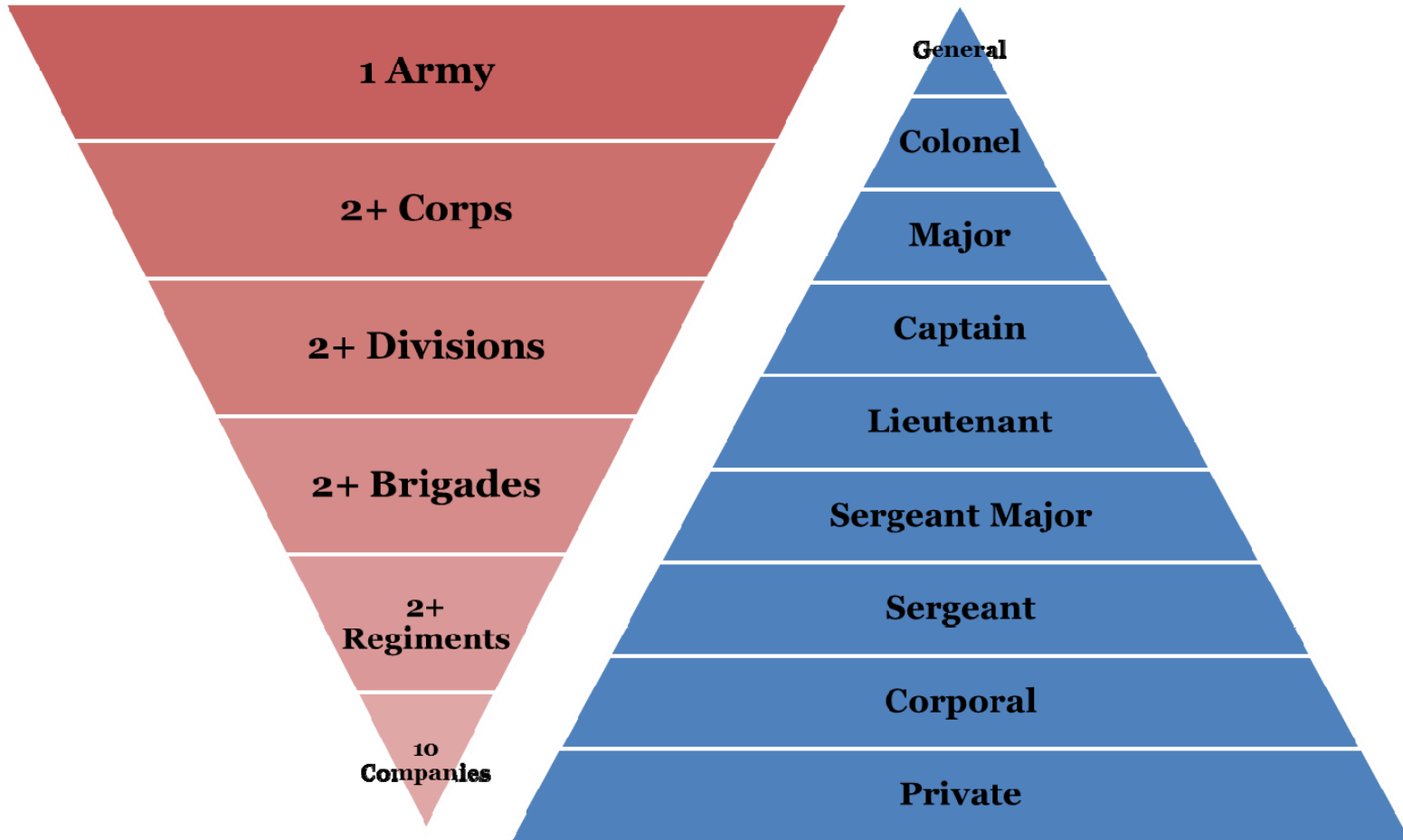


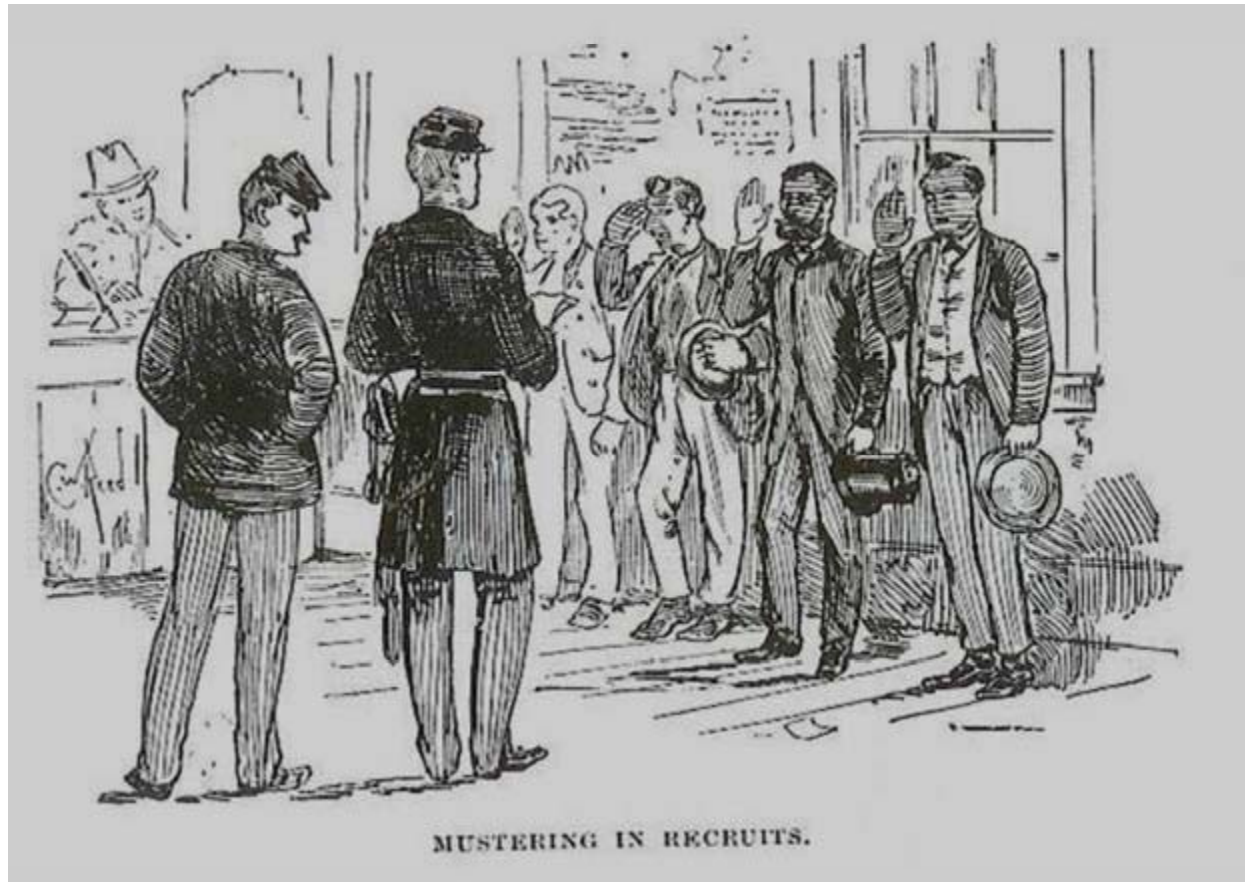
# Life at War...

Insight to what it was really like for the soldiers fighting in the Civil War.

# The Average Soldier



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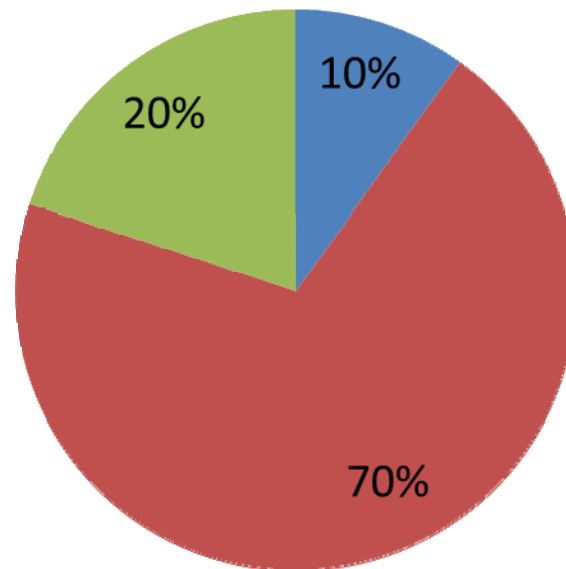
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# The Average Soldier

They were old and young, but mostly young...

