



Col. E. W. Taylor Camp No. 1777
Sons of Confederate Veterans
NEWSLETTER
March.....2023

“Keys to Camp Retention”

With Michael Hurley, Thurs., March 30

Join us at our March meeting

as one of our favorite pre-
senter, Michael Hurley,

(below) brings us his welcome

thoughts on one of the most timely
topics in any SCV camp these days.

Currently serv-
ing as the Texas
Division's Lt.
Commander,
Michael is a
multi-talented
man whose pre-
sentations are
always entertain-
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provoking. The
SCV needs you
now as never
before. Be there!

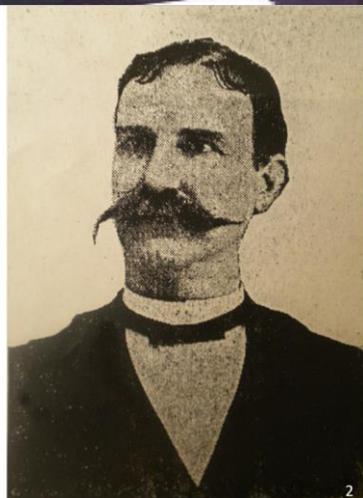


Confederate Lives Still Matter

Thanks to our 1st Lt. Commander, Clay Fitzhugh, for presenting to us the first part of the life of Col. Taylor

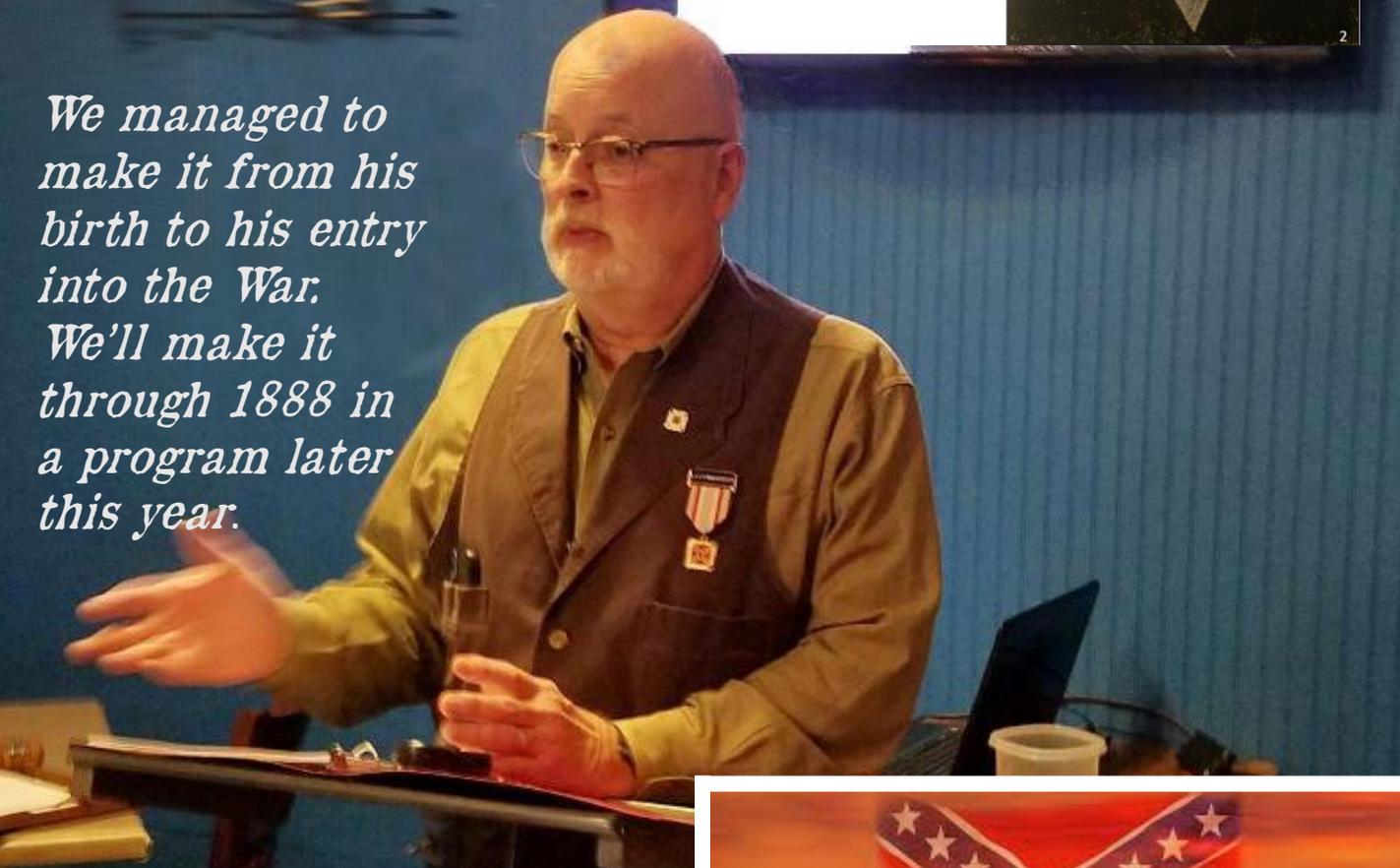
The Life of
Col. Ennis
Ward Taylor

Part One
1839-1888



*We managed to
make it from his
birth to his entry
into the War.*

*We'll make it
through 1888 in
a program later
this year.*



...and Thanks³ to the 14 good
folks who supported our Camp
with your attendance at that
meeting (9 members, 3 Friends
of the SCV, and 2 guests).



