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EVENTS: battles, deaths, injuries.

No battles or attacks of the U.S. Dakota War took place in Fillmore County.

Men from Fillmore County served in several military units that were part of the Conflict. See list below.

Two-thirds of the men serving in the Fifth Minnesota Infantry Company B were from Chatfield.

Chatfield lost a large number of citizens who fought in the U.S. Dakota War, most of them killed were with Captain John Marsh at the Redwood Ferry Crossing attack. The men from Company B who died with Captain John S. Marsh at Redwood Ferry on August 18, 1862 were: Solon A. Trescott, Joseph S. Besse, Charles R. Bell, Edwin F. Cole, Carles E. French, John Gardner, Jacob A. Gehring, John Homes, Christian Joerger, Durs Kanzig, James H. Kerr, Wenzel Dusda, Henry McAllister, Wenzel Norton, Moses P. Parks, John W. Prks, John Parsleyk Harrison Phillips, Nathaniel Pitcher, Henry A. Shepherd, Nathan Stewart, Charles W. Smith.

Others who died at Redwood Ferry: from Company C Mark M. Greer, Peter Quinn, U.S. Interpreter. All of the above were buried in the cemetery at Fort Ridgely. The bodies of Wenzel Kunda, Henry McAllister, and Henry Shepherd were not found. DUV 51-52.

September 26, 1862: see **Camp Release; the state breathes a sigh of relief.**

HISTORIC PEOPLE CONNECTED TO CONFLICT

Capt. John Marsh, of Preston and a some experience in the Civil War, was in command at Fort Ridgely at start of the conflict. He convinced Agent Galbraith to distribute food from the warehouses on August 4, 1862 which temporarily placated the hungry Dakota at the Upper Agency. When the attack on the Lower Agency occurred, refugees started coming to Fort Ridgely for protection. Story in Ch.4, The Dakota War of 1862. by Kenneth Carley.

People of Note: 2nd Lt. Tom Gere, memorialized in the play "The Last Boy in Blue", <http://witsend.weebly.com/last-boy-in-blue.html>

RESOURCES

Books (see Resource section on this website for book titles and codes to book titles)

DU, DUV, DW, LCSS, DWUSArmy

Articles

"The Elusive Hero of Redwood Ferry"

<http://collections.mnhs.org/MNHHistoryMagazine/articles/34/v34i06p233-238.pdf>

"Battle History--Two Perspectives" <http://www.woodlakebattlefield.com/battle-history.php>

The Battle of Fort Ridgely <http://www.nps.gov/hps/abpp/battles/mn001.htm>

MILITARY UNITS THAT SERVED IN THE US DAKOTA WAR

2nd Minnesota Volunteer Cavalry, Co. A.; 3rd Minnesota, Co. C; 5th MN, Co. B; 6th Minnesota, Co K; 7th Minnesota Co. E; 8th Minnesota, Co. D.

http://home.comcast.net/~timbode07/5thMinnesota/Company_B.html

Pvt. Adam Hair, from Chatfield, Co. D, Eighth Regiment, died at Ft. Pomme de Terre. DU

Pvt. Horatio Austin of Beaver Township was killed July 28, 1864 at Killdeer Mountain; he was with the Sully Expedition. DUV 109, Dalby database.

Photos

Paintings, sketches, & murals

MONUMENTS & HISTORIC SITES

INTERPRETIVE CENTERS

CEMETERIES WITH GRAVESTONES OF PARTICIPANTS

WEBSITES

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