



Col. E. W. Taylor No. 1777 Sons of Confederate Veterans **NEWSLETTER**

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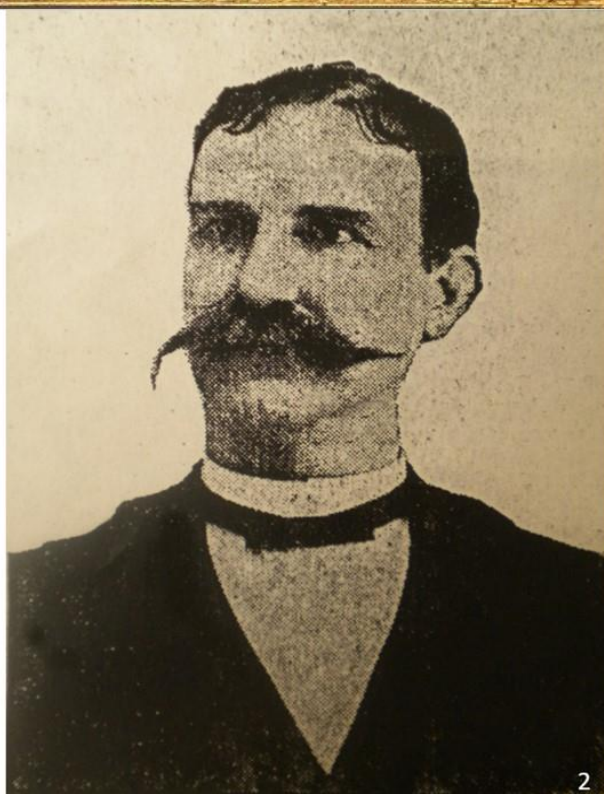
July program, Thursday, July 27, 2023

The Life of Col. Ennis Ward Taylor

Part One, cont.

1861-1888

*The War Years and
Making His Fortune*



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*Join us in July for some cool camaraderie, iced drinks,
and relief from the weather. Your camp needs you!*

CONFEDERATE LIVES STILL MATTER

At our June 29th regular meeting:



Our speaker, Kip Wright (right above) presented a very interesting program to us on Fort Pickens in the Gulf of Mexico in Pensacola, Bay. Our Commander, Rich McCook (left above) here gives him a Certificate of Appreciation in thanks for his time in preparing the program and traveling to give it to us. ***Thanks to the 18 good folks there!***

Four of our camp officers received special recognition at the recent Texas Division Reunion and got their certificates at our June meeting. They included Aide-de-Camp Jake Behringer, who received a Bronze Camp Service Medal, seen here with our Commander, Rich McCook.

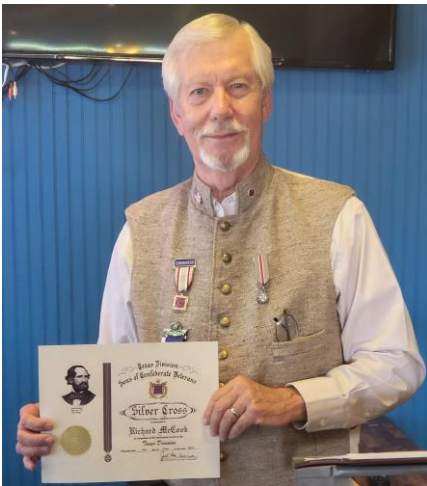


Texas Division Reunion awards, cont.

Our 1st Lt. Commander, Clay Fitzhugh, in white shirt at right, received a Bronze Camp Service Medal, for his years of always seeing to it that we have timely, entertaining programs (and being one of the nicest guys you could ever meet).



Our Commander, Rich McCook, at immediate left, received a Silver Camp Service medal, for things done for the camp too numerous to mention. He joined our Camp as a new member in January, 2015, "hit the ground runnin', and hadn't quit."



James Alderman, in white shirt at immediate right, received a Gold Camp Service Medal, for innumerable things, including being our commander at one time, and for being our adjutant since



"right before who th'owed the chunk."

At immediate left, we also gave a card of appreciation to our long-time server at Cat-



fish and Co., Jessi Pursley, for jobs well-done many evenings!

As promised, a good photo of the firing line at Mt. Gilead



Again our thanks to these fourteen gentlemen for taking time out of their Memorial Day holiday to recognize our veterans in this special way, dressed in correct period attire and firing a salute using correct period weapons.

