

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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**Dedication of the Mississippi
Monument**

**Shiloh National Military Park
October 10, 2015**

Site Plan

Commander's Column

Dear Compatriots,

I trust all of you will be enjoying the cooler weather of Fall. It has been an extremely hot summer. I urge all of you to stay informed on any and all Heritage Violations. If you haven't joined the SCV on Facebook, please do so soon as it is a great way to find out what is going on. I would like to thank Dr. McMillan for writing the article that we placed in the local paper recently. We hope to make that a regular thing so if anyone has anything that they would like to put in the paper, please let us know. Also, thanks to Brian Skipworth for helping to come up with a tee shirt design for the Camp. The October 6 meeting will feature our own Larry Holman who will present a very interesting program on POW Camps. Thank you Larry for volunteering to give the program. An also thank you to Mr. Sam Price for his excellent program last month. Don't forget that the Camp will have a booth at the Fall Flea Market on Oct.3 We still need volunteers to help out that day, please let me or Eddy Cresap know if you can help man the booth, even for just a couple of hours. I hope to see all of you on Oct. 3 and at the meeting Oct. 6. Please bring a friend.

Edward Campbell

Upcoming meetings

Our meetings are on the first Tuesday of each month starting 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. Bring a visitor to our next meeting.

Below are the list of upcoming meetings and speakers

<i>Date</i>	<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Topic</i>
Oct 6	Larry Holman	Confederate POW's
Nov 3	Al Arnold	General Lee's Orderly

November Program

Al Arnold has accepted my invitation to speak at our November 3 meeting. For those of you who may not be familiar with him, he came to the April Civil War Roundtable Meeting in Jackson, he is a black man who is a direct descendant of a Confederate soldier, his ancestor was an orderly for the Great General Robert E. Lee and actually took care of Traveler during the conflict. I am extremely excited about this meeting and hope that we can have a great attendance of both SCV and UDC members. I will be taking our speaker to dinner at Cracker Barrel that evening at 5:30, anyone who is interested can attend but I would need to know a number. Let me know closer to the time. This is a great opportunity to involve others and to bring a friend who may be interested in our organization. Mr. Arnold has written a book about his ancestor and hopefully will have some copies to sell to members that night. Please pass the word along and plan to attend yourself. The meeting will be held at our normal meeting room. If you know of a large number of people coming please contact eddy cresap (charles cresap33@att.net) so we can have adequate seating.

Prayers

Please keep our member Charlie Brantley in your prayers due to the passing of his wife, Terry. Terry has been a long time supporter and friend of the camp. Also keep our East Tennessee Brother Charles Pittman in our prayers

Stone set for Confederate Veteran

On September 29n at 9:30 AM, we gathered in Cedar Hill Cemetery to commemorate a memorial stone to Private Preston Wall Co C 6th Mo infantry CSA. Thanks to all who attended and participated. Family from Washington state, Kansas, and Illinois attended.

From the Division Commander

To the people of Mississippi and friends of the South,
Our beloved state flag is under fire once again by outsiders with their own agendas who are trying to divide the people of this great state. They have no respect that WE, the people of this state, had a vote in 2001 and the majority overwhelmingly voted to keep our beloved flag. The Mississippi Division Sons of Confederate Veterans and I as its Division Commander will not sit idle and let this happen without a fight. Most of the attacks have been coming from outsiders trying to influence public opinion against our flag.

Those people who are pushing their unwanted opinions know nothing about our state and the great strides we have made under that banner. Many of these people would have us to believe that if our flag was change more jobs and industry would come to our state. If that is so, explain why according to Manufacture's News and other data base reports point out that Mississippi is the home of 2,825 manufacturers employing over 177, 702 employees. Yes we have been known for our agricultural past but now we are the home of Nissan North America, Toyota, Huntington Ingalls Shipbuilding (the second largest shipbuilding company in the United States), Mississippi Power Coal Plant, Howard Industries, NASA (John C. Stennis Space Laboratories), Airbus Helicopters, Caterpillar, Lazy-boy, and Raytheon.

