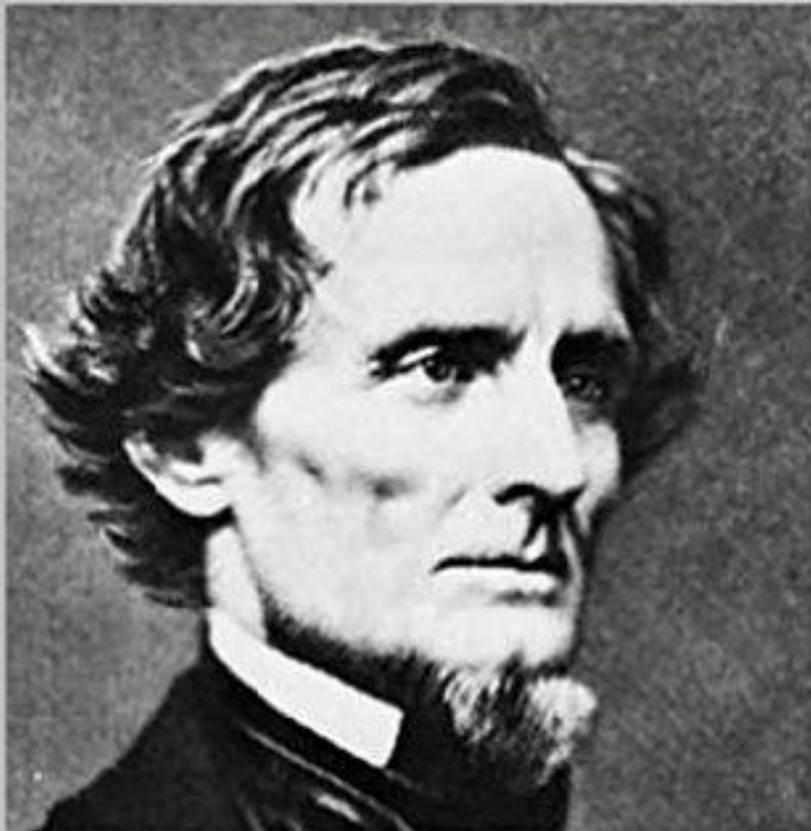




**COL. E. W. TAYLOR CAMP # 1777
SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS**

Newsletter

Bedford, Texas.....February 2016



ENDURING PRINCIPLES **February Program**

GREG EANES

Presented by a member
of our camp.



**Remarks Delivered at
the 50th Anniversary of
the United Daughters of
the Confederacy
Massing of the Flags in
honor of President
Jefferson Davis,
Richmond, June 6,
2015.**

Supplemented with photos.

Meeting time and place are found on the following page.

CONFEDERATE LIVES STILL MATTER



Let Us Hear From You!!!

Our camp adjutant is
James Alderman at
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Our newsletter editor is
Mike Patterson at
mfpchat@yahoo.com

James Alderman is always ready to help you with membership or dues questions. Both he and Mike check their emails several times daily and respond to them in a timely manner.

Mike Patterson has time to help answer other questions. He can help any prospective members get their applications in order.

Our meetings are on the last Thursday of each month, except November and December when we don't meet because it would always conflict with the holidays.

Each month's program announcement is always on the first page of this newsletter.

We meet at Catfish and Company restaurant in Hurst, Texas, along the north side of the Airport Freeway and on the access road west of Precinct Line Road.

If you'd like to **eat** with us we'd suggest you be there at **6 p.m.** We start the **meeting** at **7 p.m.** Our goal is to be **finished** and out by **8:30 p.m.**

Who are we?



We are the local camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, an international group with camps in all parts of the U. S. and several foreign countries.

Our primary local outreach consists of getting grave markers for Confederate veterans in unmarked graves. We have a unique working relationship with a local monument company which makes this possible. We average at least one marker per month.

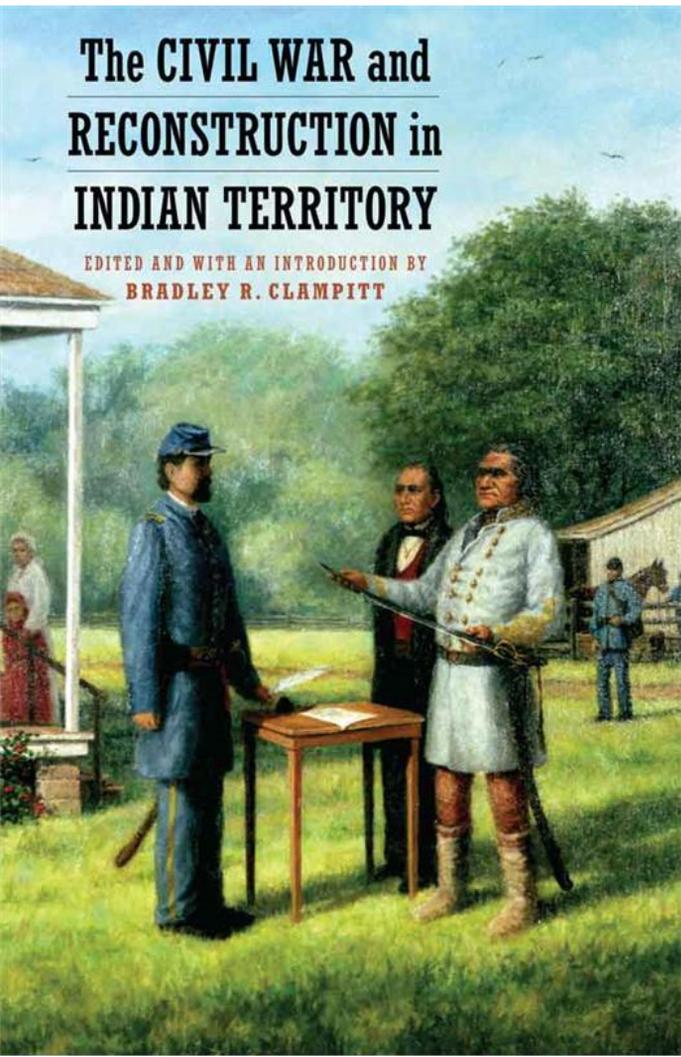
We would welcome camp participation in other community-service programs for which we have the interest and expertise within our camp. Tell us what you can do!

We have members who are ready and willing to help you see whether or not you have Confederate ancestors. Even if you have no desire to join, every person, man or woman, who learns about his/her Confederate ancestors becomes one of our allies in the fight against the PC perps.

**Our thanks to
Compatriot Chuck
Marks for presenting
an excellent program
on the War in the
Indian Territory to us
at our January
meeting! We look
forward to his next
program!**

**The CIVIL WAR and
RECONSTRUCTION in
INDIAN TERRITORY**

EDITED AND WITH AN INTRODUCTION BY
BRADLEY R. CLAMPITT



Judge Carl Barbier heard the New Orleans Monument case on Thursday morning, January 14. He issued his ruling on Tuesday, January 26 in favor of the City of New Orleans, giving them the go-ahead to move the monuments on Lee Circle.

http://www.nola.com/politics/index.ssf/2016/01/federal_judge_denies_restraini.html



Mardi Gras is only about one week away.



