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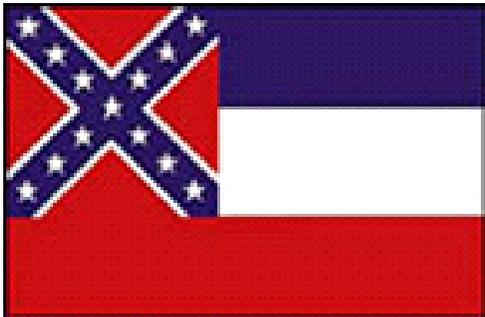
September Meeting Beauvoir

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

Everyone come and bring guests, especially new recruits!

When: September 25, 2012. 5:00pm.
Where: Municipal Art Gallery, State St., Jackson.

See you there!



Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

The ungodly are not so: but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away.

Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

*Psalms 1
(KJV)*

August Meeting Report

Officer Installation

Due to the approach of Hurricane Isaac an abbreviated meeting to install officers was held..

New officers elected and installed:
Commander - Sandy Jackson
1 Lt. Comm. - Joe Tubb
2 Lt. Comm. - Christopher Boothe
3 Lt. Comm. - Tom Lord
Chaplain - Rev. Glenn D. Shows
Quartermasters - Phillip Kelly; Peter Miazza
Past Commander (automatically added to the Executive Committee) - Michael Rodgers

The holders of the other offices remain the same. See the full list at the web site <http://www.sevcamp635.org/>

Have you paid your dues?

If not, see page 3.

Rebel Ramblings

by Robert Murphree

This past August 19 found your humble scribe in Maryland, at the Sharpsburg battlefield, attending a dedication of a monument to the 11th Mississippi Regiment. Company A of that Regiment was the University Greys, of which a large proportion were students at the University of Mississippi. (Note: I must ask some of the Bulldogs in the Camp exactly what company in the Confederate Army was composed of the student body from Mississippi State.)

I won't go into the history of this storied regiment. It is sufficient to note that it fought through the entire war with General Lee. At the end, only one member of the University Greys was left to stack arms at Appomattox. Well do I remember a letter to the editor the late Hunter Gholson of Columbus wrote back when Ole Miss began one of its periodic spasms to forget its Confederate history. In that letter Mr. Gholson pointed "the unique association" Ole Miss had with the Confederacy, as its entire student body joined the army in 1861 and had a 100% casualty rate at Gettysburg.

But the dedication ceremony was a wonderful occasion. The monument itself is a tall block of granite with the regimental name and colors on the front. Below that is this moving inscription:

*Duty brought them to this field
Honor led them into battle
Valor covered them with glory*

That inscription says it all, doesn't it? The rest of the monument has a list of all the companies in the 11th Mississippi and a brief description of the action of the 11th Mississippi in the battle.

One of the speakers was Dan Jones, the Chancellor at Ole Miss. He gave a beautiful, moving description of the patriotism of the University Greys and the other 11th Mississippi boys, and ended up by reading the famous letter from Jeremiah Sanders Gage to his Mother, which I repeat here:

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. . . 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. . .

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Calendar

September 25, 2012

Regular meeting of Camp 635 at the Municipal Art Gallery

October 23, 2012

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November 27, 2012

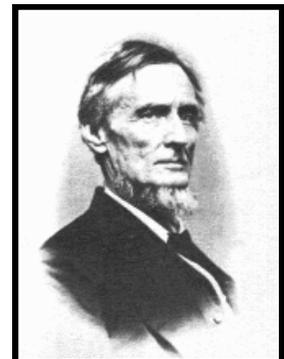
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December 18?, 2012

Camp Christmas Party

January 22, 2013

Regular meeting of Camp 635 at the Municipal Art Gallery



Chaplain's Dispatch

Dear Friends and Compatriots:

Hubert Miazza did a wonderful , inspiring job as our chaplain for five years! My prayers are that God will find us as faithful and dedicated as Hubert.

In 1 Cor. 4:2 scripture challenges us to examine our selves are we "Found to be Faithful". My great grandfather , Rev. JKP Shows fought the last two years for the CSA. He stood 6'4" tall as my brother, Bobby Shows, stands 6'7" tall. Because of his faithfulness to the cause, but mainly to his faithfulness to His creator, all three of his great grandsons are ordained Baptist ministers today. What about your legacy? What will you leave behind besides material things?

