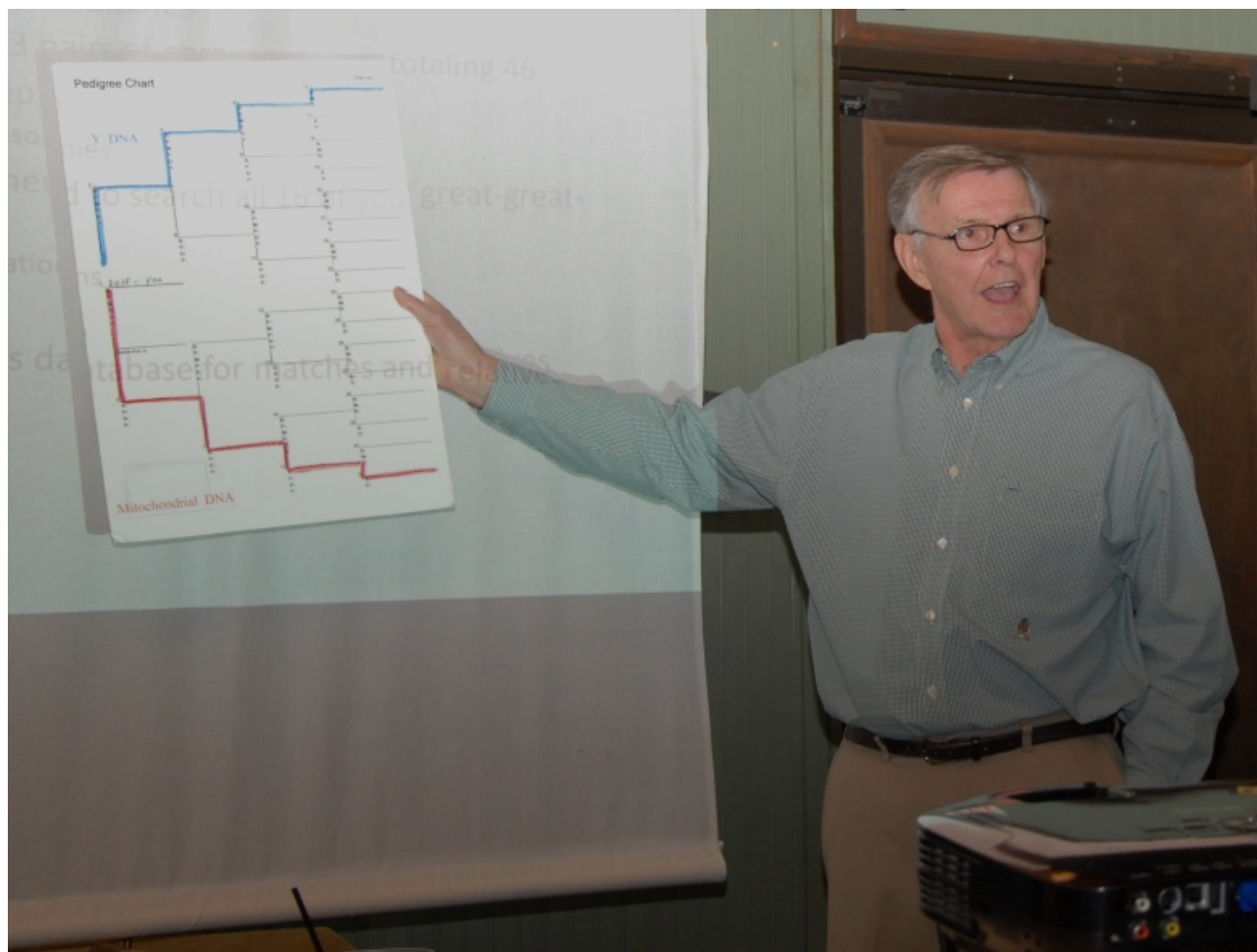




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SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS #1777
NEWSLETTER

Bedford, Texas.....April 2012



ROGER MILLS-COBB EXPLAINS MODERN DNA SCIENCE AS IT APPLIES TO GENEALOGY.