They may not understand history, but they understand dollars not coming there.



During all the recent hub-bub in New Orleans about getting rid of Confederate statues, this one has shown up in the media there time and again with the group. Hey mes amis, this man died in 1845. Get some sixth-grader to tell you when the War Between the States ended, and then carefully subtract the larger number from the smaller number. Notice anything?

This level of education in our country would be funny if it weren't so widespread. Take a look at two examples. One's serious, one's a parody.

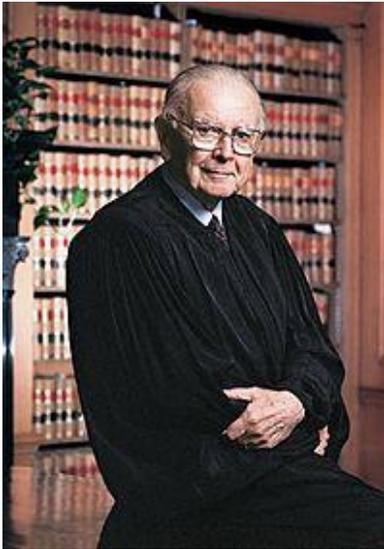
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WJIY9C7YWzI>

<http://www.hulu.com/watch/4115>

And we thought no one was reading our newsletters.....

This one doesn't even merit comment, but it's interesting to see what this guy did cutting and pasting from our November newsletter. Look back at our two adjacent newsletter pages where he got it. Anyone want to guess why he was exiled from Washington?

<http://durangotexas.blogspot.com/2015/11/there-will-be-no-confederate-lives.html>



**William J. Brennan
(1906-1997)**

**Associate Supreme Court
Justice
1956-1990**

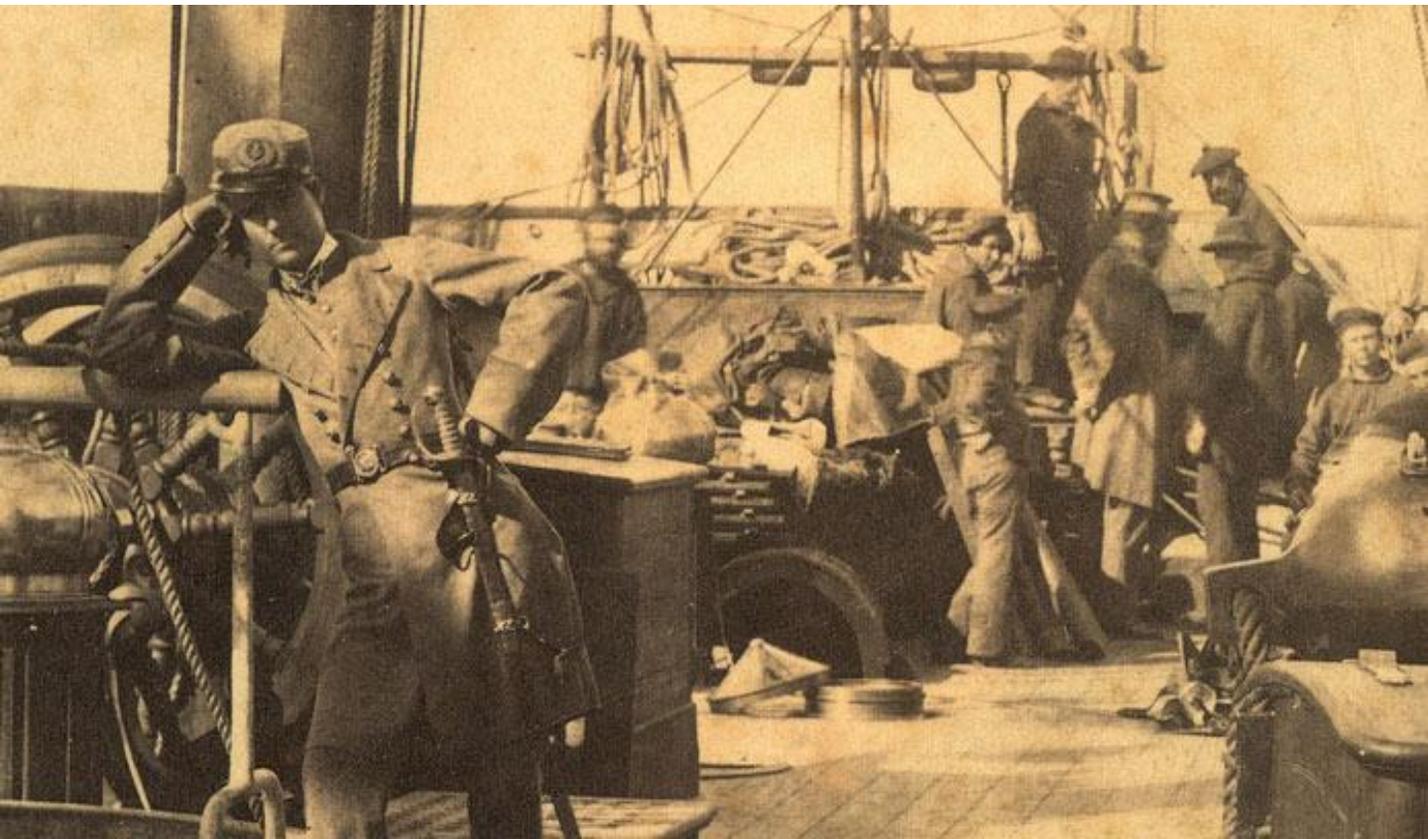
“...if there is a bedrock principle underlying the First Amendment, it is that government may not prohibit the expression of an idea simply because society finds the idea offensive or disagreeable...

“[Texas v. Johnson](#), 491 [U.S. 397](#) (1989)

Last serving Confederate ship honored in Liverpool on the sesquicentennial of its surrender

For an account of this interesting event in the British Press, please go to : <http://emergingcivilwar.com/2015/11/12/the-last-flag-down-a-sesquicentennial-commemoration-of-the-css-shenandoahs-surrender/>

Mr. Jerry Wells of Richmond has been working diligently for the past four years with the Clyde River SCV Camp in the United Kingdom to place a plaque honoring the CSS Shenandoah. Their efforts were finally realized this past October. Take a look at the outstanding plaque which was dedicated. Jerry is in the front of the group photo taken with the plaque. The photo below was taken of a group of crewmen at the time the ship was surrendered.



CSS Shenandoah Last Flag Down Sesquicentennial Event Liverpool, England Nov. 7, 2015



The significance of Rumford Place to the Event was that the headquarters of the Confederate Navy Operative in Liverpool, Captain James D. Bulloch, had his operations there to procure numerous vessels for the “War effort.”

