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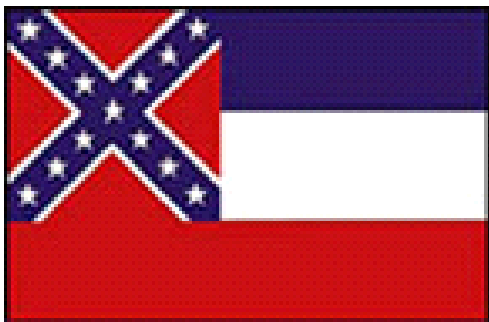
October Meeting WBTS Prisons

The meeting program will be a presentation on War-time prisons by Professor Ben Cloyd who teaches history at Hinds Community College.

Everyone come and bring guests, especially new recruits!

When: October 23 2012. 5:30pm.
Where: Municipal Art Gallery, State St., Jackson.

See you there!



When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn.

If a wise man contendeth with a foolish man, whether he rage or laugh, there is no rest.

A fool uttereth all his mind: but a wise man keepeth it in till afterwards.

The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame.

When the wicked are multiplied, transgression increaseth: but the righteous shall see their fall.

*Proverbs 29:2,9,11,15-16
(KJV)*

September Meeting Report

Beauvoir

The meeting program was presented by Don Barrett, a member of the Beauvoir Board, who brought the camp up to date on the status of Beauvoir.

Important Notice Below

Newsletter Format Changing

The Executive Committee has decided to cease publication of the newsletter in paper form at the end of 2012. This will save a large amount of camp funds that have been going to print and postage costs. The camp will then be able to devote more funds to efforts directly tied to meeting the charge made by Stephen D. Lee, Beginning with the January 2013 issue, newsletter distribution will be by electronic means (e-mail) only.

Adjutant Ron Stowers raised this issue

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Rebel Ramblings

by Robert Murphree

We had a fine crowd the last meeting and I trust everyone is pleased with the energy and enthusiasm that our new officers are bringing to their positions. Getting programs is a real challenge and anyone who has a good idea for an interesting program should bring it to the attention of our commander Sandy Jackson, or Joe Tubb, who is working on bringing good programs to the camp.

With our own presidential election on the horizon, I thought the camp might like to hear about another presidential election, one that held just as much interest for our Confederate ancestors as the 2012 election has for many of us---the 1864 election.

When 1864 dawned the Confederacy was still resisting the Union invasion and there was no end in sight to the war. True enough large segments of the South were under Federal control, but the two main armies the Confederates had showed no signs of giving up the struggle. Indeed it would take General Grant a summer's campaign and over 60,000 casualties to learn the hard way that the Army of Northern Virginia was as dangerous as ever.

War weariness gripped the North and a significant contingent were beginning to feel the subjugation of the South was not worth the cost. (By the way, a large proportion of the 60,000 men Grant moved into the casualty column were immigrants just off the boat from Europe who enlisted in the Union army to earn the large bonuses paid by the government. When these people were killed or wounded in Virginia the northern public was in large measure indifferent--nobody knew them and nobody cared. If the 1864 casualty lists were composed of the same type of Union soldiers as the 1862 casualty lists, the war would have been over pronto.)

When the Democrats gathered in Chicago in August, 1864, the hard fighting in Virginia, the lack of realization of the extent of Sherman's success in Georgia, and Early's move against Washington had all combined to create a general feeling of gloom in the North. The convention declared that the war had been a failure, nominated General George McClellan for President, and demanded that a peace convention of "all the states" be called to negotiate an end to the war.

Alas for us, the day after the Democrats adjourned, Sherman marched into Atlanta, sending Northern spirits soaring, and dooming McClellan's prospects. Lincoln was re-elected by a majority of over 400,000 votes and he carried all the Northern states ex-

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Calendar

October 23, 2012

Regular meeting of
Camp 635 at the
Municipal Art Gallery

November 27, 2012

Regular meeting of
Camp 635 at the
Municipal Art Gallery

December 18?, 2012

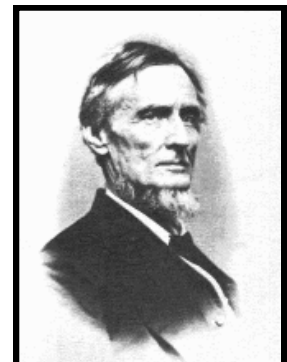
Camp Christmas Party

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



Chaplain's Dispatch

Dear Friends and Compatriots:

Unsung Hero, Unsung Servant

On a recent trip to La Grange, Georgia. I found a historical marker that said, "This is the only city with a company of CSA women soldieries ever to be commissioned for duty on this continent". They were called the "Nancy Harts" in honor of Georgia's revolutionary heroine.

