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After the war, these soldiers and sailors faced yet a different battle, the fight for citizenship, respect, and dignity. This book chronicles that struggle which has not yet been fully won, even today.

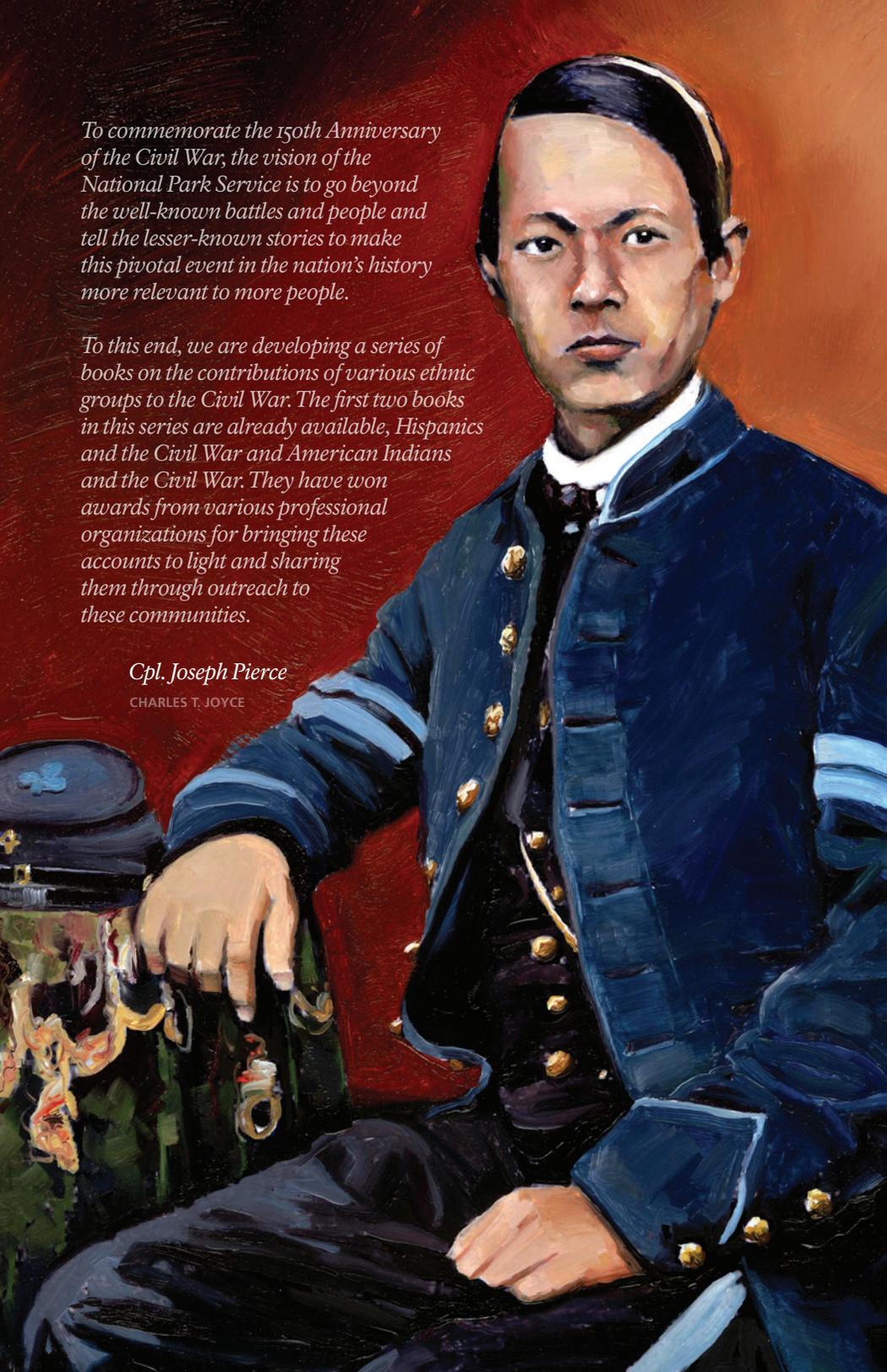


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New book coming soon – Winter 2015



To commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the Civil War, the vision of the National Park Service is to go beyond the well-known battles and people and tell the lesser-known stories to make this pivotal event in the nation's history more relevant to more people.

To this end, we are developing a series of books on the contributions of various ethnic groups to the Civil War. The first two books in this series are already available, Hispanics and the Civil War and American Indians and the Civil War. They have won awards from various professional organizations for bringing these accounts to light and sharing them through outreach to these communities.