Sincerely,
Rev. Glenn D. Shows
Chaplain

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Gage closes by telling his Mother the "letter is stained by my blood." When the Chancellor read this letter tears streamed down my cheek at the thought and memory of such selfless bravery. As long as this country has men like Jeremiah Gage to defend it we need not worry about remaining the tower of freedom we are today. I cannot tell you how proud I was of Chancellor Jones and of the wonderful tribute he gave to the boys of 1861. He has a difficult job, trying to please a number of disparate viewpoints, but on that day this rather particular Confederate couldn't have been more pleased with the speech he gave.

Anyhow, the Camp will get to hear (or suffer) more about the ceremony at a program. I close by saying during our battlefield tour our guide said that some 58,000 Confederates fought some 80,000 Yankees. You know me, any real, or perceived, slight to our ancestors has to be answered. I wrote the guide this week to tell him that in his book Walter Taylor, who ought to know if anyone did, said that at Sharpsburg General Lee had 27,255 infantry. Taylor cites McClellan's report that indicates McClellan had 87,164 men on that day.

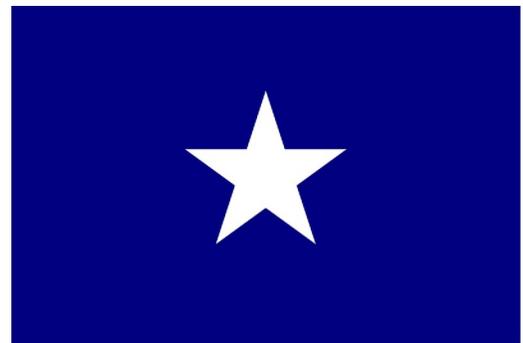
Dues Reminder

Time is growing short for paying dues in order to remain in good standing through the camp, division and HQ. Adjutant Ron Stowers mailed the dues notices for the next year's dues over a month ago. If you haven't paid or if you received no notice, you can remit directly to Ron Stowers via check w/o having the dues notice. Please pay by month's end.

Full memberships are \$55 and associate (non-voting) memberships re \$15. Make checks payable to Jefferson Davis Camp 635, SCV and mail to:

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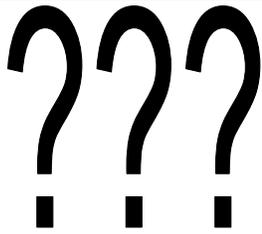
Please consider adding a little extra for one of the Confederate Heritage programs listed on the dues notice. Thank you.



Welcome New Member

The camp welcomed a new member at the July meeting. **Paul Avery Purnell** joined on the service of his GGGrandfather, **Dr. Joseph Benson Purnell**, who was a 2nd Lieutenant in Company B of the 23rd Mississippi Infantry Regiment.

Welcome!



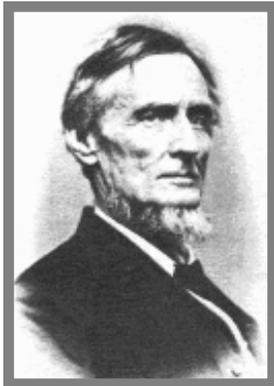
Trivia Question:

This month's question asks:

What or who were "Yellow Hammers"?

August's question asked: What is Hayfoot, Straw-foot?

The answer: Command used to teach raw recruits the difference between left and right (respectively).



Commander's Column

New Camp Commander Sandy Jackson was unable to get a column together for this issue. Hopefully, we'll resume column publication next month. —Editor

Yankee Depredation of the South

"If they had behaved differently; if they had come against us observing strict discipline, protecting women and children, respecting private property and proclaiming as their only object the putting down of the armed resistance to the Federal Government, we should have found it perhaps more difficult to prevail against them.

But they could not help showing their cruelty and rapacity; they could not dissemble their true nature, which is the real cause of this war. If they had been capable of acting otherwise, they would not have been Yankees, and we should never have quarreled with them."

—Commentary by Judah P. Benjamin in 1865, noting the depredation by the Union Army in Virginia.

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## Dedication to Duty

Colonel of the 6th Alabama, John Brown Gordon vowed to hold his position in the Sunken Road "until the sun goes down or victory is won" and his conviction was put to the test. He was wounded five times during the contest and only relinquished command when the last of these wounds--a bullet to the face--rendered him unconscious. Such was his courage and bravery in the face of danger.

*(Items above from "Defending the Heritage" Facebook page, with editing.)*

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