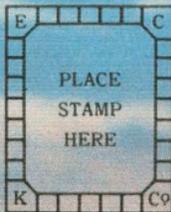
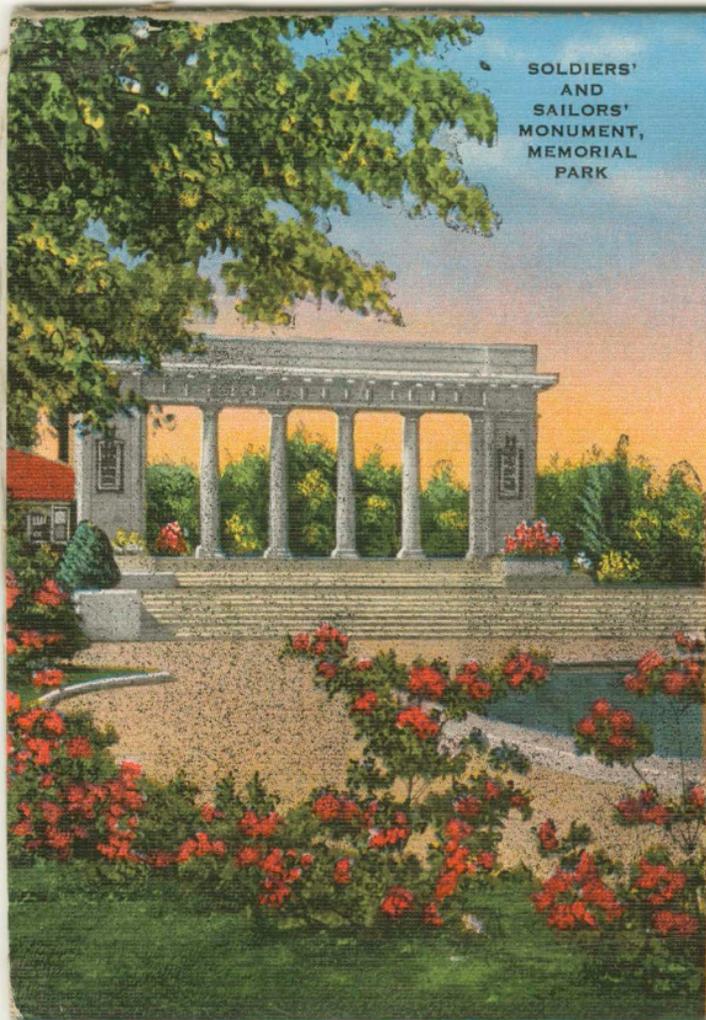


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MOBILE HISTORICAL



The European explorers of the 17th Century, who penetrated as far south as the Gulf of Mexico, were not long in discovering that, with as unexcelled climate and remarkable soil fertility, the many navigable rivers converging on the coast gave a splendid opportunity for the fur trade of the interior and would make of the southern ports, especially desirable territory for their rulers and masters.

Chief among the points thus selected was the settlement founded by the French under Bienville on the west side of Mobile Bay in 1702. He called it Fort St. Louis De La Mobile in honor of his sovereign and in the name of the Indian tribe occupying the land. In 1711, a more desirable location being sought, he established a permanent colony at Fort Conde, the present site of the City of Mobile. Hernando De Soto fought and conquered Tuscaloosa and his Indians at Maubila, the old site of Mobile.

