

From Camp Columbia.

Through the kindness of Col. Blanding, we are permitted to publish the following letter...

Camp Columbia, Cuba, March 7. My Dear Grandfather: It is colder here now than it has been since we have been here...

When we were in sight of Guinas our destination, being on the top of a high hill, and about three miles from it, we were rested a day. The country around it was very interesting...

In Guinas a town of about 5,000 inhabitants, and of some importance, being eight miles from the Caribbean Sea, we were reviewed on the 22d by Gen Gomez...

We hear lots of talk about going home, everyday we hear some new "pipe story" but don't think there is as much dissatisfaction among the men...

I have not been sick a day since I have been here; but there are now a good many fever patients from this Regiment in the division hospital...

New York, so it will be about the 15th before we are paid; but generally, by this time the men who have received their pay have very little of it left.

Well, time for lights to be out has passed so I must close.

Your grandson, J. B. HOLMAN

The Second Regiment.

From orders issued by the war department it appears likely that the Second Regiment will be mustered out at Savannah...

REUNION ORDERS.

HEADQUARTERS SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION UNITED CONFEDERATE VETERANS.

General Order No 40.

CHARLESTON, S. C., March 15, '99. I. The Ninth Annual Reunion of the United Confederate Veterans will be held in the "Cradle of Secession," Charleston, S. C., commencing on the morning of May 10th, 1899.

The Headquarters of the Division during the Reunion, will be at the Market Hall, Meeting and Market Streets. Comrades will please register there and during their stay make it their general assembling place.

II. While the comrades of the Division will be the guests of Charleston, (and indeed of the people of the State of South Carolina) none the less they must play the part of hosts, and be prepared to share their blankets, and the contents of their haversacks and canteens with the visiting comrades from the other Divisions, and with all Confederate Veterans who join us in commemorating the memories so dear to us.

III. In order to take part in the proceedings and have the right to vote, Camps must pay their dues of 10 cents per capita to the U. C. V. organization, either direct to Major-General Geo. Moorman, A. G. and C. of S., U. C. N., New Orleans, La., or through the Div. Adj. Genl. Dues of 5 cents per capita to the Division, to be paid to be paid to the Div. Adj. Genl. (with arrears for those Camps that have not done their part heretofore in sustaining the Division); all must be paid before April 1st, 1899.

IV. Camps and comrades are urged to bring with them any Confederate battle flags they may have, as well as their camp colors for the parade, especially as they will be wanted in the ceremonies of Memorial Day, May 10th, (the anniversary of Stonewall Jackson's death) the day observed in this city. The Ladies' Memorial Association having invited the U. C. V. Organization to join them, and General Gordon having accepted the invitation of the association to preside.

V. Miss Mary Carwile, of Edgefield, daughter of Brigadier General T. W. Carwile, commanding 2nd Brigade, is announced as Division Sponsor for the current year, and Miss Lula Cassels Lake, daughter of Colonel George B. Lake, as Maid of Honor. The Honorary Maids of Honor (for the Charleston Reunion) will be Miss Miosis Agatha Wright, of Gauseville, Texas, and Miss Lolie Wagner, graduate of the late General John A. Wagner, of Charleston. The comrades of the Division are to be congratulated upon having as Sponsor and Maids of Honor four young ladies who will worthily represent names that appear upon the honor roll of the Confederacy, and they will vie with each other in honoring them. To Miss Wright the thanks of the comrades are due for her modest but effective efforts to influence the vote of the Texas delegation at Atlanta in favor of Charleston, and her acceptance of the Sponsor's invitation to serve as one of the Honorary Maids of Honor, is another pleasing evidence of her gracious consideration for the Confederate Veterans of our State.

VI. The Camps of the Division are earnestly called upon to put themselves in position to exert the full influence this Division is entitled to as the representative of the first State to assert itself for the States rights in the 'sixties, and all Confederate Veterans in the State, not now members, are fraternally invited and urged to join one of the Camps of the Division, or to form new Camps.

VII. The commanding general of the division suggests, that as many of the Camps as can do so, uniform their members in a simple and inexpensive suit, or seek only of Confederate gray, with a dark hat. This seems to be the sentiment and custom of many Camps in other divisions of the U. C. V. Each Reunion shows more uniformed Camps, and the So. Ca. Div. should keep pace with the growing sentiment.

By order Major General C. Irvine Walker.

James G Holmes, Adjutant General, Chief of Staff.

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If you want a nice organ an easy terms see Randie.

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IT IS WORSE THAN ARMENIA.

Fearful Condition of Certain Classes in Cuba.

Jacksonville, Fla, March 15—William Willard Howard, general manager of the Cuban industrial relief fund of New York passed through Jacksonville this evening on his way home from Cuba. He goes north to purchase agricultural implements and seeds for the use of the industrial relief station which he has just established at Guines, Cuba.