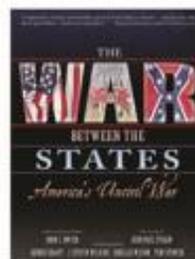


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We've all been there...



...sitting around with our pals debating the influence of Edgar Degas on the development of modern art, macro-economic trends in the late Renaissance, and stuff.

Next time there's a lull, bring up the SCV and see if anyone knows of any of their family history connected to the WBTS. Tell them you know someone who can help them learn more.

Get the names of their four grandparents and where they're buried and send them to your editor, mfpchat@yahoo.com, and he'll see what he can find for them, pronto.

It's up to us to grow the SCV and cultivate some new young men who'll be advocates for the bravery and patriotism of our Southern heroes.

Ten years ago this month in this Newsletter



WOW!

If the Texas Civil War Museum didn't already hold a premier place in the World for its WBTS collection, it would now. Ray Richey, the museum's owner, and a member of our own E. W. Taylor Camp #1777, recently announced that his collection includes the coat worn by Ulysses S. Grant at the surrender at Appomattox Court House. Read the article at lower left.

<http://www.star-telegram.com/2013/02/01/4594235/oilmans-museum-holds-unique-collection.html>

*The Museum is open
Tuesday through
Saturday, 9 to 5.*



[Hours may not be current for March 2023]

101 years ago this month in the Startlegram

TARRANT COUNTY PIONEER DIES AT ARLINGTON HOME



Carnahan.

J. B. Carnahan, 89, Confederate veteran and pioneer citizen of Arlington, who died at his home at 10 p. m. Sunday, was born in Spotsylvania County, Va., March 8, 1833. In May, 1861, he enlisted in Longstreet's division of the Army of Virginia, and under

the leadership of Gen. Robert E. Lee took part in practically all the important battles of the Civil War.

Coming to Fort Worth July 4, 1872, he engaged in railroad work for a number of years, during which time he was roadmaster on the Texas & Pacific west from Fort Worth to Big Spring. Later he gave up this line of work and was engaged in ranching in Hood and Jones Counties, finally returning to Tarrant County, where he spent his last years.

His widow, two sons, J. B. Carnahan Jr. of Arlington and W. T. Carnahan of Dallas; two daughters, Miss Laura Carnahan of Arlington and Mrs. T. B. Griffin of Dallas, and several grandchildren survive him.

Funeral services were conducted by Sterling Price Camp, U. C. V., Dallas, at the Ed C. Smith undertaking chapel, with burial at Grove Hill Cemetery.

Joseph Battle Carnohan (he very clearly used this spelling when he signed his name during the WBTS) enlisted on July 19, 1861 at Marlboro, Va. His records do not reflect that he was ever captured or away from his regiment. He was a private in Co. D, 30th Virginia Infantry.

He was paroled at Ashland, Virginia on April 25, 1865.



The records on Find A Grave for Grove Hill Cemetery in Dallas do not suggest that he has a grave marker.

Remember: Hold down CTRL key and roll top of your mouse button away from you.

Around the Confederacy

Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh

Sante Fe, Texas, *KHOU-11 News*,
Feb. 3, 2023.

Confederate flag fight continues in Santa Fe neighborhood.

Looks like another case of a poor parent losing a child in a “mass shooting” who had no control over that tragedy, focusing on something minor over which she might have some control. We are sincerely sorry for the loss of her child at the hands of some brain-damaged loser. We think, however, her sincere efforts might be put toward some other project, like making their schools safer or getting potholes patched in the streets.



<https://www.khou.com/article/news/local/confederate-flag-fight-continues-in-santa-fe-neighborhood/285-9e1cf7-2ba2-49a4-af6a-eaeceb513400>



Spartanburg Co., S.C., *GoUpstate*, Feb. 1, 2023

Board of Appeals: Spartanburg County wrong in citing Sons of Confederate Veterans, flagpole

Finally, something going right within the justice system. There are a few people who still have their priorities working within their brains. Our thanks and congratulations to the Adam Washington Ballenger SCV Camp 648 for standing up for everyone's rights as

taxpaying citizens. Of course, the expected members of the board of appeals will keep appealing until they can find some entity in power to agree with them. The five board members who voted in agreement with the SCV were Mike Padgett, Kae Fleming, Chairman Jack Cowan, Glenda Brady, and James Langford. Three of the eight members voted against the SCV: Angela Geter, Tom Davis, and Steve Wunder.



The text of the article gives us the identity of only two of the eight members in the group photo: at left are Chairman Jack Cowan and Angela Geter.



<https://www.goupstate.com/story/news/local/2023/02/01/board-spartanburg-county-erred-in-citing-sons-of-confederate-veterans/69853752007/>

Around the Confederacy

Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh

Montgomery, Ala., *News 19*, Feb. 2, 2023



Bills to end two Confederate holidays pre-filed for Alabama's upcoming legislative session

A set of bills pre-filed for the Alabama Legislature's upcoming session would end two holidays honoring Confederate leaders and add holidays for Juneteenth and Election Day.

The four bills were all pre-filed by Rep. Chris England (D-Tuscaloosa), a former chair of the Alabama Democratic Party (left).

