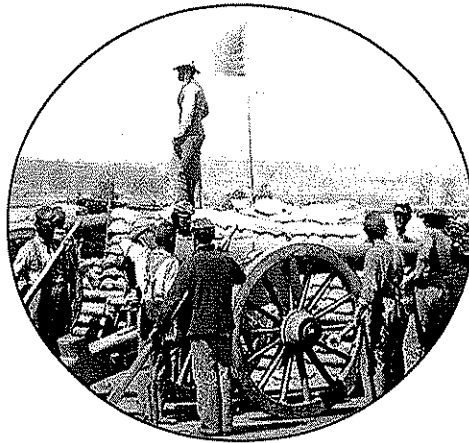


CIVIL WAR
VOLUNTEER SONS
OF CONNECTICUT
BLAIKIE HINES



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SOMERS

THE POPULATION IN 1860 WAS 1,517 (RANK 96)

THE MOST IMPORTANT DAY
OF THE CIVIL WAR

SEPTEMBER 17, 1862

SHARPSBURG, MD
(ANTIETAM)

CONNECTICUT HAD MORE
CASUALTIES FOR ONE DAY
THAN ON ANY OTHER DAY
OF THE WAR

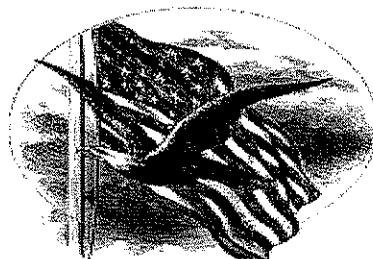
More soldiers credited to Somers were listed as casualties (5) on this day than on any day of the war. One soldier was killed, 3 were wounded, and 1 was wounded & captured in the 14TH and 16TH Connecticut. One of the wounded died.

The date September 17, 1862 ranks 1ST for total casualties (687) (131 killed, 2 missing, 515 wounded, 21 captured, 18 wounded & captured) for a single day for the State of Connecticut. All of the casualties were at Antietam.

The Battle of Antietam (September 16-17, 1862) ranks 1ST for total casualties (689) for an engagement for the State of Connecticut. The most intense fighting developed on September 17. Somers had all of its casualties on that day.

The Battle of Antietam with 5 total casualties for Somers was the highest number of casualties for any single engagement of the war for the town.

Roughly 12,400 Union casualties were recorded and perhaps there were 10,300 Confederate casualties. Antietam proved to be one of the turning points of the war. It ended Lee's 1862 invasion of the North.



98 MEN CREDITED TO
SOMERS SERVED
IN THE FOLLOWING
CONNECTICUT
ORGANIZATIONS

<u>REGIMENT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
22 ND	23 (23%)
1 ST HEAVY ARTILLERY	13 (13%)
10 TH	10 (10%)
16 TH	9 (9%)
7 TH	8 (8%)
1 ST CAVALRY	7 (7%)
14 TH	6 (6%)
8 TH	5 (5%)
12 TH	5 (5%)
11 TH	3 (3%)
21 ST	3 (3%)
6 TH	2 (2%)
12 TH BATTALION	2 (2%)
29 TH	2 (2%)
30 TH	2 (2%)
2 ND HEAVY ARTILLERY	1
5 TH	1
17 TH	1
25 TH	1

7% OF POPULATION

FOUR WERE KILLED

The first Somers soldier killed was Private Cornelius Wildman of Company A, 16TH Connecticut. He was killed at the Battle of Antietam, MD on September 17, 1862.

SOMERS SOLDIERS KILLED

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
Antietam, MD (16 TH)	9/17/62	1
Providence Church Rd, VA(16 TH)	5/3/63	1
Laurel Hill, VA (14 TH)	5/10/64	1
Bermuda Hundred, VA (7 TH)	6/17/64	1

ELEVEN WERE CAPTURED

Seven Somers soldiers died in captivity. Two died at Andersonville Prison, GA, two died at Florence, SC, two died at Libby Prison Richmond, VA and one died at Charleston, SC.

SOMERS CAPTURED
***(7) DIED IN CAPTIVITY**

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
Antietam, MD (16 TH) *	9/17/62	1
(Wounded)		
Fort Wagner, SC (7 TH)	7/11/63	1
(Wounded)		
Plymouth, NC (16 TH) *	4/20/64	1
Meadow Bridge, VA (1 CA) *	5/12/64	1
Drewry's Bluff, VA (7 TH) *2	5/16/64	2
Proctor's Creek, VA (8 TH) *	5/16/64	1
Petersburg, VA (6 TH)	5/20/64	1
Ashland, VA (1 CA)	6/1/64	1
Ream's Station, VA (14 TH)	8/25/64	1
Boydton Plank Rd, VA(14 TH)*	10/27/64	1
(Wounded)		

TOTAL SOMERS CASUALTIES

DIED	15	15%
KILLED	4	4%
WOUNDED	6	6%
CAPTURED	11	11%
DESERTED	7	7%

**SIX WERE WOUNDED**

The first Somers soldier wounded was Private Lorin B Hurlburt of Company C, 10TH Connecticut. He was wounded at New Bern, NC on June 1, 1862 and recovered from his wound. One Somers soldier died from a wound received during the war.

SOMERS WOUNDED
***(1) DIED FROM WOUNDS**

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO.</u>
New Bern, NC (16 TH) *	6/1/62	1
Antietam, MD (14, 16 TH)	9/17/62	3
Morton's Ford, VA (14 TH)	2/6/64	1
Petersburg, VA (1 HA)	7/9/64	1