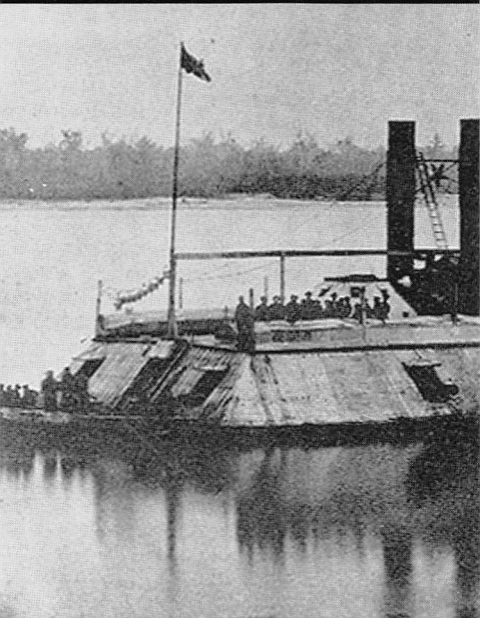


Fort Donelson National Battlefield



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Warfare changed forever when a fleet of ironclad gunboats campaigned up the Tennessee and Cumberland rivers in February, 1862. Carrying heavier guns and offering better protection, they sometimes overshot their targets, hitting nearby towns. The legendary gunboat battle at Fort Donelson could be heard over thirty miles away and changed the lives of all, military and civilian, forever.

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