<https://whnt.com/news/alabama-news/billcouldendconfederateholidaysalabama/>

Jordan, NY, *Syracuse.com*, Feb. 5, 2023



The legend of CNY's cannonball tree: How a Civil War relic wound up buried deep in a farmer's elm tree [in NY????]

Our hard-working 1st Lt. Commander, Clay Fitzhugh found this very interesting story at the link at the end of this article. Unfortunately, you can

only read the first two paragraphs without subscribing to the periodical. We, as tool-using primates however, can get around this setback by googling "cannonball tree New York" and looking at some of the results, like

<https://www.syracuse.com/living/2023/02/the-legend-of-cnys-cannonball-tree-how-a-civil-war-relic-wound-up-buried-deep-in-a-farmers-elm-tree.html?outputType=amp>, and <https://www.syracuse.com/galleries/KZW3M3SZSBH45FMKSCXSPYREYM/> which has lots of great photos.

This historic tree, the cannon ball, and Lincoln's assassination are all directly tied together. Documentary proof exists, and you'll see it all if you'll go to the three links provided here. Happy reading!

<https://www.syracuse.com/living/2023/02/the-legend-of-cnys-cannonball-tree-how-a-civil-war-relic-wound-up-buried-deep-in-a-farmers-elm-tree.html>

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Fort Worth, Tx, 6+NBC News, Feb. 8, 2023

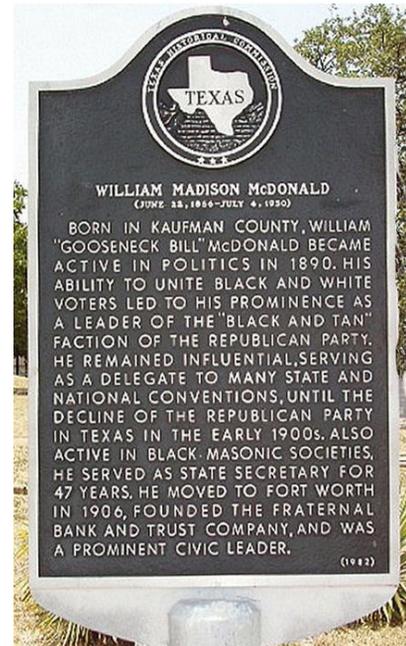


Meet the first Black Millionaire in Texas

<https://hometownbyhandlebar.com/?p=6736>

Truly an amazing story about a man born one year after the War ended. From his Texas Historical Marker: BORN IN KAUFMAN COUNTY, WILLIAM "GOOSENECK BILL" McDONALD BECAME ACTIVE IN POLITICS IN 1890. HIS ABILITY TO UNITE BLACK AND WHITE VOTERS LED TO HIS PROMINENCE AS A LEADER OF THE "BLACK AND TAN" FACTION OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY. HE REMAINED INFLUENTIAL SERVING AS A DELEGATE TO MANY STATE AND NATIONAL CONVENTIONS, UNTIL THE DECLINE OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY IN TEXAS IN THE EARLY 1900'S. ALSO ACTIVE IN BLACK MASONIC SOCIETIES HE SERVED AS STATE SECRETARY FOR 47 YEARS. HE MOVED TO FORT WORTH IN 1906, FOUNDED THE FRATERNAL BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, AND WAS A PROMINENT CIVIC LEADER.

One of the great success stories in the history of Texas, details of Mr. McDonald's life may be found at many sites on the internet. The two links provided here are a good start. His 38-foot-tall granite obelisk grave marker is hard to miss on your left as you're driving southwest on Grand Avenue to the entrance of Oakwood Cemetery. His grave received a Texas Historical Marker in 1982.



- *Your humble editor and his wife attended the public dedication of this marker 41 years ago in Old Trinity Cemetery.*

<https://www.kcentv.com/article/syndication/watch-utility/first-black-millionaire-in-texas/500-73561dc7-695a-4ff5-97fa-d4ec9e837323>

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Washington DC, *Fox News*, Feb. 10, 2023

House Dem vows to remove more 'shameful' historical statues during Black History Month

Eleanor Holmes Norton, at left, the District of Columbia's delegate to the House of Representatives, is preparing a series of bills aimed at removing historical statues as a way of marking Black History Month. Norton is pushing to remove a series of statues that she says honor people who should not be honored. This week, Norton proposed a bill to remove the statue of former President Jackson on horseback, which sits at a federal park directly across from the White House.



"This bill is part of a series of statue and memorial removal bills I am introducing during Black History Month," Norton said this week.

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/house-dem-vows-remove-more-shameful-historical-statues-during-black-history-month>

Houston, TX, *CHRON*, Feb. 20, 2023

Rice University will move slave-owning founder's statue from central quad

William Marsh Rice (March 14, 1816 – September 23, 1900) was an American businessman who bequeathed his fortune to found Rice University in Houston, Texas. Rice was murdered by his valet Charles F. Jones while sleeping. The murder was part of a plot to forge Rice's will. The instigator of the murder, attorney Albert T. Patrick, was sentenced to death.

Like so many other great Americans, it's Rice's turn to be "contextualized" and moved to a spot showcasing others who gave less to the founding of the great university than he did. One more attempt by school officials trying to show who's the least racist and the most inclusive. Once more, the memory of a man greater than all of them combined suffers.

