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Organization of the Army of Tennessee.\*

POLK'S CORPS.

Lieut. Gen. LEONIDAS POLK.

FIRST DIVISION.

Maj. Gen. B. F. CHEATHAM.

First Brigade.

Brig. Gen. DANIEL S. DONELSON.

Third Brigade.

Brig. Gen. GEORGE MANEY

8th Tennessee:  
Col. W. L. Moore.  
Lieut. Col. J. H. Anderson.  
6th Tennessee, Col. John H. Savage.  
38th Tennessee, Col. John C. Carter.  
51st Tennessee, Col. John Chester.  
84th Tennessee, Col. S. S. Stanton.  
Carree's (Tennessee) battery, Lieut. L. G. Marshall.

Second Brigade.

Brig. Gen. ALEXANDER P. STEWART.

4th Tennessee, } Col. O. F. Strahl.  
5th Tennessee, }  
19th Tennessee, Col. F. M. Walker.  
24th Tennessee:  
Col. H. L. W. Bratton.  
31st Tennessee, } Col. S. E. Shannon.  
33d Tennessee, } Col. E. E. Tansill.  
Mississippi Battery, Capt. T. J. Stanford.

1st Tennessee, } Col. H. R. Field.  
27th Tennessee, }  
4th Tennessee (Provisional Army), Col. J. A. McMurtry.  
6th Tennessee, } Col. C. S. Hunt.  
9th Tennessee, } Maj. J. L. Harris.  
Tennessee Sharpshooters, Capt. Frank Maney.  
Smith's (Mississippi) battery, Lieut. William B. Turner.

Fourth (Preston Smith's) Brigade.

Col. A. J. VAUGHAN, Jr.

12th Tennessee, Maj. J. N. Wyatt.  
13th Tennessee:  
Lieut. Col. W. E. Morgan.  
Capt. R. F. Lanier.  
29th Tennessee, Maj. J. B. Johnson.  
47th Tennessee, Capt. W. M. Watkins.  
154th Tennessee, Lieut. Col. M. Magener, Jr.  
9th Texas, Col. W. H. Young.  
Albin's (Tennessee) Sharpshooters:  
Lieut. J. R. J. Creighton.  
Lieut. T. F. Pattison.  
Tennessee Battery, Capt. W. L. Scott.

SECOND DIVISION.

Maj. Gen. JAMES M. WITHERS.

First (Deas') Brigade.

Col. J. Q. LOOMIS.  
Col. J. G. COLTART.

Second Brigade.

Brig. Gen. JAMES R. CHALMERS.  
Col. T. W. WHITE.

19th Alabama.  
22d Alabama.  
25th Alabama.  
26th Alabama.  
39th Alabama.  
17th Alabama Battalion Sharpshooters,  
Capt. B. C. Yancey.  
1st Louisiana (Regulars), Lieut. Col. F. H. Farrar, Jr.  
Robertson's battery, Capt. F. H. Robertson.

7th Mississippi.  
9th Mississippi, Col. T. W. White.  
10th Mississippi.  
41st Mississippi.  
9th Mississippi Battalion Sharpshooters,  
Capt. O. F. West.  
Byrthe's (Mississippi) regiment.  
Garrity's (Alabama) battery.

Third (Pattall's) Brigade.

Brig. Gen. J. PATTON ANDERSON.

45th Alabama, Col. James G. Gilchrist.  
24th Mississippi, Lieut. Col. R. P. McKelaine.

27th Mississippi:  
Col. T. M. Jones.

Lieut. Col. J. L. Autry.  
Capt. E. E. Neilson.

29th Mississippi:  
Col. W. F. Brantly.

Lieut. Col. J. B. Morgan.

30th Mississippi, Lieut. Col. J. I. Sealas.  
39th North Carolina, \* Capt. A. W. Bell.  
Missouri Battery, Capt. O. W. Barrett.

Fourth (Anderson's) Brigade.

Col. A. M. MANIGAUDT.

24th Alabama.  
26th Alabama.  
34th Alabama.  
10th South Carolina, } Col. A. J. Lythgoe.  
19th South Carolina, }  
Alabama Battery, Capt. D. D. Watara.

HARDEE'S CORPS.

Lieut. Gen. WILLIAM J. HARDEE.

