

Fayette, Ala

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Thomas M. Orven
Montgomery, Ala

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In reply to your request of Feb 8, 1911 I would say that R. Allen Smith was Captain of Co B15 Ala Battalion. The Co to which I belonged, and with other companies to the No. of 7 or 8 companies co-structure. The 5 Ala Battalion or Colonel Blount's Battalion and for some irregularities or bad management on the part of the colonel his command was taken from him and his men divided or distributed among other Ala. Regiments. The officers being left, free to go home. The 17 Ala receiving the greater share. In about one year the men of the old 8th reorganized and were numbered the 9th Ala Battalion consolidated out of the same companies. And in one year or more the 9th Battalion and a battalion of sharp shooters were consolidated under the No. of 32 & 58 Ala. Regiment and we went out in 65 under that number.

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J. Holliman 1st Lieut Co. B 327-58

Company H
41st Ala. Inf. Regt.

Kessiah, Luvard, age 19,
Lowry, Thomas J., age 21,
Long, Andrew, age 18,
Morrow, Jeff. V., age 20,
Manasco, W.G., age 28,
Moore, James M., age 29,
Moore, Robert A., age 28,
Miles, Wilber F., age 21,
Mathews, Samuel I., age 37,
McCraw, Samuel M., age 23,
McGraw, Thomas F., age 16,
McClure, William A., age 21,
Miles, James D., age 24,
Ogden, Richard, age 34,
Olive, James H., age 18,
Olive, William T., age 23,
Palmer, William F., age 23,
Porter, Henry B., age 25,
Prater, Joseph, age 21,
Peoples, Richard C., age 18,
Price, James A., age 26,
Price, Jackson, age 24,
Roberts, Haywood, age 21,
Roberts, William A., age 18,
Reynolds, John T., age 18,
Sanford, John R., age 31,
Simonds, George W., age 31,
Sanford, John W., age 19,
Stilmand, George T., age 19,
Stacks, John G., age 22,
Scott, James, age 17,
Scott, Simpson, age 20
Williams, W.T. age 23,
Yarbrough, William, age 22,
Yarbrough, Jeremiah, age 26,
Yarbrough, Jasper, age 21,
Boalds, Thomas, Age 29; April 18, Capt F. Ogden. (?)
Williams, James M., age 25,
Berry, John H., age 34,
Hall, William M., age 23,
Kidd, Robert, age 28
Montgomery, Thomas M., age 28,
Colins, Zachua, age 38,
Coleman, Levy, age 36,
Fullerton, Robert R., age 21,
Davis, John T., age 21,
Davis, William T., age 31,
Davis, John L., age 21,
Howton, William S., age 23,
Kissiah, Aley, age 23,
Hughes, James L. age 27,
Harris, Simon, age 26,
Fortenberry, Henry T., age 26,
Freamand, Michael, age 21,
→ Holiman, J.T. , age 18 (John Thomas Holiman).
Farghar, James G. age 32,
Willbarn, Francis M., age 20

Company H 41st Ala. Inf. Regt.

Cotton, George W., age 19,
Cotton, Isiah V., age 25,
Melton, Mady., age 30,
Nellums, Henry F., age 18,
Barton, John H., age 33,
Roberts, Benj. W., age 28,
Taylor, Stephen, age 18,
Townsend, Josiah, age 23,
 South, John A., age 31,
Vick, Alexander, age 24,
Vaughn., William F., Age 22,
Wood, Thomas M., age 29,
Walden, James, age 24,
Rainwater, Elcanny L., age 32 (See Stewart letters).
Palmer, Samuel H., age 21,
Nickels, John J., age 33,
Newton, James W., age 32,
Shaw, Jess B., age 30,
Stewart, James F. ("Brother James - see letters). age ___
Stewart, William M., Age 27 (Author of the "Dear
Biddy" letters - he became 2nd lieutenant).
Vaughn, Wiley G., age 25,
Willis, Jelks, age 30,
Scott, John E., age 30,
Bell, James E., age 19,
South, Tilmond H., age 29 (See Stewart letters),
Wright, John F., age 30,
Binion, John R., age 30,
Bray, William R. (Transferred to Fowlers Artillery).
Lowery, Francis M., age 24,