

THE BORDER STAR

A Publication of the Civil War Round Table of Western Missouri

A guided tour of the Little Blue Battlefield will be conducted on Saturday, October 20, 2001. The tour will start at the Historic 1859 Jail on North Main, just off the Square, in Independence at 8:45 am.

After a brief presentation about the battle the group will board a chartered bus for a trip to the battlefield and adjacent sites.

The bus is scheduled to depart at 9:30 and return about noon.

Cost of the tour is only \$3.00 per person. Reservations are suggested. Priority will be given to those who have pre-registered. The bus will hold 42 adult passengers. Reservations may be made by calling 478-8833 or 628-9910

Pay as your get on the bus as long as there is room or you have a reservation.

Each passenger will receive a Battlefield Tour booklet to use as a guide during the tour. The booklets contain maps of the battlefield, articles about the battle, some of them written by the soldier's who fought in the battle, a listing of the units who fought in the battle and a self guided driving tour map of the entire battlefield. The booklets will be collected at the end of the tour or can be purchased for \$5.00.

Among the sites to be visited will be the main battlefield at the Little Blue Crossing, the old trail sites, the site where General Shelby made his famous flanking movement, the spring where the soldiers filled their canteens, the suspected site of the meeting of the Confederate Generals, the site of Col. Sidney Jackman's charge at the Union cannons, and the site of the charge over the hill by the Confederate cavalry into the massed Union troops.

Nearly all of the well known Border War leaders and their units were involved in the Battle of the Little Blue, which was the first action of the Battle of Westport.

On the Confederate side....

Maj. Gen. Sterling Price,

Maj. Gen. James Fagan,

Maj. Gen. J. S. Marmaduke,

Brig. Gen. J. O. Shelby,

Brig. Gen. William L. Cabell,

Brig. Gen. M. Jeff Thompson

Brig. Gen. John B. Clark, Jr.

Col. Sidney Jackman

On the Union side....

Maj. Gen. James G. Blunt

Maj Gen. Alfred Pleasontom

Col. James Montgomery

Col. Charles R. Jennison

Col. James H. Ford

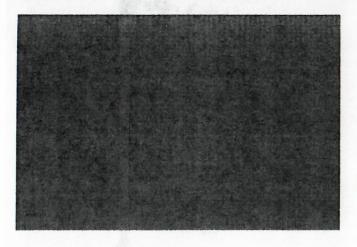
Col. Thomas Moonlight

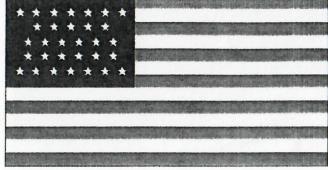
Lt. Col. F. W. Benteen

Captain George C. Bingham

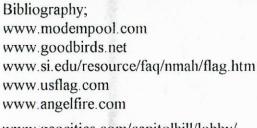
The tour is conducted by the members of the Civil War Round Table of Western Missouri which has been working to obtain funding to place markers on the battlefield and make a pamphlet about the battle and battle sites for public distribution

For more information call the phone numbers listed above.







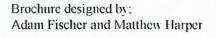


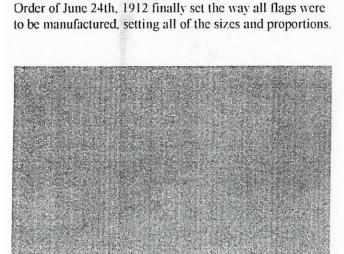
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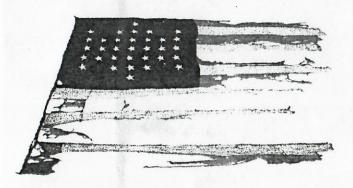


Additional Note: The Union flags on display and the flags in this brochure are samples of flags that were used during the Civil War. Patterns and styles varied widely. Executive

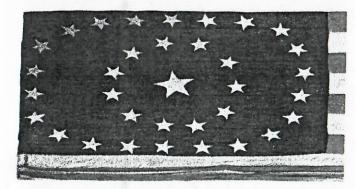




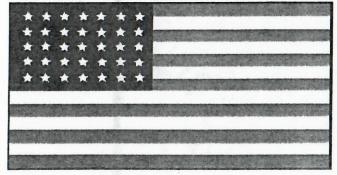




- ⇒ The 33 Star Flag of the United States
- ⇒ A star was added for Oregon; Feb. 14th, 1859
- ⇒ Official Flag; July 4th 1859



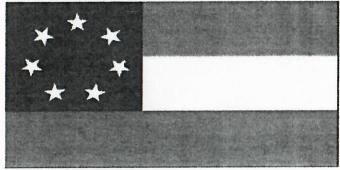
- ⇒ The 34 Star Flag of the United States
- ⇒ A star was added for Kansas; January 29th, 1861
- ⇒ Official Flag; July 4th, 1861
- ⇒ Lasted 2 years
- ⇒ Abraham Lincoln; only President to serve this flag



- ⇒ The 35 Star Flag of the United States
- ⇒ A star was added for West Virginia; June 20th, 1863
- ⇒ Presidents that served under this flag; Abraham Lincoln (1861-1865). Andrew Johnson (1865-1869)



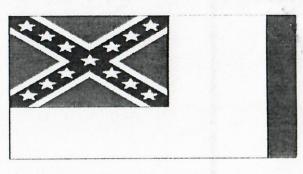
- ⇒ The First Unofficial flag of the Confederacy
- ⇒ "The Bonnie Blue" or "Flag of Secession"
- ⇒ Single star might have been reminiscent of the Texas flag
- ⇒ The blue background meant independence



- ⇒ The First Official Flag of the Confederacy
- ⇒ March 1861-May 1863
- ⇒ "The Stars and Bars"
- ⇒ Confusing in battle due to likeness to the Union flag



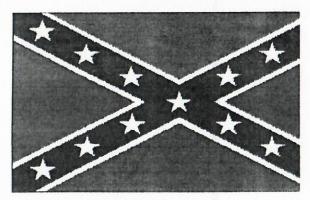
- ⇒ The Second Official flag of the Confederacy
- ⇒ May 1863-March 1865
- ⇒ "The Stainless Banner"
- ⇒ Twice as long as wide
- ⇒ First was draped over Stonewall Jackson's grave
- ⇒ Looked like flag of surrender in battle
- ⇒ Difficult to unfurl due to length



- ⇒ The Third Official Flag of the Confederacy
- ⇒ Adopted on March 4th 1865
- ⇒ The red vertical stripe was added so that it wouldn't be mistaken for a flag of surrender
- ⇒ Length was shortened to standard length
- ⇒ The red bar represented soldiers lost in battle



- ⇒ "Southern Cross" flag or the Confederate "Battl Flag"
- ⇒ Never adopted by Confederate Congress
- ⇒ The stars are for the 11 states of the Confederac plus Kentucky and Missouri



- ⇒ "The Confederate Navy Jack"
- ⇒ Used by the Confederate navy starting in 1963
- ⇒ Standard rectangular design