

# IN THE TRENCHES

A NEWS LETTER OF THE  
LT GENERAL JOHN C. PEMBERTON CAMP 1354  
VICKSBURG MISSISSIPPI  
SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

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## **Commanders Report**

Well we have arrived to October already! Time has flown by this year, I suppose I have told y'all many times what someone told me a long time ago, so long ago I did not understand, but I surely do now. "Life is like a roll of toilet paper, the closer you get to the end the faster it rolls".

Eddie and I got out to "Soldiers Rest" and replaced the flags on the pole and took up all the small flags. Ran into Josh Edwards out there and he helped us, I think Josh will be a very good Confederate, he hangs around in cemeteries a lot.

Seems like our flag is in the news again or rather most all the time. I wonder if any other state flag has had the press coverage that ours has had. I was part of the S.C.V. group that went over in 1993 and signed in as "Friends of the Ms. State flag". This was when they filed suit against Gov. Fordice to remove the flag. Our S.C.V. Judge Advocate, the Honorable Stone Barfield felt our state Attorney General would not assign a attorney to represent the State that would have our interests at heart, he was right. We got in the news then and seems like the flag has been in the news most of the time since then. It has survived, hope it can continue.

Soon we will have to get out at the monument and clip the grass, spray roundup and put in some more pine straw. Will let y'all know when I can get out there or y'all can go without me.

Have not been up to see Sam for a few days, but I was told he was doing better, visiting with his company, catching up on some of his reading. Hope to see you at the next meeting, Wayne McMaster

### **Upcoming meetings**

Our meetings are on the first Tuesday of each month. The meetings start at 7:00 pm. Our meeting location is 216 Miller Street in the Disabled American Veterans building. Our website contains direction to the meeting location. Visitors are always welcome. If you would like to present a program, please contact Commander Wayne McMaster at waynemcmasteris@gmail.com. Below are the list of upcoming meetings and speakers

<i>Date</i>	<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Topic</i>
Oct 7, 2014	Larry Holman	Old Federal Road

## **September Meeting**

The meeting was opened with prayer by Brain Dabney followed by Pledges, salutes, and the Charge led by Thomas Dabney. Josh Edwards presented the program on Sam Bell Maxie. Our meeting was closed with a prayer by Chaplin Dabney.

## **Sam Price**

As you know, Sam has had an issue with a wound on his foot. He spent several days in the hospital for this issue. After returning home, somehow the ankle on his bad foot broke and he returned to the hospital. Based on the original issue with his foot, the options were limited. He has had surgery and is now recuperating in Covenant. He is unable to put any weight on his foot for several months. Keep Sam in your prayers and keep in contact with him.

## **Prayers**

Keep the family of Joe Loviza in your prayers. Joe's wife passed away this month

## **Prayers**

Keep Larry Holman and his family in our Prayers.

## **A Beautiful Day in the Cemetery**

Wayne, Josh Edwards and myself spent a beautiful Friday afternoon in Cedar Hill. We replaced the two flags on soldiers rest flag pole and removed old flags from veterans graves. Of course Wayne kept us up on the history of the cemetery.

## **LEE'S FAREWELL TO THE ARMY OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA**

Thanks to Father John Sigmon one of the founders of our camp and past Mississippi Division Commander. John lives in Oregon and is a member of the John C. Pemberton camp. He is the associate priest at Saint Mark's Anglican Church in nearby

Klamath Falls, Oregon, a conservative and traditional Episcopal body.

It was the final hour—the dying gasp of that ragged army. For four years they had fought the invaders of their beloved Southland; fought them in the beautiful valley of the Shenandoah, fought them in the tangled swamps of Virginia’s peninsula; fought them in Pennsylvania, in Maryland and more often than not, fought their blue coated foes to a shivering standstill.

If it was the final hour for those brave few of the Army of Northern Virginia, it was the finest hour for its Commander. And while he had and would face perils and perplexities, for Confederate General Robert E. Lee –as it was said in another time about a brave people. ”this, was his—their –finest hour.” It was his composure in defeat, his care for his men, and his faith in He who orders all things for the good of His children. They stood out then. And they stand out today.

The days preceding that awful 9<sup>th</sup> of April, 1865, were tragic. Forced from the trenches around Petersburg, his army bravely withstood all the assaults of their enemy. Down the hard road to Appomattox they retreated, hoping it would lead to fresh supplies and renewed strength. It never happened. So came the 9<sup>th</sup> of April.

The story of that day is part of our legacy as the descendants of those soldiers. For there, in an out of the way home, the saga of the Army of Northern Virginia came to a bitter end. Lee left the meeting with Grant, and astride his faithful mount, Traveler, he encountered his brave veterans as he returned to the Confederate lines. They had only one question, “General” they asked, “Are we surrendered?” History records that his eyes filled with tears, and for the moment too overcome with emotion to speak, he simply removed his hat and nodded. When he regained some of his composure he sought, in halting words, to address his brave few: those who had remained steadfast to the last.

“Men,” he said, “We have fought the war together and I have done the best I could for you. You will all be paroled and go to your

homes until exchanged.” The tears came again, and unable to say more, he choked out a good bye.

The news spread through his army like a grass fire. We are told of the reactions of his men; officers sat on their horses and wept openly, others smashed their rifles against the nearest tree. Men were prostrated on the ground in their grief. One man cried, “Blow Gabriel, blow! My God, let him blow, I am ready to die!” One officer stood in the middle of the road, firing his pistol at an oncoming group of Yankees, until at last he was killed. Perhaps the feelings of the many were summed up by the statement of one, who in this moment of the profoundest grief, grasped Lee’s fingers and said, “Farewell, General Lee. I wish for your sake and mine that every damned Yankee on earth was sunk ten miles deep in Hell!”

The hours to come were full of the necessary tasks for him and his staff. Reports had to be made, and in this time before word processors and printers, all had to be copied by hand, and sent out for distribution. Federal officers came to see him, usually in groups of four or five. They were greeted with a stony glare that stopped the interviews from being anything more than perfunctory greetings. The old lion was at bay, but he still had teeth.

Over and above all the administrative details Lee had to oversee, there came the most painful of all: composing his farewell to his army. As the evening of that day came, he sat with several of his officers at a fire that burned in front of his tent. They talked of the army, and of the uncertainty they all would face in the days to come. Finally Lee turned to his Assistant Adjutant General, Lieutenant Colonel Charles Marshall and ordered him to prepare the document.

It was raining the next day, the 10<sup>th</sup> of April, 1865. Still, the adverse weather did not halt the comings and goings of the many who had official business with the General—nor those who albeit reverently, came to gawk. Eventually Lee turned to Marshall and asked for the document. Marshall told him that he had been so occupied with the details of the surrender that he hadn’t been able

to get it done. Lee's solution was quick and simple; he ordered Marshall into his personal ambulance to compose the document and posted a sentry outside it to keep him from being disturbed. Marshall went to work.

The first results weren't long coming. That draft was done in pencil. When presented to Lee, the General crossed out an entire paragraph. He apparently felt that its inclusion would engender hard feelings. With a few other minor corrections, he handed it back to Marshall. The Colonel retreated back to the ambulance, and wrote out another draft. Soon it was done, and he stepped from the vehicle and hurried through the rain to the General's tent. Lee signed the draft, and Marshall then gave the copy to a nameless Headquarters clerk, who copied it in ink. No one knows the content of the deleted paragraph. Copies were made and distributed to the various Corps commanders and the general staff. There apparently is no original document. Marshall probably destroyed or misplaced the penciled copy Lee corrected. As an aside, an amended draft is held by Marshall's descendants, in Marshall's handwriting. Still, it can't be proven that it is the document given to the Headquarters clerk to copy. Many copies, with some variations, were presented to Lee for his signature, to be kept as heirlooms. The text in this article is the one Custis Lee copied into General Lee's letter book.

For Robert E. Lee, those days marked an end and a beginning. No longer at the head of that famous fighting force, the Army of Northern Virginia, he left Appomattox, and along with his battered ambulance and a few companions, made his way to Richmond. There, in a rented house, his family awaited him. Sadly, the days of his life were numbered. In the ensuing five years he had left, he assumed the presidency of a nearly defunct Washington College, devoting his remaining days to educating what was left of Southern manhood. He died one rainy October day, from an illness contracted while attending a vestry meeting in the cold, damp Episcopal Church where he worshipped. And so he passed into legend.

The years to come were bitter for the conquered South. Faced with Federal military occupation, the disenfranchisement of her best citizens for their service to the Confederacy, and the escalation of the former slaves to positions of power, the South struggled. Eventually, finally, the troops were withdrawn, and the survivors of the conquered nation found work to feed their families and the wherewith to rebuild what the invaders had destroyed. In the days to come, Lee became enshrined in their memories. He has emerged as the epitome of character, spirituality, and military genius. And we, the descendants of those soldiers, have never forgotten him.

There is another thing that we remember. It's that document penned so long ago, within the confines of a rickety ambulance with the rain coming down steadily outside. Its title was simple enough: General Order "9, dated April 10, 1865. We have come to know it as Lee's Farewell to the Army of Northern Virginia. Generations of Southern children have recited it while standing in front of their class in school. For myself, when as a pre-teen I was instructed to memorize Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, I refused. Rather than recite "Four score and seven years ago.." I proudly substituted "After four years of arduous service, marked by unsurpassed courage and fortitude....," Lee's final words to his army. I failed the class. My Southern mother raised my allowance. And raised hell with the teacher. It's never been forgotten...for those who can remember...DO remember.

And it's well that we do. For within the space of four paragraphs we find a celebration of the valor of our soldiers. Plus the care of their General who was deeply concerned for them, right down to the lowliest private who pulled a trigger in the defense his South and our way of life. Therein lies a hope and trust that a God of Mercy would look upon and preserve those ragged veterans in the coming days. There was a staunch and grateful recollection of their service to him. It's all there—honor, value and faith. And in the end....but let the words of General Order #9 speak for themselves.

*“After four years of arduous service, marked by unsurpassed courage and fortitude, the Army of Northern Virginia has been compelled to yield to overwhelming numbers and resources. I need not tell the brave survivors of so many hard fought battles who have remained steadfast to the last, that I have consented to this result from no distrust of them; but feeling that valor and devotion could accomplish nothing that would compensate for the loss that must have attended the continuance of the contest, I have determined to avoid the useless sacrifice of those whose past services have endeared them to their countrymen. By the terms of the agreement, officers and men can return to their homes and remain until exchanged. You will take with you the satisfaction that proceeds from the consciousness of duty faithfully performed, and I earnestly pray, that a merciful God, will extend to you His blessing and protection. With an unceasing admiration of your constancy and devotion to your country, and a grateful remembrance of your kind and generous consideration for myself, bid you all an affectionate farewell.”*

Some would say it's just a historical footnote, one that would pale in comparison with the so called Great Emancipators Gettysburg address. For them, that's fine. But for us...those who are the proud descendants of the men and women who held out for four years against overwhelming odds, it's more than just that. It speaks of the Confederate fighting man, terrible in battle and unmatched in valor. It speaks of the real reason for the loss of our cause...numbers and resources. And finally, it speaks of our faith in an All Wise Providence who alone orders the fate of men, in spite of plague, famine, fire or war. It speaks for us...you and me. It's an embodiment.....of Dear Old Dixie. Read it. Learn it. And NEVER....forget it.

## **Bobb Murder, Horrible Murder by Colored Soldiers**

Mr. John H Bobb, The Murdered man, was Sam Price's wife Carol's, Great - whatever - Uncle. The Brother of her Great Grand ----- Mother. Thanks to Sam for this info.