FIRST DIVISION.

Maj. Gen. JOHN C. BROCKENRIDGE.

First Brigade.

Brig. Gen. DANIEL W. ADAMS.  
Col. RANDALL L. GIBSON.

32d Alabama:  
Lieut. Col. Henry Maney.

Col. Alexander McKinstry.

13th Louisiana, } Col. R. L. Gibson.

20th Louisiana, } Maj. Charles Guillot.

16th Louisiana, } Col. S. W. Fisk.

25th Louisiana, } Maj. F. C. Zachario.

14th Louisiana Battalion, Maj. J. E. Austin.

Washington Artillery (5th Battery), Lieut. W. C. D. Vaughn.

Third Brigade.

Brig. Gen. WILLIAM PRESTON.

1st Florida, } Col. William Miller.  
3d Florida, }  
4th Florida, Col. William L. Bowen.  
60th North Carolina, Col. J. A. McDowell.

20th Tennessee:  
Col. T. B. Smith.

Lieut. Col. F. M. Lavender.

Maj. F. Claybrooke.

Tennessee Battery:  
Capt. E. E. Wright.

Lieut. J. W. Mebane.

Fourth Brigade.

Brig. Gen. R. W. HANSON.  
Col. R. P. TRABUE.

41st Alabama:  
Lieut. Col. H. Talbird.

2d Kentucky, Col. M. L. Stansel.

4th Kentucky:  
Col. R. P. Trabue.

Capt. T. W. Thompson.

6th Kentucky, Col. Joseph H. Lewis.

9th Kentucky, Col. T. H. Hunt.

Kentucky Battery, Capt. R. Cobb.

Jackson's Brigade.<sup>†</sup>

Brig. Gen. JOHN K. JACKSON.

5th Georgia:  
Col. W. T. Black.

Maj. C. P. Daniel.

2d Georgia Battalion Sharpshooters, Maj. J. J. Cox.

5th Mississippi, Lieut. Col. W. L. Sykes.

8th Mississippi:  
Col. J. C. Wilkinson.

Lieut. Col. A. McNeill.

Pritchard's (Georgia) battery.  
Lumsden's (Alabama) battery, Lieut. H. H. Cribbe.

\* Compiled from the reports. Other officers than those named may have also been in actual command of the organizations indicated.

<sup>†</sup> Joined brigade December 31; transferred, January 2, to Manigault's brigade. Temporarily assigned to Brockenridge's division.

Your general deplores, in common with you, the loss of your gallant comrades, who have fallen in our recent conflicts. Let their memories be enshrined in your hearts, as they will ever be tenderly cherished by their countrymen. Let it be yours to avenge their fate, and proudly to emulate their deeds. Remember that your face is to the foe, and that on you rests the defense of all that is dear to freemen. Soldiers, the proudest reflection of your general's life is to be known as the commander of an army so brave and invincible as you have proven. He asks no higher boon than to lead such men to victory. To share their trials, and to stand or fall with them, will be the crown of his ambition.

BRAXTON BRAGG,  
General, Commanding.

Return of casualties in the Confederate forces.

[Compiled from nominal lists.]

Command.	Killed.		Wounded.		Missing.		Aggregate.	Officers killed.	
	Officers.	Enlisted men.	Officers.	Enlisted men.	Officers.	Enlisted men.			
<b>Command.</b>									
<b>POLK'S CORPS.</b>									
<b>CHEATHAM'S DIVISION.</b>									
<b>Donelson's Brigade.</b>									
8th Tennessee	4	37	41	248	265		306	Col. William L. Moore, Capt. William Sadler, and Lieuts. Thomas O. Blacknell, A. G. Deaton, and N. Martin Kerby.	
16th Tennessee	1	35	36	147	155	1	15	Capt. D. C. Spurrlock.	
28th Tennessee	1	11	12	68	73		16	Capt. B. H. Holland.	
21st Tennessee	1	10	11	7	72	3	3	Capt. T. C. Campbell.	
Carter's battery		2	2	5	5		7		
Total	7	65	102	377	570	1	18	19	691
<b>Stewart's Brigade.</b>									
4th and 5th Tennessee	1	7	8	62	68		76	Lieut. J. P. Ferguson.	
19th Tennessee	2	14	16	105	111		127	Capt. S. J. A. Frazier and Lieut. S. G. Abernathy.	
24th Tennessee	3	6	9	39	44		53	Capt. Jesse Irwin and Lieuts. J. B. Arnold and J. S. Davidson.	
31st and 33d Tennessee	1	13	14	64	71	2	2	Lieut. W. P. Hutchinson.	
Stanford's battery	1	1	2	7	7		10	Lieut. A. A. Hardin.	
Total	8	42	50	277	301	2	2	353	
<b>Mansy's Brigade.</b>									
1st Tennessee		8	8	74	75		83		
4th Tennessee		5	5	44	49	5	5		
6th and 9th Tennessee		5	5	27	32		54		
Mansy's Sharpshooters		1	1	4	4		4		
Smith's battery		1	1	4	4	1	1		
Total		20	20	153	164	6	6	190	
<b>Smith's Brigade.</b>									
12th Tennessee	1	17	18	125	137	9	9	184	
13th Tennessee		12	13	82	88	1	1	110	
20th Tennessee		27	27	89	82			109	