APRIL MEETING APR. 26, 2012
Catfish and Company
900 Airport Freeway #110
Hurst, Texas 817-581-3912
Eat at 6:15 Meeting at 7:00

Our guest speaker in March, Roger Mills-Cobb, had everyone eager for more when we had to vacate the room last Thursday night. He first explained a forty-five year quest for his father's ancestors who simply weren't to be found. After submitting a DNA sample, everything became clear....he wasn't a Cobb as he'd always thought....he was a Mills. The story of how all this came to be was fascinating, and we look forward to hearing more in a future program as the science progresses. Thanks!!!



**“FAIRY TALES
CAN COME
TRUE. IT CAN
HAPPEN TO
YOU,”**

If you missed the March meeting, you missed one of the best programs we’ve had in a mighty long time. Ron Parker didn’t miss it, nor did a guest who came with him, Jim Harris.

Jim was quite interested in Mr. Mills-Cobb’s presentation, as we all were. When we asked Jim if he had any Confederate ancestors, he said he honestly didn’t know. He did mention that both his father and grandfather had the middle name of Beauregard. *That* sounded promising.

As we’re always willing to do, we got busy the next day to see if we could find some Confederates in Jim’s background. It took about one hour to find two...both Jim’s great-grandfathers on his dad’s side were Confederates...one from Alabama and one from Texas.

Both wound up here in Texas and both were granted Confederate pensions. Mr. Harris was one of eight brothers who served the South, six of whom were buried on the battlefields.

MUSEUM OF THE CONFEDERACY OPENS AT APPOMATTOX.



Above: Battle Flag Protesters. Below: Maryland Color Guard.

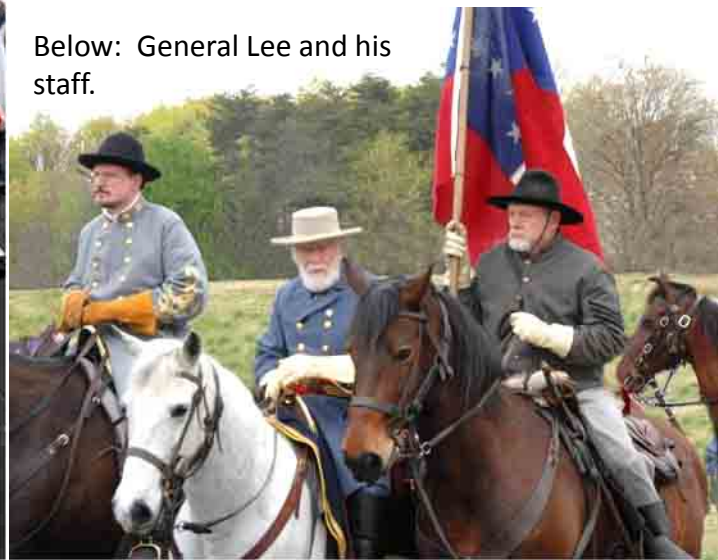


Amid some understandable protests about the Museum's reluctance to display the Battle Flag, the new Museum of the Confederacy is now open. Our local adjutant, James Alderman, attended the opening a few days ago. Because of space limitations we are sorry not to be able to share more of his photos.

The Museum has a website online at <http://www.moc.org/site/PageServer> Within the past few days several interesting articles have appeared about the direction and appropriateness of some of the exhibits themselves...surprisingly from the patriotic groups and not from the usually-disinterested public looking for a fracas, as is generally the case.

One proposed exhibit, ostensibly to show the ways in which Confederate symbols have been hijacked and dishonored, appeared on the net at <http://shnvalerts.blogspot.com/>

Below: General Lee and his staff.





MORE OF JAMES ALDER- MAN'S PHOTOS FROM THE NEW MUSEUM OF THE CONFEDERACY

Above: The McLean House;
right: banner towed by plane
above the event; below:
Maryland Color Guard



REUNIFICATION BY BAYONET SCV 1896





CAPT. JAMES C. BROCK, LATE OF FORT WORTH, RECEIVES GRAVE MARKER

On the morning of Sat., March 10, several members of the E.W. Taylor Camp #1777 met in Fort Worth's Oakwood Cemetery to erect a VA marker at the graves of Capt. James C. Wood and his wife, Mary. Both had lain in unmarked graves since their deaths in 1911 and 1897, respectively.

