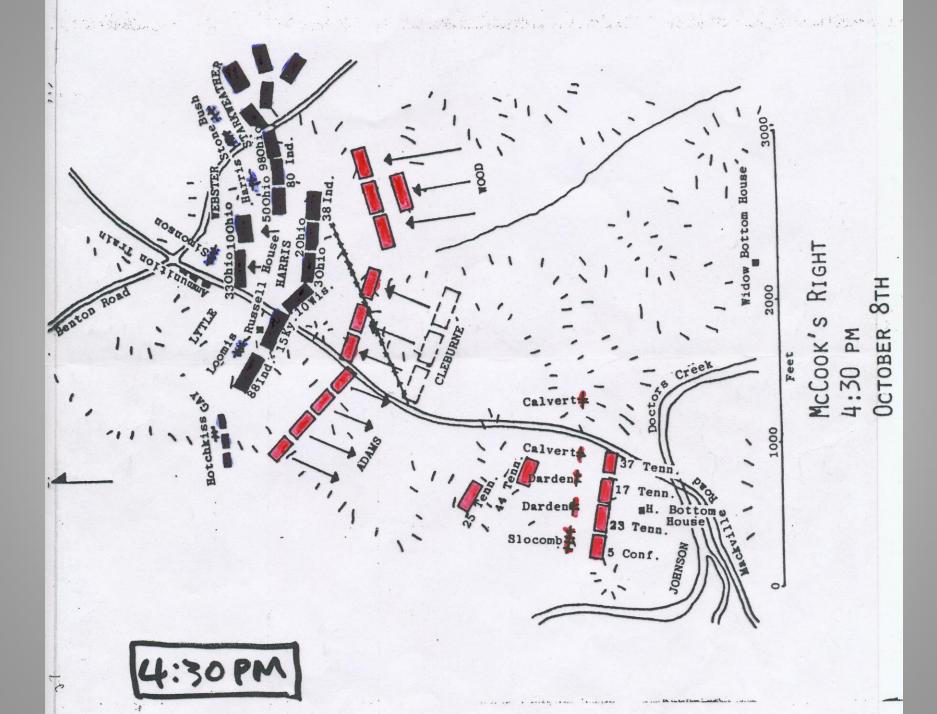
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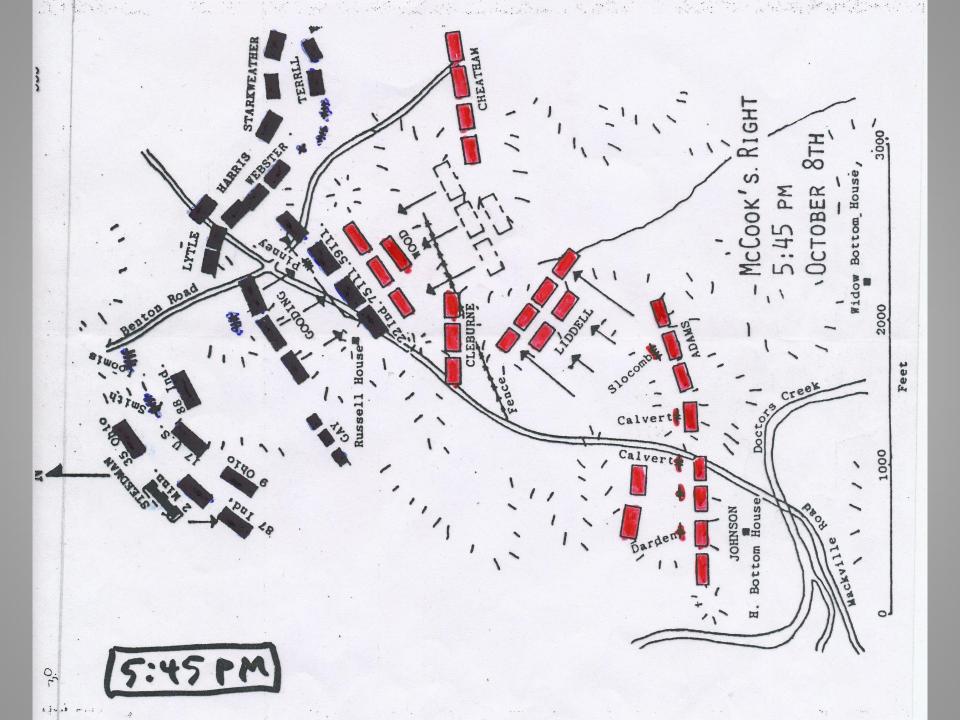