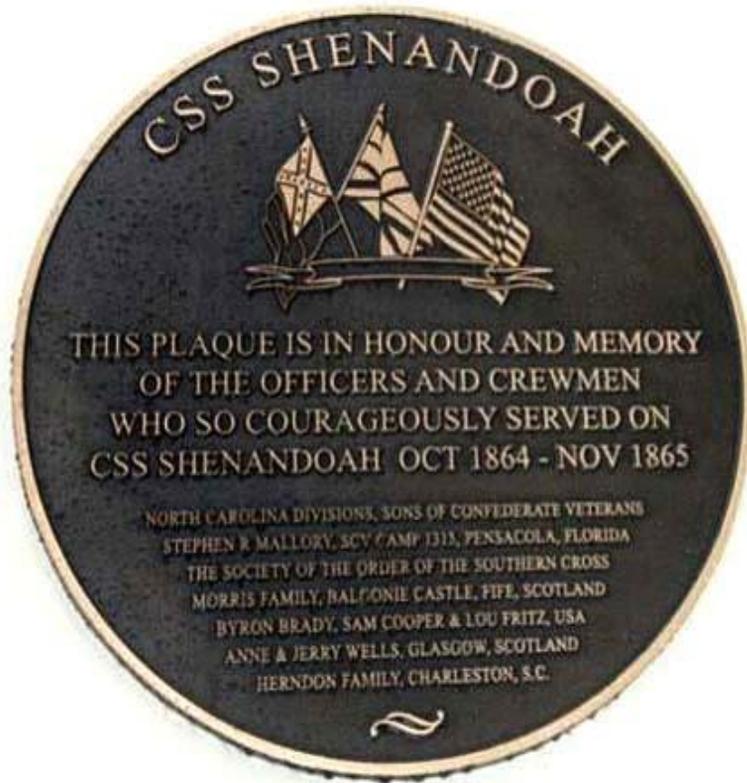
Rumford Place in Liverpool still stands, is on the register of Historic Buildings, and is where the Plaque was dedicated.

The plaque was cast by a Liverpool Company and they mounted it as well. Fortunately, our bronze company had previous experience in placing plaques on historic buildings, as the façade could not be compromised. The plaque was placed just to the left of the very building Bullock occupied.

Everyone attended the unveiling on Saturday, 7 November 2015 in a pelting rain. Those not in the photo were across the street out of the rain. Dozens of civilians also gathered and a continuous sounding of passing vehicle horns and thumbs-up from them was very gratifying.

Thanks to Mr. Jim Wells, Clyde River Camp #2168, for supplying the information above.

CSS Shenandoah, cont.



CSS SHENANDOAH. THIS PLAQUE IS IN HONOUR AND MEMORY OF THE OFFICERS AND CREWMEN WHO SO COURAGEOUSLY SERVED ON CSS SHENANDOAH OCT 1864-NOV 1865. NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION, SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS; STEPHEN R. MALLORY, SCV CAMP 1313, PENSACOLA, FLORIDA; THE SOCIETY OF THE ORDER OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS; MORRIS FAMILY, BALCONIE CASTLE, FIFE, SCOTLAND; BYRON BEADY, SAM COOPER & LOU FRITZ, USA; ANNE & JERRY WELLS, GLASGOW, SCOTLAND; HERNDON FAMILY, CHARLESTON, S.C.



Confederate Heroes Day at Pioneer's Rest Sunday, January 17, 2010

The Julia Jackson Chapter 141. United Daughters of the Confederacy, put together an impressive ceremony to honor our veterans there.



See a large number of Stephen Parker's photos of this event posted on our website.



Several SCV Camps also took part in various capacities, including Col. W. H. Griffin #2235; Col. A. H. Belo #49; Capt. James P. Douglas #124; Gov. S. W. T. Lanham #586; Stonewall Jackson #901; Col. E. W. Taylor #1777; William H. L. Wells #1588, and the Order of the Confederate Rose.

Confederate Heroes Day, cont.



The Texas Division Color Guard, commanded by Jack Dyess, is shown at right top. They include Jack Edwards, Ken Harper, Allen Harrison, Larry Kelley, Mark Nash, Richard Smoot, Michael Upchurch, and Jason Wagoner.

At center right, Third Brigade Commander Calvin Allen led the riderless horse, and Ken Harper rode his mount, "Obama."



The Taylor Camp provided most of the firing squad. L-r Bob Gresham, James Alderman, Mike Patterson, Ron Parker, Richard McCook, and member Terry Theiss (above) played TAPS. The last two compatriots in the firing line were Richard Smoot, Commander of the William H. L. Wells Camp #158 in Plano, and James Graham, a member of the Captain James P. Douglas Camp in Tyler.



Photos by Ervin Hauk and Stephen Parker.

Dedicated researcher made our jobs much easier here.

Barbara (Roach) Knox, beloved mother, grandmother, and great grandmother, went home to be with the Lord on January 2, 2016. She was born in Dallas on August 27, 1923, the only child of Vernon R. and Hattie (Joplin) Roach. She grew up in Rusk, Cherokee County, Texas. She played Bell Lyre in the Rusk High School Marching Band, and was on the debate honors team which won State meets several times.

Barbara met her husband, Dr. Warren G Knox, while they lived in Galveston. He attended medical school there and she worked for a plastic surgeon. They married in 1950 and came to Fort Worth, where they made their home and raised their two children. She was a talented pianist and played piano for the glee club and Polytechnic Baptist Church. She volunteered for the American Cancer Society for many years. She enjoyed singing in the church choir and with the Medi Larks, a choral group comprised of doctor's wives.

One of Barbara's greatest passions was genealogy. She was a Charter Member of Fort Worth Genealogical Society, which formed in 1957. She served many years on the board of directors in various capacities, including 17 years as editor of the society's quarterly journal, and was co-compiler of two genealogy/history reference books published by the society: Old Northwest Texas - Historical - Statistical - Biographical - Navarro County, 1846-1860; and Pioneers Rest Cemetery, Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas; published in 1980 and 2001, respectively. She was presented with Honorary Life Membership in 1998, the Society's highest honor. Not only remaining a member until her death, she was the longest



Serving Charter Member.

In addition to what she published through the genealogical society, she authored three books about her own family: Amos Persons; Robert Hodge, et al; and Robert Hodge Sr., of Livingston County, Kentucky. She was simply following in her mother's footsteps who had also written several genealogy books.

Barbara was predeceased by both of her parents and her husband. Her survivors include two daughters: Kathryn Jones (husband Elliotte) and Debra Halden (husband Ric); two granddaughters, Jennifer Kelley (husband Adam) and Sarah Alexander (husband Casey); and one great-grandson, Sean Alexander. She will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her family and friends.

The memorial service was held on Friday, January 8, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. at Grace Covenant Church, 3402 W Interstate 20, Arlington, TX 76017.

Barbara Roach Knox, cont.

In addition to the above, Barbara was also a County Coordinator with the TX Gen Web Project for 20 years, hosting Navarro, Ellis and Tarrant Counties.



Barbara also spent countless hours compiling and making accessible thousands of Confederate records online and in Footprints magazine.

A personal apology to my compatriots in the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

I have been marking Confederate graves for more than fifty years now, both with privately-financed markers and with markers I applied for from the Veterans Administration. I have been a member of the E. W. Taylor Camp for many years as well, and have served as an officer in several positions. I am now its chaplain. I have never missed a meeting of the local camp since two months before I joined the group.

I was unable to be at the Stock Show Parade on January 16 because I have a position of responsibility in my local church and was required to be at a one-time-per-year planning meeting. I was in uniform with my musket the next day at the event at Pioneer's Rest Cemetery, because it took place on Sunday afternoon between that day's two worship services.