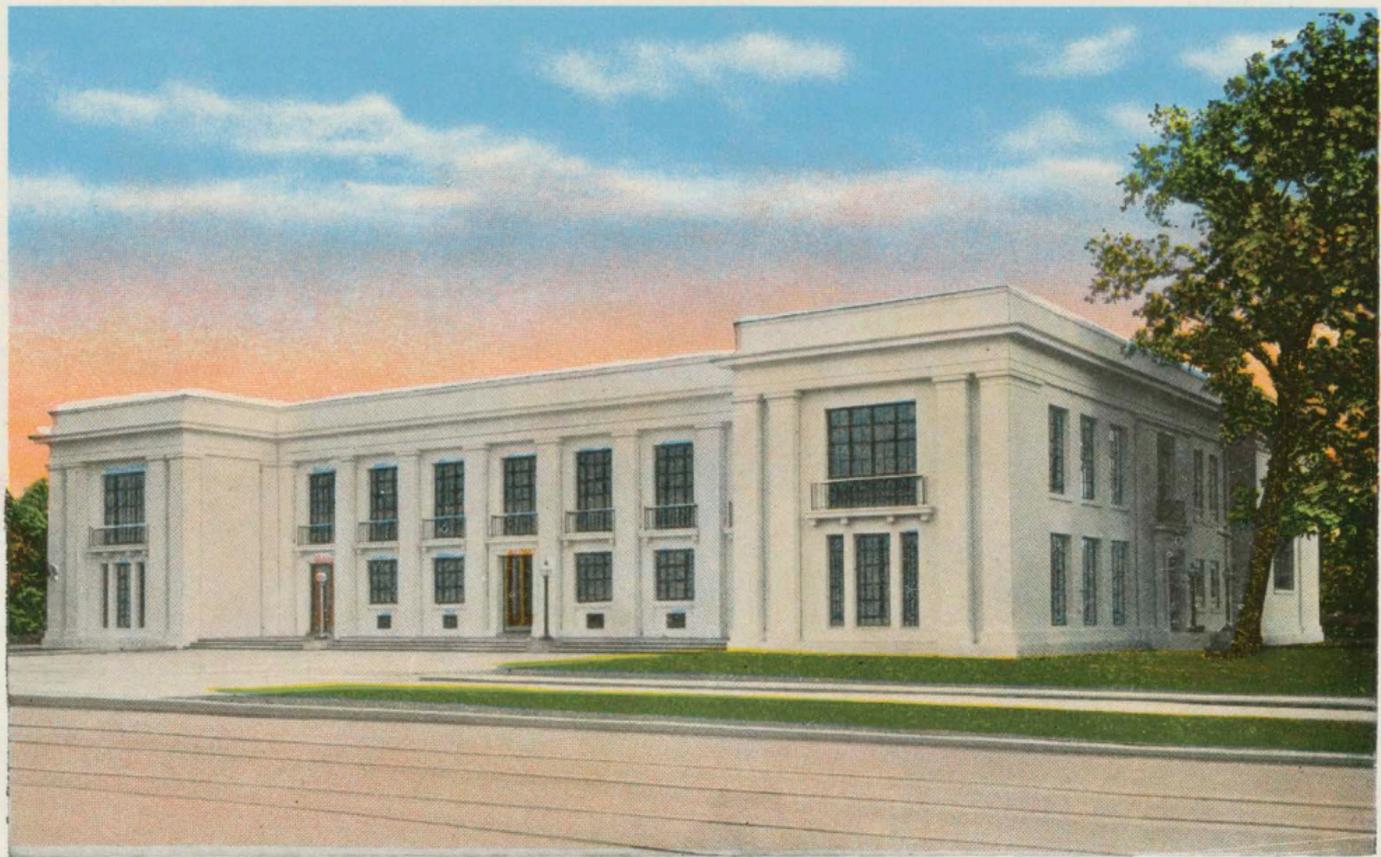
Thus it is seen that Mobile was born of Latin blood enterprise and ambition. Spain succeeded to the land and French and Spanish names fill the history of Mobile throughout the two centuries of her life. The Latin characteristics of her people are still manifest in her reputation for refined hospitality, social and business courtesy. The succession of English rule and an admixture of English blood made for sturdiness of character without effacing that charm of Latin strain which persists to this day throughout the social order of the Gulf Coast Country.

Thus Mobile is known as the "City of Five Flags." The French, Spanish, British, Confederate States and the United States. After the battle of Mobile Bay when Farragut said "Damn the mines" and had himself lashed to the mast of the flagship, Mobile was taken by the Union forces just at the close of war. Farragut landed at South End and marched up the famous Bay Shell Road.

