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The Bethel Regiment, Daniel H. Hill at upper left. Image from [Archive.org](#).

^[3]Bethel Regiment was the popular name of the first regiment of volunteers raised in North Carolina at the beginning of the [Civil War](#) ^[4]. Commanded by Col. [Daniel Harvey Hill](#) ^[5], it played a significant role in winning the first land battle of the conflict at [Bethel](#) ^[6], Va., on 10 June 1861. The first Confederate soldier from the state to be killed in action, [Henry Lawson Wyatt](#) ^[7], died there.

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