Record Nr. UNINA9910542878703321 Autore Sauers Richard Allen Titolo The Fishing Creek Confederacy [[electronic resource]]: a story of Civil War draft resistance / / Richard A. Sauers and Peter Tomasak Columbia, MO;; London,: University of Missouri Press, c2012 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 0-8262-7288-6 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (241 p.) Collana Shades of blue and gray series Altri autori (Persone) **TomasakPeter** Disciplina 973.741 Draft resisters - Pennsylvania - Columbia County Soggetti Draft - United States - History - 19th century Electronic books. United States History Civil War, 1861-1865 Draft resisters Fishing Creek (Pa.: Township) History, Military 19th century Columbia County (Pa.) History, Military 19th century Pennsylvania History Civil War, 1861-1865 Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references (p. 191-220) and index. Nota di contenuto 1. Columbia County goes to war 1861-1862 -- 2. The Democrats grow stronger -- 3. The draft comes to the North -- 4. Columbia County and the draft, 1863 -- 5. Columbia County and the draft, January-July 1864 -- 6. A shooting -- 7. Military intervention -- 8. Soldiers and civilians -- 9. Prison -- 10. The military trials -- 11. The war's end and Knob Mountain -- 12. Postwar reverberations -- 13. Historiography -- 14. Conclusions -- Appendix: List of prisoners sent to Fort Mifflin, September 1, 1864. Sommario/riassunto One hundred fifty years after the Civil War, Abraham Lincoln is thought of as one of the best presidents of the United States. However, most Americans forget that he was elected with only 40 percent of the popular vote. Many Democratic newspapers across the North mistrusted Lincoln's claim that he would not abolish slavery, and the lukewarm support evidenced by them collapsed after Lincoln announced his preliminary Emancipation Proclamation in the fall of 1862. The advent of a national draft in the spring of 1863 only added

fuel to the fire with anti-Lincoln Democrats arguing that it was illegal to

draft civilians. Many newspaper editors advocated active resistance against the draft.