The only organization which gets precedence over the SCV in my life is my church. I subordinate everything else, including most family responsibilities, to the SCV. It is unfortunate that the two events conflicted this year, and I will try to use my influence to see that the planning meeting next year does not fall on the same day as the parade.

Michael E. Patterson, EWT Chaplain

STOCK SHOW BAN ON CONFEDERATE BATTLE FLAGS IN ANNUAL PARADE PROBABLY RESULTS IN MORE BATTLE FLAGS IN DOWNTOWN FORT WORTH THAN ON ANY DAY IN HISTORY!!!



Taylor Camp Member Scott
Posey and family

“:...we just returned from the Stock Show Parade and wanted to let the members of the SCV who purchased and handed out the flags know how much we appreciated it. My wife and granddaughters were with us and we waved with enthusiasm along with a lot of others in attendance, and we got a lot of positive response from people in the parade. I truly believe that what the parade organizers wanted completely backfired...””

The FWST's reporter characterized the crowd's response as “scattered cheers.”

email received from parade spectator
within hours of the time the parade
ended on January 16, 2016

Fort Worth Stock Show Parade, cont.



Five of the E. W. Taylor Camp members who marched: 1-r James Alderman, Matt Thornton, Sean Partee, Chuck Marks, and James Madewell. Photo by Ervin Hauk. Confederates have been gathering around this courthouse for more than one hundred twenty-five years. Commander Bob Gresham and members Thomas Trawick, Morgan Tittle, Scott Posey, Richard McCook and Terry Theiss were also there.

We sent out immediate appeals the afternoon of the parade asking for other names of SCV members who took part in marching, flagging, or handing out flags. We received a response from only one camp. If you were there and helping in the effort, we apologize for not having your name and photograph included in this newsletter.

More photos of the
Stock Show Parade,
by Ervin Hauk





Parade photos by Ervin Hauk





Four uncaptioned photographs which appeared in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram online on Jan. 17



Hurrah !!! For the Virginia Flaggers

Saturday, January 16 was a day to remember !!!

A full report of the weekend's activities will follow shortly, but we have had many requests for details on what transpired Saturday afternoon at Washington & Lee University so we decided to get this update out first, ahead of the general report.

Many of you may recall that last year, security guards at Washington & Lee University refused to allow our folks to walk up Letcher Avenue after the parade through town when we attempted to pay our respects to General Jackson at VMI.



Details of last year's activities are to be found here: <http://vaflaggers.blogspot.com/2015/01/va-flaggers-lee-jackson-weekend-report.html>

It seems that W&L officials are determined to make sure that the demands of the six agitators are met, and are going to great lengths to ensure that W&L students will not be exposed to a battle flag as it is carried up the public sidewalk on Letcher Avenue, which apparently would cause great distress and damage to their delicate psyches.

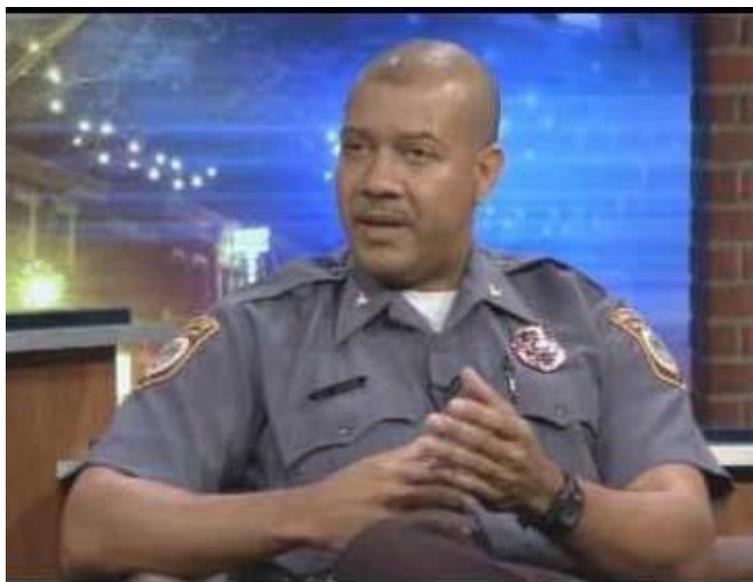


Virginia Flaggers Jan. 16, cont.



After the incident last year, we began an investigation and received information that Letcher Avenue is, in fact, a public road, NOT privately owned by the University. We received information from VDOT in April of 2015, that confirmed that Letcher Avenue is in no way subject to the dominion or control of Washington & Lee University.

In addition, a City of Lexington Police Dispatcher confirmed that the restriction by W&L's security force to prevent public use of Letcher Avenue is illegal. She advised that if they should attempt to prevent any of us from walking on EITHER sidewalk along Letcher Avenue that we immediately call the Lexington Police.



Lexington Police Chief Alfred Thomas

With this in mind, knowing they had denied the SCV access to the Lee Chapel for their annual Robert E. Lee Memorial service, and having received word that W&L had security personnel positioned at Letcher Avenue on Lee-Jackson Day, we called the Lexington Police ahead of our arrival, and asked them to meet us at W&L to make sure we were allowed access.



Virginia Flaggers Jan. 16, cont.

At 2:00, several dozen Flaggers had gathered, and W&L security would not allow access to the sidewalk to anyone carrying a Confederate flag.

Representatives from Lexington's Police Department and Sheriff's office arrived shortly after we called them. Acting as spokesman for the Flaggers, I first spoke to a female sergeant. I told her that we had talked to Lexington dispatch, consulted with attorneys, and received information from VDOT, ALL of which confirmed that Letcher Ave. is a public street and not under the domain of W&L, and I handed her the email correspondence to



Rockingham Co. Sheriff Bryan Hutcheson

prove it. She was understanding, assured me she would get some answers, and placed a call to the Chief of Police. I was asked to speak to him. I informed him of the same thing that I had just told the sergeant about the legalities of the situation at hand.

At that time a Dean at W&L called the Sheriff and he asked me if he could call me back after he tried to resolve the issue with her. I agreed and walked over to the group of Flaggers, which was growing larger by the minute, to update them on the situation.

I was quickly summoned back up the hill by the sergeant to talk to the chief of police again. He said that W&L remained insistent that law enforcement intervene if we try to walk up Letcher Ave. He asked if our folks would consider walking down the sidewalk of North



Suzanne Keen, Dean of
W & L University

Virginia Flaggers Jan. 16, cont.

Jefferson instead, and offered to instruct his officers to escort us up the steep VMI entrance and then offered to help us get this straight for next year. I told him today was not the day that any of our folks were ready to compromise.

He then informed me that he was instructing his officers NOT to impede the Flaggers if they walk up Letcher Avenue to VMI, but warned that W&L officials could try to obtain names and information of those who did so and go down to the courthouse and swear out a trespassing warrant on those individuals. I thanked him and told him that we would contact him soon to "put this situation to rest once and for all".

By this time, our numbers had grown, as word spread across Lexington of what was happening at W&L. As I met with our group again, to let them know the situation and decide what our next move would be, one woman took it in her own hands to do what needed to be done, grabbed her flag, and started up the hill, marching right past the security detail.

Defiantly, bravely, and determined to honor General Jackson, she proceeded up the hill without interference. One by one, others joined her, and soon a steady stream was walking up the hill, much to the consternation of the W&L security personnel.



