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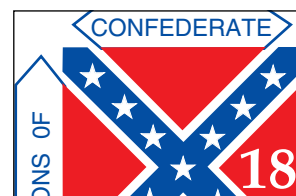
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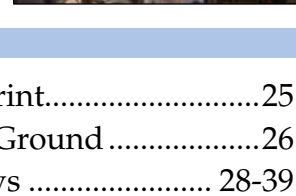
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FROM THE EDITOR



Photo by John Gregory

With this issue we are almost back on schedule. Thanks for your patience and understanding this past year as we worked to put the *Confederate Veteran* back on schedule after moving to a new printer and changing the format.

More changes are coming in the future. Nothing drastic, but we hope to add more color pages with the eventual goal of becoming a full-color publication. As always, your suggestions and ideas are welcome. I received several over the last few months and have implemented some of them.

Please keep sending in photos of your camp activities. I can use more from the camps in the Army of Northern Virginia Department. I used every one I had in this issue. I know y'all have many events and activities. So don't forget to take pictures and send them in to share.

Thanks to everyone who has sent in ancestor and historical articles. I now have enough for at least the next year. If you have sent in an article and it's not been published yet, be patient. We will use it in the future.

We were all saddened by the news of Mrs. Martin's passing. She was a special lady and meant a lot to many people. Photos and an article on her funeral are included in this issue. She will be missed.

Please keep sending in those letters to the editor and photos of your camp's activities. Remember, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. Until then, I remain,

Yours in the Cause,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Frank B. Powell, III". The signature is stylized with a large, looping "F" and a trailing flourish.



REPORT OF THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF R.G. WILSON

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Compatriots,

By the time you receive this issue of the *Confederate Veteran* we will have completed the 2nd Sam Davis Youth Camp. This was a high priority project of mine after being elected your Commander-in-Chief at the Memphis Convention 2002. We have held two of these camps in the past 11 months. The first one, you will remember, occurred last August in Mentone, Alabama, while the last one was held in Crawfordsville, Georgia — just last month. These camps continue to grow in size to the point that we are considering two camps for next summer. It is the best way that we know to reach our sons and grandsons with the truth concerning the War Between The States and our Southern Heritage.

I would encourage *ALL* camps to start planning now to send as many young men to next year's Sam Davis Youth Camps as possible.

Since our last issue of the *Confederate Veteran*, sadly I must report that Mrs. Alberta Martin has died. I attended the funeral where Dr. Charles Baker spoke. His message was a message of Salvation, Hope and Heritage. Also, several SCV Division (NC, AL, VA and FL,) Commanders were in attendance. Dr. Chaney and Commander Russell Darden are to be commended for the hours they spent taking care of Mrs. Alberta Martin's needs and wishes.

I have recently returned from the Tenth Annual Conference on The Great Revival in the Southern Armies (1861-1865). I was asked to speak on "Defending our Heritage." Some of the speakers were Rev. Lloyd Sprinkle, Bishop Daniel Morse, Dr. Stephen R. Woods, Franklin Sanders, Dr. H. Rondel Rumburg, Dr. Charles Baker, Pastor John Weaver, Dr. Cecil Fayard, and Dr. Gary Lee Roper. This was an outstanding conference — one which I would highly recommend to you for next year. It is this type of conference which gives foundation for everything that we try to accomplish. May God bless these courageous ministers.

Some have asked me about the *Confederate Veteran* magazine being late somewhat. When we made the changes to the *Veteran* last year, some files were not transferred completely and had to be completely recreated. This caused a delay which has been hard to overcome. The editor-in-chief has informed me that by the end of August we will be on schedule, which no doubt makes you as happy as I am to hear this good news. Frank Powell has done an exceptional job as editor, along with layout, design and the overall appearance of the *Veteran*. I hear nothing but praise for the job that he is doing. I should remind all that this is still done at no cost to the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Also, since the change in printers alone, our savings to the SCV is in excess of \$100,000 over the past year.

We have made great strides in our drive to save the SCV as much money as possible as often as we can while at the same time coming up with new and innovative ways to go on the offense in defending our Southern heritage.

We have over the past 22 months produced four videos for the purpose of giving our camps as much new material for the camp programs as possible. Those videos include the following:

Great Men of the Faith, Parts 1& 2
Jesse and Frank James — Missouri Confederates
Sam Davis Youth Camp

All of these are perfect for a program at your camp meetings. You may order them from IHQ or your friendly field representative.

Finally, I encourage your camp to hold Recruiting Meetings — those that are — well, they are growing faster than others. They are designed for one purpose: *Recruit, Recruit, Recruit*. Call your field representative and set one up. If you are in an area with a field representative call him for information on how to do one.

In closing, I have enjoyed every minute serving you as commander-in-chief over the past 23 months. By the time you receive this issue we will be days away from the Dalton Reunion, and we will, while in convention there, elect the men to lead us over the next two years. I encourage you to be there! Just remember — it's your organization. So, the more camps that are represented — I believe — the better the results will be on all issues coming before the convention. I have and will always believe in and trust our membership. You are our strength.

May God Bless each of you. See you in Dalton.

Your Obedient Servant,

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Dispatches From the Front

A collection of letters to the editor from our members.

Hunley funeral brought the men home

To the Editor:

I am writing to express my reaction and thoughts regarding the article in the January/February issue of the *Confederate Veteran* written by Mr. Alan Sullivant, the chief of heritage defense. I must admit that the range of my thoughts and emotions covered a fairly wide range as I read Mr. Sullivant's words. I will try to convey a portion of my feelings in this letter. I do not think a simple rebuttal would effectively express my concerns. I will therefore try to convey a different viewpoint on the subject of the *Hunley* funeral in an effort to express my values, as well as the sentiments of others throughout our Confederation.

In the format of the heritage defense pages of our magazine, Mr. Sullivant used his position to express his personal views concerning the *Hunley* funeral as well as events which led up to this event. The basic tenet of his article was that the funeral itself was going to be a circus at best and a spectacle at worst. He further charged that the organizers of the event were self-serving and had sold out our cause for their own personal gain and interest. A side-bar to his litany was that some of these same individuals had compromised our heritage by trading endorsement of the *Hunley* funeral by various governmental and civic organizations for the removal of the Confederate Battle Flag from the South Carolina Statehouse dome a few years ago.

In response to these statements, I can begin by saying that they simply are not true. The assertions printed in this article are a combination of untruths, misinformation, and a combination of unrelated historical facts into a scenario which is a disservice to the prin-

cipal organizers, our association, our heritage, and above all, the men who were spat upon when they arrived in uniform, in San Francisco. This is not a story out of a tabloid; it happened. That was wrong. They deserved respect and appreciation. Outside of our immediate family and friends, they received neither. They fought for our freedom and they deserved better. They fought in a war which was not very popular among a lot of folks back then. The situation today is very similar, with regards to our forefathers.

The second personal experience I related to my friend was that my mother's only male first cousin was killed during WW II. He was a tail-gunner in a B-24, which was shot down over Europe. His body was never recovered. My family will always honor his sacrifice and his memory. His name was McClellan Ashby. Our loss may be a footnote in history; however, it is a sacred part of my heritage. McClellan's sacrifice was the same as the men aboard the *Hunley*. He gave everything he had for his country. He is one of my heroes.

These parts of my personal family history are part of what made it essential that I participate in the funeral and procession for the third crew of the *Hunley*. I had to pay tribute to the crew by showing the world that I was proud of them and to express my devotion to their memory. Finally, I needed to help give them a Christian burial. It was the absolute least I could do.

Funerals are not for the dead alone. In a large part, they are for the living. They help us say goodbye and they help us in a process of healing. I am not sure what everyone else sees when they look around these days, but I see a need for healing and understanding in many areas of life. By burying these men in the way we did, we publicly

paid them tribute for the lives they led, the lives they laid down on our behalf, and the indebtedness we feel toward them.

My youngest son was not particularly eager to take part in this procession. Like most 12-year-olds, he had other things he would rather do than put on a coat and tie and walk for four hours in the hot sun. As I explained to him why he would do these things, I told him the following: The men we will honor tomorrow were not much older than he or his 15-year-old brother. Very soon, they may both be called on to defend our country and our way of life. This will be their obligation, not an option. I told him that if anything ever happened to him or his brother, there were two things he could count on: that I loved him and I would bring him home, one way or the other. That is a lot to tell a 12-year-old, but I meant every word of it.

That is what we did last Saturday. We brought those men home.

When Mr. Sullivant wrote his message to the members of this organization, he implied that there were those among us who had sold out the very heart and soul of our cause and the memory of our forefathers and the cause for which they served. These statements, more than anything else, turned my hurt to anger as I read his editorial. I know the men who organized and conducted this tribute to our fallen warriors. I am proud to be their friend. These men are good and honorable, Christian men. Their faith and their commitment to heritage is a part of their very souls. They share the same values and convictions which I have written about in this letter and they have the rare dedication to turn words into action. Men like Glenn McConnell, Randy Burbage and so many others gave this project their blood, sweat, tears, and undying

gratitude to the men who sacrificed so much on our account. These men are true patriots who have spent years being ridiculed by those with convictions which are contrary to those of our association. Sadly, now they are being attacked by their own brethren. I would hope that the views expressed by the Mr. Sullivant are not those of the rank and file of our clan. If they are, it would be a terrible injustice to men of true character and integrity.

In closing, I would remind everyone who reads these words to remember the point I made at the beginning of this letter. The *Hunley* funeral was simply that. A funeral. We all have to make choices in life. There are 24 hours in every day. We cannot do it all. The choices we make as to how we spend our time define who we are and where our priorities are. I believe I speak for every single one of the 50,000 plus participants in the *Hunley* funeral when I say that I am proud I spent April 17, 2004, honoring men who died defending my homeland. I live on hallowed ground, made so by brave men. I believe Sen. Glenn McConnell may have said it best, in his eulogy to the crew of the *Hunley*, when he quoted the Bible, "greater love hath no man than when he lay down his life for a friend." A Christian burial, even 140 years after the fact, was the very least we could do. If the chief of heritage defense does not believe the events I have referenced in this letter are appropriate to his charge, then either 50,000 SCV Compatriots and friends were wrong last Saturday, or the chief of heritage defense should be replaced with someone more in line with the members of this association.

Mr. Sullivant, I hope when you were praying in a quiet place last Saturday, when you were listening to the still, small voice of God, you realized that the rest of us were also offering our own prayers of thanksgiving to our Lord and Savior for the men who laid down their lives for all of us. We did so in Magnolia Cemetery in Charleston, SC, in front of God and the entire nation. I wish you had been there. I believe you would have left with a different understanding of this tribute to our fallen heroes.

May God bless each and every one of

you and may He firmly hold you all in the palm of His hand.

I am,

*Sincerely,
W.L. Snow, Sr.
Ft. Sumter Camp 1269
Charleston, SC*

Words cannot express people's feelings

To the Editor:

I spend a lot of time defending my Confederate ancestors, and I am proud of what my Confederate ancestors accomplished. My admiration for them is rooted deep in my heart. In the January/February issue of the *Confederate Veteran*, under the "Forward the Colors" column, I was appalled at what I had read. I am one of those compatriots who attended the *Hunley* crew funeral. To have a compatriot place the label of heritage violator on me hits the bottom of the well with me.

I served on the *Hunley* Funeral Committee over the last few months and gave these crewmen my all. I spent countless hours away from my wife and four-year-old to give my support to the men. I thank my wife and child for their understanding during that time. I look at the raising of the *Hunley* and the funeral as closure to families who never knew what happened to their ancestors. Wives and mothers watched their husbands and sons answer the call of their state, only to never return home. After their lifeless bodies were placed in unmarked graves, the question changed from "I wonder if he will return" to "I wonder if I will ever find his body." We SCV members around this country know the feeling all too well. Many of us have spent countless hours searching record after record after record for family members who answered the call to duty. We also search continuously for the final resting spots of our ancestors. Then we find out that our ancestor was last accounted for at Shiloh, Gettysburg or even aboard the *Hunley*. There are thousands unaccounted for and unmarked graves across the country. Finally, a few descendants have finally started getting

the answers their ancestors could not receive at the time. And the writer says it is a heritage violation.

Words cannot express the feelings of anyone who witnessed the thousands of people at White Point gardens, along the procession route and at Magnolia Cemetery. From Alaska to Florida, from California to Maine, thirty-six states had SCV representatives. People came from all around the world and attended the funeral for our heroes. I met a man from Australia and New Zealand, and a few of the attendees were from Austria. There were many more attendees from other countries at the funeral. People from around the world were here to honor our Confederate heroes and our heritage, not to violate it.

Mr. Sullivant, you say that you "plan to seek out the lonely and perhaps forgotten grave of a Confederate veteran." You say you will kneel beside the grave and "pray for that hero, for the crew of the *Hunley* and for the future of our Brotherhood." This is what I did on April 17, 2004, while I was watching the crew being interred. I too prayed for the crew of the *Hunley*, and I prayed not for one, but for all our Confederate ancestors. I prayed for my ancestors that reside in unmarked, mass graves. I also prayed for you, Mr. Sullivant. I prayed that our ancestors would forgive you for stating that the thousands of compatriots who turned out to honor our heritage have sold themselves out as heritage violators.

*David E. Rentz, Commander
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Researching Mississippi Battle Flags

To the Editor:

I am researching all sources for all the information I can find about Battle Flags from Mississippi. At the end I will publish a book, making the book available to libraries and camps of the SCV, and finally deposit my research files to Beauvoir in Biloxi, MS. I take on this project, not for personal gain, but because it is a worthy project and one

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BOOT CAMP

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A column of helpful tips for Camp, Brigade, and Division operations

This month's subject:

Member Services

Hardly a week goes by that I don't get an email or a phone call from some puzzled member asking "How do I...?" The questions cover the whole gamut of SCV problems: transfers, awards, merchandise purchases, etc. Most of these calls are from new members, but old-timers sometimes lose track of how things are done, so I thought I would devote this, my last column as Lt. CIC, to the subject of Member Services — all those things you can expect from IHQ, the website, etc, as well as some planned services on the horizon. I'm also including a "wish list" of services, things that members have mentioned that they would like to see happen, when and if the money and staff are available. So, let's start with the basics.

Basic Services — the Website

The first place to look for answers to service questions is the main SCV website, www.scv.org. Many members never go beyond the main screen, but there is a wealth of information available on the 2nd and 3rd levels. Just to name a few:

Forms and Documents — this section can be reached from the "Member Services" button and contains some basic stuff that every member (and certainly all camp officers) should know about:

- Request for Transfer form
- Life membership applications
- Last Roll (for reporting member deaths)
- Awards Booklet
- Best Camp entry form
- SCV Constitution
- Camp handbook

Let's consider this last item, the camp handbook. This handbook deals with the basic camp functions, such as how to conduct the monthly meeting; duties of camp officers; proce-

dures for processing new members, and how to set up camp committees. This is the "how-to" manual for the SCV. Every camp officer should have a copy of this manual and consult it frequently.

On-line Store — The on-line store contains much of the merchandise available from the catalog. In the near future, all the catalog merchandise will be featured on the website and the store will be more convenient to use. We also expect to have improved capability of handling credit card purchases.

IHQ Services

Many members think of IHQ as the place where the records are kept, and it's true that processing and maintaining members' records and everything that goes with that takes up the majority of IHQ staff time. But there are some helpful services available from IHQ that are definitely underutilized:

Public Affairs Manual — The SCV Public Affairs Manual, which is currently available from IHQ for \$5.00, is an excellent help book. This manual will help guide camps in how to garner positive public relations for their camp within the local community by using the newspaper and radio stations. It is an excellent book, and we had several hundred copies printed in the last year. We will try to make this available for free on the website in the near future.

Reports — Printed reports are usually as dry as Yankee dirt and just about as useful. But if you really need the information, there are a couple of very helpful reports that can be had for the asking:

- **Camp Report** — this is your basic camp roster. Any camp commander can request one for his camp. Commanders should request one of these at least once a year to make sure their records are in sync with those at IHQ.
- **Camp History Report** — This report is available to any Division commander. It shows the membership trend for all camps in the given division and is very useful in spotting camps that are growing and, more importantly, those that are in trouble.

- **Tennessee Service Records** — We can now obtain TN CSA soldier service records and pension applications from the local Maury County archives. We would like to be reimbursed for this service; however, it should stimulate membership growth, help member applications be put together faster, and make it easier to finish an application when the soldier is originally from Tennessee.

Plans for the Future — the Website

The SCV website is one of the best recruiting and information tools we have, and my intention is to continue to expand its capabilities. We currently get over 20% of our new members' applications from the website and this percentage increases each year. In addition to the expansion of the on-line store, there are plans in the works for the following:

- **On-line Forum for Camp Webmasters** — Webmaster Sandy Keathley will shortly add a forum for camp webmasters that will provide up-to-date information and helpful tips on managing camp websites.
- **Zip code search for camps.**
- **Graves Registration Entry** — This will be an on-line entry form to allow direct entry of Confederate grave data.
- **"Enemies/Friends of the South" website** — A counter to the anti-Confederate websites, this will feature on-line exposés of these same anti-Confederate groups, such as the SPLC. This will also be a forum for posting articles detailing the true history of the South.
- **Speakers Bureau** — This may be far in the future, but at some point we need to develop a speakers bureau for all camps to access through the SCV website. Camps would need to provide to us the names, addresses and phone numbers of the speakers, their program subjects, speaker availability by nights of the week or times of the year, any travel limitations, or expected travel allowance or stipend required by specific speakers. This could be a way to improve camp programs and make meetings better, more interesting as well as to stimulate membership retention.

Plans for the Future — IHQ

We have a state of the art computer system at IHQ now, and it has many possibilities for expanded use. As staff, time and money become available, we can use that system to expand the capabilities of IHQ. Here are some proposed additions to the services provided by Elm Springs:

- **Heritage Defense Information** — Almost every heritage violation involves a lot of activity on the part of the effected camps. Some of these cases are complex and immediately engender questions like: what have other camps done in similar situations; who can I call for help; what legal questions are involved; what arguments can I use in our favor? This information will be provided to requesting camps to better prepare them for heritage battles and to cut down on the reinventing the wheel problem.

- **Expanded PR capability** — At some point, we will need to hire someone whose duties would include setting up a public relations program at the national level to assist divisions and camps in teaching the men at the local levels how to report their news and accomplishments to their local newspapers and media outlets. This person could also prepare national SCV news releases and send them to newspaper outlets and wire services around the country. We need to implement a proactive rather than reactive approach to SCV news.

- **Access to Confederate soldiers records** — IHQ should have access to all of the states' CSA service records either through SCV copies of the microfilm or through on line access with a full time employee who can provide this service for a small fee.

- **Training for Camp Officers** — Have the IHQ prepare and present programs at national reunions and perhaps some division conventions on such topics as new adjutant training, how to prepare paperwork, important due dates for dues, awards, reports, etc. These presentations could be expanded to include Public Relations, membership growth and retention, how to help a prospective member perform basic family genealogy and then obtain a service record. It is envisioned that these programs could be very interactive with attendees participating and providing other attendees with lessons learned in their own experience at the camp and division level. Conducting such training sessions at convention could be far more productive for our membership than the current practice of spending all our time in business meetings. Such training is currently carried out in some divisions and at Elm Springs for Division Commanders. Expanding this capability so that a full range of training programs could be presented at conventions could be very helpful to our overall mission.