Thanks to the kindness of Worthington Monuments in south Fort Worth, Mrs. Brock's inscription was cut free of charge on the back of the stone. The stone stands centered between the two graves.

Capt. Brock served the Confederacy in Co. A, 10th Mississippi Cavalry. He enlisted in May, 1862 in Aberdeen, Mississippi, and served until 1865. He married Mary E. Morse later that year.

By 1880 he and his family had settled in Hot Spring Co., Arkansas, where he operated a hotel. The family settled in Fort Worth about 1886. His brother, John E. Brock, was also a Confederate veteran, and lies buried at Grapevine.

Deaths

Brock—James C. Brock. 76. died early Thursday morning at his residence, 616 Kentucky avenue, following a short illness. The deceased is survived by one daughter, Miss Fannie Brock of this city, and three brothers, one of Denton, Texas, and the others in Mississippi. Mr. Brock had been a resident of Fort Worth for twenty-five years and for the past fourteen has been connected with the Morris Grocery Company of this city. He was an old Confederate veteran, having risen to the rank of a captain. The funeral services will be conducted from the residence at 10 o'clock Friday morning. Interment will be in Oakwood cemetery. Rev. B. B. Ramage will officiate.

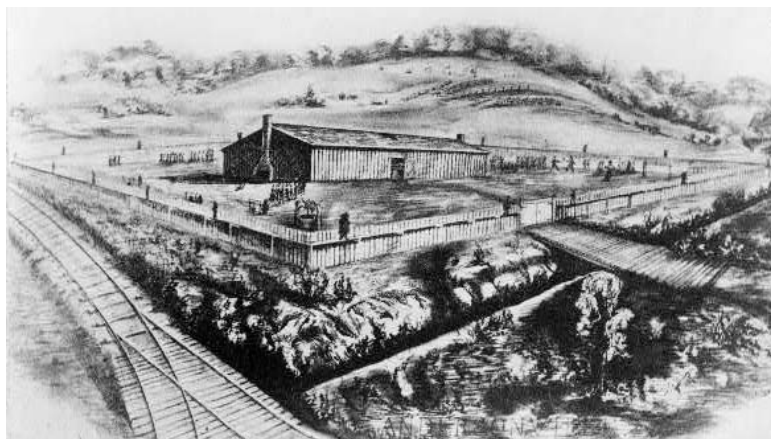
Fort Worth Star-Telegram, March 23, 1911

Above left ,l-r, members James Alderman, Tom Trawick, and Mike Patterson set Capt. Brock's marker on Saturday morning.

NOTED AWARD-WINNER TO ADDRESS FORT WORTH CWRT ON APRIL 10

Peter Cozzens, the author of a number of recognized works on the WBTS, will address Fort Worth's Civil War Roundtable on Tuesday evening, April 10. The meeting will be held at the Ol' South Pancake House, on University Drive about one block south of the West Freeway/I-30.

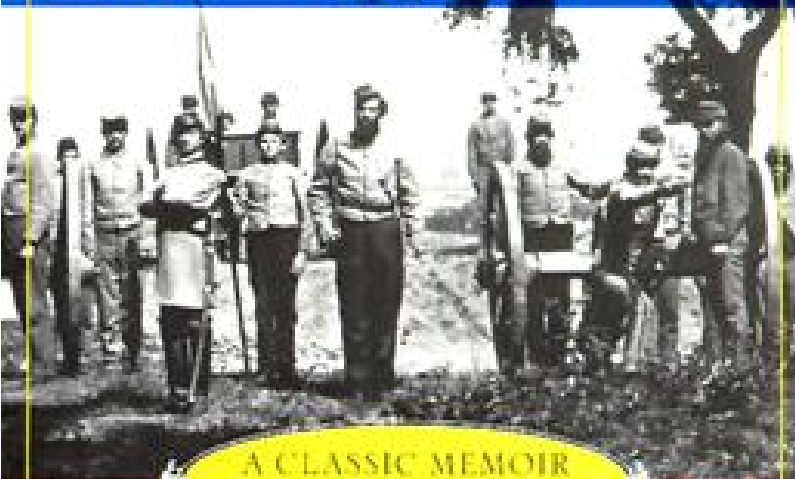
Mr. Cozzens' subject will be entitled: The Remarkable History of Cahaba: The Forgotten Prison. The Confederate commandant of this little-remembered Alabama prison managed, through resourcefulness and compassion, to keep nearly all his charges alive and healthy. He later pastored Grant's mother's congregation, and was asked by Gen. Grant to write her eulogy.