Mr Howard said: "The condition of Cuba, so far as my observations have gone, is really worse than it was at this time last year when I made my first investigations. In the rural districts little has been done to restore the island to its normal condition. The fields are vacant and the farmers idle. The people still remain in the towns and cities, where army rations are issued to them. They cannot return to their abandoned farms because they have nothing to return with."

"Our government has done, and is doing nothing to enable farmers to resume the cultivation of their lands. All that it pretends to do is to distribute rations through local committees of Cubans. Gov. Gen. Brooke and the officers under him realize keenly the condition of things, but they cannot give any assistance except food. Ours is not a paternal government."

"The condition of the widows and orphans of Cuba is heart-rending. There are thousands upon thousands of these poor creatures scattered over the island. They have neither homes to live in, food to eat, nor clothes to cover them. One cannot think of their future without a shudder. I am especially concerned for the poor little orphan girls who roam the streets, scantily clad, asking for a bit of food with which to keep their little bodies and souls together. What will become of these girls? Their future for good or evil lies in the people of the United States."

"Among these widows and orphans I have as lately as last week seen individual cases of destitution and physical emaciation worse than anything that I saw in Armenia during the two years that I gave to Armenian relief work."

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The Quaker Valley Mfg. Co. of Chicago have requested us to announce that they have several thousand sets of the finest coin silver-plated War Memorial Spoons, made to retail at \$3 a set. They will mail, postpaid, a full set of six of these spoons to every subscriber to the Watchman and Southron, who will send name and address—a postal card will do. If, on receipt of the spoons, you find them the most exquisitely beautiful specimens of the silversmith's art you ever saw, and worth \$3, remit 78 cents, as payment in full, within 30 days; if not pleased, return spoons immediately. Each spoon is of a different design—after-dinner coffee size—showing soldiers in camp in Cuba, Morro Castle and four U. S. Battleships. They are imperishable mementoes of the late war, and every subscriber should accept this most remarkable offer, and obtain a set before it is too late. All that's necessary is to say you're a subscriber to the Watchman and Southron (this is important) and that you accept Memorial Spoon Offer. Address Quaker Valley Mfg. Co., 357 W Harrison St., Chicago. Dec 21

Chicago, March 16.—Benjamin P. Hutchinson, at one time the leading grain speculator in the United States, died to-night at Lake Geneva, Wis.

Washington, March 16—A telegram received at the white house to-day from Colgate Hoyt, traveling companion of ex Secretary Sherman, now on the Island of Martinique. Mr. Sherman has pneumonia and requested that he be brought home on a government vessel. Secretary Long immediately ordered the Chicago about due in Havana, to proceed immediately to Kingston, Jamaica, to meet the Paris, take Mr. Sherman off and bring him home.

The Army and Navy Journal tells a story of a warrior from a Mississippi town. The women organized a Red Cross Auxiliary Society, and among their contributions to the comfort of their absent heroes was a case of homemade pajamas. The box containing these was sent to camp, but no acknowledgement of its receipt was returned. So the good women telegraphed: "Anxious to know if you got the pajamas last week." Now, the captain had been sitting up with the boys the night before, and when the dispatch was handed him he was trying to reduce his swollen head with a wet towel, and his mind was somewhat confused. So the women of the relief society were astonished by the receipt of this dispatch: "Story is a lie out of whole cloth; probably made up by my enemies to ruin me politically. Admit am not a total abstainer, but never had the pajamas last week or at any other time."

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THE POPE VERY ILL.

Alarming Reports Received as to his Condition.

Rome, March 17—Alarming reports are being received from the Vatican as to the pope's condition. It is said death is near. He is rapidly growing weaker and losing his good spirits. He is becoming nervous and morose, showing impatience and restraint.

ANY PERSON

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Washington, March 17.—An order has been issued by the war department increasing the age limit for enlistment from thirty to thirty five years. The youngest age at which a man can be enlisted is eighteen. The result so far for the enlistment of troops is very encouraging.

An Optimistic View.

Washington, March 17.—Advice have been received from Manila which indicate a climax may occur at any hour. Officials here are very well pleased with the condition of affairs, but will not at present discuss the details. The indications are that hostilities may end in a very short time. The president has been notified.

Paper Dolls, dressed or otherwise at H. G. Osteen & Co's. The "White" runs light. The "White" sews right.

Cannon For Otis.

Washington, March 17—The war department has ordered sent to General Otis three light batteries of half dozen Hotchkiss guns to be used as mountain batteries. General Otis cabled last evening that seventy two horses should accompany the batteries. The three batteries are needed because it was impossible to move the heavier artillery now in the Philippines.

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SOUTH CAROLINA AND GEORGIA R. R. CO. TIME TABLE NO. 15.

Table with columns for West-First Class Daily, Leaves, am 7 10, Charleston, 8 00 arrives pm, etc.

West. North Carolina Division. East.

Table with columns for STATIONS, 73, 74, 82, 1st Class, 2d Class, 2d Class, Arrive, P. M., P. M., P. M.

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