Did you know that Mississippi has more elected African American government officials than any other state, yet we are told our flag oppresses instead of lifting these people up. Our flag was also a symbol that pulled us together to "Stand Fast" and weathered the storm of Katrina and we pulled together to help one another in its aftermath. Thus, I ask you as Mississippians to once again "Rally around the Flag" and help us to save our state flag and preserve our history from these distorted attacks. Please join us if you are not already a member and give to our Heritage Defense Fund.

Keep it Flying Always! The Mississippi Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans will never retreat from it's oath to our Confederate Ancestors and will fight to keep the honor of our heritage and the symbols of our forefathers sacred for it is our duty.

Please give to our [Heritage Defense Fund](#) and join us today by filling out an application at www.1800mysouth.com and preserve the memory and Cause that our ancestors fought for.

Deo Vindice,

Louis Preston Foley,

Mississippi Division Commander

Sons of Confederate Veterans

Dues, The South Needs All its Sons

Our annual dues were due on 1 Aug and are 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 are available for both the Division and National level. Contact Larry Holman for details.

The Mississippi Flag Rally,

HIGH NOON, on January 19, 2016 - Tuesday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, South Grounds of The Capitol , comes at a pivotal point in The State Legislature which is in session , especially The House - We can make a difference, Prepare to come and bring. 6 friends / Mississippians Standing For Her Flag..... Will You be in that number?

September meeting

The meeting was opened with a prayer, pledges, salutes and the charge. Sam gave a wonderful talk as usual. Commander Foley and his wife were in attendance. The camp voted to place an add in the Vicksburg Post developed by Doctor McMillin. This add is to be funded by donations. We also voted to adopt the resolution naming the great War to Prevent Southern Independence 1861-1865. The meeting was closed with prayer

Newspaper add

We thank Doctor Lamar McMillin on his leadership and zeal in the cause of educating those who do not see the world and it's history as we do. I suggest we put together a committee to author the next run of newspaper adds. Syd Johnson has volunteered to head up this effort. We learned a good bit from this add that we can incorporate in future adds. The follow up adds will also be funded by donations. We can place the second rounds of adds in the paper when we have raised the funds to pay for the first add and to place the second add. Larry Holman is working on a facebook project to place this add and the war name resolution into the world of social media

Camp T shirts

Bryan Skipwoth is collecting information to present to the camp for selling camp T shirts. Thanks to Bryan for stepping up with this idea. Let us all rally around the idea.

Are You Offended by our Battle Flag based on Racist Usage

One popular tactic the left uses, is to get Southern Apologist to bring up our flags use in the 1960's time frame to justify folding our flag and putting it away. Her are my thoughts on the subject.

The Southern apologist are quite correct that all symbols elicit different emotions based on the prism in which the symbol is viewed, I view The Confederate flags and monuments through the prism of understanding the reason why these brave men fought. Most left their homes and fought to protect their homes, families, and altars from a ruthless foreign invader. One fact the left chooses to ignore in our history is the so called reconstruction 1866-1876. This reconstruction period was any thing but reconstructive. It was in fact Yankee bayonet rule with individuals who served or supported the Confederacy stripped of their civil rights. The way in which the Federal government treated the freed slaves in this time frame is considered by some researchers as the genesis of the racial divide we see in our country today.

To think that the South from 1870 to 1970 invented black codes and segregation of the races is a mistreatment of history. The northern states treated the integration of the races as harshly as any southern state. During the 1920 revival of the KKK, its center of power was in Northern states. Most of the apologist would identify the Symbols used by racist haters 1870 to 1970 to include ropes, sheets, chains, Confederate flags, and firey crosses. I would add to the list bibles, ordained ministers and United States Flags. Shall we ban all these items because they were used by a few bigots. 1870 to 1970.

I am in mourning for the individuals murdered in Charleston in June. The perpetrator was pictured with a Confederate flag but the flag did not cause the murder. He was also pictured in a Gold's gym T shirt. Could that have been a factor?

