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In the first detailed study of its kind, Col. (Ret.) Thomas T. “Ty” Smith, known for his extensive research and writing on the U.S. Army in Texas, presents an in-depth examination of the civilian employees of the army in the nineteenth century. Between 1846 and 1899, the U.S. Army in Texas issued more than \$4 million in wages to citizen employees. Smith offers a detailed accounting of these wages, but his primary interest is in the people. After an introductory essay providing an overview, historical context, and demographic profiles, the author examines post by post the 111 army forts, camps, and stations documenting a civilian employee. He provides a brief history of each post, the names of the individuals employed, and where possible the position, wage, and length of employment. Altogether Smith names 1,721 army employees, and sample biographies demonstrate the diversity of the characters involved. Included among these employees are 309 civilian physicians. In the appendix, Smith offers biographies of 180 of these contract doctors who greatly contributed to the advance of medicine in Texas. *Under the Double Eagle: Citizen Employees of the U.S. Army on the Texas Frontier, 1846–1899* will be of importance to historians, to the general public with an interest in Texas history or Texas medicine, and especially genealogists.

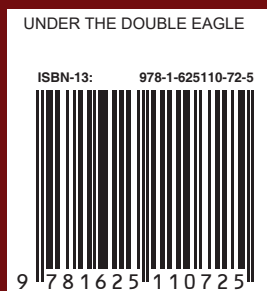
“Anyone interested in Texas’s military history will want to have a copy of this study. Military historians will certainly consult *Under the Double Eagle* for their research, and this publication will be oft-cited in years to come. It is the gold standard on this topic . . . The amount of research compiled in this manuscript is staggering.”

—GLEN SAMPLE ELY, author of *The Texas Frontier and the Butterfield Overland Mail, 1858–1861*

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