## Age of Union Soldiers

■ Under 16 ■ 16-23 ■ Over 23



# The Average Soldier



# Why They Fought



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# What They Carried



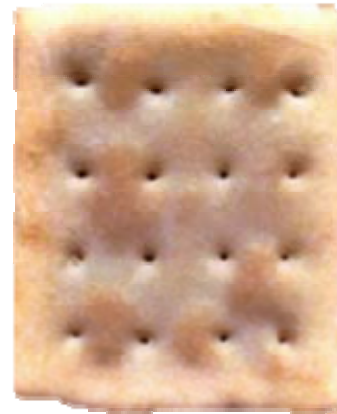


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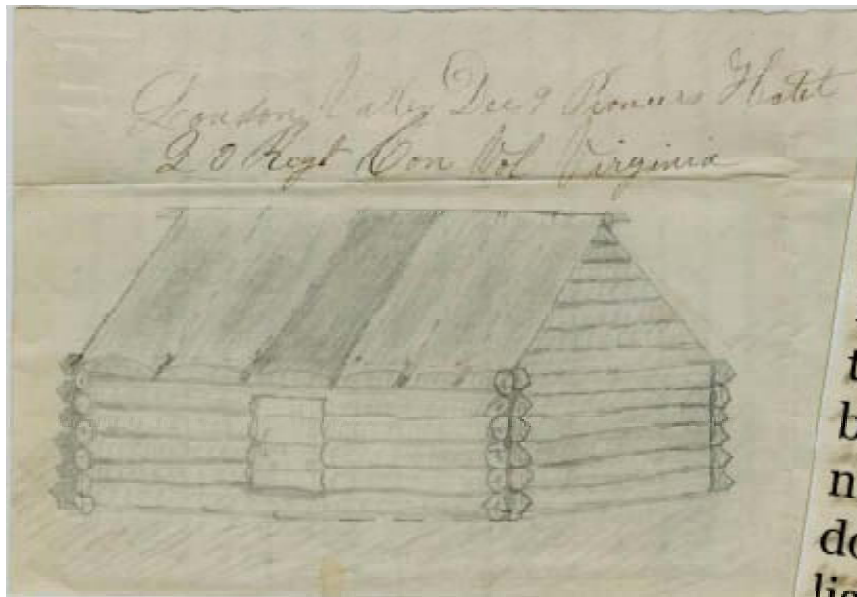


# What They Ate

- Salt pork, bacon, or beef
- Soft bread, flour, cornmeal, or hardtack
- Beans or peas
- Rice or hominy
- Coffee
- Tea
- Sugar
- Vinegar
- Molasses



# Where They Slept



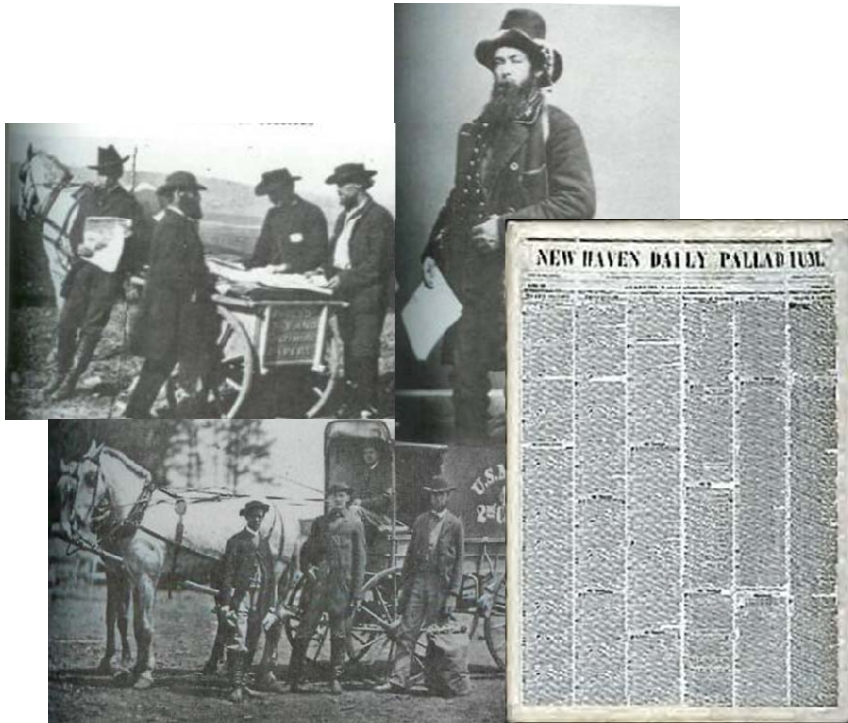
"This is the drawing of our log Cabin looks natural all think made of logs & covered with flies or canvas don't leak much the dark place in the middle is rubber blankets the canvas is not large enough we don't have any windows light comes through the canvas....."

