

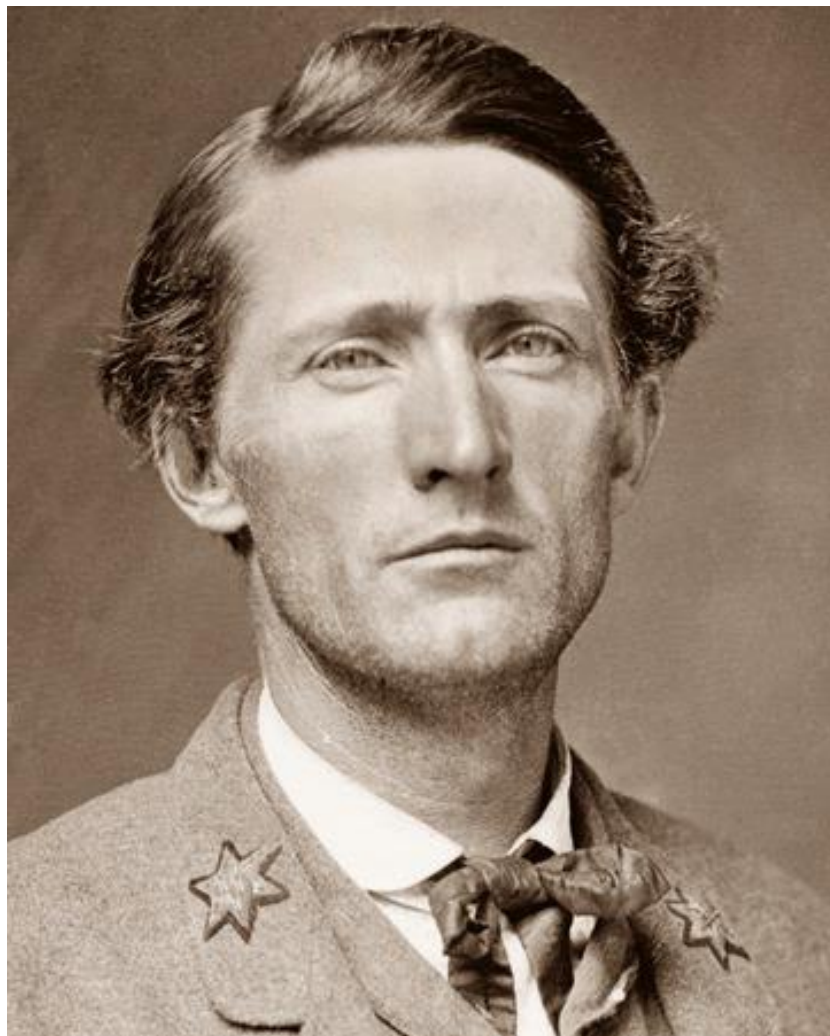


# Col. E. W. Taylor Camp #1777

## SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS

# NEWSLETTER

### September.....2022



## September 29

Our September program will be “John Singleton Mosby: the Gray Ghost of the Confederacy.” It will be presented by Com Patriot Kip Wright, a Navy veteran who now works for FEMA.



Many of you will remember his excellent presentation to us last year on the life of Maj. General Patrick R. Cleburne.

Do yourself and your camp a favor by planning to be with us on September 29.

# CONFEDERATE LIVES STILL MATTER



# Our sincerest ***THANKS !***

to our always-dependable 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Commander, Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh, for the excellent program he presented on his great-grandfather, Ulyses 'Bib' Matthews, and his time as a soldier in Co. G, 4<sup>th</sup> Mississippi Cavalry. Clay was able to share with us several family photos, heirlooms, and stories handed down in his family.

We thank Clay for always being willing to help in any way he can. He is one of the most welcoming, gracious and personable men this editor has ever met, in or out of the SCV.



# It's September, and time again to talk about officers



Any organization worth joining is worth helping with your time, expertise, funds, support, and attendance.

At the September meeting in even numbered years, we put together a slate of officers for the next two years.

We need a commander, a 1st Lt. commander (the program man), an adjutant, a chaplain, and a color bearer, at the very least.

No one is going to cajole or shame you into taking an office if you don't feel comfortable with it. Don't use this as a reason to miss our September meeting, which will be a good one.

If you feel you'd like to help in any way, please contact our Commander, Rich McCook, before the meeting on Sept. 29.

Many men have stepped forward in past years to keep our SCV camp operating. We welcome your input and suggestions. We welcome your participation in any way you feel capable.

Officer elections will be held during the October meeting for the years 2023-2025. Don't worry about being elected without your knowledge and assent. It won't happen.

SCV Camps all over the planet are experiencing hard times because of the political climate. Every time you attend a local camp meeting you make the E. W. Taylor Camp stronger.

