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January Meeting Two Great Grandfathers, Opposite Sides

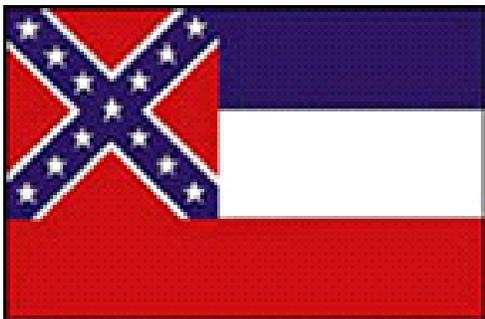
Lt. Comm. Joe Tubb reports that Wilson Carroll will present the program for the next meeting. He will talk about two of his Great Grandfathers who fought on opposite sides in the WBTS including against each other.

Everyone come and bring guests, especially new recruits!

When: January 22, 2013. 5:30pm.

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

See you there!



And he said unto them, When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, lacked ye any thing? And they said, Nothing.

Then said he unto them, But now, he that hath a purse, let him take it, and likewise his scrip: and he that hath no sword, let him sell his garment, and buy one.

For I say unto you, that this that is written must yet be accomplished in me, And he was reckoned among the transgressors: for the things concerning me have an end.

And they said, Lord, behold, here are two swords. And he said unto them, It is enough.

And he came out, and went, as he was wont, to the mount of Olives; and his disciples also followed him.

*Luke 22:35-39
(KJV)*

December Meeting Report

Christmas Party

There was no regular meeting in December. Instead, Joe Tubb hosted the camp for a Christmas Party on December 11. This editor was unable to attend but I'm sure if it was like past events at Joe's, it was enjoyed by all.

Quotes Appropriate to Current Events

They that can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.

---Benjamin Franklin, Historical Review of Pennsylvania, 1759.

Who are the militia? Are they not ourselves? Is it feared, then, that we shall turn our arms each man gainst his own bosom. Congress have no power to disarm the militia. Their swords, and every other terrible implement of the soldier, are the birthright of an American...[T]he unlimited power of the sword is not in the hands of either the federal or state governments, but, where I trust in God it will ever remain, in the hands of the people.

---Tenche Coxe, The Pennsylvania Gazette, Feb. 20, 1788.

To model our political system upon speculations of lasting tranquility, is to calculate on the weaker springs of the human character.

---Alexander Hamilton

Rebel Ramblings

by Robert Murphree

Well, best wishes to all in the "Confederate Club," as my daughter Catherine calls us, for a happy and healthy new year.

With Santa well on his way back north I was pondering what to write about this month, when a bumper sticker I saw on a car in front of me at a red light gave me inspiration. It read "IF IT WEREN'T FOR WHISKEY IRELAND WOULD RULE THE WORLD," a reference I am sure to the legendary thirst of most Irishmen.

This made me think of some of the funny references to the Irish soldiers in the Confederate army I had read over the years. Alas, so many of my native land's sons were misled into joining the other side; impoverished immigrants were ripe targets for the large bounties paid to fellows just off the boat who would join the Union Army.

But I have a soft spot in my heart for these fellows from Ireland, for it was a group of the same that saved my great-grandfather after the debacle at Fort Henry. His graphic description of their help to him in fording the flooded streams encountered in their melancholy retreat leaves no doubt but for their aid young Murphree might not have made it.

Richard Taylor had a whole regiment of the sons of Ireland in his brigade during the Valley campaign, and he described them as "stout, hearty fellows, turbulent in camp" but "ready to follow their officers to the death." Taylor described the joy his Irish soldiers displayed after routing Shield's Irish soldiers, saying "I thought they would go mad with cheering." He made a telling comment, saying the Irish were "strange people" as they were always ready to fight other people's battles.

But more interesting are the comments George Cary Eggleston made about the Irish soldiers in his battery. Stationed near Charleston early in the war he took one into town one day to get a pair of boots. Against his better judgment Eggleston agreed on the way back to stop by a tavern "for one drink." Duly ordered, the owner placed one bottle and two glasses on the bar. Immediately Du-

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Calendar

January 22, 2013

Regular meeting of
Camp 635 at the
Municipal Art Gallery

February 26, 2013

Regular meeting of
Camp 635 at the
Municipal Art Gallery

March 26, 2013

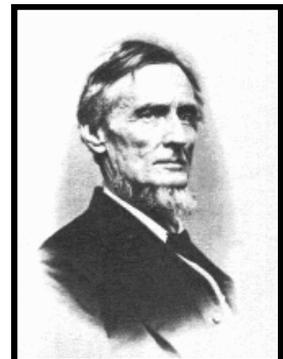
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April 23, 2013

Regular meeting of
Camp 635 at the
Municipal Art Gallery

May 28, 2013

Regular meeting of
Camp 635 at the
Municipal Art Gallery



Chaplain's Dispatch

Dear Friends and Compatriots:

By Faith-----

This past summer, our pastor preached through the Hall of Faith, Hebrews 11. The words that described these heroes of the faith were "By Faith". Later I thought about how the confederate soldier served their cause and lived by faith. In verse 4 it challenged me further when it says "though being dead he still speaks" So we can still feel them speaking to us about faith!

