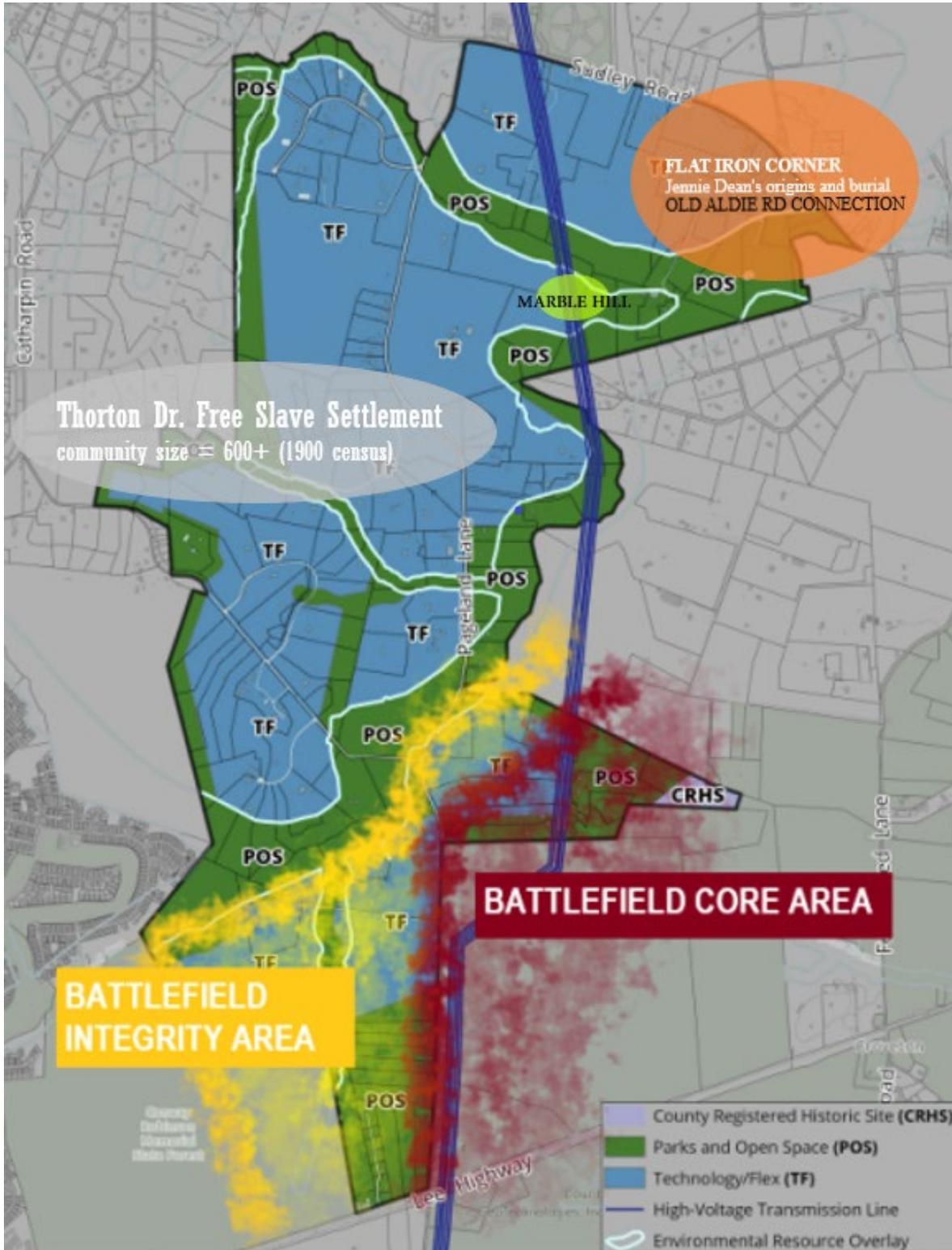


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Measles Camp:

Location: Pageland Farm

Time Frame: July - November 1861

Deaths at Pageland: (374 – 476)

Alabama = 150 – 200 (# from first-hand accounts, some names and place identified troop roster)

North Carolina = 46 – 69 (# from incomplete Troop Roster names and place identified)

Georgia = 150+ (# from account Ga suffered the worst from 1861 measles outbreak)

Mississippi = 28-57 (# from 1861 mortality for measles 6%@950 white males,50-100%infection)

Burials at Pageland would have likely been proper (first-hand account for at least 100) and unlikely to be removed during Second Battle of Manassas recovery and reburial (no records indicate otherwise.)

Source 1: <http://civilwarrx.blogspot.com/2016/01/civil-war-soldiers-decimated-by-disease.html>

Source 2: <https://civilwarintheeast.com/confederate-regiments/alabama/15th-alabama-infantry/>

Source 3: https://cemetery.tspb.texas.gov/pub/user_form.asp?pers_id=371

Source 4: North Carolina Troops 1861-65, A Roster (c) Historical Data Systems, Inc. @ www.civilwardata.com

Source 5: A Historical Sketch of the Quitman Guards.... p. 11

Source 6: <https://jimvh.org/article/measles-mortality-in-the-armies-of-the-early-20th-century/>

2nd Battle of Manassas August 28-30, 1862

Location: Pageland Farm and Cross Farm Field Hospitals

Time Frame: August – September 1862

[15th Alabama(22) 21st North Carolina(51) 21st Georgia(170+) 16th Mississippi(?) (killed)]

Deaths and Burials: (Many) documents indicate 2 mass burials Pageland and Cross Farm

“Civil War soldiers who were killed in battle were generally buried close to where they died. Sanitary issues dictated that they be buried as soon as possible.”¹

“The battle resulted in a large number of casualties on both sides, and assorted burials and cemeteries of fallen soldiers dot the landscape. The project area and Pageland Lane were both located behind the Confederate lines, generally shielded from the battle by Stony Ridge. As such, it would have provided a protected area to bury soldiers wounded early in the battle while the fighting was still ongoing to the east. Several such small burials are known to exist and have been identified in fields flanking the road. It is believed that the two previously identified graves located within the project area may also be examples of this.”²

Source 1: <https://www.battleofnashvilletrust.org/features/nashville-military-burials/#:~:text=Civil%20War%20soldiers%20who%20were%20killed%20in%20battle,the%20ground%20at%20the%20end%20of%20the%20battle.>

Source 2: Archaeological Resource Survey of The ±4.7 Acre Ghadban Property PREPARED BY > Dutton + Associates, LLC

The Thornton Settlement:

Location: Thornton Drive (between Catharpin Road and Pageland Lane)

Time Frame: Post Civil War and Burning of Haymarket (1870-1900)

Importance:

Post-Civil War Free slave and native American communities in PWC

Thornton Settlement has links to other local Settlements/connections surrounding Haymarket

Marble Hill / Flat Iron Corner

Thoroughfare /Unincorporated Town

Carver Road Settlement

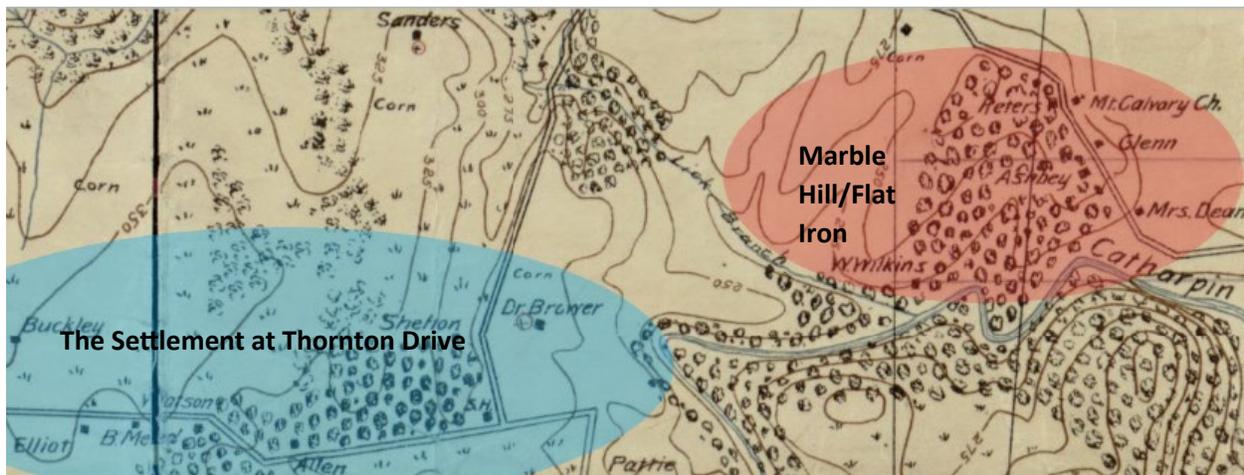
Land could not be purchased in town by African Americans

Settlements were established to help the community build wealth for the first time

Thornton School was located on the corner to Pageland Land and Thornton Drive

Population Data from U.S. Census

Year	1870	1880	1900	1930	Total # of Household 1870-1930
The Settlement at Thornton Drive	9	29	33	23	15
Marble Hill/Flat Iron	59	35	50	36	23



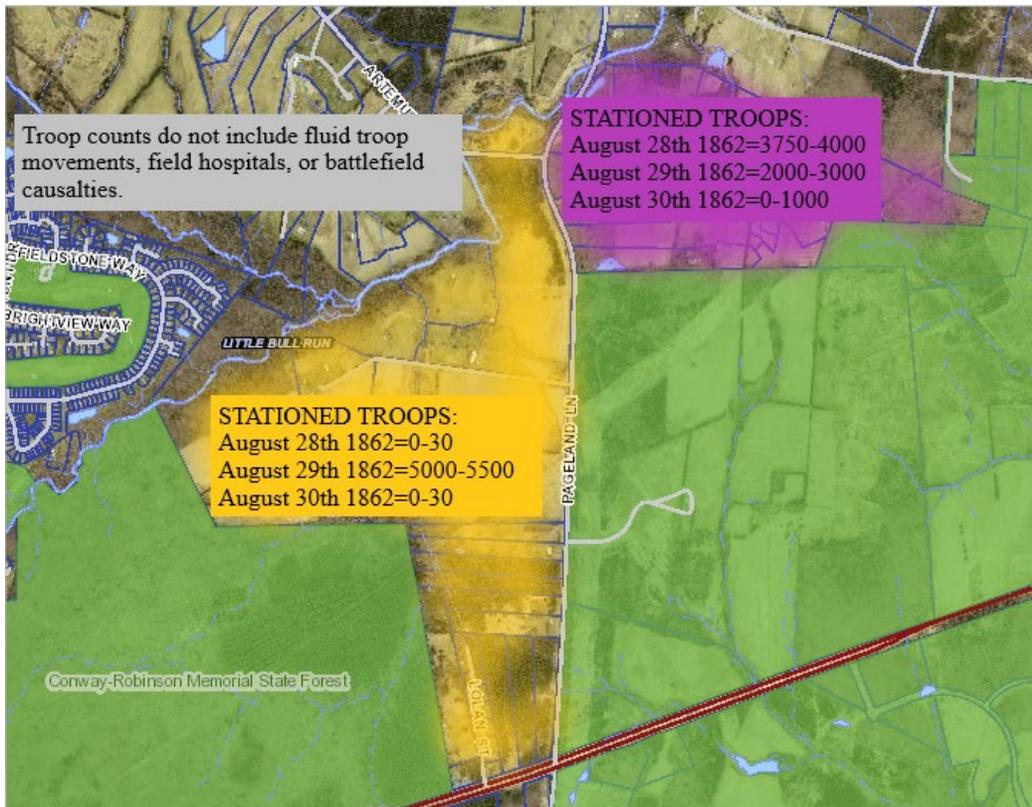
Sources 1: <https://www.loc.gov/resource/g3883p.ct001421/?sp=1&r=0.348,0.255,0.199,0.122,0>

Source 2: Eugene Scheel's Prince William County Map

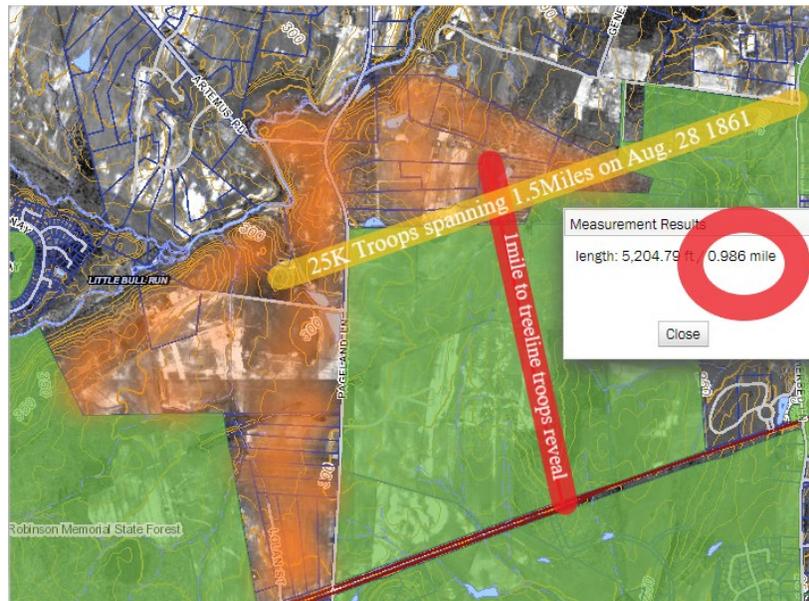
Source 3: Thoroughfare community census research document

Source 4: PWC Historical Commission African American Heritage Map

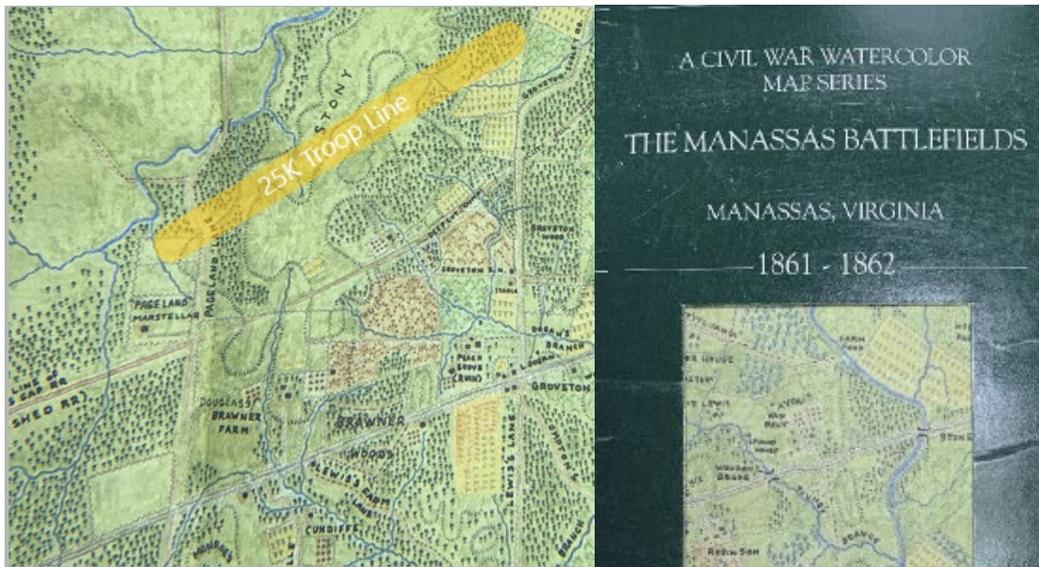
Troop Count and location August 28-30, 1861, Pageland and Cross Farms



Troops under Jackson's Command



Location: A short mile north of the turnpike along the tree line. "Longstreet could link with Jackson there either via the Turnpike or a secondary road leading directly from Thoroughfare Gap."²



Represents vegetation (tree line) in 1862 placing Jackson's troops "north on and of" Brawner Farm @Stoney Ridge

*"It's heavy woods would conceal the Confederates but allow them a clear view of the highway that might take Pope across Bull Run. Finally the cuts and fills of an unfinished railroad running along the base of Stony Ridge formed a ready made entrenchment for Jackson's outnumbered divisions."*²

Source 1: <https://youtu.be/7ptwFQPpjUk>

Source 2: The Second Battle of Manassas text by A. Wilson Greene Published by Eastern National, copyright 2016.]