<https://www.chron.com/news/houston-texas/article/rice-university-statue-17771713.php>



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Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh

Gettysburg, PA,
TRIBLIVE, Feb. 10, 2023

Unexploded artillery shell from Civil War found in Gettysburg

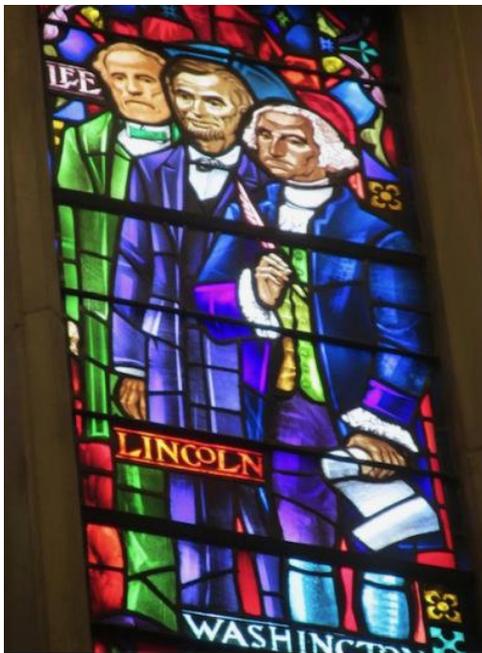
These two links give you several more links and facts about this shell which was found in the Little Round

Top area of the park. It was turned over to the 55th Ordnance Disposal Company EOD, from the Army base at Fort Belvoir in Virginia. It was destroyed off-site.



<https://abc11.com/gettysburg-unexploded-artillery-shell-found-civil-war-pennsylvania/12793474/>

<https://triblive.com/news/pennsylvania/unexploded-artillery-shell-from-civil-war-found-in-gettysburg/>



Boise, Idaho, *Idaho Statesman*, Feb. 10, 2023

The Robert E. Lee window has a new home in Boise. Its location might surprise you.

The Robert E. Lee window which once stood in the Cathedral of the Rockies First United Methodist Church has been placed in a different church. Well, sort of. When members of the church expressed disapproval of the stained glass window depicting Robert E. Lee, no one could agree on what to do. Some thought that removing it would be akin to pretending it never existed. If it was destroyed or hidden, they reasoned, they would be forgetting a past from which they should be learning.

The link contains a four-minute video.

<https://www.idahostatesman.com/news/local/community/boise/article272340808.html>

“Liberty cannot be preserved without a general knowledge among the people.”

John Adams

Around the Confederacy

Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh



New York, NY [where else but?], *Above the Law*, Feb. 7, 2023

The ABA [American Bar Association] Decides That Courtrooms Shouldn't Still Have Confederate Flags In Them. Also, There Are Courtrooms With Confederate Flags Still In Them.

Article by Chris Williams (left). As soon as I read the second sentence, I went looking for background information on both the writer and the website, *Above the Law*.

Above the Law is headquartered in New York City and styles itself “a behind the scenes look at the world of law. The site provides news and insights about the profession’s most colorful personalities [or perpsonalities] and powerful institutions, as well as original commentary on breaking legal developments. It is published by Breaking Media. In 2008 it was listed as one of the ABA Journal’s “100 Best Web Sites” by Lawyers, for Lawyers.

Now as for Mr. Williams: “Chris Williams became a social media manager and assistant editor for *Above the Law* in June 2021. Prior to joining the staff, he moonlighted as a minor Meme lord™ in the Facebook group Law School Memes for Edgy T14s. He endured Missouri long enough to graduate from Washington University in St. Louis School of Law. He is a former boatbuilder who cannot swim, a published author on critical race theory, philosophy, and humor [but knows little, apparently, about U.S. history 1861-1865], and has a love for cycling that occasionally annoys his peers.”

Read this article and it’ll make your blood pressure go up. It is a shameful fact that there are lawyers and legislators at all levels of our state, local, and national governments who make the rules we all [or at least those of us who still obey the laws] must follow. Increasingly, citizens simply ignore laws they don’t like because law enforcement does little or nothing about their law-breaking. One of my favorite movie titles from years ago was the Western epic, “Dances with Lawyers.”

<https://abovethelaw.com/2023/02/the-aba-decides-that-courtrooms-shouldnt-still-have-confederate-flags-in-them-also-there-are-courtrooms-with-confederate-flags-still-in-them/>

*“Human passions unbridled by morality and religion
... would break the strongest cords of our
Constitution as a whale goes through a net.”*

John Adams

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Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh

Cornelius, NC, *The Charlotte Observer*, Feb. 8, 2023



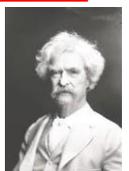
Dozens call for removal of Confederate statue.
Mecklenburg County sheriff speaks in support.



Cornelius Confederate monument must go, group says. ‘Our main strategy is education.’

Leave it out, change it, or ignore it completely. That’s true progress in education, which is this group’s stated policy: education. The group describes itself on its website as a multiracial, nonpartisan organization committed to achieving racial equity in northern Mecklenburg County. Any time you see the word “equity” these days it always has to do with giving someone something they haven’t earned or teaching someone something which is a half-truth at best. The group started their campaign of misinformation in the community’s churches, where the setting itself lends an air of trust and morality. <https://www.charlotteobserver.com/news/local/lake-norman/article272117302.html>

It’s easier to fool people than to convince them they have been fooled. *Mark Twain*



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Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh

Albertville, Ala., *AL.com News*, Feb. 17, 2023

A battle at the Alabama courthouse: Resolution sparks renewed focus on Confederate monuments

Earlier this month the American Bar Association urged state and local governments to remove Confederate memorabilia and other symbols from courthouses.

