

A Confederate Soldier's Letters to His Parents

The following letters are some that were written by Sgt. L. W. Griffin, of Co. D, 16th N. C. T., to his father, Wm. L. Griffin, register of deeds of Rutherford county, Co. D, was organized by Capt. H. D. Lee in Forest City (Burnt Chimneys) and was the first of Rutherford County's eleven companies to enter service.

Hospital on The Charles, Town Road 5 Miles from Richmond, July 31, 1862.

Dear Father and family:

I take this opportunity to let you know that brother is some better. He has been mending very slowly. I am tolerably well at this time. Certainly glad to hear that you are coming here. I will be pleased to see you and George.

Our whole division has left for Stonewall. The Yanks have all gone there too, and left all their sick. Many are dying, and it is not unusual for as many as seven each day to pass on. I have saved my brother again if he doesn't have a "backset." There is about 21,000 sick and wounded men here from A. P. Hill's Division.

It is very hot here at this time. If you don't leave home before you get this letter come down the Charles City road until you meet A. P. Hill's division, and they can tell you where the hospital is located.

To Sisters: So you want the name of the mail boy? I would tell you, but he isn't worth a name and I don't want you to belittle yourselves to talk to them. They aren't worth anything and like a lot of other Democrats they all stay at home until they are conscripted. I am really glad they have passed the conscription laws. Probably we will have more mail boys to serve the large number of men that will come here by conscription. And let the M... pass and have nothing to do with them, yet they are not quite as bad as the mail boys, for they were not secessionists and did stand for the union.

I must close and go make brother Jim some corn mush for his supper. I gave ten cents a pint for corn meal

and had to pay twenty-five cents for a quart of milk for him. I only let him have a little portion at a time.

Give my love to all my enquiring friends.

L. W. GRIFFIN.

Near Petersburg, Va.
October 18, 1864.

Dear Sisters:—

This beautiful morning affords me a chance to write you, and tell you how much I enjoyed your letter of October 9th, which I received last evening.

There is little news here other than that the men are deserting daily from both sides. Many of our men are going over to the enemy, while some few of the Yanks have come over to us. There is very little fighting, only sharpshooting. They say General Early has whipped the Yanks in the Valley that were coming to reinforce Grant. Indications are that there will be a furious fight as soon as all the forces here get lined up.

It is getting cold here. Many are deserting to keep from fighting here this winter. I don't see how we will stand it as we have no wood and almost no clothes. You said you would send me some blankets if you could get them. I wish you would send Mose with them at your earliest opportunity, as it is getting colder every day. I am looking for him every day, and unless you send them soon I will "be gone up the spout." Send anything to eat that you can. They are only giving us loaf bread and not half enough of that. We get a supply every two days, so I eat mine up the first day and do without the next. I have no money, but I suppose we will draw some within a few days.

If I can get a box by Mose I will be prepared for a few days anyway, and will enjoy one more feast.

You say that the dogs are low-spirited. If I was there I think I could cheer them up by taking them hunting. It would help me as well as the dogs. I don't know when I will get home. They are issuing furloughs so slow, and there are eight

or nine ahead of me, so I may not be there before next Spring.

If Cousin Jim has not gone to the front give him my respects. Write when you can and if you can do so, please send me a box with something to eat in it.

Your loving brother,
L. W. GRIFFIN.

On the Lines at Petersburg.
November 13, 1864.

Dear Father and family:

This morning affords me an opportunity to write you, by which you will see that I am well and hope that these lines will find you enjoying health.

There is again little news to write. No serious fighting, only sharpshooting. I suppose old Abe L. is re-elected, so that means that we will fight all the winter. The weather is bitter cold and we have orders to build winter quarters here on the lines. We start work next week. When we finish we can then enjoy our boxes if you will send us one.

Please send me another box as soon as you can and send me a piece of soap and anything to eat that you can spare. The last box was good. I was nearly starved and the sweet bread was so good that my mouth still waters. The biscuits were good, but were mashed. I have enough bread today for dinner, then I will do without until I draw again, which will be within a few days, I hope. I hope I will get a box soon. If you do not bring it please let me know when you will send it as there is so much pilfering and thieving going on that it is doubtful if I would get it unless I was at the depot when it came in. I would like to have some more apples; the others that you sent were delicious. Tell Scott that I appreciated the tobacco that he sent me.

Your loving son,
L. W. GRIFFIN.

Preserved with this letter is the following parole pass:

Appomatox C. H., Virginia.
April 10, 1865.

(Paroled Prisoner's Pass)
The bearer Lorraine W. Griffin, of Co. G, 16th N. C. Troops, Prisoner of the Army of Northern Virginia has permission to go to his home and remain there undisturbed.

W. A. STOWE.
Col. Comm. Reg.

All Confederate soldiers who were with Lee at Appomatox when he surrendered in April, '65, were considered as prisoners of war, and were paroled, and given the above form properly filled in.

SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed In Trust made and executed on the 7th day of May, 1927, by and between J. E. Furr and wife Viola C. Furr to W. L. Brown, Trustee for Forest City Building and Loan Association, said Deed In Trust being on record in the office of the Register of Deeds for Rutherford County, N. C., in Book V4 at page 277, the purpose of this deed in trust to secure certain indebtedness and default having been made in the payments of said indebtedness, the undersigned Trustee will on

FRIDAY, FEB. 24, 1928

within the legal hours of sale, in front of the Farmers Bank and Trust company building in the town of Forest City, N. C., offer for sale to the last and highest bidder for cash or good security the following described real estate, to wit:

Lying in the town of Forest City, N. C., and on Arlington street and known as lot No. 14 of Block "D", 45 feet front including 5 feet of lot No. 15 of Block "D". The lot being 45 feet front and 156 feet deep. For a more complete description of said lot, reference is hereby made to a copy of the map of Biltmore, a section in Forest City, N. C., which is now on file in the register of deeds office for Rutherford County, N. C.

This the 25th day of Jan., 1928.
16-4t. W. L. BROWN, Trustee.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Sheriff of Rutherford County, subject to the action of the Democratic primary, Saturday, June 2. Your support respectfully solicited.

HORACE B. DOGGETT.

A canoe is like a small boy—both behave better when paddled from the rear.

MASONIC NOTICE—Forest City Lodge, No. 381, A. F. & A. M., meets every second and fourth Tuesday nights at 8 o'clock. Visitors welcome. J. S. Wood, Secretary, B. M. Price, W. M. 30-1f

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF LAND

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust dated December 10, 1925, made and executed by Jane Ford, to R. R. Blanton, trustee, and appearing of record in the office of the Register of Deeds of Rutherford county, in Book A-2, on page 91, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured thereby, and the holders of the same having requested the trustee named therein to sell the said property in accordance with the provisions of the said deed of trust, the undersigned will offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash at the courthouse door in Rutherfordton, N. C., on

SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 1928

at about the hour of 12 o'clock M., the following described real estate: Lying and being in Cool Springs Township, Rutherford County, North Carolina, and more particularly described and defined as follows:

Adjoining the lands of Tom Good, P. G. Womic and Crockett Butler, Jeff Smith and Bill Doggett, lying on Floyds Creek about 3 1-2 miles South of Forest City; beginning on a stone Nancy McDaniels and Wm. Doggett's corner; thence with their line North 56 1-4 West 4.80 chains to a W. O., Crockett Butler's corner, also Nancy McDaniel's; thence with this line South 36 1-4 West 7.57 chains to their W. O. corner, also Lewis McDaniel's corner; thence with Lewis McDaniel's line South 75 East 13 chains to stone, his corner; thence North 18 East 3 chains to stone, his corner, thence North 55 East 9.13 chains to his corner; thence North 69 East 13.25 chains to his corner, also corner of Nancy McDaniel, 28 and 60, also tract in Womic's line on East side of road; thence with Womic's line North 30 1-2 East 3.83 chains to stone, his corner; thence with the Mosley line North 57 East 5.78 chains to bend of road; thence with its North 37 East 5.51 chains to Jeff Smith's old corner; thence North 71 West 7.50 chains to stake Jeff and Richard Smith's corner; thence North 57 1-4 West 12.12 chains to stone on North bank of branch; thence South 67 West 3.47 chains to small pin; thence South 80 West 8.48 chains to stone at edge of bottom; thence South 36 1-2 West 3.25 chains to a W. O. bush; thence North 89 1-4 West 2.35 chains to stone Wm. Doggett corner; thence with his line South 33 West 11.39 chains to beginning, containing 44 1-4 acres more or less, much more or much less. Reference to bound and distances and number of acres.

This the 7th day of February, 1928
R. R. BLANTON, Trustee.
Ridings & Jones, Attys. 18-4t

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

State of North Carolina,
County of Rutherford.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust made and executed by J. G. Wilkins, widower, B. H. Wilkins, single, Camilla Logan and her husband, Roland Logan, on the 16th day of April, 1927 conveying all their undivided interest in and to a certain tract of land hereinafter described, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Rutherford County, North Carolina, in Book A on page 206, said Deed of Trust being made to secure certain indebtedness, and default having been made in the payment of said indebtedness, the undersigned Trustee will on

SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 1928

at 12 o'clock M., in front of the Industrial Loan & Investment Bank in Forest City, North Carolina, offer for sale to the last and highest bidder for cash all of said undivided interest in and to that certain tract of land lying and being in Cool Springs Township, Rutherford County, North Carolina, and more particularly described and defined as follows:

Lying and being in the town of Forest City, North Carolina and on Forest Street and shown on the map of the C. M. Harrill (deceased) property made by J. A. Wilkie, Surveyor, as lots Number 3 and 4, said map being on record in the office of the Register of Deeds for Rutherford County, North Carolina in Plat Book 1 at page 17. Reference to which is hereby made for a full and complete description.

This the 1st day of February, 1928.
18-4t. T. J. MOSS, Trustee.



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