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# Headquarters First Division, Western Department.

COLUMBUS, Ky., October 26, 1861.

GENERAL ORDERS,  
No. 14. }

The following order will be observed by the troops now occupying Columbus, Ky., and its vicinity :

1. A general officer of the day will be detailed at General Headquarters daily, from the commanders of divisions and brigades, to report daily at General Headquarters for orders.

2. A field officer of the day will be detailed from each Brigade Headquarters, to be taken from the roster of field officers of brigades not in command (either temporarily or permanently), to report to the general officer of the day for general, and to the commander of the brigade for special orders.

3. A regimental officer of the day will be detailed daily from the roster of Captains of each regiment, to report to the brigade officer of the day for general, and to the regimental commander for special orders.

The picket guard will be made from a detail at each Division Headquarters, from the infantry of the division, to be composed of one or two officers, with as many non-commissioned officers and privates as the necessity of the case may in the judgment of the division commander require. The videttes will be detailed from the cavalry of the division, to consist of a detachment commanded by an officer or non-commissioned officer, as circumstances may require.

Grand guards will be composed of one company or more of infantry from each brigade, and will be posted by the field officer of the day, the detail for grand guards will be made at Brigade Headquarters.

Camp guards will be furnished by detail from each regiment, of as many non-commissioned officers and privates as the regimental commander may consider necessary, with a subaltern of the regiment as officer of the guard, and be posted under the orders of the regimental officer of the day. All officers of the day are required to visit their guards during the day, and after 12 M. at night. All officers of the guard will make written reports of their tour, and note upon them the number of times, and the hour of the day or night when the guard was visited by the officer of the day.

The brigade attached temporarily as the 3d Brigade of the 1st Division, is not subject to the above order, but will furnish, under the direction of the brigade commander, the necessary camp guard, and the police and other guards required in the city. Artillery companies will furnish their own camp and police guards.

Whenever the ground will admit of it, the grand guards will be reviewed by the field officer of the day, and the old officer of the day shall also be present at the mounting of this guard.

By command of

(Official.)

*Geo. Williamson*  
*A. A. Gen'l*

MAJ. GEN. POLK.

E. D. BLAKE,

Capt, C. S. A., A. A. A. Gen'l.

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