It's being met with skepticism in deeply conservative Alabama, where 180 live memori-

als [what's a live memorial?] to the Confederacy still exist including nearly two dozen at county court houses. Since when did this fall under the purview of the ABA, or any other voluntary association of professionals, in this country. "Urging" is all they can do, period, unless illegal money changes hands with some county commissioners.

<https://www.al.com/news/2023/02/a-battle-at-the-alabama-courthouse-resolution-sparks-renewed-focus-on-confederate-monuments.html>

Edenton, NC, *WUNC91.5*, Feb. 14, 2023

In Edenton, progress of removing a Confederate monument has stalled, dividing the town

Not surprisingly, this North Carolina Public Radio station has a department on Race and Demographics, and it doesn't take long to figure out what side it's on.

The article's author, Leoneda Inge, at lower right, can't think of a good thing to say about any of the thousands of folks in the area whose ancestors are being honored by the statue. Of the three photos included with the article, all three portray the Confederacy in an unfavorable light.

Of course, it seems no one thought one way or the other about the statue until George Floyd died in Minneapolis in 2020. Convicted of eight crimes between 1997 and 2005, he served four years in prison after accepting a plea bargain for a 2007 aggravated robbery in a home invasion.

How's that for dragging in something which has nothing to do with the articles' topic. It's done to us all the time.

<https://www.wunc.org/race-demographics/2023-02-14/edenton-confederate-monument-stalled-divided-eastern-nc>



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Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh

Bradenton, FL, *Herald-Tribune*, Feb. 8, 2023

A Confederate monument doesn't belong in today's Manatee County

An opinion piece by Dale Hibbard, at left, who probably knows little about the War. It could easily have been written by one of the county commissioners, because it seeks to sway readers to their points of view.

His first point is that it will probably cost the county more than \$40,000 to repair the memorial which was "taken down" in 2017. True, but "torn down" is a more accurate term for what was done by people who had no idea of how to do it properly, in a fit of destructive illegal vandalism. But he's right on his next point: it's going to cost even more money to reinstall it.

He's right on his next point too: there's no evidence that the three figures memorialized on the monument ever visited his county. But Jefferson Davis was president of the country in which his county sat for those four years. His county, with a population of only 601 whites in 1860, sent over 100 men to fight for the South. And the other two men remembered on the monument, Stonewall Jackson and Robert E. Lee, were some of the principal leaders who led the fight Bradenton's government waged against the Federal government which was waging war against Manatee County's Constitutional rights.

"There is nothing honorable about these men, or what they did. They endorsed and fought, at enormous cost, to defend the enslavement of other human beings. Their names should be relegated to history's dustbin, not carved into stone," Hibbard said.

Next he names several alternatives to repairing and replacing the memorial; some may be worthy but should be "in addition to," but not "instead of:"

<https://www.heraldtribune.com/story/opinion/columns/your-voice/2023/02/08/confederate-monument-has-no-place-in-modern-day-manatee-county-stonewall-jackson-slavery/69864657007/>

"He is cautious. He ought to be. But he is not SLOW. Lee is a phenomenon. He is the only man whom I would follow blindfolded.

Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson

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Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh

Akron, Ohio, *Fox 8*, Feb. 10, 2023

Confederate flag displayed at Akron school

“Akron Public Schools says it acted quickly after a display was installed by a substitute teacher” [who was a temporary employee acting with no sanctioned authority, and who acted out of the outmoded belief that a true picture of what happened in history was a proper subject for students to learn].

“The display included a Confederate Flag background with photos on it.”

“The Fox-8 I Team learned about it in a tip. According to Akron Public Schools, the display was taken down hours after it was installed by a substitute teacher.”

John Smith, the substitute, said “he has been banned from all Akron Public School buildings and from talking to any district students.” Apparently the directive did not mention anyone who might grow up to attend Akron schools, who attended them in the past, or who might later move into the district with children who might attend the schools there. Luckily the offending poster was in one room of one school building. The statistical chances of any person in Akron or Ohio having gone into that room and seeing the display are, thankfully, very small.

At this time, no lawsuits have been filed against Mr. Smith or the school district by anyone who may have inadvertently gone into the room with the poster, or who may have been in the hall and walked by the room while the door was open. Now that the story has been shown on Fox 8, other parties may come forward who believe they have suffered emotional harm from the poster’s presence. There is also a good chance his Akron Public Library card will be revoked for 30 days.

<https://fox8.com/news/why-a-confederate-flag-was-displayed-at-akron-school/>

“Many things have been said about me which are wrong, and which white and black persons here, who stood by me through the war, can contradict. I have been in the heat of battle when colored men asked me to protect them. I have placed myself between them and the bullets of my men, and told them they should be kept unharmed. Go to work, be industrious, live honestly and act truly, and when you are oppressed I'll come to your relief. I thank you, ladies and gentlemen, for this opportunity you have afforded me to be with you, and to assure you that I am with you in heart and in hand.”

Nathan Bedford Forrest



*Christine Fowler Mack
Akron school superintendent*

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Annapolis, Maryland, *Navy Times*,
Feb. 17, 2023

Navy removes Confederate name from Naval Academy building

The Navy has removed the name of a member of the Confederacy from a building on the U.S. Naval Academy's campus and renamed the hall after former President and "Ring Knocker" Jimmy Carter.