Standing, l-r, are Mike Fairchild, American Revolution; Dan Hamilton, American Revolution; Vann Cunningham, American Revolution; Kevin Shellman, American Revolution; Ron Turner, American Revolution; Drake Peddie, War of 1812; Jim Young, Texas Revolution; Gerry Geiger, Texas Revolution; Mark Parkinson, Civil War, Union; Bob Gresham, Civil War, Confederate; and Joe Wade, Civil War, Confederate; Kneeling, are, l-r Jake Behringer, Vietnam; James Alderman, World War II/Korea; and Paul Porter, World War I.

...and a few more random shots during the Mount Gilead memorial



This is by far our best single opportunity for public service and positive visibility, remembered by everyone!

Our adjutant, James Aldeman, works hard to put together the firing line.



Several of the men are not just E. W. Taylor members, but are also active in other organizations, like the S.A.R.

...and two more shots at Mt. Gilead



Two of the most talented men in North Texas, Rich McCook and Terry Theiss, are both E. W. Taylor members and members of the Frontier Brigade Band.



At the 126th Texas Division SCV reunion, Lubbock, June 3-4, '23



Our intrepid Camp Commander, Richard McCook represented us at this reunion a long way off in West Texas.

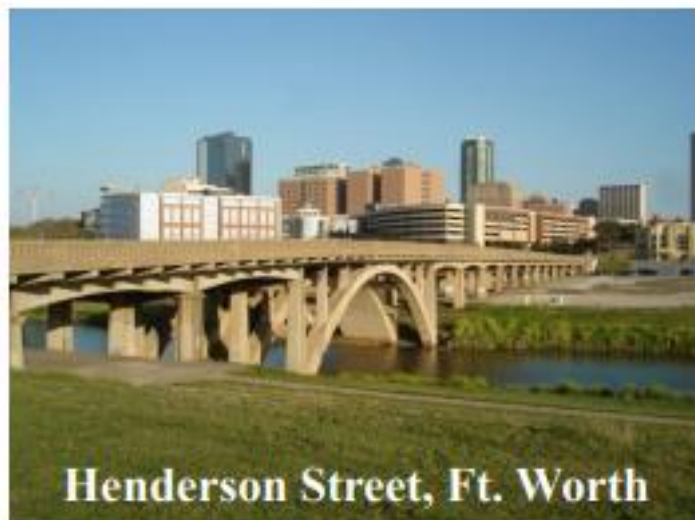
Outgoing Commander John James McCammon is speaking. Incoming Commander Mike Hurley is seated to our right in the photo at left.

Mike often comes to our camp and gives programs, and is exactly the type of person we need as the public face of the Sons of Confederate Veterans..witty, talented, and personable.

Incoming Texas Division SCV Commander Mike Hurley and his wife, Tami, are shown at right at the 2023 Texas Division Reunion in Lubbock.



NAMES ON THE MAP



Henderson Street, Ft. Worth

Joseph Manning Henderson, for whom one of Fort Worth's major streets was named, was born in Bradley County, Tennessee in 1840. After moving to Missouri with his parents and siblings, the family eventually settled at Birdville in Tarrant County in 1851. Young Joseph was the first to mark the way from Birdville to Dallas, having done so by using his team to drag a log through the sea of grass between the two towns.

When the War came, he went to where Waller's Texas Cavalry was camped in Louisiana and joined several other local men who were already in one of its companies. He was shot in the mouth during the Battle of Yellow Bayou, Louisiana in 1864, losing five teeth and having his jaw broken. He kept the minie ball for the rest of his life and often showed it to friends. At the end of the War his command was on the lower Brazos, from where he returned home.

One of Henderson brothers, John E. Henderson, was killed in the Battle of Mansfield, Louisiana. Another of his brothers, William C. Henderson, was also in the Confederate service. Both Mr. Henderson's sisters married Birdville Confederates: John Akers and John Hardisty.

After the War Mr. Henderson was prominent in local Democratic politics, and served as Tarrant County Sheriff in 1876-1880. He was also elected to the office of Tarrant County Tax Assessor-Collector, and even held both offices at the same time for a while.

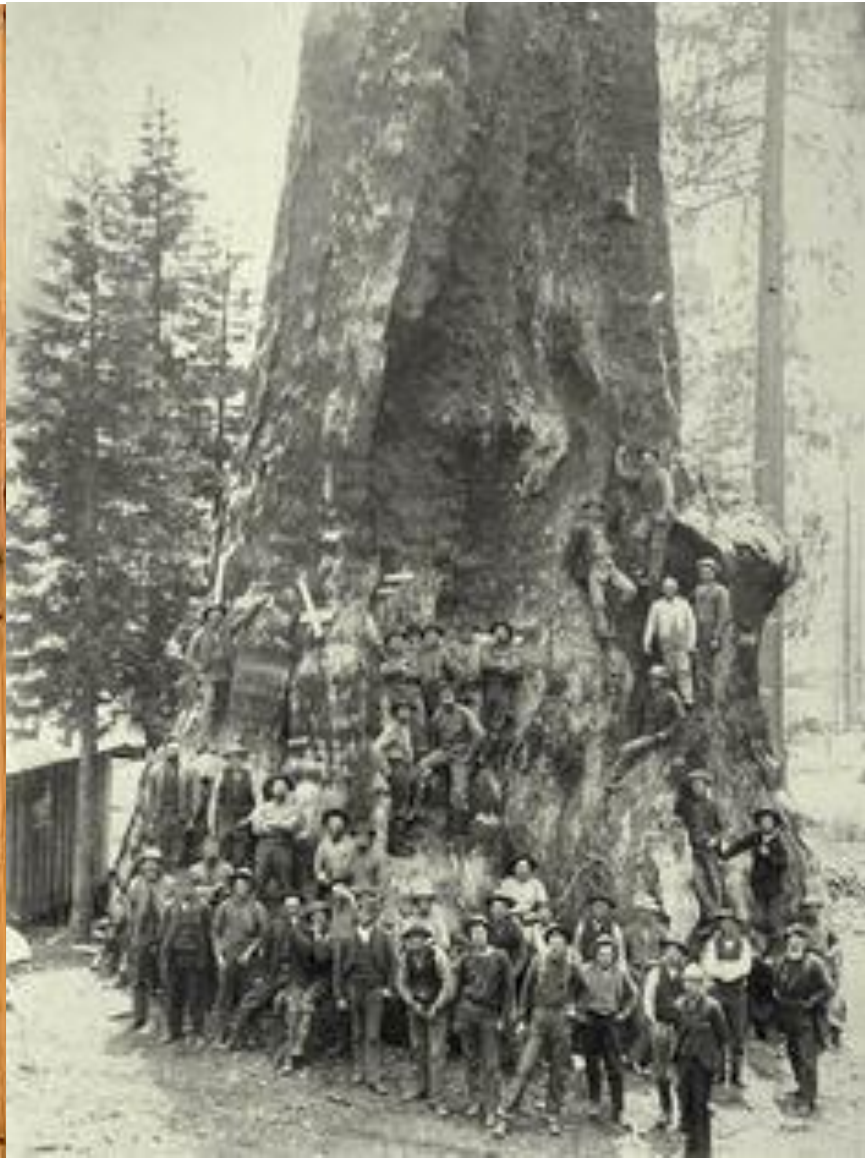
In addition to his public service, he was also a large landowner, farmer, and stockraiser. He was known here for his fine horses and cattle, including one of the first herds of Shorthorns in this area.

Joseph M. Henderson died of cancer in Fort Worth on August 30, 1903. We have been able to find no photographs of him, though it seems likely with his prominence and comfortable lifestyle at least one must be in the hands of his descendants somewhere.

He was buried in Birdville Cemetery in present-day Haltom City. His son, Robert, a veteran of World War I, lies buried beside him.



Our ancestors' lives and times



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at some eye-opening videos, two of
many on Youtube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-xw.gbexNbfw>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nw-X_h1Q00I

HISTORY



For some time now we've been doing a page in each newsletter featuring articles in the Startlegram about something that happened in and around Fort Worth a century or so before the current newsletter's date. Several weeks ago I spent some time finding articles for December and working backwards.

About one month ago we lost our access to full pages of the oldest Fort Worth newspapers, pre 1922. At that time they "merged" with a service which offered *obituaries only* from the beginning to the present.

During the night of June 5-6 they further cut back and now, in the thousands of newspapers they offer, everything from before about 1985 has been removed.

THESE CHANGES ON THIS SINGLE SITE ARE AN INCALCULABLE LOSS TO RESEARCHERS, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO ARE ONLY ABLE TO USE ONLINE RESOURCES.

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This service has tens of thousands of wonderful things, *if you can find them*. People at the company are constantly monkeying around with it, and literally overnight some simple task can become nearly impossible.

I finally scheduled a conference with a professional researcher in the genealogical library in Provo, Utah.. She admitted what I'd thought...The people on the staff at Fold3 have to be doing something to justify taking a paycheck, so they constantly "improve" the site.



Stop !



Around the Confederacy

Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh

Gainesville, GA, *WSB-TV*, June 28, 2023

Confederate statue could move from downtown Gainesville

A very even-handed article which quotes one resident who doesn't care either way, one who is in favor of moving it and one who's agin' moving it.

"Leonardo Vasques, walking past the monument with his family, said it's fine where it is.

"I don't think it should be removed," Vasquez said. "I think it's just a part of history. We live in a time when people just get offended about everything."



<https://www.sbsbtv.com/news/local/hall-county/confederate-statue-could-move-downtown-gainesville/WYRSMKCV25GYROHWA523VHETPE/>

It's dues time again !

Dues for regular members in good standing are \$63, which includes national, state, and local.

Checks should be made payable to the E. W.

Taylor Camp and mailed to our adjutant, James Alderman, 221 Chapelwood Drive, Colleyville, Texas 76034



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Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh



Fort Benning, GA, *yahoolnews*, June 5, 2023

Army wants Confederate names gone from National Ranger Memorial. Retired soldiers object

More than 100 retired U. S. Army Rangers [who have actually done something honorable, unlike most of the protestors] signed a letter sent to Congressional leaders to strenuously object to the defacement and desecration of the National Ranger Memorial. We are talking about the removal of four names from the thousands of names on it.

The memorial, established in 1992, was constructed and is maintained solely by private donations according to the foundation.

<https://news.yahoo.com/army-wants-confederate-names-gone-170128496.html>

Jacksonville, FL, June 6, 2023

Judge dismisses lawsuit targeting taxpayer-funded Confederacy tributes

A federal judge has granted a renewed motion by Mayor Lenny Curry and Governor Ron DeSantis to dismiss a lawsuit that was seeking to end taxpayer funding of Confederate tributes.

Earl Johnson Jr. filed the initial complaint. He previously told *First Coast News* that he doesn't want tax dollars going towards any entity named after C.S.A.

<https://www.firstcoastnews.com/article/news/local/judge-dismisses-lawsuit-targeting-taxpayer-funded-confederacy-tributes/77-747486e4-efa2-45d4-ad42-8475d79da507>



Washington, DC, *Associated Press*, June 12, 2023

Supreme Court won't review North Carolina's decision to nix license plates with Confederate flag

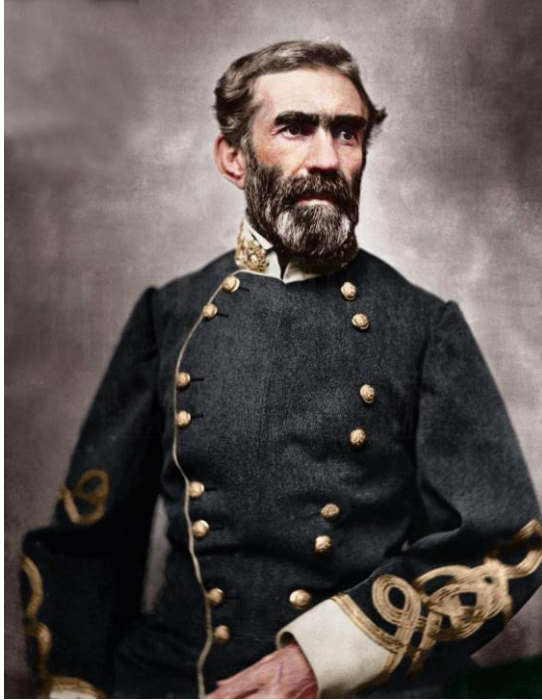
An interesting read in light of Texas' experience with having a Confederate license plate produced.

In 2015, the Sons of Confederate Veterans' Texas chapter claimed Texas was wrong not to issue a specialty license plate with the group's insignia. But the Supreme Court ruled 5-4 that Texas could limit the content of license plates because they are state property.

https://news.yahoo.com/supreme-court-wont-review-north-140354341.html?soc_src=yahooapp

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Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh



Fort Bragg, NC, *The Guardian*, June 2, 2023

Fort Bragg to drop Confederate name-sake to become Fort Liberty

Well, we got all the way to the second sentence before the name of the murdered black man in Minnesota was named as the cause for all this base-renaming frenzy. Ft. Bragg is the only one not being named after a person; it's being renamed for what remains the 'greatest American value.

This is a very fair article. Please consider reading it all, especially the last four paragraphs. It's not your usual "Confederate symbolism gets smashed" article.

Betsy Read, editor of *The Guardian US*, says: "We have no billionaire owner or shareholders to consider.. Our journalism is produced to serve the public interest, not profit motives.

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2023/jun/02/fort-bragg-to-drop-confederate-namesake-fort-liberty>

Rockbridge Co., Va. *10 News*, June 5, 2023

Stonewall Brigade plans to open Rockbridge Confederate Park

You don't get to George Floyd until the fifth sentence, but this group is putting things on real estate they own, and it's adjacent to Interstate 81.

Of course the local NAACP disagrees and is ready to tell the Stonewall Brigade what they can and can't do with real estate they bought and paid for, and out in the country where they don't have any close neighbors to boot.

The writer of the article, John Carlin, is a white man who is fairly well-loved and acclaimed in southwest Virginia. He says the park was created to give a home to Confederate statues and memorials which have been removed from their proper historic places. The group hopes to place them on private property "where they're not chess pieces in the political game right now"

<https://www.wsls.com/news/local/2023/06/05/stonewall-brigade-plans-to-open-rockbridge-confederate-park/>



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Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh



Fort Liberty, NC, *Tampa Bay Times*, June 9, 2023

DeSantis vows to restore the name of Fort Bragg, named for Confederate

“Less than 100 miles away [from Ft. Bragg] at the state’s Republican Party convention, GOP presidential contender, Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis, vowed to restore the former name of the base that until last week was called Fort Bragg in honor of a Confederate general, if voters elect him president.

“”It’s an iconic name and iconic base, and we’re not gonna let political correctness run amok in North Carolina,” DeSantis said at the convention in Greensboro hours after Biden’s speech and signing ceremony at Fort Liberty”

<https://www.tampabay.com/news/florida-politics/elections/2023/06/10/desantis-vows-restore-name-fort-bragg-named-confederate/>

Jacksonville, FL, *FIRST COAST NEWS/ABC*, June 16, 2023

Take 'Em Down Jax celebrates removal of Confederate monument

On what would have been the 125th anniversary of a confederate monument being installed in downtown Jacksonville the group Take 'Em Down Jax celebrates its removal. Todd and Take 'Em Down Jax rally outside City Hall every Friday and hope that the monument 'A Tribute to the Women of the Southern Confederacy' in Springfield Park is taken down next.

<https://www.firstcoastnews.com/article/news/local/downtown-jacksonville-confederate-monument-removed/77-a6ac30ad-c888-4db9-a1f1-86424e26f02b>



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Hot Springs, NC, *abc13 NEWS*, June 13, 2023

Small NC town embroiled in debate over how to replace Confederate memorial

A plaque, dedicated to Confederate Civil War general Robert E. Lee in 1926 was affixed to a pedestal on Hwy. 25-70 in Hot Springs, NC, right across the street from the town's elementary school. The plaque disappeared over a year ago, leaving the town to argue over what, if anything, to replace it with.



<https://wlos.com/news/local/hot-springs-town-debate-confederate-memorial-robert-e-lee-plaque-western-north-carolina-replacement-civil-war-dedicated>



Liberty, Missouri, *KMBC NEWS 9abc*, June 13, 2023

Liberty mayor, resident confront each other at meeting over Confederate cemetery marker

The public comment session during Monday's Liberty city council meeting ending with shouting between the mayor and a frequent

public speaker at city meetings. The tension centered around a years-long legal dispute over a Confederate statue, or grave marker, as ancestors [descendants] call it, in Fairview Cemetery. Very interesting piece.

<https://www.kmbc.com/article/liberty-mayor-resident-confront-each-other-at-meeting-over-confederate-cemetery-marker/44191307>

This author is continually surprised by the number of people on the payrolls of newspapers who don't know the difference between "ancestors" and "descendants."

This reminds me of an aggravating exchange many years ago I had with a lady at the Veterans Administration. Bless her heart...She didn't know what I was talking about, I didn't know what she was talking about, and she didn't know what she was talking about.

Finally in desperation, she asked me: "Well are you the veteran or the applicant?" [You have to be dead to be eligible to get a VA stone.]



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Gettysburg, PA, *Irish Central*, June 12, 2023

Irish Confederate soldier created Irish Brigade monument at Gettysburg

The famed Celtic cross and wolfhound monument was created by an Irish American artist who fought for the Confederates.

The ironic tale of a Confederate Irish soldier who fought at Gettysburg and is the sculptor of the Irish Brigade Monument to New York regiments close to the American Civil War battlefield.

It is a remarkable irony of history that the most visited monument at Gettysburg, that of the monument to the New York regiments of the Irish Brigade, located on Sickles Avenue, was sculptured by a Confederate soldier who fought at [Gettysburg](#).



<https://www.irishcentral.com/homepage/william-rudolph-odonovan-gettysburg>

Fort Polk, LA, *AP, NBC News*, June 13, 2023

Army renames Louisiana base for Black WWI hero who received Medal of Honor

Founded in 1941 for the regular army and named for Confederate general Leonidas Polk, this is another installation falling victim to the Naming Commission.

The base was renamed on June 13 for Sgt. William Henry Johnson, a Black hero of World War I who received the Medal of Honor nearly a century later.

We respect and honor Sgt. Johnson for his bravery and valor, but we feel the renaming process has dishonored many men whose service was just as vital in safeguarding the Constitutional rights of a large percentage of the population in 1861-1865.

There are many other sites which could just as well have been named for Sgt. Johnson without dishonoring General Polk, who died in service in Georgia in 1864.



<https://www.nbcnews.com/news/nbcblk/army-renames-louisiana-base-black-wwi-hero-received-medal-honor-rcna89169>

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https://www.postandcourier.com/spartanburg/news/upstate-dispute-over-massive-confederate-flag-flying-along-i-85-gets-a-day-in-court/article_cfaccb18-0951-11ee-992c-5f70fac1765d.html



Spartanburg, SC, *The Post and Courier*, June 15, 2023

Upstate dispute over massive Confederate flag flying along I-85 gets a day in court



This is an interesting run-up to this case's day in court which is coming on June 27. The reporter on this story is Chris Lavender (at right) and, strictly speaking, he does not take sides. He does, however, make a few comments which suggest that his feelings are not aligned with those of the SCV.



The only person with an interest in the case Lavender interviews in the article is Spartanburg County Councilman Monier Abusaft (above left), who maintains that the county's land use ordinance which is in place covers this case; but there's lots more to it than that.

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Fairfax Co., VA, WUSA9, June 16, 2023

2 Fairfax County highways with Confederate names to be renamed [Well, renumbered, actually]

Two highways with Confederate names will be known by route numbers beginning July 5.

Finally, it sounds like some local governments are getting some pushback by the people who are going to have to bear the expense of all the name changes taking place across the old Confederacy. It would be interesting to know some of the background for choosing route numbers other than black "trailblazers" in the area. By using route numbers, apparently that's the way the community "[acknowledges] the experiences of our community, especially our African American neighbors."

Interestingly, most of the article reminds citizens of the many "paperwork" and "legal" things they'll need to get changed in their lives, and promises grant programs from all taxpayers to help pay for them. Sounds like some pushback in Fairfax County.

<https://www.wusa9.com/article/news/local/virginia/fairfax-highway-name-change-impacts/65-586f94d9-0f19-4145-b488-e973d2d4a311>



[Fort Benning], GA *Now HabrshamNH*, June 18, 2023

Confederate names being removed from national Ranger monument

The names of four Confederate soldiers are no longer visible on a monument to U.S.

Army Rangers at Fort Moore. Army officials confirmed the names have been obscured as they work [to get clearance] to remove them completely. The actions are part of the law this year that also changed the installation's name from Fort Benning to Fort Moore.

National Ranger Memorial Foundation chairman Joseph Stringam objects to what he calls the monument's defacement.

"The Ranger Memorial is a Ranger monument. It is not a Confederate monument. It has been privately owned and supported by Rangers, past, present and hopefully future."

Maybe good sense will prevail in this one and the names will stay put.

<https://nowhabersham.com/confederate-names-being-removed-from-national-ranger-monument/>

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Submitted by Compatriot Clay Fitzhugh



Albany, NY, *The Hill*, June 25, 2023

Statue of Revolutionary War general comes down in Albany because he enslaved people

In an article by Olafimihan Oshin (inset, above left) he reports that Albany mayor Kathy Sheehan (inset at near left) has ap-

proved the removal a statue of Revolutionary War General Philip Schuyler from the grounds of the Albany City Hall. His crime: being a successful leader and living his life within the confines of the laws then in effect in New York.

Then comes the obligant reasoning in the last paragraph: "The removal is part of the initial reckoning of calls to remove statutes, including those of Confederate generals, during nationwide protests in the summer of 2020 over police brutality following the police-involved death of George Floyd"

<https://thehill.com/homenews/4067139-statue-of-revolutionary-war-general-comes-down-in-albany-because-he-enslaved-people/>

Eureka Springs, ARK, *Arkansas/Democrat/Gazette*. June 21, 2023

Eureka Springs Cemetery monument to honor Confederate, Union veterans

In the Arkansas town originally made famous by none other than Col. E. W. Taylor himself, comes yet another story of wokesters calling for a monument to come down, this one before it's even finished. The person responsible for it might have done better to wait and get all the eligible Union vets engraved on the stone before it was erected, but it probably wouldn't have made any difference in today's irresponsible climate.

As is always the case, if you start interviewing people who haven't really done any of the work, you get some interesting perspectives.

"In an interview on Tuesday, Glenna Booth, a cemetery commissioner, said the commission may revisit the rules and close a loophole that allows monuments. A graveyard is for graves, she said." Well, duh. Are tombstones to be allowed in the future?

<https://www.arkansasonline.com/news/2023/jun/21/eureka-springs-cemetery-monument-to-honor/>



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Fitchburg, Mass., *MASS/LIVE*, June 27, 2023

Confederate flag mounted on truck hired by MassDOT on Route 2 in Fitchburg

Slow news day in Fitchburg; glad we don't live there. A Confederate flag was seen [by one citizen, for a brief moment, after dark, in the headlights of another vehicle, on Sunday, mounted on an asphalt truck belonging to an out-of-state sub-contractor] used to repave part of Route 2 in Fitchburg, the Massachusetts Department of Transportation said in a statement on Tuesday.

A bill {with severe consequences} banning the flag in Massachusetts was introduced in the Massachusetts Senate in 2021. It was joined by dozens of other bills and was sent to the Joint Committee on the Judiciary on Jan. 3, 2023, where it has been quietly awaiting the Second Coming since that time.

<https://www.masslive.com/worcester/2023/06/confederate-flag-mounted-on-truck-hired-by-massdot-on-route-2-in-fitchburg.html>



Jackson, MSP, *Mt/Mississippi Today*, June 28, 2023

Is the Confederate flag still an issue in Mississippi elections? Chris McDaniel campaign tries to revive it



<https://mississippitoday.org/2023/06/28/chris-mcdaniel-confederate-flag-issue/>



July 1863 was a game-changer in the WBTS. The names of two major river towns and a city far away are scrambled here, as well as commanders. Use circled letters for the name of another secondary waterway just to the east which also saw fighting during the War. Make a b&w copy and use a pencil.

Major river involved S P I M S I P S I S I

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CSA commander B E E N T M O R P

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US victory 9 days later D O O P S H U N T R

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Federal Commander A E G S S S S L U T N Y E R

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Major city near this pictured action G R U C V I B S K

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Secondary waterway just east of this pictured action

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Make yourself a b&w copy of the next page and see how many things you can find pictured here. Nouns and adjectives. There are at least 34. Use pencil.

Answers on last page.

The Brotherton cabin on the LaFayette Road on the Chickamauga battlefield. Wordsearch. See how many details in the photo you can find in the grid on the next page.



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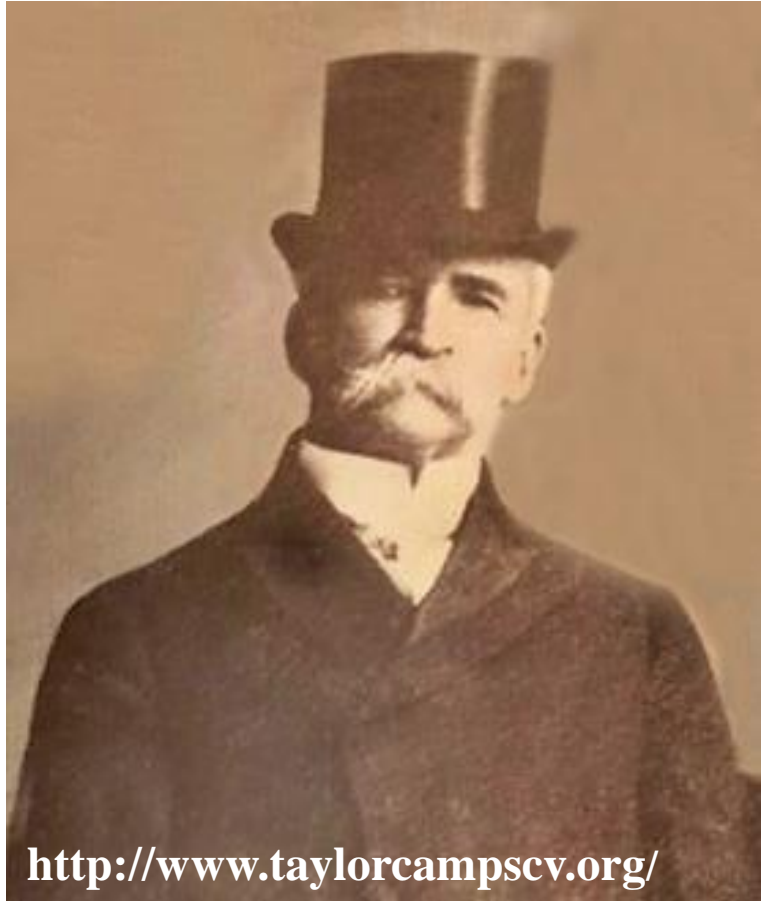
Who are we? We are the Col. Ennis Ward Taylor Camp #1777