Andrew Jackson (Old Hickory) blazed a trail from Pensacola through Mobile when he fought the Indians and the Jackson Oaks mark his camp site on the Eastern Shore of Mobile Bay, opposite Mobile. In the war of 1812, Jackson's headquarters, while in Mobile were on the spot now occupied by a modern million dollar hotel.

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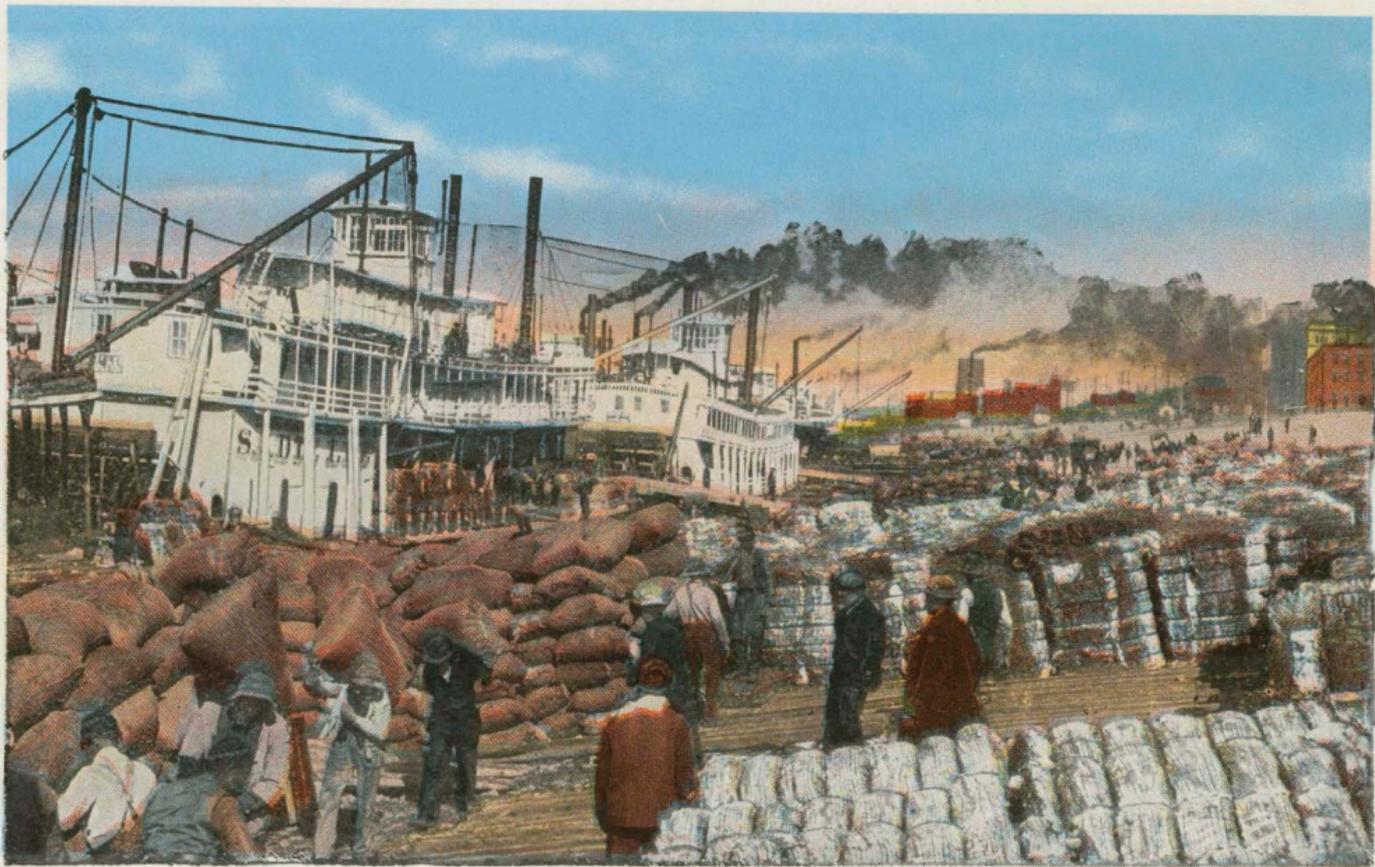




