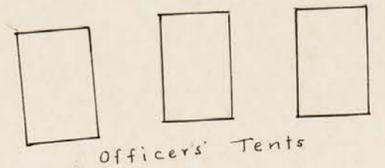


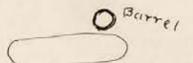
North ?

All a prairie country, nearly level, except the coulee which was narrow and quite deep, with timber along the banks, no farms or dwellings in sight except one abandoned place east of the coulee.

The front wheels of each wagon were turned to allow the pole to rest between the wheel and the box of the wagon ahead, to form a continuous fence or barrier against horsemen.



Officers' Tents



Where I lay on the second day in a slight depression. Three shots were fired at me; two passed over and one hit a barrel

Remarks:

Our Troops, about 150, were all within the inclosure between the wagons and the horses. We had 13 killed, 10 mortally wounded, about 50 disabled. This was the hardest Indian battle ever fought in the West up to that time, being before the Custer Massacre. After the first volley no Indians were seen standing up except those who were beyond the range of our guns.

In this direction there was a mound on the prairie. Heavy firing came from this point

Ground Plan of Corral, Battle of Birch Coulee, Sept 2nd and 3rd 1862.

{Contributed by Robert K. Boyd} January 1926.

Where I saw the bodies of men placed on the earth works

Where I was standing up and they told me to lie down or I would be shot again

Where Mrs. Krueger the wounded woman lay during the battle

Where I was wounded

Where the wounded horse fell on me

Where a boy died during the night lying at my head.

Where Henry Rowleau was shot thru the hand in the night lying at my right side.

Where I lay during the night after the battle had lasted since break of day.

From this direction the troops came to our relief

North of our camp there was no timber in the coulee - all prairie.

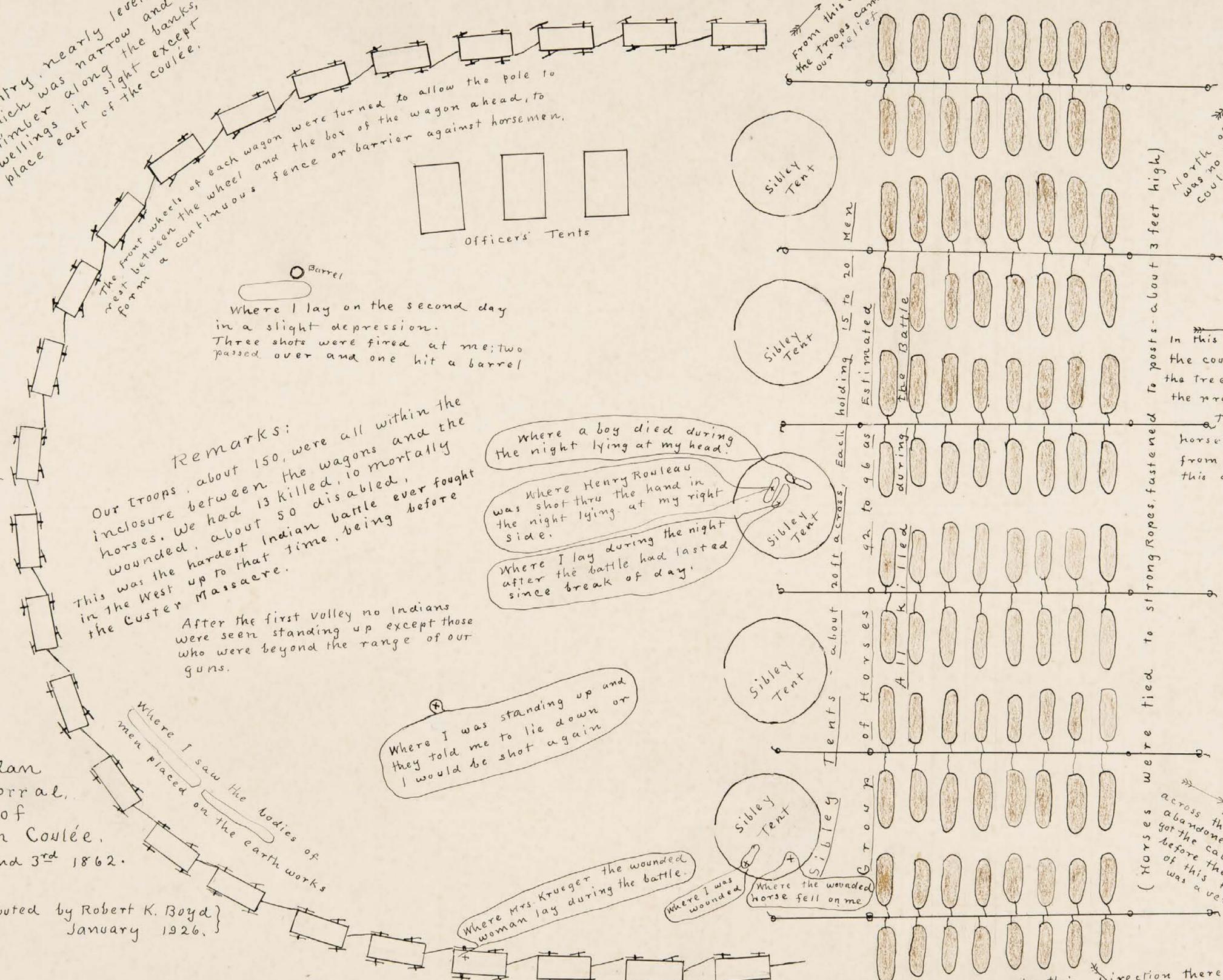
In this direction was the coulee, the tops of the trees showing above the prairie level. The bodies of the horses protected us from the fire from this direction

In this direction across the coulee was the abandoned farm where we got the cabbage the evening before the battle. My share of this the next day was a very small piece.

In this direction there was a grove of timber on the prairie level, near the coulee

From this direction the first volley came from the Indians

South ?



Men holding 15 to 20

Estimated during the Battle

92 to 96 as killed

20 ft across, Each

Tents - about

Group of Horses

Horses were tied to strong ropes, fastened to posts - about 3 feet high

Note.

I have been over this
battle ground many times
and this plan is very
accurately drawn. Slept
in the old house on Farm
mentioned. Also have a
molar of one of the horses
killed by Indians at this
battle, and know Mr. Boyd
personally. R.F. Kennedy



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