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SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS #1777

NEWSLETTER

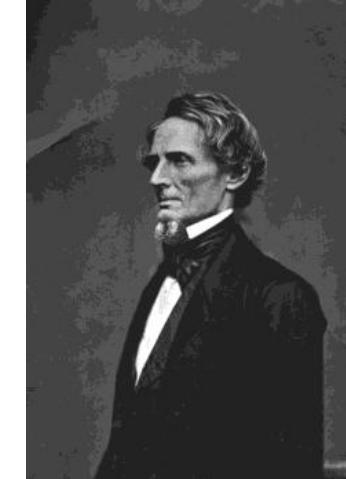
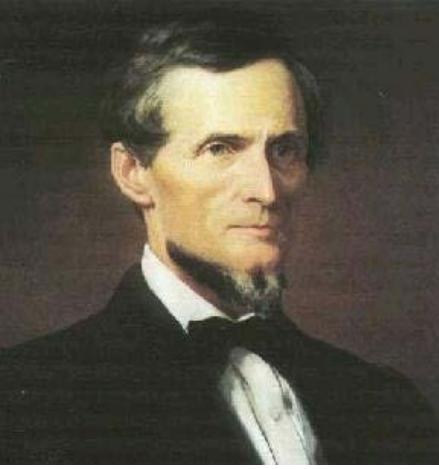
Bedford, Texas.....April 2011



On April 9, James Alderman, Ron Parker, and David Stewart represented our Camp at the UDC District VII Confederate History Month Ceremony at Oakwood Cemetery 701 Grand Avenue in Fort Worth.

APRIL MEETING-April 28, 2011

Catfish and Company
900 Airport Freeway #110
Hurst, Texas 817-581-3912
Eat at 6:15 Meeting at 7:00



**You, Your Members and Guests are Invited to Join
Mid-Cities Bluebonnet 2429 UDC
At Our Annual
Jefferson Davis Luncheon**

Saturday, May 28, 2011

10:00 a.m. Registration, 10:30 a.m. Program

11:45 a.m. B-B-Q Lunch with Dessert

West Fork Presbyterian Church

Directions: From N. Hwy. 360, Exit Ave. K (N. Arlington)

Go East-bound on Ave. K, Cross the Railroad Tracks

Turn Left on 109th St.; Turn Right on Santerre St.; Church is on Left

*Please Join us to Celebrate our Only CSA President, Southern Food,
Fellowship, Favors, Music, Special Awards & Silent Auction*

Guest Speaker David Wilson

Registration Required for Lunch; Deadline 05/21/2011 Adults \$15.00, Children \$10.00 (Students 18 and Under)

*Checks Payable to: Mid-Cities Bluebonnet 2429 UDC Mail Checks/Reservation to: Ms. Dorothy Norred, President
3217 Timber Grove Dr., Bedford, Texas 76021 Late Reservations, e-mail: djnorred@yahoo.com*

Name/s: _____ Group/s: _____

Adults (\$15): _____, Children (\$10): _____ Total Amt.: \$_____



Quite a controversy has blossomed in the East Texas town of Palestine after the county commissioners of Anderson County voted to allow the First National Flag to fly at the court house during Confederate History Month. Google “Palestine Texas Confederate Flag” to read more about it.

editorial



....And the Sesquicentennial came, right on schedule, early on the morning of April 12. Fifty years ago, your newsletter editor was only a little boy with no way of getting back to South Carolina for the commemoration, even though he knew about it and wanted to go. As he grew up and his interest deepened, he resolved to be there on the morning of April 12, 2011. As the date got closer, he made his plans, found a friend of like mind to make the trip with him, and began to believe it might really happen.

The year 2011 began. Neck-deep and standing on tip-toes in Hope and Change, a trip to South Carolina seemed about as do-able as a trip to Venus. It seemed at the last minute as though the parks and battlefields themselves might be closed due to a government shutdown. Many of us who have gotten accustomed to doing and having anything we want are getting a taste of what our gallant ancestors had to endure. May we all be better men and women for it.

APRIL IN THE SESQUICENTENNIAL

Apr. 12...Southern forces begin the bombardment of Fort Sumter in Charleston Harbor

Apr. 13...Major Robert Anderson surrenders Fort Sumter

Apr. 15...Lincoln issues a call for 75,000 troops to deal with the “insurrection”

Apr. 18...Robert E. Lee is offered command of the U.S. army

Apr. 19...Southern sympathizers attack a group of U.S. troops passing through Baltimore on their way to Washington City...Lincoln calls for a Southern blockade...Virginians take control of Harper's Ferry

Apr. 23...Robert E. Lee assumes command of Virginia's forces...federal troops leave Fort Smith, Arkansas

Apr. 27...Lincoln extends the blockade to include North Carolina and Virginia

CHARLESTON MERCURY EXTRA:

Passed unanimously at 115 o'clock, P. M. December 20th, 1860.

