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Sometimes you just have to learn to live with paradox. It is indeed a paradox getting reviews left on even after it is posted. Someone is afraid of rebels from the South. They would have been hanged like the real boy spy from Smyrna, Tennessee, Sam Davis (no relation to the President of the Confederacy, Jefferson Davis) was hanged on a hill in Pulaski, Tennessee, where his statue still supervises the courthouse square and a corner of the State Capitol grounds in Nashville. The usual practice of the Union leaders was to get information from the spies and then hang them anyway. Sam was given the option to tattle on his source. He said, "If I had a million lives, I would give them all up before I revealed the name of my friend." The person who had given him the bit of war news was in the jail cell next to him and lived to tell the story -- after the war. Tennessee was particularly hit hard by the rascals. One girl in Knoxville had to be sent to relatives in another state to keep her from ending up as Sam Davis did. Since then other books have surfaced of female spies. At the fair, I asked a real photographer if he could make me look like a Confederate spy; he did by dressing me as a Southern matron holding that flag. So, you see, I would have been one had I lived here in Union land (now Republican). No man tells a Southern woman that she is inferior in any way. We fight for our rights. Some years ago, I told a local historian had I loved back them, I might have been hanged as a Confederate spy (Knox. was Union) and he agreed. In one of his recent history lessons, he describes the defeated Jeff Davis as a defeated man with receding hair and a wispy goatee who visited this town in 1871 who was on his way via rail to Memphis.

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