Guests are always welcomed. If you'd like to have dinner, please arrive by 5:30. The program will begin at 7:00 p.m.

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of the CIVIL WAR

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**ALWAYS WORTH A
RE-READ? Absolutely.**

Samuel R. Watkins (1833-1901) wrote what is generally regarded as one of the best first-person narratives of the War. He was a veteran of Co. H, 1st Tennessee Infantry. It is widely available, even at Half-Price Books.

It's lively, fast-moving, and filled with interesting day-to-day incidents of a private in the Confederate Army. Don't miss it!

JULIA JACKSON U.D.C. TO SPONSOR APRIL 7 COMMEMORATION AT THE NETC CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL IN BEDFORD



The Julia Jackson UDC Chapter will sponsor a District VII memorial service on Saturday, April 7, at 10:30 a.m. at the Memorial at 2401 Bedford Rd. in Bedford. This meeting will be attended by Daughters from a wide area of Texas.



We need your help by attending in uniform and all cootered - up so you can help in firing musket volleys. If you live in the area and would like to drop by on Friday afternoon about six p.m., we'll do some last-minute sprucing up. *Don't drive a long way to help with Friday afternoon....the gasoline, she is too high.*

You might also drop by a little early Saturday morning to help with marking the Confederate graves in the cemetery beside the memorial. There are twenty Confederates with readable markers.

The morning will begin at 10:30 with a power-point presentation inside the church, and will be followed by a ceremony outside at the memorial. Please try to attend.





CONSIDER THE HUMBLE DOLLAR...ONCE THE STABLEST, MOST SOUGHT-AFTER CURRENCY ON EARTH.

*How the mighty have fallen... 1 Sam.
1:25*

When we read about the purchasing power of a dollar at the beginning of the WBTS, it seems almost unreal. Something we purchased for one dollar in 1860 costs us \$26.32 today. Conversely, what we buy with one dollar today would have cost us only four cents back then. There were many places right here in Tarrant County in 1860 where land could be had for one or two dollars per acre.

You newsletter editor is sitting on an acre of land his great-grandfather purchased in 1901 for only eight dollars. Now my wife and I re-buy this acre in taxes every seventeen **hours**. When many of us were children, a silver dollar would fill up a five-gallon gas can. A paper dollar will now get us one quart. But guess what...gas isn't getting more expensive....our dollars are getting worth less.

Take two old silver dimes to a coin shop and sell them, and you'll get about enough to buy a gallon of gas. Being in any patriotic society involves some traveling, once in a while even out of state. As our economy slows down and we have to redefine our priorities, the cost of getting there and back looms larger and larger.

This situation has one silver lining. It gives us a reason to plan meaningful local events, carry out worthy projects close to home, and be active in our local Camp. Even with a modest amount of postage, photocopying costs, and a few miles of driving, getting a VA stone for an unmarked veterans' grave is an incomparable value.

With local projects in mind, we should consider expanding our participation in the Operation Shoebox program this year. We have an idea for raising funds which will cost us virtually nothing, will accomplish some things in our own lives which will benefit us, and will make us heroes at home, too.

Your humble editor was made aware of these opportunities and has used them to great personal benefit in the past year. Details next month.