Return of casualties in the Confederate forces—Continued.

Command.	Killed.		Wounded.		Missing.		Aggregate.	Officers killed.
	Officers.	Enlisted men.	Officers.	Enlisted men.	Officers.	Enlisted men.		
<b>Smith's Brigade—Cont'd.</b>								
47th Tennessee	1	10	11	7	56	63	1	11
15th Senior Tennessee	1	13	14	8	78	84	1	3
9th Texas	2	16	18	6	94	102	1	1
Allen's Sharpshooters	1	2	3	1	5	6		3
Scott's battery		1	1					3
Total	7	68	105	48	514	562	3	35
Grand total Cheat- ham's division.	22	255	277	120	1,477	1,597	4	61
<b>WITHERS' DIVISION.</b>								
<b>Deer's Brigade.</b>								
19th Alabama	1	7	8	12	130	143		3
22d Alabama	2	9	11	6	77	83		3
25th Alabama	3	13	16	10	79	89		4
26th Alabama		4	4	6	70	76		80
30th Alabama		3	3	9	83	92		95
1st Louisiana Regulars	2	6	8	7	64	71		23
17th Battalion Alabama Sharpshooters.		3	3	1	14	15		18
Robertson's battery					19	19		1
Total	8	45	53	52	536	588		31
<b>Chalmers' Brigade.</b>								
Staff								1
7th Mississippi	3	9	12	9	88	97		4
9th Mississippi		8	8	5	66	71		5
10th Mississippi	2	6	8	8	62	70		6
41st Mississippi	3	22	25	8	115	123		8
Blythe's (Mississippi) Regiment.		4	4	1	30	31		16
9th Mississippi Battalion Sharpshooters.		7	7		22	22		
Garrity's battery		3	3	2	18	20		
Total	8	59	67	34	401	435		1
<b>Wallace's Brigade.</b>								
45th Alabama		13	13	5	66	71		7
24th Mississippi		8	8	5	103	108		116
27th Mississippi	2	9	11	5	66	71		1
20th Mississippi	4	20	24	14	188	202		1
30th Mississippi	6	57	63	10	136	146		203
89th North Carolina Barnes's battery	1	1	2	3	33	36		0
Total	13	118	131	42	696	638		14

Capt. James H. Shuckler,  
Lieut. C. S. Hall,  
Lieuts. R. F. Trickett and  
E. B. Parham,  
Lieut. A. M. Burch. Lt.  
J. R. J. Creighton died  
of wounds.

Capt. Robert J. Healey,  
Lieut. J. N. Smith and  
J. H. Wall,  
Lieuts. W. C. Gibson A.  
A. Patterson, and H.  
B. Seefeld.

Lieuts. B. C. Conas and  
Bragier Trist.

Capt. R. D. McDowell  
and Lieut. J. M. Har-  
rill and G. W. Jones.  
Lieut. J. F. Koseley and  
D. W. Owen.  
Lieut. F. M. Betts, W.  
G. Kennedy, and F. H.  
McMahon.