A Peaceable Citizen of Vicksburg was Shot Dead in Cold Blood by Negro Troops in Vicksburg Ms. on the 18th of May 1864. Mr. John H. Bobb, a peaceable unoffending citizen, was most brutally murdered by Negro Soldiers. Mr. John H. Bobb and a man by the name of Mattingly, on going to Mr. John H. Bobb's house for dinner, found a lot of Negro Soldiers picking flowers on his premises. The Negroes said they didn't know whose house they had occupied. Angry words passed, and they applied to him very coarse and insulting language, when Mr. John H. Bobb, being enraged, knocked down a Negro Sergeant with a stone. The Negro vowed revenge on him, and threatened to burn his house. Mr. John H. Bobb, immediately came to see General Slocum not anticipating anything but his arrest. General Slocum promised to protect his property and person against anything unlawful. As Mr. John H. Bobb went to his home, Fifteen or Twenty Negro Soldiers led by a Sergeant, arrested him and Mattingly. When leading them off, Mr. John H. Bobb asked, where is your Lieutenant? Where are your officers? The Negro replied. "D—n the officers, we can fix you without Officers." Mr. John H. Bobb supposed he was to be taken before the Colonel of the Regiment for examination. He was however, taken through a Machine Shop and after getting one hundred and fifty yards down a Bayou, one Negro fired a gun, the ball passing through Mr. John H. Bobb's back and coming out of his abdomen. He fell, and another shot struck him through the cheek. Mattingly ran and escaped, the blacks stopping over Mr. John H. Bobb's body. They followed him, however, until pursuit was useless to their purposes, as he met Dr. Churchill, who protected him. One ball went thorough his coat. Mrs. Bobb and Mr. Raum came to General Slocum's headquarters, and he sent down a reliable officer. – Major Gwinden, of his staff to ascertain, the true position of affairs, when he got to the ground Mr. John H.

Bobb was dead, and the disconsolate and senseless wife over his body, with seventy – five black soldiers standing about the body along the bayou, shouting vociferously. “We’re taking them now.” The Major immediately ordered the arrest of all the parties, but up to this writing the sergeant alone has been arrested. Others will be arrested and be punished. General Slocum has no prejudice on account of color, but would punish any white soldiers who would perpetrate any such inhuman act. There is but one sentiment and desire hereon the subject, and that is that the perpetrators of this atrocity shall be blind, if General Slocum does not find out and hang these men there is no security for life to any man and his unfit to be command.

To be continued

## **Letter to Ole Miss**

Ole Miss and the New Bigots by Ben Jones

The brilliant editor H.L. Mencken had a way of being succinct that sparkled with wit. "There is no idea so stupid that you can't find a professor who will believe it," he remarked. Mencken would have a field day with the recent actions of the University of Mississippi. If you have ever wondered why academia is often the butt of ridicule and humor, you need only to read the report from Ole Miss President Dan Jones entitled, "Action Plan on Consultant Reports and Update on the Work of the Sensitivity and Respect Committee." We are told that the Extended Sensitivity and Respect Committee has decided that the new Vice Chancellor for Diversity and Inclusion will work with the Institute for Racial Diversity and the new Center for Inclusion and Cross Cultural Engagement.<BR>Fellow compatriots, I am not making this up. This is not a satire, this is what the taxpayers of Mississippi are dishing out their hard-earned money to pay for. President Jones further stated, "It is my hope that the steps outlined here reflecting the hard work of University committees and our consultants will prove valuable in making us a stronger and healthier university, bringing us closer to our goal of being a warm and welcoming

place for every person, every day, regardless of race, religion, preference, country of origin, ability, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation or gender expression." In my opinion, this is an astounding demonstration of politically correct, "feel-good", unadulterated hogwash as has ever been uttered by a man on the public payroll. And having spent four years in the United States Congress, I have heard some world-class hogwash in my day. President Jones, sounding a lot like Mr. Rogers Neighborhood, has listed every possible group that might be sensitive to not being "included" in this unlimited "diversity", even one I've never heard of: "gender expression." Well, whatever that means, I figure it is o.k. if one expresses their gender at Ole Miss. There is one very large group that is not included, however. It is those of us whose ancestors fought for the Confederacy during the War Between the States. There are over 70 million of us, but it is as if we do not exist, or have deep feelings toward our forefathers. In fact, without a straightforward explanation, the famous Oxford street named Confederate Drive is being renamed by these academics in the name of "inclusion". That intentional insult puts the lie to any pretense of "inclusion" or of respect or of diversity on the part of the University of Mississippi. The Confederacy existed. Thousands of young Mississippians died for it. That conflict has been the crucible event of American history. Everything before led up to it. Everything after has been influenced by it. The entire student body of the University of Mississippi enlisted in the Confederate Army and those young men suffered 100% casualties. That war is an historical reality and we do not flinch from that reality and its consequences. Those men and their descendants built the University and kept it going through good times and bad, and through the social changes of the past 150 years. That street was named for those brave young students. The University, in its narrow-minded rush to be politically correct, has banished that little bit of respect by renaming Confederate Drive. In their sanctimonious zeal, they have demeaned the honor and reputation of our ancestors. In the last fifty years or so we have witnessed a

truly remarkable revolution in race relations in the South. Where once there was Jim Crow and strict segregation, there is now a multi-cultural society that has the fastest growing economy in the United States. Men and women of good hearts have come together in brotherhood and cooperation to enjoy racial relations that are an exemplar for other regions. This "bridge-building" has been built on an acceptance of the past and the promise of a shared future, not the divisive finger-pointing of the academics and the politicians. These politically correct crusaders are practicing a new kind of bigotry. It is a movement that demonizes the Confederacy and lays the sins of America entirely upon the South. If they continue to have their way, they would eradicate every vestige of our cultural history. They ask for respect but give none. Once again, we must make our voices heard in every way possible. We must demand the respect that our families deserve. We are the last line of defense for the dignity that our ancestors earned.

### **Changing the name against the Law**

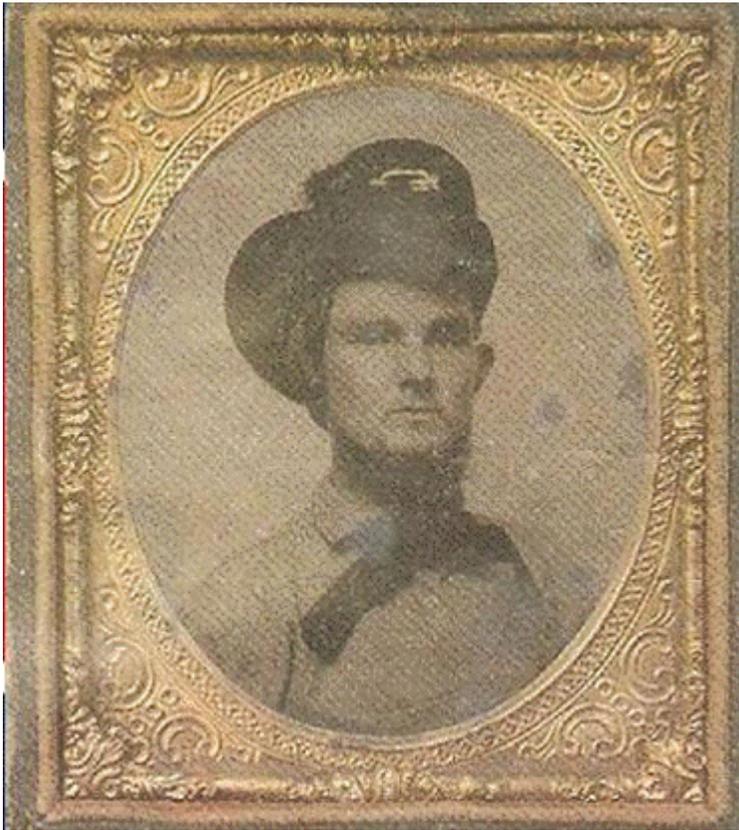


The Mississippi Division Commander with the aid of the Division Judge Advocate has reviewed Code 55-15-81. Based on this the wheels are in motion. The chancellor and vice-provost on diversity affairs have been served a summons to appear on Oct. 27th 2014 to address our petition for injunction and a temporary restraining order on renaming Confederate Drive. The same summons is being served to the attorney generals office since that office is the agent

for the University of Mississippi in such matters. Game is on. Keep the prayers going.

### **Death Of J. S. Gage From Commander Terrell**

Read this and you will understand why we must engage Ole Miss to protect our ancestor's name and our heritage. this young man was a student at Ole Miss. Gage died on July 3, 1863, Sergeant in Company A, 11th Mississippi at Gettysburg



"The first to arrive, borne on a litter, was a princely fellow and favored son of the Eleventh Mississippi. I saw in an instant a condition of terrible shock. He laid back the blanket and exposed his lower abdomen torn through left to right by a cannon shot. Without the slightest change of voice, he asked "Doctor, how long have I to live?" A very few hours I replied. "Oh, my darling mother." he said "Quick, I want to write" After finishing his letter, he said " Doctor, I am in great agony. Let me die easy. " I handed

him a cup of black drop, a concentrated dose of opium. He feebly waved the cup, saying "Come around, boys, and let us have a toast. I drink the toast to you to the Southern Confederacy, and to victory!" In about an hour, passing hastily, I lifted the cover from his face, to find him sleeping painlessly.

Jeremiah Gage's dying words letter reached its destination. Today in Greenwood, Mississippi, Jeremiah's great great nice, Gage McLendon Roberson, cherishes that letter

"My Dear Mother,

" This is the last you may ever hear from me. I have time to tell you that I died like a man. Bear my loss as best you can.

Remember that I am true to my country and my greatest regret at dying is that she is not free and that you and my sisters are robbed of my worth, whatever that may be. I hope this will reach you and you must not regret that my body can not be obtained. It is a mere matter of form anyhow. This is for my sisters too as I can write not write more. Send my dying release to Miss Mary... you know who.

J. S. Gage

Company A

11th Mississippi

(This letter is stained with my blood)

## Memorial Stone for J.S. Gage



This stone stands in Quiet Ridge Cemetery, near Pickens, MS.  
in memory of J. S. Gage

### **From J. S. Gage Service records**

At 21 he joined Captain Lowery company at Oxford Mississippi. This company became Company A 11th Mississippi Infantry also know as the University Greys.

He enlisted on April 26 and was mustered into Confederate service on May 13 1861.

He was made corporal on 13 September 1861 by Lt Col Liddell.

He was made 4th sergeant on 18 Dec 1861 by Lt Col Liddell.

He was wounded as a part of the 3d brigade (Laws) near Richmond Virginia at the Battle of Gaines Mill on June 27 1862.

He died July 3 1863 at Gettysburg

### **How the Big Lie Works**

Next the statesmen will invent cheap lies, putting the blame upon the nation that is attacked, and every man will be glad of those conscience-soothing falsities, and will diligently study them, and refuse to examine any refutations of them; and thus he will by and

by convince himself that the war is just, and will thank God for the better sleep he enjoys after this process of grotesque self-deception  
Mark Twain 1916 *The Mysterious Stranger*, Ch.9

## **Hero Dogs**

Compatriots,

SCV members in Maryland made a \$482.91 contribution to Hero Dogs Inc. on February 20, 2014. The organization obtains working dogs for Disabled American Veterans. The organization's Board President, Desma J. Wade USMC veteran and Jennifer Lund, PhD Executive Director signed a letter six months later, on August 26, 2014, which was sent to SCV GHQ returning the check and rejecting the contribution stating: "In keeping with Hero Dog's gift acceptance policy, our Board of Directors and members of our Development Committee made the decision to respectfully decline being one of the beneficiaries of the Sons of Confederate Veterans."

Chief of Heritage Operations, Ben L. Jones, wrote the letter below which was dispatched to Hero Dogs Inc. by overnight mail on September 3, 2014. This letter is being made public on September 4, 2014 at which time it will be distributed to many media outlets. Contact information for this group is:

Hero Dogs, Inc.

P O Box 64

Brookeville MD 20833-0064

[\(888\) 570-8653](tel:(888)570-8653)

[hero@hero-dogs.org](mailto:hero@hero-dogs.org)

Please be polite and well-mannered in any contact made.

September 3, 2014

AN OPEN LETTER TO HERO DOGS, INC. OF  
BROOKEVILLE , MARYLAND

Dear Desma J. Wade and Jennifer Lund,

Recently, members of our organization, Sons of Confederate

Veterans (SCV), made a contribution to your organization in the amount of \$482.91, to assist in your work of finding companion and service dogs for American military veterans who need such assistance. A number of our members in Maryland helped to raise that modest contribution and gave of their time and money in doing so. Today that cashier's check was returned to us at our National Headquarters in Columbia, Tennessee with a brief note which says that your Board of Directors and members of your development committee had made a decision to "respectfully decline" being one of our "beneficiaries ". Your signatures were beneath.

There was no reason given for turning down this heartfelt gift. We, who have so many military veterans in our organization, cannot understand why you have done this. Without even the courtesy of an explanation, we do not feel that you have "respectfully" declined our gift, but indeed you have "disrespectfully" declined it. To us, this is an unconscionable insult to our historic and honorable heritage organization, and an insult to those whom you represent yourselves as serving, our wounded veterans. Your "decision" was gratuitous and terribly uninformed.

Sons of Confederate Veterans is one of our nation's oldest and largest heritage and genealogical groups. We were founded in 1896 and represent male direct descendants of those who fought in the American War Between The States. Our sole purpose is to commemorate and honor our ancestors. Currently there are 30,000 members throughout the United States and abroad.

There are more than 65 million American descendants of the armed forces of the Confederacy. We have served our nation in many ways. In every conflict in our nation's history we have sacrificed all to protect and defend our great nation.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans deplors the use of our forefathers ' symbols by racist and "hate groups". We find these actions to be a desecration. These bigoted displays dishonor our ancestors.

Your insulting refusal to accept our caring generosity also

dishonors our ancestors. But perhaps worse, you have withheld badly needed assistance from American veterans because of someone's apparent fixation with "political correctness." This is sickeningly wrong-headed.

You will find no more patriotic Americans than the members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. And we always stand willing to help America's veterans in every way. Given your decision, it remains to be seen if you share that same willingness.

Ben L. Jones

Chief of Heritage Operations

Sons of Confederate Veterans

Ben Jones' great grandfathers Isaac Lane and Harley Jenrette fought with the Army of Northern Virginia.

Jones served two terms in the United States Congress, where he was a member of the Veterans Committee. There he was instrumental in getting compensation for veterans who suffered from the effects of Agent Orange. A writer, businessman, and entertainer, Jones is well known for his portrayal of "Cooter" the mechanic on the ever-popular "Dukes of Hazzard".

Deo Vindice!

Charles Kelly Barrow

Commander-in-Chief

Sons of Confederate Veterans

## **Division Newsletter**

At the Mississippi Division Annual Convention, the Mississippi Division decided to move forward on the effort to send out the Division Newsletter, The Jeff Davis Legion, by e mail. This effort will save the division considerable money. If you are presently receiving hard copy JDL by snail mail and would prefer to receive your newsletter by email simply send an email to:

[adjutant@mississippiascv.org](mailto:adjutant@mississippiascv.org)

with JDL in the subject line and your camp number, your SCVID (If you need your ID number E mail me) number and your name in the body. You will receive your email notification as soon as a new

full color issue is placed online, probably about ten days to two weeks prior to when you would receive by Snail mail.

### **Presence with the Past Cemetery Stroll**

Friends of Raymond is happy to sponsor the Presence with the Past Cemetery Stroll again this year. There are two strolls scheduled - Friday, October 10, 2014, 6:30 pm and Friday, October 17, 2014, 6:30 pm. Tickets are available now at Raymond City Hall, or you can purchase them at the Cemetery gate immediately prior to the stroll. Tickets are \$10.00 for each adult, and \$5.00 for each child under age 10. All proceeds go toward the FOR mission of preservation of historic sites in Raymond, such as the Raymond Military Park.

The Cemetery Stroll provides an opportunity for you to hear stories from various people who were involved in Raymond's past. We will have historic characters representing two governors, Civil War and Mexican War soldiers, authors, and leading citizens from Raymond's past. Please make your plans to attend one of these events and enjoy some living history!

### **Re-enactors needed**

Cub Family Weekend Camp Tiak (north of Wiggins) Saturday  
October 4-5 noon until approximately 5 pm

The Pine Burr Area Council would love to have Re-enactors with period weapons and attire display and demonstrate WBTS weaponry. Other period activities that would be considered Living History are being sought as well. The participants would be given lunch at the camp around noon and then educate the cubs and their parents until about 5 pm. In case of rain there are scattered pavilions across the property which is just north of Bond on Highway 49.

Interested individuals and units can contact Rob Harrison of the BSA Pine Burr Area Council. His cell is 228 297-8845.

## **Memorial Service in Quitman**

The City of Quitman and the Board of Directors of Friends of Texas Hospital Confederate Cemetery requests the assistance of Jefferson Davis Camp #1862 of Newton with a Living History Encampment and Memorial Service on February 28, 2015. The encampment will take place in the city of Quitman at Mary Carter Park with the Memorial Service at the Confederate Cemetery just outside the city limits.

This is a FREE event for participants, vendors, and spectators. For more information, please contact Dianne Carlin at [dianne.l.carlin@gmail.com](mailto:dianne.l.carlin@gmail.com) or by calling 601-678-5382.

Thank you.

Dianne Carlin

Friends of Texas Hospital Confederate Cemetery, Chairman

## **Battle of Liberty**

150th Anniversary of The Battle of Liberty, MS

Saturday, November 8 at 9:00am in Liberty, Mississippi

## **Memorial Service in Brandon**

The Rough and Readies will host a Memorial service for Judge James Wallace McMaster. This McMaster family is little known to our Commander.

The memorial service for the McMaster family is on November 1st at 11:00am and it will end at approx. 11:30am at the Old Brandon Cemetery. Take exit 56 off of I-20 East. Take a right on HWY 80. Go approximately 1 mile and take a left onto HWY 471. The Old Brandon Cemetery is approx. 1/4 mile down on your right. If you want to dress out and participate contact Tim Cupit at 769-234-2966 or at home at 769-251-0091. Or if you just want to come out and show support that would be appreciated as well.

## **Reenactment of the Battle of McLeod's Mill**

Greene County MS is having a 150th reenactment of the Battle of McLeod's Mill, that was during the Davidson raid of South Mississippi. It will be Dec 6, 2014 in Leakesville Ms. We are also planning to dedicate a monument honoring our Confederate Veterans on Dec 5. We are very excited Greene County has never had anything to honor our solders until now! Dec 5 will be a day of Living History and the town has agreed to let us set up camp almost directly across from the Courthouse on the main highway through town which were the men camp in 1861. We also plan to have a Ball on Saturday. Please help us get this information to any one whom may be interest. We want to honor these brave men, and show our community what a wonderful organization the SCV is. Contact Marinda Gillie Kane Email: [Mrngill9@yahoo.com](mailto:Mrngill9@yahoo.com) for more info

## **Ms Division 2015 convention**

On behalf of the Membership and Staff of the General William Barksdale Camp 1220 located in Columbus, Mississippi; you are cordially invited to attend the: 120th Mississippi Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans and the 21st Mississippi Society, Order of Confederate Rose Reunions Held June 05-07, 2015 in historic Columbus, Mississippi!

## **Upcoming National Conventions**

2015 – Richmond

2016 – Dallas/Ft. Worth

2017 – Memphis

## **Army of Tennessee Logo**

Greetings Fellow Compatriots of the Army of Tennessee- Just for one moment I would like you to think about any successful national company or your favorite sports team. They all have one thing in common... an easy to recognize logo that clearly identifies their product or franchise.

Our Confederate ancestors rallied around their own Regimental logos in the use of flags and banners. These instilled pride in oneself and the men of the units they were fighting with.

Today, I am announcing a friendly little Divisional competition to develop the new official logo for the Army of Tennessee. This logo will be used on all official documentation, a future A.O.T. flag, and to help our army stand out among our members. Since our army is the largest, we should also be the leader in developing our own logo first. Here is your chance to make a difference, a chance to design a logo for future generations of the A.O.T. to use and display with pride. The following is what we are proposing:

- (a) Develop your idea either on an individual basis or as a camp project.
- (b) When submitting a logo, please retain it in the original format of the application you are creating it in, if possible, or save it with no background color.
- (c) Resolution: 300 pixels pre inch. formats: png, psd, tif.
- (d) Email to: **alosure@yahoo.com** Please provide name and contact info.
- (e) All entries must be received by October 1, 2014. Winning logo will appear in a future edition of Confederate magazine.

Larry McCluney, A.O.T. Commander

## **Civil War Limericks**

My new book, *Civil War Limericks*, has just been released and is now available at bookstores nationwide. It presents Civil War history in an entertaining way with 96 short narrations about personalities of the era, each illustrated with a caricature

accompanied by a limerick verse. Both Southerners and Northerners are presented along with the quirks and foibles that make them memorable.

If the 96 short chapters are read sequentially, the reader will get a useful overview of the war. But each chapter is independent enough to stand on its own so that the reader can browse for those events or persons that intrigue him the most. Readers who are used to seeing the war from the politically correct perspective of a virtuous North and an evil South may be in for some surprises, but that is the fault of the historians who have misled generations of Americans. And those who have the misconception that Lincoln was a great humanitarian may be disappointed to see him tied to the Union army's policy of arson and pillage against Southern civilians,

*Civil War Limericks* is entertaining and educational at the same time. Personalities described include William Lloyd Garrison, Roger B. Taney, John Brown, Abraham Lincoln, Varina Davis, Jefferson Davis, Thomas J. Jackson, Pierre Beauregard, George McClellan, Julia Ward Howe, Belle Boyd, Joseph Hooker, Richard Ewell, Dick Dowling, Raphael Semmes, Philip Sheridan, John Morgan, and many others.

Title: *Civil War Limericks*

Author: Charles H. Hayes

Publisher: Pelican Publishing Company

ISBN: 978-1-4556-1959-7

Publisher's list price: \$19.95 (paper back, 6x9, 208 pp. 96 illus.)

For a signed copy send your check or money order for \$19.95

(shipping free within USA) to me at

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To purchase by credit card and for details about *Civil War Limericks* and my previous book, *The Gray and the Blue—a Comic Strip History of the Civil War*, please see my Web site:

[www.b17.com/hayes](http://www.b17.com/hayes).

## **Welcome Centers**

Jerry McWilliams and Ray Billings are leading the effort to obtain marketing spots in the highway welcome centers. They need local camps near the visitor centers and a way to properly attire the mannequins. Their emails are attached.

If you can assist them please contact

Jerry McWilliams: [jerrymcart@yahoo.com](mailto:jerrymcart@yahoo.com)

Ray Billings: [rlbill@cox.net](mailto:rlbill@cox.net)

## **Flag Restoration**

In many cases the old veterans battle flags are our last physical link to their valor. Many of their flags are in possession of the State of Mississippi Archives and History. There they are rotting away to dust. It is up to us as decedents of these brave men to preserve their battle flags for our ancestors to see. There are three funding activities. Direct donations, SCV car tags, and sale of coffee cups. Our camp has a supply of coffee cups.

## **John C. Pemberton Camp Website**

Go to <http://scv-camp-1354.com/> to view our website. Thanks to our Webmaster Bill Fryer. Bill is creating a "Wall of Honor" for our ancestors. Check it out on the web site and add your ancestor. Also find directions to our meeting location

## **Stephen Dill Lee Institute**

The **Stephen Dill Lee Institute** is pleased to announce that in 2015, we will be heading southwest to Dallas, Texas. The Institute will be held at the Doubletree Hotel on February 6-7, 2015 and will be hosted by the Texas Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. The hotel is located near the world famous Galleria shopping center. This is the first time we have held the Institute in the southwest and hope to have a whole new group of Institute followers. As you know, there is nothing to compare with

our Institute and its special brand of high intellectual content coupled with fun times.

The Doubletree is accessible to Love Field airport as well as Dallas-Ft Worth airport and within minutes of attractions such as the Bush Presidential Library and Delaney Plaza, site of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. The City of Ft. Worth and its historic stockyards are also in the Dallas area.

The overall topic will be THE REAL RESULTS OF 1865.

The Speakers will include--

Jeffery Addicott

Marshall De Rosa

Tom Moore

Egon Tausch

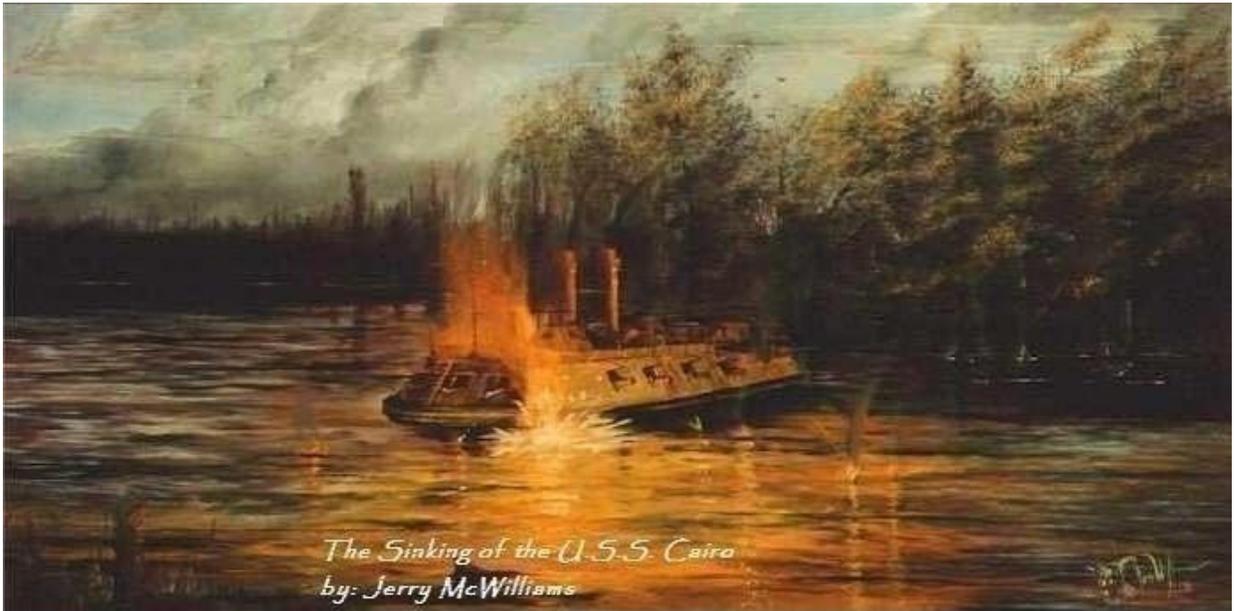
Don Livingston

While individual topics are being worked out at this moment, the Institute will continue with its special brand of scholarship and intellectual creativity. Biographies will soon be presented along with other pertinent information. Please register on this website or contact Ms. Cindy White at 1-800-My Dixie. Hotel reservations can be made directly at the hotel or as specified on this website. Please feel free to contact me at 804- 389- 3620 or visit our website at [www.StephenDLeeInstitute.com](http://www.StephenDLeeInstitute.com) for further information . Thanks and I look forward to a big crowd in February.

## **Newsletter**

If anyone has read a good book, visited an interesting place, would like to post a bio of their Confederate ancestor, or just has a thought they would like to share with the membership, forward the article to me ([charlescresap33@att.net](mailto:charlescresap33@att.net)) and I will place it in the next newsletter. Thanks to Commander McMaster, Chaplain Bryan Dabney, our Camp Poet and 2d Lt Commander Joel Bailey, our artist in residence Jerry McWilliams, past division commander father John Sigmon and adjutant Larry Holman for their input to the newsletter. Also if you have any ideas for making the newsletter better serve you, please let me know

## Poets Corner



### **THE CAIRO**

by: Joel T. Bailey

*The Cairo was built in 1861 and was called an ironclad  
It was one of several the Union Navy had*

*On the Ohio and Mississippi it gained a reputation  
And was very active in the Tennessee occupation*

*But the Cairo made its last run on December 12, 1862  
It was hit by a rebel mine and sunk in the muddy Yazoo*

*Altho no one was killed it made a deadly sound  
And it took just twelve minutes for the Cairo to go down*

*It was raised from its watery grave in 1964  
Now it rests in a museum as part of the wars lore*

## **Friends of Beauvoir**

Beauvoir the Home of Jefferson Davis is Owned and Operated by the Mississippi Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans.

Here is an Invitation to give the Past a Future!

Go to [http://www.beauvoir.org/Support\\_Beauvoir/index.html](http://www.beauvoir.org/Support_Beauvoir/index.html) for details

## **Bricks for Beauvoir**

The plans are for a brick plaza around the tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Each brick would cost \$50.00 and would have the name of a Confederate ancestor of members of the SCV who give to the effort. "The Bricks for Beauvoir" Project is spearheaded by Larry McCluney, Past Commander of the Mississippi Division. Thirteen columns, in a crescent, will represent the 13 States of the Confederacy and will fly the flag of each respective State. AOT Commander, now Commander in Chief, Kelly Barrow, gave a challenge to the Department Commanders to see which Army could raise the most money toward the project. ATM Councilman, Chuck McMichael, offered the following resolution in support of the Monument: "Be it resolved that the Sons of Confederate Veterans does hereby endorse fully, the Monument to the Unknown Soldier and gives its whole-hearted support for the concerted efforts of the Mississippi Division, SCV." The GEC gave unanimous consent and support to the project.

By purchasing an Ancestral Memorial Brick for just \$50.00 each, your money will go to rebuilding a national treasure. Each brick will be laid, memorializing your ancestor, in a plaza around the Tomb of the Unknown Confederate Soldier at Beauvoir.

## **Leadership Workshop**

The Army of Tennessee and Mississippi Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans will be hosting a Leadership Workshop in Biloxi, MS at Beauvoir in conjunction with the annual Fall Muster on the 18th of October 2014. The meeting will be held in the Jefferson Davis Presidential Library and will begin at 8:30am on Saturday morning. Those attending are invited to a meet and greet Friday the 17th from 6pm to 8pm in the Museum and on Sunday the 19th at 10am we will be given a private tour of the Archives lead by a member of the staff. The total cost for this workshop is \$20.00 per person or \$30.00 per couple. This will be your admission for the entire weekend and allow you to attend the re-enactment and private tours. Please pre register by contacting Ms. Cindy White at 800-380-1896 ext. 209 go to <http://www.scv.org>" There will also be an opportunity to pay at the door on the date of the event.

## **Fall Muster**

Put Oct 18-19 on your calendar. 28th Annual Fall Muster Experience the sights, sounds, and even the smells of the 1861-1865 conflict! There will be cavalry, Infantry and cannon demonstrations, and a battle on each day! All branches of service, North and South, civilians, drummer boys and spectators welcomed! Festivities include a Picnic Basket Auction, Ladies Tea & a Saturday Night Dance with Entertainment!

Date(s): 10/18/2014 - 10/19/2014

Times: 9am gates open

Location: Beauvoir, 2244 Beach Blvd, Biloxi

Contact: Beauvoir, The Jefferson Davis Home

Phone: 228-388-4400

Admission: Admission Charged

## 2014 Scottish Highland Games

These games are at Beauvoir on November 15-16, 2014

### Dues

Our annual dues are due on 1 Aug and **late on 1 Nov**. You should have gotten a notification of dues from the Mississippi Division adjutant. It should describe the dues you owe for the upcoming year and an opportunity to donate to Mississippi Division Projects. The check for dues and donations will be sent to the John C. Pemberton Adjutant who will distribute dues and contributions to the proper place. There are three levels of dues. National dues of \$30, State dues of \$10, and camp dues of \$7. All must be paid to remain a member in good standing. Life memberships can be purchased for National and Mississippi Division. Life Membership in the International Organization exempts one from paying annual dues to the International Organization but **does not exempt** that member from paying annual Mississippi Division dues nor annual Camp dues. Life Membership in the Mississippi Division exempts one from paying annual dues to the Mississippi Division but **does not exempt** that member from paying annual International dues nor annual Camp dues. For information about division life membership go to <http://www.mississippiencv.org/links.html>. and then go to article 4.C of the bylaws. For National life membership go to SCV.org, services, forms and Documents, life membership application. Send your dues to Larry Holman, 61 Rollingwood Dr, Vicksburg,, MS 39183

## **Chaplains Corner**

For the Brethren:

Consider our Lord's remarks to his disciples on the night before his crucifixion as found in St. John 14:1-3: Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. And further on in that same chapter our Lord said...I will pray the Father and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him; for he dwelleth with you and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless, I will come to you( vv.16-18). These words mirror the words of the 23 Psalm: The LORD is my shepherd...he maketh me to lie down in green pastures...he leadeth me beside the still waters...

The Good Shepherd sent his most holy Spirit to guide, comfort and indwell all who are his elect and beloved until he comes again. The Holy Ghost does not stand apart from his own, but actually resides within every regenerated believer, speaking to us the deep things which God through Christ would have us know for our edification. And it is by virtue of the Spirit of God that select men are called into the ministry for the purpose of shepherding the various flocks of our Lord which are scattered across the world.

Article XIX of the Anglican Articles of Religion states that: "The visible Church of Christ is a congregation of faithful men, in the which the pure Word of God is preached, and the Sacraments be duly ministered according to Christ's ordinance, in all those things that of necessity are requisite to the same." That is the "acid test" of Anglicanism, but it should be the same for all of the churches regardless of their denominational brand. The Good Shepherd came to establish his church and create, via the new covenant, a more perfect relationship between God and mankind. The church is

the fold of Christ, a haven from the world, a place of sanctuary, and a place of sanctity. It is a place where God's peace is shared by those who are born again of the Spirit. It is a place where God's word written is respected as the whole truth against all else to the contrary. And while there are a host of church bodies, they all possess one door, and that is Jesus Christ. They may speak different languages, and use differing forms of worship, but they are, nevertheless, brothers and sisters in Christ.

One day, the many folds shall be one when our Lord returns to collect his own. In the Book of Revelation (3:9-10), Jesus said: To the angel of the Church of Philadelphia write:...I have set before thee an open door...Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell on the earth... Our Lord has promised to come again and bring us to our everlasting home. So then let us live in humble expectation of that august promise as noted in First Thessalonians 4:16-18: For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

Let us pray,

Father, keep us steadfast as we watch for the coming of thy Son, that by the indwelling of thy Spirit we might be kept safe from all evil; for this we ask in the name of him who is the Good Shepherd, even Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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