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GREETINGS

FRANK G. CLEMENT, Governor of Tennessee

Tennessee has the greatest diversity of recreational resources and advantages of any state in the Union. Rich in heritage, Tennesseans are a proud generation of modern pioneers—building, working, growing together in pace with progress everywhere. From the air, along the miles of super-highways and on the waterways, there exists the excitement of variety in scenic landscape ranging from cotton fields and grazing plains to the Great Smoky Mountains. In each of these areas, the people have slightly different but interesting customs and traditions. All these qualities, within the borders of our great state, make Tennessee the most interesting state in the nation. The people of Tennessee join with me in extending a cordial invitation to our friends from coast to coast to visit our state and participate in this commemoration of the Centennial of the Battle of Nashville.

DONALD M. McSWEEN, Commissioner, Department of Conservation

More than 24,000,000 tourists visited Tennessee last year and enjoyed a wide variety of recreation facilities and the historic sites including numerous Civil War Battles. Twenty-one State Parks offer fun and excitement for the whole family year round. Twenty-two Great Lakes provide America’s most fabulous fresh-water fishing. Big game hunting and skiing in the East Tennessee mountains attract adventurous sportsmen. The friendly people of Tennessee welcome visitors and encourage them to share in the recreation pleasures and visit the sites of historic significance.

HIGHLIGHTS OF CENTENNIAL PROGRAM

DECEMBER 11
8 a.m. until 10 p.m., Civil War period music concerts presenting patriotic tunes played by nationally known entertainers and the Nashville Symphony.

DECEMBER 12
9 a.m. until 4 p.m., Historic homes tour, Battle of Nashville tour with historian at key locations, Display of Civil War relics at Centennial Park.

60 a.m. until 11:30 a.m., Marching lea-

ting re-enacted Civil War units, bands, floats. 2 p.m. until 4:30 p.m., Over 1,000 men in blue and gray take to the fields for the grand re-enactment of battle scenes and tactics—infantry, artillery, cavalry, just as they were one hundred years ago.

DECEMBER 13
9 a.m. until 4 p.m., Historic homes tour; Bantam field tour. 2 p.m. until 2:30 p.m., Re-dedication of the Battle of Nashville Monument.
5 p.m. until 7:30 p.m., Memorial services to Confederate dead. 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m., Memorial services to Union dead.

CIVIL WAR SITES

CARTER HOUSE is located a short distance from the Courthouse Square at Franklin on U.S. Highway 31. Built and designed by Fountain Branch Carter in 1839, the house was used by Union General Jacob D. Cox as a command post during the Battle of Franklin. Visible bullet holes are the grim reminders of the bloody battle staged there. History reports the Confederates suffered 6,392 casualties and 2,332 men of the Union forces were either killed or wounded.

BELLE MEADE Mansion is located on U.S. Highway 70S in the southwest suburbs of Nashville. One of the South’s most interesting showplaces, Belle Meade was first built in 1833. The original house burned and was rebuilt by General William Giles Hard-
ing, John Harding’s son, as it now stands. During the Civil War, the mansion was a temporary headquarters of Confederate General James R. Chalmers.

STONE’S RIVER BATTLEFIELD Military Cemetery near Murfreesboro on U.S. Highways 41 and 70S is the scene of the Confederate assault on December 31, 1862. Tablets, marking the spots of action, give specific details of the Battle of Murfreesboro within the area. A pamphlet describing the battle is obtainable from the Headquarters Building at Stone’s River National Military Park.