

burg on April 23d, over the old Virginia & Tennessee Railroad, and an immense multitude was present to bid them farewell. This was Lynchburg's first contribution to the Confederacy. Lynchburg was made a rendezvous for many troops that were sent to Virginia from the South. Nearly every day soldiers came here from Alabama, Tennessee, Louisiana, Arkansas and other points, and marched to the Fair Grounds, where they pitched their tents. Camp Davis, in the southern suburbs of the city, was another place in which troops were quartered. On May 8th the Second Regiment of Virginia Cavalry was organized at Lynchburg, and Colonel Jubal A. Early was the mustering officer. Colonel Early afterwards became a noted general, and won distinction as a leader of Confederate forces. Besides General Early, Lynchburg had many of her sons in positions of prominence and distinction, among them being General Samuel Garland, General Robert E. Rodes and General James Dearing. Since the war, General T. T. Munford has taken up his residence in Lynchburg, and is regarded as one of the city's noted Confederate veterans. The Lynchburg Home Guard, which went to war at the outset of hostilities, is still in existence. It is a crack military organization, and is commanded by Captain R. E. Craighill.

Thus in war and in peace Lynchburg has performed its full duty.—Having a people of sterling worth, the city has been able to rear its institutions on imperishable foundations. Financially it is, in proportion to its population, one of the first cities in the country. In charitable and religious work it is among the foremost, and its industrial progress within the past few years promises for it a brilliant future.