

**FIRST REGIMENT, ARKANSAS VOLUNTEER INFANTRY**  
**HISTORICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL**

Organized from selected companies of Arkansas State Guard at Camp Dodge, Little Rock, By Gov. D. W. Jones, upon call of president, received April 25, 1898; muster-in completed May 20, 1000 men and officers. Ordered to Chickamauga Par, Ga., May 23; Departed May 25; arrived May 27; assigned to 1st Brigade, 2d Division, 3d Army Corps. There fully armed and equipped; ordered to Porto Rico, with Gen. Wade's proposed expedition, but order countermanded before movement begun, because of cessation of hostilities; remained in camp there until September 25, 1898, when ordered to Fort Logan H. Roots, Little Rock, where mustered out October 25, 1899. Was never permitted to engage in any active service. Suffered severely from malarial, typhoid and other fevers and dysentery, the result of improper sanitary arrangements, and crowded condition of Camp George H. Thomas, Chicamauga Park.

Col. Elias Chandler ---- Graduated U. S. Military Academy 1880, assigned as Second Lieutenant 16th U. S. Infantry; promoted to First Lieutenant April 14, 1887; served with regiment and as Indian agent, on Western frontier, until October, 1892; participated in Sioux campaign near Pine Ridge winter 1891; as recruiting officer, David's Island, N.Y., October, 1892, to February, 1894; on detached duty as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Ark., from February, 1894, to February, 1898; rejoined regiment, Fort Sherman, Idaho; left with regiment for Chickamauga Park, April 21, 1898; leave of absence granted same day to accept Colonelcy 1st Ark. Vol Inf., reported to Governor April 28; mustered in as Colonel May 20; served with regiment and as

brigade commander until mustered out with regiment October 25, 1898, at Fort Logan H. Roots, Little Rock, Ark.

Promoted to Captain and assigned to 1st U.S. Inf. April 26, 1898; Joined regiment Huntsville, Ala., and went to Cuba in command of battalion December, 1898; on duty at Pinar del Rio until January 27, when assigned as Collector of Customs at port of Sagua la Grande, and now on that duty.

Lt. Col. John Morgan Dugan---Received military training at St. John's College, Little Rock; enlisted Capital City Guards, A.S.G., in 1880; promoted to Second Lieutenant, and in 1882 to First Lieutenant; commissioned Captain McCarthy Light Guards, A.S. G., March 1889; commanded same at competitive drills at Galveston in 1889, Atlanta in 1890 and Indianapolis in 1891 ; commissioned Lieutenant Colonel 1st Ark. Vol. Inf., U.S.V. May 9, 1898, and with regiment throughout its service, commanding same great part of the time. Mustered out with regiment.

Major Greenfield Quarles, Helena, Ark.---A veteran of the Confederate service in the Civil War, where he was one of the youngest soldiers. Was in many hard fought battles, notably at Franklin, Tenn., under Gen. Cleburne, where he was severely wounded. Since surrender, has devoted himself successfully to law politics and planting. Service as Major in 1st Ark. eminently capable and satisfactory throughout.

Maj. Clement R. Schaer, Little Rock ---Served continuously with State Guard since beginning of Brooks and Baxter War in 1874; enlisted then promoted to First Lieutenant of Cavalry and highly recommended by Gen. Churchill for dash and gallantry; later, First Lieutenant Co. B. Mask's battalion, and Captain of Little Rock Light Infantry, which was called out on State service to or three times, and of Capital City Guard; Chief of Ordnance on staff of Gen. Taylor, A.S.G., during railroad strike troubles at

Little Rock in 1894; Captain Battery A, four years; military attaché to Gov. Clark in 1896 and promoted to Major of Artillery; commissioned Brigadier General, A.S.G., by Gov. Jones March, 1897, and assigned to command of Southern Military Division of the State; Major of 1st Ark. Vol. Inf. throughout its service, and honorably mustered out with the regiment. Accidentally shot and instantly killed himself while hunting near Little Rock, November 11, 1899. A genial gentleman always, and a capable officer, he is greatly missed militia circles.

Major and Surgeon J. Cabell Minor, Hot Springs--- Enlisted and organized Co.A, 3d Regt., A.S.G., May, 1897; commissioned Major and Surgeon, A.S.G, August 1897 served throughout as Major and Surgeon of 1st Ark. Vol. Inf., acting during a great part of the time as Brigade and Division Surgeon. On December 1, 1898, he was appointed Acting Assistant Surgeon, U.S. A., and served until July 10, 1899, when he was appointed Captain and Assistant Surgeon of the 20th Inf., U.S.V., and went shortly after with his regiment to the Philippines, and is still in service there.

First Lt. and Asst. Surgeons E.C. Hay of Hot Springs, and C. P. Merriwether, of Walnut Ridge, served throughout with the regiment, and were mustered out with it and returned to their practice in civil life.

First Lt. and Adjut. Farrar L. McCain, of Little Rock, was a sergeant in the Signal Corps, A.S.G., a lawyer by profession and served throughout as Adjutant.

First Lt. and Qmr. H.D. Moore, of Helena, received military instruction under Col. Chandler at the University of Arkansas, and served throughout as Quartermaster of the regiment.

Chaplain William Cross--- Born and educated in New York City, and a minister in the Episcopal Church in Mississippi

and Arkansas for many years; Chaplain of "Meridian Rifles," of Mississippi, and 3d Regt., A.S.G., residing at Hot Springs, when appointed Chaplain in 1st Ark. Vol. Inf.; was with the regiment throughout its service, devoted and faithful, and relieved much suffering by his attention to the men of his regiment in the hospitals at Chickamauga Park.

