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#### COMMANDERS CORNER -

**BILLY PITTMAN** 

Compatriots, I hope that you had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year's! Time certainly flies, and it is difficult to believe that we are now officially in year 2020. My prayer is that each of you will have a safe, healthy and prosperous year. I trust that we will all continue to do our part to keep The Charge this year. I want to thank those who have filled the officer roles in the camp this year and for their commitment.

In 2020, I would like to challenge *each* of us to recruit one new member this year. (It's okay to overachieve and recruit more than one but make it a goal to recruit one and then go from there.) This would go a long way to ensuring a strong future by increasing our numbers and, like us, I believe there are many out there who are tired of seeing our history purposely and deceitfully maligned, our ancestors' memories and sacrifices run down, and our veteran's monuments destroyed or removed.

Our annual Lee-Jackson banquet is scheduled for Friday, January 17, 2020 at Seawell's Restaurant located at 1125 Rosewood Drive in Columbia, SC. I'm certain that Charlie Bray will include details of the banquet in this Legionary, so I will defer to him for the details. This is always an excellent event that gives us an opportunity for fellowship and to reflect on the sacrifices made for us by these two great southern leaders. More importantly, Robert E. Lee and Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson left a legacy of Christian manhood that should be an example for all to strive for and emulate. The world would certainly be a better place if more people did. Bring your spouse, significant other or a guest with you as guests are always welcome. I look forward to seeing you there.

# The CHARGE

To you, **Sons of Confederate Veterans**, we submit the <u>VINDICATION</u> of the cause for which we fought; to your strength will be given the <u>DEFENSE</u> of the Confederate soldier's good name, the <u>GUARDIANSHIP</u> of his history, the <u>EMULATION</u> of his virtues, the <u>PERPETUATION</u> of those principles he loved and which made him glorious and which you also cherish. <u>Remember</u>, it is your duty to see that the <u>TRUE HISTORY</u> of the South is <u>PRESENTED to FUTURE GENERATIONS</u>.

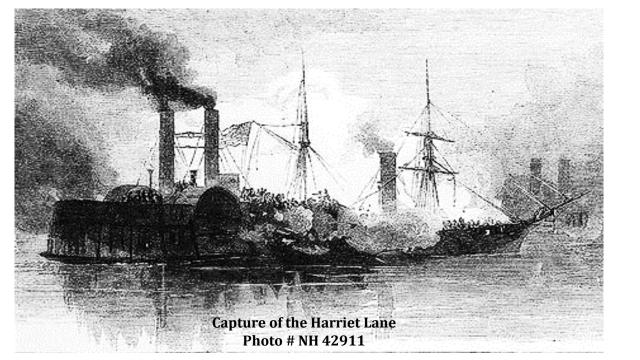


Lt. Gen. Stephen Dill Lee, Commander General United Confederate Veterans, New Orleans, Louisiana, 1906



#### ~ Events of January ~

This Month in 1863, saw the second battle of Galveston.



Maj. Gen. John B. Magruder, who became the Confederate commander of military forces in Texas on November 29, 1862, gave the recapture of Galveston top priority.

At 3:00 am on New Year's Day, 1863, four Confederate gunboats appeared, coming down the bay toward Galveston. Soon afterward, the Confederates commenced a land attack. The Union forces in Galveston were three companies of the 42nd Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry Regiment under the command of. The Confederates captured or killed all of them except for the regiment's adjutant. They also took Harriet Lane, by boarding her, and two barks and a schooner. Cdr. W.B. Renshaw's flagship, U.S.S. Westfield, ran aground when trying to help Harriet Lane and, at 10:00 am, she was blown up to prevent her capture by the Confederates. Galveston was in Confederate hands again although the Union blockade would limit commerce in and out of the harbor.

CSA Maj. Gen. John B. Magruder



UN Col. Isaac S. Burrell



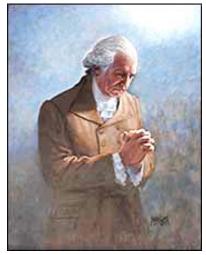
UN CDR William B. Renshaw



CHAPLAINS WITNESS — WALTER W. "SOAPY"

#### **Morning Prayer of George Washington**

This is the first in a series of prayers attributed to the handwriting of George Washington, discovered in a small book that was found in a mass of relics offered for sale by Washington's descendants after his death. It was later reproduced by a publisher who states, "This gem is all in the handwriting of George Washington, when about twenty years and is without exception, the most hallowed of all the writings. It is neatly written on twenty-four pages of a little book about the size of the ordinary pocket memorandum."