Shall we sleep with no sheets on the bed,

Shall we tear down all crosses from the churches,

Shall we eat out food cold with no fire to cook it with,

Shall we ban the ability to tie things down and tow heavy loads.

Shall we cut out certain passages in the Bible

Shall we ban the United States flag from flying proudly
Shall we destroy all symbols of the confederacy as though we are the
American Taliban.

I am offended by many things and actions in our present society .

I am offended by the place given to Abraham Lincoln in our History. Based on me being offended, we should remove The Lincoln Monument, take him off the penny and Five dollar bill.

I spent 8 years in the service of my country defending it against all enemy's foreign and domestic. This defense of our constitution included the right of free speech and free expression.

We do not have to agree, we can discuss civilly but please leave me and mine alone to celebrate our Southern heritage.

PRESS RELEASE

Mississippi Division Sons of Confederate Veterans

25 August 2015

The Mississippi Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans noted with interest the recent one page advertisement in the 16 August, 2015 edition of the Clarion-Ledger that was signed by several celebrities. It should be noted that many of the signatories to the advertisement, while born in Mississippi, do not live here. In effect, they are outsiders who are attempting to interject their opinion about a state matter where they do not live or vote.

At the heart of the matter is the use of the flag that was adopted by the legislature of the state of Mississippi in 1894. This flag, also called the "Reconciliation Flag" was adopted from traditional flag heraldry of the United States and honors the original thirteen colonies of the United States, as depicted by the thirteen stars in the canton of that flag. The signatories of the advertisement would have the people of Mississippi believe this flag is divisive, when the language used in the legislation is quite clear, thus the use of the term "Reconciliation Flag" to describe it.

What was said in the advertisement contradicts the facts of the situation. People and industries are NOT leaving the state and are not afraid to locate themselves in Mississippi. In fact, the business climate in Mississippi continues to thrive. Biloxi has a new baseball team, The Biloxi Shuckers. The Nissan plant in Canton, MS, the largest built from scratch building in the world is still producing vehicles. Ingalls Shipyard and the Northrup Grumman Corporation continue to build and upgrade US Navy ships on the Mississippi Gulf coast. NASA and the Thiokol Corporation are still supporting the US space program in Iuka, MS. Airbus Helicopters in

Columbus, MS hasn't closed its' doors either. The business and economic boom in Pearl, MS with the opening of Trustmark Park(Home of the M-Braves), the Bass Pro Shop complex, Sam's Warehouse and The Outlets of Mississippi are further indicators that the Mississippi state flag has not hindered the economic development of the state in any way.

The removal of any Confederate symbol from graves and memorials and the removal of the graves and memorials themselves are an insult to all American veterans. All Confederate soldiers and sailors were designated as US veterans by the US Congress in 1958(Public law 85-425, sect 410). As such, they are protected by numerous federal and state laws that prohibit their removal or alteration.

In any event, the information provided in the advertisement is moot. In 2001, the citizens of the state of Mississippi voted by a 2-1 majority to keep the 1894 Reconciliation Flag as the official flag of the state of Mississippi. The matter was put to rest. As stated earlier, many of the signers of the advertisement are not citizens of Mississippi. The Mississippi Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans suggests those people tend to the business of the state in which they reside and vote, that is, if they vote at all.

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The Cost in Lives

From the Abbeville Institute by William Cawthon

Almost 30% of all Southern white men between the ages of 18 and 48 died fighting for Southern Independence. This ratio of deaths in a war fought today by the United States would result in 21 million deaths, virtually incomprehensible to modern Americans. This rate of mortality is 300 times that of the Vietnam War, in which 58,000 Americans died. Even World War II saw only 405,000 American deaths, itself a huge number, though paling in comparison with the comparable Southern losses during the War."

The war started and conducted by Abraham Lincoln over money to run his government cost the South it's treasure.