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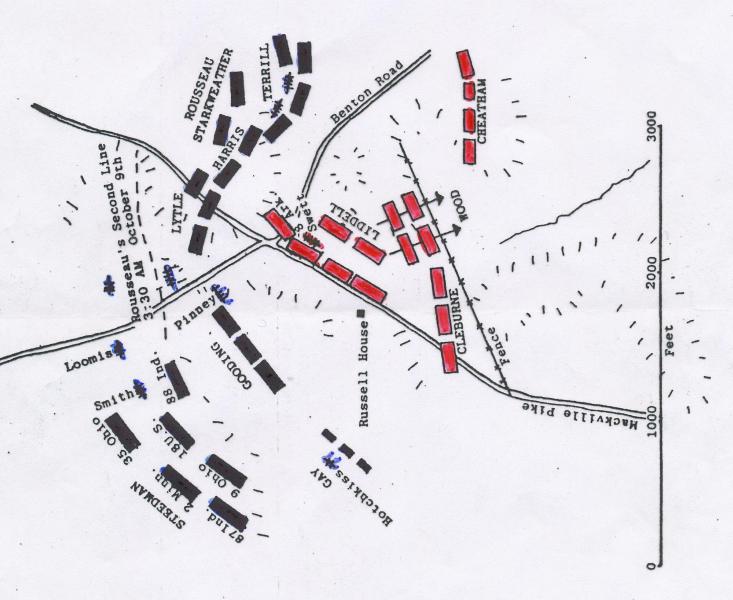
The drawing of the Battle of Perryville from *Harper's Weekly* shows Col. Leonard A. Harris's brigade, with Capt. Pe Battery, preparing to receive a Confederate attack (probably from Gen. Daniel S. Donelson's or Col. Thomas Matternoon of October 8, 1862. *Kentucky Historical Society* 





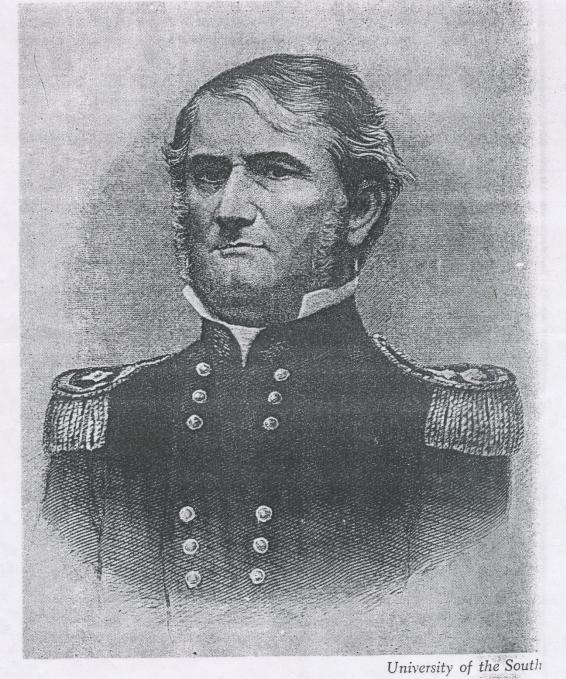


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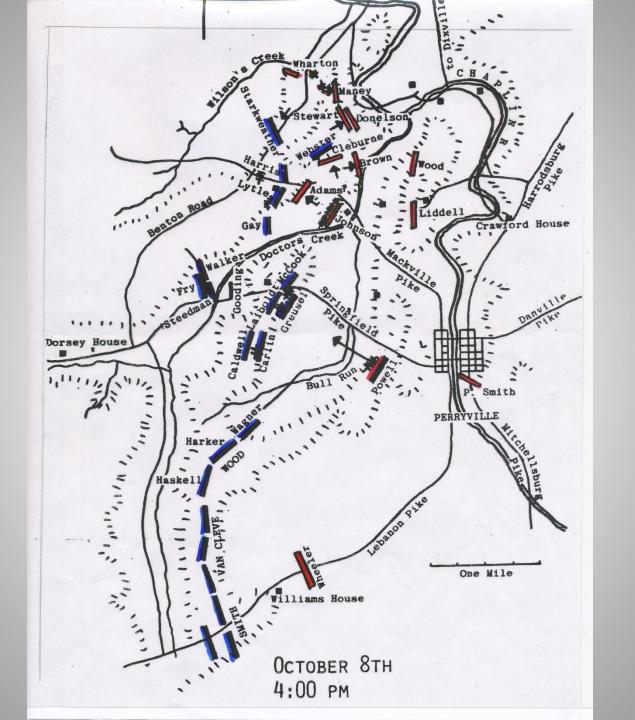