For those of us who don't know what a "Ring Knocker" is, it's military slang for an officer who graduated from a military academy; they are so called because they proudly wear the big gold class rings they earned when they graduated.

The building, constructed in the early 1900s, was originally named after Matthew Fontaine Maury, an oceanography pioneer — known as the "pathfinder of the seas" — who resigned his U.S. commission to serve in the Confederate States Navy. Maury is considered a founder of modern oceanography and in 1855 wrote the first comprehensive work on the subject to be published. He became superintendent of the United States Naval Observatory and head of the Dept. of Charts and Instruments, where he was able to study thousands of ships' logs and charts. He published the Wind and Current Chart of the North Atlantic, which showed sailors how to use the ocean's currents and winds to their advantage, drastically reducing the length of ocean voyages. Maury's uniform system of recording oceanographic data was adopted by navies and merchant marines around the world and was used to develop charts for all the major trade routes. Thus his cancellation by the WOKES. Jimmy Carter gave us long gas lines, lowered thermostats, and the Iranian hostage crisis.

This is the third article this editor has reviewed this morning, and all the articles specifically named the death of eight-times-convicted-criminal George Floyd as a direct cause of the actions being taken to defame former Confederate soldiers or citizens.

<https://www.navytimes.com/news/your-navy/2023/02/17/navy-removes-confederate-name-from-naval-academy-building/>

"There is a river in the ocean. In the severest droughts it never fails, and in the mightiest floods it never overflows. Its banks and its bottom are of cold water, while its current is of warm. The Gulf of Mexico is its fountain, and its mouth is in the Arctic Sea. It is the Gulf Stream."

Matthew Fontaine Maury

Around the Confederacy

Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh

Columbia, SC, *KOMO NEWS*, Feb. 19, 2023

Protestors push for removal of statue of former law-maker at South Carolina Statehouse

Like most Texans, I suspect, your editor knew little or nothing about Benjamin R. Tillman before he saw this article referenced. Before he read the article he read the biography in Wikipedia, and it would be difficult to craft an essay less complimentary of anyone short of the devil. The Wikipedia article was not signed. There must be some good in the man which hasn't come to light.



<https://komonews.com/news/nation-world/protestors-push-for-removal-of-statue-of-former-lawmaker-at-south-carolina-statehouse-benjamin-tillman-monument-columbia-state-assembly-heritage-act>



<https://www.npr.org/2023/02/20/1158292427/lincoln-memorial-museum-undercroft>

Washington DC, *nprKUA&*,
Feb. 20, 2023

A new museum will be built in the cavernous space beneath the Lincoln Memorial

Soon there'll be one more thing to see if you ever have the time and money to visit Washington DC again.

“Visitors will learn how the memorial was constructed, as well as how the statue became an iconic backdrop for civil demonstrations. The museum

will also highlight prominent figures who have [this would be a good place for ‘helped’] shaped the history of the memorial, like Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and singer Marian Anderson.”

Perhaps there'll even be space for something about Lincoln himself, the architect (Henry Bacon), the designer of the large central statue (Daniel Chester French), the sculptors (the Piccirilli brothers), and the painter of the interior murals (Jules Guerin).

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Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh

Sante Fe, Texas, *Galveston County Daily News*, Feb. 21, 2023

Woman arrested in Santa Fe Confederate flag dispute vows complaint

“The police officer who arrested a Hispanic woman accused of removing her neighbor’s Confederate battle flag, *which she asserted was flapping into her mother’s front yard*, [italics your editor’s] deduced she had trespassed, according to documents obtained through the Texas Public Information Act.”



This flag, which is on a post on the properties’ dividing line, has been a bone of contention since **2012!!!** It’s a wonder the ChiComs haven’t launched a balloon over the site so the rest of the world can weigh in on the problem. Apparently, the flag was blowing toward the bushes in the photo above on the day the photo was taken, If that’s so, half the problem might be resolved by making the flagpole vertical so on days there’s no wind or the wind is blowing from the other direction the flag won’t be over the arrested woman’s property. The word “petty” doesn’t even come close to this.

https://www.galvnews.com/news/woman-arrested-in-santa-fe-confederate-flag-dispute-vows-complaint/article_3a5d2c15-1b53-537c-ad23-1fdc847feaf7.html

<https://tennesseelookout.com/2023/02/20/nashville-confederate-monument-to-stay/>



Nashville, Tenn., *TENNESSEE LOOKOUT*, Feb. 20, 2023

Nashville Confederate monument to stay

The first three paragraphs are “A Confederate monument will remain in one of Nashville’s most-visited public parks after the Tennessee Historical Commission on Friday rejected the city’s efforts to move it.

“The commission, whose 24 voting members are appointed by Gov. Bill Lee, rejected a petition brought by Nashville parks officials to remove a life-sized statue of a Confederate soldier from Centennial Park, where it has sat across a field from an iconic replica of the Parthenon for more than a century.

“The Metro Board of Parks and Recreation, the commission determined, failed to meet the burden of showing there was a need to move the bronze statue “based on historical or other compelling public interest.” Then, in a rare statement of common sense, it adds: “The law must be liberally construed in favor of historic preservation,” the commission concluded.

