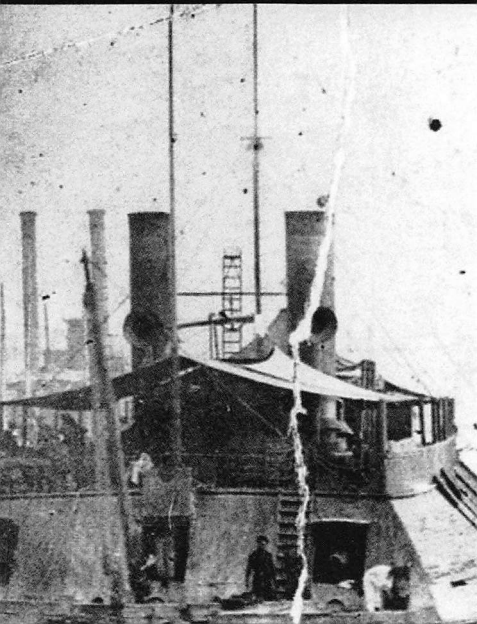


# Natchez National Historical Park



# Child Casualty

Seven year-old Rosalie Beekman was hit by shrapnel during the shelling of Natchez by the USS Essex on September 3, 1862. The Essex came to Natchez to get ice for its wounded. When the gunboat arrived, residents began shooting at the ship. Rosalie became Natchez's only civilian death during the war.

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