

THE
WAR OF THE REBELLION:

A COMPILATION OF THE
OFFICIAL RECORDS
OF THE
UNION AND CONFEDERATE ARMIES.

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their respective corps. As fast as volunteer recruits and conscripts are in hand, and received, they will be reported to and turned over to commanders of corps. He will keep a record of all his orders and instructions in a well-bound book, with which he will be furnished by [the] quartermaster of the army, which book will be, when the service is performed, turned over to these headquarters. He will be allowed to have printed his orders and instructions on public account. He will cause to be apprehended and sent to their respective commands, under guard, all stragglers and men absent from their commands without proper orders, and, for the better execution of this, will invoke the aid of the civil authorities. His orders for transportation of himself and staff, recruiting officers, and recruits and conscripts upon railroads will be respected and obeyed.

By command of General Bragg :

GEORGE WM. BRENT,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

JACKSON, *January 17, 1863.*

General S. COOPER, *Richmond :*

Can conscripts be sent to fill General Bragg's regiments? Those of this State are assigned to General Pemberton, I am told. General Bragg wants them most. Please let them go to him.

J. E. JOHNSTON.

SPECIAL ORDERS, } ADJT. AND INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
No. 14. } *Richmond, Va., January 17, 1863.*

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XII. Brig. Gen. D. S. Donelson is assigned to the command of the Department of East Tennessee, which will hereafter include within its limits the counties of Washington, Russell, Buchanan, Wise, Scott, and Lee, in Virginia. The command of Brig. Gen. Humphrey Marshall will be considered as embraced within this department.

XIII. Brig. Gen. Henry Heth, now in command of the Department of East Tennessee, on being relieved by Brigadier-General Donelson, will repair to Fredericksburg, Va., and report for duty to General R. E. Lee, commanding, &c.

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By command of the Secretary of War :

JNO. WITHERS,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

GENERAL ORDERS, } HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF TENNESSEE,
No. 7. } *Tullahoma, January 17, 1863.*

I. The previous orders in regard to the assignment of artillery to brigades will be rigidly adhered to as follows :

One battery of four guns to each brigade of infantry, and to the two regular brigades of cavalry, Wheeler's and Wharton's.

Robertson's battery of six guns and Slocomb's of six guns, one in each corps, to be exceptions.

Sample's battery of five guns will be reduced to four. The extra gun will be turned in to the proper department.

The two independent cavalry brigades of Forrest and Morgan will be furnished a six-gun battery each.

No change from this arrangement, either in number or kind of guns, will be allowed, without orders from these headquarters.

II. The following Exchange Notice is published for the information of the Army:

RICHMOND, VA., January 10, 1863.

The following officers and men have been duly exchanged, and are hereby so declared:

1st. All officers and men captured in Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Florida, Mississippi, Georgia, and South Carolina up to December 10, 1862.

2d. All officers and men captured in Missouri, Kansas, New Mexico, Arizona, Arkansas, and Louisiana up to January 1, 1863.

3d. The foregoing sections apply not only to officers and men of the Confederate service, but also to all persons captured in arms or hostile array against the United States, whatever may have been the character of the military organizations to which they were attached, and whatever may have been the terms of the paroles given by them.

4th. If any are in Federal prisons they are to be immediately released and delivered to the Confederate authorities.

5th. All Confederate officers and men who have been delivered at Vicksburg up to December 23, 1862, and including said date.

6th. All paroled Confederate officers and men receipted for at Vicksburg up to December 23, 1862, and including said date.

By command of General Bragg:

GEORGE WM. BRENT,
Assistant Adjutant-General

SPECIAL ORDERS, } HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF TENNESSEE,
No. 11. } Tullahoma, January 17, 1863.

V. The chief of subsistence is authorized to direct the exchange of sugar, molasses, and rice for bacon and other army supplies, on such terms as may be prescribed by him; but no commissary will be allowed to make exchanges except on the written order of the chief of subsistence.

VI. Brigade and regimental commissaries, not engaged in purchasing army supplies, are directed to turn over all subsistence funds in their hands without delay to the chief commissaries of the corps to which they belong, and said corps commissaries will report the amount so transferred to the chief of subsistence of these headquarters.

By command of General Bragg:

GEORGE WM. BRENT,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

Abstract from return of the effective strength of McCown's division, Smith's corps, Army of Tennessee, Maj. Gen. John P. McCown commanding, Shelbyville, Tenn., January 17, 1863.

Command.	Total effective.	Total present.	Present and absent.	Arms.		Ammunition.	Horses.	
				Serviceable.	Unserviceable.		Pieces of artillery.	Serviceable.	Unserviceable.
First Brigade, Brigadier-General Ector...	1,093	1,209	2,399	1,106	1	81,392	6	.....
Second Brigade, Colonel Vance.....	1,330	1,444	2,440	1,154	21	30,786	6	.....
Third Brigade, Brigadier-General McNair.	1,033	1,061	2,208	900	.....	104,000	6	.....
McCown's body guard, Capt. J. J. Partin.	145	163	261	202	12	11,455	201	14

Abstract from return of the effective strength of McCown's division, &c.—Continued.

RECAPITULATION.

Command.	Total effective.	Total present.	Present and absent.	Arms.		Ammunition.	Horses.		Artillery.	
				Serviceable.	Unserviceable.		Serviceable.	Unserviceable.	No. of guns.	Ammunition.
Infantry.....	3,456	3,714	7,047	3,160	22	216,178	.....	.....	4	816
Artillery.....	339	349	404	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16	607
Cavalry.....	145	163	261	202	12	11,455	201	14	18	887
Grand total.....	3,940	4,226	7,712	3,362	34	227,633	201	14	18	2,310

CIRCULAR.]

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF TENNESSEE,
Tullahoma, January 18, 1863.

The great number of officers and men reported "absent with leave" surprises the general commanding, and renders some explanation necessary. By General Orders, No. 137, issued from Headquarters Department No. 2, Knoxville, October 25, 1862, all authority to grant leaves of absence was [reserved] to these headquarters; still, there are now reported over 2,200 "absent with leave."

To correct this, it is ordered that a full report, by name, of each officer and soldier reported "absent with leave" will be immediately made to these headquarters, stating the time he left this command, by whose order he is absent, and for what length of time the leave was granted.

Special attention is called to the prohibitory order, and commanders are earnestly invoked to aid the efforts of the commanding general to strengthen the ranks of the army, as all sources have failed except those at our own control.

By command of General Bragg:

GEORGE WM. BRENT,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

GENERAL ORDERS, } HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF TENNESSEE,
No. 8. } Tullahoma, January 19, 1863.

Most of the troops of this army not having been mustered on 31st ultimo, owing to the pressing necessities of the service at that time, commanders will cause that important duty to be performed as early as practicable for the period of the two months of November and December.

The quartermaster's department will be prepared to pay the troops as soon as the musters can be completed.

By command of General Bragg:

GEORGE WM. BRENT,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

* 6-pounders.

† 12-pounders.

‡ 3-inch rifles.