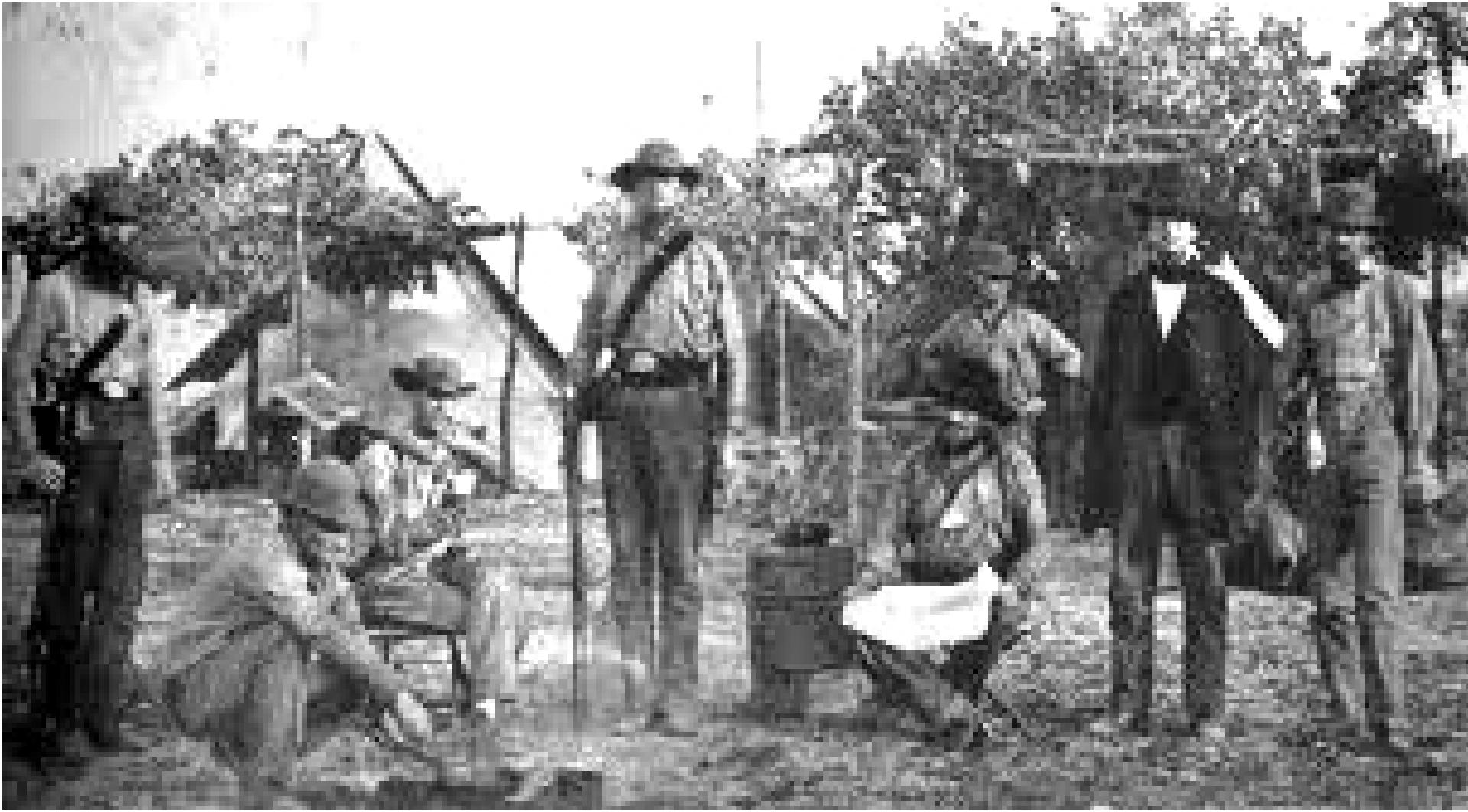
AN ORDINANCE

To dissolve the Union between the State of South Carolina and other States united with her under the compact entitled "The Constitution of the United States of America."

