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February Meeting WBTS Battlefields of Virginia

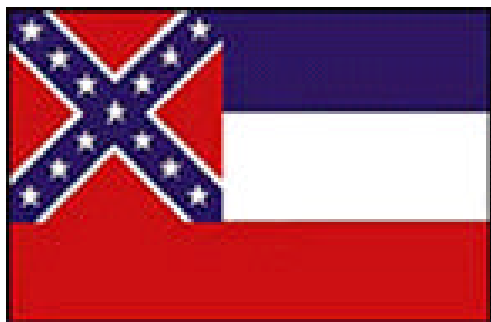
The February meeting will feature a PowerPoint presentation by Compatriot Bill Lee on the "WBTS Battlefields of Virginia."

Everyone come and bring guests, especially new recruits!

When: February 23, 2010. 5:00 pm.

Where: Municipal Art Gallery, State St., Jackson.

See you there!



Boast not thyself of tomorrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth.

Let another man praise thee, and not thine own mouth; a stranger, and not thine own lips.

A stone is heavy, and the sand weighty; but a fool's wrath is heavier than them both.

Wrath is cruel, and anger is outrageous; but who is able to stand before envy?

Open rebuke is better than secret love.

Faithful are the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy are deceitful.

The full soul loatheth an honeycomb; but to the hungry soul every bitter thing is sweet.

As a bird that wandereth from her nest, so is a man that wandereth from his place.

Proverbs 27 1-8
(KJV)

January Meeting Report

Ken Knopp

The meeting program for January was presented by Ken Knopp. Due to this editor's absence, no pictures or details of the program were available for this report. See Commander Rogers' column for commentary.

A brief thank you....

Thanks to all the compatriots who offered get well wishes following my accident in which I broke my ankle. These old bones are slowly mending though I may be without full use of both legs for some time to come. I'll try to make it back to meetings as soon as I can negotiate the steps into the building, perhaps by the March meeting.

Thanks again.

Wayne Anderson

Rebel Ramblings

by Robert Murphree

(Editor's note: This was written for the January issue which was never issued due to my broken bone problems. Hopefully Marse Robert will forgive me causing his birthday wishes to be a little late.)

Isn't it hard to get back with one's "nose to the grindstone" --as my father used to say--after the holidays? There is so much I enjoy about Christmas, and high up on my list is our camp Christmas party with all the good food and music. Our hummingbirds outdid themselves, as did our one Hummingbird-ette. May we all live to see another Christmas so we can all d it all over again--together.

Often I write of my admiration of Robert E. Lee, and since his birthday is this month I have to say something about the great man. General Lee's second son, William Fitzhugh Lee, comonly called "Rooney" is an interesting historical figure outside his relationship to our great Chief. The war seemed to give Rooney the field for success that had so far eluded him. In fact he was the youngest Major General in the Confederate Army when he returned to the Army after being exchanged from captivity in February, 1864.

But I bring Rooney into this column because of a letter his father wrote him in April, 1864 to console Rooney over the many family tragedies Rooney had suffered. Married to Charlotte Wickham in 1859, Rooney had one son, Robert, who died before Rooney was captured in June, 1863. While Rooney was in prison Charlotte gave birth to a daughter who only lived briefly. Then, in December, 1863, while Rooney was still a prisoner, Charlotte died. One can only imagine the grief and devastation Rooney suffered at the loss of his wife and two children.

In this eloquent, beautiful, loving letter, General Lee tells his son:

"God knows how I loved your dear dear wife, how Sweet her memory is to me & how I mourn her loss. My grief could not be greater if you had been taken from me. You were both equally dear to me. My heart is too full to speak on the subject, nor can I write. But my grief is not for her, but for ourselves. She is brighter & happier than ever. Safe from all evil & awaiting us in her heav-

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Calendar

February 23, 2010

Regular meeting of Camp 635 at the Municipal Art Gallery

March 23, 2010

Regular meeting of Camp 635 at the Municipal Art Gallery

April 25, 2010

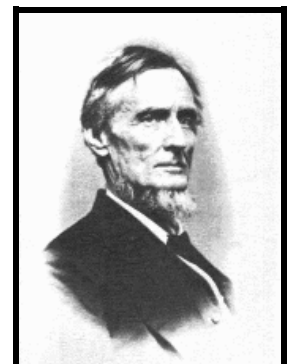
Confederate Memorial Day Observance, Greenwood Cemetery, Jackson

April 27, 2010

Regular meeting of Camp 635 at the Municipal Art Gallery

May 25, 2010

Regular meeting of Camp 635 at the Municipal Art Gallery



Chaplain's Dispatch

Dear Friends and Compatriots:
 Did you make any New Year's resolutions this year?
 Have any been broken thus far? If you are struggling
 to keep one or more, perhaps the following poem by
 Everette Hale will give you inspiration. It is entitled
 "ONE."