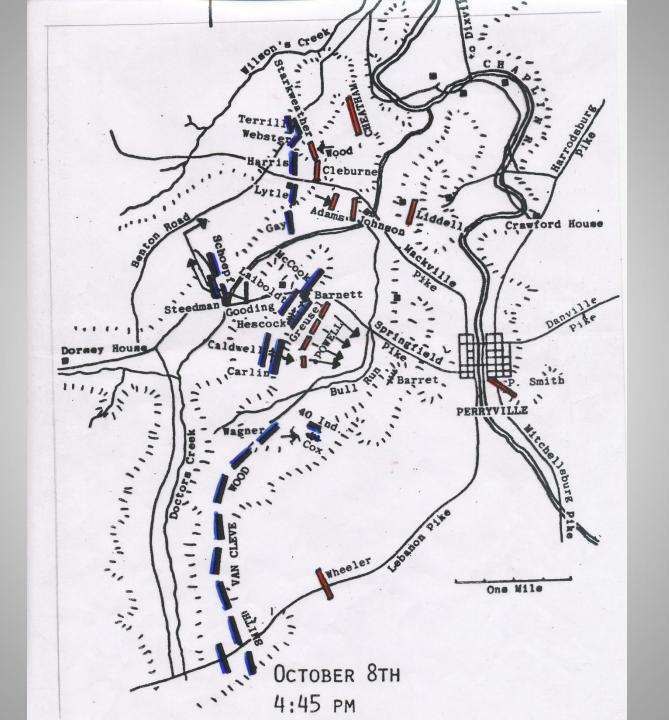
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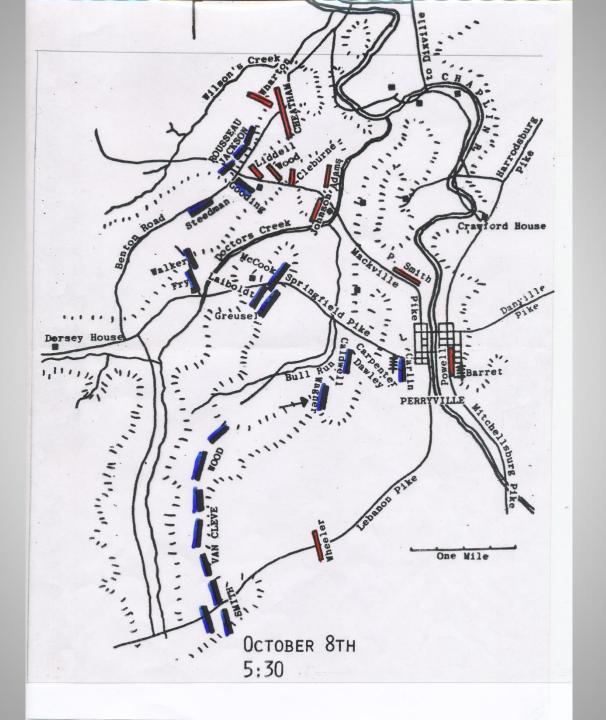
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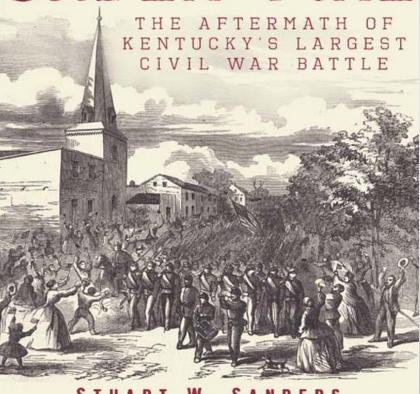
GENERAL LEONIDAS POLK







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