

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM

PLEASE:

- Type or print, using a ball-point pen, when filling out this form. Legibility is critical.
- Do not guess at the information. An answer of, "Unknown," is more helpful.
- Include a photograph of each viewable side and label it with name & direction of view.

- Thank You.

Type of Memorial

Monument *with* Sculpture Monument with *Cannon*
 Monument *without* Sculpture Historical Marker Plaque

Affiliation

G.A.R. (Post Name & No. _____) M.O.L.L.U.S.
 W.R.C. (Corps Name & No. _____) Other Allied Order
 SUVCW (Camp Name & No. _____) (Please describe below)
 DUVCW (Tent Name & No. _____)
 Other: Rotary International

Original Dedication Date Unknown (1945-1955) Please consult any/all newspaper archives for a local paper's article that would have information on the *first* dedication ceremony and/or other facts on the memorial. Please submit a copy of your findings with full identification of the paper & date of publication. Thank you.

Location

The Memorial is *currently* located at:
 Street/Road address or site location Northeast of Fort St, Sturdevant St & Locust St Jct W89°31'36" N37°17'26"
 City/Village Cape Girardeau Township _____ County Cape Girardeau

The front of the Memorial faces: North South East West

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner (of private cemetery that Memorial is located in)...

Name American Legion Dept./Div. Louis K Juden Post 63
 Street Address 2731 Thomas
 City Cape Girardeau State MO Zip Code 63701
 Contact Person Unknown Telephone (573) 335-0305

If the Memorial has been moved, please list former location(s)...

Physical Details

Material of Monument or base under a Sculpture or Cannon = Stone Concrete Metal Undetermined
 If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) aggregate cement

Material of the Sculpture = Stone Concrete Metal Undetermined
 If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) n/a
 If the Sculpture is of metal, is it solid cast or "hollow?" n/a

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet = Bronze

Material of Cannon = Bronze Iron - Consult known Ordnance Listing to confirm
 Markings on muzzle = N/A
 Markings on Left Trunion _____ Right Trunion _____
 Is inert ammunition a part of the Memorial? If so, describe _____

Approximate Dimensions (indicate unit of measure) - taken from tallest / widest points
 Monument or Base: Height 2 1/2 feet Width 2 1/2 feet Depth 2 1/2 feet or Diameter _____
 Sculpture: Height 24' Width _____ Depth _____ or Diameter _____

For Memorials with multiple Sculptures, please record this information on a separate sheet of paper for each statue and attach to this form. Please describe the "pose" of each statue and any weapons/implements involved (in case your photos become separated from this form). Thank you!

Markings/Inscriptions (on stone-work / metal-work of monument, base, sculpture)
 Maker or Fabricator mark / name? If so, give name & location found not found

The "Dedication Text" is formed: cut into material raised up from material face

Record the text (indicate any separation if on different sides...) Please use additional sheet if necessary.
[American Indian Chief Head with Bonnet] "Fort D," one of the forts erected in Cape Girardeau by Union forces in 1861, is the only
one preserved. Its site southeast of the town was chosen to command the entire bend of the river southward and also the river road from downstream.
Inclined embankments were built with ditches on the outside. A rectangular gun emplacement protected diagonally at each corner.
These earthworks may still be seen.
The soldiers made a bowling alley on the terreplain of the fort using huge sticks of wood for pins and 32 pound cannonballs to
bowl them over.
During extremely cold weather some of the soldiers dug caves into the steep hillside north of the fort and became temporary troglodytes,
but most of them decided the extra comfort did not warrant the extra work.
Rotary International [and logo]

Environmental Setting

(The general vicinity and immediate locale surrounding a memorial can play a major role in its overall condition.)

Type of Location

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|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cemetery | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Plaza/Courtyard |
| <input type="checkbox"/> "Town Square" | <input type="checkbox"/> Post Office | <input type="checkbox"/> School |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal Building | <input type="checkbox"/> State Capitol | Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Courthouse | <input type="checkbox"/> College Campus | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Circle | <input type="checkbox"/> Library | _____ |

Surface Coating

Does there appear to be a coating? ___ Yes X No ___ Unable to determine
If known, identify type of coating.
 Gilded Painted Varnished Waxed Unable to determine
Is the coating in good condition? ___ Yes No Unable to determine

Basic Surface Condition Assessment (check one)

In your opinion, what is the general appearance or condition of the Memorial?
 X Well maintained Would benefit from treatment In urgent need of treatment Unable to determine

Overall Description

Briefly describe the Memorial (affiliation / overall condition & any concern not already touched on) .

Good condition

Supplemental Background Information

In addition to your on-site survey, any additional information you can provide on the described Memorial will be welcomed. Please label each account with its source (author, title, publisher, date, pages). Topics include any reference to the points listed on this questionnaire, plus any previous conservation treatments - or efforts to raise money for treatment. Thank you.

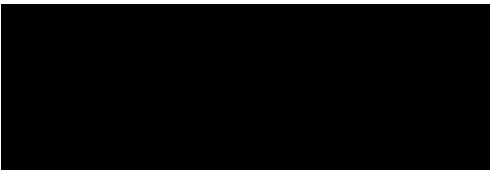
Inspector Identification

Date of On-site Survey 13 Dec 2005
Your Name Walter E. Busch



Please send this completed form to:

Todd A. Shillington, PDC



Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

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National Civil War Memorials Committee





FORT D.

