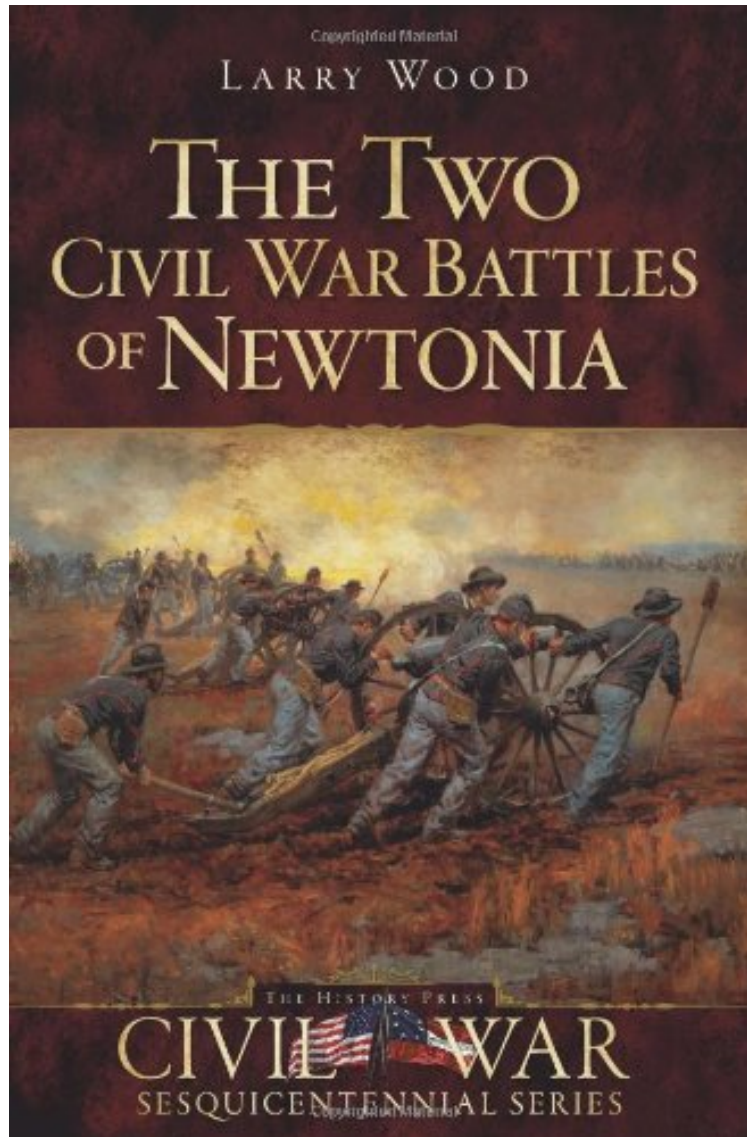


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much a review of the author's work as it is a complaint about what I see as a trend towards erroneous statements appearing on several of the volumes in the History Press's Sesquicentennial series. The back of the book's description states that the first battle of Newtonia was "the first and only civil war battle in which American Indians took opposing sides, fighting in units of regimental strength". WHAT? Apparently whoever wrote this silliness knew nothing of the fighting that took place throughout the war in Indian Territory. Native Americans fought each other repeatedly and several times in units of regimental strength.....1st and second Cabin creek, and Honey springs just to name a few engagements. H.P. needs some better editors to say the least. Other than that little nitpick, I recommend Mr. Wood's work on a little known, rarely discussed corner of the Trans-Mississippi theater. Plenty of maps are always a welcome feature to a battle study and this edition has several, as well as some interesting photos.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Not the best effortBy StephenXMore like a summary of the fight for Missouri. Awful, awful maps. Why label southern units by commander and union units by regiment? Too many site references that were omitted from the "maps". The maps look like they were drawn by a grade school kid with two pencils. I learned nothing new from this book.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Plenty of informationBy catfishjohnDetails of both battles at Newtonia. Decent maps of troop placement will allow following the conflict when I visit the area. Am looking forward to touring the area with this book as a guide.

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