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.

Scramblewords: MISSISSIPPI,
PEMBERTON, PORT HUDSON,
ULYSSES S GRANT,
VICKSBURG, BIG BLACK
RIVER

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



<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 and password is SCV1777EWTaylorCamp

Words in the puzzle: treeline, spokes, logs, trunnion, chain, sky, roofing, tires, path, felloes, eaves, shadows, shingles, tubes, steps, cannons, grass, nut, stone, crack, doorway, notches, trees, blue, chimney, rocks, gray, barrels, fence, green, clouds, rails, chinks, hubs

April 27 , 2023

Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 6:55 pm at the Catfish Co. Restaurant by Cmdr Richard McCook.

Opening Invocation was given by Chaplain Joe Wade.

Opening Pledges lead by James Alderman. The Charge was read by Cmdr Cook.

Cmdr McCook then welcomed everyone and recognized the guest in attendance: Ja Ann Alderman, Melanie McNabb Linda Wade, Dana Gresham, Mike Kelly, Buster Allison, April Leech, Debbie Pearson, and new member prospect- Cod Sheppard.

Commander McCook called for the Adjutant's reports.

Adjutant Alderman asked to present our new member prospect and gave a little background on him. A motion was made by Joe Wade to accept him and seconded by Ron Turner. Vote to accept was unanimous.

Adjutant Alderman then read the March 30, 2023 meeting minutes. Motion was made to approve by Bobby Gresham and seconded by Ron Turner. Attendees approved. The financial balance in our checking account remains at \$3238.1

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

1st Lt Commander Fitzhugh introduced Debbie Pearson and noted that she had bought some book for sale if anyone i interested.

Cmdr McCook then called on Chaplain Joe Wade for his report. Joe encouraged everyone to let him know if we knew anyone needing prayers.

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

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

Adjutant Alderman asked if everyone had received the notice on the candidates for the Texas Division positions that came in the mail today. A few indicated they had. He read the names that are known at this time but noted that the might be nominations from the floor at the meeting.

Commander – Michael Hurley

1st Lt Commander – Kyle Sims Allen Hearrean, Shelby Little

2nd Lt Commander – Jim Cox, Ray Johnson

3rd Lt Commander – Cody Crislip, Dustin Seiler, Bob Hazelwood

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

He announced that the May meeting will be at Joe Wade and Linda's "museum" with a hamburger cook out. Joe will also invite the Middleton Tate Camp to participate. Adjutant Alderman was asked to put out a note to try and get a headcount for the event. The Cmdr suggested we reimburse Joe for the meal expenses.

Bobby Gresham suggested we try to meet at the Texas Civil War Museum before they close. Not formal motion was made but the consensus of parties present was Yes.

Cmdr McCook then kicked off our Ancestor Remembrance Program. The following ancestors were honored:

Mike Patterson – James Land

Clay Fitzhugh – James Locke

Tim Pringle – Farwick Collinsworth

Cody Sheppard – James Cross

Col E W Taylor Camp #1777
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James Alderman – Stephen Alderman
Rick Leech – David Tomlin and Elbert Leech
Bobby Gresham - William McCormick
Ron Turner – Alberly Durham
Bill Corkern – James and Henry Corkern; Emanuel Sylvesta; J. W. Wallace
Joe Wade – Jacob Harbor
Debbie Pearson – Elsberry Holcomb
Richard McCook – Samuel Cook; Brock Coward

Commander McCook called on Chaplain Joe Wade for the benediction.

Motion to was made to adjourn by Bobby Gresham and 2nd by Ron Turner. Meeting was adjourned at 8:12 pm.

Submitted for Approval by Adjutant James E. Alderman