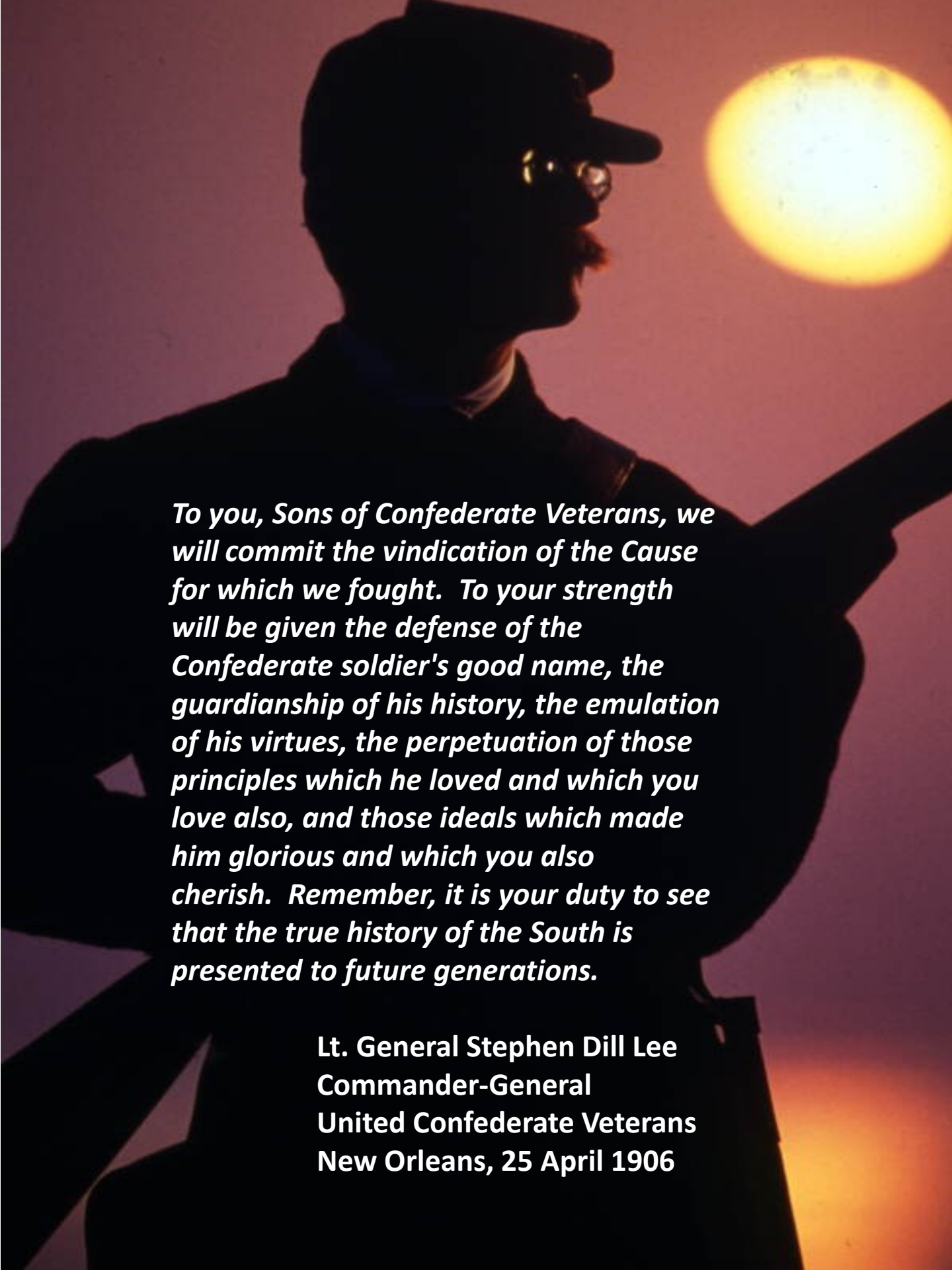




NEVER FORGET.

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A silhouette of a Confederate soldier in profile, facing right. He is wearing a kepi and holding a rifle. The background is a warm sunset or sunrise with a large, bright sun in the upper right corner.

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 guardianship 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. General Stephen Dill Lee
Commander-General
United Confederate Veterans
New Orleans, 25 April 1906**

Nov. 6, 2012

A DATE WHICH WILL
LIVE IN INFAMY
IF WE DON'T GET
SERIOUS ABOUT
SAVING THIS
COUNTRY.