# How They Communicated





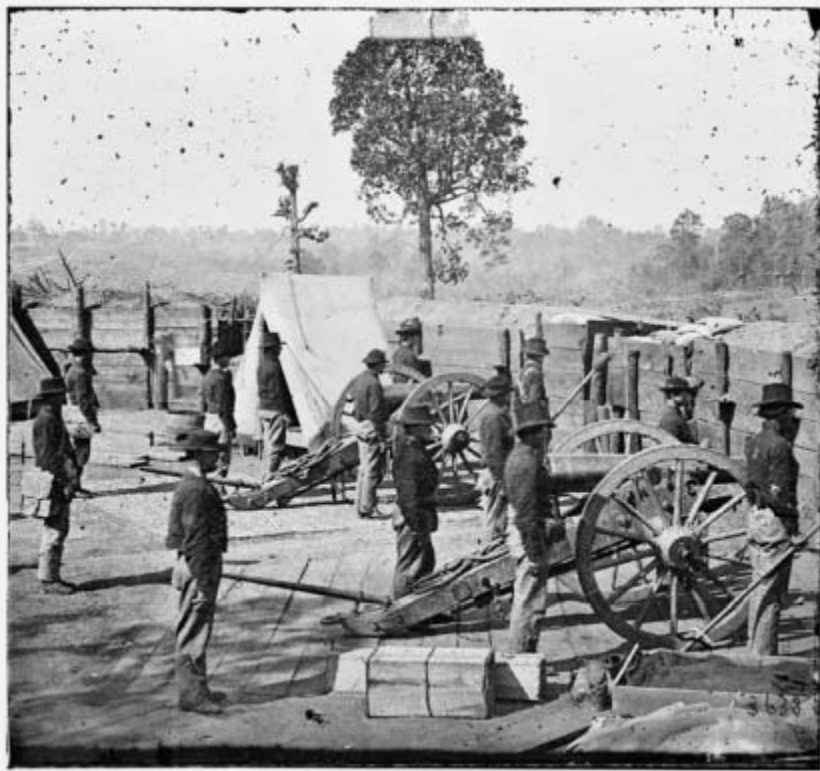
# How they Communicated



Soldiers received news from multiple sources. Rumors were rampant and often magnified as soldiers wrote those rumors home.

Newspapers were a great trade item, being passed across enemies picket lines and traded back and forth. Soldiers were always eager for news North or South.

# When They Weren't Fighting



“first thing in the morning is drill, then drill, then drill again. Then drill, drill, a little more drill. Then drill and lastly drill. Between drills, we drill....”

– Union

Soldier

# Life and Death



# Life and Death

## Disease and Hygiene

- Everyone and everything smelled during the Civil War.
- Diarrhea was the greatest killer during the Civil War.
- Of the more than 620,000 soldiers who died in the war, more than 400,000 died of sickness and disease.



# Life and Death

Weapons technology – The rifled musket killed more soldiers than anything else, except disease. Its effects also created wounds that were difficult to treat



# Life and Death

When a battle took place, every structure, house, barn, yard and field, could become a hospital.....



# Life and Death



"You have given your boys to die  
for their country. Now you can  
give your girls to nurse them."

-Nurse Mary Stinebaugh

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About 2.75 million soldiers fought in the Civil War.

More than 620,000 men died in the war, with disease killing twice as many as those lost in battle.

# Memories of the War



**For those who survived, memories of the war were a part of their everyday life.**

# Where Battles Happen



# Six Reasons Why Battles Happened in Certain Places

1. Road Networks
2. Railroad Networks
3. Importance of the Area
  - Example: The area between Richmond, VA and Washington, DC
4. Waterways
5. Topography or Lay of the Land
6. Reliable Intelligence