Virginia Flaggers, Jan. 16, cont.



Simultaneously, a group of Flaggers who had been positioned on Jefferson Avenue took the right flank, and were escorted by Lexington police down Jefferson Ave. The officer then stopped traffic to allow them to cross the street and enter by way of the VMI entrance. We believe General Jackson would be proud of our flanking maneuvers!

W&L security personnel were visibly angry, and frustrated that we had outmaneuvered and outflanked them. Flaggers who walked up the

hill called it one of the most satisfying moments of the weekend as they walked right past those who less than an hour before had denied them access.

Once on the parade grounds, we were free to pay our respects to the General, and as has become our custom, we unfurled a 10x15 flag that were going to raise on the Jackson Farm Flag site later that afternoon, and posed for a photo.

Virginia Flaggers January 16, cont.



There were absolutely no attempts by anyone at VMI to impede our commemoration. In fact, communications with VMI officials were cordial and professional. As we turned to sing "Dixie's Land", Cadets were seen opening windows and shouting down approval at the sight of General Jackson on the grounds of VMI once again.



Virginia Flaggers January 16, cont.

Spirits soared among those who gathered at the end of the triumphant march, led by one woman, who, if you ask her why she did it, will answer, "I just got GOOD AND MAD at what those people are doing...and wasn't going to take it anymore!"

General Jackson, in his 1861 VMI uniform, posed for photos on the parade grounds with participants, and our own Judy Smith captured this stunning shot as we were leaving.

We would like to take this moment to reiterate that, as has been our experience in Lexington each time we visit, law enforcement personnel from both the Lexington Police and Sheriff's Departments treated us with the utmost respect and courtesy, not only in this situation, but throughout our entire stay. We have nothing but praise for their professionalism and sincere efforts to provide for our protection and safety.

Officials at Washington and Lee University tried to stop us from walking past their campus on our way to pay our respects to General Jackson.



They failed.

When you've got 75-100 people out there...things go your way...it is called an army.

Tripp Lewis

Virginia Flaggers



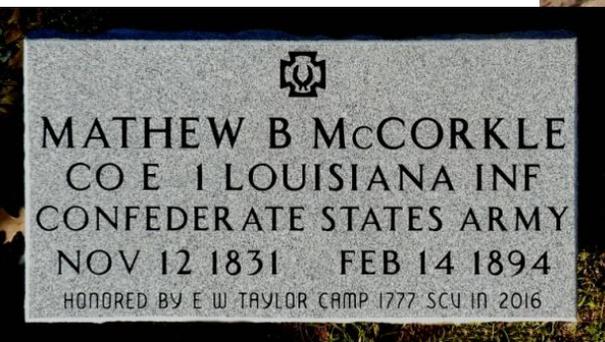
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Four faithfuls face frigid McCorkle memorial meeting



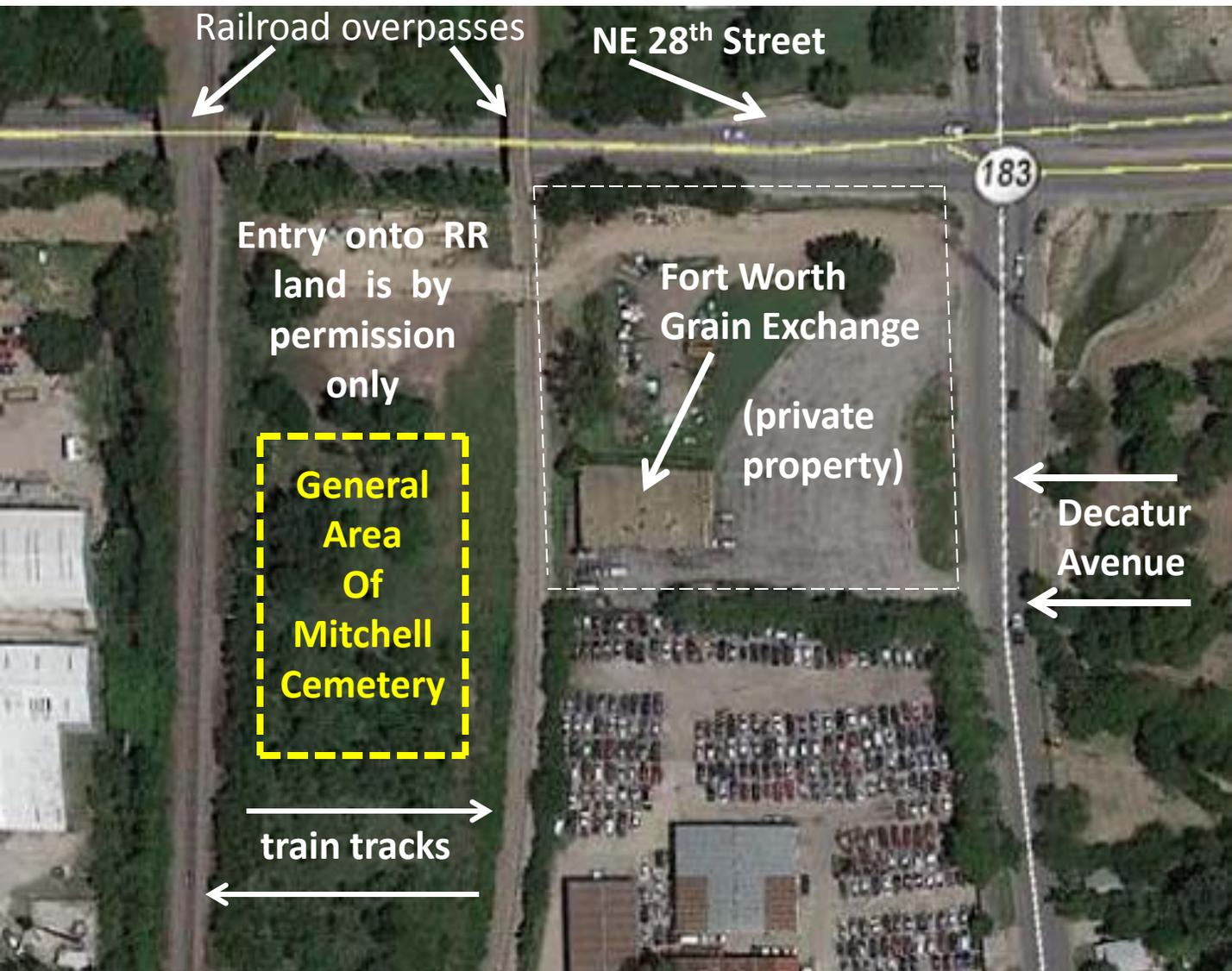
Photos b-b-by M-m-marilyn P-p-patterson.

Thanks to Marilyn Patterson for driving the rock and tools to the cemetery on one of the coldest mornings yet this winter. The setters were James Alderman, Kent Mathews, and Mike Patterson.



April 23 tentative date for York stone dedication in historic Mitchell Cem.

At this point there is nothing to see in this historic cemetery, and nearby business owners continually watch the spot and contact police if they see anyone on the property. In addition to York's, we'd like to see other known graves marked. We'd also like to see the Texas Historical Marker replaced. See last month's newsletter for our plans for Mr. York.



