

Lewis Crooks 51st Ohio Infantry Oath of Allegiance

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I, Lewis Crooks, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I have never voluntarily borne arms against the United States since I have been a citizen thereof; that I have voluntarily given no aid, countenance, counsel, or encouragement to persons engaged in armed hostility thereto; that I have neither sought nor accepted nor attempted to exercise the functions of any office whatever under my authority or pretend authority in hostility to the United States; that I have not yielded a voluntary support to any pretended government, authority, power, or constitution within the United States, hostile or inimical thereto. And I do further swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and ability, I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter, so help me God.

Lewis Crooks

1st Lt Co 'I' 51st. Ohio Inf Vols

Murfreesboro Tenn March 2nd 1863

John H. Young

Capt. 15th Infantry USA

Mustering Officer

Promoted from 2nd Lt