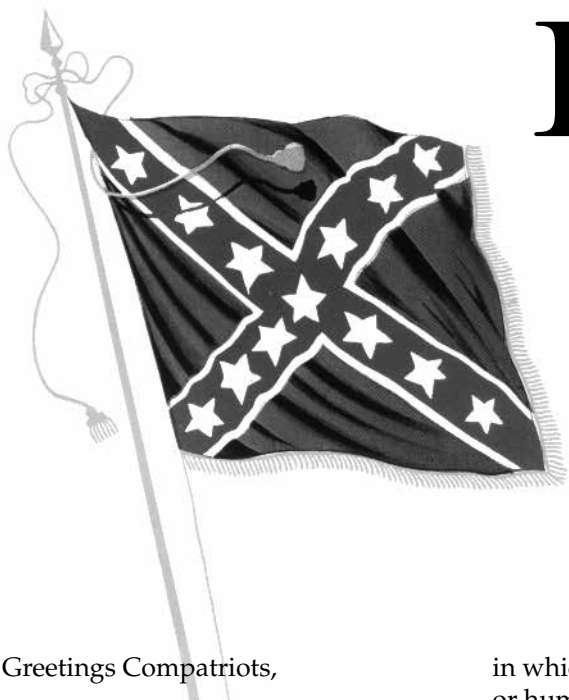
My Thanks to Executive Director Ben Sewell for all his input to this article.

Thanks for the Input!

This is my last column as Lt. Commander-in-Chief and I want to thank everyone who contributed to this series of articles. Many members have written me over the past two years to say how much they liked the articles and how much valuable information they received from them. You have only yourselves to thank, as most of the material came from the hard-won experience of members just like you. Most of the ideas and suggestions from members were outstanding and I am grateful that so many took the time to send me so much material. I wish I could have used all of it, but there just wasn't enough time or space to handle all of it. But I am very proud to have been able to make a small contribution to the Cause through these series of articles.

God Save the South!





Forward The Colors

AN EDITORIAL FROM THE CHIEF OF HERITAGE DEFENSE

Greetings Compatriots,

To me and to you and to millions of others who love it and could never really be happy outside it, the South is no mere geographical expression. It is home, sure, but it's more than that. It is the foundation of an entire way of looking at things and feeling about people. We perceive our culture as distinctive and we consider that as a positive good. And we do not accept that the essence or value of our Southernness can be identified with or derived exclusively from the evils which have disfigured our history.

That is why we have, rightly, little or no sympathy for our more sanctimonious opponents. Those people too often respond to the romantic caricature of the Old South (mint, moonlight and magnolias) — one in which I doubt anyone reading these comments indulges in — by opposing it with a counter-caricature (mud, molasses and misery). They tell us that because we can no longer believe that *Gone with the Wind* portrays the real South, we must believe that *Mandingo* does. They ask us to admit not only that the South was wounded and crippled by sin and injustice — a state which afflicted all great cultures and civilizations of the past as well as those of the present, and which wise Southerners would not deny — but that it was radically and utterly depraved. They say the Southern past was a total loss, a starless night

in which no spark or glimmer of honor or human love was ever seen. They ask us to agree that our symbols represent nothing less than oppression, or even genocide.

Making such demands would be outrageous even if the asserted facts were true — and, when made, probably stem more from a desire to humiliate us than from a wish to affirm any historical or moral truth. Even more gallingly, while our spokesmen are either ignored or insulted, even the meanest and most ignorant of the South's detractors are indulged. Even praised. In some quarters, you can hear Robert E. Lee compared to Hitler and see empty heads nodding complacently. It would be amazing and appalling if no one resented this state of affairs. We do. We are, after all, responding to a blood libel, the most vicious and invidious species of insult.

Now, it would be completely understandable were our response to this unrelenting assault to be one returned in kind. Vicious. Personal. Vindictive. Even violent. Believe me, there have been times when I could not imagine anything more completely gratifying than taking up a nail-studded 2x4 and knocking the stuffing out of some smarmy, South-hating ignoramus. But, we cannot afford to respond that way, can we?

Every member of the SCV is a representative of one of the most honorable lineages of the American experi-

ence, and of a venerable, patriotic, and benevolent organization. We are also, each of us, in some small way, the living embodiment of the Confederate soldier. We are their representatives in the 21st century. As such, we cannot risk tarnishing their good name and rightful place in the annals of the American Fighting Man by stooping to the level of our transgressors.

We know what has to be done. The question remains: How?

Heritage Defense in the SCV is a constant struggle against more numerous, better funded opponents who are entrenched in the media. Our membership numbers 30-odd thousand men, many of whom, unfortunately, are members only because they appreciate history or are involved in the mushrooming hobby that is genealogy. They have no desire or intent to confront those who would be most happy to deny public acknowledgement of the heritage we seek to preserve, and would make us feel shame rather than pride in our ancestry. This observation is made without any intent to denigrate those members I might describe, but only to make this point — we are not fighting with our full strength.

I should also note that not all media is antagonistic. We all know members of the media who are sympathetic to our mission. Unfortunately, even those who seek to treat us fairly are usually forced by editorial policy or corporate fiat to acknowledge our opponent's

point of view and therefore help them perpetuate their hateful propaganda. You know the line, which goes something like this: "... the Confederate Battle Flag, which some see as a painful reminder of (insert some injustice which the opponent likely never endured here)."

We've been reading that phrase, or a similar one, for more years than I care to count now. And its effect is cumulative. Americans are, for the most part, a cordial people. We like to live and let live, and don't enjoy giving offense, at least when none is intended. That's exactly why, after years and years of reading and hearing that our flag may offend someone, people who wouldn't otherwise think twice when they saw a Confederate symbol or who might actually appreciate it choose not to show the colors. They even protest them: Wouldn't want to cause trouble. Can't we all get along? Blah, blah, blah. Try this analogy on for size: What if, for more years than you could remember, every time a mention was made of the Statue of Liberty, that mention was qualified with a statement such as "a symbol which offends" some people. It wouldn't take long before you'd never see the statue's photograph, and *good people* wouldn't talk about her in public. Facts be damned. It's the perception, not the truth, which matters. When it comes to facts, those are on our side. It's the perception we must combat.

Changing the perception is where you, the individual member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, come in. All battles begin at the picket line, on the front, or at a distance from the main force. Similarly, almost all heritage battles are local. You, and your local camp, are our front line. The first to respond. As such, our Confederate sires are depending on you to be prepared. Are you armed with the facts? Can you respond with certainty to our detractors? Have you cultivated a media contact that can and will make sure you too are heard? Do you have connections to local officials who can, if they choose, make a problem go away while it's still just a small one? Do you take advantage of opportunities to present a positive image to the public? Are you recognized locally as a good citizen? Is your camp

seen as an asset to your community? If your answer to any one of those questions is no, or even "I don't know," then do what you have to do to change it. Study our history. Be prepared with the answers to difficult questions. Be active as a group in your community. Cultivate your contacts with those in a position to help when called upon.

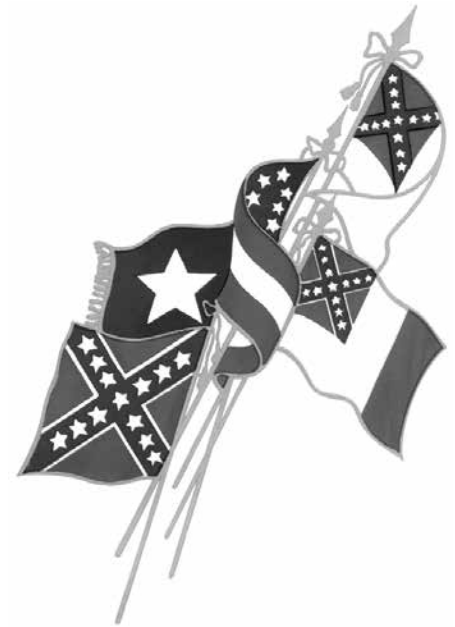
Some heritage fights spill out of the local arena for one reason or another. But because our size and funding is limited, we are forced to pick and choose the battles to which we commit major organizational assets. In essence, we have to shoot for effect rather than lay down the blanket of fire. We are becoming more adept at doing that, but it sure would be nice to have a little more latitude in the choosing.

In my term as chief of heritage defense, we've had some successes. We've also had setbacks. Every instance has come with an opportunity to learn, either how to repeat the victory or how to avoid the loss in the future. Based on those experiences, I wish to offer a few suggestions for the future:

Continue developing our educational programs, the youth camp, and our publications. You can't win any battles when you fight from a position of ignorance. Let that position be the sole ground we allow our opponents to occupy.

Give whoever assumes the duties of this office a real voice in the decision-making process of our governing body, the General Executive Council, by giving him a vote on that council. As it now stands, all he can do is offer advice. That's not enough. In the future, the fight to preserve our heritage will require more and more of our energy and our assets just to maintain the tenuous position we now occupy. If we are sincere about fulfilling our mission, we'll give the man who is charged with setting our course and speaking on our behalf the organizational authority to do his job.

Consider dedicating a portion of each member's dues to heritage defense, or possibly raising our dues by a modest amount which would be so dedicated. Set appropriate rules and procedures for the use of such funds. And then use them! Would \$5.00 per



year, the price of one super-sized fast food meal or 2 gallons of gasoline, be too much to ask a member to contribute? I would think not. What could we do with \$5.00, multiplied by 35,000 members? Answer: Easily twice what we can do now, financially.

It has been my privilege to serve you, our organization, and the memory of our Confederate ancestors as chief of heritage defense for the last two years. When I first became a member 11 years ago, I would never have imagined that such a responsibility could be offered to me. But it was, and I have strived to do the best job I could do with what abilities I possess. Better men have held the job before me, and better men will hold it in the future. If those who take on the task in the future receive the same level of support which I have received, they cannot help but be successful.

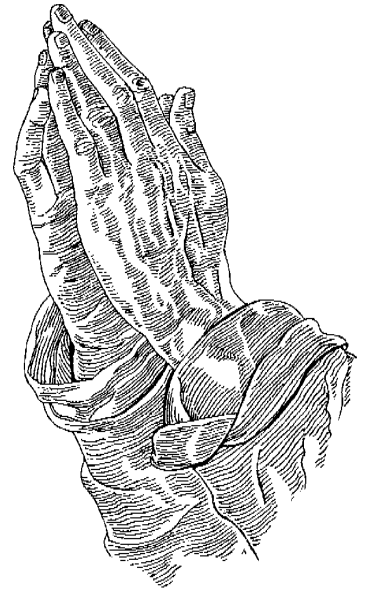
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What Manner of People Should We Be?

II Peter 3:11

In light of the principles of Scripture, the historical truths that we have been taught, the ancestors from whom we descended and the heritage bequeathed unto us, what manner of people should we be? Many years ago Francis Schaffer wrote a book entitled *How Should We Then Live*. The title is just as applicable today as it was back then. Certainly truth should effect a genuine change in our lives. Truth is useless to us unless we apply it to our lives. It is not enough to believe the truth; we must obey the truth. We must bring our lives into conformity to the truth. As our Lord asked in Luke 6:46: "And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?" As Peter asked in II Peter 3:11: "What manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness?"

Southern people have long been erroneously characterized as a lazy, slothful, ignorant, and shiftless people. Yankee caricatures have stuck with us down through the years. It was Gen. W. T. Sherman who said: "The young bloods of the South; sons of planters, lawyers about towns, good billiard players and sportsmen, men who never did any work and never will." He coined the phrase "The only good Indian is a

dead Indian." Maybe he is also the one who began the first redneck jokes. At any rate, he had no use for Southerners. Have you ever noticed the redneck jokes are only directed at Southerners? While not all Northerners castigated and despised the South, many did. In spite of all the Northern slander, Europe recognized the greatness of the South in many ways. Thus the *London Times* wrote in 1862:

"The people of the Confederate States have made themselves famous. If the renown of brilliant courage, stern devotion to a cause, and military achievements almost without parallel, can compensate men for the toil and privations of the hour, then the countrymen of Lee and Jackson may be consoled amid their sufferings. From all parts of Europe, from their enemies as well as their friends, from those who condemn their acts as well as those who sympathize with them, comes the tribute of admiration. When the history of this war is written, the admiration will doubtless become deeper and stronger, for the veil which has covered the South will be drawn away and disclose a picture of patriotism, of unanimous sacrifice, of wise and firm administration, which we can now only see indistinctly. The details of extraordinary national effort

which has led to the repulse and almost to the destruction of an invading force of more than half a million men, will then become known to the world, and whatever may be the fate of the new nationality, or its subsequent claims to the respect of mankind, it will assuredly begin its career with a reputation for genius and valor which the most famous nations may envy."

What manner of people should we be? In II Peter 3:11, the Greek word for *manner* is *potapous*. The word is often used by way of admiration of some singular excellency in persons or things; hence, it is used of our Lord in Matt. 8:27 when the disciples exclaimed: "What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him!"

The word conveys the idea of how prudent, accurate, diligent, zealous, and how in every way we should be excellent persons!

As Southerners and as Christians, our lives should be lived in such a manner as to remove all doubt as to our character and our stand. We should not only be men, but also men of our word. As our forefathers, our word should be our bond. What manner of people should we be?

**OUR MANNER MUST BE ONE
OF CONVICTION.**

Like our forefathers, we must

learn to be men of principle. We must hold tenaciously to that which we know is right. We cannot and must not sell our birthright! We must learn to place morality over money, principle over prosperity, virtue over vice, and conviction over compromise.

Over and over in Scripture we are admonished to stand fast. I Cor.16:13 admonishes us: "Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong." Phil 4:1 simply tells us to "stand fast in the Lord." It is impossible to stand fast and hold to convictions if we are wavering, double-minded, unsure, and uncertain of truth. As Davy Crockett would say, When you know that you are right, then go ahead! James 1:8 informs us "A double-minded man is unstable in all his ways." Our fathers did not hesitate, they did not waver, quake, falter nor back down. They faced sin, wickedness, and enemies head on, knowing they were in the right!

Governor Brown of Georgia said, "If it is ascertained that the Black Republicans have triumphed over us, I recommend the call of a Convention of the people of the state at an early day; and I will cordially unite with the General Assembly in any action, which in their judgment, may be necessary to the protection of the rights and preservation of the liberties of the people of Georgia against the further aggressions of an enemy which, when flushed with victory, will be insolent in the hour of triumph.

For the purpose of putting this state in a defensive condition as fast as possible, and preparing for an emergency which must be met sooner or later, I recommend that the sum of one million dollars be immediately appropriated as a military fund, for the ensuing year. . . . Millions for defense, but not a cent for tribute should be the future motto of the Southern states.

To every demand for further concession or compromise of our rights the reply ought to be, The argument is exhausted, and we now stand by our arms."

Francis S. Bartow of Georgia replied to Hill's arguments in favor of his resolutions that would favor Georgia through compromise, in rather spread-eagle fashion. "Let desolation

come," he said, "if it must upon Savannah, let every ship lie in her port and rot; let commerce go to ruin for a season. He would never give a vote that compromised the dignity, the fair fame, the honor of Georgia."

These men understood the truth of Proverbs 23:23: "Buy the truth and sell it not."

Men like Francis Bartow, Gov. Brown, and others lived by their convictions. They would not be swayed by situations or circumstances. Right was right and that was enough.

Where are our men and women who live by convictions? Most are so feeling-oriented they cannot even get through a single day without changing their minds a hundred times. Feelings change; principles do not! If you are not governed by biblical principles, you will be governed by circumstances. One cannot live by convictions if he is living by circumstances. When will we recognize that right is right? We may have to stand and fight, but we should never give up that which is right. There are indeed truths that are not only worth fighting for, but also worth dying for.

Jefferson Davis said: "The principle for which we contend is bound to reassert itself, though it may be at another time and in another form." The principles have been reasserting themselves over and over! Where are our convictions to fight for them? The same political, economic, governmental and theological problems which we are facing today are evidence that the principles for which the South fought in 1861-65 are reasserting themselves. Might does not make right. An argument settled by force of arms is still not settled. If we were men of conviction, we would understand we now have an opportunity to stand for the same truths for which our forefathers fought and died. We are being given an opportunity to vindicate their sufferings. May God help us to buy the truth and sell it not!

OUR MANNER MUST BE ONE OF COURAGE.

Why are we so fainthearted, so cowardly? Why are we so afraid that we might offend someone with the truth? We must understand there is an offense to the truth. What was our Lord's response to his disciples

concerning offense and the truth? Matt. 15:12-14 states; "Then came his disciples, and said unto him, 'Knowest thou that the Pharisees were offended, after they heard this saying?' But he answered and said, 'Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up. Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.'"

We must have courage to speak and stand for the truth regardless of our enemies. Their multitude and magnitude do not matter. If we could only equal our forefathers, we would be exceedingly courageous.

Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest had 29 horses shot out from under him — one with cannon. After he disentangled himself, he fought on foot until rescued by his men.

On another occasion, while leading a charge, his horse was hit in the neck, severing an artery. Blood was spurting everywhere, including into Forrest's face. He quickly wiped the blood from his eyes, found the bullet hole, plugged it with his finger and finished the charge, leading his men into the face of the enemy. After the charge, when he withdrew his finger, the horse lay down and bled to death.

At First Manassas, Jackson received a painful wound in his hand; yet he remained calm and deliberate. He continued to command with great resolution and courage. A few days after the battle, Captain John Imboden asked him, "How is it that you remained calm and appeared so cool and utterly insensitive to danger in such a storm of shell and bullets as rained upon you when your hand was hit?"

Jackson replied: "Captain, my religious belief teaches me to feel as safe in battle as in bed. God has ordained the time of my death; I do not concern myself about it, but to be always ready when ever it may overtake me." After a pause, he added: "Captain, that is the way all men should live and then they would all be equally brave."

It was courage such as this that made these men to be admired by their countrymen and feared by their enemies. Where is our courage? Why do

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Captain John H. Turpin 368
Greensboro, AL
David Sidney Woods

Lee-Moses-Dixon Vindicator 408
Mobile, AL
John Carlton McDonald

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Riverside, AL
Floyd G. Wester
Barry Alan White
Grady Whitley

Alf Fuller 1819
Junction City, AR
Bruce G. Murph

Gen. John B. Hood 1208
Los Angeles, CA
Richard M. Rollins

Kirby-Smith 1209
Jacksonville, FL
Dr. Floyd K. Hurt
Michael B. Snyder

Stephen Russell Mallory 1315
Pensacola, FL
Louis Armstrong

Gen. James Patton Anderson 1599
West Palm Beach, FL
Wendell David Rose

Finley's Brigade 1614
Havana, FL
David E. Swindell, III

Brig. Gen. T. R. R. Cobb 97
Athens, GA
Daniel J. Ballard

Camden Mounted Rifles 747
Woodbine, GA
John Johnston

Lt. Dickson L. Baker 926
Hartwell, GA
John Donnie Baker

Gen. Leonidas Polk 1446
Smyrna, GA
James Ottis Wynn

John B. Gordon Memorial 1449
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Randy Dwight Self
Morris C. Taunton

Eli P Landers 1724
Lilburn, GA
Eldridge Lee Brimberry

Henry Watkins Allen 133
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Dr. Lonnie M. Sibley

Col. Leon Dawson Marks 1596
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William Clyde Lupton, Sr.

Brig. Gen. Thomas Moore Scott 1604
Minden, LA
Kenneth Lee Cheatham

Lt. Elijah H. Ward 1971
Minden, LA
Billy Ward Canterbury

Jefferson Davis 635
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James West Thompson

Gen. William Barksdale 1220
Columbus, MS
Bland H. Campbell, Jr.

Jasper County Grays 1349
Heidelberg, MS
F. G. Lewis
Howard McDonald
J. E. Wiggins

Col. Charles F. Fisher 813
Graham, NC
Donald Ragsdale Fonville



Thomas Legion 1514
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Boss R. Wood

Col. William C. Quantrill 1739
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John D. Ketcher, Sr.

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Norman Lee Price

Litchfield 132
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Marion Sessions
George Marshall Todd

General Wade Hampton 273
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Paul L. Miller

General Ellison Capers 1212
Moncks Corner, SC
Ashley Sidney Crawford

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Robert E. Magwood

Battery White 1568
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John K. McCormac

Lakota Nation 2000
Wounded Knee, SD
William D. Easterling

Longstreet-Zollicoffer 87
Knoxville, TN

Randall Lee Bailey

Simonton-Wilcox 257
Covington, TN

John D. Richardson

John Milton Hubbard 338
Bolivar, TN

Terry L. Goodman

Gen. Robert H. Hatton 723
Lebanon, TN

S. A. Berry, II

Dillard-Judd 1828
Cookeville, TN

David E. Curtis

Maj. George W. Littlefield 59
Austin, TX

Harvey William Meiners

J. L. Halbert 359
Corsicana, TX

Edward Raymond Mitchell

Co. F, Spaight's Battalion 858
Wallisville, TX

Carson Talmadge Campbell
James Bennett Sterling, Jr.