Virtually all traces of the Mitchell Cemetery are gone. One VA marker for a Mexican War veteran was placed there in the early 1980's, as was a Texas Historical Marker which was soon stolen by metal scavengers.

COL. W. A. MADDOX PASSES AWAY

Aged Veteran and Prominent Citizen Dies at Home of His Son

Died, at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the home of his son, E. P. Maddox, corner of Daggett and Adams streets, Colonel W. A. Maddox, aged 79 years. The funeral occurred this afternoon at 4 o'clock, from the late residence, under the direction of R. E. Lee Camp, United Confederate Veterans.

Colonel Maddox was a native of Troop county, Georgia. In the early '40s he was married to Miss Mary A. Mays of the same county in Georgia. In 1877, after a residence of several years in Louisiana, he moved to this county, where he has continued to reside, making his home since retirement from active business with his son.

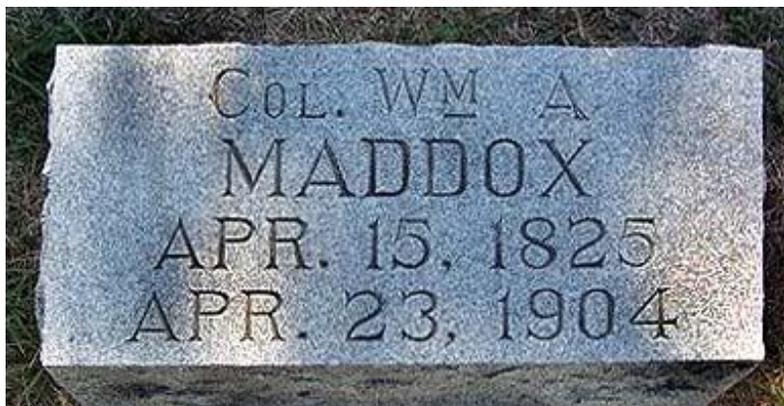
During the war Colonel Maddox was in the Confederate service. He was elected captain of a company which was organized the first year of the war and rose to the rank of colonel before the close. He was wounded at Shiloh and took part in some of the memorable engagements during the four years.

When Colonel Maddox moved to Texas he engaged in farming. His wife passed away about twenty-five years ago, and later he retired from any business activity. He was well known in this county. He was a man of fine disposition and generous nature and the old settlers who knew him when he was in active life thought much of him, and it is because of the association for years with them that he made the last request that the entire local camp attend in a body and officiate at his funeral. Surviving him are seven sons, Walter T. of this city, John E. of Phoenix, Ariz.; Colonel R. E., E. P., A. P., Jim and Pike, the last named of Pensacola, Fla. He also leaves a brother, J. N. Maddox of Jacksboro, former sheriff of Jack county, and a sister, Mrs. Thomas Scott of Atlanta, Ark., and many grand children.

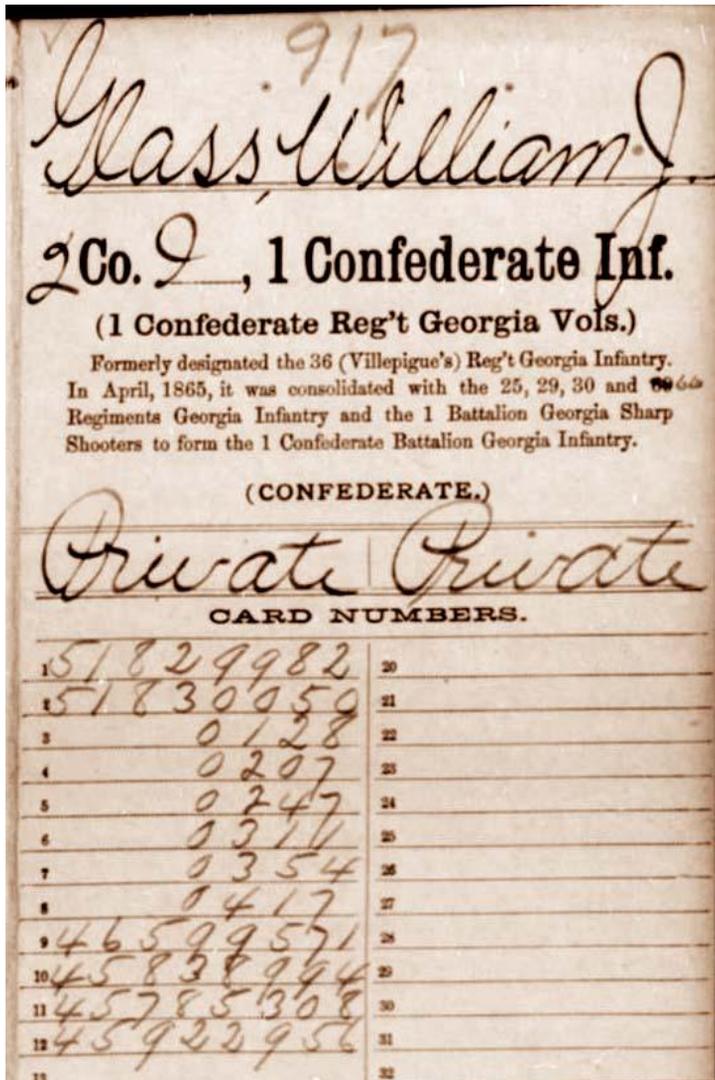
The funeral service this afternoon was conducted by Rev. Alonzo Monk of the First Methodist church, and a large number attended the obsequies.

Getting to know our local Confederates

One of the men honored at the ceremony at Pioneer's Rest on January 17 was William A. Maddox, a founder of the R. E. Lee Camp of United Confederate Veterans here. One of his most notable great-great grandsons is Edward P. Bass, the Chairman of the Board of the Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo (shown below).



Local Confederate Veteran, died in Austin Hospital in 1885, to get headstone after 131 years



In 1883, William J. Glass of Tarrant County was admitted to the Austin State Hospital. Two years later he died there and was buried in the cemetery which was growing beside the hospital.

Surprisingly, one of our local historical luminaries also lies buried in the same cemetery (below), having also died at the hospital.



Well-known Tarrant vet to get corrected stone in the State Cemetery in Austin Feb. 13

UNITED CONFEDERATE VETERANS
 DESCRIPTIVE LIST.
 Fort Worth Texas, Aug. 1st 1903

Name *Thos. E. Cross*
 When and Where Born *July 29th 1835, Albany, Madison County, Texas / Oct 28, 1861*
 Where and Where Educated *at Birdville, Walker County, Texas*
 Rank *Sergeant* (Company) *E* Regiment *8th Regt. U.S. Strada* *1st 1st*
 Division *Walker* Corps *2^d* Army *Transmississippi*

REMARKS.
I was transferred to the Pay Master General's department at Little Rock Ark in Nov 1862 & returned to the command in January 1863 & continued with it until we were disbanded about 2 1/2 miles East of Hempstead in Austin County Texas, on the (I think the 5th) May, 1865.
I participated in the following battles: Williams Bend on the Mississippi River, Louisiana June 12th 1863 & at Youngs Point near Vicksburg late that evening.
I took part in the Battle of Mansfield, Louisiana April 8th 1864 at which I had my right leg broken between the ankle and knee - was shot in the right thigh & had my right hip shot out of place, after which I served as division clerk until the end of the war.
Thos. E. Cross
 Reference *J. M. Henderson*
J. C. Ferrell O.K.



