

Vicksburg Greets Gen. Eisenhower

Vicksburg, Miss., July 3 (P)—Vicksburg, citadel of the Confederacy, surrendered happily today to General of the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower, and prepared to celebrate tomorrow a Fourth of July that for many years was a day of bitter memory.

The General, at the head of a motor convoy, arrived to receive a welcome in direct contrast to that of the last leader of the Army of the United States who visited this ancient hill city—Gen. Ulysses S. Grant.

Grant marched into a silent, gaunt Vicksburg at the head of 75,000 "Yankee" troops after a 47-day siege on July 4, 1863.

47-day siege on July 4, 1863.

Holiday festivities began last night with the selection of Miss Marjorie Evans, of Vicksburg, as queer of the three-day celebration.

As a guest of Gen. Robert W. Crawford, General Eisenhower went immediately after welcoming ceremonies to the United States engineer river boat, the General John Newton, where he will be quartered during his stay.

Clipped By:



jamespcarrion Sun, Aug 5, 2018

Newspapers™