Dick Dowling 1305
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Herbert Lee Shibley

Gen. Walter P. Lane 1455
Longview, TX

Myron I. Dickey

Gen. Horace Randal 1533
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Bedford, TX

Gary W. Canada

Col. Phillip A. Work 1790
Woodville, TX

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John David Province

A. P. Hill 167
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Frank Stringfellow 822
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Chester Station 1503
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Billy Gene Spencer

General Robert E. Lee 1589
Midlothian, VA
Alton L. McNeely

Lane-Armistead 1772
Mathews, VA
Edward Lionel Deagle

Carpenters Battery 1927
Covington, VA
Robert E. Myers, Jr.

Richmond Light Infantry Blues 1967
Chesterfield, VA
John E. Hansbarger

Princess Anne 1993
Virginia Beach, VA
Beeman Noel Fallwell

Lt. Col. Hutton 569
Elkins, WV
Carlton Kelley Rosencrance

Death, in its silent, sure march is fast gathering those who I have longest loved, so that when he shall knock at my door, I will more willingly follow.
— Robert E. Lee, 1869

Confederate Images

by Peyton Carter

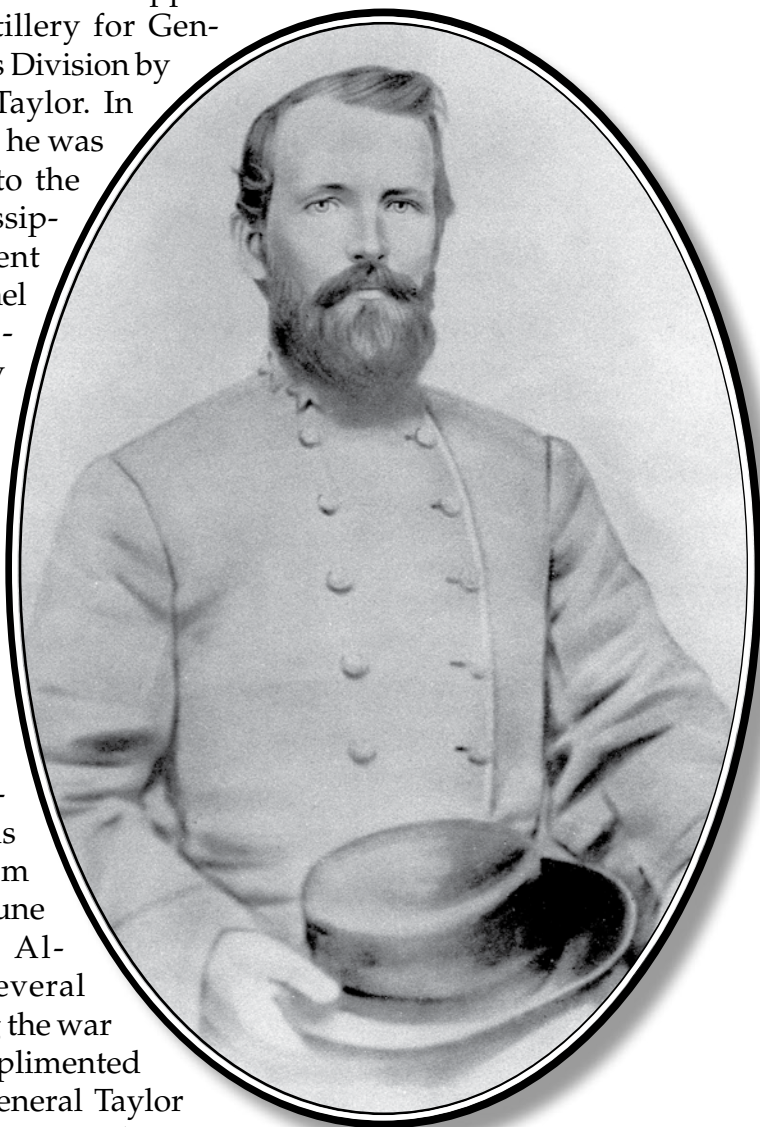


Colonel Thomas Barton French

Thomas Barton French was born in 1830 at the family plantation, Cowlands, in Spotsylvania County, Virginia. His father, Dr. William French, was the son of the eight-term mayor of Fredericksburg, Dr. George French, originally of Scotland. His mother, Betsy Barton, grew up at Kenmore, the former home of George Washington's sister, Betty Lewis. She was also the niece of General William Barton, a Revolutionary War hero in Rhode Island. When Tom's father died in 1836, his mother moved the family from Cowlands to Sunnyside, a plantation just outside of Fredericksburg.

Tom first entered into the Confederacy as the paymaster at the Headquarters Department in Fredericksburg in April 1861. In August, he enlisted into the army as a first lieutenant of the Stafford Light Artillery under Captain John R. Cooke; in September 1862, after Cook's promotion to brigadier general, French replaced him as captain of the unit. Citing his distinguished service at the battles of Harper's Ferry and Sharpsburg, General J. G. Walker recommended Tom French for

promotion to Major of Artillery in November, 1862. In January 1864, French was promoted to lieutenant-colonel and was appointed Chief of Artillery for General Walker's Division by General R. Taylor. In August 1864 he was transferred to the Trans-Mississippi Department as a full colonel under General Kirby Smith, who ordered him in November to superintend the removal of guns from Galveston to Alexandria, Louisiana. Tom was paroled from service on June 8, 1865, in Alexandria. Several times during the war he was complimented highly by General Taylor for his conspicuous bravery.



Although his horse was shot under him more than once, he, himself, escaped injury.

Less than one week after his parole, Colonel Tom French married Miss Fannie Hickman of Rapides Parish, Louisiana, the daughter of Peter T. Hickman and Louise Desiree Gaiennie. Miss Gaiennie was the daughter of Francois Gaiennie, a member of the Louisiana State Legislature and an alderman of the city of New Orleans, who was killed in a dual with General Pierre Bossier in 1839. Tom's older brother, Dr. George E. French, also lived in Alexandria, Louisiana, with his wife, Amelia Compton. He was a leading physician in the community and greatly beloved. Tom and Fannie French raised their family of five (surviving) children at the plantation, New Hope.

Colonel French was engaged in farming for several years after the war, but eventually endeavored in the hotel business in Alexandria, and was proprietor of the Irving House, the Exchange Hotel, and the Osborn Hotel. Colonel French was postmaster of Alexandria, under President Cleveland, for four years, from 1884 to 1888.

Around 1891 Colonel French moved his family back to his native Virginia, settling in Newport News, probably due to the number of prosperous ventures that were opening up there, including the railroad and the shipyard. However, Tom would never realize the kind of financial success that his younger brother, Seth Barton French, had achieved.

Seth had been a major in the

Confederate Army. After the war, he relocated to New Orleans to become a cotton broker. He amassed a small fortune doing this, and eventually relocated to New York City, where he became one of the original partners of J. P. Morgan. Although Seth invited his older brother Tom to come join him in his successes in New York, Colonel French declined to leave the South. (Seth is buried in the Confederate Cemetery with his mother, Betsy Barton, across from Kenmore, in Fredericksburg, Virginia.)

In 1894 Colonel Tom French was appointed an inspector of customs by Collector L. P. Steams, a position he held up until the time of his death. According to his daughter, Bessie, Colonel French loved to pace the porch of their Newport News home during crashing thunder and lightening storms, saying that it reminded him of his days on the battlefield during the War.

Tom's wife, Fannie, was a devout Catholic; he, however, was Episcopalian. Therefore, on many Sundays when his wife would want to go church with the children, Colonel French would propose that the horses were too tired to take out the carriage. However, prior to his death, when it was realized that the end was not distant, Colonel French did become a member of the Catholic Church.

Colonel French suc-

cumbed to apoplexy on July 8, 1899. He was surrounded by his wife and five children. The funeral service was held at St. Vincent's Catholic Church in Newport News, VA, and he was interred at Greenlawn Cemetery. Magruder Camp, Confederate Veterans, turned out to attend the funeral.

Although Compatriot Peyton Carter currently resides in Boston, MA, he is a member of the Magruder-Ewell Camp 99, Newport News, VA. He is the great-great grandson of Colonel French and is the first member of his family to be born above the Mason-Dixon Line. However, his heart will always rest with Virginia.



Compatriot Carter poses at the grave of Colonel Thomas Barton French in Newport News, VA, on a recent pilgrimage to research some of his family's history.

A Goodly Heritage

Why I am a Member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans

by Richard G. "Rick" Williams, Jr.

"The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage."
— Psalms 16:6

I pulled out of the dirt lane that leads to my home in the rural, southeastern corner of Augusta County, Virginia, driving until I reach U.S. Route 11 South — also known as the Valley Pike and Lee-Jackson Highway. It was 6 AM on April 12, 2003. As I drove down Rt. 11 towards Lexington and the SCV Virginia State Convention, I can't help but wonder what would motivate a 45-year-old man with too many irons in the fire to get up this early on a Saturday morning and plan to spend all day in meetings and talking to like-minded Virginians. I could be fishing. My son tells me the trout are really hittin' good over in Highland County. Oh, well, maybe next Saturday. I asked myself, "Why are you really doing this? — Why are you a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans?"

Driving on Rt. 11 in Virginia's Shenandoah Valley is almost like

stepping back in time. Though development continues to encroach upon the Breadbasket of the Confederacy, much of the Valley remains as pristine and beautiful as it did when Stonewall Jackson defended it with legendary bravery and skill. The sun was just beginning to lift the darkness from the western slope of the Blue Ridge as its rays sparkled on the dew-laden green pastures of the Valley floor. The many farms that still flank both sides of the Valley Pike are especially beautiful this time of year, even the ones that are battling the ravages of time. Some of the old barns are fighting a losing battle with vegetation and vines that are slowly pulling them to the ground.

My thoughts turn to the men, young and old alike, that

left these old farms those many years ago, many never to return to the families they so dearly loved and fought to defend. The breathtaking beauty reminds me once again why Virginians defended their firesides with such vigor. As I sit down at my supper table each evening, I can't help but realize that the very food I eat is often grown in the fields

of Virginia — those crops, and the bounty that sustain my being, are themselves nourished by the dust and

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— **Historian Bernard De Voto**

blood of my forefathers. Men who bled and died in those fields fighting for liberty and for their homes, men whose sweat soaked the ground as they plowed the fields year after year, men whose tears fell to that same soil as they prayed over their farms and as they buried their dead.

Their blood, their sweat, and their tears — all mixed to form a bittersweet bond with their beloved Virginia. *This is why I am a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.*

My own great-great grandfather, John Meredith Crutchfield, left his farm in Rockbridge County and walked to Gauley Bridge, West Virginia, where he enlisted with Company F, 60th Virginia Infantry, on July 17, 1861. His family did not own any slaves; he was just defending the land that had been his family's home for generations. Grandpa Crutchfield was wounded and taken prisoner just north of my home at the Battle of Piedmont on the 5th of June in 1864. He was then taken to the infamous Camp Morton Prison in Indiana where prisoners suffered unimaginable cruelties. One prisoner described how he witnessed a Yankee guard take a prisoner outside when the temperature was below zero and give him a bath with a broom. "The fiendish deed was repeated a second time." The prisoner subsequently died.¹ *This is why I am a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.*

The same guard shot a prisoner in his bunk for being up after bedtime. The winter of 1865 at Camp Morton was especially cruel. Starving men were forced to stand outside in the snow for roll call, most without shoes or blankets, for hours. Hundreds of men lost their toes, and some their feet, from frostbite. Many others died from exposure, ly-



General Robert E. Lee

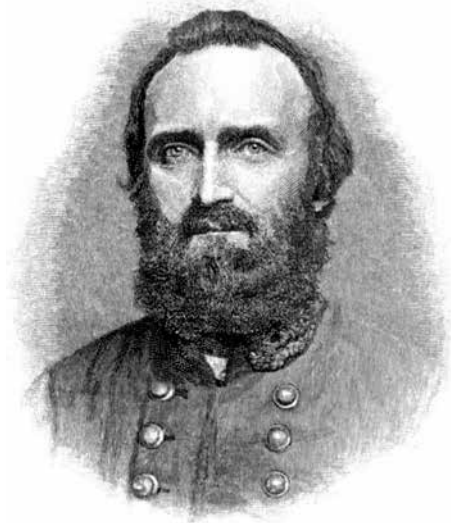
ing alone in cold, damp cells, shivering violently and longing for some relief from the bone-aching cold. These Southern boys suffered unspeakable horrors and those that survived did so as "emaciated, itch-scarred, vermin-eaten" wretches. *This is why I am a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.*

My grandfather was one of the survivors — but not for long. He was transferred to Chimborazo Hospital in Richmond on March 10, 1865. He died just a couple of weeks later on March 28. No further records exist. We don't even know where he is buried, or if he was buried. An official in Richmond once told my great-Aunt Celia that in the chaos of Richmond's fall, many bodies were hurriedly disposed of, some unceremoniously, as the Confederate Army fled Richmond. All we know was that he never left Chimborazo alive. The

wounds he suffered in battle, coupled with his treatment at Camp Morton, were too much for his body to overcome. He died there, alone, his family not even aware of his circumstances. His widow never knew before she died what had become of him. *This is why I am a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.*

I am also the descendant of another Confederate Veteran — John W. McGann. John McGann served in Co. E, 51st Virginia Infantry. He was a farmer from Nellysford in Nelson County, Virginia. His family, like Grandpa Crutchfield's, did not own any slaves. He, too, was just defending the land that had been his family's home for generations. His widow, Mary J. McGann, applied for a Confederate pension in 1913. Her husband had been badly wounded during the War and lost the use of one of his legs. He was therefore unable to return the family farm to a profitable state. According to the pension application, his income in the last year of his life was 0. *This is why I am a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.*

In 1947, a 12-year old boy sat in the bedroom of his grandfather's ancestral home. There he sketched a pencil drawing of his hero — General Robert E. Lee. It is an excellent profile likeness of the good General, especially considering it was drawn by a 12-year old. That boy was my father. His home was located in what is now known as the Tree



General Stonewall Jackson

Streets in Waynesboro, Virginia. Here, between what is now Pine Ave. and Cherry Ave., one of the last battles of the War Between the States in Virginia was fought in March of 1865. On this battlefield, Southern men fought bravely for what many had finally come to realize was a lost cause. My father grew up on that battlefield. I, along with all of my children, was born in the community hospital that also sat on that same battlefield. My father used to tell me that he would walk with his grandfather — “Mr. Charlie” McGann — over to Colonel Withrow’s home on Pine Avenue every day to feed the Colonel’s old horse, Bird.” Colonel Withrow had fought for the Confederacy and was, at that time, teaching at Fishburne Military School in Waynesboro. As my father explored the woods and streams surrounding his boyhood home, he was constantly haunted with reminders of the bravery and sacrifice of those gallant Southerners. He developed a great admiration and love for Stonewall Jack-

son and General Lee. My father eventually passed the sketch he had drawn down to me, along with his admiration for Lee. The sketch hangs today on my office wall as a constant reminder of the “goodly heritage” of which the Psalmist David spoke. *This is why I am a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.*

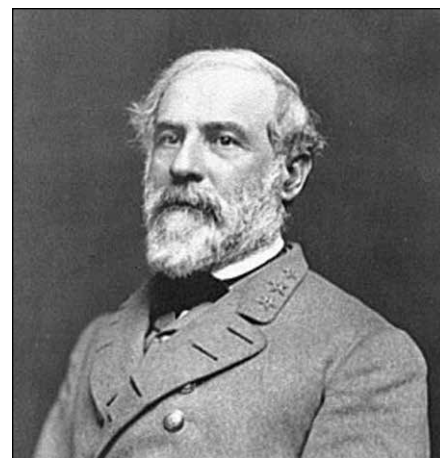
Dad had been active in the Scouts about that time — a time when boys in our Nation were taught to revere heroes such as Lee. How times have changed. Most readers of this paper are, by now, fully aware that the Richmond area Robert E. Lee Council of the Boy Scouts voted last year to disassociate their organization with the Lee name. What an undeserved insult to this great Virginian and his descendants. *This is why I am a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.*

There has never been a greater need for the character qualities of Lee to be taught to the young men of our country. While they are being constantly bombarded with images of violence, cruelty, and perversion, Lee’s words and actions should be a great impetus to live on a higher plain than what our current culture would dictate. Why in the name of all that is virtuous would the Boy Scouts be ashamed of Robert E. Lee? They should be begging for the honor of having their organization bear Lee’s name.

General Lee’s advice to young men is proverbial. He once told students at Washington College, “Study hard, be always a

gentleman, live cleanly and remember God.”² He was so concerned over the spiritual welfare of the young men at the college, he once remarked to Stonewall Jackson’s pastor, Dr. William S. White, “I dread the thought of any student going away from the college without becoming a sincere Christian.”³ His ability to rebuke young men and retain their respect was a gift many of us wish we had. During the War, Lee once heard that some of his young officers were going to “enjoy” some strong drink in their tent. Lee had a jug dispatched to his own tent and invited the young men to join him to share a drink of “the best.” Due to the General’s known dislike for liquor, the officers were taken aback by Lee’s invitation. Nonetheless, they accepted but were chagrined when Lee filled their glasses with cool buttermilk!⁴

How could one not admire a man with such qualities? Lee was fully aware that the hope of our Nation rested upon our passing on the tried and proven values and truths that have pre-



General Robert E. Lee

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Gossip About Legislators by *The Tattler*

Austin, Texas, February 6. What a proud, exalting and elevating honor it is to be an elder statesman while the virility of youth still bouys and sustains. That's the reason Honorable Daniel Parker, member of the lower house of the Thirty-second Legislature from good old County of Robertson, is entitled to such distinction, for verily Captain Parker has all the season of ripened judgment and all the vitality of youth in its heyday that one could wish. Of sturdy stock, he has strengthened the natural heritage handed down from his fathers, and no one would overlook at this grand young man who went forth to battle for the Stars and Bars in the long ago, and for one moment think that upon his well squared shoulders and his erect frame the suns of many summers have shown and the snows of many winters have fallen.

Captain Parker, by reason of his poise and his deeply grounded principles, is one of the most influential members of the legislature, and his rise in the love and affection of his fellow members springs from no spectacular virtues. He seldom speaks, and he never calls into service the tricks that have won renown for orators since the world was young. In council he commands the most thoughtful attention, and by virtue of his unalloyed logic he impels most frequently, assent to his convictions in a greater degree than almost any member of the Legislature.

Quiet and the most modest of men, the thought naturally arises how such a person can make the impress of his personality so prominent. The answer upon due reflection and under proper analysis, is not hard to secure. Since the memory of man runneth not to the contrary he who is inspired by high ideals and who, even though the mask of demurity partially conceals the fact, has the courage to wage contest for the principles that inspire him has ever commanded the respect and veneration of his fellows. And just so with Captain Parker, who in the fullness of his vigor and the ripened stage of his wisdom, has been elected to his first state office-member of the Legislature. He comes from an age that is now fast disappearing, and his conception of statecraft springs from the time when Southern manhood was in its most pristine glory and Southern achievements commanded the unstinted praise of all who would accord honor to whom honor was due.

Captain Parker is one of the seven veterans of the great Confederacy in the Legislature. He is



Captain Daniel Parker

the echo of the great campaigns of the chivalric Lee and Virginia who saw him when his blood was running the fastest. Today he typifies the things that fifty years ago he fought for. There's nothing of the pigmy about him. He's a big man; he's a great man, and the power of his strong convictions is making its impress felt in the councils of Legislative thought.

Captain Daniel Parker, father of Richard Denny Parker and grandfather of David Connell Parker, who served as assistant surgeon of the 8th Alabama Regiment. This article was originally printed in an early 20th century newspaper.