How are we continuing to share our faith in God to the ones that follow us? Faith is something that you practice. Henry Blackaby said about Enoch's faith in vs. 5, "Showed that he was marked by a quality relationship rather than quantity of years."

Sincerely,
Rev. Glenn D. Shows
Chaplain

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laney jumped up on the bar and began to pound the waiter for "insultin' me captain in that way." Restrained Delaney explained it was bad manners to drink from the same bottle as his officer.

Another time, an Irishman accompanied Eggleston to a tailor shop. When the tailor began to measure Eggleston, his Irish private jumped on the tailor and beat him. Obeying the order to desist, the man said: "An' sure if your honor says he's had enough, I'll quit, but I'd loike to murdher him."

The explanation given was that the tailor had shown disrespect by keeping his hat on while taking Eggleston's measurements.

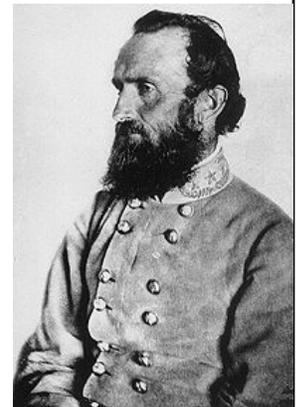
But my favorite tale involves breaking up a fight, after Jack had just run Dan through with a huge knife. The officers had Jack down on the ground and were tying him up when Dan, bleeding profusely, "leaned over us and dashed a brick with all his force into" Jack's face. Grabbing Dan, the officers demanded to know what he was doing: "Pointing to the gash in his neck, Dan replied 'Don't ye see I'm a dead man captain? An' sure an' do you think I'm going to hell widout me pardner?'"

I wish we had more of them on our side.

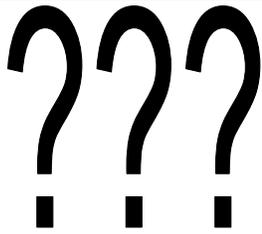


Happy Birthday To our Confederate Heroes

Robert E. Lee, Jan. 19, 1807
Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson,
January 21, 1824



And all the rest, too numerous to list here.

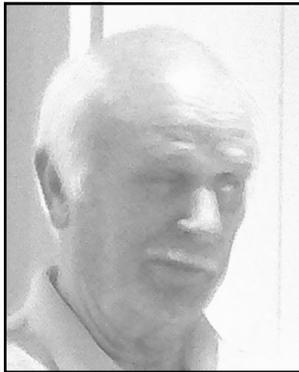
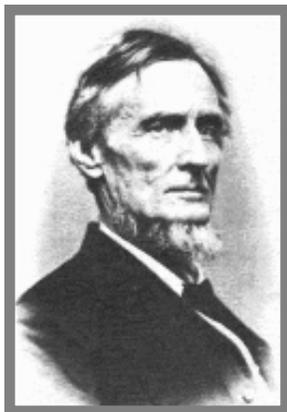


Trivia Question:

This month's question asks:

How many Confederate Generals (and Naval rank equivalent) were born in the month of January? (It's probably more than you think.)

There was no trivia question in December.



Commander's Column

Fellow Compatriots,

For those who missed the last meeting at Joe Tubb's home you missed a "hum dinger" as one use to say, you should have been their. It was great, the food that all brought and provided was "down home good". The fellowship, the playing of the instruments and singing was outstanding, the meeting of wives and friends was right up there. Not only being inside but standing around the fire outside reminded us all to some degree what our fore fathers went thru with their compatriots in the cold weather. Except, we had all the good food and clothing to stave off the chill and we didn't have to fight a battle the next day or have a very long march ahead of us. Thanks again to Joe and family and all who came. If you didn't make it this year, put it on your calendar for next year.

I hope all of you had a blessed Christmas season and I thank you for all for your hard work and dedication this past year. As my drill instructor said in basic training, it is time to "bend slightly forward at the waist and Press On"! Our ancestors would want us to carry on the fight for their honor. See you at the January meeting.

"Teach your children who these dead men were. Tell them of their lofty courage. Instruct them in their virtues." Capt. Ellis, Confederate Memorial Day, 1874, Atlanta, Ga.

Deo Vindice

Sandy Jackson
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