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COMMANDERS CORNER –

RUSTY RENTZ

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members that were able to assist financially with the huge tree at the Confederate Section of Elmwood Cemetery. Charlie Bray will soon make a decision on which company he will have perform the work. Any remaining funds will be used for other projects to improve and beautify the final resting place of our Confederate Heroes.

We do have generous members and sometimes a business will assist us physically or financially, but the majority of our funds come from our hard working members. As I read my Confederate Veteran today I noticed how many worthwhile projects the SCV has that do not have adequate funding. As far as I am aware we do not receive grants or corporate funding. As I mentioned previous, we the SCV in general, primarily rely on members contributions and sales from various events. In addition to National projects and those in other states there is still funding needed for the Signer's Monument in South Carolina.

We are closer to ordering the marker for Compatriot Curry's ancestor that served the Confederacy. Prior to having the stone cut I will send a letter to the church informing them of Compatriot Curry's desire to have the marker placed in their cemetery and a memorial service to honor his ancestor. All will be kept informed either through the newsletter or email.

The CHARGE

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

Commander General, United Confederate Veterans, New Orleans, Louisiana, 1906



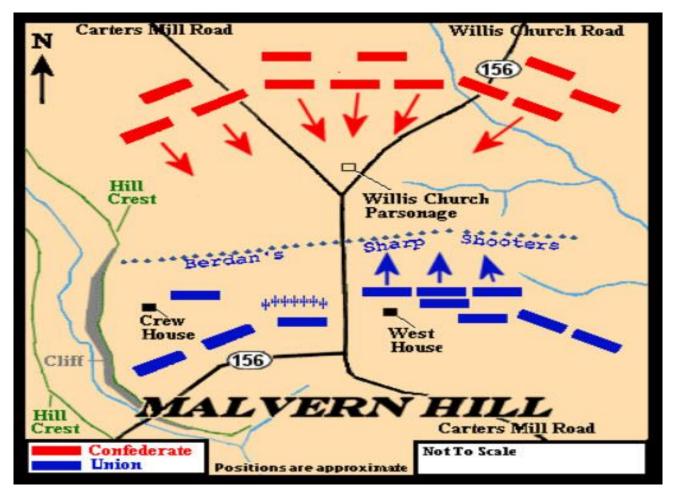
The camp had two spaces at the Gilbert Peach Festival on July 4. One was used to place Mark Mills' canon on site to attract curious persons and the other was to sell merchandise, recruit and enlist signatures for the <u>SAVE ALL MONUMENTS</u> petition. A special thanks to Mark Mills, Charlie and Susan Bray and Johnny Stroman for taking a day to further our CAUSE.

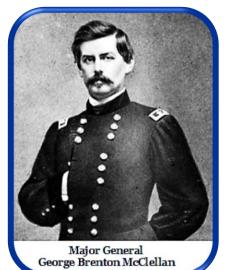
Our meeting this month will be *Thursday July 19, 2018 at 6:00 pm at Seawell's Restaurant*. Our program will be provided by Don Gordon with his topic being NB Forrest and his Last Battle, Defense of Selma. Make plans to be in attendance and as always invite someone. LT. COMMANDER'S TENT -

LAYNE WATERS (RETIRED)

~ Events of July ~

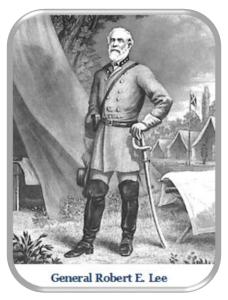
This Month (July 1, 1862), saw the 6th and last of the Seven Days' Battles.





By 1 July General George Brinton McClellan had successfully moved his army to a new base on the James River. General Robert E. Lee had successfully forced the Union army away from Richmond. However, he had not managed to inflict a serious defeat on the Union army, and this had been his real aim all along.

The Union rearguard now had a very strong position on Malvern Hill. Their flanks were secure, they were on a slight hill, and any attacker would have to advance across an open field. Four Union divisions and 100 guns were in place,



with as many men and more guns in reserve. Lee's chance of inflicting a victory on the Union army while it was stretched out on the move had gone.