***Thanks for your generous support!***



# More progress at Oakwood on Soldier's Row

On Friday morning, Aug. 26, three Taylor men rendezvoused at Oakwood to install four new Confederate stones. The installers were James Alderman, Clay Fitzhugh, and Rich McCook. Three of the stones were supplementals for men who already had the small uprights the UCV supplied. The fourth, Mr. Overall, had been in an



unmarked spot since 1903.

Stay tuned for more dramatic, impressive improvements as soon as the heat breaks.

In spite of rising costs, we can still do some very good work there.



**WILLIAM H DILL**

CO D 45 MISSISSIPPI INF  
CONFEDERATE STATES ARMY  
MAY 30 1842 DEC 15 1910

HONORED BY E W TAYLOR CAMP #1777 SCU IN 2022



**EDWIN E OVERALL**

WAR CORRESPONDENT WITH  
CONFEDERATE STATES ARMY  
MAY 15 1837 NOV 22 1903

HONORED BY E W TAYLOR CAMP #1777 SCU IN 2022



**ROBERT W POE**

CO B 3 TEXAS CAVALRY  
CONFEDERATE STATES ARMY  
JULY 14 1845 DEC 19 1917

HONORED BY E W TAYLOR CAMP #1777 SCU IN 2022



**HENRY M PRICE**

CO D 37 ALABAMA INF  
CONFEDERATE STATES ARMY  
DEC 24 1837 APR 11 1924

HONORED BY E W TAYLOR CAMP #1777 SCU IN 2022



# 10 years ago this month in this Newsletter

*(Jack and Boone Eustace have now been Taylor Camp members for years)*

## GRAPEVINE CONFEDERATE VET GETS A HEADSTONE AFTER NINETY-NINE YEARS.

John Fletcher Walton of Grapevine died in 1913. On August 18, 2012 he finally got a headstone. Four descendants and five folks from the E.W. Taylor camp met at Grapevine Cemetery on that day and installed his new VA marker.

Mr. Walton was born in Alabama. He served the South as a soldier in Co. G, 3<sup>rd</sup> (Lillard's) Tennessee Infantry. He brought his family to Grapevine from McMinn County, Tennessee in 1884. The first Mrs. Walton died in Grapevine in 1904. Mr. Walton was remarried in Grapevine the next year; his second wife passed away in 1908.

Jack Eustace replied to an internet appeal from us for a direct descendant to sign the application form. In what may be record time, the Veterans Administration approved our application for this headstone in only ten days.

Four of Walton's descendants came from Springtown to help on installation day...Jack Eustace and his wife, Rhoda; and their grandsons, Boone (the older) and Chase Eustace. Rhoda is Mr. Walton's great-great granddaughter. Jack is also a descendant of several northeast Tarrant County Confederates. Four Taylor Camp

members were present: David Stewart, Ron Parker, Mike Patterson, and James Alderman. Mrs. Patterson also came to help.

Boone Eustace is quite interested in re-enacting. We gave him a haversack, a housewife, handkerchiefs, and a flint-and-steel fire-starting kit.







# Our man in uniform, CPL Boone Eustace, USMC, of whom we're very proud.

On the preceding page you'll see how he looked ten years ago on the day we met him. He and his grandfather joined the SCV immediately. He's back at Camp Pendleton, CA now after a nine-month deployment overseas. He is now halfway through his term of enlistment. A real gentleman, he is also a crack shot with an AR-15 and was a star in Boyd HS football. *There are still more than three dozen videos of him in his football days on the net.*



BOYD HIGH SCHOOL



# **OLD SOLDIER MEETS DEATH**

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**EX-CONFEDERATE STRUCK BY A  
TRAIN AND IS KILLED**

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**While Waiting For One to Pass He  
Is Mangled By One Approaching  
From Another Direction—  
Funeral Today**

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Last night about 10 o'clock Sam J. Darry, an aged, one-armed Confederate soldier, was killed at the Seventeenth street crossing of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railway. He had stopped to await the passing of a train of cars, and then moved to cross the track. Just as he got upon the track he was struck by one of two box cars that had been "kicked" onto a switch. Being knocked down, he was dragged and rolled several feet, the body being frightfully mutilated.

Fort Worth  
Star-Telegram  
Wednesday,  
September 20.  
1902



120 years ago this month in the Startlegram, cont.

