

## Guide to the George S. Smith Diary, 1863-1865

**Title:** George S. Smith diary

**Creator:** Smith, George S.

**Creator Dates:** circa 1842 -

**Extent:** 1 diary; 35 pages

**Inclusive Dates:** 1863-1865

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### ABSTRACT

Civil War diary of George S. Smith, sergeant in Company C of the 48th Ohio Regiment, covering his service in Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Florida, and Texas, 1863-65.

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### BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE

George S. Smith, possibly from Highland County, Ohio, was a sergeant in Company C of the 48th Ohio Regiment during the Civil War. His regiment served in Louisiana,

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**SCOPE AND CONTENTS:**

The thirty-five page diary covers the period October 1863 to November 1865. It contains entries describing battles in Louisiana and Alabama. Smith was involved in attacks on Ft. Blakely and Spanish Fort, Alabama. In addition, his entries chronicle the surrender of Mobile and a magazine explosion in that city on 25 May 1865, which caused significant loss of life and damage to buildings and ships docked in Mobile Bay. His diary also describes his duties in Galveston, Texas, where he guarded a Freedmen's camp, and contains lists of expenses, letters received and written, and battles in which he participated.

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**CONTAINER LIST:**

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Description</b>
1058	4	Diary