Sgt. Maj. Furth and Qmr. Sgt. McAney were enlisted men in the 16th Inf. and were discharged by request of Col. Chandler to take the positions with the 1st Ark., and served throughout as such.

Company A---- Organized September 4, 1893, as Co. K, 1st Regt. Reorganized June 23, 1897, as Co. A, 3d Regt., A.S.G., at Hot Springs. Volunteered promptly, recruited up to proper strength and one of the first companies to be mustered in at Camp Dodge. Capt. Wooten had seen service in Texas National Guard; 2d Lt. Dengler, military instruction under Col. Chandler at the University, and has since been commissioned in the U.S. Army.

Company B---Jefferson Fencibles, Pine Bluff. Organized November 11, 1897, as co. E, 3d Regt., A.S.G.\*(Succeeding the "Jefferson Guards," Co.F, First Regiment)\* Went into camp immediately upon call of Governor, April 25, and reported Camp Dodge May 4. Capt Braley was one of the youngest officers in the regiment, and both he and 1st Lt. Hudson had military training under Col. Chandler at the University. Lt. Hudson was on August, 24, 1899, appointed 2d Lt. 38th U.S.V., went with his regiment, and both he and 1st Lt. Hudson had military training under Col. Chandler at the University. Lt. Hudson was on August, 24, 1899, appointed 2d Lt. 38th U.S.V., went with his regiment to Philippines, where he is still in service. Second Lt. Smith

was Sergeant in the Jefferson Guards from 1893, and 2d Lt. upon its reorganization as the Jefferson Fencibles.

Company C---Organized and equipped as Artillery, Battery B, at Fort Smith, in summer of 1897; no artillery being called for from this State, the battery volunteered as infantry and was mustered in and assigned to this regiment.

Company D---Organized July 27, 1893, as Co. G, 2d Regt., A.S. G. Reorganized as Co.D, 3d Regt., A.S.G., June, 1897, at Fort Smith; one of first companies to volunteer and be mustered-in. All of the officers had received military instruction at the University under Col. Chandler. Capt. Armistead resigned July 25, 1898, to accept appointment as 2d Lt. 3d Art., U.S.A, and has since seen service in Cuba.

Company E---Organized as Co. E, 1st Regt., A.S.G., May 21, 1891, at Hope; reorganized in April, 1898, and consolidated with Co.G, 3d Reg., located at DeQueen, Lt. Krause, of the DeQueen company, becoming Second Lieutenant of Co. E. After muster-out Capt. White was appointed First Lieutenant in 33d Inf., U.S.V., and went to the Philippines, where he died in service, of illness, April 10, 1900.

Company F----Organized as Co. I, 4th Regt., A.S.G., September, 1897. Capt. Long, after muster-out, was appointed First Lieutenant in 33d Inf., U.S.V., and went to Philippines, where still in service.

Company G (Helena Light Guards)---- Organized at Helena in 1892 as Co. G, 1st Regt. Inf., A.S.G.; afterwards attached to 4th Regt. Attended State Drills in 1892 and 1893, and took prize at inter-State Drill at Little Rock in 1894; did three days' service for State during railroad strike in 1894. Reported Camp Dodge May 4, and mustered in May 17. Capt. Sanders was a graduate of the Helena High School, First Lt. Pillow, of the Bingham Military School,

and 2d Lt. Fritzson of Bethel College, Ky., and all had served with the company from its organization.

Company H----Organized for service in Spanish War. All of the officers having had military instruction at college. 2d Lt. Elliott was, after muster-out, appointed 2d Lt. of Inf., U.S.A.

Company I-----Organized October 3, 1893, as Co. A, 1st Regt., A.S.G. Reorganized for service in Spanish War at Van Buren. Capt. Jeffers and Lt. Moore had received military instruction under Col. Chandler at the University. Capt. Jeffers, after muster-out, was appointed First Lieutenant in 33d Inf. U.S.V., went to Philippines and is still in service there, having been promoted to Captain.

Company K-----Organized as Co. B, 2d Regt., A.S.G., July 1, 1893. Reorganized as Co. I, 3d Regt., A.S.G., March, 1898. Capt. Stroup had received military instruction under Lt. Col. DeRosey C. Cabell, 2d Ark., at the University. He was, after muster out, appointed First Lieutenant in 33d Inf., U.S.V., but resigned before the regiment went to the Philippines.

Company L----- "Chicot Rifles" Originally organized as Co. L 1st Regt., A.S.G., at Lake Village, by Capt. R. W. Reynolds; reorganized for service in Spanish War and consolidated with a company of volunteers from Texarkana under Capt. Haywood, he becoming Captain on consolidation and Reynolds First Lieutenant. 2d Lt. Courtney was appointed Second Lieutenant in 40th Inf., U.S.V. in summer of 1899, and went to Philippines, where he is now in service.

Company M----"Greene Rifles." Organized for service in Spanish War. Capt. Elliott is a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, but had retired to civilian life before outbreak of Spanish War. Lt. Kelso, after being

mustered out, was appointed Second Lieutenant in 40th Inf., U.S.V., and went to Philippines with the regiment, where he is now in service.



DR. RODERICK DODGE

On May 2, 1898 Governor Daniel Jones of Arkansas issued General Order No. 2 establishing Camp Dodge. The site was at the corner of College Avenue and Seventh Street in Little Rock. The camp was named for Dr. Roderick Dodge to whose estate, the site of the camp belonged and whose heirs donated the land for military use.



Camp Dodge  
 Sunday May 23, 1898  
 Lieut. Frank Jackson Co. D  
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 Lieut. Fritzen Det. Co.  
 Miss. L. L. L. L.  
 Capt. Carl. L. L. L. Co. G  
 1st Regiment Arkansas  
 Volunteers  
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