Despite this, Lee still decided to launch an attack on the Union position. Even if the attack had been properly coordinated, the Union position was probably too strong to be taken. In the event, things did not go according to plan. A planned artillery bombardment never really got going. The infantry attacks were badly coordinating, exposing each unit to ferocious artillery fire. Very few Confederate soldiers reached musket range. Lee lost 5,500 men killed and wounded, half of them victims of the Union artillery, a much higher proportion than normal. Union losses were only half that figure.

Malvern Hill finally convinced Lee that there was no point continuing to attack McClellan's men in their new base. Instead, his attention turned north, towards a second, smaller, Union army that was based near Washington. His campaign against that army was to meet with much more success. It ended at the Second Battle of Bull Run, where Lee began fully to demonstrate his great abilities.

CHAPLAINS WITNESS –

WALTER W. "SOAPY" LINDLER

I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance I have learned the secret to facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me. (Philippians 4:12-13)

Contentment is something we all must learn. Paul elaborates by saying that his life, like most people's lives, has had its share of ups and downs. He has had times of plenty, dining on fine food and sleeping in a warm bed. And he has had times of great want, going to sleep hungry and without having a bed at all or even a blanket to keep him warm and dry.

"This has been my school of contentment," Paul says, in effect. One learns to be content in good times without forgetting that they are a gift from God, and one learns to be content in bad times without forgetting that the Lord is still with you.

But here's the real secret: our strength is not our own. Paul says he can do all this through the one who strengthens him.

Note that this means not only being content when times are tough, but also being grateful when times are good. Both require a kind of strength, and this comes from Christ alone. This is the message woven throughout this letter we have been exploring. For Paul, it is always Jesus, Jesus, Jesus. Without Jesus, we are nothing. With Jesus, we can do all things.

That is, very simply, the good news, the gospel. Do you know this Jesus in whom we can do all things?

Strengthen our inner being, O God, by the power of the Spirit of Christ living and working in us. May we do all things to your glory! 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.



Walter Lindler

Bill Smyth

Bob Slimp



Event	Date	Contact / Web Site
John M. Kinard Camp 35	Aug. 1, 2018	Meets 7:00 PM 1st Wednesday of the Month – Hawg Heaven – Hwy. 76, Prosperity, SC
Palmetto Camp 22	Aug. 2, 2018	Meets 6:30 PM 1st Thursday of the Month – Cayce Museum, 1800 12 th Street, Cayce, SC
Hampton Redshirts	Aug. 7, 2018	Meets 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM 1st Tuesday of the Month – Cayce Museum – 1800 12 th Street, Cayce, SC
SC 17 th Regiment Camp 2069	Aug. 20, 2018	Meets 7:00PM Third Monday of the Month – 6822 Barnwell Rd. Hilda, SC
15th Regt. S.C. Volunteers Camp 51	July 31, 2018	Meets 6:30 PM last Tuesday of the Month – Lizards Thicket – 4616 Augusta Rd. Lexington, SC
Gen. Paul Quattlebaum Camp 412	July 31, 2018	Meets 7:00 PM Last Tuesday of the Month – Shealy's BBQ – 340 East Columbia Ave., Batesburg- Leesville, SC
Lexington Veterans Day Parade	November 11, 2018	Parade begins at 3:00PM rain or shine. Parade route is down Main St. to South Lake Drive.
Columbia Veterans Day Parade	November 12, 2018	Parade begins at 10:45AM. Parade route is down Sumter St. and ending at Senate St.
Cayce Historical Museum's Annual Christmas Traditions	December 1, 2018	Cayce Historical Museum 1800 12 th Street Cayce, SC Details to be provided

ADJUTANT'S DESK -

CHARLIE BRAY

Membership Renewal Statements (MRS) have been mailed to all members of the South Carolina Division and I have received 41 renewals as of today 8-July-18. By the time you receive the July Legionary I suspect 60% or more of our membership will have renewed. I encourage you to renew your membership as soon as possible.

If you have questions or issues with your renewal package or have not received one, I may be reached as shown below:

Charlie Bray 507 Sail Point Way Columbia, SC 29212-8711 Home TN: 803-749-1042 Cell TN: 803-414-6808 E-Mail: cdbiii@bellsouth.net

REMEMBER: Mail your dues to me, at the address shown above, not to Joe Willis our Division Adjutant. If you mail your renewal to Joe then he has to mail it to me which slows down the process.