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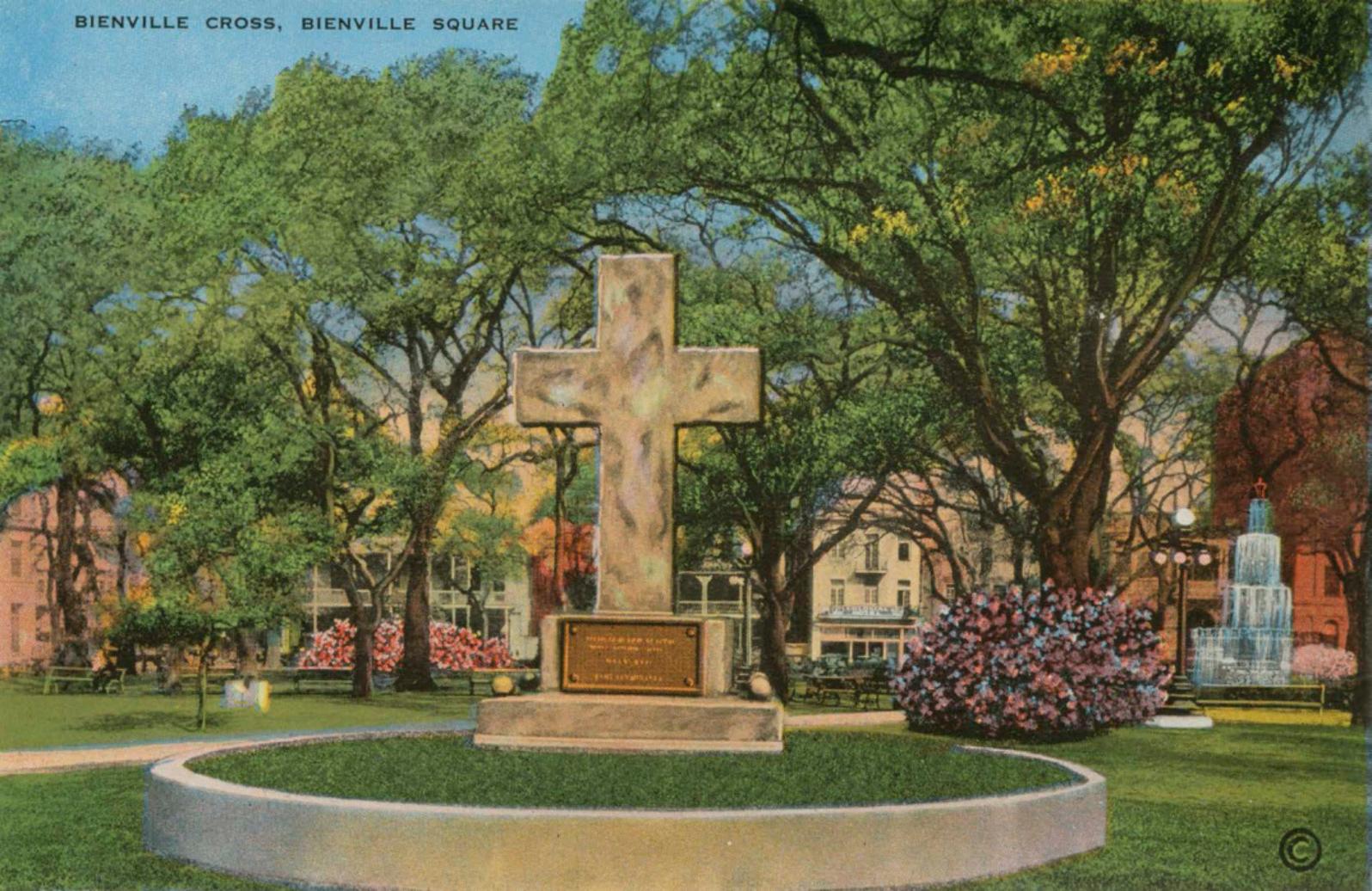


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