Almighty God, and most merciful father, who commanded the children of Israel to offer a daily sacrifice to thee, that thereby they might glorify and praise thee for thy protection both night and day; receive, O Lord, my morning sacrifice which I now offer up to thee. I yield thee humble and hearty thanks that thou has preserved me from the danger of the night past, and brought me to the light of the day, and the comforts thereof, a day which is consecrated to thine own service and for thine own honor.

Let my heart, therefore, Gracious God, be so affected with the glory and majesty of it, that I may not do my own works, but wait on thee, and discharge those weighty duties thou require of me.

And since thou art a God of pure eyes, and will be sanctified in all who draw near to thee, who does not regard the sacrifice of fools, nor hear sinners who tread in thy courts: Pardon, I beseech thee, my sins, remove them from thy presence, as far as the east is from the west, and accept of

me for the merits of thy son Jesus Christ, that when I come into thy temple, and compass thine altar, my prayers may come before thee as incense.

And as thou would hear me calling upon thee in my prayers, so give me grace to hear thee calling on me in thy word, that it may be wisdom, righteousness, reconciliation and peace to the saving of the soul in the day of the Lord Jesus.

Grant that I may hear it with reverence, receive it with meekness, mingle it with faith, and that it may accomplish in me, Gracious God, the good work for which thou have sent it.

Bless my family, kindred, friends and country, be our God & guide this day and forever for his sake, who lay down in the Grave and arose again for us, Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.











Chaplains Prayer List: Please remember our camp compatriots and their family members who are having health problems or have lost a loved one in your prayers.



**Bill Smyth** 

**Bob Slimp** 



Event	Date	Contact / Web Site
John M. Kinard Camp 35	Feb. 5, 2020	Meets 7:00 PM <b>1st Wednesday of the Month</b> – Hawg Heaven – Hwy. 76, Prosperity, SC
Palmetto Camp 22	Feb. 6, 2020	Meets 6:30 PM <b>1st Thursday of the Month</b> – Cayce Museum, 1800 12 <sup>th</sup> Street, Cayce, SC
Hampton Redshirts	Feb. 6, 2020	Meets 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM <b>1st Tuesday of the Month</b> – Cayce Museum – 1800 12 <sup>th</sup> Street, Cayce, SC
SC 17 <sup>th</sup> Regiment Camp 2069	Jan. 20, 2020	Meets 7:00PM <b>Third Monday of the Month</b> – 6822 Barnwell Rd. Hilda, SC
15 <sup>th</sup> Regt. S.C. Volunteers Camp 51	Jan. 28, 2020	Meets 6:30 PM <b>last Tuesday of the Month</b> – Lizards Thicket – 4616 Augusta Rd. Lexington, SC
Gen. Paul Quattlebaum Camp 412	Jan. 28, 2020	Meets 7:00 PM <b>Last Tuesday of the Month</b> – Shealy's BBQ – 340 East Columbia Ave., Batesburg- Leesville, SC
Hunley / Housatonic Memorial Service	Feb. 17, 2020	7:00PM – 9:00PM at Sunrise Presbyterian Church 3222 Middle St. Sullivan's Island, SC - http:/csatrust.org
Firing on Columbia	Feb. 15, 2020	12:00 Noon to 1:00p.m. both side of the Gervais St. Bridge, Columbia, SC
25 <sup>th</sup> Battle of Aiken	Feb. 21 – 23, 2020	1210 Powell Pond Road Living History Day: Friday, Feb. 21 <sup>st</sup> @ 9:00a.m. Reenactment on Feb. 22 <sup>nd</sup> & 23 <sup>rd</sup> Aiken, SC http://battleofaiken.org
18 <sup>th</sup> Annual Battle for Broxton's Bridge	Feb. 28 – Mar. 1, 2020	Broxton Bridge Plantation, Ehrhardt, SC <a href="http://www.broxtonbridge.com/battle.htm">http://www.broxtonbridge.com/battle.htm</a> Living History Day: Friday, Feb. 28 @ 9:00a.m. Battle of Broxton Bridge: Sat., Sat. 29 & Sunday, Mar. 1
The Skirmish at Gambrel's Hotel	March 7 - 8, 2020	Education Day: Friday, March 7 @ 08:30a.m. 4789 East Old Marion Hwy, Florence, SC 29502 http://www.23rdsc.com/event/
S.C. Division SCV 2019 Convention	March 20-21, 2020	Friday Night Social 6:00PM – 9:00PM American Legion Post 28 94 West Park Dr. Spartanburg, SC The Lodge 7116 Hwy. 9 Inman, SC 29349 http://www.scscv.com