We have our work cut out for us defending our heritage in the years to come but working together we can protect and preserve our heritage while living up to the <u>"Charge"</u>.

Going forward; the South Carolina Division has established a two-prong plan to build on the success we had with our first Legislative Day (Tuesday February 13, 2018) rally at the State House. The divisions plan is;

- Conduct a petition drive to <u>"SAVE ALL SOUTH CAROLINA MONUMENTS"</u>. This initiative will involve "ALL" camps in the South Carolina Division. If all members participate in this effort we should be able to gather many thousands of signatures. All signatures received will be presented to both the House and Senate at the February 2019 Legislative Day Rally at the State House. We feel that if we can present a large number of petition signatures and double our physical presence at the February 2019 rally, we will prove to both the House and Senate that a significant number of South Carolinians' want our monuments saved.
- Additionally, the S.C. Division is working with our lawyer and friendly legislators, House and Senate, to try head off any damage being done should the courts overturn the Heritage Act.

As for the Wade Hampton camp I only ask that each member participate in the petition project and try to get signatures in support of Southern Heritage. I think you will be pleasantly surprised at the number of people who support saving "ALL" monuments, remember our soldier monuments are not the only ones being removed. I have listed below a number of ways to get signatures

- First, <u>*"EVERY"*</u> SCV member in South Carolina should sign the petition.
- * Every family member, cousin, aunt, uncle, grandparent of voting age should sign the petition.
- Ask family members to circulate the petition among their friends.
- * Canvas your neighborhood and get neighbors to sign the petition (my northern neighbors have been very supportive and signed the petition).
- 🕆 Guests at your monthly camp meeting.
- ^{*} One WHC-273 camp member took his petition to church and got signatures.
- SCV camps should attend various festivals and events in their area and obtain signatures.
 - County fairs (Due to the length of fairs and costs, camps could support one another to participate in these events.)
 - Festivals and events in your area are a great source for signatures.
 - Gun Shows ex. Columbia Shrine Club has at least 2 shows a year.
 - Hunting clubs
 - Kayak clubs
 - Running clubs
 - Shrine Club Members take the petition to meetings and get signatures.
 - Civitans
 - Elks Club
 - Masons
 - Rotary
 - 🔚 Ruritan (Pelion, SC Peanut Festival)

I am including a copy of the petition with this Legionary which you can print as many copies as you need. Completed petition forms may be turned in at the monthly camp meetings, mailed to me at the address shown above or I can come and pick them up.

Note: If signers don't want to list TN's, Email address, or street, have them to input their Signature, Printed Name, City/Township and ZIP Code. We only want in-state signatures.



<u>RECRUIT A NEW MEMBER</u> Individuals interested in joining the SCV or this Camp should contact Billy Pittman Ph (802) 020-0652 Email billfish@sc rr com net or

Billy Pittman, Ph. (803) 939-9652, Email billfish@sc.rr.com.net *or* Adjutant Charles Bray, Ph. (803) 749-1042, Email cdbiii@bellsouth.net WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD MEN!



HUMORS OF A SOLDIERS LIFE -

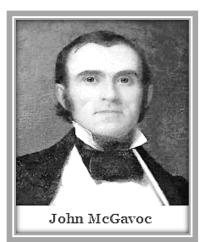
A Chaplain's Predicament — An incident that occurred the next day after the battle of Franklin, may illustrate how important good clothes may be in settling a preacher's identity. Pardon the use of the first person singular, and I'll tell it as it occurred.

I was chaplain of the Forty-ninth Tennessee, but as I was the only chaplain in the brigade, I did duty for the whole brigade.

Originally, I enlisted as a private, and for a long time served as chaplain by detail, so I got to feel easier in the jacket, trousers, and brogans of the private soldier than in a regulation uniform: and then, as I had no money to get a uniform, and as we had no chance to get anything from home, my plain apparel was a necessity.