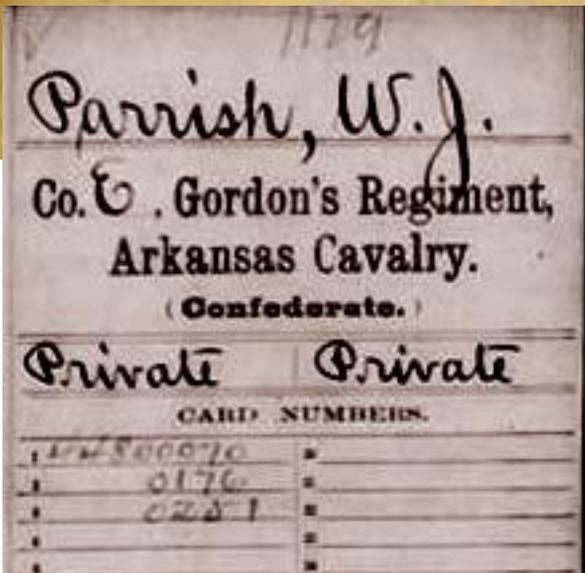
Thomas E. Cross came to Birdville with his father's family in the 1850's, and he and his brother left here to fight when the War broke out. Both survived, and brother William is buried at Smithfield.

Cross was very active in the R. E. Lee UCV Camp here. He died in the Confederate Home in 1924 and we thought his grave was unmarked. Recently we learned it is marked, but his stone has his surname misspelled as "Gross," his birth date is incorrect, and his regimental data is incorrect.

We'll be in Austin installing his new stone on the morning of February 13.

LOCAL VET FROM ARKANSAS TO GET STONE THANKS TO AN OUTSIDE DONOR

Talking up the SCV with your friends and family sometimes brings help from unexpected quarters. This vet will get a stone in late February.



William J. Parrish (1844-1903) died at his home on 7th Street in Fort Worth, and was buried in Oakwood Cemetery. He had lived for a few years near Bedford, and so also can be included on our Northeast Tarrant County Memorial. Mrs. Ruby Zacha, a friend of our friend Clay Fitzhugh, graciously asked to be able to pay for Mr. Parrish's stone.

More on this next month!!!

Ever Vigilant

Recent events have made us proud of the Sons of Confederate Veterans who stood up and made themselves heard in the face of attacks on the memory of our Southern Patriots.

As public officials learn that we will not go silently into the night they will be more careful in making snap decisions based upon pressure from vocal minorities.

On a local level, please let us know if you see something we can do to further The Cause. As always, that includes seeing that all our local Confederate heroes are properly remembered with dignified memorials.



**We look forward to swearing in four new members
at one of our next meetings. They include:**

Clint Cotnam, *on the service of Pvt. George Washington Cotnam,
Co. B, 15th (Northwest) Arkansas Infantry*

Dalton Tignor, *on the service of Pvt. George Washington
Cotnam, Co. B, 15th (Northwest) Arkansas Infantry*

Shane Woodward, *on the service of Pvt. Early Andrew Jackson
Pounds of Co. E, 22nd Alabama Infantry*

Donald Sheffield, *on the service of Pvt. Thomas Strawbridge, Co.
H, 5th Alabama Cavalry*

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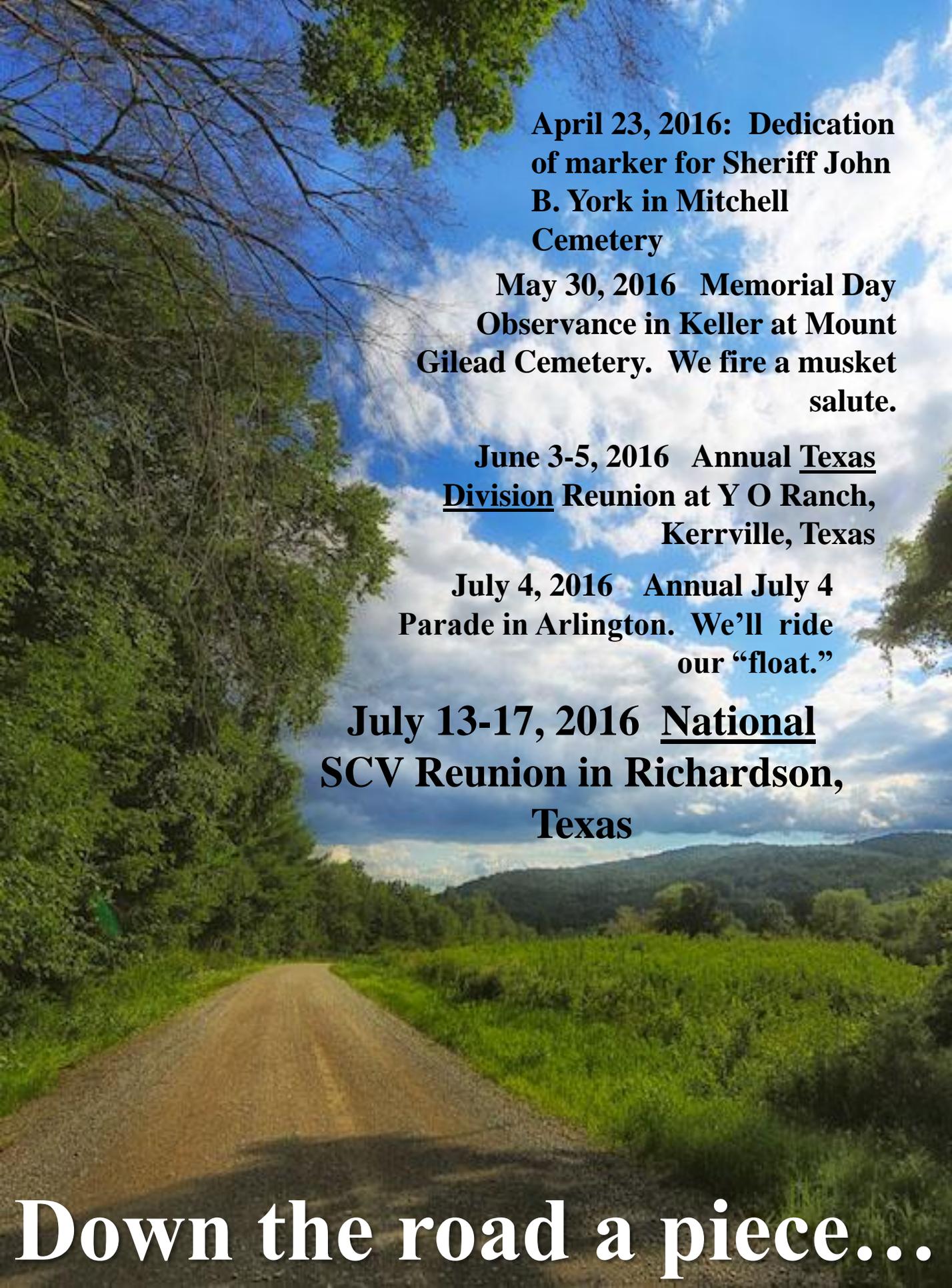
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**April 23, 2016: Dedication
of marker for Sheriff John
B. York in Mitchell
Cemetery**

**May 30, 2016 Memorial Day
Observance in Keller at Mount
Gilead Cemetery. We fire a musket
salute.**

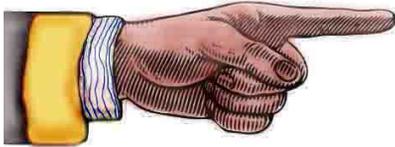
**June 3-5, 2016 Annual Texas
Division Reunion at Y O Ranch,
Kerrville, Texas**

**July 4, 2016 Annual July 4
Parade in Arlington. We'll ride
our "float."**

**July 13-17, 2016 National
SCV Reunion in Richardson,
Texas**

Down the road a piece...