#### ADJUTANT'S DESK -

CHARLIE BRAY

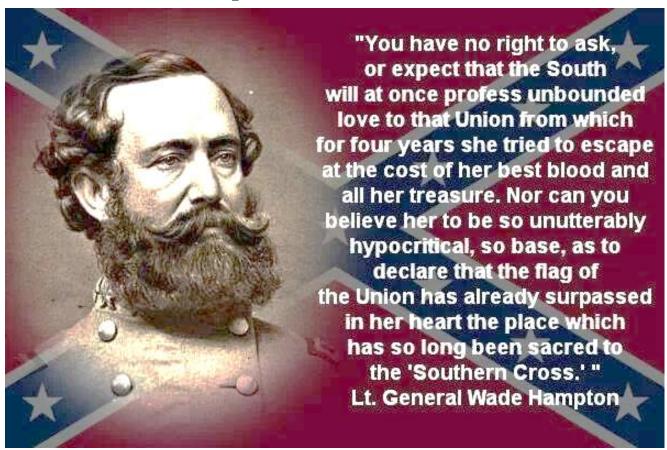
Well we have made it through 2019 and are now starting the new year of 2020. As in the past two years we will start 2020 with major events.

Our annual Lee-Jackson Banquet, details of this event are shown on page 7 of this newsletter. The main thing Commander Pittman needs is as accurate a headcount of those attending to provide to Cal Seawell. The issue is if we give Cal a headcount figure that is to high then the camp has to cover those excess projected meals. *Please RSVP* your intentions as requested.

As with the previous two rallies this rally is very important in that it is our effort to strengthen the laws dealing with vandalizing and/or destroying monuments. This year our Legislative Day rally will be Wednesday February 12, 2020. The timeline at present has attendees meeting at the Confederate Monument at 7:30 am for a brief prayer after which at 8:00am to 12:00 noon we have room 108 in the Blatt Building reserved for our use. We will go to the House Chambers at 9:50am and the Senate Chambers at 11:50 noon. Once we have finished being recognized by the House and Senate, we will be finished except those of you who have appointments with their representative(s). As you can see from the schedule you can come in time for the House appearance and then participate in the Senate appearance and be through after 2 ½ hours. Please mark the date on your calendars and on Wednesday, February 12 stand with our camp and the South Carolina Division in this effort to protect "ALL" monuments. More details about the rally with be sent out later.

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# Quote: Lt. Gen. Wade Hampton:

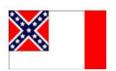














# John McIntosh Kell CSN/USN Commanders:

Often referred to as the 'unsung hero' of the Confederate Navy, Commander John McIntosh Kell was, nonetheless, a renown and much respected, naval officer. Kell was born in McIntosh County in 1823. The son of John and Margery Spalding Baillie Kell of Darien, he spent his childhood at Laurel Grove Plantation and with his great uncle Thomas Spalding, whose family owned a large part of Sapelo. He loved the sea and from a very young age, wanted nothing more than to be an officer in the Navy. Kell entered the U.S. Navy in September 1841 as a midshipman. Over the next two decades he served in several ships, was active in California during the war with Mexico and participated in Commodore Matthew C. Perry's expedition to Japan. When Georgia seceded from the Union in early 1861, Lieutenant Kell resigned from the United States' Navy and was the first Naval officer to render his services to the Confederate States. In April 1861, he briefly commanded the



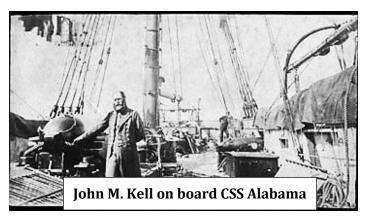


Georgia state gunboat Savannah; but received a Confederate Navy commission as First Lieutenant the following month and was sent to New Orleans. There, he assisted Commander Raphael Semmes in fitting-out the cruiser CSS Sumter (Photo right); and serving as Semmes' Executive Officer during the commerce raiding voyage during 1861-1862.

First Lieutenant Kell was Semmes' Executive Officer on CSS Alabama (See

photo) throughout her career. Kell's duties oversaw the day-to-day operation of the ship, running the Alabama at the direction of his commander. His later, published recollections, offer a fascinating glimpse into the activities of the Confederate Navy and in particular, the day-to-day operations of the

cruisers Sumter and Alabama. He was present during the Alabama's final encounter, when she was eventually sunk by USS Kearsarge in June 1864. Kell was rescued by the British yacht Dearhound and taken to England. Promoted to the rank of Commander in that month, he commanded the ironclad CSS Richmond in the James River Squadron in 1865. After the end of the Civil War, Kell returned to Georgia and became a farmer. In later years, he served as Adjutant General of Georgia. John McIntosh Kell died in 1900 and is buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Griffin, Ga.





# Lee – Jackson Banquet

Friday Evening – January 17, 2020 6:30PM – 9:00PM

> At Seawell's Restaurant 1125 Rosewood Dr. Columbia, SC



General Robert E. Lee





Lt. Gen. "Stonewall" Jackson

# **Entertainment:**

Speaker: Dr. Terry L. Rude "Lee and Jackson and the Confederacy"

Toasts To: Gen. Robert E. Lee and Lt. Gen. "Stonewall" Jackson Concert by the "Pickin Pearls"

**Drawing for Door Prizes** 

Individual - \$25.00

Ticket prices: Couples - \$45.00

Children (4 - 11) - \$7.50

Dress

Coat and Tie, Period Dress, Red Shirts acceptable

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#### Important Dates in Lincoln's War to Prevent Southern Independence

Jan. 3, 1861

**Huntersville**, WV — On this date a Confederate force, commanded by Brig. Gen. Edward Johnson, descended on and attacked the local Union forces at Huntersville. The Confederates drove away the Federals.

Jan. 5, 1862

**Hancock, MD** – On this date Gen. Jackson's forces arrived at the garrisoned town of Hancock, MD. His artillery fired on the town from Orrick's Hill but did little damage. Union garrison commander Brig. Gen. F.W. Lander refused Jackson's demands for surrender. Jackson continued the bombardment for 2 days while unsuccessfully searching for a safe river crossing. The Confederates withdrew and marched on Romney, in western Virginia, on January 7.

Jan. 16, 1862

**Cedar Keys, FL** – On this date a Union naval force descended on the harbor and village of Cedar Keys. They burned 7 small blockade-runners and coastal vessels, a pier, and several railroad flatcars. After all of this destruction, the naval force withdrew.

Jan. 7, 1863

**Ozark**, **MO** – On this date Brig. Gen. John S. Marmaduke and his Confederate force captured the town of Ozark.

Jan. 13, 1863

Harpeth Shoals on the Cumberland River, TN – On this date the Union gunboat, USS Sidell, surrendered to Confederate troops, commanded by BG Joseph Wheeler. Three Union transports with wounded troops were also seized. The wounded Union soldiers were put on board one ship and allowed to go on, while the other 3 ships were burned in place.

Jan. 7, 1864

**Waccamaw Neck**, **SC** – On this date a lieutenant and a private of the 21st Georgia Cavalry captured 25 Union troops on Waccamaw Neck, located near Charleston.

Jan. 10, 1864

 $\label{lockwood's Folly Inlet, SC-On this date the Union blockader USS Iron Age run aground and was unable to free itself. Nearby Confederates began to bombard it from land. The ship was eventually destroyed.$ 

Lee-Jackson Banquet FRIDAY, JAN. 17 6:30 P.M.



1125 Rosewood Drive Columbia, SC Speaker Mr. Dr. Terry L. Rude (Lee and Jackson and

the Confederacy.)

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