From long exposure to the changes of climate and scene, my uniform became more picturesque than elegant. As we came into Tennessee the nights were often quite cold, and as I stood around the blazing camp-fires a sudden change of the wind would sometimes whip the blaze about my Legs and scorch the lower extremities of my trousers. In the battle I had thrown off my jacket, and a shell exploding just over it had dropped a spark of fire in the middle of the back, which gradually spread until it burned a hole perfectly round and about four or five inches across.

Dressed "cap-a-pie," the following was my outfit: A hat made of brown jeans, quilted, and which when soaked took in half a gallon of water; a check cotton shirt, that would not meet about my neck, and had no button on the collar any how; my jacket, with the ventilator in the back; my trousers, fringed with scorched strings from the knee to the ankle; socks, with no feet but sound legs; shoes, in which sole and upper were only held together by strings. My hair hung on my shoulders, and bleared eyes looked out from a long and scraggy beard that covered all my face. In the battle our brigade lost dreadfully. The highest officer left, as I remember, was a lieutenant. We had large numbers of wounded. Our brigadier, General Quarles, was desperately wounded. Every field officer and captain was killed, wounded or captured. We had a great many of our wounded in the buildings on



the farm of that noble gentleman, Col. John McGavock. After getting them placed as comfortably as I could, I started into the town to hunt up anything which might minister to their needs. The ladies of the old town were angels of mercy. They were abundant in their labors, preparing food, bandages and medicines for the soldiers. I looked in at a door and saw a dozen ladies hard at work on the very things I wanted. I never thought for a moment on my outlandish appearance but addressed them in a manner that I thought was Chesterfieldian in its insinuating elegance.

The leader of the party and director of the work was an old lady, whose looks I shall always remember. She wore a cap with lace border, and a pair of silver bowed spectacles, the eyes of which were large and round. She was rather short and stout, and while her countenance beamed with business and benevolence, yet she had a quick, positive way, that seemed to settle things.

Bowing to the ladies, I addressed the leader: "I have a great many wounded men to look after, and I should like to get anything that would relieve them, such as food, delicacies, clothing, bandages and lint."

The old lady looked at me rather doubtfully and then said, dryly," Yes, I expect you would."

"Yes, madam." said I, "my men are in great need, and some of them very badly hurt; I want to get the things as soon as possible."

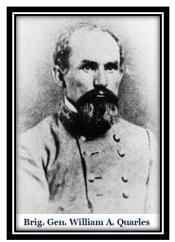
"Yes," said she, "you look like you needed them very bad yourself."

The ladies tittered at this pointed reference to my personal appearance, and I felt very uncomfortable, hut I went on: 'Madam. I assure you our boys need these comforts very much."

The reply, with almost a sneer, was; "No doubt of it: but how am I to know that the boys will ever get them if I give them to you!"

I said, with some little feeling. "You don't think I would take from a wounded man, do you?"

Some of the ladies seemed to sympathize with me but the old lady was inexorable. "Well. I don't know; that a heap of you fellows are getting nice things for the wounded, and then eating them yourselves; I like to know who I'm sending by."



Drawing myself up with 'quite an air. I announced: "Madam, I'm the chaplain of Quarles' Brigade."

But the old lady was not even stunned. Yes, yes, it is easy enough to claim to be most anything. Why some of you boys would say that you are Major Generals if you could make anything by it. You fool me."

The situation was getting desperate: the ladies were smiling audibly, and I was about to beat a retreat, when, happening to put my hand to my breast, I felt a paper, which was my commission. It was a formidable looking document with the great seal of the Confederate States on it, and signed "James Seddon, Secretary of War." At once, I drew out the paper, saying, "Madam, I am sorry that you doubt my word; I shall not ask you for anything, but I can convince you that I am chaplain of Quarles Brigade."

As soon as her eye fell on that seal, and she read the name and the office in the commission, her whole manner changed. She loaded me with all I could carry, and urged me to come back as often as I needed her help, and, following me to the door,

she apologized to me m a confidential whisper, which could have been heard half a block away: "Now", parson, you really must excuse me; I didn't mean any offence, but I couldn't help it: for if I had been going to hunt a preacher, you are the last man I would ever have picked out."

The apology was satisfactory.

TRIBUTE TO GEN. BEAUREGARD –

CONFEDERATE VETERAN 1863

Gen. W. I.. Cabell, in public meeting at Dallas:

I knew Gen. Beauregard as long and more intimately than any of his old army friends now living, except, probably, Gen. Jubal Early. I knew him before the war. and. was his chief quartermaster (and confidential staff officer at Manassas from June 1, 1861), until after the battles of Blackburn's Ford and Bull Run, on the 18th and 21st of July, when Gen. Joseph E. Johnston, by virtue of his rank, assumed command.

I, of course, was after that on General Johnston's staff. All this, however, is matter of history. I want to indorse every word found in these resolutions, and to reiterate, if possible, the sentiment that he was one of the greatest of civilization's soldiers and chieftains. He was a man of matchless ability as a great field commander, and known to be and pronounced one of the greatest military engineers living. His attack on Fort Sumter and his defense of Charleston won for him the admiration not only of the South, but of the European nations. He was not only a great leader, but he was a great Organizer, and had the love and confidence of the Southern soldiers, no matter from what part of the South the soldiers came. The mention of his name (Beauregard) on the battlefield would inspire as much enthusiasm as "Napoleon" ever did in the zenith of his glory. I was by his side at Blackburn's Ford and Bull Run unless oft executing his orders.

He was a perfect Murat in a charge, he was cool under fire, and his presence everywhere created a shout that made even a soldier quicken his pace in the charge, I was not only with him in Virginia, hut was with him at Corinth after the battle of Shiloh, and had the

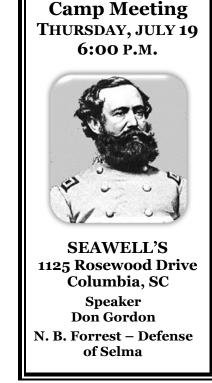
honor of his presence on two or three occasions at Corinth when I "skirmished" with the enemy. After the fight at Farmington he came up with Gen. Van Horn and simply said: "Cabell, I am proud of you and your Texans." He could have said nothing that would have given me more pleasure, and I know what was said was fully appreciated by the brave men I commanded.

Gen. Beauregard's manner to his soldiers during the war was such as to win their love and admiration.

His career since the war has shown him to be a " modest citizen of tender traits and sensitive honor," of generous and noble impulses always ready and willing to assist with his purse or to encourage with his example and advice the people of the South, whom he loved better than his life. Whether on the tented field or in the councils of State, Gen. Beauregard was always the same brave and true patriot. I not only admired him as a great soldier, hut loved him as a brother, and his name and his fame will be cherished by me and mine as long as we are permitted to remain on this side of the great river that we all have to cross.

Important Dates in Lincoln's War to Prevent Southern Independence

	Pottle of Convict's Fond While directing his year grand CS Concrel	July 10, 1961
(Robert Garnett is shot and dies minutes later. He is the first general to die during the Civil War.	July 13, 1861
TE	¹ Battle of Scary Creek, WV – CS Col. George S. Patton in command of 900 troops engaged in a 5-hour battle with UN Col. John Lowe. Col. Patton was seriously wounded, and CS Capt. Albert Gallatin rallied the Confederate force to victory.	July 17, 1861
	KY. The town is defended by less than 100 union soldiers, who are unable to prevent the destruction of a large Federal supply depot.	July 11, 1862
	² A bill to provide financial assistance to states willing to abolish slavery founders due to opposition from the border states, it is clear that slavery is becoming the major factor in a war which ostensibly broke out <u>over states'</u> rights.	July 16, 1862
	Brig. Gen. John H. Morgan and his Confederate force found the steamer USS John T. McCombs. They stormed the boat and quickly captured it without any resistance. Morgan's men also captured the nearby USS Alice Dean. The Confederates terrorized and robbed the ships' passengers of both ships before securing them for a crossing.	July 7, 1863
112	4 On July 30, Brig. Gen. George Stoneman and his Union raiders were travelling towards Hillsboro, GA encountering Confederate resistance along the way.	July 31, 1864
N. I	On July 31, shortly after dawn, Stoneman met the main body of the Confederate force. Heavy skirmishing ensued with Stoneman dismounting most of his force. The Confederates got the upper hand and soon scattered the Federals. Stoneman stayed with his rear guard to allow the remainder of his force to escape. The rear guard was captured while the rest of the Federals were hit hard while trying to break free.	



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