TCWPA Battlefield Assessment

Campbellsville

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NARRATIVE

On November 24, 1864 Confederate cavalry (Ross' Texas Cavalry Brigade) attacked Union forces at Campbellsville commanded by Brig. Gen. Hatch driving them back towards Columbia.

HISTORICAL THEMES

Influence on Campaign

EXPLANATION OF ATTACHMENTS/VIDEO:

Current map of battlefield site Locations of units engaged Accounts from Official Records

LINKS FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

N/A

COUNTY:

Giles

DATE:

11/24/1864

GEO COORDINATES:

35.3373° N, 87.1306° W

PRESERVATION

OPPORTUNITY INDEX:

MEDIUM

CONFEDERATE UNITS:

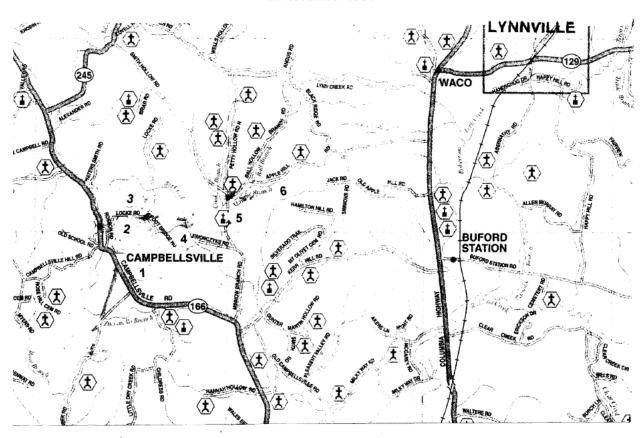
Ross' Texas Cavalry Brigade

UNION UNITS:

Brig. Gen. Edward Hatch-5th Cavalry Division 12th Tenn Cavalry



Battle of Campbellsville 24 November 1864



1 Ross's CSA Artillery Battery N. 35° 19.845" W. 087° 07.582" Elevation: 838'

2 Union Cavalry Left Flank N. 35° 20.268" W. 087° 07.642" Elevation: 803'

3 Union Center Battle Line N. 35° 20.516" W. 087° 07.656" Elevation: 888' 4 Big Creek Battle Site N. 35° 20.377" W. 087° 07.7027" Elevation: 850'

5 Minnow Branch Battle Site N. 35° 20.406" W. 087° 05.634" Elevation: 771'

6 Road to Lynnville/Apple Hill Rd N. 35° 20.655" W. 087° 05.617" Elevation: 772' Arrived at Campbellsville, Tenn. Two divisions of the enemy's cavalry were at that place, and hard fighting was kept up until dark, when orders were received to fall back to Columbia, Tenn

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November 23, 1864 - Skirmishing near Campbellsville NASHVILLE, TENN., November 24, 1864—9 p. m. Maj. Gen. H. W. HALLECK, Washington, D. C.: The following dispatch from Gen. Hatch is forwarded for your information: FOUR MILES FROM CAMPBELLSVILLE, November 23, 1864—10 p. m. Maj.-Gen. THOMAS: We have had a good deal of sharp skirmishing to-day; this evening, before dark, quite spirited. Gen. Croxton's brigade had the rear on the road from Lawrenceburg. On leaving the camp, three miles from Lawrenceburg, this morning, the skirmishing began. Gen. Croxton reports force attacking his was infantry, and thinks it is the enemy's advance. We captured two prisoners (infantry) from Stevenson's division. I look for enemy's cavalry to-morrow at Campbellsville.

EDWARD HATCH, Brig.-Gen. (Same to Gen. Schofield.) Gen. Schofield from Columbia reports he has not heard from the troops sent to the fords below Columbia. He reports some skirmishing in his front, but the enemy has displayed only cavalry. Maj.-Gen. Stoneman from Knoxville reports that the indications are that the enemy has fallen back to Bull's Gap. He is putting everything in readiness to take the field. Gen. Burbridge will be at Cumberland Gap to-night. Gen. Granger from Decatur reports that all in quiet at that point, and he has not been able to learn anything of the whereabouts of the enemy or of his movements. GEO. H. THOMAS, Maj.-Gen., U. S. Volunteers, Cmdg.

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LEGEND OF TERMS:

Historical themes: Topics and subject matter that characterize the battlefield including Control of Tennessee's Resources, Crucible for Leadership, Guerilla Warfare, Transformation in Warfare, Enslaved People, and Influence on Campaign. Sites are identified that exhibit themes at moderate to high levels, and some sites may contain one or more Historical Themes.

Preservation Opportunity Index (POI): A rating assigned for each battlefield to indicate relative opportunity and potential for successful site preservation. The Index is generated by a model that evaluates ratings assigned for site significance, condition, risk of loss, protection potential, and opportunities for interpretation. Based upon the POI values for each region in Tennessee (West, Middle, East), sites are indicated as having High, Medium, or Low opportunity.

Geo Coordinates: General/central location of the battlefield area per latitude and longitude coordinates utilized in Google Earth

DO YOU HAVE INFORMATION ON A BATTLE SITE?

Please email us at info@tcwpa.org and we will reach out to you soon. If you have copies of documents or photos to share, you can include those. If you want to discuss by phone, we will schedule that too.

HELP US COLLECT INFORMATION TO PRESERVE THESE BATTLEFIELDS

TCWPA's Statewide Preservation Plan team captains are recruiting volunteers to help gather information about many of the lesser-known sites with hopes of verifying the condition of each site and identifying opportunities for preservation and interpretation.

If you are interested in helping, please contact TCWPA at info@tcwpa.org.

TCWPA will not publish nor release any confidential information, or the name of the contributor, unless you request to be recognized.

Thank you!

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