Deceased was 65 years old, and had resided in Fort Worth nearly all his life. He served through the Confederate army, having joined the Thirty-second Infantry, Army of the Tennessee, at this place in 1861. In the battle at Murfreesboro had suffered the loss of an arm. His parents are dead, his father dying in Houston in 1845. He was a bachelor, and one sister survives him, one other sister having died in this city a few months ago. He with his sister lived at 1003 Lamar street, and he made a living by circulating advertising matter over the city. He was quite well known, and highly respected. He was a member of R. E. Lee camp, United Confederate Veterans, and was buried from the residence at 4 o'clock today by that camp, with pall bearers from the Sons of Veterans, they being in uniform. There was a large attendance of Veterans, Sons and Daughters at the funeral, as well as a large number of friends and acquaintances aside from these orders. C. McPherson, pastor of the First Christian church conducted the service.



Darcy has a fairly-new flat stone in Oakwood cemetery produced by the VA. It is in Block 6, Lot 15. We did not install it. While his regimental information is correct, the date of his death is five years off.



# Another local black Confederate soldier with lots of ties to Tarrant County

In 1926 local black Confederate, Henry Keith, aged about 81, applied to the State of Texas for a pension. It was denied. We've read every one of the 1,700-or-so pension files from this county, and from what we can tell, he was the only black who applied here.

He applied because he went to war with his master, William L. Keith (1844-1921) of Franklin County, Tennessee (below left). Mr. Keith died in Franklin County, as did his wife, Judith Ann Day Lipscomb (1842-1917). Keith was a private in Co. E, 17<sup>th</sup> Tennessee Infantry until he lost his left arm on the last day of 1862 at the Battle of Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

If you read the preceding article about Mr. Darcy, you may have noticed that he also lost one of his arms at Murfreesboro on the same day.

Henry Keith waited until 1926 to apply for a pension. At that time he was living in Arlington. He said he had moved to Texas about 1894, and was then unable to work because of his age and physical condition. He said he had served in the Confederate Army for three years, and was transferred from one company to another but did not remember any of the dates involved. Neither did he remember the numbers of any regiments he'd been in. He said he owned his own home, which was worth about \$150. Three well-known white citizens of Arlington vouched for his service in affidavits.

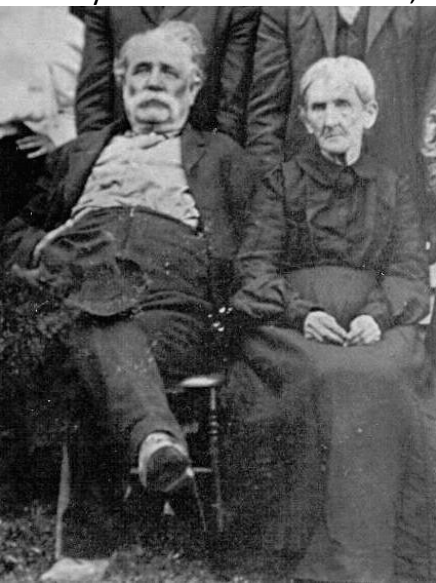
Keith also got some of his friends to contact J. Floyd Keith in Tennessee, a surviving son of Pvt. William Keith, and he affirmed "...That his father Wm. Keith now dead a soldier of the Confederate Army. Who lost arm from an engagement at Murfreesboro, Tenn. say that Henry Keith, collard, accompanied him while a soldier that he waited on him well when he was wounded that he had no better friend while in the service."

Henry applied for his pension on December 16, 1926. The affidavit was signed in Tennessee on January 25, 1927 and the Texas pension bureau denied his app for lack of proof on January 31. We have no way of knowing if they'd seen the affidavit, although it is now in his file in Austin.

We have located Henry Keith in only one census record. In 1920 he and his family lived in the "Negro Settlement" in Arlington. Henry said he was a 74-year-old laborer doing street work. He had a 45-year-old wife named Ella, and a 26-year-old daughter named Annie, who was living in the same family there with her husband, Oscar Childs, age 30.

We have been able to find neither a death certificate nor a cemetery record for Henry or Ella Keith.

*It was Mrs. Keith, (at left, the soldier's wife) who had so many relatives here. Among them were two of her father's siblings, Frances Cooke Lipscomb (K. M. Van Zandt's mom, 1816-1909) and Dr. Dabney Minor Lipscomb (1806-1885) of Grapevine Prairie, both of whom had large and influential families. Thus she had many first cousins here the right age to have been Confederate soldiers. The four Lipscomb men on our NE Tarrant Civil War Veterans memorial are her first cousins.*



# Across the Confederacy

Shared by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh



Richmond, VA, AP/Channel 6 News, Aug. 7, 2022. **CEO selling NFTs of Confederate monuments he took down. Just AAARRG! Period. You need to read this one.**

<https://www.wtvr.com/news/local-news/cryptofederacy-devon-henry-selling-nfts-confederate-monuments>

Georgetown, Del., 47/WMDT-ABC News, Aug. 4, 2022.

## Confederate Flag Controversy in Sussex County Council.

A councilman is trying to CHA after he inadvertently voted to give funds to a local museum which dares to fly **THAT** flag. Other councilmen are piling on him, trying to prove who's the least racist among them. Of course, there's the obligatory call to display the flag in a "more culturally-sensitive way" so it doesn't detract from the educational mission of the museum.



<https://www.wmdt.com/2022/08/confederate-flag-controversy-in-sussex-county-council/>

Freeport, Illinois, **Channel 13 WREX**, July 19, 2022.

## Stephenson County fairgoers upset about wearing of Confederate flags on fairgrounds.

Someone, somewhere in Washington D.C. has invented a new constitutional right in this country...the right to be upset. We're at the point now where multiple people, meaning one or more, can register their unhappiness and the drive-by media will not only listen to them, they'll print a newspaper article with pictures so we'll all have the opportunity to be outraged right along with them.

Elected and appointed local officials are now at the point they'll react to nearly any complaint about anything, fearing reprisals if they don't jump through the localized hoop-of-the-hour.

[https://www.wrex.com/news/stephenson-county-fairgoers-upset-about-wearing-of-confederate-flags-on-fairgrounds/article\\_951fb04a-0f8e-11ed-b062-73e16699d527.html](https://www.wrex.com/news/stephenson-county-fairgoers-upset-about-wearing-of-confederate-flags-on-fairgrounds/article_951fb04a-0f8e-11ed-b062-73e16699d527.html)

**"Our constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other."**

John Adams, President 1797-1801



# Across the Confederacy

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**Yahoo Entertainment** [movie review], July 29, 2022. How B. J. Novak's new thriller, 'Vengeance' reveals the 'uncomfortable' history of Six Flags [over Texas].

Your humble editor is no movie reviewer. He last set foot in a movie theatre in 2003 when ***Gods and Generals*** was released. **IF** (and that's a big 'if' in case you 've never seen one) his hometown had a movie theatre, and if someone gave him a free ticket, and if someone would take him and pick him up, he might go see this one. It looks interesting. The clips online have some genuinely funny parts, because of the hapless behavior of the main character (a back-East liberal writer-type) when confronted with out-West Red-State culture. The title of this review indicates at least a few seconds where Old Six Flags is shown with the battle flag still flying. I couldn't find a clip of it online.

The author/director says "If I had my version of an 'APPLAUSE' sign that I could hold up to the audience, it would say 'GASP—DARK LAUGH' [when that Six-Flags scene appears]." I'd like to be able to attend a screening in Cleburne, Texas which featured that sign during the movie. I think Novak would be surprised to learn that Texas is more Texan than he thinks. Take a look if you're a movie person.

<https://www.yahoo.com/entertainment/bj-novak-vengeance-six-flags-the-office-ashton-kutcher-150057907.html>

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**Fox News**, August 3, 2022.

## US Army division to keep patch referencing the Confederate Army

Take any normal American ten years ago and show him the patch at right. How many of them were going to say, "Confederate Army?" "No normal ones" is the correct answer.

But we don't live in normal times and aren't surrounded (or governed) by normal Americans any longer. If this article is true maybe we're seeing some return to normalcy. Is the color gray in danger of being cancelled? It's gonna be tough, since there's so much of it in nature. I actually heard someone on TV call the weather "racist."

You and I have lived through and witnessed some times unheard of before in American history, or even in civilized society. We have survived, if only to be able to vote in the 2022 midterm elections on November 8. For many years now it's seemed that each upcoming election determined the continuity of our country. This one's no different.



**God Save America, and God Save the 29<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division!**

<https://www.foxnews.com/us/us-army-division-keep-patch-referencing-confederate-army>

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Richmond, Va., *Channel 8/ABC News*, Aug. 2, 2022.

**Youngkin's pick for Virginia's historic resources board resigns after comments on Confederate statues, slavery.** In today's America, you can be held responsible (and maybe canceled) for every word you've ever said. Luckily they have no way of tracing what you've thought.

Remarks she made, both before and after her appointment, have been criticized by both Virginia lawmakers and Gov. Youngkin. Strike one, you're out!

Ann McLelan, the Richmond historian and head of a Christian school, said in a radio interview last year, "I think that the Southerners knew that their story of why they fought the Civil War was not being told correctly... , Fake news, or false narratives, are not new, and this whole tragedy is that these statues were built to tell the true story of the American South to people 500 years from now... But we have forces right here 150 years later that want to destroy the evidence of that story, and you know, the fight for sovereignty of each state." This lady has the correct attitude.