Pvt. Dennis S. Howery, Sr., CSA

Co. K, 45th Virginia Infantry

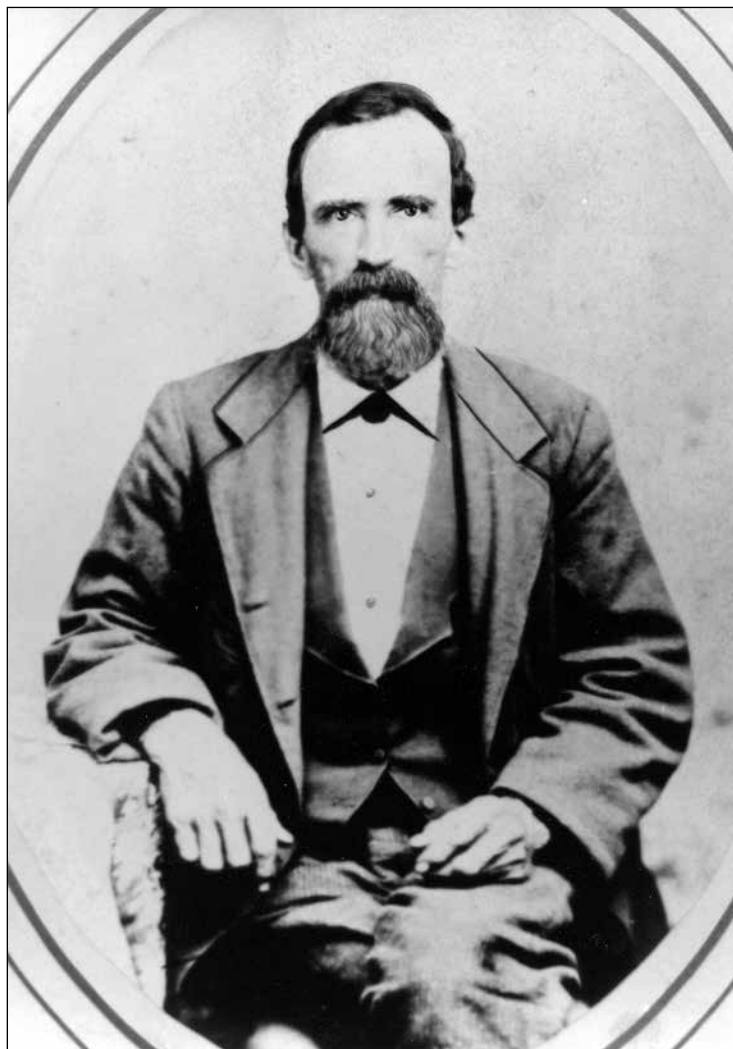
by Bobby Gene Howery, Jr.

His life began in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Southwestern Virginia, in Floyd County, June 1826. His father, Michael Howery, was a primitive Baptist minister. He was born in Botetourt County, Virginia, on October 15, 1795. His mother was Elenor Howery, formerly Miss Sheridan. She was born in Franklin County, Virginia, on May 8, 1786. Dennis was born in Floyd County, Virginia, but later moved to Tazewell County, Virginia. He ventured into Tazewell County in the late 1840's, either to search for employment or to visit other Howerys who already lived there. He worked as a carpenter, building cabinets, houses or anything he could. He did not know it yet but he would later meet and fall in love with his first and only love. Her name was Mary Ann Six, a native of Tazewell and the daughter of William and Mary Six. They lived in Thompson Valley and operated a rather large farm for a mountain county such as Tazewell. So it goes, they married and Dennis took on farming as well as carpentry. The record of the event is recorded at the Tazewell County

Courthouse in Tazewell, Virginia. It reads as follows:

Dennis Howery married in Tazewell County on March 7, 1855, to Mary Ann Six. It lists the parents of Dennis Howery as Michael and Elenor Howery, and the parents of Mary as William and Mary Six. It states the birthplace of Dennis as Floyd County, Virginia, and the birthplace of Mary Ann Six as Tazewell County, Virginia. It further states that the groom is a cabinet-maker. They were married by David Young.

Everything looked bright for the Howery family and by 1860 they were expecting the birth of their third son, who was Reese W. Howery.



Pvt. Dennis S. Howery 1826 – 1902

Storm clouds gathered and in 1861 the country was divided. There was for Dennis, like thousands of other Southerners, but one choice, that being to fight for their families, their homeland and the ability to govern themselves. After all, they were being invaded by Federal forces which were garnishing their very rights

that the Constitution had provided them. They were backed into a corner and felt that their very existence might be at stake. Dennis did as his brothers, Wilson, Michael Jr., Isaac and Caleb, and answered the call to arms.

Dennis served a total of four years in the Confederate States of America Army. He last enlisted as a private in Company K of the 45th Virginia Infantry. His enlistment with the 45th Virginia began on January 27, 1863. He was sworn into Confederate service by Capt. Yost at the Tazewell Courthouse. He was listed on a muster roll of privates on April 1, 1864. He fought in several battles like White Sulphur Springs on August 26-27, 1863. He managed to survive at Cloyds Farm on May 9-10, 1864, where the men of the 45th were engaged in brutal hand-to-hand combat with the Yankees. He fought a good fight only to be captured at Piedmont, Virginia, on June 5, 1864, by General Hunter's forces. He appeared on a list of prisoners under guard at Staunton, Virginia, on June 8, 1864. He arrived at Camp Morton, Indianapolis, Indiana, prison for Southern prisoners of war, on June 21, 1864. He would suffer hunger, humiliation, filthy living conditions and possibly the object of cruel games by the hands of his captors.

By the grace of God, he survived and was paroled on February 26, 1865, at Camp Morton, Indianapolis, Indiana, and forwarded to City Point, Virginia, via Baltimore, Maryland, for exchange. Having spent eight months in a Northern hellhole, Dennis was in mortal need of

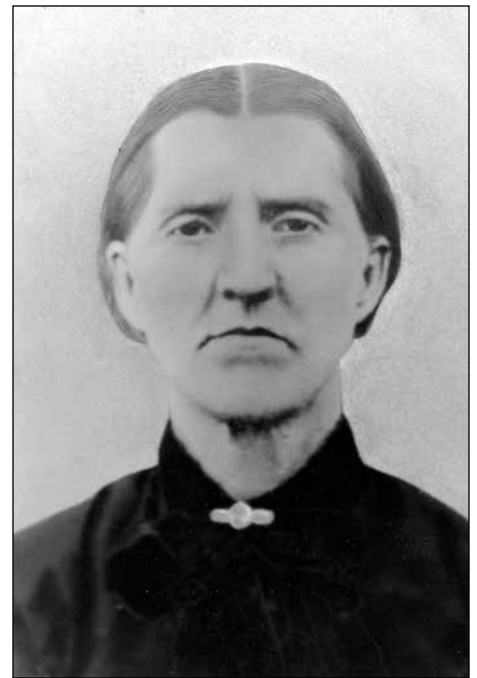
medical attention. He was on the register of Wayside Hospital in Farmville, Virginia, on March 15, 1865. He recovered and after being released from the hospital found his way home.

As could be imagined, his wife and family were very happy to have him home again. His son Reese W. Howery was born at the beginning of the war and was now five years old. Dennis now turned his thoughts towards the care of his family, although he would never forget his service in the Confederate Army. It would be tough: the Reconstruction years would prove to almost rival the war itself. There were Yankees who would profit from Southern suffering and others who wanted to punish the South more than could be imagined.

Somehow the Howeries, like so many other mountain families, survived the nasty, foul Yankees; despite their efforts to snuff out Southern pride, it still exists today.

Dennis Howery and his family were on the census of 1870, recorded at the post office at Knob, Virginia, located in the Maiden Springs township. Recorded as follows: Dennis Howery, age 44, Mary A., age 34, Michael, age 14, William, age 13, Reese W., age 10, Andrew J., age 8, Polly A., age 6, Dennis S. Jr., age 4 and Edward J., age 1.

Dennis was listed on a Roster of Ex-Confederate Soldiers and Sailors, which was the census of soldiers of Tazewell County, Virginia. It was compiled by L.H. Laird, Commissioner of the Revenue, under provisions of the Act of January 25, 1898. It listed



Mary Ann Six Howery 1834 – 1887

Dennis Howery, Age 71, as a Pvt. in Co. K, 45th Virginia Infantry, enlisting 1861, time in service-4 years. Dennis was on the Maiden Spring, Tazewell Co., census of June 15, 1900, stating that his birth was in June of 1826. He was age 73.

He died at his home in Thompson Valley, Tazewell County, Virginia, in 1902. He rests there along with his wife, Mary, and some of their children.

Bobby Gene Howery Jr., along with his father Bobby Sr. and grandfather Luther James Howery, not to forget Bobby Jr.'s children, placed a Confederate headstone on the grave of PVT, DENNIS S. HOWERY, CO. K 45th VA. INF. It was placed there on June 23, 1993.

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 Dennis Wade Stonewall Howery
 Future Member

Compatriot Bobby Gene Howery, Jr., is a member of the Brown Harman Nighthawks Camp 1573, Tazewell, VA. This biography was written by his children. Local newspapers would not publish it. The Confederate Veteran welcomes the opportunity to publish it and thanks the Howery family for their efforts to memorialize their Confederate ancestor.



This picture was taken at the grave of Private Dennis S. Howery in Thompson Valley, VA, in the Fall of 1998. Pictured from left, Bobby Gene Howery, III; Bobby Gene Howery, Jr.; Aneisha C.N. Howery, and Dennis Wade Stonewall Howery is the smallest boy in front.

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A Goodly Heritage

served our civilization for centuries. He once wrote Virginia Governor Lectcher, "We must look to the rising generation for the restoration of the Country."⁵ We, as members of the SCV, must now make a concerted effort to pass these values and the character qualities of Lee on to our sons and grandsons. It is now painfully obvious that we will be getting little help from other organizations like the Boy Scouts. We must reawaken that passion "that sleeps uneasily in the grandson's blood." And we must transfer that passion on to the "rising generation." ***This is why I am a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.***

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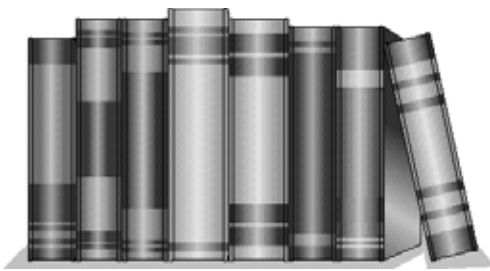
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Books in Print

Put the Boys In: The Story of the Virginia Military Institute Cadets at the Battle of New Market

Dr. J. D. Haines has impressive Confederate credentials. He is proud of his Tennessee ancestors who fought in the War for Southern Independence and a Brigade Commander in the Oklahoma Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

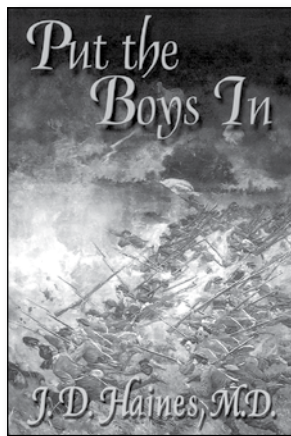
Author Haines begins this stirring account of 247 VMI Cadets at the Battle of New Market on May 10, 1864. All academic activities had been suspended for that day to commemorate the death of General Thomas J. Jackson a year earlier. Jackson's loss, coupled with the defeat at Gettysburg, marked the beginning of the end for the Confederacy. At VMI, the cadets recognized that men and food had become scarce.

General John Breckenridge was charged with defending the Shenandoah Valley. He had three brigades totaling 4,000 infantry and 2,600 cavalry pitted against 9,000 federal troops and 28 cannons. Major General Francis H. Smith, superintendent of VMI, had written to Breckenridge in early May to inform him that General Lee had authorized offering the services of the VMI Cadets. Breckenridge was reluctant to send these boys into battle, but loss of the Valley meant certain defeat for the Confederacy.

About 9 o'clock on the evening of May 10, the cadets had retired to barracks when the sound of a horse and rider clattering along the brick roadway pulled them to the windows. Then a drum roll summoned them to fall in. They were astounded to hear their ad-

jutant announce that the entire corps of cadets and their two artillery pieces would march at dawn. Breckenridge had selected New Market as the place to make his stand.

The cadets cheered and congratulated each other on the prospect of going into battle after three years of waiting. Those who had turned eighteen had already left VMI and volunteered to fight for the Cause. Probably nowhere else in the Confederacy were would-be soldiers so enthusiastic about war.



Author Haines livens his account of this extraordinary campaign with short biographies and details of the cadets, the ten who died and many of those who survived. He writes in documentary style of the long march, the weather conditions, the hardships of the cadets, and the maturing of boys into soldiers in a few hours. Details of the battle on May 15, 1864, are graphic.

Only a short time later, General Hunter and the federal troops routed Confederate forces from the Virginia Piedmont. Against the condemnation of his staff, Hunter ordered VMI burned. Thirty years later, Captain Dupont, a union artilleryman and US Senator, sponsored legislation to reimburse VMI for the damages inflicted by Hunter.

All Southerners are proud of the bravery and sacrifice of these VMI Cadets who fought in this historic battle of New Market. *Put the Boys In* is a fascinating quick read with poignant insights.

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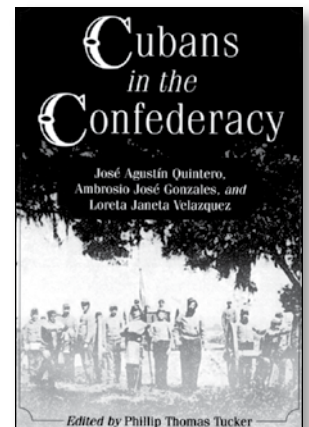
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Cubans in the Confederacy

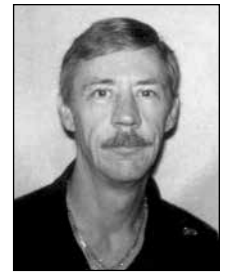
For this book about *Cubans in the Confederacy*, Editor Tucker has chosen biographies of three Cubans who served the Confederate States of America — each written by a different author.

In his introduction, Tucker gives a brief history of relations with Cuba from the American Revolution up to the years preceding Southern secession. Because of vital geographical location, Cuba played an important role in United States foreign policy during the early years of the Republic. American leaders feared both British and Spanish control of the island, preferring that Cubans form their own independent government. Thomas Jefferson, eyeing expansion of his new country in the early 1800s, wrote: "I have ever looked on Cuba as the most interesting addition which could ever be made to our system of States (and) her addition to (the United States) is exactly what is wanted to advance our power as a nation to the point of its utmost interest." Unofficial government meddling into Cuba's independence and politics during the 1800's was more prevalent than many citizens suspected. Before the War Between the States, Texas and Florida both supported military invasions of Cuba. Financial help for invasions to aid the Cubans in their quest to gain independence also came



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Hallowed Ground



Graves & Monuments Committee
Mike Mitchell – Chairman

Dear Friends and Compatriots:

Committee Report

Please check the SCV website for your Division Committee man and call him. Let him know what condition your areas' records are in and offer help researching other areas. Ask him to conduct a workshop at your next Division Convention and let him know of the efforts in your area with preservation of monuments. Get to know him and build up a working relation with him.

Don't forget to check the Dalton Reunion website for times and dates for the Cemetery Lectures; bring photos and questions. I know that during election years time is at a premium, so three times are scheduled.

Preservation Notes

Before I move on to a new topic, I would like to delve into this one just a bit more. The cleaning of the Southern Cross of Honor or Iron material can be accomplished in many ways. Several of them I never seem to have time for, even some of the more effective.

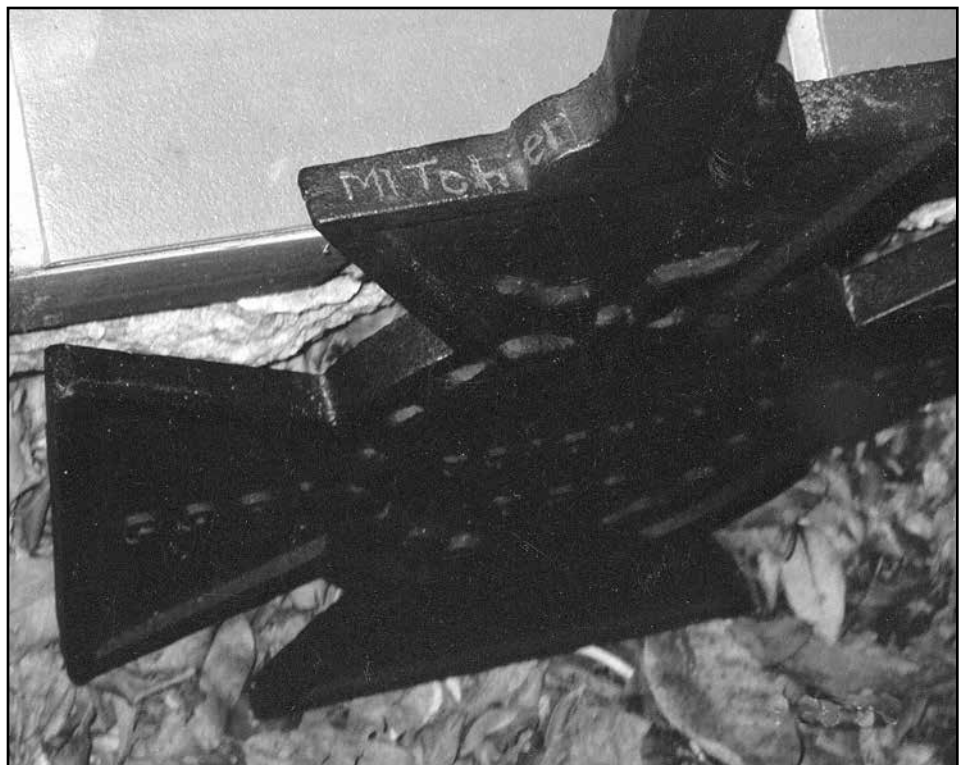
My preferred method is a down and dirty, or should I say, a dry and clean one. If paint stripper or naval jelly and rinsing with

water are used, then you end up with a mess or a mud puddle. When I'm out of town (as there aren't any crosses in the South Florida area), I try a race to clean as many as I can in one day. The mud only slows me down while I give the work site time to dry.

I use a wire brush and rags or a brush to wipe off the dust. A wire brush should never be taken into a cemetery for fear of someone using it on something

else. This is the one and only exception.

Once you remove the rust, prime two or three crosses with gray spray paint, then go back and spray the marker with flat black Rust-Oleum. Use a large cardboard box in back of the marker when spraying so the paint will not drift over and stain any other gravestone. This would make a great camp project.



Close-up view of a Confederate Iron Cross with the name etched on the underside so it can be identified if stolen.

Many markers are simply set in the ground. They have lasted the test of time, so it must be effective. This is not, however, a deterrent to theft. Some are set in deep holes with cement. The problem with these? They are so firmly set in the ground that when a lawnmower bumps them or someone leans or sits on them, there is enough force applied to break them at the base where metal goes into the cement.

Think of a Wheeble! Remember them? "Wheebls wobble but they never fall down." These were toys from the 60's similar to a punching bag, weighted on the bottom so they always resume an upright posture after being knocked down.

Apply this philosophy to setting the cross. Set them in a shallow hole, maybe 10 inches deep by 14 inches wide, with a rounded bottom in the shape of a cereal bowl. If this is set just below ground level and some

dirt is used for cover, over time grass will cover this base.

The weight added will keep a thief from simply pulling them up and walking off with them. Heck, they are now 80 pounds. When they are knocked over from groundskeepers, it only takes a few minutes to undermine the foundation with a hand trowel and pull it upright, then wiggle back and forth a few times to set it and repack the dirt.

Of the thousands of private stones for Confederate Veterans without any Confederate markings, the placement of a Cross is an ideal option. The unit can be etched on the face of the cross so you can personalize them. Also etch the last name of the veteran, name of the cemetery, county and state on the underside of the cross. This will facilitate its return if it's ever stolen.