Lieut. Col. James L. Ar-  
try and Lieut. M. E.  
Edwards.  
Capt. H. J. Harper and  
Lieuts. W. G. Barke-  
dale, W. A. McDaniel,  
and R. S. Spencer.  
Lieut. T. W. Boote, G.  
W. Hope, W. J. Mc-  
Guire, J. C. McIntyre,  
D. R. Patton and E. B.  
Rides.  
Lieut. John W. Rheas.

next day, publish General Polk's report of the battle of Murfreesborough, which had been forwarded by its Richmond correspondent, "S. L," the party to whom the corrected copy had been sent, and the report was accordingly published, as inclosed. I have thought it due to myself and to General Polk to make these statements to the Department, in explanation of the appearance of the report.

Since writing the foregoing, I have, in answer to an inquiry, received the following dispatch from the editor of the Register :

I had no express authority of the Government for publishing General Polk's report, but as my correspondent at Richmond had been allowed access to official copies of the other reports, and he expressed no disapproval of their publication, I inferred his consent.

J. A. SPERRY.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant,  
W. B. RICHMOND,  
*Aide-de-Camp.*

P. S.—Mr. Minor, in his communication, informs me that no supplementary report of the battle of Murfreesborough had been received at the War Department. Such a report was made and forwarded to your office, and this postscript is added in explanation of its publication with the main report.

[Underment.]

The explanation of this publication is little satisfactory. Express authority of the Department should be obtained before the copy of any official paper is intrusted to the press, who are under a strong temptation to publish as news whatever may be interesting to their readers.

J. A. S.,  
*Secretary.*

No. 193.

*Reports of Maj. Gen. Benjamin F. Cheatham, C. S. Army, commanding  
First Division.*

HEADQUARTERS CHEATHAM'S DIVISION,  
FOLK'S CORPS, ARMY OF TENNESSEE,  
*Shelbyville, Tenn., February 20, 1863.*

I have the honor to submit the following report of the action of this division in the battles before Murfreesborough, commencing on December 30, 1862, and ending on January 3, 1863:

The division is composed of the following brigades and batteries:  
Brig. Gen. D. S. Donelson's brigade: Sixteenth Regiment Tennessee Volunteers, Col. John H. Savage; Thirty-eighth Regiment Tennessee Volunteers, Col. John C. Carter; Fifty-first Regiment Tennessee Volunteers, Col. John Chester; Eighth Regiment Tennessee Volunteers, Col. W. L. Moore; Eighty-fourth Regiment Tennessee Volunteers, Col. S. S. Stanton; Capt. W. W. Carnes' light battery.

Brig. Gen. A. P. Stewart's brigade: Fourth and Fifth Regiments Tennessee Volunteers, Col. O. F. Strahl; Twenty-fourth Regiment Tennessee Volunteers, Col. H. L. W. Bratton; Thirty-first and Thirty-third Regiments Tennessee Volunteers, Col. E. E. Tansil; Nineteenth Regiment Tennessee Volunteers, Col. F. M. Walker; Capt. T. J. Stanford's light battery.

Brig. Gen. George Maney's brigade: First Regiment Tennessee Vol-

unteers, Col. H. R. Feild; Fourth Regiment Tennessee Volunteers, Col. J. A. McMurry; Sixth and Ninth Regiments Tennessee Volunteers, Col. C. S. Hurt; Capt. Frank Maney's company of sharpshooters; Capt. [then Lieut.] W. B. Turner's light battery (Mississippi).

Brig. Gen. Preston Smith's brigade: **One hundred and fifty-fourth Senior Regiment Tennessee Volunteers**, Lieutenant Colonel [M. Magerney, jr.]; **Thirty-seventh Regiment Tennessee Volunteers**, Col. A. J. Vaughan, [jr.]; **Forty-seventh Regiment Tennessee Volunteers**, Major [Thomas R. Shearon]; **Twenty-ninth Regiment Tennessee Volunteers**, [Maj. John B. Johnson]; **Ninth Texas Infantry**, Col. W. H. Young; **Captain [P. T.] Allen's company of sharpshooters**; **Capt. W. L. Scott's light battery**.

On December 26, General Maney's brigade, being on outpost duty at Stewart's Creek, hearing heavy firing in front, was moved forward by General Maney to La Vergne, 5 miles toward Nashville, where he came in sight of the enemy advancing, who encamped that night 3 miles beyond La Vergne. After a consultation with General Wheeler, who was stationed at this advanced post with his cavalry brigade, they advised the commander-in-chief that a general advance of the enemy had commenced.