We, the People of the State of South Carolina, in Convention assembled, do declare and ordain, and it is hereby declared and ordained,

That the Ordinance adopted by us in Convention, on the twenty-third day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-eight, whereby the Constitution of the United States of America was ratified, and also, all Acts and parts of Acts of the General Assembly of this State, nullifying amendments of the said Constitution, are hereby repealed; and that the union now subsisting between South Carolina and other States, under the name of "The United States of America," is hereby dissolved.

THE
UNION
IS
DISSOLVED!



LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE SOUTH: *In honor of Confederate history month, we are requested to wear our uniforms or other period-correct attire to the April meeting of the Col. E. W. Taylor Camp. We look forward to seeing you there.*
(Authentic-campaigner Confederate soldier smell is optional)



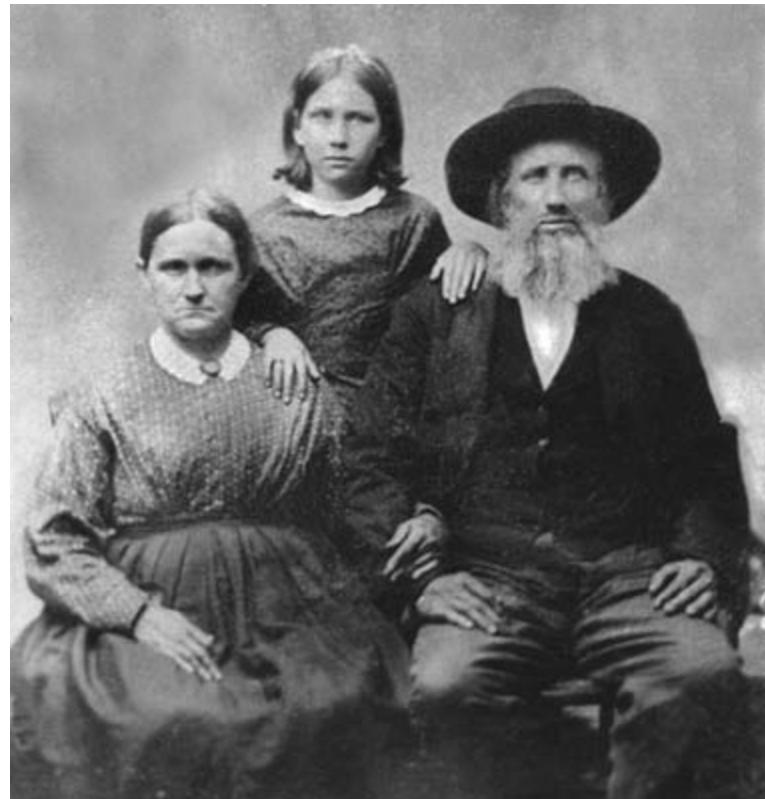
Our Confederate Ancestors

John Wesley Simmons was born in 1826, and died within a mile of his birthplace in Claiborne County, Tennessee in 1895. During his life he lived in southern Tennessee for a short time with his parents, and in Missouri for a few months with his own wife and children. Other than those two short sojourns, he spent his whole life in the same valley.

In 1849 he married Emily Stone, the seventeen-year-old daughter of a nearby neighbor. They had ten children.

John served the South in Co. E, 37th Tennessee Infantry. Two of Emily's brothers were Confederates, and two of her sisters married Southern soldiers.

After the War, John returned home and joined the local Primitive Baptist Church, where he was a faithful member for the rest of his life. He and Emily lie buried with her parents in a lonely, hidden, forgotten mountain-top cemetery near Springdale, Tennessee.



All of us are justly proud of the men in our families who served in the Confederate Army. Many of us are lucky enough to have photographs and enough information about them to know them as more than just names carved on a headstone or scrawled in a list on an old muster roll.

Want to share your ancestor's photo and story with us? We'd love to see them. Email them to Mike Patterson. mfpchat@yahoo.com

MONTHLY TIME WASTER

"Unusual Names of Confederate Generals"

Print off a copy of this page and see how many unusual first names of Southern generals you can find. There are at least twenty.

Try it first without looking at the list on page ten.

"Democracy is two wolves and a lamb voting on what to have for lunch. Liberty is a well-armed lamb contesting the vote."
Benjamin Franklin, 1759



Portrait by Michael J. Dray

"You're gonna need to get your newsletter stuff to Mike Patterson by the 15th of each month. What else can I tell you?"





Prospective members aren't that hard to find. Nearly everyone who has southern ties is interested in who his ancestors were and what they did. Most people don't realize how easy it may be to tie them to a Confederate ancestor.

We have a member in the Camp who has 45+ years of experience in finding and documenting our Confederate heroes. He's willing to help.