Place new crosses at the foot of a grave similar to the pre-Victorian footstone. When placed in

the center of a grave, crosses create limited space for lawn mowers, and they are more likely to be hit.

When crosses are mounted just inches in front of a stone, the inscriptions are often obscured or the stone is scratched when the cross is hit by mowers. If placed beside the stone, in order to cut the grass, maintenance workers often hit the stone with the weed-eater or the cutting string, both of which can cause chips in the stone.

Potpourri:

It's 2004.....Do you know where your G-G-Grandparents are? / That's strange: half my ancestors are WOMEN!

Yours in Preservation and Southern Pride,

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Pictured is John Archer, a direct descendant of Lt Colonel Robert H. Archer, taken at the **Lt. Colonel Robert H. Archer Camp 2013**, Havre de Grace, MD, charter ceremony.



Members of the **Captain Julius Welch Camp 229**, Waynesboro, NC, held a memorial service at the Haywood County Courthouse on May 10 (Confederate Memorial Day in NC), and placed a wreath at the Confederate monument there. Pictured are members of Camp 229 and the Mountain Rose Chapter 33, OCR.



On May 14, brothers Henry Lee and James Nixon Dobey restored the Confederate stone that had been removed from their great-grandfather's grave, Pvt. Henry Warren Dobey in the Mount Olive cemetery in Johnston, SC. They are members of the **Adam W. Bal-lenger Camp 68**, Spartanburg, SC.



The **Jubal Early Camp 1691**, Hillsville, VA, presented the colors and honor guard at the Old Dobson Court House in Dobson, NC, for a flag-raising ceremony on March 6, 2004, for Confederate Flag Day.



On Saturday May 8, Commander John C. Care, Scott Wells, Tom Jones and Frank Hugelot of the **J.E.B. Stuart Camp 1506**, Philadelphia, PA, traveled to Finn's Point Cemetery in NJ, to participate in a memorial to the 2,438 Confederate soldiers buried there from Fort Delaware. A prayer service was held, along with an Honor Guard.



Pictured is the Recruitment Booth of the **Matthew Fontaine Maury Camp 1722**, Fredericksburg, VA. The booth was set up at the 140th Anniversary of the Battle of Spotsylvania held May 7-9, 2004. Manning the booth are Steve Robertson and Roy Perry. Camp Commander John Martin is seated in the background.

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The **James-Younger Camp 2065**, Norwood, NC, was chartered on May 18, 2004. Pictured are the members at the first meeting. From left, Donnie Hatley, Dean Hunter, Carl McClung, Eddie McRae, Camp Commander Paul Burr and Grady Bowers.



On May 1, 2004, delegates representing the camps of **Lee's Keystone Division** met in Gettysburg, PA, for their third annual division reunion. Division elections were held, with a new slate of officers being sworn in by outgoing Lt. Commander Rodney Cromeans. Pictured from left, Division Commander Mike Duminiak, Lt. Commander Mike Depew and Adjutant Jonathan Nutt.



Pictured is the 2nd South Carolina Infantry, Austria, as they celebrated the *Hunley* Funeral. The 2nd SC Austria has been to the US several times, and has fought at Gettysburg. They stood Honor Guard at the Warren Lasch Conservation Center for the *Hunley* crew. Over the years several members of **Secession Camp 4**, Charleston, SC, have developed a deep friendship with the 2nd SC, Austria.



The **Private Meredith Pool Camp 1505**, Keyport, NJ, presented the SCV USAF ROTC Award on April 24, 2004, to Cadet Scott Graber of Air Force ROTC Detachment 485, Rutgers University. Presenting the award to Cadet Graber is Camp 2nd Lt. Commander David Rountree.



Brandy Station President, Bob Luddy invited the **Maryland Division** Color Guard to the dedication of a Maryland Scroll. This scroll contained the names of Marylanders in Breathed's Battery, and was written by a Maryland soldier. The event took place on May 22, 2004.



Ransom Autry, a member of the **Thomasville Rifles Camp 172**, Thomasville, NC, was honored in May by the Robert E. Lee Chapter 324, UDC, Lexington, NC, with two of their highest military awards. Autry was awarded the Cross of Military Service for his service during the Vietnam War and the National Defense Medal for his service in Spain during Desert Shield and Desert Storm.

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A very touching and emotional moment during the **Tom Smith Camp 1702**, Suffolk, VA, May 26, 2004, meeting — when Tom Mayes presented his father (and fellow Compatriot, age 80) with the SCV World War II Service Medal. The elder Thomas Mayes retired from the US Navy as a senior chief, and saw service at Omaha & Utah Beaches. The entire membership rose to their feet in heartfelt appreciation.



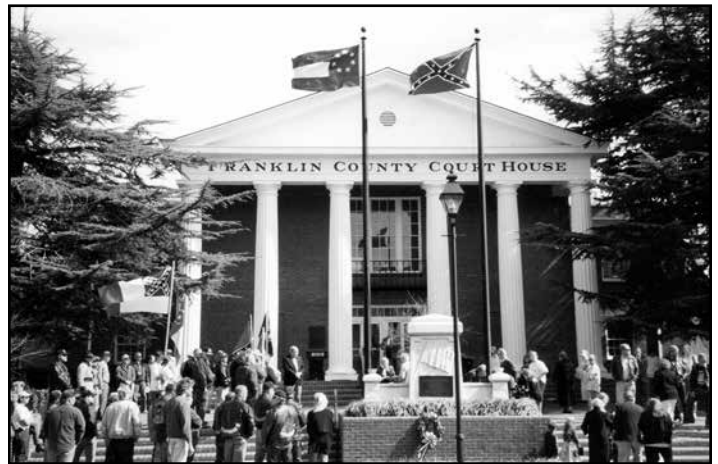
Officers of the **Major General Isaac Ridgeway Trimble Camp 1836**, Ellicott City, MD, assisted by Maryland Division Commander Carl Berenholtz, welcome Chris Tyler into the ranks of the SCV while visiting Charleston, SC, to honor Marylander Joseph F. Ridgaway of the *CSS Hunley*.



Members of the **Captain Julius Welch Camp 229**, Waynesville, NC, and the **Zebulon Vance Camp 15**, Asheville, NC, provided the Honor Guard for a UDC Memorial Service and Iron Cross Dedication for Governor Zebulon Vance in Riverside Cemetery in Asheville, NC. Pictured from left, Henry Rathbone, Kim Sutton, Shawn Eplee, Fred Rathbone, Derrick Shipman and Tom Vernon.



The **Maryland Division** Color Guard at the Richmond Heritage Parade on April 4, 2004, as they passed the JEB Stuart Monument.



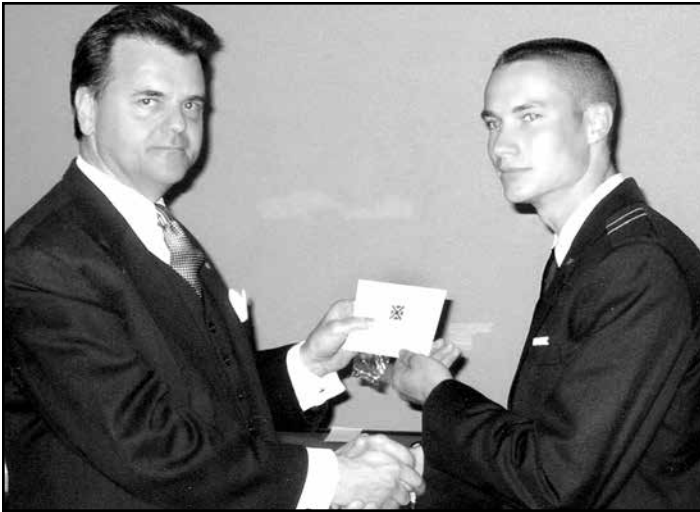
On Sunday, March 14, 2004, members of the **North Carolina Division** SCV, UDC and Children of the Confederacy held a commemorative service at the Franklin County Courthouse in Louisburg, NC, to honor the raising of the first Confederate Flag in North Carolina on March 18, 1861.



The Confederate Memorial Day Ceremony in Anderson, SC, sponsored by the **Palmetto Sharpshooters Camp 1428**, Anderson, SC, and the Robert E. Lee Chapter 146, UDC, on May 8, 2004. Pictured from left, SC Division UDC President Miriam P. Tucker, Honorary President General Mary Lund, Commander-in-Chief Ron Wilson, Real Son H.V. Booth, John Busbin, Pat Vatakis and Nancy Ewing.



Army of Northern Virginia



Morris Williams of the **Major Egbert A. Ross Camp 1423**, Charlotte, NC, presents the SCV Air Force ROTC Award to Cadet Joseph King for his scholastic achievements in 2003-2004. Cadet King attends the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.



Pictured are members of the **Virginia Division** raising the Third National Flag at the grave site of Jefferson Davis in Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond, VA, on June 5, 2004. This was the 10th Annual National Jefferson Davis Memorial Service.



Members of the **Flat Top Copperheads Camp 1694**, Princeton, WV, picked up 25 bags of trash on their designated highway on May 15, 2004. Pictured from left, Bob Neely and Ron Barnhill kneeling; Ed Dodson, Camp Commander Ken Hylton and Greg Morgan standing.



Real Son Henry Vector Booth, known as H.V., a member of the **Lt. Dickson L. Baker Camp 926**, Hartwell, GA, with Shelia R. Morgan at the Confederate Memorial Day ceremonies on May 8, 2004, in Anderson, SC. Mrs. Morgan is the wife of Ken D. Morgan, a member of the **Colonel Joseph Norton Camp 45**, Seneca, SC.

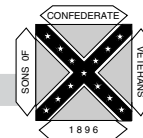


Pictured are the massed graves from the Battle of Rivers Bridge, February 1865, which were marked with Battle Flags for Confederate Memorial Day Service on May 7, 2004, by members of the **Rivers Bridge Camp 842**, Rivers Bridge, SC.



Compatriot Jeff Johnson, a member of the **Brigadier General Nathan G. Evans Marion Camp 24**, Marion, SC, places a Confederate Flag on the grave of his ancestor, Pvt. D.E. Gilchrist, Co. F, 4th SC Cavalry, Rutledge's Regiment.

Army of Tennessee



On March 20, 2004, the members of the **John Hunt Morgan Camp 1342**, Louisville, KY, held a memorial service in the Cave Hill Cemetery. Pictured in front of General Alpheus Baker's grave in the foreground are Gary Davis and Nancy Hitt, the keynote speaker.



Members of the **Colonel Benjamin Caudill Camp 1629**, Hazard, KY, and the **Private Edward Fletcher Arthur Camp 1783**, Corbin, KY, presented a living history on April 3, 2004, at the Bleak House, Longstreet's Headquarters, in Knoxville, TN.



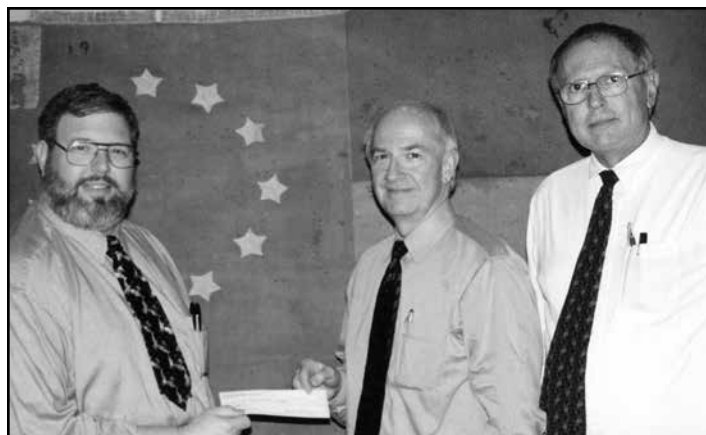
The **Turkey Town Valley Camp 1512**, Etowah County, AL, had the honor of furnishing an honor guard and raising the Confederate Flag at Ganey Furnace in Ohatchee, AL, on April 4, 2004. Others participating were members of the **General George "Tige" Anderson Camp 453**, Anniston, AL, Ketchum's Battery and Seldon's Battery.



Barry Barnes and Kevin Matthews, members of the **Colonel Randal W. McGavock Camp 1713**, Hermitage, TN, placed a headstone for Corporal Drury N. Matthews on April 9, 2004. Cpl. Matthews is the great uncle of Kevin Matthews.



On April 3, 2004, the **Captain Henry C. Semple Camp 2002**, Montgomery, AL, sponsored a ceremony to honor the Confederate soldiers who are buried at the old Oakwood Cemetery in Montgomery. Pictured from left are Compatriots John Reynolds, Alan Parker, George Wallace, Jr. and Harry Adams.



Mississippi Division members present a check for \$6,000 to the MS Department of Archives and History to conserve the Battle Flag of the 41st Mississippi Regiment. Pictured from left, Curator Michael Wright, Save the Battle Flags Committee Chairman Ron Stowers and Division Adjutant Tom Waggener. Pictured in the background is the recently conserved flag of the 15th MS Regiment.

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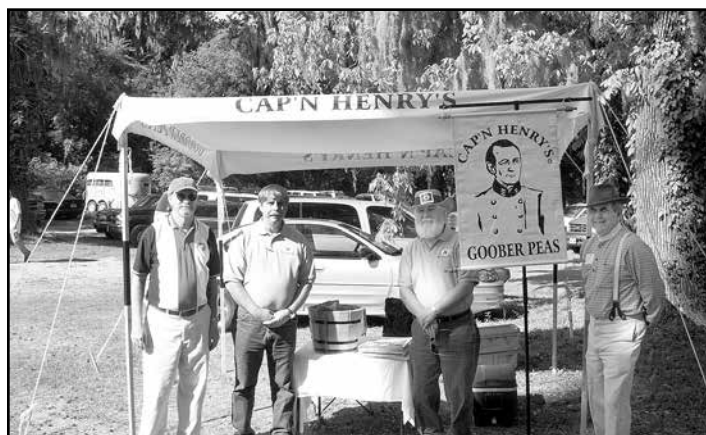
On Sunday, April 25, 2004, in observance of Confederate Heritage Month, members of the **Major General E. C. Walthall Camp 211**, Grenada, MS, the Belle Edmondson Chapter 14, Order of Confederate Rose, and the 15th Mississippi Infantry reenactors — all of Grenada, MS — worked with the H.D. Money Chapter 2430, UDC, Carrollton, MS, to honor our Confederate ancestors in a Memorial Service.



Geoff Walden, SCV Life Member and Life Member of the Kentucky Division and the **General Ben Hardin Helm Camp 1703**, Elizabethtown, KY, unfurled the colors last year in Iraq, at a captured Iraqi military post in the northern part of the country. A picture of Saddam provided the backdrop. This was Compatriot Walden's third military deployment with his "lucky flag."



The re-chartering for the **Lt. Colonel Riley B. Roberts Camp 386**, Tracy City, TN, was held by TN Division Commander Skip Earle on February 17, 2004, at the Tracy City Water Department Auditorium. Commander Earle presented certificates to the new members, and after swearing in the new members, presented the charter to Commander Curtis.



The **Captain Henry C. Semple Camp 2002**, Montgomery, AL, had a great time talking with the public, and raising a few funds selling Cap'n Henry's™ Goober Peas, at the 17th Annual "Battle of Selma" reenactment, April 23-25, 2004. Pictured from left, Compatriots John Reynolds, George Jenks, Darry Hawkins and James H. Larose, MD.

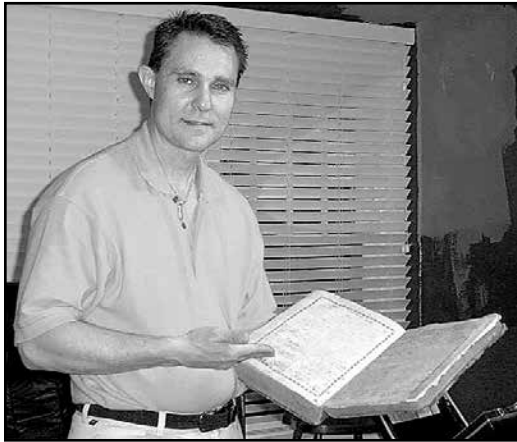


The **Colonel Hiram Parks Bell Camp 1642**, Cumming, GA, participated in a Confederate monument dedication in Ellijay, Georgia, on Sunday, November 9, 2003. The **Gilmer Light Guards Camp 89**, Ellijay, GA, also participated. Shown are the participants from Camp 1642; from left, Brett Martin, Clark and Jo Ann Rye, Ted Brooke, Dennis Nelson, Jim Nelson and Tom Bryant.



Signers of the newly chartered **Major General John Hunt Morgan Camp 2053**, Greeneville, TN. Tim Massey is the charter commander.

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Jim Peyton, collateral descendant of Captain Horace L. Hunley, pointing to the handwritten recording of Hunley's birth in Sumner County, TN, in the Hunley family Bible now in his possession. Jim Peyton recently became a member of the **General William B. Bate Camp 34**, Gallatin, TN.



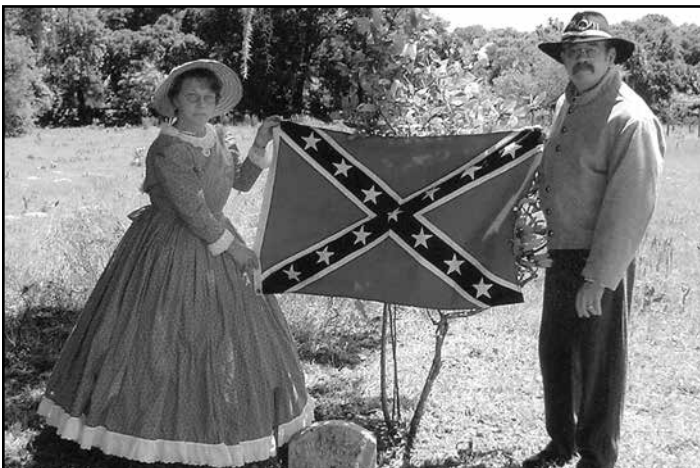
Members of the **General John B. Gordon Memorial Camp 1449**, Thomaston, GA, placed new headstones in the Confederate section of Greenwood Cemetery in Barnesville, GA. Pictured from left, Camp Commander Al Medcalf, Dave Custer, Ryan Colley, Joe Medcalf, Shane Fountain, Lee Fountain, Scott McDaniel and Felton Lewis.



The **Major W. M. Footman Camp 1950**, Ft. Myers, FL, dedicated a Confederate gravemarker to Private Reuben G. Corbitt in Immokalee, FL, on February 17, 2004.



The **Private E. F. Arthur Camp 1783**, Corbin, KY, recently held a stone dedication for Private Isham Hammock of Lynch's Company, 1st TN Cavalry. The dedication was held May 8, 2004, at the Old Union Baptist Church Cemetery in London, KY. Pictured are members of Camp 1783 and members of the Hammock family.



St. Johns Rangers Camp 1360, Deland, FL; Commander Jay Cross and his wife Lainie, standing at the gravesite of Pvt. William J. Purdam, Co. F, 7th FL Infantry in the no-longer-existing town of Lungren, FL. Now on private property, they honor him every year.



Commander Clement Lindsey of the **John Hance O'Steen Camp 770**, Trenton, FL, presents a check to two seniors, Amber Scott and Nicole Scott, in the Future Farmers of America of Bell High School, for financial support of their Suwannee River and Livestock Fair for 2004 in Gilchrist County.



Army of Tennessee



The **Turkey Town Valley Camp 1512**, Etowah County, AL, honored Emma Sansom on May 2, 2004, 141 years after she led General Nathan Bedford Forrest across Black Creek. Pictured from left standing, Dowling Tumlin, Charles Nail, Marshall Mallory, Arley Talley, Butch Tumlin, Walter Ingram, Jesse Hardeman, Lamont Hollis, Butch Coker, Hunter Phillips, James Glenn, Jeff Sauls, David Spielberg. Kneeling are Will Hardeman and James Anderson.