A long internet search yielded nothing about **her** background, which is good so her privacy is somewhat protected. Gov. Youngkin's paternal grandfather was born in Iowa, the son of Ulysses Grant Youngkin. Who's probably the more Virginian?

<https://www.wric.com/news/virginia-news/youngkins-pick-for-virginias-historic-resources-board-resigns-after-comments-on-confederate-statues-slavery/>

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Kotek



Johnson

Portland, Oregon, *KGW 8 News*, Aug. 3, 2022.

**'This is ridiculous': Johnson responds to Kotek's challenge to condemn Confederate flag at rallies.**

If you didn't know better, you'd think it was an election year. One of these Oregon gubernatorial candidates blasted the other because someone wearing a Confederate flag T-shirt attended one of rallies. As if...any public candidate has any control over who comes to his rallies. Is anyone tired of stuff on this level?

<https://www.kgw.com/article/news/local/the-story/johnson-responds-to-kotek-challenge/283-d8abafdb-94c8-4aab-99b8-38c3dcd64131>

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We salute the eleven good folks who attended our August meeting: six members of our camp, three Friends of the SCV, and two guests. Please make plans now to attend the September meeting on September 29<sup>th</sup>.



# Across the Confederacy

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## Fairfax, VA., *WTOP News*, August 5, 2022. **First-hand history: Civil War soldiers' graffiti uncovered in a Fairfax house**

Some welcome, positive news for a change. Lots of good, high-res photos. Predictably, since this is a Virginia story they felt obligated to work slavery into the narrative, but it had nothing to do with the story and the reference was limited to a one-sentence paragraph.

Other than that, the story didn't have a political slant. **Good read.**  
<https://wtop.com/gallery/virginia/first-hand-history-civil-war-soldiers-graffiti-uncovered-in-a-fairfax-house/>

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New York, NY, *The New York Times*, Aug. 10, 2022

## **When America Joined the Cult of the Confederacy**

Written by a Pulitzer-prize-winning editorialist, this is an interesting article if you'll read around the anti-Southern sentiment. Many of the facts presented are the type of things of which we wish we had a ready recall when, as rarely happens any more, we are talking to anyone who's interested in knowing the truth.

This is about what you'd expect in 2022 from the *New York Times*.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2022/08/10/opinion/military-bases-renaming-commission.html>



Nashville, Tenn., *ABC News*, Aug. 13, 2002.

## **Developer finds human remains near Nashville Civil War fort.**

An interesting article which could do with some photos which related to the find. Although not related to the story of the remains which they can't identify...even to culture..., it took them all of four paragraphs before they wove slavery into the narrative.

They also worked past injustices against blacks into the mix, even though they have no idea whose remains they've found. This is the South, after all.

In the Greater Good department, everyone at every level now is much more respectful of human remains than ever before. This is largely because anyone in a marginalized culture can claim genetic connection to them, and there goes the narrative. Lawsuits cost astronomical sums, even if they have no basis in fact and never go to trial.

<https://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/developer-finds-human-remains-nashville-civil-war-fort-88338308>

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**“Men and nations behave wisely when they have exhausted all other resources.”** Abba Eban, Israeli politician, 1967

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Nashville, TN, **Yahoo!News**, Aug. 17, 2022.

## Appeals rulings at odds over Confederate-themed jury room

Two black men who challenged their criminal convictions after jurors deliberated in a Tennessee courthouse room containing Confederate symbols have received opposite rulings from different judges on the same appeals court.

One was granted a new trial. The other was denied.

The reporter made it all the way to the last sentence before he threw in a little tidbit to make his readers understand why there probably would be no justice in Pulaski's county (Giles). This little bit of added information was immaterial to the story, but if you can't work in slavery you always have the Klan to fall back on. (The KKK was founded in Pulaski, Tennessee.)

<https://news.yahoo.com/appeals-rulings-odds-over-confederate-195949842.html>



Pensacola, FL, **ABC 3/WEAR TV**, Aug. 17, 2002.

## Pensacola Police reveal new badge without Confederate flag.

An unusual article in that it contains only factual reporting. Congratulations to the WEAR staff, none of whom are named, for not putting the usual Confederate-bashing spin on it.

[https://weartv.com/news/local/pensacola-police-reveals-new-](https://weartv.com/news/local/pensacola-police-reveals-new-badge-without-confederate-flag)

[badge-without-confederate-flag](https://weartv.com/news/local/pensacola-police-reveals-new-badge-without-confederate-flag)



Sao Paulo, Brazil, **Yahoo! News/Business Insider**,

## Aug. 20, 2022. Confederate Festival in Brazilian town where U. S. exiles from the South founded a slave-owning colony after the Civil War faces ban, report says.