Next time you're talking to a friend about the SCV, tell him a

“You just need to know which rocks to look under.”

comrade of yours will call him to get a few basic facts about his recent family history. *It's important for you to let your friend know we'll be calling and why.*

Send your friend's name and phone number to Mike Patterson at

WANT TO HELP THE E.W. TAYLOR CAMP GROW?

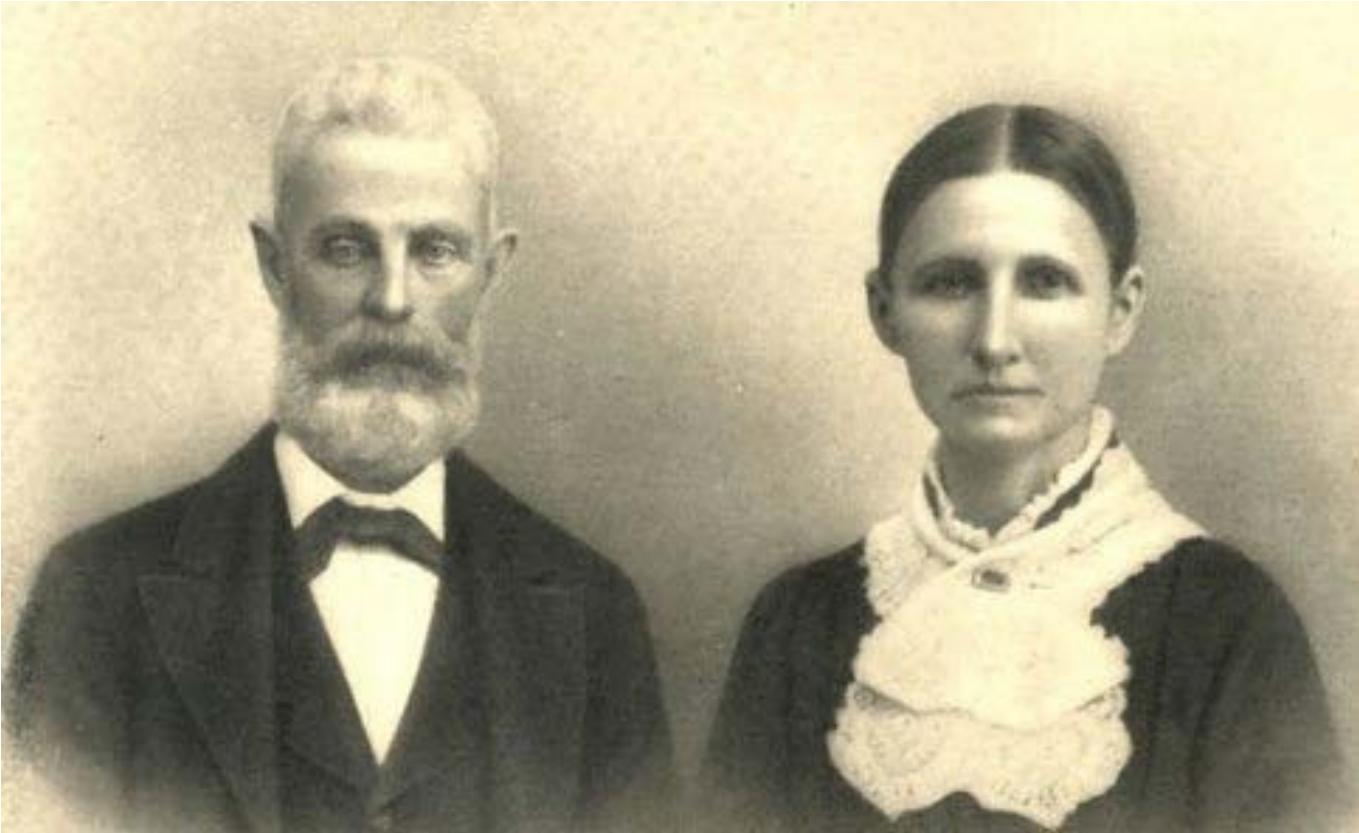
Need help interesting someone in his Confederate ancestors?

They're not that hard to locate!

mfpchat@yahoo.com. He'll take it from there.

Our job is to provide an exciting Camp experience for prospective members. We need to provide fast-paced meetings which are planned and to-the-point. Our programs need to be direct, pertinent, and interesting. Pictures are always a plus. Longer is not always better when you're facing a Friday morning driving to work. We can be one of the best Camps in Texas!