On the morning of the 27th the enemy again commenced his advance, our troops, both infantry and cavalry, skirmishing constantly with the enemy, and gradually falling back, the infantry that night halting at Overall's Creek, and next day falling back to Murfreesborough.

On Monday morning, at daylight, the command (having the day previous cooked three days' rations, struck their tents, loaded their wagons and sent them to the rear) commenced crossing Stone's River, and former line of battle in the following order, from right to left: First Brigade, Brigadier-General Donelson commanding; Second Brigade, Brigadier-General Stewart commanding; Third Brigade, Brigadier-General Maney commanding; Fourth Brigade, Col. A. J. Vaughan, [jr.] commanding, the line extending from the Nashville Railroad, on the right, to Franklin road, on the left. My division was formed from 500 to 800 yards in rear of Major-General Withers' division, and was the supporting force to that division, which formed the front line of Polk's corps.

Nothing of importance occurred until the middle of the day on Tuesday, when, the enemy having commenced deploying and forming his lines in our front, heavy skirmishing was commenced between the opposing forces and continued to increase until near sunset, when, the enemy having established his lines as far to his right as the Trinne road, where my left rested, in a dense cedar thicket, and more than 300 yards in front of Colonel Loomis' brigade, the firing became very heavy. In the mean time Robertson's battery, which had been placed in position in the Trinne road, supported in rear by the **One hundred and fifty-fourth Tennessee Regiment**, which I had detached from Colonel Vaughan's brigade for that special duty, opened upon the enemy a heavy fire, which was promptly answered by two of the enemy's batteries. In a short time afterward, three of the enemy's regiments made a dash on Robertson's battery, but were repulsed by a few rounds of canister from the battery and a well-directed volley of musketry from the **One hundred and fifty-fourth Regiment Tennessee Volunteers** and two Alabama regiments on Colonel Loomis' left, after losing quite a number in killed and wounded. During this engagement Captain Robertson had 14 men wounded and several killed, and one ammunition chest blown up by the explosion of a shell from the enemy. **The One hundred and fifty-fourth Regiment Tennessee Volunteers** lost considerably in this engagement, but behaved themselves most gallantly. The enemy's batteries kept up

a continual shelling until quite dark. The loss in Loomis' and Vaughan's brigades and Robertson's battery was over 75.

At daylight on the morning of the 31st, the attack was commenced on our extreme left by Major-General McCown's division, supported by Major-General Cleburne's division, of Lieutenant-General Hardee's corps, the plan of the battle being that the attack should be made by brigades, each advancing to the front, attacking the enemy's lines, then wheeling to the right to take him in flank, to be followed up in like manner from left to right.

At 7 o'clock Colonel Loomis' brigade, in the front line, was ordered to the attack, and being not more than 300 yards from the enemy's lines, was immediately engaged. His command had to cross an open woods and a corn-field in order to reach the enemy, who were strongly posted in a cedar wood. He made a gallant dash, but after reaching near the woods was compelled to fall back to his original position, where the command was soon reorganized under my own superintendence.

In the mean time the supporting brigade under Colonel Vaughan had advanced over the same ground and attacked the enemy furiously, driving him away from and capturing two of his guns, but was forced to give orders to his command to fall back, on account of the murderous fire being poured into his front, and particularly a raking fire that was turned upon him from his right, completely enfilading his lines. They, however, retired in good order, and in a few moments after being reformed were again sent forward by me, with instructions to bear somewhat to the right, so as partially to avoid the heavy wood.

In the mean time the Ninth Texas Regiment, under the command of that gallant officer, Col. W. H. Young, who did not hear the order, became detached and was farther to the left. It remained in the woods and continued to fight the enemy, and at last charged them on their flank and drove them from the woods on their entire right, losing very heavily. In the first assault made by Colonel Loomis' brigade that officer was so wounded by the falling of a limb cut from a tree that he had to turn over the command to the next senior officer (Colonel Coltart). The brigade suffered very severely in this charge. Colonel Vaughan's brigade also suffered very severely in its desperate charge against the same stronghold. Lieut. Col. W. E. Morgan and Major [Peter H.] Cole, both of the Thirteenth Regiment Tennessee Volunteers, were mortally wounded; also a very large number of officers and men.