Prediction comes true

"It means that the history of this heroic struggle will be written by the enemy; that our youth will be trained by Northern school teachers; will learn from Northern school books their version of the war; will be impressed by all the influences of history and education to regard our gallant dead as traitors, our maimed veterans as fit objects for derision. "

Major General Patrick Cleburne Jan 2, 1864

SPLC

It is all things Confederate. Do not be lulled into thinking it is anything else I have seen a mail out from the SPLC raising funds for their Erasing Hate Campaign

Erasing Hate Campaign

Morris Dees

Southern Poverty Law Center

Their action plan:

- Launch a major campaign to identify and expose prominent government sectioned symbols honoring the Confederacy
- Pressure governmental bodies to remove these hateful symbols in order to foster a climate of healing
- Provide schools everywhere with free recourses that inoculate against hate and reinforce the values of democracy and our diverse nation
- Combat racist hate groups that seek to radicalize angry young men like the Charleston shooter

Congratulations Dr Edney

Doctor Edney is a long time member of the John C Pemberton Camp 1354. He has served as Camp Commander of our camp and on the Combined Board at Beauvoir. As part of his practice, he volunteers his service in the local area and around the world. Dan has been selected as the President of the Mississippi State Medical Association.

Gentlemen, Friends and Brothers of the Mississippi Division SCV

No one left Columbus on June 7 thinking we are about to be attacked. This was not on the horizon. When we left the reunion in Columbus on June 7th I was feeling pretty low. I did not nor do I believe any of us knew what was about to come down on us and the rest of the south. Through a series of events and Supreme Court rulings our heritage, our moral convictions, our very way of life is under attack. This has been in the planning for many years. These things did not just happen. The Supreme Court set all of this in motion. Our enemies were just waiting for the go ahead and they got it in a big way and everything Southern came under attack. My prayer is that they have over played their hand and have awakened us to the real fight we are in. This is not just about our flag. It's about everything we hold dear. Commander Foley has ask and I have accepted the responsibly of serving as Co-Chairman of the heritage committee. This has given me my second wind. I pledge to you my fellow compatriots to give you 100% and do the best job I can. Please feel free to contact me anytime.

Our ancestor's fought, bled and died on those far away battlefields; some not so far away. Surely we can now stand and do battle with these liberals of today. If we don't we will lose more than a flag fight. This attack on our ancestors must not be allowed to stand. Believe me it is so much more than a flag fight. My prayer is that we have the staying power (will power) to see it through. It is going to be a long fight. We are going to need endurance and patients. Our enemies have been waiting for just this time and the whole world may seem to be against us, however, look around they have also aroused many of our neighbors. We need to gather all our supporters and rally around the last state flag to be flying with a Battle Flag in the canton.

Greg Barron and Trent Lewis have secured the South steps and grounds of the State Capitol for a flag rally on January 19, 2016 for 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM. This event is being billed as "High Noon"; a rally to support the Mississippi State flag of 1894. We need a large turn out if we expect to influence the legislature.

We need volunteers. I have asked for and received the backing of the MS Division. We need to involve as many groups as possible. We need to reach out into our communities and gather all who supports our "State Flag".

If I can be of help to any camp in the division let me know and I will schedule a visit.

Thanks for Your Support

Joe Abbott

Heritage Committee Co-Chair

Committee: Mississippians To keeping the 1894 Flag

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Thomas Jefferson on Secession,

Thanks to Walter Williams

Thomas Jefferson in his First Inaugural Address said,

“If there be any among us who would wish to dissolve this Union, or to change its republican form, let them stand undisturbed as monuments of the safety with which error of opinion may be tolerated where reason is left to combat it.”

Fifteen years later, after the New England Federalists attempted to secede, Jefferson said,

“If any state in the Union will declare that it prefers separation ... to a continuance in the union I have no hesitation in saying, ‘Let us separate.’”