We get all the way to paragraph seven before the death of George Floyd was raised. Macy Amos, Nashville’s attorney, argued on Friday that the monument may not be a “memorial” at all, which would remove it from the Commission’s oversight, yada, yada...

Around the Confederacy

Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh

Clayton County, Ga., *WSB-TV*, Feb. 22, 2023

An effort to change Clayton County roads named after Confederate generals fails

Way to go, Clayton County, Georgia! “A resolution to rename streets associated with the Confederate States of America; [was] not voted on after no one would second a motion to vote on the resolution. By one method of accounting, your editor is 1/4 Georgian. So Kudos! to the other four commissioners, all of whom are black.

The one commissioner who sponsored the resolution, Demont Davis, said “I was a little disturbed by it” [the failure to get a second and a subsequent vote].

The board chairman, Jeffery Turner, said he wanted “to get some additional information as it relates to the cost as to how much we would have to pay to the name changes on each street and any other *insularly cost* [sic] that’s related to this move.” A change like this washes like a tsunami through the paperwork in one’s life.

The list includes Gettysburg Ct., Shiloh Ct., Appomattox Ct., and Sharpsburg Ct.... seemingly poor choices if you aim is to defame Confederate leaders by name; or is it just to erase the War entirely?

It would seem at least four of the commissioners would like to keep their seats. They realize they’d have to face lots of angry (and less well-off) voters once citizens got a taste of paying for all the changes in their lives this choice would make.

Things like this hit some industries especially hard, and those costs are passed on to you. It plays Ole Billy with online and traditional paper mapmakers. Incidentally, as a consumer, if you want a new edition of the Mapsco for Fort-Worth/Dallas you’ll pay \$44.99 plus tax and shipping for it. That’s for a paperback book which will be out of date by the time you get it, probably. There are places online you can pay \$85 and more for it.

If it ain’t broke, don’t fix it. Margaret Thatcher once said, “The trouble with Socialism is that eventually you run out of other people’s money.”

<https://www.wsbtv.com/news/local/an-effort-change-clayton-county-roads-named-after-confederate-generals-has-failed/OTCCUV5DSVAQZOAGZI7ZH4VAMQ/>



Candace McCowan, article author, reported just the facts.

Around the Confederacy

Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh

Indian Trail, NC, *FOX Dakota News Now*, Feb. 24, 2023

Parents angry after Confederate flag flown at high school: 'Made me cry'

Yes, and headlines like this give me (your editor) gas. I think I can see five flags in that parking lot in the film. Three are US flags (which flew over a slave nation for about 84 years; a Confederate flag, which flew over a slave nation for 1/21 that long; and a Trump flag.

The complainants did not want their names or faces used. As far as we can tell from the article, the students involved did exactly as they should have done.

So did the only Union County school official quoted (but not shown in the TV spot), Tahira Stalberte, shown at right.

"The mother, who chose to stay anonymous, went on to say that the flag itself isn't necessarily the issue, but rather the symbolism behind it and the fear that it can create.

"Some use it as a symbol of heritage. That's their right, that's their choice, freedom of speech," she said. "But it also creates a lot of fear in people."

Yes, and the mainstream media has been working now for years to tell people exactly how they should react when they see this or that. The unnamed parent approves of freedom of speech, and then there's the ubiquitous "But..."

And it's the "Buts" in today's America which make the majority of us have to keep quiet over something no one would have cried about twenty years ago. No words in the preceding sentence were intentionally misspelled, but they easily could have been without any change in accuracy.

<https://www.dakotanewsnow.com/2023/02/24/parents-angry-after-confederate-flag-flown-high-school-made-me-cry/>



"Nothing in all the world is more dangerous than sincere ignorance and conscientious stupidity."

Martin Luther King Jr.



Around the Confederacy

Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh

Washington, DC, *WBAL TV 11*, Feb. 24, 2023

Maryland sculptor commissioned to replace Robert E. Lee statue at US Capitol

The statue of Robert E. Lee in the U. S. Capitol, representing Virginia, is to be replaced. One of the most honest, moral, able Americans who ever lived, his military expertise enabled him to resist a vastly better-supplied army for four years, gaining the respect of an opponent and a government which had been taking advantage of the Southern states for decades.

He is being replaced by a woman who led a walkout at her segregated school in Virginia at the age of 16 in 1951.

The photo at right is a miniature of the one which will be in the capitol to represent all Virginians for all of history. On one side of the pedestal appears one quote from the lady which could as well have been said by General Lee: "Are we going to just accept these conditions? or are we going to do something about it?" Punctuation, capitalization, and pronoun usage as they appear engraved in granite.

<https://www.wbaltv.com/article/barbara-rose-johns-statue-capitol-maryland-sculptor/43063204>



“A country that permits a magnificent man like Robert E. Lee to be demonized is a country that is on the road to ruin.”

Dr. John Kerwick, Asst. Prof. of Communications and Humanities, Rowan College at Burlington County, New Jersey



Around the Confederacy

Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh

Arlington County, Virginia, *NavyTimes*, Feb. 27, 2023

Navy to change name of warship honoring Confederate battle victory

The Navy is to rename the guided-missile cruiser Chancellorsville for a former slave and sailor named Robert Smalls.

Chancellorsville is often cited as Gen. Lee's "perfect battle" because his risky decision to divide his army in the presence of a much larger enemy force resulted in a significant Confederate victory. The victory, a product of Lee's audacity and Hooker's timid decision-making, was tempered by heavy casualties, including Lt. Gen. Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson. Jackson was hit by friendly fire, requiring his left arm to be amputated. He died of pneumonia eight days later, a loss that Lee likened to losing his right arm.