GETTING TO KNOW OUR LOCAL CONFEDERATES



BENJAMIN FRANKLIN ANDREWS

B. F. Andrews was born in England in 1826. About 1830 his father brought the family to America and settled in New York. Before long they moved to Illinois.

Andrews and his wife, Mary Ray (1829-1868) were married in Illinois in 1845. About 1847 they came to Texas and settled in Dallas County. By 1860 they had settled at Birdville.

Benjamin served the South in Co. C, 2nd Texas Cavalry (2nd Mounted Rifles). After his first wife's death, he married Carolina Burgoon, the sister of three northeast Tarrant County Confederates. She survived him thirty-five years.

Mr. Andrews survived until 1894, and was buried in Birdville Cemetery in present-day Haltom City.

Word Search Names

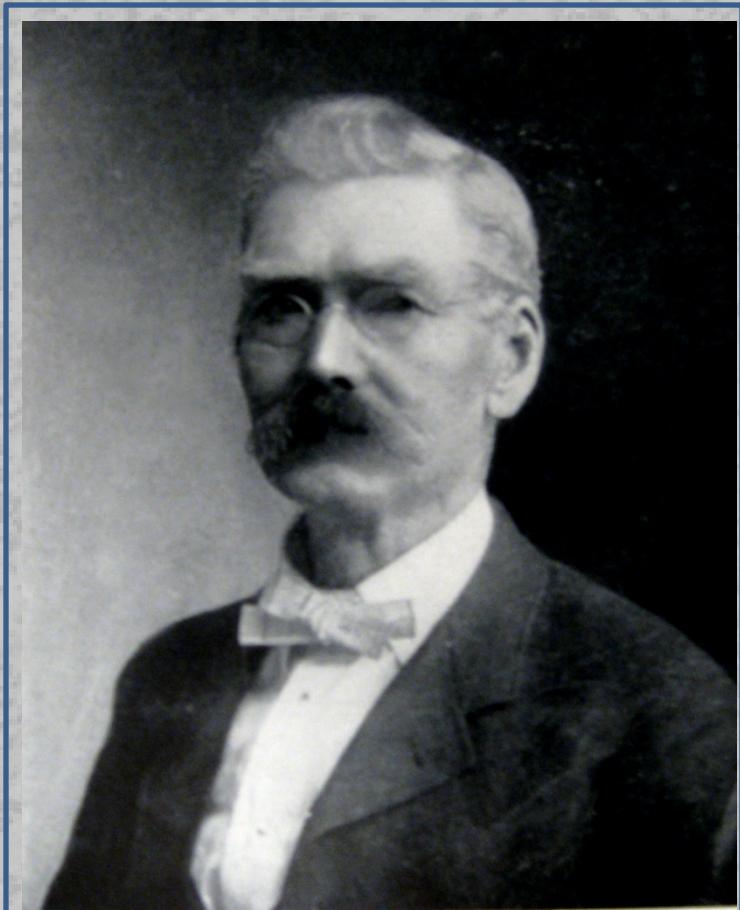
Basil	Hylan
Burkett	Isham
Braxton	Lucius
Bushrod	Maxcy
Cadmus	Milledge
Carnot	Stand
Collett	Theophilus
Elkanah	Tyree
Eppa	Zebulon
Evander	Goode

Benjamin's brother, Jabez Andrews, one of the pioneers of Grapevine, served in R. M Gano's company, which later became part of a CSA Kentucky cavalry regiment.

NORTHEAST TARRANT COUNTY CIVIL WAR VETERANS MEMORIAL UPDATE



Galen B. Gideon (1834-c1872) has been on our memorial for many years. But we got our first look at him in March when Joy Johnstone, a descendant, shared this tintype with us. Gideon served in Co. B, Martin's Regiment of Texas Cavalry.



Our newest addition is Dr. Cuvier Lipscomb (1840-1915), who served in the 7th Texas Infantry under his first cousin, K. M. Van Zandt. Dr. Lipscomb practiced medicine at Keller in the 1860's and 1870's before moving to Denton.

*"To you, Sons of Confederate
Veterans, we will commit the
vindication of the Cause for which we
fought. To your strength will be given
the defense of the Confederate
soldier's good name, the guardian-
ship of his history, the emulation of
his virtues, the perpetuation of those
principles which he loved and which
you love also, and those ideals which
made him glorious and which you
also cherish. Remember, it is your
duty to see that the true history of the
South is presented to future
generations."*

Lt. Gen. Stephen D. Lee
Commander-General
United Confederate Veterans
New Orleans, April 25, 1906