John C. Pemberton Resolution on Naming the War 1861-1865

**The Great War to Prevent Southern Independence
1861-1865**

A Resolution

WHEREAS, a great war occurred between two independent nations on the North American continent between the years 1861-1865, and

WHEREAS, the United States of America initiated this great war by invading the newly formed Confederate States of America, and

WHEREAS, this great war has since been known by many different names which do not adequately describe its true purpose, and

WHEREAS, the most common name for this war is known universally world-wide as the "American Civil War," or "Civil War," and

WHEREAS, the Confederate States of America had no intention of seizing control of the United States government, it therefore by definition could not be a civil war, and

WHEREAS, another common name for this war is "The War Between the States," and

WHEREAS, this war was not fought between individual states but between two independent nations, and

WHEREAS, another common name for this war is "The War of Rebellion," but there was no rebellion, since the United States Constitution provides for a legal and peace succession from the government of the United States, and

WHEREAS, there are many other names given to this great war that took the lives of over 650,000 soldiers, sailors and civilians and millions of dollars of property destruction between the two independent nations, and

WHEREAS, to simplify the name of this great war for the history books and to properly describe its true purpose by the invading United States military, it shall be referred to as "The Great War to Prevent Southern Independence," with an acceptable shorten name as "The Great War, 1861-1865,"

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, that the membership of the LTG John C. Pemberton Camp 1354 will only recognize "The Great War to Prevent Southern Independence," or "The Great War, 1861-1865," to describe the great war between the United States of America and the Confederate States of America, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the LTG John C. Pemberton camp membership will encourage the entire Confederation, authors, historians, teachers and the news media to use this more appropriate title of "The Great War to Prevent Southern Independence."

WITNESS, the signatures of the undersigned, the duly elected Camp Commander and Adjutant of the LTG John C. Pemberton, SCV Camp #1354, Vicksburg, Mississippi, who both represent that this resolution was duly adopted on the **First day of September 2015** by a majority vote of those present at this their regular monthly meeting.

This resolution will be distributed to the:
LTG John C. Pemberton Camp 1354 archives
The SCV - Mississippi Division,
The SCV International Headquarters
and distributed in other manners as desired.

19 Points the History Books Leave Out (Cont)

by Steve Quick

12) Warfare against citizens had ceased in Europe and a conduct of war eventually known as the “Geneva Conventions” codified in Europe during the 1860s forbade war against civilian centers. Contrary to this great humanitarian trend when it became apparent the Confederate armies could not be subdued in the field war was commenced against civilians. The depredations of Sherman in Georgia and the Carolinas as well as Hunter’s and Sheridan’s in Virginia mirror much witnessed in the recent Balkan war.

13) While the war is now represented as an altruistic crusade by the North to free the slaves the historical facts could not be more contradictory. The 1860 Republican Convention contained a platform plank promising protection for slavery everywhere it currently existed. Lincoln at his first inaugural address offered a constitutional amendment forever protecting slavery. A Congressional Resolution in 1862 reaffirmed the war’s aim was to “preserve the Union, not free the slave”.

14) The Emancipation Proclamation was met in the North by laws collectively known as “Black Codes”. These laws forbade entry, travel, work or residence by African-Americans in Northern states. The Proclamation was nothing but a clever ruse to stall imminent European recognition of the Confederacy. It freed no one. Slave states remaining in the Union (in the border states) not only retained their slaves, but also benefited from the strictest enforcement of the hated Fugitive Slave Law.

15) Blacks served willingly and honorably in the Confederate armies. Estimates of their numbers run as high as 100,000. Their motive was the same as their Federal counterpart; patriotism and the desire to disprove the misconceptions about their race. They fought no more to preserve slavery than to preserve Jim Crow during the Spanish-American War, or the doctrine of separate but equal in Korea.

16) The holocaust that resulted from the halt of the prisoner exchange is the sole responsibility of Stanton (Lincoln’s Secretary of War) and Grant. Its only design was to deprive the Confederacy of manpower with the full knowledge scores of thousands on both sides would perish. By the wars’ end, 30,000 on each side had died in captivity. The largest mass grave in the Western Hemisphere is located at Oakwood Cemetery in Chicago and contains the remains of 4200 Confederate known P.O.W.s. The bodies of the other 1800 were lost and remain unknown.