The fighting included the second-bloodiest day of the War, May 3, 1863. Flush with victory, Lee began what was to become the Gettysburg campaign about one month later.

Some notable quotes from the article include: "Navy Secretary Carlos Del Toro said in a statement Monday that renaming the cruiser was not about 'rewriting history:'"

"Instead, he said, renaming the ship aims to 'remove the focus on the parts of our history that don't align with the tenets of this country, and instead allows us to highlight the events and people in history who may have been overlooked.'"

"As recently as 2017, the ship's website noted that the predominance of gray in the ship's crest spoke to 'General Robert E. Lee's spectacular military strategies and his dominance in this battle.' "

And what would this article be without this one-sentence paragraph near the end: "The name change comes after Congress directed a naming commission to review military assets and rename those with Confederate ties following the [killing] of [eight-times-convicted] George Floyd by police in 2020."

<https://www.navytimes.com/news/your-navy/2023/02/28/navy-to-change-name-of-warship-honoring-confederate-battle-victory/>



"I have fought against the people of the North because I believed they were seeking to wrest from the South its dearest rights. But I have never cherished toward them bitter or vindictive feelings, and I have never seen the day when I did not pray for them."

Robert E. Lee



Confederate troops advancing on Chickamauga

by Alfred R. Waud, Sept. 20, 1863, artist with Union army



Below are seven groups of letters naming landmarks present there at the time of the battle, Sept. 18-20, 1863. No spaces or punctuation. Using the circled letters on the solved landmarks, write the name of a geographic prominence northwest of the battlefield. Print yourself a copy of this page and use pencil.

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This month's Word Search

In 1838 the U. S. Mint opened a new branch in Dahlonega, Georgia. Essentially, that was easier than

hauling the gold being mined there to the U. S. mint

in Philadelphia. They operated until 1861, producing only small denomination gold coins.

Print yourself a copy of the next page and see how many words you can find of things on these coins.

Oh, and if you have one lying in your closet, it's probably worth somewhere around \$22,000 in this shape.



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Make yourself a copy of this page, then go to the previous page and enlarge it on your screen. See how many of the 29 words you can find from the coin pics without looking at the list on this Newsletter's back page. Use pencil.

Col E W Taylor Camp #1777
January 26, 2023

Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm at the Catfish Co. Restaurant by Cmdr Richard McCook.

Opening Invocation was given by Chaplain Joe Wade.

Opening Pledges lead by Bobby Gresham. The Charge was read by Tim Pringle.

Cmdr McCook then welcomed everyone and acknowledged our Guest present: Friends of the SCV, Mike Kelly, Linda Clay, Buster Allison, Phoebe Harrison, Barry Turnage, Chris Webb.

Commander McCook then asked for the Adjutant's reports.

Adjutant Alderman then read the October, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion was made to approve them; Bobby Gresham and second Tim Pringle. Approved. The financial balance in our checking account is \$3218.88 and James has asked Ron Turner to audit the expenditures for 2022. Adjutant Alderman also covered the following:

U. S. stone for Kilgore grave; motion to approve expenditure of \$80.00 – approved – dedication date TBD

SCV Texas Division Reunion in Lubbock, TX

SCV National meeting in Hot Springs, AR

Cmdr McCook then called on the 1st Lt Commander for his report.

1st Lt Cmdr Fitzhugh introduced our program "Slavery was not the Cause" by Richard McCook. He announced a two part program for the next two months on our Camp namesake, Col E W Taylor.

Cmdr McCook then called on Chaplain Joe Wade. He said there were no known needs within the membership that he was aware of.

Cmdr McCook asked if there was any **Old Business** - there was none.

Cmdr McCook asked if there was any **New Business**

- Adjutant Alderman said he was in touch with the UDC regarding the Kilgore dedication and would advise once they set a date.
- Adjutant Alderman reminded everyone that Memorial Day will be an opportunity to participate in the musket firing at Mt Gilead Cemetery in Keller/Southlake. Let him know if you are interested.

Cmdr McCook asked if there was any **Announcements**:

- Chris Webb of the RE LEE Camp in Ft Worth announced they will be having banquet on 29 April. He will get the flyer to us for distribution should anyone want to attend.
- Cmdr McCook and Adjutant Alderman thanked the RE Lee Camp for participating in the Rifle Stack dedication at Oakwood.

Cmdr McCook thanked everyone for their participation.

Cmdr McCook for the Benediction from Chaplain Joe Wade.

Motion to Adjourn, Ron Turner second by Terry Theiss. Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Submitted for Approval by Adjutant James E. Alderman

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.



<http://www.taylorcampscv.org/>

Go to our website and start looking at our newsletters, beginning with the most recent and working back. For our website: The user name is TaylorCamp; password is SCV1777EWTaylorCamp

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.

Words in the puzzle: circumference, abbreviation, denticles, feathers, diameter, mint mark, laurels, liberty, profile, arrow, ribbons, branch, talons, eagle, curls, mouth, stars, toe, nose, hair, date, beak, wing, pair, bird, eye, ear, rim

Serambled letters: Chickamauga Creek, Lee and Gordons Mill, Brotherton Cabin, Snodgrass Hill, Horseshoe Ridge, Widow Glenn House, Viniard House, LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN