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Pvt. Aaron D. Williams15

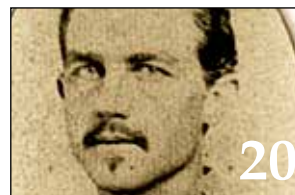
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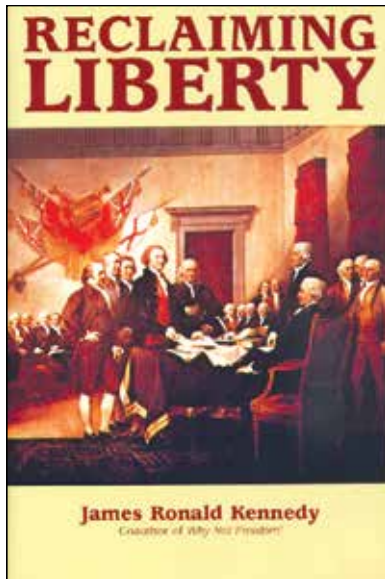
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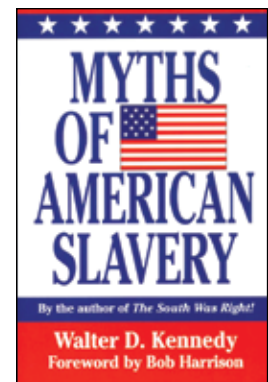
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FROM THE EDITOR



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As we come to the close of another year, it is sometimes helpful to reflect upon the events which have taken place in the last 12 months so we can plan for the future and not repeat our mistakes.

No, I'm not going to rehash the unpleasant events of the past year. To say it has been an eventful year would be an understatement. But, upon careful reflection, I would like to say I believe the events of this year will make us stronger and more effective in the long-term as we continue the fight to preserve and promote our heritage.

The future is bright for the Sons of Confederate Veterans. I feel 2006 will be just the first of many great years in our future. As you will read in Commander Sweeney's column, we have some exciting new projects on the drawing board. I'm excited to be a member of the SCV, and I hope you are, too.

I plan to continue improving your magazine in the coming year. Changes are planned for the office of editor-in-chief that will only make it better. Our magazine can be more timely and on a regular schedule. With continued growth in membership and additions to the field rep program, I envision more color and more pages.

This is the first time I've had more letters to the editor than room to print them. The extra ones will be in the next issue. However, it's been a year since the Ann Coulter article. Perhaps we could give that issue a rest. But if you've ever been to one of our reunions, you know we have a habit of beating a dead horse to a pulp. Please continue to send those letters in, both pro and con; it's my favorite section of the magazine.

Thanks to all of you who send in photos of your camp's activities. If you haven't seen your photo yet, be patient; it will be in a future issue. Also, don't forget to send in articles about the Real Son(s) in your camp.

I would like to wish all of our readers a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. 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, looped "F" and a cursive "Powell".

Editor-in-Chief



REPORT OF THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF DENNE A. SWEENEY

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New Beginnings

With the departure of the MOS&B from Elm Springs, the IHQ is embarking on new ventures. We have made an offer for the adjoining property and, if our bid is successful, exciting plans for our Headquarters are being considered. These include

- A new office building. This would be built well away from the antebellum mansion, but in the same style. This building would provide modern office space for our staff as well as some revenue-generating rental space.
- A monument to all Confederates killed in the War For Southern Independence. A Vietnam-monument-style wall has been suggested, but this idea is only in the *suggestion stage*; we plan to start a design competition with our members over the final project.
- The existing mansion will ultimately become more of a museum and genealogy lab.

Now don't go writing me yet with all sorts of ideas for the office building and monument — we haven't successfully secured the adjoining property yet and a lot of financial planning and *sketch-pad* exercises have to take place first. This is probably a ten-year project, but I expect each succeeding administration will seize the great opportunities that this new acquisition will present.

The 2006 Convention

Many members have asked if there are any plans to move the 2006 convention due to the devastation caused by the hurricanes. I have been assured by the Convention Committee that the good folks of New Orleans are working fast and furiously to rebuild their damaged city. Fortunately, the downtown area — particularly the French Quarter — was not as badly damaged as the media portrayed it. Many of the hotels in that area will be open in time for Mardi Gras in February. Our host hotel, the Sheraton, is already the home base for FEMA workers in that area, and is starting to accept regular reservations as of December 1. The 2006 Convention *will be* held in New Orleans, where we received the Charge from General S. D. Lee 100 years ago.

Farewell to the Editor

No, we aren't getting rid of the *Confederate Veteran* or our esteemed editor. But we did vote at the October 29 GEC meeting to convert the editor's position to a paid position. This has been on the *back burner* for some time, with many of

us recognizing that the 200+ hours per issue that the editor must devote to producing the CV is just way beyond what we should expect of a longtime volunteer. Executive Director Ben Sewell (to whom the new paid editor would report) was tasked with coming up with a detailed plan for converting the existing position to a paid position. Lt. CIC Chris Sullivan will also be including the change in his proposed new constitution, by eliminating the editor's position from the appointed positions on the GEC. This will have to be approved by the members, of course, but I think most would agree that a paid employee shouldn't have a seat on the GEC.

In addition to producing the CV, the editor will be responsible for producing other publications, such as recruiting brochures, catalogs, etc.

New Field Reps

The GEC also voted to add new field reps to our ongoing program. The field rep program has been a mixed success with some parts of the program working better than others. But we have learned from experience, and now the program has reached a new level of maturity, with revenues running ahead of expenses and our lone field rep busier than ever. With the addition of new field reps, we will be able to cover a lot more territory. This, hopefully, will mean more revenue and better support to the camps in the field reps' areas. Director of Field Operations Ron Wilson and the field reps will be holding quite a few more *Friends of the South* seminars as a result of the field rep expansion.

Our newest field rep is Al Perry, former Georgia Brigade Commander from Savannah. Al will be covering Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi and Florida. Welcome, Al — we're happy to have you on board!

No Stamp for General Lee

As a result of a resolution passed at Nashville convention, I wrote to the US Postal Service asking that a special stamp be issued to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the birth of Robert E. Lee in 2007. Unfortunately, it appears that we should have started this process several years ago. The USPS sent me a very nice letter informing me that they had already completed all their planning, design, and production for stamps through 2007 and were now working on 2008 and beyond. It is possible, of course, that a stamp for General Lee may have been requested by someone else, but we won't know that until the

USPS announces their 2007 stamps in the fall of 2006. I will write to the USPS after the first of the year and try to convince them to issue a special stamp for General Lee in the year of the WBTS sesquicentennial, 2011.

Update on the Lawsuits

Mississippi: Robert Murphree has continued to push his lawsuit against the SCV by filing a motion with the court demanding that the SCV pay back all the fees it collected in the last eight years from the Brooks Fund (which was created for the furtherance of medical research through post-doctoral fellowships and/or research professorships at any accredited medical school), even before a hearing has been scheduled on the merits of the case. Mr. Murphree contends that he only wants to protect the fund and is seeking to have the custody of the \$3.5 million Brooks Fund transferred to the Mississippi Division because the Division (he alleges) is better equipped to handle such funds than National. This is in spite of the fact that the Division has no known expertise in handling funds like this. You would think that if his altruism were sincere, Mr. Murphree would be proposing that the fund be transferred to known philanthropic organizations, such as the American Cancer Society. Mr. Murphree could have taken his case to the GEC or to the General Convention for nothing, but chose to go directly to the courts instead.

Tennessee: The coup conspirators filed a legal action in the Columbia court, seeking to have their projected \$68,000 in legal bills paid by the SCV. At the first hearing in August, the judge made the surprising ruling that the SCV had *benefited* from the February and March legal wrangling by having its constitutional shortcomings pointed out to it by the court, thereby allowing us to *fix* our problems at the Special Convention and Nashville convention. A second hearing was held November 21. The conspirators were awarded \$38,000 by the court in this round. This was expected, considering the judge's August ruling. Whatever the court's reasoning, the matter won't end there — *the SCV will appeal the November 21 ruling*. Joining in the legal action against the SCV were Beau Cantrell, John French, Ralph Green, Norman Dassinger, Earl Faggert, Anthony Hodges, Charles Smith, and Bob Hawkins. The court also *generously* ruled that the *Sweeney legal fees* could also be paid out of the SCV treasury, something we will never do.

Tracking the Coup History

I know full well that most members are very tired of hearing about the coup that occurred in February and all the contentious issues that came from that action. But for the benefit of those individuals who still have unresolved questions about what happened, who did what to whom, etc., I am setting up a new link from our main website where we will try to answer all your questions. This website will also contain a full history of the events of the last year and some additional thoughts and information from various individuals. If you are still interested in all this, check the *commander-in-chief* link from the main SCV website (www.scv.org) after January 1.

Happy Holidays, Humbug

In this politically correct world, there is no such thing as Christmas. When was the last time you saw a *Merry Christmas* sign on a major retailer? Well, this isn't *The Holidays* and you won't see any *Seasons Greetings* here. December is the month of Christmas, and the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. It is also a time of year to be grateful. I am grateful for the support of the loyal SCV members and their efforts to return the SCV to the control of the members. I appreciate all the hard work that members contribute to the Cause, from basic heritage tasks such as cleaning headstones to complex tasks such as working on monument protection bills. It's all for the Cause.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of you. In the immortal words of Sheriff Andy, "Y'all done good."



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Dispatches From the Front

A collection of letters to the editor from our members.

Term *neo-con* misunderstood

To the Editor:

I read a letter from a camp defending its member who in a previous letter used the term *neo-con*, which drew a response from yet another compatriot who accused him of being anti-Semitic for using that term. If that's all there was to it, I must comment that it is really, really amazing how many of us have such unbelievable misunderstandings. The term *neo-con* has nothing whatsoever to do with religion or race. It's a political term. *Neo-cons* are the Bush Republicans (many *conservative* Republicans are at odds with them) and we can read a liberal press magazine or Pat Buchanan's *American Conservative* magazine and not tell the difference between them in their anti-*neo-con* editorials. To our compatriots above, it seems the problem is a misunderstanding of the meaning of the term, and that is what should be clarified between them.

Bob Arnold

Major James M. Utz Camp 1815
Florissant, Missouri

Do we need alcohol at our banquets?

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter to ask our compatriots this question. Do we need alcohol at our Lee-Jackson banquets?

My answer is no, and I will give you the reason why the answer should be no. The first reason is our families and friends will be at the banquet to show support to our cause. How will it look if our compatriots are drunk and falling down onto the floor when they are walking towards their family and friends? You know some of our members cannot hold their alcohol at

all. Families and friends will think we are all drunks and we have no honor toward the Lee-Jackson banquet.

The second thing is our children will be at this banquet too. You know the children or teenagers will think it's all right to drink alcohol at any time because of what they witness at the banquet. Remember, these are our future members who will help us to protect our cause in the future.

The third and final reason is some compatriots like to drive home after they have been drinking a lot of alcohol. Some will drive home and kill someone on the road because we did not stop them from getting behind the wheel. If this happens at our Lee-Jackson banquet and the camp who is putting this on will have blood on each member's hands for killing the driver, wife and children in that vehicle that our compatriot hit while driving drunk behind the wheel. Also, we need to think about this, too. You know we are liable for the person who is drunk and gets behind the wheel without stopping him or her from driving home. This means we can get sued for everything we own and give some powerful ammo to our enemies to use against us, too.

So let me put into each compatriot's heart and soul this: Do we have to drink? You can always go to a bar or other places to drink, but not at the Lee-Jackson Banquet, which is to honor our heritage and our heroes.

Richard W. Gunter
B/G Barnard E. Bee Camp 1575
Aiken, South Carolina

Selling ads can help defray cost of magazine

To the Editor:

Dan D. Williams was right on in his letter concerning advertising in the

Confederate Veteran. Bourbon and other forms of corn liquor are every bit as Southern as grits, barbeque and okra.

Mr. Williams's idea about a product survey is an excellent idea. Selling advertising can help defray a lot of the cost of producing your excellent magazine.

Sincerely,

George R. Reece

Granville Henderson Oury Camp 1708
Mesa, Arizona

Strongly disagrees with pastor's claim

To the Editor:

In response to Rev. Beene's response to Compatriot Byron's letter — and to Compatriot Fred Chitwood's letter — I am also a pastor of a church. I have pastored a Full Gospel Church here (25 years). I emphatically add my complaint to Compatriots Byron and Chitwood. Due to time/space, I won't give a full message of my aversion to liquor, but I strongly disagree with Pastor Beene's claim. I find numerous scriptures as to the dangers of alcohol: Leviticus 10:9, Proverbs 20:1; Isaiah 5:11, 22, 28:1.

Romans 14:21 tells us that if our liberties cause our brothers to stumble, then we are wrong to a certain degree. It is a known fact that R.E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson were known to use alcohol only as an emergency medical treatment. Now to my reasoning against alcohol use: In the Old Testament, God forbade priests to use alcohol before entering the temple.

Since the New Testament tells us that we are the temple today, is not "entering our body with alcohol" doing that same thing? I under no circumstances expect everyone to have the same religious convictions that I do, as a member of the SCV (and a very deep admirer of Generals Robert E. Lee and

Stonewall Jackson), do take exception to liquor ads in the *Confederate Veteran*. Please add my name to Compatriots Byron and Chitwood in their complaint against liquor ads in our magazine. I do not believe that this practice is consistent with the integrity and records of Lee and Jackson.

Sincerely yours in the defense of our Southern integrity and tradition,

Cecil D. Conner, Adjutant
Frontier Guards Camp 996
Junction, Texas

Let's argue over important issues

To the Editor:

It was with real humor that I have read the last two issues of *Dispatches from the Front*: the objections to the liquor ad in our magazine. It would seem to me that there are far more things that are far more important to the compatriots of our fine organization than whether we accept an ad or not.

We are facing the removal of Confederate memorials, monuments, and cemeteries. We are facing the objections of our colors being flown in public. It has become *politically incorrect* to say that we are members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Are we then facing these problems by arguing over something as silly as whether or not to accept an add from a liquor company?

I have serious doubts that publication of our magazine is free of charge. I also doubt that we are at the point that we have so many advertisers that we should turn away a paying customer.

The time is at hand that we band together on issues that are important. Not over something as irrelevant as a magazine ad.

Mike Espinola
Lone Star Grays Camp 1953
Schertz, Texas

Proud to be unapologetic member of the SCV

To the Editor:

Several *Dispatches From the Front* (September/October 2005) challenged a liberal Democrat to unapologetically de-

fend our heritage or to write something favorable to the Confederacy. This letter should convince anyone who wants the *Confederate Veteran* to become a trade journal for right-wing political causes that there are many liberals among us who nonetheless have strong feelings about our heritage.

As for me, I proudly declare that I am a liberal Democrat and a member of the ACLU and just as proudly that I am a member of the SCV and MOS&B. Furthermore, my support of all those organizations is not inconsistent when one considers their historical purposes. Anyone who wants to challenge my dedication and commitment to publicly defending the honor of the Confederacy and my soldier-ancestors had best be armed with facts, not epithets.

Strident attacks on our heritage regularly appear from many quarters. Racist groups have corrupted the proud symbols of that heritage, while shrill voices from the other extreme call for the erasure of any vestige of the Confederacy. Both extremes in this clash are wrong. The silent voices in the middle leave only vocal minorities to articulate the debate — inevitably, truth is the loser.

Our true Southern heritage simply is not rooted in slavery or racism — and that is the message that we must preach. In fact, most families in the South owned farms of less than 100 acres, if they were fortunate enough to own any land — and the myth of a universal plantation aristocracy, complete with mint juleps and vast fields full of slaves was just that — a myth. The historical fact is that almost every cotton farmer in the South picked his own cotton.

Our ancestors fought and died for their belief in individual freedom under a Battle Flag that today we hold dear and sacred. The War was largely the culmination of bitter North-South jealousy over political and economic dominance that had persisted since Jamestown and Plymouth Rock. Slavery was but one element of the conflict

The historical purpose of our organizations has been to record and celebrate our true heritage. If we are faithful to that purpose, then we should counter those who declare, with minds closed and mouths open, that our organization

is racist and, equally so, that liberals are the enemy. One could just as easily say that the Republican party, the party of Abraham Lincoln, is our true foe, as to declare that the Democratic party is the culprit.

There are many people on both extremes whose minds are made up and they don't want to be confused with facts. We must concentrate on those who are willing to look at the facts and educate them, not fight among ourselves. It helps not a bit to confront each other about whether we are liberal or conservative, Democrat or Republican. That kind of bickering plays into the hands of those who sit back and smugly say that the SCV is an organization of right-wing fanatics at best, or racists at worst, who cannot get over the fact that the South lost and who like to dress up and go play soldier. Anything that we do that feeds that characterization is a disgrace to the memory of our ancestors.

In short, we cannot be a silent voice in the middle, but we must not be a shrill voice on the extreme right and expect to have any legitimacy with the group of people in the middle who possibly might be educated as to the historical accuracy of our position.

As for me, forgetting or denying my Confederate heritage is not an option. My liberal philosophy does not demand that I do so. Rather, it challenges me to convince anyone who will listen openly that the historical principles for which our ancestors fought are American principles, and that all Americans, red or blue, South or North, white or black, liberal or conservative, rich or poor, are better protected by a society in which we all share equally in the promises on which our nation was founded. I am proud to be American by birth, and thankful to be a Southerner by God's grace.

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REPORT OF THE LT. COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

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When the Media come to you

Last issue we discussed some techniques about dealing with the press. In this issue I'd like for us to look at some of the fake media out there. When I say fake media, I'm not referring to news organizations which are so slanted as to be illegitimate — though there are certainly plenty of those — instead, I am referring to media which are entirely entertainment programming but which masquerade as real news.

There are surprisingly many in this category, but only a few are seriously dangerous in their ability to cause us harm. For this article we will consider three: *The Daily Show* with Jon Stewart, *Da Ali G Show*, and *The Phil Hendrie Show*. The first two are television programs, while the last is a radio show.

The Daily Show — Host: Jon Stewart
(www.comedycentral.com/shows/the_daily_show)

A Comedy Central channel staple, this program is designed to appear just like a traditional television newscast one would see on CNN or *Fox News*, although this show's basic ingredients are ridicule, mockery, and slaughtering of scared cows.

With comedian Jon Stewart operating as the anchor, each show takes a wickedly funny look at the day's news and includes a segment where the host interviews a personality live in the studio in the same *desk & couch* format as most other talk shows. They will frequently include some *reporting* where one of their correspondents conducts a highly edited interview with some unsuspecting victim.

It is this last part that concerns us.

In order to get their material, however, these

programs need someone to be the butt of their jokes. To obtain them, they use casual trickery in order to entice unsuspecting subjects into being interviewed. On initial contact, the program's producers will portray themselves as serious reporters operating under the normal journalistic conventions. Once they get the cameras rolling, the correspondent will ask increasingly stupid and idiotic questions, while the subject attempts to give a reasoned and rational response.

Once back in the studio, the *Daily Show's* expert editors weaves clips of the interview together to make the bumfuzzled subject appear as witless and demented as possible.

All of this can make for very funny television. It is especially entertaining to watch various unctuous officials being skewered for some bureaucratic nonsense. The problem is that sometimes Southern heritage supporters get trapped in the scheme. You can visit the *Comedy Central* web site and see how it works.

Anyone who participates in one of these so-called interviews is going to be embarrassed through no fault of their own. The best advice is to steer clear.

Da Ali G Show — Host: Sacha Baron Cohen/Ali G/Borat Sagdiyev /Bruno
(www.hbo.com/alig/)

This program is very similar to the *Daily Show* except it is not, well, daily. *Da Ali G Show* appears on *Home Box Office* (HBO), a premium cable movie channel and features a man named Sacha Baron

Cohen under various disguises.

Like the *Daily Show*, Mr. Cohen also interviews unsuspecting but otherwise sincere people and tries to make them look foolish.

In one guise he is “Ali G,” a parody of a swarthy, British-accented gangster-rapper, decked out in a yellow Adidas track suit and enough gold chains to choke a mule. In this costume, some black comedians have accused Mr. G of minstrelsy. On his web site, Ali G describes himself this way:

Me woz failed by da skool system and hated every minute me spent in da classroom. In fact added together, dat time woz probly da most borin 3 hours of me life — altho me do still go to a skool re-union every second Monday at Staines Job Centre...

You would think Ali G would be easy to see, but he has already gotten such worldly-wise men as ABC newsman Sam Donaldson, an author/commentator, to participate in his bogus interview show.

In another of his apparitions, Mr. Cohen is portrayed as Borat Sagdiyev, a television newsman sent from his native Kazakhstan (where he is the country’s “sixth most famous man”) to the United States to report on American life.

Using his broken English as tool to get people into funny situations, Borat gradually ups the ante to see how far people will go not to offend him or his ignorance.

A third character from *Da Ali G Show* is Bruno, an effete personality who, according to the official web site, “... trumps the most vacuous, sycophantic and intellectually redundant fashionistas with his inanity and superciliousness.” In one episode Bruno suggests that some children should have plastic surgery at birth in order to prevent a population of *ugly people*.

The Phil Hendrie Show

(www.philhendrieshow.com)

Unlike the others above, *The Phil Hendrie Show* is on radio. Based in California, Mr. Hendrie is a very talented mimic and voice impressionist who fills his shows with interesting and controversial characters. The problem is, all his characters are fake. They are, in fact, the host changing his voice.

The hook for this show is that on each episode Mr. Hendrie hosts a caller who has a problem and he tries to help them with it. At the same time he

invites listeners to call in and comment as well.

On a recent show, for example, Mr. Hendrie hosted a woman named Bobbie Dooley (actually Mr. Hendrie talking in a woman’s voice). Her problem was that the 25 most popular students in her child’s class received death threats; she was not concerned that death threats were sent to children but that her child did not get one and was therefore unpopular.

The show is performed in such a way as to draw in unsuspecting callers and to try to get them irate enough to argue with the show’s guest, not knowing that the guest and the host are the same person.

As you can imagine, all of these shows love to pick on the Confederate Flag and other Southern heritage issues. They know that Southerners are fundamentally hospitable, and this plays into their hands.

As Southerners we tend to take someone at their word, and if they pretend to be making a serious attempt at understanding a subject, we are willing to help them out. In these cases, however, there is no hope and one is discouraged from having any contact with them at all.

They also know that as a maligned group, Southerners are eager to see the truth told and that we are passionate about defending the truth of our heritage.

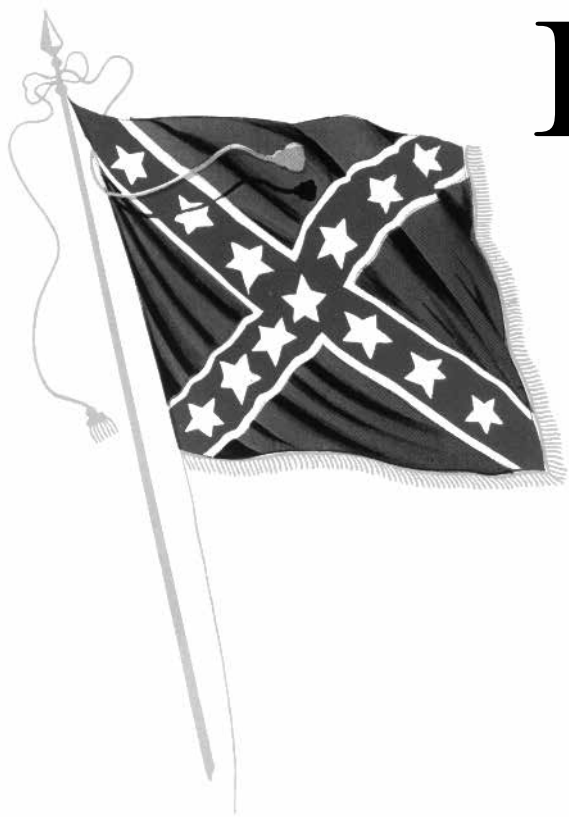
The problem, of course, is that these folks have no interest in the truth and are only interested in a good laugh.

The best advice is to never participate in one of these programs. One sign that they are not legitimate is that they may ask you to sign a consent agreement claiming the right to “offensive behavior or questioning or any invasion of privacy.”

One should never rely on these folks to be honest or truthful. If you ever do get caught in one of these interviews, politely pull the plug and walk away.

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Forward The Colors

**AN EDITORIAL FROM
THE CHIEF OF
HERITAGE DEFENSE**

What type of ambassador are you?

Did you know each and every one of you is an ambassador of the Southern Cause and the Confederacy? The dictionary defines ambassador as

An official representative sent by one sovereign or government to another

A minister of the highest rank in the diplomatic service, appointed to reside at the seat of government of a foreign country and to represent there the interests of his own government.

Any personal representative or messenger.

When an individual, SCV member or not, is associated with a

Confederate symbol, his actions, sometimes unfortunately, defines the interests ... issues of the Confederacy in the hearts and minds of the uneducated ... ignorant.

Many divisions within the Confederation have their own specialized license plates. These plates have the SCV logo and organization name. As an ambassador of the Southern Cause, what kind of image is projected to the public along our roads and highways if the driver is reckless and dangerous? Would they question the integrity and honor of a true Southerner? How could such actions be defended? Bumper stickers are just as important. They tell other motorists a lot about the occupants, especially

the owner of the vehicle. Remember, we *Forward the Colors* when we are behind the wheel ... the critics are watching.

Recently, the family and I took a vacation to Vermont. We rented an efficiency apartment for the time we were there. One chilly morning I was standing outside near the car waiting to leave on that day's excursion. Our *neighbor* was outside, also tending to his motorcycle. He looked up and noticed I was wearing a denim jacket which sported several patches. He told me he liked my patch. When I inquired as to which one, he pointed and said, "The large Confederate Flag." I was a bit surprised, to say the least, at his knowledge and accep-

tance for what the Confederacy stood. The conversation that pursued was very enlightening to us both. We *Forward the Colors* by the clothes we wear ... and we ARE noticed.

Speaking of clothes ... T-shirts come to mind. There are thousands of Confederate T-shirts on the market ... every one of which turns its wearer into an ambassador of the symbol it represents. There is probably no prominent group of people wearing these T-shirts more so than our students. These young people must be taught the responsibility attached to displaying such garments.

Many of us participate in parades in the Southland ... and beyond. Confederate flags and symbols adorn our various units to exclaim to the world our beliefs and who we are. In Louisiana, the SCV marches in numerous parades, some of which host 200,000 to 400,000 spectators. It is imperative that we, as Southern ambassadors, conduct ourselves in a manner that would bring honor to the Confederate veteran. If a participant is drunk and belligerent ... he becomes a part of the crowd/spectators, which in turn shows a negative light on the SCV ... and that tarnishes our message.

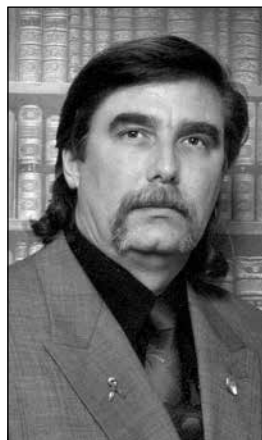
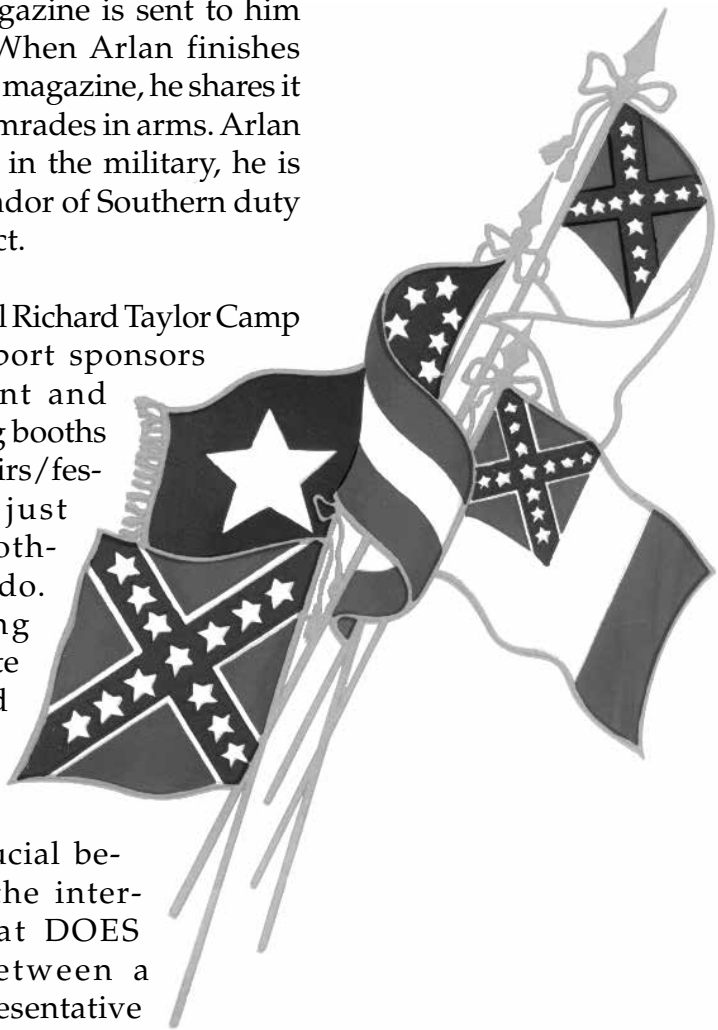
I know a large number of SCV members share their *Confederate Veteran* magazine with others, after they have read it. A friend of mine from East Texas, Arlan Williams, is serving in Iraq at the present time. His *Confederate*

Veteran magazine is sent to him overseas. When Arlan finishes reading the magazine, he shares it with his comrades in arms. Arlan is not only in the military, he is an ambassador of Southern duty and conduct.

The General Richard Taylor Camp in Shreveport sponsors recruitment and fundraising booths at many fairs/festivals ... just as many other camps do. Everything Confederate is sold and discussed at these booths.

This is crucial because of the interaction that DOES evolve between a camp representative and, sometimes, a hostile debater.

As Southerners, what makes us unique is our individual ideas and beliefs. The duty of an SCV ambassador is to relay/reflect the positive message of our organization ... because whether you like it or not, you are an ambassador and a judgmental public IS watching and listening.



What type of ambassador are you?

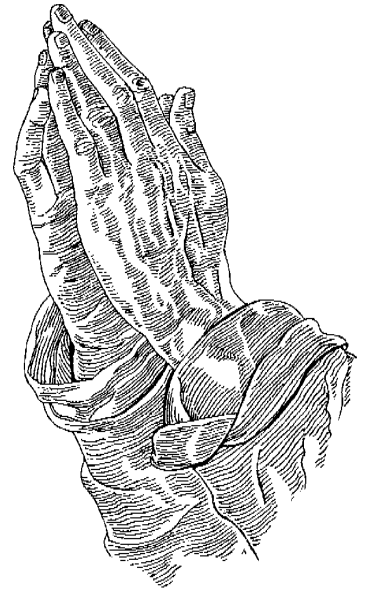
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The Rebel Flag Is Upon My Heart

“What is all the hoopla over the Confederate Flag?”

I have been asked that question and possibly you have as well. Of course, a flag is a symbol, which often stands for something beyond life itself. For a real Southerner this is certainly true regarding the Confederate Flag. The Confederate Flag stood for more than State Rights. Although it stood for that, it stood in the ultimate for the Triune God of the Bible, and the fact that “the truth shall set you free.” “FREEDOM!” True freedom represents much more than a political right to vote. “Liberty without godliness is but another name for anarchy or despotism. Let philosophers

and statesmen argue as they please—the religion of the gospel is the rock on which civil liberty rests. You have never known a people free without the Bible,” asserted Gardiner Spring. Patrick Henry in his Stamp Act Speech warned, “Liberty, the greatest of all earthly blessings — give us the precious jewel and you may take everything else.... Suspect everyone who approaches that jewel.”

The flag with Andrew’s Cross (X) on it had two major aspects: it was symbolic of the Christian faith, as well as being identified with the origin of the people. The South was predominantly Scottish-Irish. Thus they chose the part of the Scottish national flag that represented those two elements. The

South had a Calvinistic culture, believing that God’s dominion or rule was over every aspect of life. However, the primary purpose of this article before you is to note how such convictions were carried out in the lives of her people.

For example, one Georgia mother wrote her son just after enlistment to fight under this flag, “I feel that you have gone forth in the name of the Lord. May He give strength to your arm and nerve to your heart to do your whole duty, and courage to fight the battle through.... Fain would I stand by your side and face the cannon ball, but this is denied me.”

Now for a more extended example. Fannie Beers was born in the North, but married a

Southern gentleman. The couple became one flesh. She became a convinced Southerner. Also, Fannie's heart had found a resting place in Christ. Her husband became a Confederate soldier. She became ill. Her beloved thought it best, because of her poor health, for her to return to her mother in the North. So she returned to the home of her childhood. She reported, "I was an alien, an acknowledged 'Rebel,' and as such an object of suspicion and dislike to all save my immediate family.... During this troubled time a little babe was born to me ... who only just opened its dark eyes upon the troubled face of its mother to close them forever."

A friend of hers warned her concerning a small Confederate flag which her husband had sent her. It was a small silk flag that she had been keeping in her Prayer Book. The town people knew of the flag. In the friend's warning she was reminded that unless she dispensed with the flag, a mob might show up at her mother's house for her.

Fannie discovered a jar of "perpetual paste" in her mother's secretary. She conceived the idea of applying the adhesive to one side of the silk flag and pasting it upon the naked flesh just over her heart. She made the application. About this time there was a great Confederate victory at Big Bethel, VA, which was the first land battle of the war. The people in the town gathered under her window crying out, "Where's that rebel woman?" and "Let's have that flag.... Show your colors..." and on they went. "Rebel" Fannie opened her win-

dow and waved the newspaper containing the story of the recent victory over her head, shouting, "Hurrah! Hurrah for Big Bethel! Hurrah for the brave rebels!" This enraged the people so much that they would possibly have stormed the house and done her harm. About that time the village doctor showed up to care for her, and he stood up in his buggy, crying out, "Friends, she is but a frail, defenseless woman. Be thankful if your morning's work be not her death." Finally, the crowd dispersed. The doctor

came to her chamber where she lay in a fevered state.

When the doctor came the next morning, he gazed at her, calling her a "brave girl." The doctor explained that she was now in danger. "Your only safety lies in giving up the rebel flag.... Give it to me, Fannie, and I will destroy it before their eyes, and thus avert the threatened danger." "Doctor, since the rebel flag has existed, I have cherished it in my heart of hearts. You may search the house over; you will

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The Last Roll



Captain John H. Turpin 368
Greensboro, AL
Frederic Orlo Yeager

Fort Blakely 1864
Bay Minette, AL
Marion Duane Bryars

3rd Sergeant William John Martin
2004
Winfield, AL
James Wayne McDaniel

Lt. Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest
2049
Mobile, AL
Jason Lindsey
Kirby J. Greenlee, Jr.

David O. Dodd 619
Benton, AR
Quin Baber

Tyree Harris Bell 1804
Tulare, CA
Robert M. Wash

Col. John Marshall Martin 730
Ocala, FL
Vanness B. Seckinger

John T. Lesley 1282
Tampa, FL
Charles Phillip Reynolds

Capt. J. J. Dickison 1387
Melbourne, FL
Raymond G. Ferrell

Gen. David E. Twiggs 1462
Wauchula, FL
Herman T. Ratliff

Jacob Summerlin 1516
Kissimmee, FL
Charles Gordon Witherington
Steve Johnson

Alexander H. Stephens 78
Americus, GA
Buford Waddell
Curtis Ray Williams
Robert Eugene Bradley

W.D. Mitchell 163
Thomasville, GA
Jasper Claud Davis
Wyatt Allen Shumake

Thomas Marsh Forman 485
Brunswick, GA
Claude Dyson Flanders

John K. McNeill 674
Moultrie, GA
David Gibson Newton
John Ferguson White
Forrest's Escort 1239
Villa Rica, GA
John Howard Powell
Alfred Wayne Cook

Stewart-Webster 1607
Richland, GA
Herbert Albert Majors

Lee Guard 1697
Leesburg, GA
Luther Mosteller

John Hunt Morgan 1342
Louisville, KY
Raymond James Cummins

Captain William Green Wells 1767
Boonscamp, KY
Charles C. Wells

Elijah Gates 570
Fulton, MO
Marshall S. Flippen

Gainesville Volunteers 373
Picayune, MS
Joshua G. Wolfe

Jefferson Davis 635
Jackson, MS
M. L. Shorter

Private Samuel A. Hughey 1452
Hernando, MS
William H. Butler

George Davis 5
Wilmington, NC
Larry L. Baker
J. K. Nicholson

The Thomasville Rifles 172
Thomasville, NC
Stephen Monroe Davis

Goldsboro Rifles 760
Goldsboro, NC
William E. Uzzell

Col. Charles F. Fisher 813
Graham, NC
William L. Lindsey

Col. John Sloan 1290
Greensboro, NC
Charles L. Long

Cleveland Regiments 1663
Cleveland County, NC
Yates Dewey Beam

Lt. Dixon—CSS *Hunley*
2016
Sparks, NY
Timothy Wade Williard

Gen. Archibald Gracie 985
New York, NY
Robert W. Lord

Miss Constance Cary 1913
Gloversville, NY
Timothy P. Rathbun

John M. Kinard 35
Newberry, SC
Hilliard Furman Livingston

Gordon Capers 123
St. George, SC
Edward Keith Walters

B/G Barnard E. Bee 1575
Aiken, SC
Rupert Coleman Preacher

Capt. Andrew T. Harllee 2010
Dillon, SC
David M. B. Scott

N. B. Forrest 3
Chattanooga, TN
Dennis Victor Nave

M/G Benjamin F. Cheatham 72
Manchester, TN
John M. Bennett

MG William D. McCain HQ 584
Columbia, TN
Kenneth H. Austin
Marion Douglas Martindale
Darrell Edwin Maddox
John E. Harvey

Battle of Shiloh 1454
Shiloh, TN
Ernie Lemuel Locke

Crockett Rangers 1774
Alamo, TN
John Kalup Wilson

Lt. Robert D. Powell 1817
Blountville, TN
Arthur Nidiffer

Gen. Felix H. Robertson 129
Waco, TX
John L. Bates

Colonel John "Rip" Ford 869
Universal City, TX
Bobby D. Mann

Johnson-Sayers-Nettles 1012
Teague, TX
John W. Swinburn
Hugh D. Reed

Maj. Robert M. White 1250
Temple, TX
Henry Boothe Moncure

Gen. W. L. Cabell 1313
Dallas, TX
William H. Hastings

Col. Thomas S. Lubbock 1352
Lubbock, TX
Joseph Montgomery-Davis

Col. Phillip A. Work 1790
Woodville, TX
Billy Quinn Barge
Lee Roy Taylor

2nd Texas Frontier 1904
De Leon, TX
W. J. Carruth

Texas Lonestar Greys 1953
Schertz, TX
Bennett Y. Allen

Lee Jackson 1
Richmond, VA
John T. Flythe
Clinton W. Baber
J. Ives Townsend

Clinton Hatcher 21
Leesburg, VA
Joshua Lee

The Old Brunswick 512
Lawrenceville, VA
Billy H. Young

Black Horse 780
Warrenton, VA
George Vernon Godfrey

J. E. B. Stuart 1343
Richmond, VA
Lawrence Thomas Cheatham

Cabell-Graves 1402
Danville, VA
Joel Thomas Hicks

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Confederate Images

by C.E. Avery



Private Aaron D. Williams

Aaron D. Williams was born and raised on his father's plantation in Liberty County, Georgia, where he received the best education available.

While Aaron was still a teenager, his father was a member of the Congressional convention, which passed the ordinance of secession. His father, Gilbert M. Williams, later raised the 47th regiment, of which he became colonel.

Both Aaron and his brother enlisted in Co. I of the 47th in April 1862, before Aaron had turned 15 years of age. Two months after enlisting he saw his first action on James Island, SC. A week later they fought at Secessionville, but evacuated James Island by July.

In June 1863 they were sent west to help relieve pressure on Vicksburg, Mississippi, and became part of Breckenridge's Division. The unit skirmished with Grant's army near Clinton and fought at Jackson on July 12. They were at the Battle of Chickamauga, GA, on September 19-21 and took part in the siege of Chattanooga, TN, from September 23 to November 23. In November they became part of Chatham's



Aaron D. Williams

Division of Hardee's Corps, being engaged at Indian Hill, TN, Chattanooga, TN, and Ringgold Gap, GA.

During the summer of 1864 the 47th became part of Taliferro's Brigade of the District of SC, GA, and FL. From May 1 to July 1 they took part in the Atlanta Campaign, fighting at Ley's Ferry, Cassville, Dallas, New Hope Church, Altoona, Pine Hill, Lost Mountain, and Kennesaw Mountain. They were again sent back to SC, where they

engaged the enemy at James Island on five different occasions. They were then used to help stop Sherman's march by fighting at Waynesboro, GA; Boyd's Landing, SC; Grahamville, SC and at the siege of Savannah, GA.

The new year of 1865 brought more combat at Pocataligo, SC; Salkahatchie River, SC; Orangeburg, SC and on March 16, at Averasborough, NC. Their last major battle was at Bentonville, NC, on March 19-21. The unit was surrendered at Durham Station, NC, on April 26. It is estimated that the entire regiment had been reduced to about 150 men and officers at the time of surrender.

Following the war, Aaron finished his education at the South Carolina College, and in 1880, graduated from the South Carolina Medical College. After this he relocated to Jacksonville, FL, practicing medicine.

At the outbreak of the Spanish-American War of 1898, he volunteered his services to the US Army. He was on active duty in Cuba and Puerto Rico until the close of the war. He was retained in the Army serving in Puerto

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No Surrender for *140th Anniversary of Mexico*

By Inspector-in-Chief Rob Jones
William Henry Parsons Camp 415

I shall never surrender! I shall go to Mexico," declared Major General J. O. "Jo" Shelby, commander of the last Confederate army in the field in any state of the Confederacy, in June, 1865. With these words as their guide, a central Texas Sons of Confederate Veterans' camp commemorated the 140th anniversary of the events which brought the War Between the States to a close in a reenactment held from one end of Texas to the other.

From April 29 to May 3, 2005, the activities were staged by the William Henry Parsons Camp 415, based in Ennis, Texas. They began at Chatfield, a rural community southeast of Dallas, with thundering cavalry charges, included a shoot-out at the State Capitol in Austin, and concluded with a solemn burial of the Battle Flag in the Rio Grande River at Eagle Pass where General Shelby led his men into Mexico.

While most of the battles of the War Between the States were fought in the East, Texas has the honor of being the location where the final curtain fell on

the War. Just south of Chatfield, on the morning of June 2, 1865, some two months after General Robert E. Lee had surrendered his army in Virginia, the only remaining Confederate unit in any of the states of the Confederacy held its *Last Review of the Confederacy* before disbanding.

Commanded by General J. O. "Jo" Shelby of Missouri, these Confederates had refused to surrender. Now as the Confederacy collapsed, they found themselves at Chatfield with no country left for which to fight.

Shelby, after reviewing his men for the last time, recounted the many victories of his Division over the last four years. As his speech came to a close, he stood in the stirrups of his saddle and defiantly stated that rather than surrender and submit to Yankee rule, he would go to Mexico. The General



Governor Murrah, portrayed by Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson, greeting General Shelby at the State Capitol of Texas.

Photo courtesy of Gelene Simpson.

shouted, "Who will follow me to Mexico?" and hundreds of the veterans answered the call that they would accompany him.

While his men camped on a nearby creek, Shelby stayed at Chatfield at Hodge Oaks Plantation, enjoying the hospitality of its owner, Captain Robert Hodge,

General Shelby

Crossing reenacted by SCV Camp



Recreation of the burial of Shelby's Iron Division Battle Flag at the Rio Grande River by Parsons Camp Members Bill Davis, Rob Jones, Michael Maust and Ray Maust. Photo courtesy of The Gram Newspaper, Eagle Pass, TX.

before heading to Mexico. The 1960's-era John Wayne movie, *The Undefeated*, is loosely based on Shelby's Mexican adventure which began at Chatfield. A Texas State Historical Marker at the community commemorates the event.

The five-day commemoration

began April 29 at Chatfield. For three days there was a reenactment of General Shelby's "Last Review of the Confederacy" along with a battle reenactment, the Battle of Hodge Oaks Plantation. Although no actual battle was fought there, the reenactment takes its name from Hodge's

plantation. Held on part of the original antebellum plantation just east of Interstate 45, between Ennis and Corsicana on Farm-to-Market Road 1603, a full weekend of living history activities occurred, including mock battles, a blacksmith shop, 1860's craft demonstrations, cavalry competi-



General Jo Shelby and staff officer reviewing troops at "The Last Review of the Confederacy." Pictured from left, Rob Jones portraying General Shelby, Mickey White as staff officer, with troops in review from multiple reenacting organizations.

tions, and a period Confederate ball.

According to Parsons Camp Commander Buster Horn, these SCV members have been reenacting General Shelby's *Last Review* at Chatfield for eight years. The *Last Review* has been an integral part of the battle reenactment and living history weekend.

"What made this year special," Commander Horn said, "was that it was the 140th Anniversary of General Jo Shelby's Last Review and Expedition to Mexico, and the camp wanted to do something extra for it." That *something extra* turned out to be a recreation of General Shelby's march from Chatfield to Mexico. In order to meet modern vacation schedules, the participants compressed what had been a 30-day horseback trip in 1865 into a few days of travel by motor vehicles and horse trailers hitting the highlights.

After events at Chatfield had

ended, a contingent of Parsons Camp members left on Monday, May 2, with Austin as its first destination. At 6:00 PM, the modern-day Confederates arrived at

the State Capitol Building to save the State Treasury from bandits.

Joined by a large number of Austin reenactors from the Major G. W. Littlefield Camp 59, Austin, TX, the group recreated the shootout with robbers that had occurred on the evening of June 11, 1865. While on their way to Mexico, Shelby and his men happened through Austin when bandits were taking advantage of the chaos in Texas and attempting to loot the treasury. In gratitude for their part in saving the state funds, the wartime governor of Texas, Pendleton Murrah, offered payment to Shelby and his men out of the Treasury, but the General turned down any reward. "I came into this war with clean hands, and with God's help, I shall go out of it with clean hands," Shelby declared. "We are the last of our race, let us be the



Reenactors gather with Maverick County host John Stockley. From left, top row: Penny Jones, Rob Jones, Michael Maust, Ray Maust. Bottom row, from left: Bill Davis, Gelene Simpson, Geneva Davis and host John Stockley. Not pictured is Tommy Duncan.

Photo courtesy of Gelene Simpson



best, as well.”

With Texas Land Commissioner (and SCV member) Jerry Patterson portraying Governor Murrah, the scene was reenacted near the north steps of the State Capitol. For Patterson, an avid Texas history buff, it was not the first time he has played a character in Texas history before the public. He was an Alamo hero in last year’s Disney release, *The Alamo*.

Camping facilities were provided at Camp Ben McCulloch, a Confederate Veterans’ Reunion Ground on the outskirts of Austin for Monday night, May 2. The next morning the modern-day Confederates traveled to Eagle Pass, where Shelby’s force had crossed into Mexico.

The Maverick County Historical Commission and the Fort Duncan Museum provided sup-

port for the Parsons Camp to make the activities a success at Eagle Pass. Those on horseback received a police escort through town, and Eagle Pass Mayor Chad Foster met them at the Rio Grande. On the banks of the river, the *Burial of the Shelby Flag* was reenacted where General Shelby buried the last flag used by land forces of the Confederacy in the river, before crossing into Mexico.

After the event, Fort Duncan Museum Director John Stockley and his wife led participants in uniform across the Rio Grande into Piedras Negras, Mexico. In order to conform to Mexican law, they left their horses and arms on the Texas side of the river, but the modern-day Confederates joked that they were claiming the town for the Emperor Maximilian and the Confederacy, too.

“Jo Shelby had a real flair for the dramatic,” said Parsons Camp member and Expedition participant Bill Davis of Roane, Texas. “When he crossed into Mexico rather than surrender,” he added, “that really brought the curtain down on the War. It was a real privilege to reenact that in honor of the 140th Anniversary.”

The Parsons Camp is producing a DVD documenting General Shelby’s Expedition and its reenactment. Further information about the reenactment and next year’s 141st Anniversary observance may be obtained from the Parsons Camp at (903) 345-2223 or at shadows@icountry.net. Also, those seeking information may go to the following website: www.rootsweb.com/~txnavarr.



50 Years a Prisoner

Thomas Benton Smith, 20th Tennessee

by Allen Sullivan, Sam Davis 1293, Brentwood, TN

At the head of this regiment, as he appeared in 1862, he was the physical embodiment of a magnificent soldier, with mental attainments and inclination that made him admired and respected by all who came in personal contact with him. Splendidly built, on grand proportions, a little over six feet tall, muscular, erect as an Indian, of a somewhat dark complexion, deep gray eyes, quiet and courteous in demeanor, cool, calm, and collected on all occasions, whether in genial conversation or in the thickest storm of shot and shell, with a most kindly interest in every man of his command, at all times approachable by any subaltern or private in the line, yet commanding the respect and esteem of those superior to him in military rank, he was the beau ideal of a soldier." — Deering J. Roberts in his biographical sketch of Thomas Benton Smith, published in 1904 in *A History of the Twentieth Tennessee Regiment, C.S.A.*

Thomas Benton Smith was born February 24, 1838, in the little (and now gone) Rutherford County, Tennessee, hamlet of Mechanicsville. The Smith family would play a prominent and



yet star-crossed role in the War for Southern Independence. Tom Smith's only brother, John, would die carrying the regimental colors at Murfreesboro on December 31, 1862. His cousins Dewitt Smith Jobe and Dee Smith also made the ultimate sacrifice, the former giving his life in a manner which has immortalized him for the ages, and the latter as the former's avenging angel. And then there was Tom.

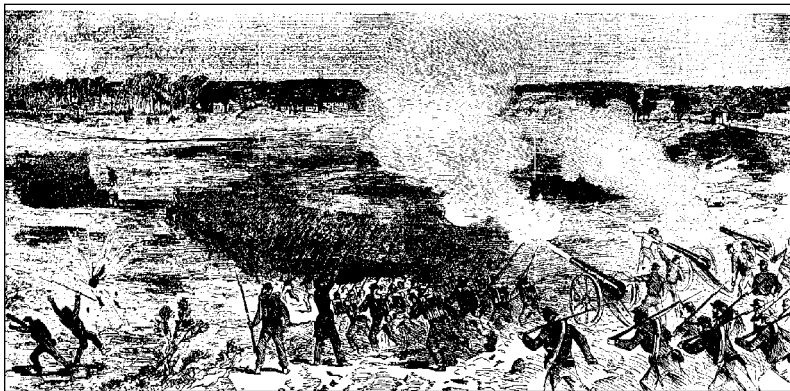
A bright young man with a gift for mechanical inventiveness — he received a patent for a locomotive pilot at the age of 15 — he was educated in the local

schools before entering the course of study at Western Military Institute in Nashville at the age of 16. It was long thought that he had also been, for a time, a cadet at West Point, but a search of the United States Military Academy rosters for the years he may have been a student does not show his name. The coming of The War found him working for the railroad in Nashville, an occupation he gave up in order to help raise a company of volunteers in and about Triune. That company merged with a group raised by Joel A. Battle, and eventually became Company B of the 20th Tennessee Infantry. Through the efforts of Lt. Thomas B. Smith, Company B became the most proficient company in the regiment in terms of drill and discipline. At Shiloh, the regiment suffered more than fifty percent casualties, including the capture and subsequent imprisonment of Colonel Joel Battle. Upon reorganization a month after the battle, his fellow soldiers elected Thomas Benton Smith their new colonel.

As colonel of the 20th, he led them at Murfreesboro (where he was shot through the breast and left arm) and at Chickamauga (another, less serious wound) and on to Missionary Ridge,

where his brigade commander, Colonel Tyler, was wounded. As the senior field officer he then assumed command of the brigade (William B. Bate's old brigade) and, according to Roberts, led it "during the succeeding winter at Dalton, and throughout the long and trying campaign from there to Atlanta. At the end of this one hundred days, July 29, 1864, while in front of Atlanta, he received his commission from Richmond as brigadier general, CSA...." He was the youngest brigadier in the Army of Tennessee. From Atlanta it was back to Tennessee with John Bell Hood, to fight at Franklin and again at Nashville.

December 16, 1864. After being driven from their works the previous day, the devastated but still defiant Army of Tennessee took up a new line south of



A war-time sketch of the Battle of Shiloh.

Nashville, extending from the Peach Orchard on the far right to the prominence later known as Shy's Hill on the left. At the apex of Shy's Hill stood the tattered remnants of the 20th Tennessee, along with the rest of Smith's Brigade. Throughout a day-long, misting rain, the defenders of the hill were on the receiving end of (according to some estimates) between three and five thousand rounds of Federal artillery fire, sent their way from three directions. Finally, a few minutes after four o'clock, the Federal infantry

attacked, sweeping the outnumbered defenders over and then off of the hill. Most of the Confederates fled, hoping to escape to fight another day, but a few did not. Among the captured was Thomas Benton Smith, who had strictly adhered to Division Commander William B.

Bate's order to "hold the line at all hazards."

Accompanied by only a small squad of his soldiers, Smith had continued to fight on until the hopelessness of his situation had become apparent. Pulling a small white handkerchief from his pocket, he waved it over his head while ordering his men to cease fire. Swiftly taken into custody by the jubilant federals, he had been marched only few yards down the hill and toward Nashville when he was approached by Ohio Colonel William Linn McMillan, commander of a portion of the victorious Federal troops. McMillan was an alcoholic who had nearly been cashiered from the service for misconduct, and at the moment he confronted General Smith he may have been drunk, or perhaps simply flushed with adrenaline and *temporarily insane* from the intensity of battle. Whatever the reason, McMillan began to curse and berate Smith, whose only response according to witnesses was to state that "I am a disarmed prisoner." This simple reply further enraged McMillan, who drew his saber and



Confederate charge.

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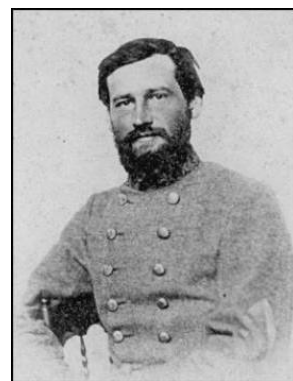


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Cabinet Level Membership

- August 11, 2005 to June 1, 2006 - \$125 - **unavailable after this date!**

Cabinet Level Membership includes all the items of general membership with the addition of a special cabinet member ribbon, a **numbered** reunion medal, a commemorative bottle of Rebel Yell Whisky, and a commemorative set of re-strike pins, including a pin that **only** cabinet members will receive.

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Answer the Charge of Major General Stephen Dill Lee

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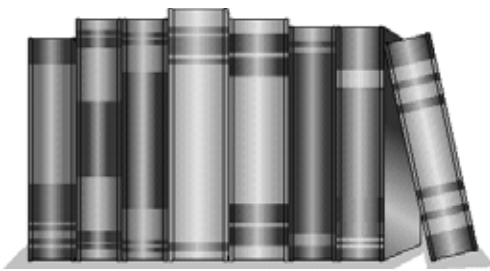
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Books in Print

Two Bullets for Sergeant Franks

Author Sarah Jane Singer was born in 1919 and lives in Lebanon, Tennessee. According to a short biography, Singer relates stories she heard as a child about men and women living in the small town of Gladeville, Tennessee. *Two Bullets for Sergeant Franks* tells a fascinating tale of events that took place during the War Between the States and the aftermath of Reconstruction. Author Singer writes probably the way she talks — fits and starts, much repetition. But readers will not be able to put down this slim novel.

The citizens of Gladeville had kept out of the War until December of 1861. Union troops quartered nearby frequently raided farms, taking food and livestock, killing what they could not carry off with them in true thieving Yankee fashion. The townsfolk maintained their neutrality until the last straw when Yankee soldiers raped and murdered a young Gladeville woman. After her funeral, the men gathered to discuss what they should do. Reverend Sykes, who was a spiritual and also secular leader of Gladeville, urged all able-bodied men walk to Camp Trousdale and join the Confederate Army.

After a two-day walk, the volunteers arrived at camp. Some were deemed too old. Reverend Sykes had difficulty convincing officers that he desired to enlist because he was a preacher. But the Gladeville men stood fast and refused to join the Confederate States Army unless all were accepted. Finally, they swore the oath to defend the Confederacy and were placed under the command of Sergeant Calib Franks. He became a central figure in their lives as the commander

of and protector for the Gladeville men. Their first battle was Shiloh on Sunday, April 6, 1862. Included in *Two Bullets for Sergeant Franks* is a photograph of reenactor Ron Callis, who portrays the Sergeant.

Victoria and Candis, engaged to brothers George and John Gluck, were the heroines who remained at home. During the War years, they forged part of the admirable tradition of true Southern women by waging their own guerilla campaign against Yankee soldiers stationed near Gladeville. These teenage women acted with bravery and resourcefulness far beyond their years. Readers will have to discover for themselves what Victoria and Candis did.

The narrative of *Two Bullets for Sergeant Franks* shifts between wartime life of the Gladeville men

in the Confederate Army and life on the home front. Southern readers raised on War stories told by grandparents will relish Author Singer's remembrances.

Two Bullets for Sergeant Franks will fill some pleasant reading time for Confederates who enjoy other perspectives of our courageous ancestors and descriptions of ordinary civilian life during the War Between the States.

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Reviewed by Ann Rives Zappa

Major General Isaac Ridgeway Trimble: Biography of a Baltimore Confederate

Leslie R. Tucker has written an exceedingly complex book in which he seeks to establish levels of community identification and prove how these factors mold human beings. Tucker approaches this premise on the following assumptions:

First: Definition of Modernization

Second: Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs

Third: Defining the Role of Community

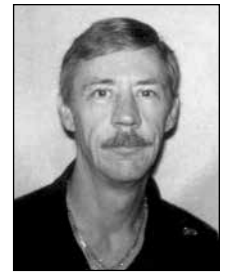
Fourth and Fifth: World Markets and Growth of Centralism

In *Major General Isaac Ridgeway Trimble: Biography of a Baltimore Confederate*, Author Tucker uses the life of General Trimble to examine these assumptions and prove his thesis. Tucker asserts that General Trimble was like today's modern man, one who began his career with no regional bias and no Southern sympathies. The author demonstrates how community identification dictated Trimble's career and predisposed him to choose the Confederate side.

Isaac Trimble was born on May 20, 1804, to a family of Quakers. The family moved several times in the next few years; then Isaac's parents died of fever when he was six. Raised in Kentucky by an older half-brother, Isaac had no ties to the South or a Southern way of life. Further, Quaker influences waned after the death of his parents. He entered West Point at the age of fourteen, drawn to a military career because of education in engineering. He served the Army for ten years as a surveyor and planning engineer for projected Federal railroads, mostly in Virginia and in Baltimore. While posted in Baltimore, he met and married Maria Presstman in 1831.

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Hallowed Ground



Graves & Monuments Committee Mike Mitchell – Chairman

Dear Friends and Compatriots:

In the past I have had many invitations to speak at camp meetings from Virginia to Arkansas and closer to home, Florida. I usually turn them down. 90 percent get bored, nine percent are vaguely interested and one percent are very interested.

In order to acquire a more targeted group, the one-percenters, I prefer to run a full Division-wide Friday evening lecture and a full Saturday workshop with morning lectures, lunch and a hands-on session in the afternoon. When we are done, we leave with numerous stones reset or repaired, and numerous people with newfound skills, and no one gets bored. They can carry this knowledge base and skills on to other cemeteries.

Whenever well-advertised and run it on a Division level, there can be upwards of 60 or 70 participants, all one-percenters, and all are interested.

Committee Report

Success is measured in various ways. On September 17, the Graves Committee conducted a Division-wide Cemetery Preservation Workshop in Jacksonville, FL. There were, however, several mixed results. There is usually a four-or five-month planning period, and this one was pulled together in about two months. The lack of advanced press from a late web posting and no Division newsletter from hurricanes, it precluded a large turnout. This was

very much a word-of-mouth notification, with only three pre-reservations. Hurricane season was the wrong time of the year, in hindsight. Several guest speakers had to pull out given their jobs. This was post-Katrina and just several days pre-Rita.

With my apartment being flooded, a sister in the hospital and a trip to Biloxi with relief supplies, every thing was against the workshop and by all rights should have been canceled.

On the flip side, if there is just one person interested in learning, the show goes on. The day turned out to be sunny and cool. Eighteen people showed up, lectures were conducted in the morning and everyone enjoyed lunch together onsite.

The word-of-mouth advertising and the efforts of Todd Thompson of the 1st Clay Cavalry and Mrs. Linda Rosenblatt from the Andrew Jackson Padgett Chapter 2540 UDC were the reason things worked out.

In the afternoon a hands-on session was well-covered with experienced facilitators Johnny Lamons and Robert Phelps.

Here is where I measure success. SCV members have now completed all restorations on all the Confederate veterans and several civilians at the



Johnny Lamons and Robert Phelps at the Graveley Hills cemetery workshop.

original site and have already moved on to another cemetery.

The local SCV and UDC are taking it one step further. They will be joining forces with a few local members of the genealogy and history societies and forming a Graveley Hills Friends organization and incorporating it. This makes the effort and expense worth it.

If it's a good thing — *Replicate It*. There are informal discussions for two, possibly three, workshops next year. The Mississippi Division will possibly conduct one in Biloxi in February at Beauvoir and a second local site. The second workshop is tentatively being discussed for Florence, SC, and another in Asheville, NC, some time in August. It depends on the interest each will draw. There is a four or five month planning period and raising the funds for each.

Preservation Notes:

Ethics Vs. Egos

Part I of II

There may be a few who will disagree with some of these philosophies, and that's OK. It's what makes us different as people. I'm very conservative in my methods. Some of my experiences are with two-hundred and several three-hundred-year-old gravestones. Some of my training is from what some call *The Old Masters*.

If your concern is to mark your Confederate ancestor that you have just located and it is unmarked, this is one thing. Just a little knowledge is needed. But if you choose to restore your own family plot, a good bit of forethought and knowledge must be practiced. The cemetery will have a good deal of say in the matter.

If you are preserving or restoring a neglected neighborhood cemetery, there is much to learn. And it's not up to you as you will very quickly find out.

You are the next best thing to a *next of kin*; we are pseudo-family. As SCV members we are considered as an ancestral or hereditary group. In many cases, the only overseer of and protectors of these graves/cemeteries. Our forefathers are buried in many of the same locations.

It's our responsibility to protect them now, as it will be someone else's responsibility in the future. If we do it correctly now, others may learn from our example. Let's not have them learn from our mistakes.

In many cases, if you show polite, legitimate concern for your own family and develop a rapport with landowners, local funeral homes and cemeteries, they will eventually start calling you if there is any concern with a veteran's grave. Also, get to know your local history and genealogical societies and, more importantly, those in local government.

Let it be known you're SCV and with a group that's 35,000 strong. Let

them know you're very concerned about these sites.

You have no legal responsibilities or powers, but you might be able to lend some sound support or assistance through the SCV.

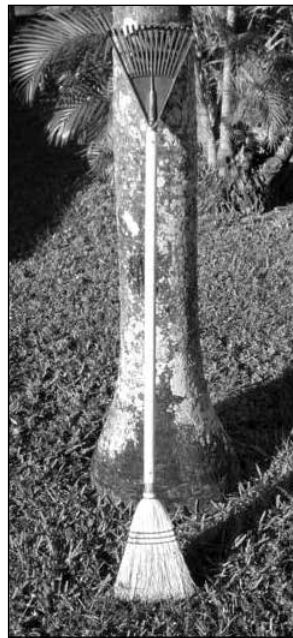
The power of being an SCV member, genealogist and historian. When anything is contested, such as ingress or egress (access to the property), the court system should be the last resource. Honey vs. vinegar. Research their family tree; they might later come to appreciate it.

Get to know the family, the wife. They can put more pressure on the owner than any other source possible. Don't sue except as an extreme last resort, for people become defensive and vindictive. With money to pay the lawyer, litigation and court costs, they can't pay for future grave care.

The work at hand. Restore or repair it the way the veteran or family would like it. This requires that you step back in time and think as the people did in that era, usually pre-Victorian or Victorian-era philosophy.

Original stones are placed by wife or daughter or son, someone in the immediate family, Women's Aid Society, UDC, UCV, SCV or other fraternal organization.

How would you feel if some stranger, no matter how well-intentioned, came into your cemetery for your parents or grandparents and removed footstones that have been there for more than 100 years, or removed the borders or coping that defined the outline of your family cemetery plot "just because the grass is easier to cut?"



PVC pipe rake/broom combination.

How would you feel if someone removed their headstone and threw it out, then replaced it with a new Military VA stone "because the original didn't have any military info on it?"

How would you feel if some stranger came in and pressure-cleaned a family stone or cleaned it with strong chemicals, causing irreversible damage, or simply did a very thorough cleaning and erased its vintage patina and the antiquity of its look, robbing it of its history, "just because of their personal vanity: because it looks dirty?"

It's not their decision!

Tid Bits

Rake/broom. If you take a small section of PVC pipe, a small garden rake and a small broom, cut the handles off and insert them into the pipe, and then bolt them into the shaft of the pipe, you have a universal tool. If space is limited, one tool does multiple jobs.

All my tools are spray-painted yellow to make them more visible when packing up at the end of the day to leave and to identify them when other people bring their tools.

Potpourri

All right! Everyone out of the Gene Pool!

Yours in Preservation and Southern Pride,

Mike Mitchell

Chairman, Graves and Monuments Committee

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Army of Northern Virginia



The **Brigadier General Nathan G. Evans Marion Camp 24**, Marion, SC, held Confederate Memorial Day services on April 30, 2005, in Marion, SC. The Captain Andrew T. Harllee Camp 2010, Dillon, SC, provided the Honor Guard for this service.



Honoring Seaman James J. Joyner of the Confederate States Navy with the unveiling of a grave marker at a previously unmarked burial site at Maxwell's Moor Farm, the former ancestral home of the Ridgeway family, are his great-great-granddaughter, Emma Dittman, assisted by past Maryland SCV Division Commander Carl Berenholtz, officers of the **Major General Isaac Ridgeway Trimble Camp 1836**, Ellicott City, MD, and the Maryland Division Color Guard.



The **Maryland Division Color Guard** was honored by the request of the National Park Service to be the color guard for their Memorial Day celebration and memorial service in Sharpsburg, Maryland. The event took place on May 28, 2005.



Members of the **CSS Ram Neuse Camp 1427**, Kinston, NC, manned a table at the Sand in the Streets concert. Pictured from left: Gary Hines, R. Jeff Stephens, Jimmy Ward and Camp Commander Walter Moore.



The **Private Lorenzo L. Bennitt/Private Robert F. Duke Camp 773**, Durham, NC, held a Confederate Memorial Day service on May 7, 2005. Pictured from left, Matt Holder, Mark Hall, Fleming Bell, Camp Commander William O. Quinn, David Patterson, Larry Wheliss and Kent McCoury. Kneeling in front are Don Burgess and David Lanier.



Pictured is the **Rivers Bridge Camp 842**, Fairfax, SC, booth at the Grand American Coon Hunt in Orangeburg, SC, in January.

South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, Maryland, West Virginia and Pennsylvania Divisions



Members of the **Captain William L. Day Camp 2091**, Orange County, VA, gave a living history presentation to Boy Scout Troops 167 and 179 at Fairview Baptist Church in Fredericksburg, VA, on May 9, 2005.



Pictured are Randy Deal and Camp Commander Bruce J. Fleming, members of the **Colonel Samuel McDowell Tate Camp 836**, Morganton, NC, at the grave-marking service for Private Hennessee, a NC soldier.



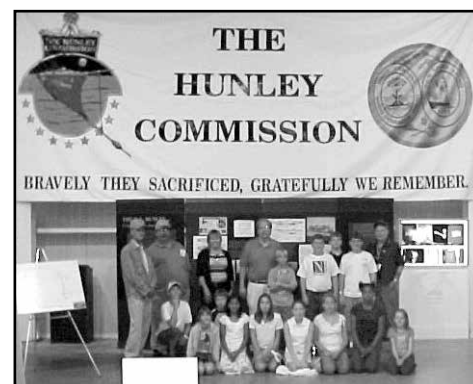
Commander Derek Webster of the **Rockingham Rangers Camp 1835**, Mayodan, NC, welcomes their newest member, Davis Bradshaw, at their August 2005 meeting.



W.E. James Camp 74, Darlington, SC, sent member D.J. Oliver to the Sam Davis Youth Camp in Mentone, AL. D.J. is now visiting the camps of the SC 4th Brigade, promoting the summer camp. Pictured with D.J. is his father Eddie Oliver on the left, and Camp Commander Billy Graham of the **Lynches Greer Guards Camp 2045**, Olanta, SC, on the right.



Private Thomas Caldwell Camp 31, York/Clover, SC, members attended the Eagle Scout ceremony of Chris Yewcic, who worked with the camp to clean up a local cemetery. Pictured in front is Chris with his grandparents. Camp members from left: Camp Commander Kirk Carter, Brian Percy, Jimmy Cagle and William Stevans.



The **Colonel Henry Laurens Benbow Camp 859**, Manning, SC, takes the 6th-grade class from Clarendon Hall on a field trip to the Warren Lasch Conservatory to see the H.L. *Hunley* submarine.

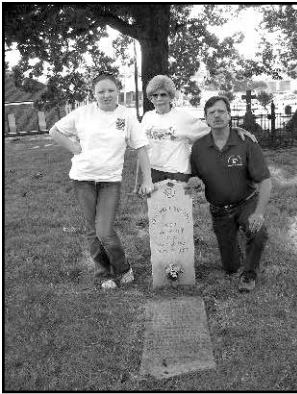
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The **Garland Rodes Camp 409**, Lynchburg, VA, sponsored a presentation at the new Oakland Historical Museum in Nelson County, VA. Pictured from left, Brian Hillsman, keynote speaker James "Bud" Robertson and Brian Giles.



Pictured are SCV Field Representative Jack Marlar and Steve Vestal of Dixie Landscaping, a new Corporate Sponsor of the SCV and **The Thomasville Rifles Camp 172**, Thomasville, NC.



Pictured at the grave of Solomon Bunting, Co. I, 22nd NC Troops, are Compatriot Michael Barnes of the **16th Regiment SC Volunteers Camp 36**, Greenville, SC, along with his daughter MaryLin Ashley and mother Carol Bunting (great-granddaughter of the veteran).



Pictured are members of the **Jubal Early Camp 1691**, Hillsville, VA, in the July 4th Parade in Hillsville. The camp color and honor guard won the Best of Show award.



On Memorial Day, May 30, 2005, at the Confederate Cemetery in Fredericksburg, VA, the **Captain William L. Day Camp 2091**, Orange County, VA, had the honor of posting the colors for this event, and members of the **Matthew Fontaine Maury Camp 1722**, Fredericksburg, VA, provided the rifle volley.



Members of the **General William Dorsey Pender Camp 1916**, Wilson, NC, clean off the Jenkins Cemetery in Fremont, NC. Members were having a time with a large stump next to a grave and cemetery was cleaned in about four hours. Lunch was provided by **Dr. B.T. Person Camp 1517**, Fremont/Pikeville, NC. The oldest member helping that spring day 2005 was 85-year-old Frank Hinnant holding bush ax and shovel, second from the left.



Army of Northern Virginia



The **Maryland Division** Color Guard raised the Third National Flag over the Confederate POW Monument at Loudon Park National Cemetery, Baltimore, MD, on May 27, 2005, in conjunction with the annual *We Remember Program*, sponsored by the Boy Scouts, held at the Baltimore National Cemetery, MD, for the past 17 years. The Color Guard has been participating in the ceremony since 2001.



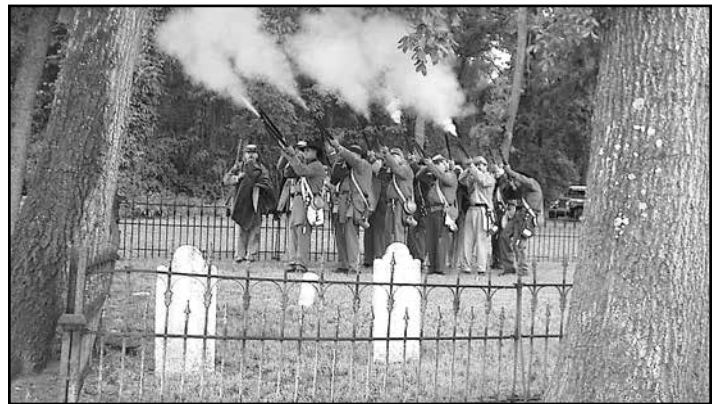
On May 27, 2005, members of the **Walter M. Bryson Camp 70**, Hendersonville, NC, raised the flag of the Palmetto Guard over Fort Sumter in Charleston, SC, harbor 144 years after it was first raised. The SC State Flag was lowered with permission of National Park Service personnel, after their refusal to lower the US Flag.



Princess Anne Camp 1993, Virginia Beach, VA, Communications Officer Mike Rose, 1st Lt. Russ Grimes and Commander Bud Baxter stand guard in honor of fallen Compatriot Edgar Brown. The Honor Guard was requested by the widow and was well-received by all in attendance.



Members of the **Private Lorenzo Dow Williams Camp 1456**, Reidsville, NC, held a Confederate Memorial Day service on Sunday, May 29, 2005, at the Greenview Cemetery in Reidsville. There was also a 21-gun salute to the Confederate veterans of Rockingham County, NC.

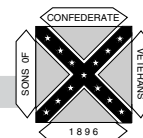


The **Captain Andrew T. Harllee Camp 2010**, Dillon, SC, have completely refurbished the Harllee Cemetery pictured above. This is the second year the camp has held its Memorial Day Service here. The Harllee Guard, which consists of 20 members, including color bearers and bugler, participated in the service.



On April 30, 2005, the Maryland Division gave their only Real Son, Albert Lee Comer, his Real Son Medal and Certificate as part of the annual UDC ceremony held in the Mount Olivet Cemetery, in Frederick, Maryland. Pictured from left, Commander Stuart McClung of the **Colonel William Norris Camp 1398**, Darnestown, MD, to which Compatriot Comer belongs; Real Son Albert Lee Comer and MD Division Commander G. Jerry Bayer.

Army of Tennessee



Descendants of the 38th Alabama Infantry gathered at their first reunion in Grove Hill, Alabama, April 2, 2005. Members and camps included Art Green and Steve Kennedy, **Admiral Semmes Camp 11**, Mobile, AL; David Weaver, **Gaston Gregg 1384**, Dallas, TX; Leland Hamner, **General Tom Green 1613**, San Angelo, TX; Terry J. Cassidy, Stephen Russell **Mallory Camp 1315**, Pensacola, FL; and members of the **Private James C. Anderson Camp 1489**, Thomasville, AL, which along with the Clarke County Historical Society sponsored the reunion gathering. The flag is a replica of the Battle Flag carried by the 38th Alabama Infantry.



Pictured is four-year-old John Garrett on the left and ten-year-old Porter Garrett at Chickamauga Battlefield. Their great-great-great-grandfather, Thomas Jefferson Francis Riley, was killed at Chickamauga on either September 19 or 20, while fighting in the 18th Alabama. This marker is one of the spots where their grandfather could have been killed. They are the sons of Nick Walters, a member of the **Jeff Davis Camp 635**, Jackson, MS.



Highway 240 in Lawrence County, TN, has been named Army of Tennessee Memorial Highway in honor of the Confederate Army that used the route during General John Bell Hood's 1864 invasion of Tennessee. The naming came about through efforts of Jason Goodrich and members of the **Colonel George Nixon Camp 214**, Lawrenceburg, TN. A dedication ceremony was held October 29, 2005, at the Henryville Fire Hall.



Pictured is John Griffin, a member of the **John K. McNeill Camp 674**, Moultrie, GA, who was named Georgia Division Confederate of the Year at this year's division reunion. Compatriot Griffin lives in Walla Walla, WA.



Larry Skinner, a member of the **Major General William D. McCain Camp 584**, Columbia, TN, placed a new VA headstone on Holmes Steele's grave. Holmes Steele's headstone has been broken off at the base for years. Holmes Steele was mayor of Jacksonville, FL, from 1859 to 1860 and was elected captain of 2nd Florida Company A. After the war, Steele was mayor of Jacksonville from 1866 to 1867. He died in 1867.



The **A. Livingston Camp 746**, Madison, FL, placed a plaque on the Confederate Monument in the center of Madison, FL. The plaque has more than 300 names of those men who signed up for the Confederate Army in Madison and died while in service.

Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, Michigan and Wisconsin Divisions



Mrs. Kathleen Roberta Mercer of Leesburg, GA, celebrated her 96th birthday on Sunday, September 18, 2005. Mrs. Mercer is the daughter of Pvt. Samuel R. Rentz, a Confederate soldier from the 12th GA Infantry, Co. I. Mrs. Mercer is a member of the Frankie Lyle Chapter 2074, UDC. Pictured with Mrs. Mercer from left to right is her nephew, Sam Rentz, of the **Patrick Cleburne Camp 1361**, Jonesboro, GA; William Waller and Commander Willie Garner, both of the **General Philip Cook Camp 704**, Terrell County, GA.



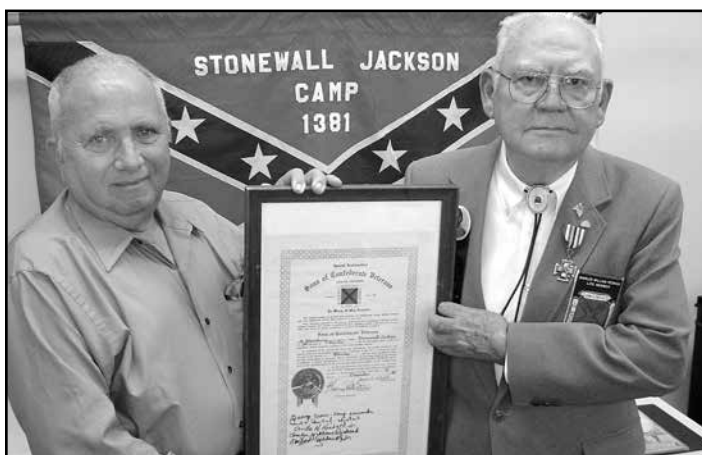
Pictured from left is Indiana Division Commander Ron Mertz, **Captain James L. Bishop Camp 1943**, Kendallville, IN, member Ray Amburgey and Camp Commander Kevin Bode, working a recruiting and information booth at an event in Jackson, Michigan.



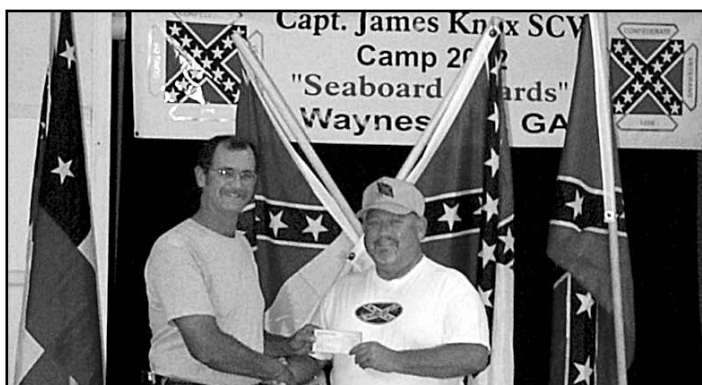
General Robert A. Toombs Camp 932, Vidalia, GA, has discovered a Real Son, John McDonald, whose father was 79 when he was born, and died when John was 5. He was honored September 24, 2005, at the McDonald family reunion. Pictured front row from left: Luke Smith, George King, Tony White, Oscar Smith and Allen Morris. Back row from left: Robert Cook, Rooney Kea, Rudy Nanney, Real Son John McDonald, Herbert Burns, Jack Williamson and Jerry Powell.



Members of the **Kirby-Smith Camp 1209**, Jacksonville, FL, held a marker dedication and memorial service for the sinking of the *USS Maple Leaf*. The dedication was held on October 18, 2005, in downtown Jacksonville on the St. Johns River, where the historical marker is located. The *Maple Leaf* hit a torpedo laid in the river by brave Confederate soldiers on April 1, 1864. It sank with 400 tons of supplies from three Union regiments on board, killing four crew members.



The **Stonewall Jackson Camp 1381**, St. Petersburg, FL, celebrated its 25th Anniversary with charter members George Crow, the camp's first commander, and Charles Pedrick, a member of the SCV for 49 years! They are holding the Camp Charter they signed 25 years ago!



Shown is **Captain James Knox Camp 2022**, Waynesville, GA, Treasurer David Royster presenting Compatriot Doug Bryan the camp's donation of \$50 for hurricane relief. Doug Bryan will be driving a load of clothes and supplies to one of the local Georgia State Colleges, where some evacuees are staying in dorms.

Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, Michigan and Wisconsin Divisions



Curtis Morgan, the newest member of **Finley's Brigade Camp 1614**, Havana, FL, who is only 16 years old, is presented his certificate by FL Division 3rd Brigade Commander Jim Darby.



The **Colonel John Singleton Mosby Camp 1409**, Kingsport, TN, donated the book *Valor in Gray* (Recipients of the Confederate Medal of Honour) to the Kingsport Public Library August 15, 2005. The library also displays the Confederate Veteran. Pictured from left, Allen D. Pope, Camp Commander CPT Christopher Cummins and Acquisitions Librarian Danny Bartlett.



On April 25, the **General William Barksdale Camp 1220**, Columbus, MS, and the Steven D. Lee Chapter, UDC, jointly sponsored the 139th observance of Decoration Day at Friendship Cemetery in Columbus. Friendship Cemetery is credited with the origin of Decoration Day: when on April 25, 1866, four Columbus ladies first decorated the graves of both Confederate and Union soldiers with fresh spring flowers. Pictured from left, Commander Muse Davis, Lt. Commander William Winders and Past Commander Jerry Franks.



Pictured is Robert B. Posey, a member of the **General Lloyd Tilghman Camp 1495**, Paducah, KY, and grandson BJ Posey at the grave of his third cousin, Brigadier General Carnot Posey. General Posey was a member of the 16th Mississippi and was in all the battles with the Army of Northern Virginia until wounded at the battle of Bristoe Station. He died November 13, 1863, and was buried on the grounds of the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA.



On April, 9, 2005, members of the Matron Pember Chapter 1 OCR and the **William Henry Harris Camp 1395**, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, enjoyed true Southern hospitality with about 60 invited guests at the Southernmost Confederate Dinner and Ball. This was the third annual event, and it is steadily growing.



Members of the **John Kempshall Camp 1534**, Maroa, IL, fire a musket salute over the Confederate graves at Camp Butler, Springfield, IL. The Confederate Memorial Service was held June 4, 2005, to honor the 866 Confederate soldiers who gave all at the former POW camp far behind enemy lines.



Army of Tennessee



On Saturday, April 30, 2005, the **Florida Cow Cavalry Camp 1680**, Vero Beach, FL, held a monument dedication. The camp, along with the local UDC chapter, collected monies and gathered volunteer construction help to build the concrete monument with a bronze plaque. The plaque lists the names and known information about seven Confederate veterans buried in the Winter Beach Cemetery, just off Dixie Highway. Pictured from left, Tom "Sarge" Blackwell, Camp Commander Bob King and FL Division Lt. Commander Don Young.



An all-SCV crew from the **Lt. George E. Dixon Camp 1962**, O'Fallon, IL, preparing to fire a 3" ordnance gun in a reenactment at Jerseyville, IL, on September 4, 2005. In the picture are Camp Adjutant Gale Red, Camp Commander Roger Heinrich, R. Harris Young, Donald Young, and Dale Halemeyer.



Joe Adkins, left, of Co. B, 19th Tennessee Infantry (CS) reenactors donated a First National Flag to Alan Howell, right, owner of Dixie Barbecue in Johnson City, TN, where the flag is now on display. The flag was flown above the Confederate rifle pits in Saltville, VA, from May to August, 2005. Adkins and Howell are compatriots in the **Lt. Robert D. Powell Camp 1817**, Blountville, TN.



On June 12, 2005, Russell Huffman, a member of the **Roger Hansen Camp 1844**, Winchester KY, was united in marriage to Marsee Anne Williamson, daughter of **Pvt. E.F. Arthur Camp 1783**, Corbin KY, Adjutant Les Williamson in Georgetown, KY. The wedding received front-page coverage in the Georgetown newspaper, with more than 100 guests in Confederate attire and more than 200 in attendance.

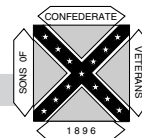


The **Captain Thomas W. Patton Camp 2021**, Boardman, OH, Adjutant Mike Lawson and his wife Tracy Lawson, who is the president of The Southern Magnolia Ladies Society, at a living history day in Volant, Ohio.



Seven Georgia compatriots made a tour of Mississippi battlefields over the 4th of July weekend. They visited the Raymond, Champion Hill and Vicksburg battlefields in honor of their ancestors who participated in the campaign. Pictured from left, Kenneth Pressley, Johnny and Jimmy Leatherman, James Pollard, Fred Adolphus, Richard Smith and Jerry Leatherman members of the **John B. Gordon Camp 46**, Atlanta, GA, and the **Colonel Charles T. Zachry Camp 108**, McDonough, GA.

Army of Trans-Mississippi



The 2005 **Arkansas Division** Reunion was held in Hot Springs, AR. Pictured from left, AR Division Commander W. Danny Honnoll, AR Division Honorary Life Member H.K. Edgerton and AR Division Adjutant M. Ray Jones, III, recipient of the General Thomas C. Hindman Award for most outstanding member of the Arkansas Division for 2004-05.



Pictured is the **Sul Ross Camp 1457**, Bryan, TX, members and their families at their camp BBQ at Camp Commander R. Matthew Lee's Covenanter Ranch in Iola, TX, on Saturday, August 27, 2005.



Life Member and Real Grandson Earnest Scarborough recently placed a Memorial Plaque to his Grandfather, Lt. Hanford A. Scarborough, Co. K, 23rd South Carolina Regiment, in the Wall of Honor at the Chehalis Washington Memorial Veterans Museum, Chehalis, WA.



On June 6, 2005, members and friends of **Elijah Gates Camp 570**, Fulton, MO, after mowing, repairing and general clean-up of Colonel Jefferson Jones family cemetery, Callaway County, MO. Pictured front, from left, K.C. Crowson, Chris Crowson and Martin Northway. Back row, from left, Warren Hollrah, Noel Crowson, Mark Douglas and Larry Hendricks.



Cheyenne Bolding and Dakota Garcia-Bolding place rose petals on the grave marker of a Confederate hero. They are the daughters of Staff Sgt. Trace M. Bolding, a member of the **J. M. "Matt" Barton Camp 441**, Sulphur Springs, TX. Compatriot Bolding is now stationed in ArRamani, Iraq.



On April 24, 2005, the **R. E. Lee Camp 239**, Fort Worth, TX, was involved with a dedication to Confederate veterans at their annual dedication and picnic. They also erected a 25-foot flagpole in the middle of the cemetery. The First National flies every day, but on Confederate Hero's Day and the whole month of April, a Battle Flag flies. R.E. Lee Honor Guard is pictured and also Colonel W. Hindman raising the colors.

Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, California, Iowa, Kansas, Washington, Oregon and Utah Divisions



Reenactors of the **Dick Dowling Camp 1295**, Beaumont, TX, and **Granbury's Texas Brigade Camp 1479**, Conroe, TX, shoot a horse thief prior to the battle on an original battlefield. This annual event remembers Houston's Irish hero Lt. Dick Dowling of the 1st TX Heavy Artillery after turning back 10,000 Union troops, upon 22 transports and four gunboats, on September 8, 1863.



On Saturday, August 27, 2005, the **Phillip A. Work Camp 1790**, Woodville, TX, hosted the 30th anniversary renewal of wedding vows for member Sid Holt and Lynda Holt, a member of OCR Chapter 22, at historic Watson Chapel of Newton County. The **Walter P. Lane Camp 1745**, Orange, TX, fired their cannon twice for a great finale.



AZ Division Commander George Rombach (left) presents the Division's Sherod Hunter Distinguished Member Award to Lt. Commander Daniel K. Huskisson of the **Colonel Sherod Hunter Camp 1525**, Phoenix, AZ. Lt. Commander Huskisson also received an SCV Meritorious Service Medal. The awards were presented at the AZ Division Reunion held in Chandler on June 3-4, 2005.



The **Gustav Hoffmann Camp 1838**, Comal County, TX, participated in two events for Confederate History Month in April, 2005. Pictured is their display during the month of April at the Sophienburg Museum, New Braunfels, Texas, which featured newsheadlines, photos and actual implements from the descendants of Colonel Gustav Hoffmann's family.



The **Garland-Rector Camp 1260**, Hot Springs, AR, held a recruitment and information booth at Spa Blast 05. During this annual 4th of July event, more than 100 small Battle Flags were passed out. There were more Confederate Battle Flags that 4th than USA flags!



The **Captain Cameron E. Thom Camp 2007**, Long Beach, CA, administered the oath to new Compatriots James G. Parsons and Norm Braly at Johnny Reb's restaurant in Long Beach, CA, on Saturday June 18, 2005. Pictured from left, Camp Commander Paul Williams, new Compatriot James Parsons, Camp Judge Advocate Michael Robbe, new Compatriot Norm Braly and Compatriot Hugh Richards.

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On June 6, 2005, the **Cross of Saint Andrews Camp 2009**, Alto, TX, conducted a marker-dedication ceremony at Knoxville Cemetery for Lt. Colonel William Gunn Engledow of the 11th TX Infantry, who is the highest-ranking Confederate officer buried in Cherokee County, TX. Pictured is Compatriot John Luckey of the TX Division Headquarters Camp 1936, who did the research on this project.



Compatriots and family members dedicated a headstone in honor of Judge James C. Adolphus in Richmond, TX, on August 13, 2005. Judge Adolphus, who died July 27, 2003, was past commander of **Albert Sidney Johnston Camp 67**, Houston, TX, a Fort Bend County Judge and an Air Force officer during the Korean War. His headstone is appropriately marked with a Confederate Flag. During the service, the judge's son Fred, Commander of the **John B. Gordon Camp 46**, Atlanta, GA, officially swore his brother, Robert, and sons, Travis and Robert, into the SCV. TX Division Commander Ron Strybos led an SCV honor guard in a rifle salute.



The **South Kansas Camp 2064**, Wichita, KS, float was displayed in the Harvey County Free Fair in Newton, KS. Pictured, from left, Mackenzie and Morgan Kirk, granddaughters of Tim Wilson (waving) and Commander Charley Wilson.



Richard Leaumont of Pasco, Washington, a member of the **Captain F. M. Jackson Camp 1778**, The Dalles, OR, at the newly set and dedicated stone of Pvt. F. M. Hunter, Co. G, 12th Missouri Cavalry on September, 24, 2005, at Mosier, OR.



The **Sterling Price Camp 676**, Denver, CO, held a Confederate Memorial Day service on Saturday, April 26, 2005. Pictured is Camp Commander Robert Milner making his opening remarks and Brent Brown ready to give the keynote speech about honoring our dead.



The **R.E. Lee Camp 239**, Fort Worth, TX, and the **Albert Sidney Johnston Camp 983**, Decatur, TX, participated in the dedication of a new flagpole in the Dido Community Cemetery on April 24, 2005. Pictured is Camp 983 Chaplain Robert Lee Ware, Jr. and his wife Doris singing *How Firm A Foundation*. North TX Brigade Commander K.B. Spencer is on their left.



Army of Trans-Mississippi



On May 7, 2005, Commander-in-Chief Denne Sweeney married Denice Brown from Texarkana, TX, at the First Methodist Church in Dallas, TX. The church is 150 years old and many Confederate veterans served as pastors in the latter 19th century. Members present from left, Jay Lieb, Jerry Nelson, Lynn Foster and Bruce Pastusek, all members of the TX Division; Director of Public Relations Brag Bowling, Inspector-in-Chief Rob Jones, CIC Denne Sweeney, Chief of Heritage Defense Paul Gramling and Adjutant-in-Chief Jim Dark.



Jessica Cloutre is the 10-year-old stepdaughter of Danny McGuire, a member of the **Major Thomas McGuire Camp 1714**, West Monroe, LA. Jessica often donates her time on weekends to clean Confederate headstones in local cemeteries.



Pictured is the **AR Division** delegation at the General Nathan B. Forrest Statue Rededication on July 9, 2005, with their Confederate Flag wreath that they placed at the foot of the General Forrest Statue. Pictured from left, AR Division Adjutant M. Ray Jones, AR Division Commander W. Danny Honnoll, and AR Division Color Sgt. Terry Lee Bandy.



Commander Dwaine Bright of the **Confederate Secret Service Camp 1710**, Sierra Vista, AZ, presents the SCV National Graves Award to Lt. Commander Silas Griffin. Lt. Commander Griffin received the award for his extensive work in documenting the grave locations and service records of the many Confederate veterans buried in Arizona.



On August 20, 2005, the City of Tucson celebrated its 230th Anniversary with a ceremony presenting all of the flags that have flown over the "Old Pueblo." The John R. Baylor Chapter 2298 UDC, escorted by the **Captain Hunter's Arizona Rangers Camp 1202**, Tucson, AZ, presented the 1st National Confederate Flag. Pictured from left, Emily Siarkiewicz, Patsy Barrett and Marylyn Bruins. Holding the flag is Camp 1202 Color Sergeant Les Cogar.

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ROBERTS, BENJAMIN D.

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GARDENDALE**
DOWNS, CLARENCE LOWELL

**LT. J. K. MCBRIDE 241
MOULTON**
LEMONS, JAMES ALAN
TURNER, JOHNNY

**CAPTAIN JOHN H. TURPIN 368
GREENSBORO**
ROTHBART, CHARLES HENRY

**LEE-MOSES-DIXON VINDICATOR
408
MOBILE**
BOTELLO, FRANK
COX, JOHNNY LEE
FINCHER, CHARLES L.
GRISWOLD, MICHAEL D.
HOLIFIELD, CHARLES KEVIN
INGRAM, JAMES A.
MILLER, EDWARD J.
MORGAN, DAVID

**THE JONESBORO GUARD 430
BESSEMER**
STANCIL, DAVID ALBERT NELSON
WHITE, KALEB CHRISTOPHER
WHITE, III, ROBERT DANIEL

**CAPT. JOHN HENRY PORTER 439
SYLACAUGA**
PORTER, TIMOTHY RAWLES

**MAJ. JOHN C. HUTTO 443
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CARR, BENNY DOUGLAS
LOCKHART, MICHAEL SHANE
MARTIN, DAVID LLOYD
NAIL, BRAD WILLIAM

**GEORGE "TIGE" ANDERSON 453
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BROWN, SHANNON DUANE
COOK, MICHAEL SHANE
ISHEE, ERIC
PHILLIPS, ROGER DALE
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SANFORD, JOHNNY
SANFORD, ANDREW SCOTT

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ARNOLD, BILLY B.
FLEMING, RICHARD EARL
PATTERSON, LARRY J.
SHERRILL, JAMES DENNIS

**CAPT. THOMAS H. HOBBS 768
ATHENS**
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WAYNE
JACKSON, ANTHONY WAYNE
MARTIN, RICHARD

**COL. WILLIAM C. OATES 809
DOTHAN**
GODWIN, CHARLES M.

**COL. WILLIAM A. JOHNSON 898
TUSCUMBIA**
PITTS, JAMES HANDLEY

**TENNESSEE VALLEY 1368
FLORENCE**
BAYLES, TRAVIS CLARK

**FIGHTING JOE WHEELER 1372
BIRMINGHAM**
ARNOLD, JR., WILLIAM WALTER
MYERS, DAVID W.
SPENCER, CHARLES PHILLIP

**THE PRATTVILLE DRAGOONS 1524
PRATTVILLE**
TURNER, LOUIS EDGAR
WARD, WILLIAM E. "SKIP"

**CAPT. WILLIAM HOUSTON
SHELBY 1537
COLUMBIANA**
BLOOM, PATRICK
BURTON, CHARLES EDDIE
INGRAM, ELLIOTT TODD

**COVINGTON RIFLES 1586
ANDALUSIA**
THOMASON, DARRELL WALLACE

**MAJ. HENRY B. WIRZ 1712
TUSCALOOSA**
McBROOM, NORMAN CLYDE
NEWSOME, LARRY

**COL. PICKNEY D. BOWLES 1840
EVERGREEN**
BAGGETT, WILBUR E.

**GEN. JOHN HERBERT KELLY 1980
GORDO**
McGARITY, DWIGHT D.

**CAPTAIN HENRY C. SEMPLE 2002
MONTGOMERY**
THOMPSON, DAVE ALAN

**LT. GEN. NATHAN BEDFORD
FORREST 2049
MOBILE**
TAYLOR, ROBERT HILL

ARKANSAS

**JOB S. NEILL 286
BATESVILLE**
CLARE, DARREL LEON

**CAPT. JOHN W. RANDLE 649
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HUNT, JULIAN THOMAS LEVON
HUNT, JOHN THERON LEE
SIMMONS, KEVIN WEBB
WEBB, BOBBY JOHN
WHITAKER, MICHAEL RAY

**MAJ. FONTAINE R. EARLE 1453
FAYETTEVILLE**
BAILEY, EARLY ROYALL
GRIFFITH, JR., OATIS PASKELL
WITHERSPOON, GENE ADAMS

**ALF FULLER 1819
JUNCTION CITY**
BROWN, JAMES MELVIN

ARIZONA

**CPT. GRANVILLE H. OURY 1708
SCOTTSDALE**
CRAWFORD, LYNN

**PVT. NATHAN TERRY WANSLEE
2096
SAFFORD**
ENGLAND, CLYDE WYATT
MURPHY, EVERETT JEWEL

CALIFORNIA

**GEN. JOHN B. HOOD 1208
LOS ANGELES**
DAVIS, GLENN WOOD
DAVIS, JUSTIN WOOD
SMITH, III, LEHMAN FREDERICK

**INLAND EMPIRE 1742
INLAND EMPIRE**
BUSTILLOS, DAVID WARREN
PEARCE, HOWARD ROY

**GENERAL WADE HAMPTON 2023
MODESTO**
WACH, JR., LEROY

DELAWARE

**DELAWARE GRAYS 2068
SEAFORD**
MCMULLIN, KENNETH EARL
SULLIVAN, JOHNNY WAYNE

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**SGT. CHARLIE DICKISON 534
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HARPER, EDWARD B.

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FUTCH, WILLIAM A.
FUTCH, DAVID BROWN
HAIMOVITZ, BENNY P.
LINVILLE, RUSSELL
REAGAN, EARL EDWARD
TIMMERMAN, WAYNE S.
WILSON, JR., WESLEY WAYNE

**PVT. WILLIAM RILEY MILTON 741
TAVARES**
BAUMGARDNER, JAMES HARRY

**WAKULLA GUARDS 742
CRAWFORDVILLE**
JOHNSON, MARK

**LT. EDWARD JOHN KENT JOHN-
STON, CSN 745
YULEE**
HYCHE, PATRICK WAYNE

**JOHN HANCE O'STEEN 770
TRENTON**
BURNLEY, L. HARVARD

**KIRBY-SMITH 1209
JACKSONVILLE**
CURRE, NEIL McCRAY
La BRIE, RAY
PUGH, DAVID WARREN
RUSS, JR., HENRY HAZE

**WILLIAM WING LORING 1316
ST. AUGUSTINE**
TOLZMANN, JACK MASTERS

**1LT. THOMAS H. GAINER 1319
SOUTHPORT**
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MANN, JACOB ALAN
MANN, JOHN ARMOND
WHITLEY, JOE KENNETH

**BRIG. GEN. EVANDER M. LAW
1323
LAKELAND**
SNEAD, WILLIAM RONNIE

**MAJ. PICKENS BIRD 1327
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AVERA, JR., TROY G.
CHAMBERS, CHARLES A.
McELROY, ROBERT BENTON

**CAPT. J. J. DICKISON 1387
MELBOURNE**
JONES, DONALD BRUCE

**MARION LIGHT ARTILLERY 1396
OCALA**
EVANS, PAT

**THIRD FLORIDA WILDCATS 1437
FLORAL CITY**
HARMAN, CLIFFORD CARLIS

**GEN. DAVID E. TWIGGS 1462
WAUCHULA**
ROBARTS, DENNIS R.

**BATTLE OF OLUSTEE 1463
LAKE CITY**
DUREN, SCOTT LEONARD

**JACOB SUMMERLIN 1516
KISSIMMEE**
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UMSTEAD, MATHEW LAWRENCE

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DRIGGERS, JR., LARRY THOMAS

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VERO BEACH**
LUCIANO, STEVEN ANTHONY
MARTIN, DAVID ALLEN

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MCCARTHY, SIDNEY F.

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1950
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CAHILL, DONALD BARTON
CAHILL, SAMUEL O'DONALD
LAMB, CODY JUSTIN

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PERRY**
DURDEN, LOYD ALVAH
MURROW, DAVID THOMAS

**RAULERSON-UNDERHILL 2080
OKEECHOBEE**
BROADWAY, PATRICK BRIAN

**DIXIE DEFENDERS 2086
FANNING SPRINGS**
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ODOM, GLYNN WHIDDON

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WAYNESBORO**
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**GEN. NATHAN B. FORREST 469
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MOULTRIE**
FORT, DONALD SETH

**OLD CAPITOL 688
MILLEDGEVILLE**
BRAXLEY, WALLACE MILLER

**STATE OF DADE 707
TRENTON**
FARMER, WAYNE EVANS

**WILLIAM THOMAS OVERBY/
COWETA GUARDS 715
NEWMAN**
STEPHENS, ROBERT LYNN
STEPHENS, MICHAEL CHRISTIAN

**HABERSHAM GUARD 716
CLARKSVILLE**
GIDDENS, DAVID EDWARD
HOLBROOK, JEFFREY LOUIS
LEWALLEN, JERRY RAY

**GENERAL STAND WATIE 915
CALHOUN**
MITCHELL, BENJAMIN HEATH

**GEN. ROBERT A. TOOMBS 932
VIDALIA**
HAMILTON, MITCHELL RAY
HARRELL, VERNON PEABODY
LUECKE, WILLIAM ARTHUR
MCDONALD, JOHN CHARLES

**CURRAHEE RANGERS 935
TOCCOA**
MCBATH, MILES
WARR, DOUGLAS E.

**GOGEECHEE RIFLES CAMP 941
STATESBORO**
BROWN, DALE
CARPENTER, JASON MICHAEL

**FORREST'S ESCORT 1239
VILLA RICA**
ELLIS, JERRY ALAN
HOWARD, WILLIAM CHARLES

**GEN. WILLIAM J. HARDEE 1397
DALLAS**
CREW, STEVAN HOWARD

**27TH GEORGIA REGIMENT 1404
GAINESVILLE**
KING, CHARLES MICHAEL
SATTERFIELD, STEVEN NOEL

**JOHN B. GORDON MEMORIAL
1449
THOMASTON**
HALL, JIMMY SHAWN
OWENSBY, ROBERT ALDEN
SHAVER, JOHN ROBERT

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KENNESAW**
MCCALL, JR., JESSE PHILIP
MONK, JAMES DEAN
TIPTON, GREGORY DALE

**STEWART-WEBSTER 1607
RICHLAND**
NEWSOME, WILLIAM HANSON

**DAVID W. PAYNE 1633
BLAIRSVILLE**
DUERS, JONATHAN GARY

**THE SAVANNAH MILITIA 1657
SAVANNAH**
KERSEY, JR., WILLIE LEE

**SHARPSBURG SHARPSHOOT-
ERS/PVT W. T. OVERBY 1729
SHARPSBURG**
BASS, SAMUEL CRAIG

**MCINTOSH GUARDS 1853
DARIEN**
DENNIS, JOHNATHAN

**COL. JOSEPH MCCONNELL 1859
RINGGOLD**
BLANKENSHIP, BRANDON KYLE
STATON, JAMES

**BLUE RIDGE RIFLES 1860
DAHLONEGA**
EVERLY, SR., BRUCE BELDEN
HICKS, WILLIAM RICHARD
WARD, MARCUS EUGENE

**EBENEZER RIFLES 1901
RINCON**
BOOTH, WILLIAM FRANKLIN
STUART, MICHAEL HENRY

**SIDNEY LANIER 1908
LAKELAND**
PUNCHARD, JR., BENNIE RAY
SUMMERLIN, JR., REV. JAMES C.

**MAJ. GEN. AMBROSE RANSOM
WRIGHT 1914
EVANS**
CARTER, CURTIS H.
PARTRIDGE, CHRISTOPHER ALAN
PARTRIDGE, CHRISTOPHER
JACKSON

**RABUN GAP RIFLEMEN 1929
CLAYTON**
WEBB, CHARLES MICHAEL

**DIXIE GUARDS 1942
METTER**
CLIFTON, CHRISTOPHER CLAUDE

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COBB COUNTY**
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2039
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CHESTER, MITCHELL TOMMIE
DOPSON, KARL ALEXANDER

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CAVANAH, DUSTIN L.

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RANGERS" 50TH REG. GVI 2085
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BROOKER, JAMES KENNETH
DART, WALTER WARNER

IOWA

**CARROLL COUNTY ROUGH &
READY'S 1952
BURLINGTON**
HAYES, ANDREW MICHAEL

ILLINOIS

**CAMP DOUGLAS MEMORIAL
1507
CHICAGO**
ELLIS, JOHN M.

**PRIVATE SPINCE BLANKENSHIP
1802
MARION**
BAKER, MARTY WILLIAM

**LT. GEORGE E. DIXON 1962
BELLEVILLE**
DORAN, RONALD ARTHUR

INDIANA

**A. J. RINGO 1509
NEWCASTLE**
PORTER, JOHN DEWAYNE

**WILLIAM WIRT ALLEN 1523
ROSEDALE**
RICHMOND, KRAIG SCOTT

KANSAS

SOUTH KANSAS CAMP 2064 WICHITA
HEAD, KENNETH FRANK
MURPHEY, JERRY LEE

KENTUCKY

CAPTAIN DAVID C. WALKER 640 FRANKLIN
BROWN, JUSTIN NEAL
BROWN, JEREMY LEE
HEWITT, BILLY A.
MCMEEN, CLAYTON MICHAEL
ROACH, GRADY L.

TILGHMAN-BEAUREGARD 1460 MAYFIELD
ERWIN, CHARLES WILLIAM
FOY, JERRY M. (BILL)
FOY, KENNY RAY
GOOCH, JAMES RODGER
KYLE, SAMMY JOE

GEN. LLOYD TILGHMAN 1495 PADUCAH
MCNABB, JIMMY R.
REDMAN, SR., JAMES C.
RUSSELL, JAMES KELLY

COLONEL BENJAMIN CAUDILL 1629 HAZARD
ASHLEY, MARK EUGENE
BREEDING, SCOTT ELLIOT
CAUDILL, MICHAEL
CORNETT, TROY LAWSON
ORMS, TOMMY L.
SEABROOK, LOCHLAINN

JEFFERSON DAVIS BIRTHPLACE 1675 FAIRVIEW
BRASHER, THOMAS JEREMY

FORREST'S-ORPHANS 1744 CALHOUN
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by Bill
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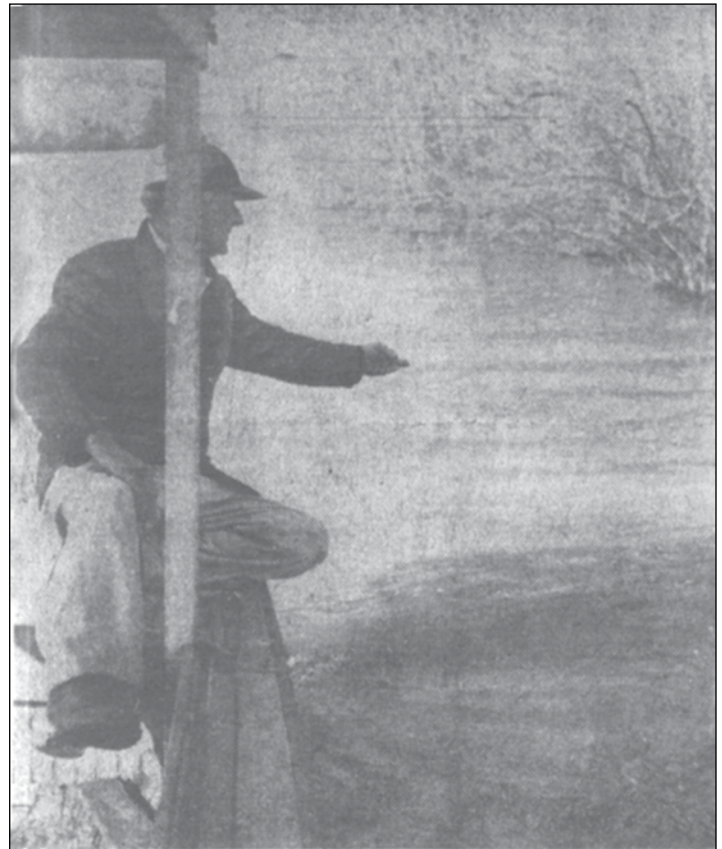
The Sunken Gunboat

Today, a Union gunboat sits on the bottom of the Appomattox River just outside the city of Petersburg, Virginia. It still holds the cargo that it was carrying when it went down in 1865.

In the summer of 1864, General Ulysses S. Grant and his host of bluecoats surrounded Petersburg and laid siege to the city. With characteristic stubbornness, Grant announced that he proposed to fight it out along the line "if it takes all summer." It took all summer, all the next fall, all the next winter, and into the next spring. It was the longest siege of an American city in history. Petersburg did not fall until April 6, 1865.

During the siege, Grant's artillerymen trained their giant guns on Petersburg and rained tons of shot and shell into it. Their iron ammunition came aboard ships by way of the Appomattox River that winds its way beside the city. It took a staggering amount of powder, small arms, food, grain, clothing, medicine, and all kinds of other supplies to keep Grant's vast army in the field. The Union war machine was a monster that devoured tons of goods and equipment every day, and most of it came by boat on the Appomattox River. The boats always followed the same route and schedule.

Early one morning in the spring of 1864, a string of Union gunboats steamed up the Appomattox River. The ships were making their usual run to



—Staff Photo
'It Was There the Yankee Gunboat Was Sunk'
John G. Archer Indicates Spot in Appomattox River

bring the daily supplies to General Grant and his army. When the lead ship slowed down to round a sharp bend in the river, there was a loud boom

— and a flash of orange flame had opened fire at point blank range.

Two 17-year-old Southern boys had gotten permission the night before to ambush the lead boat the next morning as it rounded the bend. The boys sponged down the barrel, rammed another charge home, and fired again. They kept on loading and firing as fast as they could. The startled Yankee sailors abandoned ship, and the boat went straight to the bottom in a matter of minutes, leaving only a swirl of bubbles behind. The crew escaped and swam to shore, but the boat and all its cargo were lost. The two young Confederates scampered into the woods to avoid the broadsides that the other ships fired at them in anger.

About 90 years later, the crewmen of a barge were dredging the bottom of the Appomattox River near a sharp bend just below Petersburg. Suddenly, the huge metal scoop of the dredge came up out of the water with a musket, a cavalry saber, and

two or three cannonballs sticking out of the mud. A local man was standing on the riverbank nearby and said, "Dad was right. That's where he told me he sank the Yankee gunboat. That's the very spot where he said it went down."

The crew stopped dredging in the area and left the sunken gunboat alone. As far as I know, the ship has not been disturbed since and still lies nestled in the mud on the bottom of the river. The ship is a time capsule. If it could be raised, think of the treasures it would give up and the stories it could tell.

The trouble is, the boat is way down in the mud under 30 feet of water. The river runs so brown that a diver cannot see his hand in front of his face. As Mark Twain would say, it's "dark as the inside of a cow" down there.

Have you got any ideas about how to raise the relic filled with relics? ☒

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Private Aaron D. Williams

Rico and the Philippines until 1904, when he retired.

He was interested in Confederate matters, establishing the Confederate Home at Jacksonville, where he helped erect a memorial to the women of the Confederacy in Confederate

Park. He helped organize the John B. Gordon Camp 1794 UCV in Jacksonville and was commander of the R. E. Lee Camp 88, also in Jacksonville.

Within the UCV, he rose to the rank of General, was aide on Gen. Harrison's staff in 1911 and

served on the committee for a Blue/Gray reunion at Gettysburg in 1913.

Aaron died at his home in Jacksonville, Florida, on February 20, 1924.

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Books in Print

Trimble resigned his Army commission on May 31, 1832, and accepted a position as principal assistant engineer for the Boston, Massachusetts, and Providence, Rhode Island, Railroad.

Author Tucker writes in detail about Baltimore from the early 1820's until the beginning of the War Between the States. He states that the city's growth, geographical position, and civic ambition shaped Trimble and finally dictated his choice for the Confederacy. During the tumultuous days of April, 1861, Mayor George W. Brown took command of Baltimore and commissioned Trimble as colonel of the local militia to burn the railroad bridges into the city.

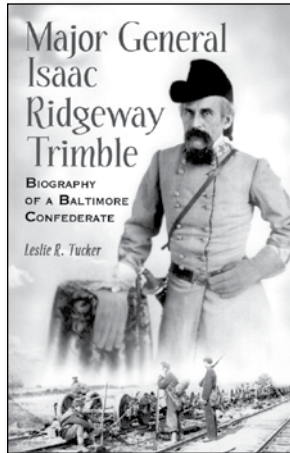
Propelled into the Southern Cause by these events, Trimble escaped from his home in Baltimore and arrived in Virginia on May 25, 1861. He accepted a commission as lieutenant colonel of the Virginia Volunteers. Although he had never served in a military capacity before the War, Trimble advanced rapidly. He became known for peculiar behavior and fancy uniform dress. General T. T. Munford described Trimble as "a gallant soldier of the old army in the olden times."

With reference to one assumption, Tucker states "The individualism which accompanied modern society plagued the South, suggesting that they were not the pre-modern world envisioned by some. Not only did the privates question their reason for being there, but the officers often would disagree openly with each other."

Author Tucker describes Trimble's military service from his own psychological point of view with reference to his theses. "Trimble quickly adjusted to his new environment in pursuit of

his psychological needs as defined by Maslow ... Trimble had proven himself a capable military leader. ... He continued to perform admirably during the next campaign, but his motivation became increasingly clear. He did not simply fight for a noble cause but rather had begun to look to the army as a means of finding self-actualization."

The "Baltimore Confederate" is portrayed as a Southern soldier far different from our usual hero.



Wounded at Gettysburg and captured, Trimble lost a leg and was imprisoned at Johnson's Island, Ohio, for more than a year. After the War, he returned to Baltimore and resumed his career as an engineer. Tucker states "He worked endlessly in defending the name of the Confederate soldier ... he felt compelled to defend not only his actions but those of his comrades from Maryland who also fought for the

Confederacy." Quoting from his West Point obituary "of all the soldiers whom Maryland furnished to the Southern cause, General Trimble performed the most distinguished services, obtained the highest rank, and won the greatest name."

While called a biography, this book omits many personal details of General Trimble's life. Some readers may desire more information on the death of Trimble's first wife and his almost immediate marriage to her sister. Births of sons are recorded, but no subsequent family history of their ensuing lives.

Major General Isaac Ridgeway Trimble, Biography of a Baltimore Confederate is not light reading. Author Tucker has chosen the life of this Confederate officer as a means to illustrate his own various psychological theses. Tucker includes in this book detailed chapter notes based on meticulous research. However, the author may attribute certain characteristics, actions, and beliefs to Trimble in order to prove his own assumptions put forth in this book. Such a biography will be enjoyable to many Southern readers, but will not be to everyone's taste.

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John Pelham of Alabama: The Gallant Chief of J.E.B. Stuart's Horse Artillery

Author H. Rondel Rumburg has written a masterful biography of John Pelham. As current Chaplain-in-Chief for the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Rumburg emphasizes throughout this book the part that religion played in the life of not only Pelham, but also Stuart, Jackson, and Lee.

John Pelham descended from distinguished men who came to this country from England. Several of his ancestors fought in what Rumburg calls "The First War for Independence." Atkinson Pelham, John's father, came to the University of North Carolina from Kentucky. His records from the University are missing (Rumburg suggests that the Yankees burned them), but he finished medical school in Philadelphia and returned to North Carolina to begin his practice in Person County. In 1832, he married Martha Mumford McGehee. Her father had pioneered great tracts of land in Alabama and persuaded Atkinson and his family to move there.

John was one of six brothers and one sister in a large family. While pious on Sundays, the boys were known as pranksters. One incident involved a neighbor who noticed a decline in milk production from his cows. He watched the boys for several days and discovered that they were riding his cows whenever they couldn't find enough horses.

John received an appointment to West Point at the age of sixteen and departed for the North the last week in June. His mother's gift was a black leather Bible inscribed "John Pelham, Alexandria, Alabama, May 4, 1856." By the autumn of 1860, several events

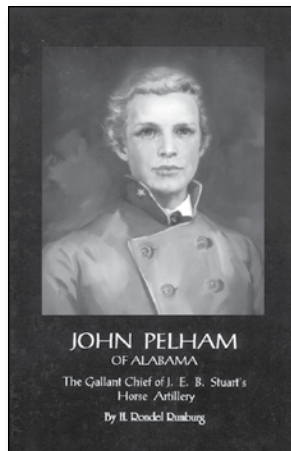
alarmed John and his fellow Southern cadets. They foresaw having to choose sides in the coming conflict. A letter to his mother toward the end of 1860 expresses his distress: "You may expect to see me home by the first of February, 1861. I regret the circumstances that make it necessary, but I don't see any remedy. Alabama seems determined to leave the Union before the middle of January, and I think it would be dishonorable in me to withhold my services when they will be needed. It seems pretty hard that I should toil for four and a half years for a diploma and then have to leave without it."

Shots fired at Fort Sumter on April 12, 1861, forced John to make a decision. Many Southern cadets had already departed for home, and John feared arrest or becoming a prisoner of war. He and his best friend, Tom Rosser, slipped out of West Point and managed to reach Pelham relatives in Kentucky who could help them get to safety in Alabama.

John preferred to join the cavalry, but accepted the commission of first lieutenant of artillery in the Provisional Army of the Confederate States of America on May 15, 1861, and posted to Lynchburg, Virginia. His first assignment in the Confederate artillery was to train the Alburtis Battery (also known as the Henry A. Wise Battery, named for the Virginia Governor) of Martinsburg. Nearby was the legendary Stephen Dandridge plantation called The Bower. This old Virginia estate provided Southern hospitality to many Confederate officers, especially J.E.B. Stuart and his staff. Young John Pelham was a frequent visitor, having been invited by men training in the Alburtis Battery. There he met a seventeen-year-old black-haired beauty named Belle Boyd. She was apparently much attracted to the handsome man and presented him with a Bible. Some historians credit Belle with bringing Pelham to Stuart's attention.

After the Battle of First Manassas, the armies in Virginia were reorganized

into the Army of Northern Virginia. Newly commissioned General J.E.B. Stuart was organizing a cavalry brigade and understood the benefit of having a horse artillery unit patterned after those in Europe. President Davis and Secretary of War Benjamin opposed his request. Not discouraged, Stuart turned his attention to Pelham, who had finally been promoted to captain in the autumn of 1861. His transfer orders from General Stuart read "Special Order No. 557, Captain Pelham will report with his Battery to Brig. Gen. J.E.B. Stuart for service as horse artillery." Stuart had managed to create this horse artillery out of thin



air. He wrote his wife on December 11, 1861, "the new unit, which by the way, (is) under the energetic management of Pelham, is going ahead and will tell a tale in the battle. It has taken the name of the 'Stuart Horse Artillery.'" John Esten Cooke said of Pelham, "From the moment when he took command of that famous corps, a new system of artillery fighting seemed to be inaugurated."

Subsequently, Stuart and his cavalry came to depend on Pelham and his horse artillery in every battle. Pelham received numerous citations for bravery and praise for his ability to place his howitzers at the exact spot to inflict the greatest damage on the "blue-scurge." John Esten Cooke described Pelham's action at Sharpsburg: "With what obstinate and unyielding courage he fought! ... No trait of the ground, no movement of the enemy, ever escaped his eagle eye ... Where the contest was hottest and the pressure heaviest, there was Pelham with his guns ... He struck at the right moment, and his arm was heavy." Stuart and Pelham fought together in the Peninsula Campaign, the Seven Days Battles, Second Manassas, Sharpsburg, and Fredericksburg. Author Rumburg writes excellent descriptions of these battles.

Rumburg has written *John Pelham of Alabama* with passion and enthusiasm. Southern readers will delight at his non-

politically correct epithets for the Yankee invaders. He repeatedly implies that the Confederates are justly punishing these arsonists and rapists in true Biblical retaliation. With reference to the Battle of Second Manassas, Rumburg writes "Plans were soon in the making to take the fight to the Federals in occupied territory. Perhaps this would disrupt the flow of invading armies into the sacred Southland. Virginia needed a respite from those brash and uninvited bandits and pyromaniacs!"

On Saint Patrick's Day, March 17, 1863, John Pelham took the field without orders to help Stuart and the cavalry at the Battle of Kelly's Ford. Seated on a raw-boned black mare, he rose in the stirrups, sword drawn, during the height of the charge. Hit by an exploding shell, Pelham fell to the ground on his back. Rumburg writes: "His smile had not faded from his lips, his eyes were open, and his face was untouched." Stuart and the Confederacy had lost their premier horse artillery commander.

John Pelham of Alabama compels readers through every page describing the life and battles of Pelham. Praise is due to Chaplain-in-Chief Rumburg for writing this excellent biography and for sticking to his own moral principles. He portrays a Christian man devoted to Bible-reading and a man whose character and deportment throughout life were molded by Christian parents and the Word of God. Rumburg states "The Southern code of honor and self-preservation were ingrained in John because of his Biblical training and his cultural upbringing. Principles, moral values and character were matters of great import to men of the South."

This book deserves a place on every Southern bookshelf. John Pelham is the epitome of a Confederate soldier worthy of our honor and remembrance in his defense of our beloved Cause.

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Christmas at Fredericksburg 1862

by Roy B. Perry, Jr.

'Twas the night before Christmas and all through
our town
Not a creature was stirring, for none could be
found.
No stockings were hung on the chimneys with
care —
Our houses were gone, they no longer were
there.

The children were huddled in cellars with fear,
With thoughts of the Yankees that still may be
near.
And wives stood restless throughout the whole
night,
With visions of bodies from the terrible fight.

And as I look back, the best I recall,
Hearing endless sounds of the cannon balls.
They flew overhead and burst in the sky,
And many a good soldier did surely die.

The air was cold, the earth was white,
The time had come to protect and to fight.
As Franklin, Hooker, crossed over their bridge,
Summers followed, approaching our ridge.

I looked to my left, and the first thing I saw
Was the Bonnie Blue Flag that carried one Star.
I looked to my right, with strength did I see,
Our Virginia State Flag fighting tyranny.

The soldiers' flag, the Stars and Bars,
The Battle Flag that carried our scars,
It cried "Hold fast! Do not give in!
Hold to your position; we surely will win."

As the army advanced towards our way,
Kept coming, coming, and coming that day.
A sea of black did cover the ground,
The armies in blue took round after round.

The battle was fierce, as treacherous could be
As shell after shell fell all about me.
Then one single shot I took to my chest —
My body fell down in a cold solace rest.

I looked towards our wall, in silence did see
Cobb's Georgian boys yelling "VICTORY!"
As thousands and thousands lay dead in the
street,
I heard thousands of wounded that died in their
sleep.

My memory soon faded, but later recalled
The moans and groans of a hospital hall.
No medicine to give that could ease our pain,
Just blood-covered floors of a ghastly stain.

My battle is over, I soon will be free,
I feel precious life as it passes through me.
The ground that I fought for will soon be my
home,
A number they'll give me, but I won't be alone.

I hope that some day my story is told,
The truths of the South ever unfold.
It's Christmas day, I tried not to fall
It's Christmas day, I gave the South my all.



In memory of Pvt. John Thomas Brown, Co. A. 15th NC Infantry, shot in the chest December 13, 1862, Marye's Heights, Fredericksburg, VA. Died December 25, 1862, at a Richmond hospital, recently found buried in Oakwood Cemetery, Richmond, VA, by his relative, Dale Hundley at Section A, Row N. Grave number 144. Roy B. Perry Jr. © 2005. Compatriot Perry is a member of the Matthew Fontaine Maury Camp 1722, Fredericksburg, VA.

Chaplain's Comments



Matthew Fontaine Maury

find no flag but the one I have here," placing her hand on her heart.

Vengeance was on the lips of the townsfolk. A town committee was appointed to deal with the traitor and demand the surrender of the flag. These men had known her as she grew up and assured her they would shield her, providing she delivered the flag. Fannie would not do so, but kept the flag on her heart.

Fannie began to improve in health and resolved to return to her longed-for Confederacy, to her husband and the cause she loved. Her mother was saddened but understood the need to return. She and her mother took a ride much like the one they usually took; she left without luggage, and was able to elude the townspeople. She made it back safely to her beloved Confederacy. Her husband was thrilled.

Fannie Beers in her *Memories* recounted, "To me the Confederate Flag was an object of profound

love and passionate devotion. It represented hopes that I thought could never fail, possibilities so glorious that imagination was dazzled. I used to go to the square before sunrise, leading my little boy, trying vainly to make him understand and share in some degree my own enthusiasm.... Approaching the beautiful monument where the statues are so life-like as to appear real companions ... I chose always a seat where I could gaze upon the face of Patrick Henry, recalling his stirring words, trying to imagine what he would have thought and said now, and almost daring to wish the soul of fire might come, if only for a moment, to animate the cold form; that the silent lips might speak, the eyes look upward to where the breeze of morning stirred the sacred flag which my own heart saluted."

On such an occasion Fannie spoke with the great Christian gentleman Commodore Matthew Fontaine Maury regarding how Patrick Henry would have responded to present events, and he answered, "Well, he would have acted as he thought. There would have been no 'pros and cons,' and his irresistible eloquence would have carried all before it." Then he bared his head, repeating a portion of Henry's oration, ending, "Give me liberty or give me death." This is the heart of the flag issue. Do we have the flag in our hearts as did Fannie Beers and her Confederate soldier hus-



Patrick Henry

band? She had the flag on her heart because it was in her heart. The truth of the Cause must be maintained!

The Sons of Confederate Veterans must ever be vigilant and knowledgeable of the Cause for which such suffering and death was experienced as in the War of Northern Aggression. Not only should we be challenged by our history as with the previous account, but by our own challenge given through General S. D. Lee, "To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will submit the vindication of the cause for which we fought. To your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate Soldier's good name, the guardianship of his history."

In conclusion, the words of Henry W. Grady are worth remembering as well: "Out there at Appomattox, the Lord God Almighty laid upon every ragged gray cap the sword of imperishable knighthood." *Deo Vindice!*



NOTICES *From Around the Confederation*

37th Mid-South CW & Antique Military Show

The Thirty-seventh Mid-South Civil War and Antique Military Show will be held on February 18-19, 2006, at the Memphis, Tennessee, Fairgrounds Creative Arts Center (formerly the Family Living Center). Show hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday and from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. It is one of the oldest and most respected shows in the county with visitors from over 15 states. The Show is very educational with several large exhibits where proud collectors willingly describe each item and gladly answer any and all questions. The Mid-South Show offers a wide variety of quality collectibles including, but not limited to, uniforms, rifles, pistols, swords, books, documents, stamps, limited edition collector prints, and other antique military items dating prior to 1898. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$2 for children with Scouts in uniform at half price.

There will be a living history scene with a authentic camp of soldiers in uniform and with demonstrated marching.

The Mid-South Civil War Show is sponsored annually by the James R. Chalmers Camp 1312, Memphis, TN, with proceeds to be used to help fund a history scholarship at a local college. Additional information can be obtained by calling the Show Chairman, Scotty Todd, (901) 377-0019.

Attention Point Lookout POW Descendants

The Maryland Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans has established a database of those Confederate servicemen who perished at Point Lookout POW Camp, Point Lookout, Maryland. We are seeking the following additional information on each serviceman: date and place of birth; date of death; enlistment dates; short family history; list of

descendants.

Please send any information to: Graves Registration Project, c/o Bryan Green, 7003 Knighthood Lane, Columbia, MD 21045-4803 or email mdcsagraves@aol.com.

Procedure for SCV Fund Requests

1. All requests for funds (see instructions on the application itself, below) must be sent to the Budget and Finance Committee for review.
2. After review and if approved, the B&F committee will forward the request to the functional committee for further review, according to the SCV Project Classification (see below). The B&F Committee has the authority to change the Project Classification if it deems it justified. All projects classified as "Other" will be referred to the Project Review Committee.
3. The functional committee, if it recommends approval, will forward the request to the GEC at the next regular meeting.
4. The original requester will be invited to the next GEC meeting to present his proposal.
5. The GEC will make the final determination.

This whole process takes time, so please start the process several months in advance. Requests for funds on an emergency basis will only be considered if it is a true emergency and time is short. "I forgot to get my request ready sooner" is not considered an emergency.

Requests for Funds Applications

1. All requests for funds must be made in writing.
2. Requests should specify the following:
 - The NATURE of the project
 - SCV Project Classification (see definitions below)
 - The total COST of the project.
 - Amount of money requested from the SCV

- A detailed list of what OTHER FUNDING has already been or will be acquired
- A detailed list of WHAT ELSE IS REQUIRED for this project in terms of money or other assistance
- What BENEFITS will be derived from this project
- How the SCV will be recognized for it's contribution

SCV Project Classifications

All SCV projects must bear one of the following classifications:

1. Heritage Defense
2. Litigation
3. Education
4. Monument/Gravestone Building or Restoration
5. Recruiting
6. Capital Assets
7. Other

These classifications are used by the B&F committee to determine which functional committee should review the project.

New Membership Benefits Now Available

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Member. Make sure you use our account number **09C5816**. You can also reserve your car online at Enterprise's website www.enterprise.com.

In addition to SCV members receiving discounts, both companies will be paying percentages of all member usage to our National organization.

Weekly TV Show Enters Second Year

Howard Ray White, a member of the Major Egbert Ross Camp 1423, Charlotte, NC, is now in his second year of weekly television history shows. With the help of Director Effie Heftier, camp members Claud Hefner and Jack Blakeney, plus a few other faithful volunteers, White produces and hosts on local public access television a weekly TV show, which is titled, *True American History 1763 to 1885*. Much of the content of the TV series is drawn from White's four-volume history book series, titled *Bloodstains, An Epic History of the Politics that Produced the American Civil War*.

Unencumbered by censors, White is free to tell viewers the true history of our ancestors, from building our nation across North America to seeing it split asunder by sectional Republican politics; then through the history of the Federal invasion of the Confederacy, and finally across the years afterward to the election of Democrat Grover Cleveland. Yes, White is able to *tell the true history*, not the so-called *politically correct* story.

Through October 2005, White and his volunteers have completed the taping of 59 episodes of their history show. Every Tuesday night, at 10:00 pm, a new episode of the history show goes to a 400,000-person audience receiving local cable TV. Others, who may want to explore using public access cable television to tell true history, including true Confederate history, can pump White for ideas on how it is done. Write him at 6012 Lancelot Drive, Charlotte, NC 28270. All it takes is time, as production expenses are very minor.

Future National Reunion Sites Selected

The Time and Place Committee has met and selected Concord, NC, as the host for the 2008 SCV National Reunion. The 2006 SCV National Reunion will be hosted by the General P. G. T. Beauregard Camp 130, New Orleans, LA and the 2007 Reunion will be hosted by the Admiral Raphael Semmes Camp 11, Mobile AL.

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Dispatches From the Front

We have foes enough

To the Editor:

Just a couple of reflections regarding letters in the September/October issue.

I must say that I agree with Pastor Larry Beane (and not just because I am also Lutheran!) in not taking offense at an ad for Rebel Yell whiskey. I have complete respect for those who choose not to use alcohol, including my own father (and, indeed, I've never developed a taste for whiskey myself), but it cannot be denied that the fine bourbons produced in Tennessee, Kentucky, and in times past many other Southern states, are part of the South's rich heritage to the same degree as are all our region's famous specialties such as barbecue, fried chicken and jambalaya.

I found interesting Compatriot Bob Jones' letter outlining how, in years past, we once performed a pledge and salute to a Christian flag, but I must say that I do not share his view that such a tradition should be revived/reinstituted in all our camps. I'm very politically conservative and have no patience with any sort of *political correctness*, but at the same time, I feel that in our SCV events, we must create an atmosphere that is welcoming to all. Although I am myself a Christian and I believe that our organization embodies the best of our nation's Judeo-Christian values, there is no religious litmus test for membership eligibility, nor should there be. As alluded to in John Hoopes' letter and others in earlier issues, the Confederacy can number many fine Jewish men and women among its heroes, first among them Judah P. Benjamin, who served our CSA government as attorney general, secretary of war, and secretary of state. If Benjamin's great-grandson were to show up at an SCV meeting, should he be compelled to recite a Christian pledge? Lastly, although it is not my intention to criticize or rebuke, the Bible warns us Christians of the dangers of ostentatious public displays

of piety (Matthew 6:5-6), admonishing us instead that what God desires more is private, inner contrition and change of heart.

I think that the SCV has witnessed sufficient divisiveness in recent times for us all to see that our efforts are better spent concentrating on what unites us, rather than what separates us. What unites us is not whether we partake of whiskey, or how we choose to worship God, but rather our love, respect, and reverence for the sacrifice of those who served and defended our beloved Southland. And just in case no one's noticed, we are like a lonely voice crying in a wilderness of hateful intolerance for our heritage, assailed on every side by narrow-minded intellectual totalitarianism masquerading in the warm, fuzzy guise of *tolerance* and *diversity*. Sometimes our little squabbles remind me a bit of Act IV, Scene 1 in Shakespeare's *Henry V*, when on the night before the terrible Battle of Agincourt, the English army is surrounded by a vast host of heavily-armed, well-supplied French knights. Two soldiers (one of whom is King Henry himself, cloaked and unrecognizable in the darkness) are arguing heatedly, until a third soldier finally interrupts to end their bickering, saying, "Be friends, you English fools; be friends! We have French foes enough!" Like Henry's beleaguered men at Agincourt, let us be friends — and go on to win against the seemingly overwhelming forces arrayed against us. Yes, compatriots, we have foes enough.

Philip Alan Thompson
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You should respect the right to disagree

To the Editor:

I've been in the SCV for four years. I'm proud to be a member of the SCV. I am the commander of the Major General John C. Breckinridge Camp 1786, Oxford, FL. Before I moved to this camp, all I ever heard was we need to get rid of people whom they labeled as *radicals*. I'm ashamed to say I fell into that trap. I was only hearing the parts of the issue

that the officers of the camp wanted us to hear. So I started to investigate both sides of this issue. I started to question some of the things we were being told. I moved to Camp 1786 and I love it, and now I'm camp commander.

Because I disagree with the views of certain members in the SCV, I'm labeled a *radical* and accused of being un-American and belonging to other organizations. For years the people who don't agree with them have tried to remove or force them out. Some of these very people supported the coup.

I was at the last National convention and those folks who supported the coup were afraid they were going to be kicked out. The level-headed CIC Denne Sweeney put a stop to it. That is what a good leader does. I am proud of the fact he overcame this coup. Now the people who were trying to pressure or push people out are now complaining and spreading rumors that people are being purged from the SCV because they do not agree with CIC Sweeney. What do I say to that? HOGWASH! For one thing, you have the right to disagree, and people should respect that. These people who are spreading these rumors and lies should be ashamed and ask yourself "Would my ancestor be proud of my actions?"

I'm proud of the path CIC Sweeney has led us down and, sir, please keep up the good work. GOD BLESS the USA and the SCV.

Commander Keith "Skippy" Cornelius
Major John C. Breckinridge Camp 1786
Oxford, Florida

Are all the other magazines wrong?

To the Editor:

In the last three issues of the *Confederate Veteran* there have appeared six letters on the subject of liquor advertisements in the magazine. Five of those letters have dealt principally with that subject alone, either pro or con. The letter from The Reverend Larry Beane in the September/October 2005 magazine, however, attempts to defend and encourage the use of beverage alcohol, with only peripheral mention of the matter of magazine advertisements.

The Reverend Beane cites the same scripture verses that drinkers and purveyors of alcohol have always used to try to justify their actions. While I respect his right to interpret scripture with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, I would submit that some of those verses, when carefully studied, actually teach abstinence.

Beane slurs the "temperance movement" with uncomplimentary stereotypes. I can state with absolute certitude that many advocates of abstinence, now and in the past, are not "big government, feminist, Yankee left-wingers." Whether or not we are "dour" and "self-righteous" I will leave for others to judge.

Beane equates the right to drink alcohol with the right to drive, get a credit card or join the SCV. These have many positive benefits. Drinking alcohol has none.

I acknowledge that everyone has the right to make choices, and I am not trying to force anyone to accept my viewpoint. As a member of the SCV, I do feel that I have the right to comment on the content of our magazine. I do not feel that liquor advertisements are appropriate for the journal of a historical organization, especially one with members as young as the age of twelve. I read a number of such publications and have never seen liquor advertised in any of them. Are they all wrong?

*Yours truly,
Alvin Y. Bethard, Commander
Jefferson Davis Camp 474
Lafayette, Louisiana*

Game of divisive politics should not be in SCV

To the Editor:

Having read Larry Swickard's letter in the September/October 2005 *Confederate Veteran* magazine, I can understand why he is scorned by his colleagues and his teaching job is threatened. I retired from teaching Social Studies in Covington, Kentucky, in 2003 after 27 years, and it is clear to me that what Mr. Swickard has been doing is not teaching but propagandizing. Taking one's personal views and calling them facts and then discounting views that disagree by calling them "personal facts" does

not transform one's own views into facts. Contrary to his black-and-white assertion that the gulf between truth and lies should be wide, the color of truth is usually gray, and the gulf he mentions is often a fine line. A discerning reader of Ann Coulter discovers this rather quickly.

Mr. Swickard is, indeed, entitled to his own opinion, but he is not entitled to project that onto his students nor use those views as a barometer to rate other Sons of Confederate Veterans members' loyalty or fidelity to their heritage. Christianity, conservatism and original intent are not facts, but Mr. Swickard's points of view; and while I may agree or disagree with each of them to varying degrees, that still does not make them facts, nor should I be forced to choose between accepting them and my Southern heritage. Nor do I believe that the Democratic Party has been hijacked by the left, but I do believe the Republican party has been hijacked by the far right and has skewed political dialogue to the point where liberals are demonized in an exercise of political correctness that makes one a traitor by merely disagreeing with them.

I could spend hours cataloguing Ann Coulter's inaccuracies, distortions, and lies, but like shooting fish in a barrel, it does not provide much sport or pleasure and it has no place in *Confederate Veteran* magazine — or for that matter, in the SCV. I do not question Mr. Swickard's devotion or loyalty to his Southern heritage or ancestry because he chooses to believe Ann Coulter as a purveyor of fact and truth, nor should mine be challenged because I don't. Nor do I believe Al Franken should be included in the *Confederate Veteran* magazine to expose the hypocrisy and

political agenda of the right. SCV is not and should not be about politics. It is about history, genealogy and Southern heritage.

All of that to one side, Mr. Swickard seems to be a person confused about what his role in the classroom is supposed to be and what membership in the Sons of Confederate Veterans is supposed to be about. If he wants to proselytize for his own views of religion, history and politics, the school house and the SCV are not appropriate platforms from which to do this. I am a liberal, a Democrat, a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, and a proud defender of Southern heritage and symbols. I firmly assert that the former two are not an obstacle to the latter two, and if Mr. Swickard or Ann Coulter suggest otherwise, they are merely playing a game of divisive politics that should be abhorred by all SCV members. How dare he say my devotion to my heritage is a masquerade!? Who made him the arbitrator of truth?

*Sincerely
Jeffrey Hampton
Eli Bruce Camp 1412
Covington, Kentucky*

'Thank You, Dear Sir'

To the Editor:

I would like to sincerely thank Mr. Leslie Updike for his beautiful and inspiring poem *Tis for You, Dear Sir*. To me it sums up the root of our Cause. So may I say, Thank You, Dear Sir.

*Danny McDowell
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50 Years a Prisoner

struck Smith three times over the head, each blow cutting through Smith's hat and crashing into his skull. Shocked by the actions of their own officer, nearby Federals rushed the severely injured Smith to a field hospital, where an attending surgeon examined the wound and remarked, "Well, you are near the end of your battles, for I can see the brain oozing through the gap in your skull." The doctor was both right and wrong. Although he had indeed fought his last battle against the forces that would eventually bring his nation to its knees, the Boy General surprised his captors by recovering sufficiently enough to be sent on to the prison at Fort Warren, Massachusetts, where he remained until paroled after the end of war. At that point, only 27 years of age, Thomas Benton Smith's fifty-eight-year battle to escape a prison of a different kind began.

Returning to Nashville, Smith resumed his employment with the railroad, apparently living as normal a life as possible in those turbulent years immediately following the end of the war. He even ran for a seat in the US Congress in 1870, but lost the election. But appearances were deceptive, and his remarkable recovery from his injuries proved only temporary. Periods of intense clinical depression came upon him in closer and closer intervals and finally robbed him of his ability to live independently. In 1876, he was admitted to the Tennessee state asylum, an institution more recently known

as Central State Psychiatric Hospital.

From that point forward the days and years passed slowly for Thomas Benton Smith. A few attempts to resume independent living failed. However, even in those dire and depressing circumstances, he did not forget the brave men he had once commanded, nor did they forget him. Periodic reunions of the old Twentieth Tennessee Regiment were held, and Smith participated in them as fully as he was able. One such reunion was described in an article appearing in the *Confederate Veteran* magazine for December, 1910. The former Boy General was by then 72 years old.

"At a recent reunion of the 20th Tennessee Regiment at Nashville, Tenn., in the beautiful Centennial Park where was held the Tennessee Centennial Exposition in 1897, General Thomas Benton Smith, an early commander of the regiment, who has been in the Tennessee Insane Asylum nearly ever since the war from a saber cut on the head after he surrendered in the battle of Nashville, was in command for a drill and short parade. The regiment was formed as a company, and the drill master, though now somewhat venerable, although he is said to have been the youngest brigadier general in the Confederacy, carried the men through the manual of Hardee's tactics as if half a century were half a year. General Smith was self-poised, as full of the animation of the old days as could be imagined. When they stood at "Right dress!

Eyes right!" he said: "Throw them sticks down; you don't need them!" A picture of that scene and a repetition of all he said would be most pleasing. General Smith has times of deep depression, and is sad over his long *imprisonment*, but he is always happy at Confederate gatherings, and is still a magnificent specimen of Confederate manhood."

More years passed, and with them most of his old comrades, including his faithful friend Thomas W. Shumate. Shumate was a junior 3d lieutenant and acting adjutant of the 20th Tennessee who had been captured with him on Shy's Hill. He died in the spring of 1915. Among the last survivors of former Confederate generals, death finally released Thomas Benton Smith from his earthly bondage on May 21, 1923. He now rests with his former comrades in the Confederate Circle of Mount Olivet Cemetery in Nashville.

Many a young and promising life fell by the wayside as a result of the vagaries of the War of 1861 - 1865. In comparison to Thomas Benton Smith, even those who died or suffered permanent physical injury can be described as fortunate. Who can say what was lost when this young man, a natural leader with an inventive mind, was stuck down by the cowardly act of a deranged foe? Who among us can know what life must have been like for Thomas Benton Smith, a *prisoner of war* for nearly half a century?



REPORT OF THE RECRUITING AND RETENTION COMMITTEE

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Involved — Interested — Informed

Dear Camp,

It amuses me now to think that your organization spends so much time looking for new members. I was there all the time. Do you remember? I'm the person who was asked to join. I paid my dues and then I was asked to be a loyal and faithful member. I'm the person who came to every meeting but nobody paid any attention to me. I tried several times to be friendly, but everyone seemed to have their own friends to talk and sit with. I sat down with some unfamiliar faces several times, but they didn't pay much attention to me. I hoped somebody would ask me to join one of the committees or to somehow participate and contribute, but no one did.

Finally, because of illness, I missed a meeting. The next month no one asked where I had been. I guess it didn't matter very much whether I was there or not. On the next meeting night I decided to stay home and watch a good television program. When I attended the next meeting, no one asked me where I was the month before. You might say that I'm a good, responsible person who loves my family, my community, and my country. You know who else I am? I'm the member who never came back.

Does any of this sound familiar? Membership retention is essential to maintain an active and vibrant camp, as well as to develop a qualified pool of future leaders. Retention is dependent upon keeping members involved, interested, and informed in camp activities. The harsh reality is that when a member is lost, two men must be recruited for the camp to grow. If all members are retained, new growth occurs with every new recruit. Therefore, retention programs should start on the first day a member joins. The biggest mistake a camp can make is to assume that a new member will renew his membership.

Involved. Too many members don't renew because they don't see value in their membership. The camp's membership committee must work toward reinforcing the value of membership to encourage renewal. They can do this by welcoming new members or prospective members promptly, to show genuine interest in the individual. To turn new members into long-term members,

we must convince them that their membership has value year after year. The way to do this is with ongoing attention, communication, and involvement. Here are a few retention strategies for first-year and long-term members:

- An annual report lets members know how their camp is doing. It gives them a sense of ownership.
- Involved members are more likely to renew than those who are not active. Describing the opportunities that exist and explaining the support volunteers can expect gets members interested and gives them confidence that their participation will make a difference. Every member must have a committee assignment or job.
- Phone calls from a peer explaining why he values membership can be more effective than calls made by staff. Also, the information a departing member provides may help in the retention of others.
- New members should be asked to help with articles, phone calls, committees, and other activities. Integrate



members into camp activities, and get them on committees they find interesting. This allows for new ideas and adds value to the membership. Get new members involved from day one, and they will be more likely to renew their membership.

Interested. While most sound retention efforts apply to both new and old members, there are a number of

new-member activities that start a membership off on the right foot and help ensure that the camp is recruiting for the long term. To keep members beyond the first year, their expectations must be met. This can be accomplished by:

- Offering interesting camp programs and camp activities
- Providing current resources to encourage fundamental knowledge of the CSA as well as the goals of the SCV
- Working in conjunction with the camp's officers to select interesting topics. Programs do not need to be big events, but they must be interesting
- Surveying members for topic ideas and to learn what they're interested in. Since members are diverse, their needs differ. Build programs to fill these needs
- Feature topics of community interest
- Contact other camps to share ideas, programs, and to refer speakers
- Consider co-sponsoring a program or activity with other camps
- Mail program announcements one week in advance — hopefully in the form of a newsletter. Include all pertinent information. Strive to outline your meetings for the entire quarter
- Announce upcoming events at every meeting.

Informed. Member loyalty is built by providing involvement and interest. All members must also be kept informed of every aspect of the camp's planned activities.

- Mail a *welcome letter* to all new members. Keep it short,

but include some basic information about the camp. Include a copy of the latest camp newsletter and the name of a volunteer who can provide more information

- Call new members to make sure they are receiving their camp newsletter and other SCV publications. Take this opportunity to ask for their initial impressions and if they need any help. Provide information on upcoming events and volunteer opportunities
- Conduct a *new member orientation* or reception to familiarize them with the camp, other members, and its officers. Stress that the SCV is here for them
- Identify new member's needs and expectations with a *new member survey*
- List the names of new members in the newsletters soon after they join
- Use name tags for guests and members. It helps to go where everyone knows your name!
- Members should sign in at every meeting. Maintain records of who attended each of the monthly camp meetings during the year
- Send *How's it going?* letters or make phone calls every quarter
- Place a *Thank you for membership* notice in the newsletter prior to collecting annual dues. Encourage each new member to bring in one new member and
- The commander should welcome new members and guests all year long! In fact, a welcoming committee should greet everyone as they enter the meeting place.

We hope these ideas might offer some insight to assist your camp to increase its membership, retain active members and encourage members to become more active in the camp's activities. The defense of our Southern heritage requires every member's active involvement and participation!

This committee gratefully acknowledges the SCV Field Representative Jack E. Marlar, whose enthusiasm inspired this article, and Joseph L. Payne III, 1st Brigade Commander of the South Carolina Division, who contributed many great ideas from his recruiting program. This committee would also like to hear from those of you who want to share your recruiting and retention successes, methods, or suggestions. ❏

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Meet Our Real Sons...

Real Sons' Event Aids SCV Katrina Victims

By Gerald J. Bayer, Maryland Division Commander

On October 8, 2005, in a slight drizzle, a ceremony was held honoring two Real Sons of Confederate veterans at the Methodist Cemetery in the small town of Shenandoah, Page County, Virginia.

Mr. Albert Lee Comer, of Cumberland, Maryland, is the son of James J. Comer, the youngest member of the Page Grays, the 33rd Virginia Infantry of the famed Stonewall Jackson's brigade. Together with Mr. Frank E. Dickerson of Fincastle, Montgomery County, Virginia, the efforts of four states came together to honor and dedicate the Confederate Cross of Honor on Albert Comer's father's grave. The cast iron Cross of Honor was an original one saved from the melting pots of a Baltimore steel mill during World War II by an alert individual. Upon his death this grave marker, now in the possession of his son, contacted Gerald J. Bayer, then historian of the Maryland Division Sons of Confederate Veterans, and presented it to him for their use. Waiting for the appropriate time and occasion to make use of this original marker, it was determined that this was the time and place. Snyder Manufacturing, a West Virginia sandblasting company, cleaned our cross at no expense. Mr. Snyder, owner of the company, declared that he would not take any money for this effort as his deceased grandmother had been a member of the United Daughters of

Confederacy, and to quote him, "She would spin in her grave if I took any money for this!"

Albert Lee Comer, a retired individual, also a Mason, who enjoys as much golf as possible, was born in 1921, and remembered his father well. Frank Dickerson, the other Real Son, is a young, spry 80-year-old, born in 1925 and was too young to really know his dad. Both of their fathers died in 1930. Mr. Dickerson's father, Eli Dickerson, was a member of the 22nd Virginia Cavalry, part of the warriors who invaded Pennsylvania in 1864 and burned the town of Chambersburg. This action was in retaliation of the havoc wreaked upon the Shenandoah Valley by the despot David Hunter, a black-hearted Union general.

Providentially, the rains ceased as the Maryland and Pennsylvania carpools drove into the town and met our Virginia brothers. We were fortunate enough to enjoy a sufficient respite from the downpours to conduct the one-hour ceremony.

The United Daughters of the Confederacy was well-represented by Mrs. Michael K. (Donna) Williams, President of the Maryland Division;

Mrs. Stewart P. (Polly) Wharton, President of the West Virginia Division and Mrs. William P. (Frances) Menefee of the local Luray, Virginia Chapter 436. The Sons of Confederate Veterans was likewise well-represented by Virginia Division Commander



Real Son Frank E. Dickerson

Brandon Dorsey, Maryland Division Commander Gerald J. Bayer and James Palmisano, Commander of the John Wesley Culp Camp 1961, Gettysburg, PA. The Color Guard was comprised of SCV members from the divisions of Virginia, Pennsylvania and Maryland. Included from the VA Division were Arthur Candenquist, Guy Caton, Gregory Kelly and Donnie Seal. Those from the PA Division were James Palmisano, Benjamin Lewis, Andrew and Brian Dankmeyer, and from the MD Division were Stuart McClung, the present commander of the Colonel William Norris Camp 1398, Damascus, MD and Michael K. Williams, past commander of the Colonel Harry Gilmor Camp 1388, Baltimore, MD. It was indeed a truly magnificent sight to see these ten men march for the first time so ably and so proud.

Following the Real Sons' unveiling of the Confederate Cross, the crowd was led in a stirring rendition of *Dixie* by the two young ladies, Ms. Grace M. Guiney and Ms. Emma K. Sigrist, who also favored the attendees with their homemade cookies and lemonade.

Robert Moore, the present kommander of the Sweeney-Koontz Camp 490, Luray, VA, gave a detailed and enlightening history of the Page Grays, Confederate veteran James Comer's unit. Mrs. William P. (Frances) Meneff of the local Luray Chapter 436 of the UDC told of the origin of the UDC Confederate Cross of Honor, found on so many brave Confederate warriors' graves.



The many wreaths brought forth representing the various groups totally engulfed the gravestone and Cross of Honor. Their bright flowers and beautiful ribbons wafted in the breeze, adding to the solemnity of the occasion.

Jerry and Marianne Bayer, developers of the programs and mementoes, originated the idea of this event and were responsible for the involvement of the four States in this unique event. Not only were there reenactors but also ladies in period attire, members of the UDC, the Order of Confederate Rose, SCV, families of the Real Sons and many other interested attendees. It was truly grand to observe the unity and collective workings for this fine cause.

The larger-in-size than-anticipated crowd was enthusiastic in their responses and applause throughout the ceremony. Many cameras took advantage of the uniqueness and the fact that there were two Real Sons together that had a direct link to our beloved Confederacy. At the unveiling of the Confederate Cross of Honor marker, Mr. Comer and Mr. Dickerson were hailed to look each way while the snapshots flashed out. Both Mr. Comer and Mr. Dickerson readily autographed their mementoes for all. Unfortunately, the number of mementoes was exhausted before the lines were. In taking down the requests for the mementoes to be mailed to people, it was then determined that this would be a fine opportunity to use this occasion to raise money to aid our Southern brethren who were victims to the Katrina tragedy.

We will thus be pledging at least 25 percent of our profits for this worthwhile cause. We offer facsimile copies of the mementoes, a copy of the program and a color photograph of the Real Sons holding a Battle Flag between them at the gravesite.

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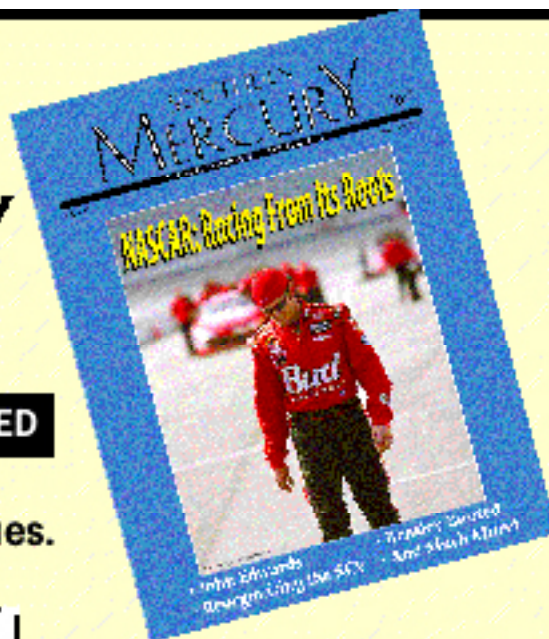
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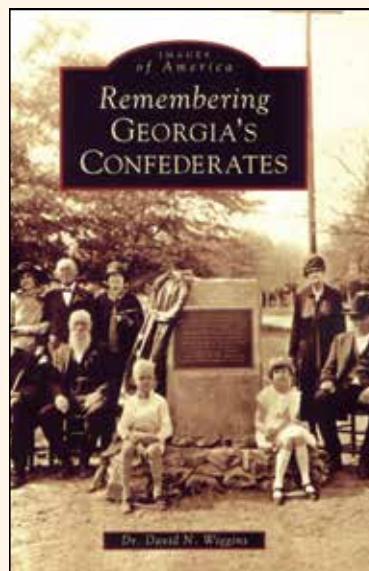
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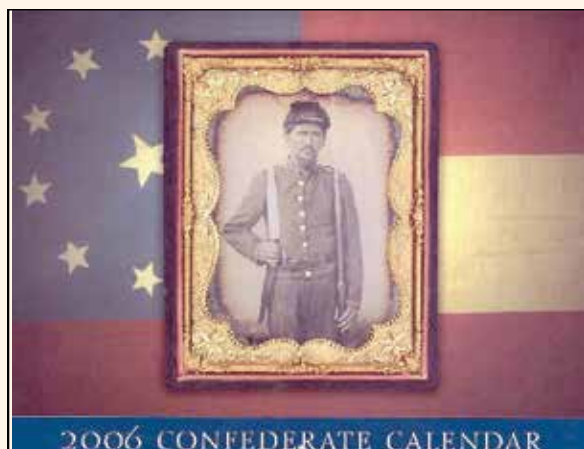
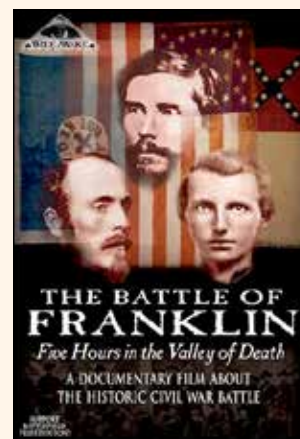
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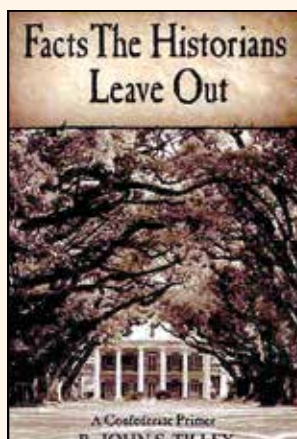
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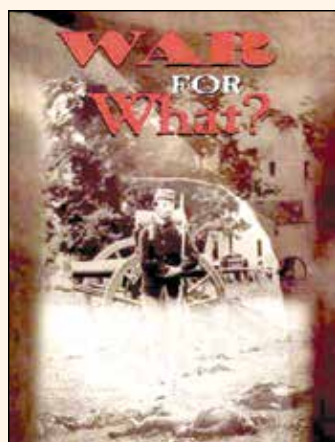
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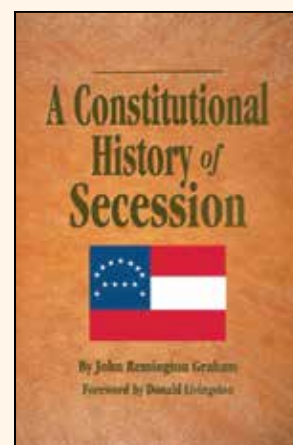
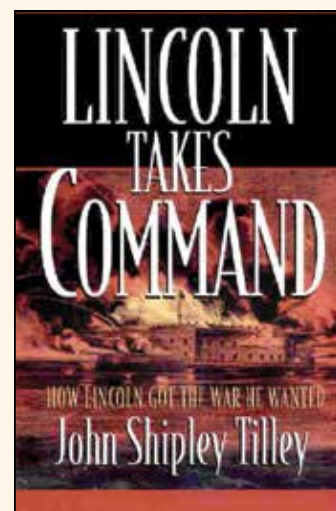
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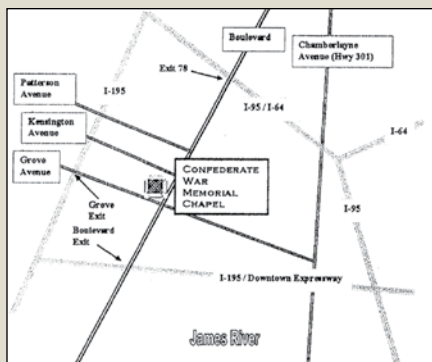
The Chapel was built in 1887 (on the grounds of the R.E. Lee Camp 1 UCV Soldiers' Home in Richmond). Many of the *old soldiers* provided the labor to construct this hallowed Chapel. More than 2,000 funerals of Confederate veterans were held at the Chapel. U.S. Grant contributed \$500 to the building of the Chapel. We would like to ask SCV members to help us to continue to keep it open to the public. It is the only existing **War Memorial** to the entire Confederate Military in Richmond (the *old soldiers* dedicated the Chapel with the following inscription in gold guild above the altar: "DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF THE CONFEDERATE DEAD")



The Lee-Jackson Camp 1 has held the lease to the Chapel since 1993. We have kept it open five days a week to the public (free of charge). Nowhere else (in inner city Richmond) does the BATTLE FLAG fly five days a week! We also hold the annual Confederate Memorial Day program at the Chapel, which is always a BIG success.

The assistance we are requesting would enable us to increase public awareness (through advertising), keep the Chapel open five days a week, and educate the public regarding the true cause of the Confederacy. We have an excellent video presentation with actual footage of the *old soldiers* at the home (before the last *old soldier* passed away in 1941 at the camp), as well as a history of the Battle Flag. The video is very inspiring, and often draws tears to the eyes of the visitors! We entertain school groups, and make the Chapel available to SCV, UDC, and Children of the Confederacy camps. We also use the Chapel as a *recruiting tool*, passing out SCV brochures to perspective new members.

Without your assistance (and the assistance of others who have helped us in the past 12 years), we will be faced with cutting back the hours of operation. Won't you PLEASE help us in this very worthy cause by joining the **Friends of the Confederate War Memorial Chapel Association**? Any amount you would like to contribute would be greatly appreciated. All who contribute will have their name on permanent display in our honor roll of donors in the Chapel.



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