



## 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.) \_\_\_\_\_

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

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet = \_\_\_\_\_

Material of Cannon = ☐ Bronze ☒ Iron - Consult known Ordnance Listing to confirm

Markings on muzzle = ☐ None, Muzzle Rifled

Markings on Left Trunion ☐ None Right Trunion ☐ None

Is inert ammunition a part of the Memorial? ☒ NO If so, describe \_\_\_\_\_

### Approximate Dimensions (indicate unit of measure) - taken from tallest / widest points

Monument or Base: Height \_\_\_\_\_ Width \_\_\_\_\_ Depth \_\_\_\_\_ or Diameter \_\_\_\_\_

Sculpture: Height \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_

NONE LOCATED

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.

NONE, But for the sesquicentennial the state created informational panels for use in the state museum. See attached for text.

## Environmental Setting

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

### Type of Location

☐ Cemetery  
☐ "Town Square"  
☐ Municipal Building  
☐ Courthouse  
☐ Traffic Circle

☐ Park  
☐ Post Office  
☒ State Capitol  
☐ College Campus  
☐ Library

☐ Plaza/Courtyard  
☐ School  
Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**General Vicinity**☐ Rural (low population, open land)☒ Town☐ Suburban (residential, near city)☐ Urban / Metropolitan**Immediate Locale** (check as many as may apply)☐ Industrial ☐ Commercial☐ Street/Roadside within 20 feet ☐ Tree Covered (overhanging branches)☒ Protected from the elements (canopy or enclosure, indoors)☒ Protected from the public (fence or other barrier)

Any other significant environmental factor \_\_\_\_\_

**Condition Information****Structural Condition** (check as many as may apply)

The following section applies to Monuments *with* Sculpture, and Monuments without Sculpture - including the base for Monuments with *Cannon*. Instability in the sculpture and its base can be detected by a number of factors. Indicators may be obvious or subtle. Visually examine the sculpture and its base.

	<b>Sculpture</b>	<b>Base</b>
If hollow, is the internal support unstable/exposed? (Look for signs of exterior rust)	_____	_____
Any evidence of structural instability? (Look for cracked joints, missing mortar or caulking or plant growth)	_____	_____
Any broken or missing parts? (Look for elements (i.e., sword, musket, hands, arms, etc. - missing due to vandalism, fluctuating weather conditions, etc.)	_____	_____
Any cracks, splits, breaks or holes? (Also look for signs of uneven stress & weakness in the material)	_____	_____

**Surface Appearance** (check as many as may apply)

	<b>Sculpture</b>	<b>Base</b>
Black crusting	_____	_____
White crusting	_____	_____
Etched, pitted, or otherwise corroded (on metal)	_____	_____
Metallic staining (run-off from copper, iron, etc.)	_____	_____
Organic growth (moss, algae, lichen or vines)	_____	_____
Chalky or powdery stone	_____	_____
Granular eroding of stone	_____	_____
Spalling of stone (surface splitting off)	_____	_____
Droppings (bird, animal, insect remains)	_____	_____
Other (e.g., spray paint graffiti) - Please describe...	_____	_____

Does water collect in recessed areas of the Memorial? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unable to tell

## Surface Coating

Does there appear to be a coating? ☐ Yes ☐ 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? ☒ 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) .

See attached

## 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 03/08/2014

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What Order or Organization is submitter a member of? SUVCW

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Thank you for your help, and attention to detail. SONS OF UNION V

CIVIL WAR VETERANS OF THE National Civil War Memorials Committee

# CANNON HISTORY

The cannon exhibited here traveled from Mexico to Missouri and has been used in two wars.

The cannons were captured during the Mexican War Battle of Sacramento in 1847. The guns were brought back to Missouri by Missouri troops.



This Mexican gun was used in 1846 by Missourians in the Kansas-Missouri border wars. It remained in the Lawrence County Historical Society in Lawrence.

Seven of the Mexican guns were stored under the portico of the old Missouri State Capitol building. In 1861, Missouri governor Claiborne Fox Jackson sent them to St. Louis where they were recast into four larger guns, including the one displayed here. They were intended for use by the pro-Confederate Missouri State Guard but were seized and used by Union forces early in the Civil War.



One cannon is visible in this photograph of the Missouri State Capitol taken about 1910.

The four recast guns were transported to Jefferson City, Mo., after the Civil War. They were displayed on the corners of the Capitol Building and fired for special occasions, including the Fourth of July and Lincoln's Birthday.



Two of the cannons were used at the Civil War Battle of Lexington in Missouri.



Local Civil War heroes, Fred and Wendelin Bushrle of Jefferson City, left the cannons over that first fired the Capitol guns. The Bushrles were local farmers who joined the Union cause in Missouri.

Ten guns were captured in the Mexican War.