Not really sure who thought they had a dog in this fight: **Business Insider**, who originated the article, **Yahoo! News** who picked it up, or the **Christian Science Monitor**, who also seems to have taken a deep interest in it. The **Monitor** (not a religious paper) claims to deliver stories *that empower and uplift daily*. On August 6, it ran a story with more details and much more



background than the **Business Insider's** article. People on both sides of the issue were interviewed, but the **Monitor's** stated purpose of running the article tells the tale: "Why we wrote this. A new law banning Confederate symbols in a rural Brazilian town tests long-held beliefs about history and identity. It's also creating opportunity for a more balanced narrative about the past."

[https://news.yahoo.com/confederate-festival-brazilian-town-where-101626145.html?soc\\_src=yahooapp](https://news.yahoo.com/confederate-festival-brazilian-town-where-101626145.html?soc_src=yahooapp)



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Chicago, Ill., *Chicago Tribune/Yahoo!News*, Aug. 19, 2022.

## Chicago task force recommends removal of monuments, including Christopher Columbus statues, and the addition of others.

“Now what?” could be the question asked about virtually any news story coming out of Chicago these days. In a city with this many problems, it seems odd that they can find the money to spend taking down and replacing monuments to someone else. “Two years ago, as the city of Chicago reeled from a bloody battle between police officers and protesters over a prominent statue of Christopher Columbus, Mayor Lori Lightfoot launched an ambitious review of public monuments she said would be ‘a racial healing and historical reckoning project.’” But the “recokoning” from our point of view is of a different sort; “reckon” any of this is going to have any effect at all, other than draining the city coffers a little more? Read some of the new persons the city task force is thinking of memorializing and some of the other old ones being cancelled.

<https://news.yahoo.com/chicago-task-force-recommends-removal-214100089.html>



Enfield, N. C., *Washington Post*, August 24, 2022.

## Mayor's live-streamed toppling of Confederate marker prompts investigation

In this clearly unlawful and publicly insulting act, the mayor of Enfield, N. C., Mondale Robinson (inset at left) personally stood by and shouted instructions to the man on the tractor who destroyed this white marble and bronze memorial to the Confederates of his town. It is a direct affront to a 2015 N.C. law which prohibits the removal or destruction of state-owned Confederate monuments located on public property, unless “a building inspector or similar official has determined [the memorial] poses a threat to public safety because of an unsafe or dangerous condition.”

Robinson said the monument posed just such a threat because it could attract white nationalists.

The North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation confirmed that an investigation is underway. Arrogant criminals and complicit DAs could spell the end of any civilized society, ours included.

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/nation/2022/08/24/mayor-livestream-removal-confederate-monument/>

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<https://www.politico.com/news/2022/08/29/commission-calls-for-stripping-robert-e-lee-of-honors-at-west-point-00054100>

West Point, N. Y., *Politico*, August 29, 2022.

## Commission calls for stripping Robert E. Lee of honors at West Point

The congressional commission reviewing Pentagon property honoring the Confederacy is recommending renaming facilities and removing depictions dedicated to Robert E. Lee and other leaders at West Point and the U.S. Naval Academy.

The Naming Commission, in its second report to Congress, focused on the two service academies after recommending in May new names for Army bases stretching from Texas to Virginia that honor Confederate officers.

The biggest changes in the new round are set for the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., where multiple buildings and other facilities are named for Lee, who served as superintendent before leading the Confederate Army during the Civil War.

If our leaders in Washington who will make these decisions had one-fourth the morals, leadership ability, and love of country General Lee possessed, most of America's present problems would disappear in short order.


America was made great by men of Gen. Lee's stature, not by the stature of today's so-called leaders. Does anyone actually believe the 535 men and women who make up the Congress are America's best and brightest? Many are individually and widely known to be just the opposite.



# Even if no one asked, you're findin' out anyway

Last month we ran short pieces about two new NE Tarrant Co. Confederates. We said if you wanted to know more, email us. No one did.

So, here's some interesting stuff about one of them, William Henry Paxton. At about age 21 he enlisted in a Georgia Infantry regiment, and got shot through both thighs at Fredericksburg, his second wounding. He got transferred to duty where he could ride horseback, and apparently got shot again before the War was over. People who saw him in 1872 said he was feeble and disabled, even though he was only 30 years old.

He got married some time during the 1870s and moved to Texas, settling in Wise Co. by 1880. His first wife was debilitated, and died by 1883. 

Paxton was married for a second time, in Parker County in 1883. Wife the second was a widow who had recently lost her husband who left her with a large family of young children. The new Mrs. Paxton had another daughter in 1885, who managed to outlive both her parents and all her siblings. Later in 1885 wife number two died and he married wife number three, **a seventeen-year-old girl he'd known for a while.**

Some eyebrows in the community were raised because wife number three was nearly thirty years his junior, **and her mom was the second Mrs. Paxton.** Some time later Mr. Paxton was arrested and charged with incest in Parker County.

Texas law, then and now, defines incest (among other things) as contact with any person who is or was earlier one's stepchild. Consent of both parties is a defense if both parties are age 17 or over. Two to twenty years in prison awaits those convicted, and with Mr. Paxton's luck, of course he was found guilty. A Parker County jury sentenced him to two years, and he went to Huntsville to start his term. Late in 1887 he was pardoned by Gov. Sul Ross, after an appeal found him not guilty.

He stayed married to that young lady, and they had **eleven** children between 1885 and 1900. By 1900, all the kids they'd had together were dead but two.

With the dearth of public records in those years, we don't know much. They had a set of twins born in 1893, both of whom lived only days. In 1899 their seven year-old-son drowned in a stock tank while playing with a friend named Jimmie Palmer. Of the other eight kids we know only that six were dead by 1900.

Mr. Paxton died in 1903 in Birdville and was buried in Oakwood Cemetery. Late in 1903 Mrs. Paxton married their next-door neighbor, E. J. Palmer, the dad of little Jimmie Palmer, her son's friend. Mr. Palmer had divorced his other wife only two weeks earlier. In 1906 she and Mr. Palmer had a son who died in 1918.

Mr. Palmer and his stepkids didn't get along, and both Paxton kids had moved out by 1910. In 1912 the Palmer kids from his first marriage advertised in the Startlegram asking if anyone knew where the parents were. In 1914 Mr. and Mrs. Palmer filed for a divorce but it was never granted.

Also in 1914 the parents advertised in the same paper asking if anyone knew where Lulu Paxton, the daughter from Paxton's third marriage, was. After being in trouble many times, she later married and was shot to death by her husband in 1918.

The surviving Paxton son moved to California, apparently never married (imagine that!), and at the end of his life worked for a pittance in a restaurant. He died in 1949. He has no gravestone.

Paxton's last surviving child, the daughter from marriage number two, married at age 17 in Fort Worth and moved to California. She died in Los Angeles in 1960 at age 75 and, predictably, lies buried there in an unmarked grave.



# Archaic WBTS medical terms

Let's learn some more medical terms which often appear on medical records in military files in the National Archives. Make yourself a copy of the next page. Then enlarge this page on your screen so you'll have the word list to use in your search. Hope you don't catch any of these. There are eighteen; some nouns, some adjectives.

**Biliousness**-condition caused by an excess of liver bile

**Aegrotantem**-illness or sickness

**Ambustio**-a burn or scalding wound

**Anasaica**-generalized edema or dropsy

**Aphonia**-loss of voice through organic or psychological causes

**Ascites**-accumulation of serous fluid in the abdominal cavity

**Chilblain**-swelling of extremities caused by heat or cold

**Chorea**-disease characterized by convulsions and contortions

**Communis**-the type commonly or ordinarily encountered

**Contusio**-an injury with unbroken skin

**Croup**-laryngitis, diphtheria, strep throat

**Anchylosis**-a stiffening of the joints

**Dropsy**-edema, congestive heart failure

**Flux**-discharge of fluid from the body

**Gripe**-influenza   **Mania**-insanity   **Abcipsia**-blindness   **Acuta**-severe





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*This one was hard to  
make and hard to check.  
It's no pushover.*

**NEVER  
FORGET  
9-11-  
2001**

"What we  
have seen is  
an unmitigat-  
ed disaster, a  
stain on the  
reputation of  
the USA.

Sen. Mitch McConnell  
R-KY



**THE  
ABANDONMENT  
OF AFGHANISTAN  
8-30-2021**

"Freedom is a fragile thing  
and it's never more  
than one generation  
away from  
extinction"

*Ronald Reagan*  
1967



**DON'T  
FORGET  
TO VOTE ON  
NOVEMBER  
8<sup>TH</sup> !**



July 28, 2022

## Meeting Minutes

Business meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM at the Catfish & Co. Restaurant by

Cmdr Richard McCook.

Opening Invocation was given by Chaplain Joe Wade.

Opening Pledges lead by Cmdr McCook. The Charge was read by 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Cmdr Clay Fitzhugh.

Cmdr McCook welcomed everyone and noted that we had Pat Theiss, Lois McCook, Dana Gresham, Linda Wade, and Melissa McNabb with us. He also recognized our visitors, Mike Kelly, Zach Cunningham, Charles Harrison and Bill Corkern.

Cmdr McCook asked for 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Cmdr to read the June minutes for Adjutant James Alderman, who was out of town. The minutes were read and Cmdr McCook asked if there were any corrections suggested. Being none, he asked for a vote to accept the minutes as read. Chaplain Joe Wade made a motion to accept them, and Ron Turner seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as written.

Cmdr McCook called on 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Cmdr Clay Fitzhugh for his report. Cmdr Fitzhugh said that Compatriot Vann Cunningham was giving the evening's program, "The Tragedy of the Sultana", and would be assisted by his son, Zach Cunningham. Cmdr Fitzhugh stated that he will provide the August program which will be "Bib's War", the wartime experience of Cmdr Fitzhugh's maternal great grandfather.

Cmdr McCook asked Chaplain Joe Wade if he was aware of anyone needing prayers. Chaplain Wade stated that he was unaware of any members being ill. There were no suggestions put forth by the membership.

Cmdr McCook asked if there was any Old Business.

- Chaplain Wade said that the two sets of crossed rifles for Soldiers' Row are now complete. He stated that he and the UDC believe it would be best to place them at a time when the weather is cooler. The Camp members agreed with that suggestion.
- Cmdr McCook said that the new stones for Soldiers' Row are now completed and will be set in time for the dedication of the rifles.
- Cmdr McCook also stated that both the Texas Division Commander and 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Commander expressed interest in attending.

Cmdr McCook asked if there was any New Business and there was none raised by the members. Cmdr McCook then reminded the members that September is the month for

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Camp elections. Members need to be thinking about who they would like to nominate for Camp officers.

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Vann Cunningham, assisted by his son, Zach, then presented "The Sultana Tragedy." It was well received by the Camp.

Cmdr McCook thanked Compatriot Cunningham and asked if there were any other matters to be discussed. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to adjourn, which was made by Compatriot Ron Turner and seconded by Compatriot Bobby Gresham. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Submitted for Approval by 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Cmdr Clay Fitzhugh on behalf of Adjutant James Alderman.



One of the drawbacks to being a non-resident editor of a newsletter is that sometimes you don't understand the whole story. Our July program on the Sultana disaster was given by Compatriot Vann Cunningham **and his son, Zach**, below left. **Our apologies to Zach for that omission.**



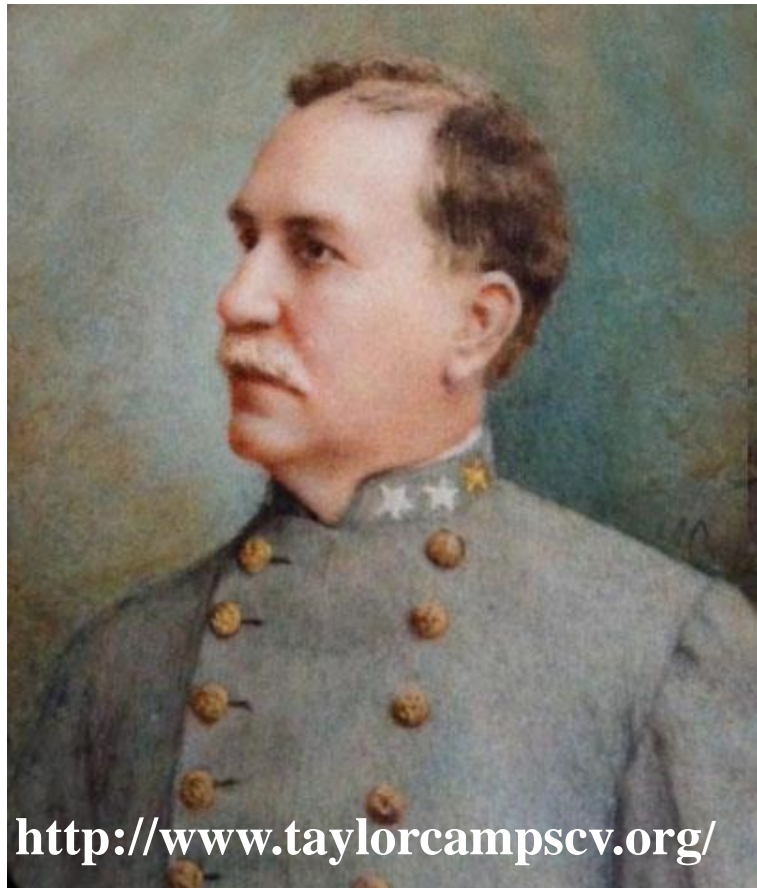


# **Who are we? We are the Col. Ennis Ward Taylor Camp #1777**

**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. We eat at 6:30, meet at 7:00, and adjourn by 8:30.

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

**We meet at the 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.



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***Please make every effort to meet with YOUR camp on Sept. 29!***