17) Had the South prevailed Robt. E. Lee would have undoubtedly been elected president (the Confederate Constitution limited the President to one

six year term) and just as undoubtedly have taken immediate steps to free the slaves. This single act, proposed as it would have been by President Lee would have been accepted by the South and would have advanced race-relations light years.

18) As it was Reconstruction was the single most corrupt period of our entire history, pitting newly enfranchised Blacks against disenfranchised and occupied southern Whites. When in 1877 the last of the troops and carpetbaggers left only Blacks remained to face the rage and hatred of a humiliated South. The ugliness of the 1960s can be traced unbroken from the 1860s.

19) Recent interpretations, Ken Burns The Civil War foremost among them, while artfully crafted, serve only to perpetuate the victor's propaganda that lies at the root of the unresolved conflict.

By the beginning of the 20th century the wounds of that war had finally begun to heal. Southerners embraced anew the Stars and Stripes while Robert E Lee became a national, not just a regional hero. Confederate Battle flags were returned to the restored states and Southern pride in the old Confederacy was not considered inconsistent with their fundamental American patriotism. Unfortunately South-bashing has replaced the mutual respect of a century ago. In an age of so-called tolerance there are no boundaries to the venom that is daily heaped upon all things and persons Southern; our faith, our heroes, our symbols and our history. It has reopened a rift that may ultimately and ironically fuel a desire for independence from a people who refuse to be homogenized or abused any further. This much is certain, until we understand and teach the Civil War truthfully the ink on the surrender documents signed in McLean's parlor will never dry.

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Poet' s Corner

Memorials of Stone

Eddy Cresap

Joel T. Baily

Across the great Southland
Are many memorials of stone
For the Confederate soldiers
Who fought and died unknown

They make not a sound
Names known only to God
They have left the battlefield
To lay under the hallowed sod

Who will remember their fame
Those great warriors of old
Their names are lost to history
But their stories should be told

Some want to destroy their stones
They hate all that was good
Their memory should be respected
And their story be understood

Chaplains Corner Thanks Bryan

For the Brethren

There are so many things going on in our world today that have us more and more anxious and fearful. So in response, I thought it might be well with us if we pray and reflect on our spiritual condition. May these simple prayers be of comfort to you and may Holy Ghost use you to reach out to others in the name of our Lord and Saviour.

The Prayer for the 4th Sunday After Trinity:

O God, the protector of all that trust in thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy; increase and multiply upon us thy mercy; that, thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal. Grant this, O heavenly Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The same God who directs the earth in its orbit, who feeds the burning furnace of the sun, and trims the lamps of heaven, has promised to supply thee with daily strengths. The Rev. Charles H. Spurgeon— 19th century English pastor and author. The Bible is God's road map for mankind. Everyone who reads his Word and heeds it, will be a traveler who will reach God's destination and who will experience the love, joy and peace which he has prepared for those who love him and keep his commandments.

Your Chaplain

The Prayer for the 1st Sunday After Easter:

Almighty Father, who hast given thine only Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justification; grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may serve thee in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Jesus is the God whom we can approach without pride and before whom we can humble ourselves without despair. Blaise Pascal— 17th century French mathematician, philosopher and author. While it is true that all who call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved, it is not true that a mere utterance of that phrase will suffice. The utterance must be a genuine and sincere confession of faith from the heart and not the head. It must be followed with evidence of salvation. A new man must be in evidence following the confession. The Most Rev. Jerry L. Ogles— 20th and 21st century Anglican Orthodox Presiding Bishop.

