

the--one of the major battles. All right, so they went up and they fought near Springfield. The first battle was called Battle of Wilson's Creek--ten miles south of Springfield--and there in a two day conflict--McCollough and several other. There-- Price, General Price in Missouri completely routed the Northern troops and became almost slaughtered. But at the time, Price was tired and McCollough wanted to go home, and so they just decided to go into winter quarters, instead of following up. They'd had gone completely to St. Louis, taken Missouri, and gone on to Illinois. But they decided it was time to go back and gathering the crop and maybe go to some parties and go into winter quarters. Besides, the Civil War--when they won the Battle at Bull Run, everybody thought the war was going to be over with. So they went home and forgot about the war. All right, down at Eufaula, there was a Creek Chief by the name of U-Pa-Tha-Yahola (?), but just for short, you call him Yahola. But for years when I taught Oklahoma history, I tried to find out how to pronounce that name. That's the closest I ever get is U-Pa-Tha-Yahola. Well, U-Pa-Tha-Yahola was a Chief of the Creeks. He was opposed to removal, but once he'd signed that treaty--the McIntosh's had signed their treaty and they had killed the McIntosh's of the Creeks--exactly the way they killed the Cherokeees Treaties party. U-Pa-Tha-Yahola said, "We have an agreement. We will not violate it.", so he was very outspoken against the South. He said, "No, no, no." He says, "I don't --now, I won't have anything to do with the South. I belong to the Federal Government. They pay us, so I'm staying with them." So Cherokeees fled here. They knew what was coming up. They knew that eventually the Cherokeees would have to give in to the South. So some Cherokeees started fleeing down to Eufaula what we call North Fork Town, which is just a few miles out of Eufaula today. All right, the Seminoles were equally divided. John Jumper, who became the leader of the southern Seminoles, and Alligator and Bill Bow Legs was the leader of the northern faction of Seminoles. So they all started gathering there about four-six thousand of them. Now, here's the thing that so many people didn't understand. All the way through, General Lane--what they call the Red Lakes of Kansas--was shipping supplies and money and