John M. Brown, a member of the **Eastern Kentucky Partisan Rangers Camp 1687**, and his wife, Dana, announce the birth of their fifth child, Jefferson Davis Brown, born on February 20, 2004.



The **Lt. Colonel William Luffman Camp 938**, Chatsworth, GA, teamed up with the Civil War Preservation Trust to help clean the Confederate Cemetery in Dalton, GA, in March, 2004. Pictured from left, John Mitchum, Mitchell and Morgan Parker with their daughter Kaylee Parker and Camp Commander Steve Hall.



The **Stonewall Jackson Camp 1381**, St. Petersburg, FL, and the Dixie Chapter 1008, UDC, observed Confederate Memorial Day on April 24, 2004. At the grave of Sgt. Lorenzo Dow Ross are, from left, Ted Dahlem, Ruth Mallonee, Art Hays, and descendant Russell Ross.



Alabama Division Commander Leonard Wilson with Bertram Hayes-Davis, the great-great-grandson of President Jefferson Davis, chatting with Cameron Napier of the Ladies Memorial Association at the front of the White House in Montgomery after the rededication of the Alabama Confederate Monument on the Capitol grounds.



The **Appling Grays Camp 918**, Baxley, GA, hosted a motorcycle "Poker Run" on Saturday, May 22, 2004, in Baxley to help raise money for a Confederate Monument to be erected on the courthouse grounds. Pictured from left, Jeb Waller, James Miles, Doyle Waller, Camp Commander Kenny Kirtsey and Braxton Simmons.

Army of Trans-Mississippi



On 17 April 2004, Mac King Aston, Maj. Stephen Bacon, USAF, and Steve Prichard, formally of the **Colonel George Madison Camp 1205**, Colorado Springs, CO, and now of the Band of Brothers Camp, were with the 44th Georgia Volunteers in the *Hunley* Funeral Procession in Charleston, SC.



On January 10, 2004, the **General George Blake Cosby Camp 1627**, Sacramento, CA, presented the General George Blake Cosby Award to Brigadier General Donald Mattson, Director of the California Military Museum. The Cosby Award is given to recognize those individuals who have done an outstanding job of preserving Confederate history. Pictured from left, Commander Michael Montague, Paul Toland, Fred Bohmfalk, General Mattson and John English.



The **Major General Franklin Gardner Camp 1421**, Lafayette, LA, observing Confederate Memorial Day 2004.



Texas SCV Camps of Woodville, Kountze, Orange, Wallisville, Nacogdoches, and DeRidder, LA, honor Pvt. Rufus King Ratcliff, Co. K, 13th Texas Cavalry, on May 29, 2004, in Jasper Co., Texas.



The Arizona Division was proud to have had the opportunity to participate in the funeral of the crew of the *CSS H.L. Hunley* on April 17, 2004. Our unique Division flag drew much attention. Pictured from left, Commander Dwaine Bright, **Confederate Secret Service Camp 1710**, Sierra Vista, AZ; Robert Buie and Shawn Kyzer, **Captain Hunter's Arizona Rangers Camp 1202**, Tucson, AZ; and Arizona Division Commander Bobby Morris.



Commander R. Scott Gartin of the **CSS Shenandoah Camp 1820**, Anchorage, AK, presenting the SCV Scholarship Award to Tony Spade (right) of the University of Alaska US Air Force ROTC. The ceremony was attended by about 200 people, including the Elmendorf Air Force Base commander.

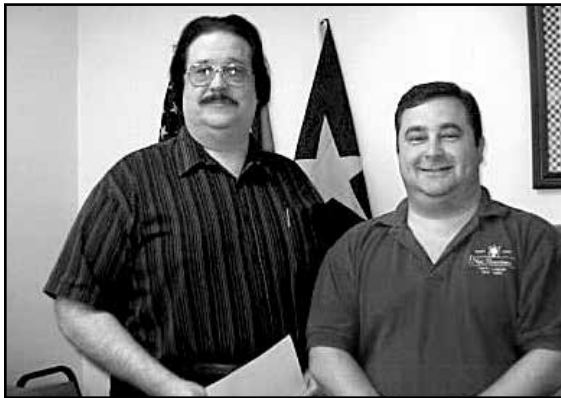
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The two newest members of the **General Nathan Bedford Forrest Camp 1931**, Covington, LA. From left, Richard Jackson and Bob Russell.



On March 13, 2004, a marker dedication was held for Pvt. Lewis S, aka Louis Mitchell Co. E, 17th LA Infantry. Pictured is Patrick O. Stuebner of **Granbury's Texas Brigade Camp 1479**, Conroe, TX, and host camp members of the **Major Thomas McGuire Camp 1714**, West Monroe, LA.



David Williams and (Sam) Samuel Shurtleff were sworn in at the May 8, 2004, camp meeting of the **Swamp Angels Camp 2029**, Dayton, TX. They were then sworn in as camp officers, Quartermaster Williams and Adjutant Shurtleff.



Paul Gramling swears in the newly elected **Louisiana Division** officers in Baton Rouge on May 2004. From left, NW Brigade Commander Ben Head, NE Brigade Commander Tom Taylor, SW Brigade Commander Charles Lauret, SE Brigade Commander Shannon Walgomotte, 2nd Lt. Commander Todd Owens, 1st Lt. Commander Tommy Curtis and Commander Chuck McMichael.



Pictured is Aide-de-Camp Jim Dark and the members of the **Major J. N. Dark Camp 2026**, Kountze, TX, after Compatriot Dark's presentation on the family history of their camp's namesake on May 22, 2004, in Kountze.



On Memorial Day the **BG William Steele Camp 1857**, Fort Leavenworth, KS, inducted their newest member, Tyrone Williams, in front of an 1862 3" ordnance rifle. Pictured from left, Jonathan Stewart, Col. (ret) Jack Stewart, Lt. Col. Jon White, Col. (ret) Jim Speicher, Tyrone Williams (holding his SCV certificate), Lt. Col. (ret) Ed Kennedy, Cadet David Kennedy and Cadet Joseph Grasela.

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On the evening of May 14, 2004, the **Captain William McKinney Iron Camp 1799**, Salem, OR, presented Cadet Kazumi Udagawa with the SCV's ROTC Award in recognition of her outstanding achievements as an Air Force ROTC Cadet at Oregon State University. Pictured from left, Past Camp Commander Larry Irion, Cadet Udagawa, and Camp Surgeon Dr. Bennett A. Wright, Jr., MD.



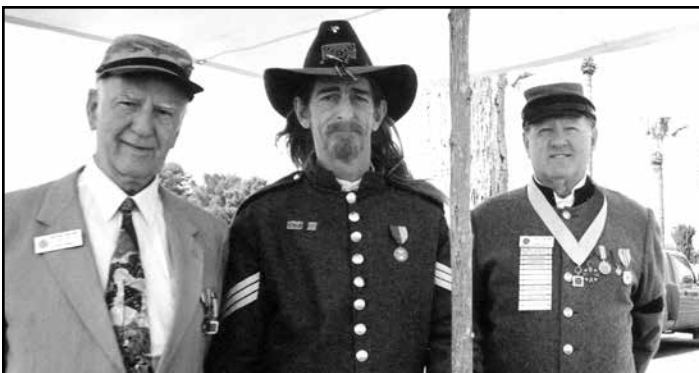
Three generations of Lundies place a CSA Iron Cross at the grave of their ancestor, Corporal Azariah Lundy, Co. G, 22nd VA Cavalry on April 9, 2004. From left, Paul Lundy, **Carroll County Rough and Readys Camp 1952**, Burlington, IA; Commander Sherman Lundy and 94-year-old Loren Lundy, a charter member of Camp 1952.



The **General Robert C. Newton Camp 197**, Little Rock, AR, joined the United Daughters of the Confederacy in the rededication of the Capital Guard Memorial in Little Rock on May 15, 2004. The Newton Camp was a driving force in the original construction of the monument in 1911 and dedicated during the United Confederate Veterans Reunion in Little Rock. Pictured from left, Adjutant Mike Loum, Compatriot Tom Ezell, Susan Railsback-UDC Division President and Robert Giles.



Mayor Ben Morris, right, of Slidell, LA, issued a proclamation declaring April Confederate History month. At left is Commander Wayne Wenner of the **Ambassador John Slidell Camp 1727**, Slidell, LA, presenting a certificate of appreciation on behalf of the camp to the mayor.



Confederate Memorial Day was celebrated in Tucson, AZ, on April 26, 2004. Pictured from left, Paul Mears and Les Cogar, members of **Captain Hunter's Arizona Rangers Camp 1202**, Tucson, AZ, and Arizona Division Commander Bobby Morris.



Members and guests of the **Gaston-Gregg Camp 1384**, Dallas, TX, gather around Compatriot David M. Weaver at the conclusion of his program on The Wearing of the Gray at their April 2004 meeting.



Army of Trans-Mississippi



Commander Boris N. Bulatkin of the **Colonel William Alexander Harris Camp 2036**, Wichita, KS, holds the camp charter from Kansas Division Commander Jon Jenkins on January 12, 2004, as Past Kansas Division Commander John Handley looks on.



Dr. Billy Dippel, 1st Lt. Commander of the **General Henry E. McCulloch Camp 843**, Brownwood, TX, mans an information and PR Booth at the Texas Gun and Knife Show held in the Brownwood Coliseum during April, 2004.



Pictured from left, Commander J. E. Haynes of the **Albert Sidney Johnston Camp 983**, Decatur, TX and North TX Brigade Commander Tom Jones and Mrs. Jones at the camp's annual Bob Holloway Remembrance Dinner on April 17, 2004.



On April 24, 2004, the **Captain James Gillaspie Camp 226**, Huntsville, TX, held a ceremony at Park Cemetery honoring William Park of the 2nd TX Infantry with a Confederate Iron Cross. Several descendants were present for the ceremony.



Mr. and Mrs. James Benton and Mr. and Mrs. Lester McCullough at the dedication of Confederate markers for 2nd Lt. Thomas Jefferson Hamm, Co. F, 51st TN Infantry, the men's great-grandfather, in Bethel Cemetery near Fulbright, TX. Compatriot McCullough is a member of the **Plemmons-Shelby Camp 464**, Amarillo, TX and Compatriot Benton is a member of the **J. M. "Matt" Barton Camp 441**, Sulphur Springs, TX.



Five new members being sworn in to the **Colonel John "Rip" Ford Camp 869**, Universal City, TX. Pictured from left, Mike Maloy, Albert Arroyo, Jr., Kenneth Hannah, David Arroyo and Albert Arroyo, Sr.

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JIMMERSON, DAVID WAYNE
MILLER, JR., DONALD FORREST
ROOT, TOM MOORE
SHARBOUGH, III, JOHN W.

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BROADHEAD, DANIEL
MELVIN, DOUGLAS SHANE
POOLE, WESLEY

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BASHAM, ROBERT ELLIS

THE PRATTVILLE DRAGOONS 1524 PRATTVILLE
ALLEN, JR., TROY EUGENE
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GLADISH, BRANDON MATTHEW

GEN. THOMAS DOCKERY 1577 MAGNOLIA
YOUNG, JEFFREY DEE

1ST LT. ELBERT L. STEEL 1623 LEWISVILLE
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COL. ROBERT G. SHAVER 1655 JONESBORO
COLLIER, JOHN E.
SHERIDAN, JOHN P. H.
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STEVENS, OSBORN A.

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CALDWELL, LARRY WAYNE
STEARNS, RAYMOND EARL
STEARNS, MICHAEL RAY

CAPT. J. J. DICKISON 1387 MELBOURNE
HUDDLESTON, JOSEPH DALTON

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MCNEILL, JAMES LAMAR
YOPP, DEWEY CARLTON

THIRD FLORIDA WILDCATS 1437 FLORAL CITY
MILLER, CHARLES HENRY

GEN. JAMES PATTON ANDERSON 1599 WEST PALM BEACH
FISHER, LEROY COUCHMAN
FISHER, LEROY WARWICK

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TRAUGHBER, ROBERT THOMAS

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OWENS, DAVID K.

MAJ. WILLIAM M. FOOTMAN 1950 FT. MYERS
RAULERSON, C. CECIL

2ND LT. JOSEPH MORGAN 2012 PERRY
COXWELL, JOE WILSON

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TYREE, II, EUGENE RAY

CAPT. WINSTON STEPHENS 2041 MacCLENNY
FRITS, JON J.
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GEORGIA

GEN. EDWARD DORR TRACY JR. 18 MACON
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CLEMENT A. EVANS 64 WAYCROSS
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All collectors have the same dream — no matter what they collect. They dream that one day, when they least expect it, they will make the big strike; they will hit the mother lode; they will uncover the *creme de la creme* — and it will cost a mere pittance or nothing at all.

For most collectors the dream never comes true, but every now and then the heavens open wide, and an object falls into the lap of a collector like the apple that dropped from a tree and hit Sir Isaac Newton on the top of his head.

There was the lady from Delaware who walked into an antique store in downtown Richmond, Virginia and bought a silver spoon for \$25. The moment she saw it, she knew that it was made by Paul Revere. When the store owner found out what he had let get away from him, he banged his head on the wall for the relief he got when he stopped.

One of my old school pals lived in an old house in Richmond near the duck lake in Byrd Park. His parents remodeled part of the downstairs. When they tore down one of the walls in the living room, they found a Confederate naval flag hidden behind the plaster.

When I was in high school, I met a Richmond plumber who bought a Winchester Model '73 in a junk shop for \$10. The top of the barrel was etched with the words "One of a thousand." It was the same type of gun that the actor James Stewart made famous in the movie *Winchester '73*. To make it even better, the plumber's gun still had the cleaning rod inside the buttplate and a sterling silver, oval plate on the side of the stock that was inscribed, "Presented to Lt. John B. Skinker for his heroism in the Indian Wars."

I myself have never hit a home run as a collector, but I have caught a piece of the ball a couple

of times. My mother and father were crazy about antiques, and they picked up some good pieces over the years. One of their prized possessions was an 18th century tall case, a grandfather's clock that stood in the front hall.

I hated that clock when I was a little boy because when it chimed eight times I had to go straight to bed. When the sound of the eighth chime died away, my mother would turn to me and say, "Shadrach, Meshach, and To-bed-we-go." The clock now stands in my living room, and I treasure it.

The collecting bug bit me on a Saturday morning in 1950 when my parents dragged me to an antique auction in Williamsburg, Virginia. I couldn't have cared less whether a Chippendale desk had Queen Anne feet, ball and claw feet, or bare feet, but my antenna shot up when I realized that a German helmet was on the auction block and my mother was bidding on it.

It was not a hotly contested item, but I heaved a sigh of relief when the auctioneer pointed his gavel at my mother and said, "Sold to the lady in the back for a dollar and a half."

I jumped out of my chair, ran behind the stage, and claimed the helmet for my mother. It was a World War I, coal scuttle style with an air hole on each side. It was definitely a trench helmet because it was painted in three shades of brown. It had seen action, too, because it had a round crater on the outside where a bullet struck it smack in the middle of the right earflap. I ran my finger along the edges of the dent and said to myself, "Boy! Either that guy was killed or he had one whale of a headache!"

When I got home, I started to take the helmet up to my room. "Not so fast, Billy" my mother said. "Where're you going with that thing?"

"I'm taking it up to my room. Mom."

"Oh no, you're not. I paid \$1.50 for it, and it's mine. Besides, I need it."

"What for, Mom?"

"It will make a perfect flowerpot. I'm going to fill it with dirt and pink geraniums and put it on the back porch."

A flowerpot! Fill it with pink geraniums! I was stunned. Then I said, "Mom, I'll make you a deal. I'll go out and buy you a flowerpot and trade it to you for the helmet. Just promise me you won't use a perfectly good German helmet to put flowers in."

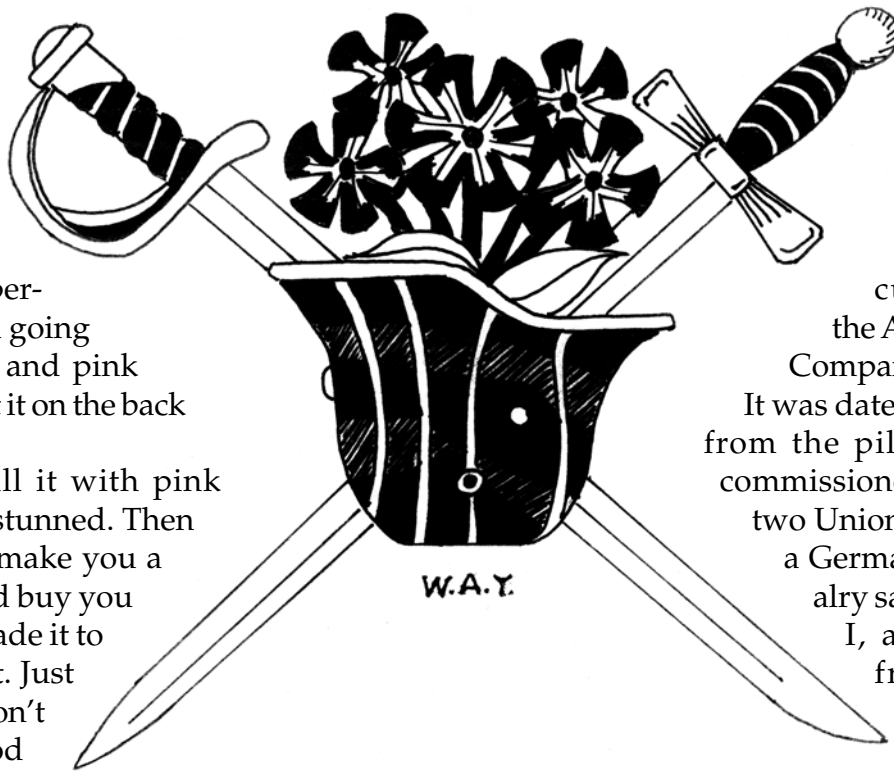
"Okay," she said with a smile. "It's a deal."

By this time, the collecting bug had taken a big bite out of me, and I suspect that my mother gave him his teeth. From that day on I was hooked, and ever so slowly I began to build a small collection of items that soldiers over the centuries carried to war.

Seven years later, I entered the University of Virginia as a first-yearman and concentrated on the three R's: "Reading, Riting, and the road to Richmond." My father said that I was a Rhodes Scholar. I had just enough money for gas to run up and down the roads that led from Charlottesville to Richmond.

I came home from college late one Saturday afternoon in the middle of the first semester. When I walked into the living room, my mother said matter-of-factly: "There's something on the floor of the utility room that I think you might be interested in."

The utility room was just a few steps down from the kitchen. I walked over to the top step and looked in. There was a pile of swords in the middle of the concrete floor. My first thought was, "Mom, don't ever dump swords in a pile on the floor," but then I had second thoughts. If it weren't for Mom, there wouldn't be any swords in a pile on the floor. Don't bite the hand that feeds ya.



W.A.Y.

I squatted down beside the pile, pulled a sword off the top, and took a close look. It was a Union Navy cutlass with a brass cupguard made by the Ames Manufacturing Company in Massachusetts.

It was dated 1863. I then pulled from the pile two Union non-commissioned officers' swords, two Union musicians' swords, a German wristbreaker cavalry saber from World War I, a German bayonet from World War I, two War Between the States triangular, socket bayonets,

and an officer's sword from the Mexican War. The blade of the Mexican War sword was beautifully etched with flags, drums, eagles, and flowers and was a dead ringer for the sword that Confederate General Garland carried into battle.

"Where did you get the swords, Mom?" I asked.

"The other day I was on my way to the white elephant sale for the Children's Hospital," she replied. "I saw a lady unloading the swords from her car. She was taking them to the sale. I told her that my son was interested in things like that and asked her if I could take all of them home so you could see them when you came home from college. I told her you would call her if you wanted them."

"What's her name and number, Mom? And how much does she want for them?"

Mother handed me a piece of paper with the lady's name and telephone number on it. "I didn't ask about the price," she said.

I dialed the number, and the lady answered after the first ring.

"I'm Bill Young," I blurted. "I want all of the swords. How much are they?" There was a long pause, and the lady said, "Twenty-five cents each will be fine."

Maybe I didn't hit a home run, but you've got to admit, I did get a piece of the ball. ❏

Books in Print

from supporters elsewhere in the United States.

Tucker points out that Hispanics and Cubans who chose to wear Gray are little known or historically recorded. He believes that these Confederates deserve recognition. Tucker states that a second reason for compiling this book about these two men and one woman was to counter stereotypes still existing today that the average Southern soldier was a *cracker* or an Anglo-Saxon from a homogeneous background. Not so. Tucker states "The Confederate armies were ethnic melting pots, representing foreign soldiers and nationalities from across the world."

Darryl E. Brock writes of Jose Augustin Quintero: *Cuban Patriot in Confederate Diplomatic Service*. Born in Havana on May 6, 1829, Quintero was the son of wealthy Cuban tobacco plantation owner Antonio Quintero and Ana Woodville, of British parentage. At age 12, he was sent to Harvard. After returning to Havana, he received a law degree at age 19 and became involved in an insurrection against the Spanish rulers. Captured, Quintero soon escaped from a Spanish jail and fled to America.

Brock writes a fascinating history of early diplomatic efforts of the Confederacy to win Mexico as an ally and gain trade agreements with European countries while using Mexican ports to ship cotton and other goods. Confederate Secretary of State Toombs and Texas Governor Edward Clark persuaded Quintero to undertake a diplomatic mission to General Santiago Vidaurri, governor of a Mexican border state. Readers will appreciate this little-known aspect of Confederate diplomacy with regard to Mexico during the early War period and the possibilities such an alliance offered to the fortunes of the Confederacy.

His sons, Lamar and Marshall, treasured their father's service to the Confederacy and joined the Sons of Confederate Veterans, serving Camp

Beauregard in various offices and functioning in many capacities at Sons of Confederate Veterans' Reunions. They also frequently contributed articles to the *Confederate Veteran* magazine.

Michel Wendell Stevens writes of Ambrosio Jose Gonzales in *Two Flags, One Cause — A Cuban Patriot in Gray*. Gonzales, son of a Cuban sugar planter/engineer, was sent to New York at the age of nine to attend the French School run by the Peugeot brothers, soldiers who served under Napoleon as captains of cavalry and artillery. There he met another nine-year-old, Pierre G. T. Beauregard — and their lives would intertwine in ways neither could have foreseen. The boys became friends, possibly because they shared common difficulties struggling with language and culture—Gonzales from a Spanish-speaking Cuban background and Beauregard from his French-speaking Louisiana Creole background.

A Cuban patriot and soldier for the Southern Cause, Ambrosio Jose Gonzales was described by his son Narciso as "a soldier under two flags but one cause; that of community independence."

Richard Hall writes a fascinating account of a Cuban woman, *Loreta Janeta Velazquez: Civil War Soldier and Spy*. Loreta Velazquez published her own memoir, *The Woman in Battle*, in 1876 (edited by C. J. Worthington). Her life reads like a mystery novel.

Readers will thoroughly enjoy this Cuban woman's incredible life and exploits in Confederate service.

Cubans in the Confederacy will make an interesting addition to bookshelves of Southern readers.

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A Treasury of Confederate Heritage: A Panorama of Life in the South

Walbrook D. Swank brings impressive Southern credentials to editing this volume about life in the Confederacy from 1861 to 1865. His grandfather, Thomas S. Davis, fought under General J.E.B. Stuart in the Cavalry Corps of the Army



of Northern Virginia and was also a kinsman of President Jefferson Davis. Swank is a member of the MOS&B and has received, among other honors, the Henry Timrod South-

ern Culture Award and the Jefferson Davis Medal bestowed by the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Editor Swank has chosen 245 stories that convey the courage, patriotism, devotion and honor of men and women who lived through the War Between the States. Some selections are several pages long, while others are merely a paragraph. Although not in chronological order, Editor Swank has grouped these stories into five categories.

Part I: Narratives of Personal Daring and Adventure contains two episodes in the life of famed Confederate spy Belle Boyd. They are quoted from her writings, *Belle Boyd in Camp and Prison*.

Youthful Southerners also displayed the bravery that sustained the Confederacy through four years of sacrifice and hope. "Intrepid Conduct of Two Boys" relates an incident of two North Carolina boys hunting near New Bern. They surprised a Yankee lieutenant on horseback who ordered one remove the letters NC from his cap. The boy refused several times. The union officer was in the act of dismounting to forcibly remove the letters himself when both boys pulled pistols and captured him. The young

heroes took the officer to Kinston for imprisonment.

Part II: The Grayjackets in Camp, Field, and Hospital tells humorous and sad battlefield and hospital experiences of Confederate soldiers.

"Sharp-Shooting" records how a band of Kentuckians in one Peninsula engagement evened the score with a sharpshooter of McClellan's army. Several Confederate soldiers had been killed when they broke cover and went to a nearby spring for water. At last, one of them spotted a puff of smoke when the Yankee sharpshooter fired his rifle. The Kentuckians dug a pit at night and picked their best shot. The following morning, a volunteer went to the spring to fill water buckets. The Yankee stood to sight his rifle, but the Kentuckian, now knowing where to aim, pulled his trigger first. He approached the sharpshooter's pit to find the Yankee expiring in comfortable surroundings furnished with a cushioned chair, tobacco, pipes, liquor, and food. But the rifle was "really a valuable prize ... of the most superb manufacture, and supplied with the latest invention — an improved telescopic

sight." The reporter closed his account of this incident with these words: "We are gratified to know that he at last met with so righteous a fate."

Part III: Partisan Life and Adventure includes several accounts of the exploits of General John Morgan. Daring, resourceful, and utterly fearless, Morgan kept the area around Nashville hot for federals. For his last headquarters, Morgan was in Greeneville, TN. The daughter-in-law of his hostess betrayed him. The following morning, the house was surrounded. Morgan was fatally shot, and Major Gassett was the only one of Morgan's staff not killed or captured.

Part IV: The Grayjackets on the High Seas recounts several famous Confederate Navy battles along the coasts of North and South Carolina and river skirmishes in Virginia. Also included in this section is another excerpt from Belle Boyd's papers entitled "Belle Boyd Runs the Blockade."

Editor Swank concludes *A Panorama of Life in the South* with *Part V: Home Life in Dixie*. Some of the stories are heartrending, but all demonstrate the courage and endurance exhibited by our Southerner

ancestors.

"Each for His Own Side" is one short paragraph: "While a long string of Federals were marching along the streets of Nashville, one day, a bright little fellow looked on very dolefully, and at last screamed out, 'Hurrah for Jeff Davis.' A Yankee said loudly, 'Pshaw, hurrah for the devil.' 'All right,' said the boy, 'you hurrah for your captain and I'll hurrah for mine.'"

Opening *A Panorama of Life in the South* is like opening a family picture album — this volume contains cameos and snapshots depicting Southern existence during the War. These stories and anecdotes will recall many memories and family stories of our own and bring both smiles and tears. Editor Swank's book will be a welcome addition to the bookshelves of Southerners.

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The Passing of Dixie's Darling

by Cassie Barrow

On May 31, 2004, Dixie lost her darling, Miz Alberta Martin, at the age of 97, the last known living Confederate widow. On June 10, 2004 in Elba, Alabama, with approximately one thousand in attendance, people from all over our Southland came to pay their last respects to this remarkable lady. She was remembered not only for her link to our Confederate history, but also for her dedication to help preserve our Southern heritage. She was a common icon for different historical organizations whose members' ancestors fought alongside her late husband, Pvt. William Jasper Martin, Company K of the 14th Alabama Infantry Regiment.

The morning began for many by visiting the Baptist church where Miz Martin was lying-in-state. Sentries were placed at the front of the church and beside her casket, while her family sat on the front pews greeting all who went through the processional. It was a time of tears, laughter and respect. Flowers from many different organizations, friends and family filled the church. With the Great Seal of the Confederacy imposed be-



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Mrs. Martin at the 1996 SCV National Reunion in Richmond, VA.

hind her, a portrait of Miz Martin in the red dress that so many of us remember her wearing at various events was placed for all to see. I felt she was smiling at us through that picture.

Many people began gathering at the First Assembly of God Church early to ensure they found a seat. During the wait, they embraced longtime friends and met new ones. It was a time of fellowship, with many discussions revolving about when someone had last seen Miz Martin or what she meant to him or

her. Even in death Miz Martin was ever-present in that room.

Before the funeral service began, Olde Towne Brass band from Huntsville, AL, played for the crowd. The music was upbeat and peppy, with *Dixie* being played on numerous occasions. We would soon learn this was a request of Miz Martin's while planning her funeral. She wanted the music to be the kind that you could tap your toe to or wave your flag to the beat, as she would have.

At one o'clock the funeral ser-



Photo by Cassie Barrow

Confederate reenactors on the horse drawn caisson taking Mrs. Martin to her final resting place.

vice began. Her casket entered draped with the Battle Flag. Miz Martin's pastor, Allen Richard, gave the opening prayer. Then the congregation sang Psalm 90. Dr. Ken Chancey, Miz Martin's former power-of-attorney, read a memorial resolution from the Governor of Alabama. Per Miz Martin's request, Ellen Williams sang *Beyond the Sunset*. At this time a representative from the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Alabama Society Order of Confederate Rose, United Daughters of the Confederacy, Children of the Confederacy, League of the South, and Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War were allowed to express their feelings and thoughts about Miz Martin.

Ron Wilson, Commander in Chief of the SCV, stated Miz Martin and the SCV were "personally connected" through the many events, conventions and heritage rallies. In 1996 at the SCV's

100th anniversary convention in Richmond, Virginia, Miz Martin made her debut. After her introduction, the men rose to their feet in a rousing ovation. Miz Martin began throwing kisses with both hands, which in turn caused the men to cheer louder and some even openly shed tears. The men knew she was a connection to their Confederate heritage. From this point on Miz Martin attended as many functions as she could. CIC Wilson stated at her funeral, "She meant everything to the organization (SCV) because she was the last."

As the others gave their presentations, many of the same words and phrases were used: "last link of Dixie," "link in a living chain that binds us to our Confederate past," "link in an old chain to the past." You were able to see how this one lady *linked* us to our *Confederate past*. Each organization felt a bond to

Miz Martin, even partial ownership to her. She never lacked love, nor will she ever be forgotten.

After this, Russell Darden, Past Commander of the Army of Northern Virginia Department and co-chairman of Miz Martin's Scholarship fund, spoke about his experiences with Miz Martin. His love and respect was evident though his presentation. He and Dr. Chancey are to be commended for their dedication to Miz Martin.

Dr. Chancey gave Miz Martin's eulogy. He discussed Miz Martin's love for her mother, whom she lost to cancer when Miz Martin was only 11. Her love for dolls and the connection this had to her mother. He even mentioned she loved the color red, lemon drops, peppermints, and Willie (her son.) The admiration

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NOTICES *From Around the Confederation*

Monument to be Rededicated

On Saturday, August 14, 2004, at 10 AM, Stuart's Horse Artillery Camp 1784, SCV, and the Hamilton-Wade Chapter 949, UDC, will hold a joint ceremony to rededicate the Confederate Monument at the courthouse of Floyd County, Virginia, on its 100th anniversary. This is located at the intersection of Rt. 221 and Rt. 8, south of Roanoke. The general public is invited. If you wish to attend in uniform, you may do so. 1904 attire is also encouraged. If your camp or chapter wishes to present a wreath, please let us know. Hope to see as many of you there as possible.

*Interim Commander Dana Jackson,
Camp 1784, Floyd, VA*

Beauvoir Restoration Begins After Being Firebombed

At an estimated cost of \$77,000, restoration of Beauvoir House is currently underway. Cleaning of the house and painting of the front porch began the last week of June. Insurance will cover the entire cost of damage caused by fire discovered in the early morning hours of June 5, 2004.

The restoration process has included consultations with Mississippi Department of Archives and History and has involved local cleaning companies that specialize in smoke and fire damage, painting contractors, glass contractors, architects and conservators for both the textiles and paintings.

Blake Vonder Haar, President of The New Orleans Conservation Guild, has been given the large task of cleaning and restoring the oil

paintings of President Davis, Winnie Davis, Joseph Davis, Amanda Davis Bradford and the *La Bella de Tiziano* among others. These paintings will be removed and cleaned off site.

The front doors of Beauvoir House will be removed and replaced with temporary solid core doors. The restoration will be handled by McNeil Cabinet and Millwork Inc. of Bay Springs and Ash Millworks Inc. of Petal. The doors with their original etched glass panes will be restored and broken panes replaced with reproductions. Supervision of this portion of the restoration will be handled by Hattiesburg architect Larry Albert.

This restoration of the house and cleaning comes as a silver lining in an otherwise hectic month. The house is now receiving a thorough spring cleaning from the ceilings to the flooring. Visitors should be able to enjoy the house and its furnishings by the July 4th holiday weekend.

*John L. Echols, Mississippi
Division Communication Officer*

SC Division Hunley Video Nearing Completion

The filming for the Hunley *Experience* has been completed.

The video includes interviews with many of the people who were responsible for raising, restoring and researching the *Hunley*. We spoke with experts concerning conservation and recovery. We spoke with historians who have painted a vivid picture of the night of February 17, 1864, and the important events leading up to that

eventful night. We have spoken with leaders in the field of heritage defense and studied the reasons that may have influenced the men of the *Hunley* and carried them to greatness.

We have covered the events of the funeral and interviewed participants with the intention of telling the story from the standpoint of truth and respect.

You will not find this honesty and admiration from any other media. This story is being told through the voice of your compatriots in the SCV.

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If you were fortunate enough to have attended the funeral of the men of the *Hunley*, you know of the massive outpouring of love and respect that was given to these brave souls. This type of event, in all likelihood, will never occur again. You may now have a memento of that historic day. For those who were not able to attend, you will now be able to have a true account of that extraordinary day. This was the purpose of the South Carolina Division in producing this video.

This video is a project of the South Carolina Division, SCV. Your compatriots financed it, and it was your fellow compatriots who have volunteered their time and talents to see it completed. We have already experienced negative pressure from the politically-correct crowd that would prefer that the story of the *Hunley* be buried with Lt. Dixon and his men.

We will not stand for this! The story of these incomparable men

will be told and their deeds will inspire Southerners forever. We are now only waiting on the editing to be finalized, and it will be ready to deliver in the coming days.

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I wish you the best and remain,

*Your servant,
Michael Givens
Commander
South Carolina Division
scscv@charter.net*



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Chaplain's Comments

we not stand? Why do we compromise and capitulate? Why are we so fearful? We tremble and quake because we have no convictions and our material possessions mean more to us than does truth, righteousness, and principle. We are more afraid of losing governmental subsidies than losing our freedoms. We are more afraid of missing a meal or a paycheck than we are missing our rights and liberties. Fear dominates most people. When we are fearful, it is evident that we have no faith and courage. Please read II Tim. 1:7.

OUR MANNER MUST BE ONE OF CHARACTER.

It was their character that gave them convictions and courage. If you have studied any history of the 1800's one of the most prominent aspects easily seen is the character of the men and women of that era. It was as they had saw logs for backbones, nerves of

steel and stomachs of brass. They had convictions about tyranny, despotism, usurpation, the denial of their rights, and the courage and the character to stand against those who endeavored to enslave them. They would not sell their birthright for a mess of governmental pottage!

Sam Davis had rather be hanged than to betray a friend. Children are being taught to betray their parents. Husbands and wives frequently violate their covenantal oaths to each other. Men and women will not keep their word, pay their bills, or honor their parents. Where is the character to do that which is right regardless of the circumstances?

Character is what a man is in the dark. The test of your character is what it takes to stop you. Circumstances never make or break a man, they

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Dixie's Darling



Photo by Ann Zappa

A Confederate Honor Guard stands watch on the front porch of the Confederate White House in Montgomery, AL, where Mrs. Martin lay in state.

Dr. Chancey had for Miz Martin did not just show through his words, but in his body language. She was a part of his family — if not by blood, by love.

Dr. Charles Baker, Past SCV Chaplain-in-Chief, gave the sermon. After this, a video was played showing clips of Miz Martin at various different events including Gettysburg with the Last Union Widow. It was as if she was there swaying her flag, smiling and showing her love for us.

We concluded the service with *Dixie*. Light refreshments were provided prior to going to the graveside. Miz Martin's coffin was brought by caisson

to her final resting place beside her husband of 50 years, Charlie Martin. Reenactors created an impressive procession. She

was honored with a gun salute and *Taps* was played. The funeral was impressive and well-planned.

Miz Martin never thought she would face history face-to-face when she married Mr. Martin. Nor would she ever believe she would go down in history books as the "last known living Confederate widow." She was a unique treasure we should always remember. It was stated during the funeral service "She was an ambassador of Southern heritage." It was also stated she was "Mother History" and we were her orphans: that she loved and nurtured.

Miz Martin wanted to be remembered first as a Christian who died without bitterness. She was 85 years old when she accepted Jesus as her personal savior. To her this was the most



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A well-wisher whispers a few words to Mrs. Martin at our 1996 Reunion in Richmond, VA.



Photo by Cassie Barrow

Members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans and Confederate reenactors carry Mrs. Martin from the cession to her grave site.



Photo by Cassie Barrow

Just a few of the many wreaths and flowers sent from all parts of the country to honor Mrs. Martin.

important thing that happened in her life.

Next she wanted to be remembered as a simple Southern lady. She spoke in the dialect of the poor mountain Southern people of the 20th Century. She was not fancy with frills nor did she live in a big mansion. She was born to poor sharecropper parents who spent their lives moving from field to field. Her life was not easy, but she loved life. Her experiences in life made her who she was. Her sister Lear, a son William (by Pvt. W.J. Martin), and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces,

nephews, and cousins survive her.

I could continue to write pages upon pages either about Miz Martin and what she represents, or even the funeral service that last half a day, including the graveside service.

But in summation, I would like to say I had the honor to meet on numerous occasions this "Matriarch of the Confederate heritage family." She was a true Southern lady who will always be remembered to me and my family as the Last Known Living Confederate Widow — *Dixie's Darling*. ☒

Dispatches From the Front

that needs to be done. I am working with the assistance and cooperation of the Mississippi Division, SCV.

I hope to get a digital picture of each flag that remains, along with its history (creation, capture, current location, etc.) and exact measurements. I hope to include those that are now located in public collections throughout the US, as well as those in private collections. I also hope to add as much information as possible about flags that do not currently exist.

I am a life member living in Memphis, TN, but my Confederate roots are from Mississippi. I'm seeking information from our membership on this subject. I sincerely appreciate your support and assistance. I will be happy to provide any additional information.

Sincerely,
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'Never Been as Honored'

To The Editor:

I would like to say a few words about the recent burial of the CSS Hunley crew, in Charleston, SC. I was honored to be chosen as a pallbearer for Frank G. Collins, of Virginia. I know there were many more deserving than myself to fill the position, but none could have been more proud to do so. The men, who Mr. Burbage picked to lead us, the pallbearers and honor guards, did an outstanding job. They were well organized and ultimately professional, as was he. It was a very emotional experience and you could tell their feelings came straight from their hearts, as from ours.

I like to think that those eight brave sons of the South were looking down on us that April day and must have been very pleased and honored at what they saw. The ceremony, funeral pro-

cession and burial were very moving and all done with the utmost respect for the long-departed men.

I don't know whether my being a part of this historic occasion was just plain luck or being at the right place at the right time or, as my leader, Mike, said, just because everything happens for a reason, but what I really know is that it was something I will proudly remember and I have never been as honored to be a part of anything in my lifetime.

Linwood M. Daniel
A.P. Hill Camp 167
Surry, VA

Here is One of Our Preachers

To the Editor:

In the November/December 2003 issue of the *Confederate Veteran*, the chaplain's article was entitled, "Where Are Our Preachers?" Enclosed is a copy I would like to submit for publication of the invocation I delivered June 5, 2004, during the Confederate Memorial Day ceremony at the Confederate Memorial State Historic Site in Higginsville, MO.