There never was one washed in the blood of Christ who did not feel, mourn, confess and hate his own sins. We could not be happy if we reached the kingdom of glory with a heart loving sin. The company of saints and angels would give us no pleasure. Our minds would not be in tune for an eternity of holiness. Have we ourselves ever repented? Do we really know our own

sinfulness? Do our sins cause us any sorrow? Have we cried to God about our sins and sought forgiveness at the throne of grace? Have we ceased to do evil and broken off from our bad habits? Do we cordially and heartily hate everything that is evil? If we have never yet repented let us begin without delay... If we have repented in times past let us go on repenting to the end of our lives. The Most Rev. J. C. Ryle— 19th century Anglican bishop and author.

The Opening Prayer for Holy Communion:

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The tragedy of our day is, we want to bemoan the evil we see all around us while we refuse to deal with our own evil hearts. We want to criticize God for evil while clasping it tightly to our breasts. Roger Ellsworth— 20th and 21st century American Baptist pastor and author.

Someone once made this analogy: All humanity is drowning, and the religions of the world are like a lifeguard throwing humanity a set of instructions on how to swim (how to save himself). Christianity is akin to the Savior himself jumping into the water to save humanity at the expense of his own life.

Dr. D. James Kennedy— 20th & 21st century theologian and author.

A Prayer for a time of War and Tumults:

O Almighty God, the supreme Governor of all things, whose power no creature is able to resist, to whom it belongeth justly to punish sinners, and to be merciful to those who truly repent; save and deliver us, we humbly beseech thee, from the hands of our enemies; that we, being armed with thy defence, may be preserved evermore from all perils, to glorify thee, who art the only giver of all victory; through the merits of thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We have been in many a trial, but we have never yet been cast where we could not find in our God all that we needed. Let us then be encouraged to trust in the Lord for ever, assured that his ever lasting strength will be, as it has been, our succour and stay.

The Rev. Charles H. Spurgeon— 19th century English pastor and author.

A Prayer for Peace

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we,

being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

God does not ask us to do the things that are easy to us naturally; he only asks us to do the things we are perfectly fitted to do by his grace, and the cross will come along that line always.

The Rev. Oswald Chambers– 19th and 20th century Scottish theologian and author.

From all that terror teaches, from lies of tongue and pen, from all the easy speeches that comfort cruel men, from sale and profanation of honor, and the sword, from sleep and from damnation, deliver us, good Lord!

G. K. Chesterton– 19th and 20th century English writer and commentator (*O God of earth and altar*, Hymn 521, 1940 Hymnal).

When days of darkness come upon us, let us not count it a strange thing.

Rather let us remember that lessons are learned on such days which would never have been learned in sunshine. The Most Rev. J. C. Ryle– 19th century Anglican bishop and author.

This I recall to my mind, therefore have I hope. It is of the LORD's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness. The LORD is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him. The LORD is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him. It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the LORD.

Lamentations 3:21-26

God meets returning sinners with pardoning mercy. We forgive and cannot forget; but, when God forgives sin, he remembers it no more.

The Rev. Matthew Henry– 17th and 18th century English pastor and author.
A Prayer for Quiet Confidence

O God of peace, who hast taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, in quietness and in confidence shall be our strength; by the might of thy Spirit lift us, we pray thee, to thy presence, where we may be still and know that thou art God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.

Ecclesiastes 12:13.

If ever I reach Heaven I expect to find three wonders there: first, to meet some I had not thought to see there; second, to meet some I had expected to see there; and third, the greatest wonder of all, to find myself there.

John Newton– 18th and 19th century Anglican minister and author.

May God's peace and blessing be upon you all in name of Christ our Lord.