I am only one, but I am one.
 I cannot do everything, but I can do something.
 What I can do, I should do and,
 with the help of God, I will do!

The Apostle Paul's writings in Philippians 4:13 come
 to mind, "I can do all things through Him who
 strengthens me."

Call on Him to be your helper in this new year!

Sincerely,
 Hubert W. Miazza
 Chaplain

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only abide. May God in his Mercy enable us to join
 her in eternal praise to our Lord & Savior. Let us
 humbly bow ourselves before him & offer perpetual
 prayers for pardon and forgiveness."

Yet even in the face of such daunting grief, General
 Lee emphasized the importance of duty, reminding
 Rooney that every man was needed in the army, in
 the same letter telling Rooney:

"We cannot indulge in grief, as our country demands
 all our thought, all our energies. To resist the pow-
 erful combination now forming against us, will re-
 quire every man in his place. If victorious we have
 everything to hope for in the future. If defeated
 nothing will be left for us to live for."

Over and over in General Lee's writings and state-
 ments you see this same unique combination of
 faith, courage, duty, strength, patriotism, the identi-
 cal traits that George Washington had in such abun-
 dance. Interesting how General Lee in all his letters

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dent Jefferson Davis' home was right on target.

Gentlemen, our ancestors that stood up and
 fought for our rights in the War of Northern Ag-
 gression, and we should never be slack in re-
 membering them. We are a proud and success-
 ful part of this great country we live in and
 should never be ashamed of the stand they took
 in this war, and I ask that we all commemorate
 their memory and service at every opportunity.

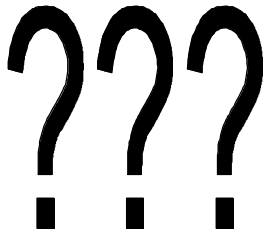
I hope to see you February 23, at the meeting,
 bring a recruit, and enjoy the food and fellow-
 ship.

Deo Vindice
 Randy Rogers,
 Camp Commander



to his children preached discipline, duty and re-
 sponsibility, at the same time wrapping his advice
 in terms of the sweetest parental tenderness and af-
 fection.

So Happy Birthday, General Lee, and Happy New
 Year to all of our camp members. Come to the
 meetings if you haven't been coming. I guarantee
 you will have a fun, interesting and informative
 time.



Trivia Question:

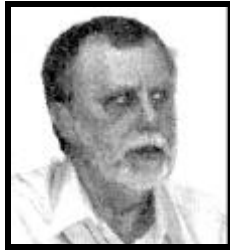
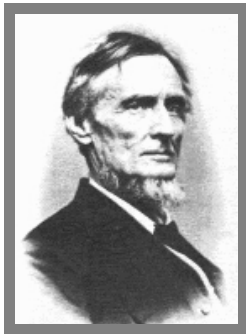
This month's question asks:

What was the name of the "world's largest hospital" in Richmond, containing 50 buildings?

December's question asked:

Who once said, "He looks so cold and quiet and grand." Name the speaker and the subject?

The answer: Mary Boykin Chestnut speaking of Robert E. Lee



Commander's Column

TO MY FELLOW COMPATRIOTS:

I trust you all had a good time at Christmas celebrating the birth our Savior with friends and family. It is a wonderful time of year and a time to reflect and review ones priorities.

I would like to thank Wayne "Old Faithful" Anderson for all he does in getting this newsletter out. Due to a computer crash and an ankle broken in three places, the January news letter did not happen. Thanks Wayne for all your work and skill in getting the newsletter out every month, and I hope and pray your recovery continues to go well.

The January meeting was one of the most uplifting we have had. Ken Knopp did an excellent job of reminding us of some of the accomplishments of some of our Southern colleagues. Much of the information shared is well known throughout the South, but other parts of the program were lesser known facts; all was very informative and made us proud.

Another highlight of the January meeting was the music as the Dixie Hummingbirds flew in and did an outstanding job, as usual.

One of their best songs, usually by request, The Empty Chair, was exceptionally good. They asked the camp to remember Rick Richardson as he is having some serious health problems currently. We hope Rick improves and is soon back with us, I know he covets our prayers.

Compatriot Murphree is doing a fine job with his monthly Rebel Ramblings column in the newsletter, and we are pleased that he has agreed to write this informative article. Unfortunately, his November article about Presi-

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