At about 8 o'clock, Colonel Manigault's brigade moved out and attacked the enemy directly in his front. He met with very strong resistance, and after Colonel Loomis was compelled to fall back, and the enemy's fire turned upon his left flank, enfilading his lines, he was compelled to retire. He, however, soon rallied his command, made another gallant attack, and was forced to fall back a second time. At this juncture General Maney's brigade came up and took position on the left of Manigault's, when they moved forward and took position facing toward the Wilkinson pike, near the Harding house, when two batteries of the enemy opened upon them, one of them in the woods on Manigault's right, and on the west side of the Wilkinson pike; the other on the east side of the pike. At this place I came up with Colonel Vaughan's brigade. General Maney had placed Captain [Lieutenant] Turner's battery of Napoleon guns in position near the brick-kiln, which in a short time silenced the battery on the east side of the road. Colonel Manigault assailed the one in the woods with two regiments, but did not succeed in capturing it. Having made my dispositions, I ordered Colonel Vaughan to move forward with his brigade, and take position on

General Cleburne's right, which was in the woods to my front and left. General Maney and Colonel Manigault I accompanied across the Wilkinson pike, just in front of the enemy's battery last mentioned, which the enemy had abandoned on our approach. The one in the woods to our right was also abandoned, most of the horses having been so disabled that the guns could not be removed. After crossing the Wilkinson pike, I rode forward to the cedar brake toward the Nashville pike, where I found General Stewart's brigade hotly engaging the enemy. He captured three of his guns, drove him through the woods and beyond the field to the Nashville pike. During this encounter, Colonel Bratton, of the Twenty-fourth Tennessee Volunteers, a most gallant officer, was killed. Colonel Vaughan advanced with Cleburne's division, fighting and driving the enemy until he reached the Nashville pike, when the enemy's fire became so heavy he was forced to retire, after having again driven the enemy from two of his guns. Late in the evening I placed him on the Wilkinson pike, in the rear of General Cleburne's division, with instructions to remain there until further orders. This brigade acted most gallantly during the entire day, having had two terrible engagements, losing 705 men out of 1,813.

About 10 o'clock General Donelson's brigade was ordered forward to the support of General Chalmers' brigade, which had been partially driven back. General Donelson pressed forward through the open field in front of the burnt house, under a terrific fire of twenty pieces of artillery and a heavy infantry force. Colonel Savage's regiment (Sixteenth Tennessee) and three companies of the Fifty-first Tennessee passed to the right of the house, extending to the river on the right; the remainder of the Fifty-first, with the Eighth and Thirty-third Regiments, passing to the left of the house, advanced, under a heavy fire of infantry, toward the south end of the cedar brake. During this advance Colonel Moore, of the Eighth Tennessee, had his horse killed under him, and in a few moments afterward that gallant officer fell, dead, having been shot through the heart by a minie ball. The Eighth Tennessee Regiment, now under the command of its gallant lieutenant-colonel, John H. Anderson, dashed forward into the cedar brake, drove the enemy before them, charged and captured a battery, and, in connection with the Thirty-eighth and seven companies of the Fifty-first Tennessee Regiments, fought and drove the enemy out of the south end of the brake, through the open field to his reserves on the Nashville pike, capturing from 600 to 700 prisoners. Colonel Savage, of the Sixteenth Tennessee, advanced beyond the burnt house (Cowan), and took position on the right of the railroad, and for three hours held the columns of infantry in his front in check, and when, after the arrival of General Adams' brigade, he withdrew his regiment, he left 30 dead men in the line he had occupied. The loss of this regiment was 207 out of 402, being over one-half. The Eighth Tennessee, under Lieutenant Colonel Anderson, lost 306 men and officers out of 472, which shows what they had to contend against. The other regiments of this brigade suffered nearly as badly.

As soon as [it was] discovered that our advanced line had been checked, I immediately commenced forming a double line of infantry in the cedar brake, in order to resist any movement the enemy might make against us. General Stewart's brigade being in the advance, was first aligned. General Maury's brigade was formed on its left, and Colonel Loomis' on its right, with Generals Donelson's, Preston's, Adams', and Manigault's brigades in the rear line. General McCown formed his division on the left of General Maney. In this position they remained until