Cpl. Joseph Pierce

CHARLES T. JOYCE

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Forgotten Warriors

by Gloria Lee and Mike Weinstein

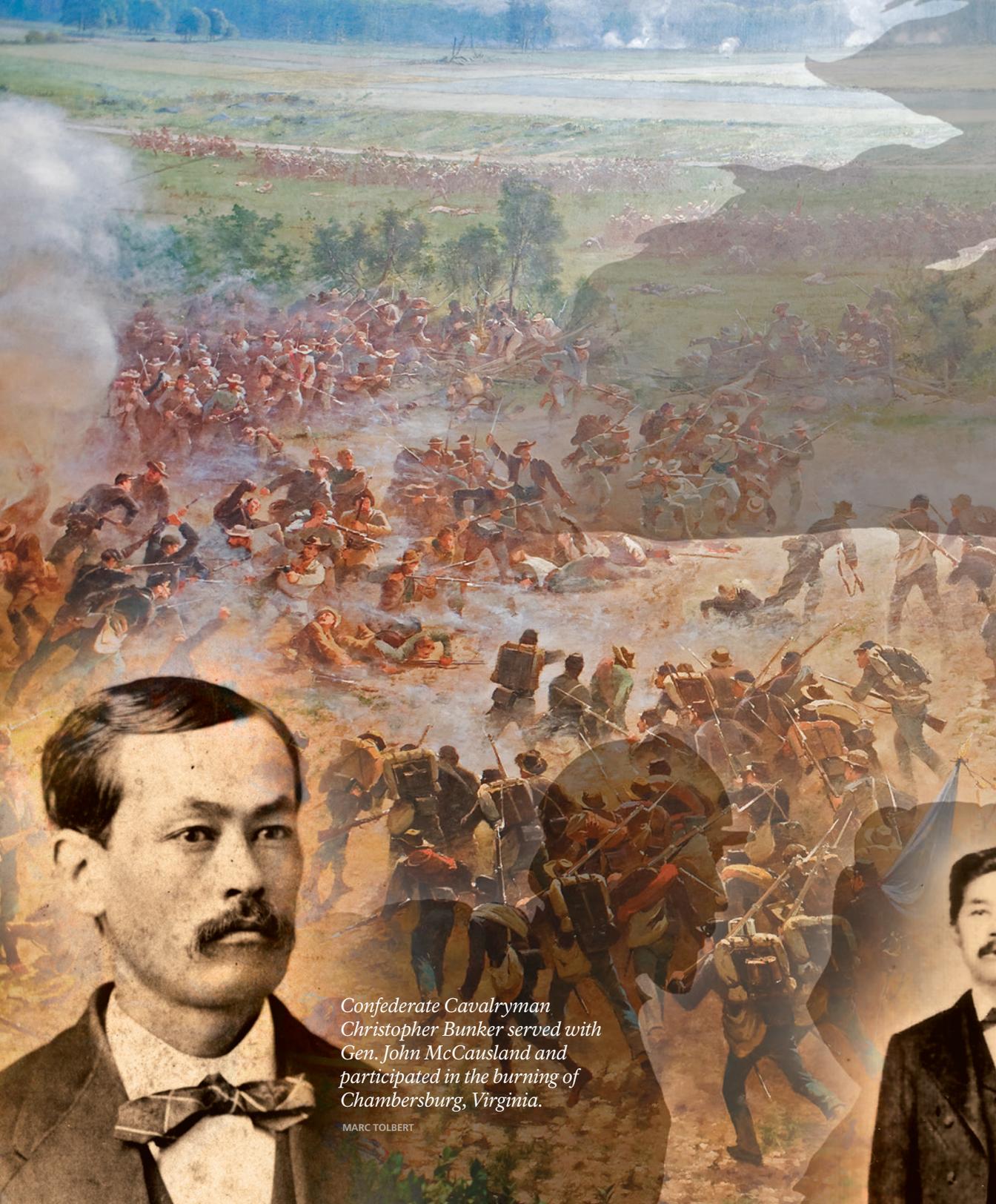
Asians and Pacific Islanders in the Americas

by Dr. Gary Okihiro

The Pacific Slave Trade

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*Under savage fire,
Cpl. Joseph Pierce
volunteered to help his unit
take the Bliss Farm,
contributing to the Union
victory at Gettysburg.*

CHARLES D. PAGE



*In the fierce fighting in the battle of
Spotsylvania, the 42nd New York's color
guards fell one by one. But Chinese soldier
Ah Yee Way (Pvt. Thomas Sylvanus) seized
the regiment's flag and kept it flying until the
Confederates withdrew and the 20 hours
of relentless slaughter were over.*

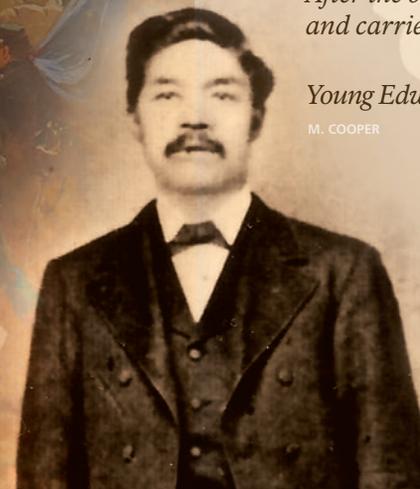
*At the battle of Cold Harbor, a bullet
permanently parted Pvt. Edward Day
Cohota's hair down the middle.
Nonetheless, he picked up a severely
wounded comrade and hid him behind
a large rock before rejoining to the fight.
After the battle, he returned to the site
and carried the grateful man to safety.*

Young Edward Cohota

M. COOPER

*Confederate Cavalryman
Christopher Bunker served with
Gen. John McCausland and
participated in the burning of
Chambersburg, Virginia.*

MARC TOLBERT



Hawaiian sailor James Wood Bush served aboard the USS Beaugard, a captured Confederate schooner commandeered to serve the Union. Bush assisted in the Union's strategy for subduing the South, as part of the naval blockade of the Confederacy's coastline stretching over 3000 miles from Virginia to Texas.

Pacific Islanders on the USS Santiago de Cuba were among the first to volunteer in the dangerous mission to storm Fort Fisher, North Carolina.

The storming of Fort Fisher, North Carolina

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Indian sailor, Conjee Rustumjee Cohoujee Bey served on the USS Louisville, capturing and sinking Confederate ships off the shores of the South.

When Gen. William T. Sherman was attempting to break the will and the backbone of the South, Filipino soldier Felix Balderry was with him in the siege of Atlanta, Georgia, and on the March to the Sea.

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