Thanks to a new member of the team at Worthington's, Brandon Cherry at right, who is now helping to engrave our stones. He's a Confederate descendant, too.



Thanks to all the E. W. Taylor Camp members who attended the 3rd Brigade meeting in Azle on January 10 to plan our response to the Stock Show flag ban: Bobby Gresham, James Alderman, and Matt Thornton.



Thanks to Ervin Hauk for taking and sharing about three dozen photos for us at the Stock Show Parade on Jan. 16.



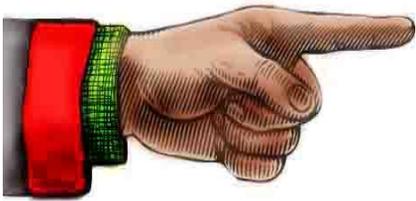
Thanks to both Ervin Hauk and Stephen Parker for taking and sharing photographs with us from the Confederate Heroes Day service on Jan. 17.



Thanks to all the members of the Col. William H. Griffin Camp #2235 (Haltom City) who took part in the parade: Tim Robertson, Kim Price, Mike Vinson, Diane Dyess, Sheila Randolph, Liz Kelley, Larry Kelley, John Jenkins, Joy Jenkins, T. J. McClung, Shelby McClung, and Jack Dyess.



Thanks to Marilyn Patterson for hauling three veterans' stones from Worthington's to Colleyville for us on January 28.



Thanks to all the other folks who came out and helped on Stock Show Parade day for whom we don't have a complete list, but from photos we can see Calvin Allen, Kyle Sims, Ben Hatch, Paul Martin, and Kirt Barnett.



Thanks to everyone who came out to help install Mr. McCorkle's stone on January 9 at Oakwood: James Alderman, Kent Mathews, Marilyn Patterson, and Mike Patterson.

Feb. 13
Two compatriots
will take two
stones
to install in
Austin

Feb. 20
Install one
Stone at
Oakwood
9 a.m.

Feb. 25
E. W. Taylor
Camp Meeting

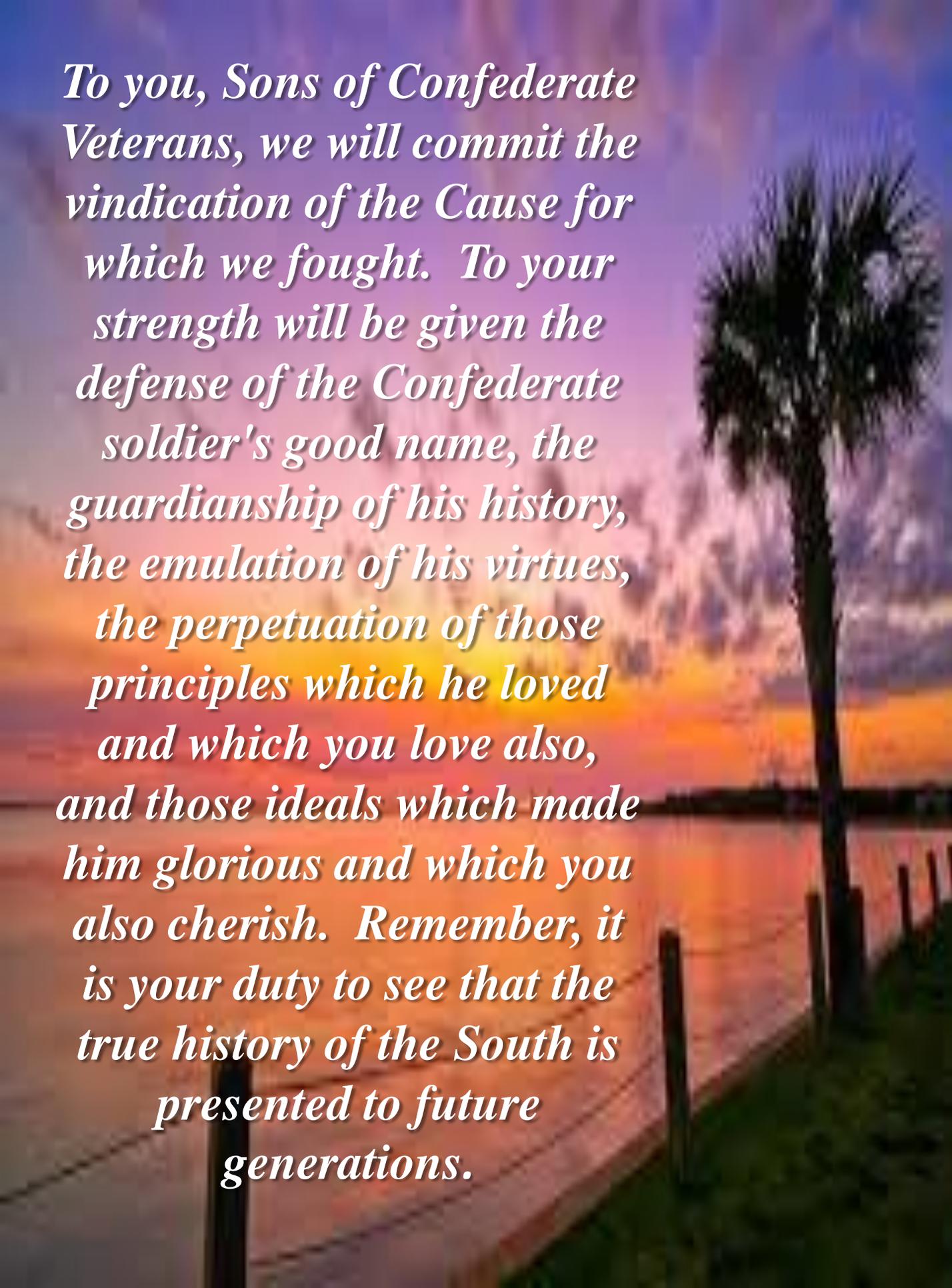
If you haven't
already, start paying
attention to the
candidates and
issues for the
upcoming election
in November.



“Go on, ma’am. You heard soldiers’ footsteps coming toward your bed in the darkened room. They stopped beside your bed, and....For goodness sakes, Clinton, don’t be spokin’ this poor lady any worse’n she is!!!”



**“I salute the Confederate
Flag with affection,
reverence, and undying
devotion to the Cause for
which it stands.”**



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.