Confederate Birthdays in Oct

.Lt General Richard Herron Anderson 7 Oct 1821

Lt General William Hardee 12 Oct 1815

Lt General Alexander Peter Stewart 2 Oct 1821

General A. P. Stewart, Hotty Toddy

Stewart was born in Rogersville Tennessee on 2 Oct 1821. He graduated from West Point in 1842 12th out of 56 cadets. He left the army to become a college professor in 1845 teaching at Cumberland University and the University of Nashville. Stewart was a wig and was against secession but when Tennessee left the union he accepted a commission in the Tennessee Militia and then entered the Confederate army as a major in the artillery. Later that year he was made a brigadier General commanding a brigade. and was promoted to Major General and given a division to command in June 1863. When General Polk was killed Stewart was given command of Polk's corp and promoted to Lt General. He was wounded in the battle of Chickamauga and the battles around Atlanta,. He led his Corp at Nashville and Franklin. During the Carolina campaign in 1865 he was given command of the remnants of the Army of Tennessee. He surrendered with his troops on April 26, 1865 and was paroled at Greensboro North Carolina. After the war he moved to Missouri and became an Insurance executive. In 1874 he moved to Mississippi where he served as Chancellor of Ole Miss till 1886. Stewart served as commissioner of the Chickamauga National Military park till his death Stewart died in 1908 in Biloxi Mississippi and is buried in St. Louis Missouri

Least They Forget

Stephen D. Lee, President of Mississippi A& M (Mississippi State) 1880-1899

Alexander P. Stewart, Chancellor University of Mississippi 1874- 1886

Both Lt Generals, Confederate States of America.

Both serving as Corp commanders at the Battle of Franklin.

Both molding the minds of the youth Post Great War

Gone with the wind

The 1962 Gator Bowl featured The University of Florida against Penn State. The story goes that Penn State thought it was below them to come South and play an SEC team. The Gators added a little something extra to their helmets for the game. Florida 17 Penn State 7



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

15th Annual Gulf Coast Veterans Parade Gulfport, Ms - November 7, 2015

This year beginning at 11:00 am the 2015 parade honors the Mississippi National Guard.

I am looking starting at 30 plus reenactors who can commit to participating in this parade. Ladies dressed in period attire are welcome. I have set a cut off date to turn in the application for October 15, 2015, for those reenactors who can commit to participate in the parade. This would be a time when we can show our support for all Veterans and at the same time we will be honoring our ancestors. We will be carrying the U.S. Flag, Our State Flag, 1 st, 2 nd, 3 rd National, Battle Flag. I will need seven to eight volunteers to carry flags and can add other flags if I have the volunteers.

If you can commit on participating in this Veterans parade please contact Wallace Mason at email: harrywjrmason@bellsouth.net or cell: 228-860-3800.

Gulf Coast Veterans Day Parade website: www.msveteransparade.com or www.facebook.com/veteransday.parade

Mississippi Monument at Shiloh

Things are progressing well toward the dedication target date. Please place October 10, 2015 on your calendar for dedication of the Mississippi Monument at Shiloh. I have submitted request for Governor to speak on October 10. You must understand that we won't get a firm "yes or no" until about 4-6 weeks out but it is incumbent upon us to make this effort to provide a day the Governor may be able to participate.

Please know we are now committed to October 10 and work toward that end. I have talked with the Superintendent at Shiloh and they are good with October 10 and working toward that with us. Contrary to rumor I am told Phil Gunn will not be speaking.

Flag Restoration

In many cases the old veteran's 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 descendants 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. Ask me about cups.

Changing the Name Against the Law

Our case against the University of Mississippi is still in the discovery stage. The Division Judge Advocate is still working . It is obvious Ole Miss has violated the law and needs to held accountable.

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 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.

Fall Muster

Mark your calendars for Oct 16-18. That week end is Fall Muster at Beauvoir. You can experience the sights, sounds and smells of the 1860's, as you witness the epic struggle that shaped the Nation.

Highland Games at Beauvoir

The games will be at Beauvoir Saturday 10/31 and Sunday 11/01/15, and we will have an SCV tent as usual. This is a good SCV recruiting tool and spreads good will to like-minded people, both in the Scottish community and tourists at large.

Upcoming Mississippi Division Conventions

The 2016 Mississippi Convention will be Hosted by the Hattiesburg camp with the convention at Beauvoir.

Upcoming National Conventions

2016 – Dallas/Ft. Worth Texas <http://scv2016.org/>

2017 – Memphis Tennessee

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