FORT D. ONE OF THE FORTS, ERECTED IN CAPE GIRARDEAU BY UNION FORCES IN 1862, IS THE ONLY ONE PRESERVED. IT LIES TO THE EAST OF THE TOWN WAS CHOSEN TO COMMAND THE ENTIRE BEND OF THE RIVER SOUTHWARD AND ALSO THE RIVER ROAD FROM DOWNSTREAM.

INCLINED EMBANKMENTS WERE BUILT WITH BATTERS ON THE OUTSIDE. A RECTANGULAR GUN EMPLACEMENT PROJECTED DIAGONALLY AT EACH CORNER. THESE EARTHWORKS MAY STILL BE SEEN.

THE SOLDIERS MADE A LOGGING ALLEY ON THE TERRACE PLAIN OF THE FORT USING HUGE STUMPS OF TREES FOR PINS AND 32 POUND CANNONBALLS TO BLOW THEM OVER.

DUE TO EXTREMELY COLD WEATHER SOME OF THE LOGS WERE BURNED AS FUEL. THE STUMP WELLS ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE FORT BECAME TEMPORARY LOG BURNERS. BY 10 P.M. THEY DECIDED THE BURNING FOR FUEL WAS WARRANT THE EXTINCTION.

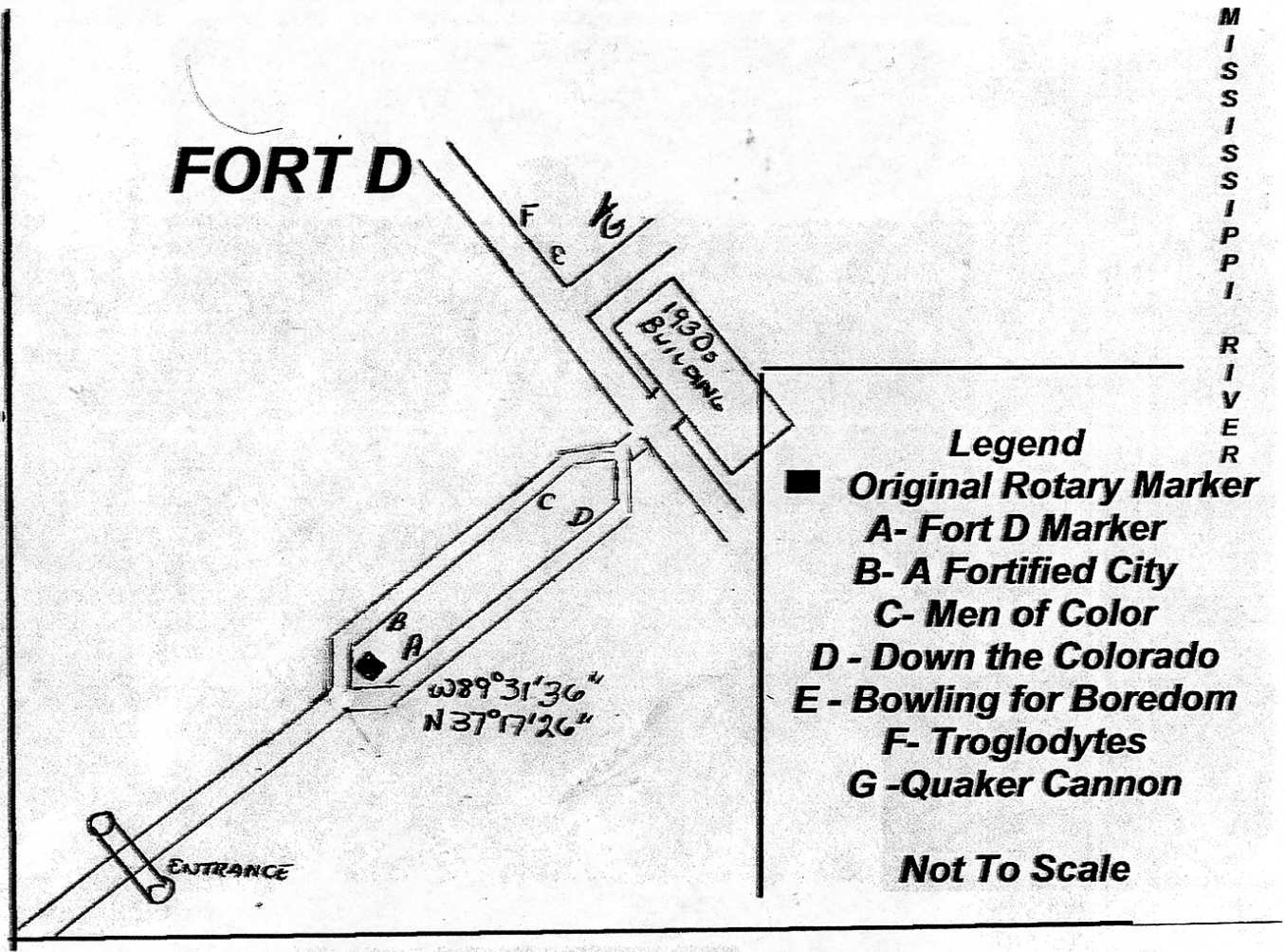


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FORT D

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- Legend**
- Original Rotary Marker
 - A- Fort D Marker
 - B- A Fortified City
 - C- Men of Color
 - D - Down the Colorado
 - E - Bowling for Boredom
 - F- Troglodytes
 - G -Quaker Cannon

Not To Scale

LOCUST ST - CAPE GIRARDEAU MO