Seven of the 10 cannons recast into four cannons in 1861 to be used by the Missouri State Guard.

One was used in the Lawrence, Kan., in the 1840s and remains there today.

Two were used at the Battle of Lexington in 1862 but their ultimate fate is unknown.

Four of the recast guns were transported to Jefferson City, Mo., after the Civil War. Two were destroyed.

One cannon is on exhibit here. Another is on exhibit at the Missouri State Historic Site in Lexington, Mo.



# CANNONS

## CANNON TYPES

There were two general types of cannons used during the Civil War.

**Smoothbores** were designated by the approximate weight of the charge they could shoot. A "10-pounder" could project a 10-pound cannonball. Two types of smoothbores were guns and howitzers. Guns were designed to fire solid shot at high speeds, while howitzers were designed to fire explosive shells at a higher arc.

**Rifled** artillery was used later in the Civil War. Spiral grooves inside the barrel made the projectile spin like a football, allowing for a more accurate shot. Rifled guns included the 3-inch ordnance, the Parrott and the Whitworth.

## CANNON PARTS



Firing a cannon requires teamwork and concentration.

## FIRING THE CANNON

In charge of the cannoners. Makes adjustments for aiming the cannon and gives command to fire.

**cannoneer 1** Pushes the artillery round into the barrel using the rammer. After firing, uses the field worm to remove any remaining debris inside the cannon, then sponges the barrel.

**cannoneer 2** Inserts the artillery round into the cannon's barrel.

**cannoneer 3** Covers the vent on the cannon to prevent any old embers from relighting while the round is being pushed into the barrel. Aims the cannon using the limber chest and pokes a hole in the charge before firing.

**cannoneer 4** Inserts the primer into the vent and attaches the lanyard to it. Pulls the lanyard to fire.

**cannoneer 5** Hauls the artillery round from the limber chest to the cannon.

**cannoneer 6** Works at the limber chest getting artillery rounds and cutting fuses.

**cannoneer 7** Assists cannoner 6 with handling the artillery rounds and cutting fuses.



## CANNON EQUIPMENT

Cannons require additional equipment for transportation, ordnance storage and firing. The carriage underneath the cannon provides mobility and storage for all the firing and cleaning tools. The limber chest sits behind the cannon during battle and holds artillery rounds and fuses.











[State Museum Informational Panels on Display with Cannon During the Sesquicentennial of the Civil War]

Cannon History: The cannon exhibited here traveled from Mexico to Missouri and has been used in two wars.

Ten cannons were captured during the Mexican War Battle of Sacramento in 1847. The guns were brought back to Missouri by Missouri troops.

[Insert: Cannon and Crew photo labeled *This Mexican gun was used in 1856 by Missourians in the Kansas-Missouri border wars. It remained in Kansas during the Civil War. Today it is on exhibit at the Douglas County Historical Society in Lawrence.*]

Seven of the Mexican guns were stored under the portico of the old Missouri State Capitol Building. In 1861, Missouri governor Claiborne Fox Jackson sent them to St. Louis where they were recast into four larger guns, including the one displayed here. They were intended for use by the pro-Confederate Missouri State Guard but were seized and used by Union forces early in the Civil War.

[Insert Picture of a Drum]

[Insert Graphic Labeled: *Two of the cannons were used at the Civil War Battle of Lexington in Missouri.*]

[Insert Photo Labeled: *One cannon is visible in this photograph of the Missouri State Capitol taken about 1910.*]

The four recast guns were transported to Jefferson City, Mo., after the Civil War. They were displayed on the corners of the Capitol Building and fired for special occasions, include the Fourth of July and Lincoln's Birthday.

[Photo labeled: *Local Civil War heroes, Fred and Wendelin Buehrle of Jefferson City, led the cannon crew that fired the Capitol guns. The Buehrle brothers were German immigrants and, like many immigrants, joined the Union cause in Missouri.*]

[FLOW CHART:

Ten guns were captured in the Mexican War.

Seven of the 10 cannons were melted down and recast into four cannons in 1861 to be used by the Missouri State Guard.

One was used in Lawrence, Kan, in the 1856 border struggles and remains there today.

Two were used at the Battle of Lexington in 1861, but their ultimate fate is unknown.

Four of the recast guns were displayed at the Missouri State Capitol after the Civil War. Two were destroyed.

One cannon is on exhibit here. Another is on exhibit at Battle of Lexington State Historic Site, Lexington, Mo.]

[Second Interpretive Panel]

Cannons: Firing a cannon requires teamwork and concentration.

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[Insert Graphic of Cannon labeling elevating screw, handspike, field worm, sponge bucket, and sponge and rammer.]

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Firing the Cannon [Positions marked in insert diagram]

Gunner	In charge of the cannoneers. Makes adjustments for aiming the cannon and gives command to fire.
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