In the New Testament we find another group of unsung heroes in Luke 8: 1-3. *Jesus went through every city and village preaching and bring glad tiding of the kingdom of God. And the twelve were with Him and certain women --- who provided for their substance. Let's challenge ourselves to seek out unsung heroes in our families, jobs, and churches.*

Sincerely,
Rev. Glenn D. Shows
Chaplain

Final Dues Notice

Dues time is now past. If you are a full member and didn't pay your dues on time, you can still get caught up; however, you'll need to add (to the \$55 basic dues) **\$7.50 in late fees** to get the late payment accepted by Division and Headquarters. Associate members belong only to the camp and are not subject to the late fees.

Make checks payable to Jefferson Davis Camp 635, SCV and mail to:

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Please consider adding a little extra for one of the Confederate Heritage programs listed on the dues notice. Thank you.

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cept Delaware, New Jersey and Kentucky. The electoral college was even more lopsided, 212 to 21. One surprising fact about the election, when the issue boiled down to a vote for McClellan was a vote for peace, while a vote for Lincoln was a vote for war, the best estimate of the soldier vote was 119,000 for Lincoln and some 34,000 for his opponent. One would think it would have been just the reverse.

Had Joe Johnston done a better job of holding the mountain passes northwest of Atlanta, or had Forrest done a better job of attacking Sherman's supply lines, November 1864 might have found Sherman bogged down in north Georgia, McClellan elected, and our ancestors in possession of what their fathers wrested from England--their own country.

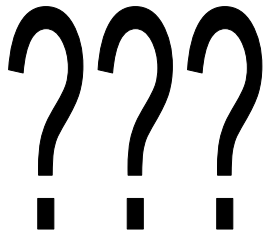
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with members through the dues notices and has collected a large number of e-mail address from members. We would like to be able to have everyone in the e-mail database so that no one misses out on the newsletter. Those of you that have not provided an e-mail address may do so by sending an e-mail to Ron at ERStowers@aol.com and putting "Newsletter Address" in the subject line. No message in the body of the e-mail is needed..

For those of you without e-mail, we encourage you to seek a volunteer friend or relative to receive the newsletter for you. Each issue will continue to be (in most cases) four standard pages that can be easily printed out on a computer printer. The volunteer's e-mail address should be communicated to Ron as described above with a message in the body stating which member the volunteer is assisting.

The electronic version of the newsletter will be a file attached to an e-mail message. The attached file will be in PDF format (Adobe Corporation format). This format is now the most widely used for electronic transmittal of documents. The program for reading/displaying a PDF file is available free-of-charge from Adobe Corporation. (Most computers now come with Adobe Reader already installed.)

If you have questions, you may send them to Ron at the address above or to me at csa4ever@att.net and we will try to respond as quickly as possible.



Trivia Question:

This month's question asks:

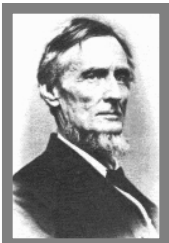
Can you name the four Confederate generals who later served in the US Army in the Spanish-American War?

September's question asked:

What or who were "Yellow Hammers"?

The answer:

"Yellow Hammers" were a type of woodpecker native to Alabama. The name was used by a cavalry unit raised in the Huntsville area and later came to be applied as a nick name for all Alabamians.



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Return Service Requested

Commander's Column

Fellow Compatriots,

Thank you for the honor of serving as Commander and with your help we will continue to carry forward the flag honoring our heritage. If you have suggestions or points of interest that need addressing please let me know and we will attempt to address these.

I want to thank those members and friends who participated in the new fall cleanup at the Greenwood Cemetery's Confederate grave sites. Thank you Peter for continuing to lead this important effort.

Because a large number of our members have computers I have been ask if you would share some of your "good" or "go to" sites for Civil War related information, research, battles, human interest information, etc. So those wishing to participate please send them to me and/or our Adjutant and we will pass them along when they are collected.

Finally, don't forget to vote in this very important election in November!

Deo Vindice

Sandy Jackson
Camp Commander

"If the North triumphs, it is not alone the destruction of our property. It is the prelude to anarchy, infidelity, the loss of free and responsible government. It is the triumph of commerce, the banks and factories."

—Lt. General Thomas J. Jackson

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