To visit a Confederate cemetery or battlefield is to tread on hallowed ground — ground consecrated by the crimson flow of martyrs' blood and by the tears of those who have mourned. For where there is mourning, there is holy ground.

We stand together united with each other in time and with the honored dead in eternity by the flow of their noble and undefiled blood in our veins. We are united by the values and virtues of the faith we hold in common — the faith that has been passed down to us from generation to generation. And, we are united by our faith in the same God into Whose hands these honored dead entrusted the eternal fate of their immortal souls. Though we go our separate ways, we remain united by one blood, one faith, one God.

By the courage with which they fought and the valor with which they died, these martyrs, heroes, and ancestors proved themselves worthy of the victory they were denied. But they continue in their eternal rest undefeated. The victory they sought is not victory lost, but victory delayed, as

long as we continue to remember them, as long as their spirit continues to live within us, and as long as we are willing to live for what they were willing to die.

For these and all of the Confederate dead across Dixie that we have gathered here to remember, we pray, "Rest eternal, grant them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace,"¹

¹A Manual for Priests (NY, NY: 1944), p. 113.

Sincerely,
Father Richard W. Rudd, Chaplain
General John T. Hughes Camp 614
Independence, MO

We Need to Tell the Whole Story of Our History

To the Editor:

The forces of political correctness have dealt a serious blow to the history of the South by erecting the Lincoln statue in Richmond. If we don't take appropriate action, it will only continue to happen. I am reminded of the old saying, "The best defense is a strong offense."

Compatriots, I would like to suggest that we begin the offense! I strongly believe we should begin to erect our own interpretive markers telling the true story of the War for Southern Independence. These markers should be erected all across the country telling of the actions of the so-called great emancipator and his military forces.

In Georgia, we need markers erected telling of churches, schools and farms that were burned, women raped, and vast looting. The numerical figures of the damage and human suffering caused by Sherman speak for themselves of the cruelty and inhumanity of Ole Abe. Similar markers in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia would tell of Sheridan's deeds there, as well. Markers at Elmyra, NY, Johnson's Island, OH, etc. would tell the story of POWs who were tortured purposely in an area where food and medicine were in great supply.

Granted, state and federal parks and their management would never allow

this to happen. However, I have no doubt that patriotic Southerners would gladly donate land to the SCV for such a purpose. We should always continue to erect memorials to our Confederate heroes and defend them once erected. However, as part of defending them, we need to remember Stephen D. Lee's charge to us, and tell the whole story of that period of history. The story of that struggle for Southern Independence is not complete without the truth about war crimes and inhumanity being told.

Brian McKee

Brig. Gen. Roswell S. Ripley Camp 1535
Worthington, OH

Greatest Confederate Event Since Davis Funeral

To the Editor:

First, my congratulations on your changes which have resulted in a professionally produced publication long overdue. Elimination of crude language is consistent with the character of General Lee and others whom we so respect and admire. Another startling contrast appears in Vol. 62, No. 1. An excellent article by Randy Burbage on the "Long Voyage Home" of the CSS *Hunley* contrasted with a mean-spirited attack on the salvage of the *Hunley* and the funeral of the crew by Allen Sullivant. This was the greatest public Confederate event since the funeral of Jefferson Davis. Upwards of 40,000 people, respectfully and reverently attended the service, done in excellent taste and grace. Having died heroically and alone, they had to wait 140 years for the honors and a Christian burial they had richly earned; this was neither a Michael Jackson concert nor a commercial ploy by the Chamber of Commerce. It was a rare and worthy effort against the tide to do the right thing. We would be glad to swap the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce who financed the theft of our state flag and subsequent denial of a referendum by both parties and the black caucus.

After four columns of criticism of everybody and everything, Mr. Sullivant concludes that SCV members "pay any price" of humiliation when they carry the American flag at the head of the fu-

neral procession. This is contemptible at any time but especially in wartime while Confederate descendants are dying with their brothers in arms from every part of our country. Ours is a patriotic organization. Mr. Sullivant was right about one thing; the Sons of Confederate Veterans needs guidance from some source in our present chaotic state.

Very truly yours,
Donald S. Bickers, MD, FHCS
Surgeon, Georgia Division
Atlanta, GA

Hunley Descendant Thanks Everyone Involved

To All Concerned:

Let me begin by saying what a difficult task it would be to personally thank all of those who participated, in so many ways, with the funeral and final resting of the crew of the *H.L. Hunley* on April 17, 2004, in Charleston, SC. I can think of no better format then to begin with the *Confederate Veteran*.

I'm a descendant of Quartermaster Joseph F. Ridgaway, second in command aboard the CSS *Hunley*. On behalf of myself and my family, I wish to convey our heartfelt appreciation to all those who attended and participated in the funeral of our ancestor and the rest of the *Hunley* crew. These brave men were buried with all the dignity, honor, and respect due.

The men of the *H.L. Hunley* where true pioneers. Not only to the Southern cause, but to the country as a whole. Submarine technology still in use today is based upon the basic principles they helped to develop, not withstanding the fortitude it took to accomplish their mission.

My family now has the closure we've been looking forward to for many years. My family is deeply rooted in the service of this country — before, during, and after the War Between the States. Capt. James Ridgaway (Joseph's father) was a merchant ship's captain before the war and then a Confederate raider with many successes. James Joyner (my uncle) is a retired submariner, and was presented with the flag of Joseph's coffin at the graveside in Charleston. His son

could not attend as he's presently serving on a US Navy submarine abroad.

On a personal note, a special thanks has to go out to the Maryland Guard Camp 1836, with whom I had the privilege of serving in the duties of Honor Guard for the caisson that carried my ancestor. Hats off to y'all.

Although the burial of the crew is now behind us, let's not forget that the research and preservation of the *Hunley* continues. Further funding for such is still a necessity to preserve our heritage. For more information, please contact the Friends of the *Hunley* at www.hunley.org, or call (843) 722-2333.

Respectfully,
William A. Jeffrey, III
Captain John W. Randle Camp 649
Dardanelle, AR

Only Member Under 25

To the Editor:

I just recently attended my first SCV meeting the other day and I can say I really enjoyed it. But I noticed I was the only one who was under 25. When talking to the fellow members I found out a lot of your youth really don't care about things as heritage, honor and preservation, as well as a major history lesson that I never learned in school. I also belong to a reenactment group. My captain and our members do living history events and talk to school and civic groups. We let them know about the soldiers' lives. When we talk to school groups, we talk to them also about the SCV without going too far due to the teachings today.

My question is, what can we do to get our youth more involved with their heritage and to enjoy it as much as possible? They are ones who will be carrying this on for years to come. I'm hoping with your magazine I can get some feedback to understand this.

Sincerely yours,
Joshua Jackson
Capt. James L. Bishop Camp 1943
Wolcottville, IN



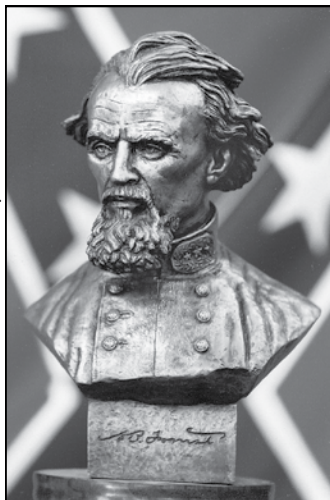
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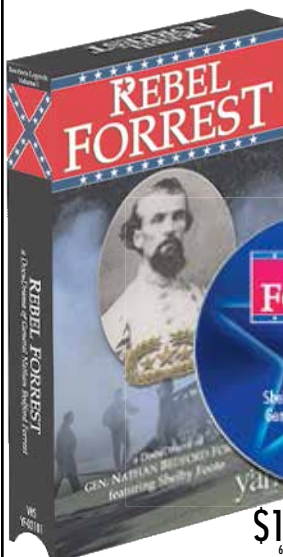
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by Paul W. Hamilton

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I've marched the miles and told all who would hear, all about our ancestors — sometimes through shedding tears....

That their memory should dwell in the hearts of generations, and not fade from sight.

For they are the pride of our South land, our hearts and our pride.

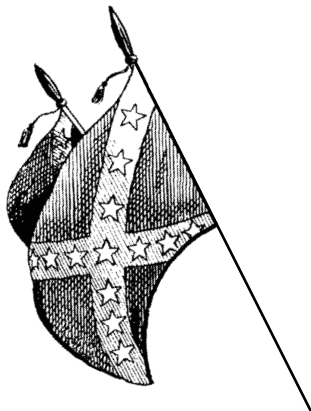
For you see, the battles are not over, but no charge will a general command; the fight yet to come will be with pen, not sword in hand.

So if you feel your motivation fading, lay your ear hard to the sand; you will still hear the cannons roar as our lads in gray made their last stand.

Remember the blood that soaked our Southern soil and hold their honor high, for they were the boys in gray, our honor and our pride.

So keep the children learning so they will someday understand: they have inherited a legacy that should be the pride of all Southern men.

So keep our banners flying and step out with pride, march the march and fight the fight, and never, never step aside.



*Paul W. Hamilton
2nd Lt. Commander
General Walter P. Lane Camp 1455
Longview, TX*

MILITARY ORDER of the STARS & BARS

Jeff W. Massey
Commander General

Evolution or Revolution?

Gentlemen, as I close my tenure as commander general, it is with great hopes that I pen this final column. The SCV and MOSB stand on a precipice of great cultural change. For the first time in history, the SCV and MOSB are capable of attaining several goals introduced over a decade ago by General William D. McCain. It was a highlight of my early years to be associated with General McCain and SCV operations in Hattiesburg. While time and space do not permit the full revelation of that interaction, I am reminded of the gentle force of character and keen tactical mind possessed by the general. During all of those years of service, General McCain reminded us "youngsters" to "Always read the fine print" when it came to constitutional and financial issues. General McCain was very fond of Lee's quote about Duty: "Do your duty in all things. You cannot do more, you should never wish to do less."

We are collectively Sons of Confederate Veterans. Cursed be any member of the Order who would dishonor his ancestors, through act or word, which would indicate

anything other than fraternity to any member of the Sons. But equally repugnant are those that befoul the truth with tales of purported *elitism* or *superiority* merely for their membership within the MOSB. The Order and Sons were carved out by Confederate Veterans long ago, and we are stronger together than apart.

Recently I received an exchange of correspondence concerning the *directions* of the SCV and MOSB. This member openly espoused revolutionary tactics and openly embraced an Abby Hoffman approach to politics, including armed clashes with the national guard. This is the true direction for the SCV, says the writer. While I certainly appreciate this extremist viewpoint, I do not think it is grounded in a respect for the SCV Preamble which clearly states what the SCV represents. Here are the words of



our Southern Leaders drafted into our SCV Constitution 108 years ago:

“perpetuate and sanctify the ties of fraternity and friendship entailed thereby”;

“to aid and encourage the recording and teaching with impartiality of all Southern history...”

“...seeing to it especially that the events of the War Between the States are authentically and clearly written” and

“that all documents, relics and mementos... are properly treasured and preserved for posterity;”

“to comfort, succor and assist needy Sons of Confederate Veterans, their wives, widows and orphans;”

“to urge, aid and assist in the erection of suitable and enduring monuments and memorials to all Southern valor, military and civil...” and

“...instill in our descendants a devotion to and reverence for the principles represented by the Confederate States of America, to the honor, glory and memory of our fathers who fought in that Cause.”

Gentlemen, our Duty has been written and is clearly scribed. We are to do these things to the absence of others. This is our Charge as prescribed by UCV CIC Stephen D. Lee. This is the purpose, reason and rationale for the existence of our beloved organizations. Do not be pulled from our prescribed path by dangerous talk unintended by our

Founding Fathers. We must embrace higher standards with regard to our interaction of mind and purpose. General Lee wrote, “I cannot trust a man to control others who cannot control himself.” Our collective memberships deserve our best efforts, our best leaders and our best Causes, and with self-control and God’s Grace we can achieve all things. President Ronald Reagan always quipped that our best is yet ahead. I believe this to be the case with the SCV and MOSB.

It has been an honor to have served you through two wonderful years of friendship and fraternal correspondence. I want to thank my wonderful wife and children for understanding all of my travel and absences for The Cause. I especially want to thank my General Staff for all of their selfless devotion and energy. I would like to thank SCV/MOSB Executive Director Ben Sewell and all the wonderful staff at Elm Springs. My thanks to EIC Jim Vogler and Frank Powell for permitting my columns to always squeek in on a deadline. Finally, I thank all SCV and MOSB members for their kind words and prayers. Please remember to pray for our troops overseas and in harm's way. God Bless you all, God Bless the Southland and God Bless America. Honor virutis preamium.

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outside and broke off a big limb, went to her son and whipped him soundly. When she finished she told him that "no child of hers would ever disobey her or talk back to her, especially in her own house." Needless to say, it was Jeffery that took the corn to the mill.

We are so destitute of character today; we will not even discipline or teach our own children. Where has the fatherly headship of the home gone? Where are our men? It seems today that the average Christian cannot get anything right. Why? We murmur, complain, and whine, but nothing ever changes. Why? A lack of old-fashioned biblical character is the answer.

When Robert E. Lee's second daughter Annie died unexpectedly, he wrote to Mrs. Lee: "I cannot express the anguish I feel at the death of my sweet Annie. To know that I shall never see her again on earth, that her place in our circle which I always hoped one day to enjoy is forever vacant, is agonizing in the extreme. But God in this, as in all things, has mingled mercy with the blow, in selecting the one best prepared to leave us. May you be able to join me

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The question is further advanced in II Peter 3:11 with the additional and informative words, "what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness." The word is in the plural number, in holy conversations. What seems to be meant is that every part of the conduct should be holy, and that every part of godliness should be attended to: "In every part of a holy life, and every act of godliness;" that is, we are not to be holy in part or pious in part, but attend to every branch of duty towards man, and every branch of duty towards God.

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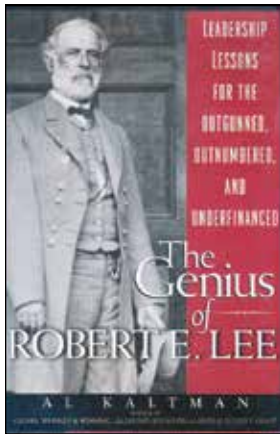


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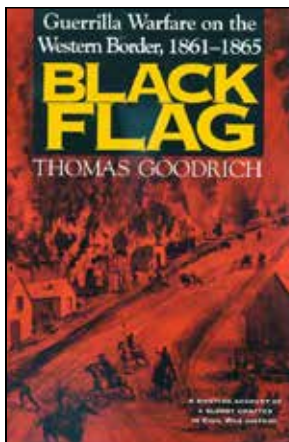
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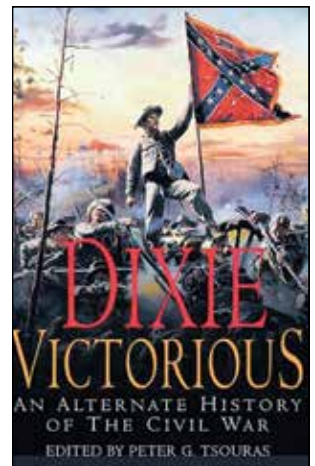
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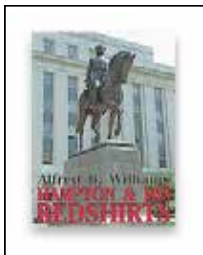
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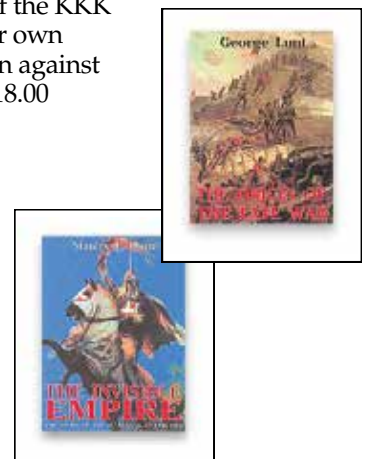
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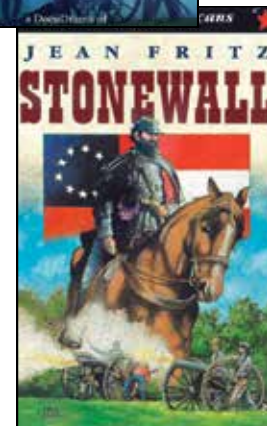
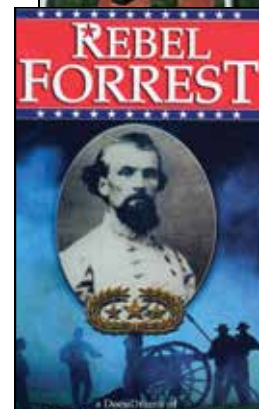


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It was the Christianity of our forefathers that gave them their convictions, courage, and character. We will never recover our culture until we learn and apply biblical Christianity. We cannot recover our heritage until we go back to the foundation upon which our heritage was built. Some may resent the implications of those statements; however, they are easily proven true. Do you know why we cannot help foreign countries on a permanent basis? How about Africa? How about Iraq? You cannot give those countries Christian values apart from Christianity. We continue to send food and grain and

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The reason our culture has changed is because we have left the theology of our fathers! If you desire to bring back our godly, Christian heritage, you must learn to be a godly, obedient Christian. How many cultural changes have you seen since you were a child? Our society is falling apart before our very eyes, our civilization is drowning in sin and rebellion and we sit back and wonder why. We piously say God bless America! I ask you, in light of our open, blatant, ungodly, reprobate acts, (individually, familially, ecclesiastically, and nationally), why should God bless America? If we desire the blessings of

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Robert E. Lee said: "The Bible is the book of books, a book which supplies the place of all others and cannot be replaced."

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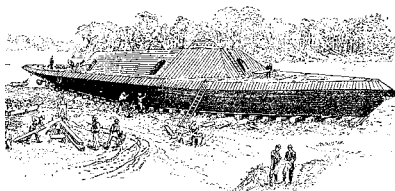
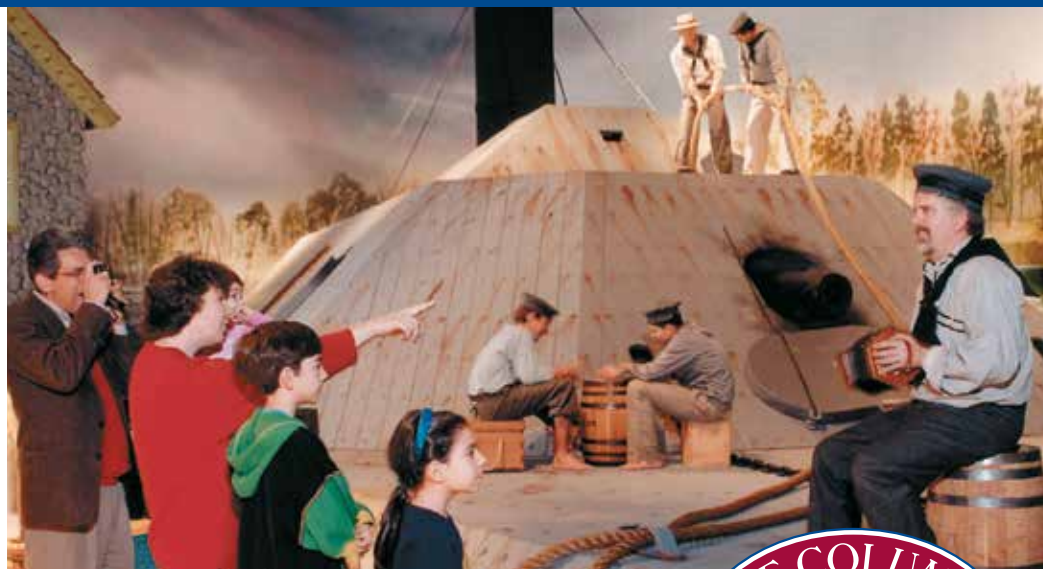
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