

(Becher) started at midnight with four men for Fort Sedgwick. I telegraphed and wrote home; hope I can go home soon."

At Fort Sedgwick, my brother met Gen. C. C. Augur, then commander of the Department of the Platte, who took our 17 prisoners from the Summit Springs fight to Omaha and sent them to some agency. Maj. North continued on to Omaha to attend the trial of some Pawnees charged with murdering a man named McMurty, and was kept there until August 6. I was in command of the battalion until his return, though I had offered my resignation to take effect on August 1, and it had been accepted by Gen. Augur. I had also turned over all the stores to Lt. Gus Becher, who had also been promoted to captain of my company.\*

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\*The Fighting Norths and Pawnee Scouts, Robert Bruce, Nebr. State Historical Society, Lincoln, Nebra., 1932. p. 71.

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