

**Lee County Board Of County Commissioners
Agenda Item Summary**

Blue Sheet No. 20051005

1. ACTION REQUESTED/PURPOSE: Provide staff with direction regarding the donation of original civil war documents and sixteen (16) wooden chairs that were the first Lee County Courthouse's jury chairs, to a historical society or museum for preservation and display.

2. WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES: Allows for the preservation and display of historical items.

3. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATION: Approve

4. Departmental Category: <u>A12A</u>		5. Meeting Date: <u>08-02-2005</u>
6. Agenda: <input type="checkbox"/> Consent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Administrative <input type="checkbox"/> Appeals <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Walk-On	7. Requirement/Purpose: (specify)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Statute	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/> Admin. Code	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
		8. Request Initiated:
		Commissioner _____
		Department <u>County Attorney</u>
		Division <u>General Services</u>
		By: <u>Andrea R. Fraser, Acting Chief</u> <u>Assistant County Attorney</u>

9. Background:

The Lee County Clerk of Courts Office contacted the County Attorney's Office regarding historical Lee County property held in the Recording Office. Since the property provides insight into Lee County's past, the thought was this item should be brought before the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) for direction.

The Clerks Office would like the BOCC to decide how to handle historical property; allowing for preservation and display as well as viewing by the public, by possibly donating the items to a historical society or museum.

ATTACHMENT: Inventory of Civil War Documents

10. Review for Scheduling:

Department Director	Purchasing or Contracts	Human Resources	Other	County Attorney	Budget Services				County Manager/P.W. Director
					Analyst	Risk	Grants	Mgr.	
				<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>

11. Commission Action:

Approved
 Deferred
 Denied
 Other

RECEIVED BY COUNTY ADMIN:
7-15-05
9 am.
COUNTY ADMIN FORWARDED TO:
<i>[Signature]</i>
7/21/05
9:30 am

7/21/05

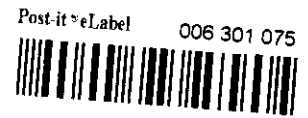


Exhibit A

Inventory of Civil War Documents

Letter dated Sept. 1, '63, from S. B. French, Major, Bureau of Subsistence in Richmond, to Major Pleasant W. White, Chief Com's'y of Florida, Quincy, Fla. Urgent need to collect cattle for the use of Gen'l Bragg's army and the troops in So. Ca. & Georgia.

Letter dated October 6, 1863, from P. W. White, Major, Office of Chief Commissary, to Col. L. B. Northrop, Commissary General in Richmond, Virginia. Indians have hogs, need clothing and ammunition, are friendly. Suggest that presents and exchanges be made so that the Indians will continue to be friendly and not be open to approaches from the enemy.

Letter dated Oct. 14, '63 from L. B. Northrop to Major P. W. White. White received the letter from Northrop and got authority from the Secretary of War to cooperate with the Indian Bureau to appoint Mr. McKay to deal with the Indians. Use commissary funds to buy things to trade for the Indians' hogs, and cattle, if they have any. Funds for presents will come from the Indian Bureau. Must write specially for munitions unless McKay can get what he needs from the Admin. Dept. in Sarasota (?).

Letter dated October 15, 1863, by James A. Seddon, Secretary of War, to Mr. MacKay, authorizing McKay to deal with the Indians to get hogs and cattle, providing presents for them, how money is to be handled.

Letter of Oct. 27, '63 (?) from Col. L. B. Northrop, Com's. Genl. to Major P. W. White on relations to Seminole Indians and how funds are to be handled.

Letter dated Nov. 18, 1863, from P. W. White, Maj., Office of Chief Commissary, Quincy, to Capt. S. S. Carlisle. James McKay has been appointed by the Sec. of War to be special agent to work out affairs with the Seminole Indians.

Letter of 5th March, 1864, from P. W. White, A. B. Hoyes, A. G. Summer, James McKay to Major Henry Bryan, A. A. Genl. propositions necessary for the efficiency of the Subsistence Department in order to supply cattle. This letter is a copy made by H. L. Clay, April 19, 1864.

Letter dated May 13, 1864, from A. Bhizis (?), Tallahassee, to Maj. P. W. White. The enemy has captured the Town of Tampa and captured all the citizens but three who made their escape across the river.

Letter dated June 6, 1864, from Wm. G. Barth, A. A. General by command of Maj. Gen. Anderson, Lake City, to Maj. P. W. White, stating that Priv't. C. J. Munnerlyn is detailed for special service with P. W. White at Quincy, Fla.

Letter dated July 7, 1864, from Ira Blain Hoge, Major & A. A. G. for the Secretary of War to Hon. Charles J. Munnerlyn authorizing the organization of a temporary Battallion in the service of the Commissary Department in driving and getting out cattle. Munnerlyn is to be the Major.

Letter with same wording as the above except this is on letterhead from the Confederate States of America, War Department.

Letter dated 8th July, 1864, from Jefferson Davis to Secty. of War asking that Secretary listen to what Col. Munnerlyn has to say about conscription.

Letter dated July 8, 1864, from James A Seddow, Secy. of War, to Maj. Genl. Patton Anderson, Commanding District of Florida, suggesting that fugitive criminals be used in the driving and getting out of cattle. No promises would be made, but if they served well, an appeal might be made to the President for future action.

Statement which is an official copy, Adjutant & Inspector Gen'l's Office, Richmond, from John N. Riely, of information dated July 9, 1864, and 6 July '64, regarding and approving the application of Charles I. Munnerlyn to raise troops for a battalion to drive and get out cattle, and providing arms.

Special Orders, No. 114 dated July 9, 1864, from Major-General Patton Anderson, extending detail of C. J. Munnerlyn, . . . for 30 days.

Letter dated July 26, Lake City, from C. J. Munnerlyn to Maj. P. W. White upon his arrival at Lake City.

Special Orders dated October 6, 1864, from Head Quarters Comdt of Cons. for Fla., Madison, Fla. assigning men to serve in the Special Battallion of Cattle Drivers.

Letter dated November 3, 1864, from L. B. Northrop to James A. Seddow, Secty. of War, with response from Mr. Seddow. Northrup states that Genl. Miller has assumed command of the Cattle Battalion, objects to that. Seddow says the Battalion should be devoted to the Dept. and not called off for guard duty.

Letter dated November 15, '64, from Jo (?) Blain Hoge, Maj. & A. A. Genl., Confederate States of America War Dept., Richmond, Va. To Brig. Genl. Miller. Secretary of War sent a telegram on 26th October 1864, to Lt. Genl. Hardee stating that the Cattle Battalion under Major Munnerly is specially exempt from the operation of General Order No. 77....the organization is not for permanent service.

Letter dated Dec. 10, 1864, from C. J. Munnerlyn to Brig. Genl. Miller explaining his actions as commander of the Commissary Batt.

Letter dated April 10, 1865, from P. W. White, Quincy, Florida, to Brig. Genl. Wm. Miller, Tallahassee, stating that he is sending papers regarding the organization of Col. Munnerlyn's batt., as requested.

Muster Roll of Captain E. J. Sutterlok's Company of the Special Battalion Cavalry, Major C. J. Munerlyn, first entry is July 28, 1864.

Muster Roll of Captain Sam'l Agnew's Company of the Special Battalion Cavalry, Major O. J. Mannolyn, first entry is Aug. 16, '64.

Synopsis of the contents of papers in reference to the Cattle Battalion.