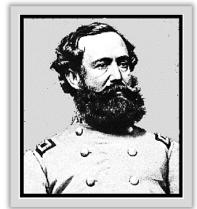
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COMMANDERS CORNER -

RUSTY RENTZ

Our October meeting will be one week later, Thursday October 25, 2018, due to the State Fair being at the fairgrounds. Our November meeting will also be one week later, Thursday November 29, 2018, due to Thanksgiving falling on our regular meeting night. I hope all will take notice and adjust your schedule, so you can be in attendance.

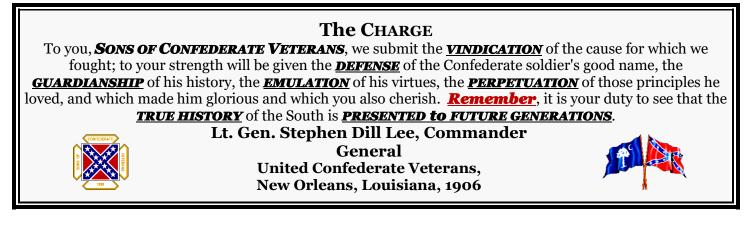
By the time you receive this newsletter the memorial service and marker dedication for Compatriot Curry's ancestor, Lavinia Corley Thompson, will have occurred. As I write this article final preparations are being made for this historic occasion. I hope all that attended enjoyed themselves and the service was a testament to her and the Confederacy.

On Sunday November 4, 2018 at 3:00 pm the Wade Hampton Camp will participate in the Lexington Veteran Day parade. Assembly time will be 2:30 pm and I trust we will have a large turnout to honor our ancestors and make the public aware we are still here.

On Saturday November 10, 2018 at 1:00 pm in Abbeville, SC the monument dedication for the Signer's Monument will take place. This endeavor has probably been at least 10 years in the making. I hope all will make plans to be in attendance as we will be erecting a monument instead of reading about one coming down. This monument is to honor and recognize the Ordinance of Secession signers that risked all to take this position.

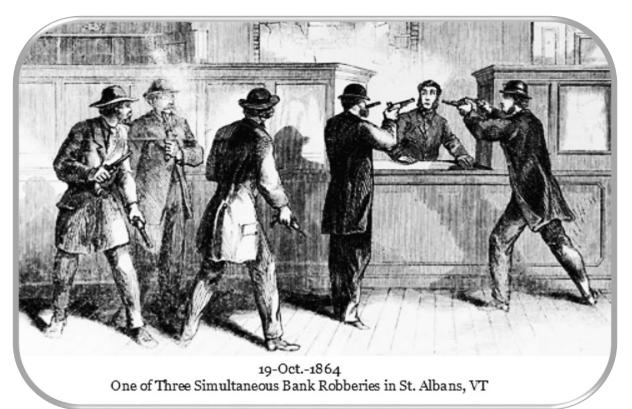
On Monday November 12, 2018 the Wade Hampton Camp will participate in the Columbia Veteran Day parade. We have generally had good attendance at this event in the past and I hope and trust this year will be no different. The parade begins at 11:00 am with assembly beginning at 10:00 am. Again, I ask all members to make plans to be in attendance to represent YOUR ancestor.

As previously mentioned our meeting this month will be Thursday October 25, 2018 at 6:00 pm at Seawell's Restaurant. The program, Guns of the Confederacy, will be presented by Compatriot Mike Long. Make plans to attend and bring a guest.



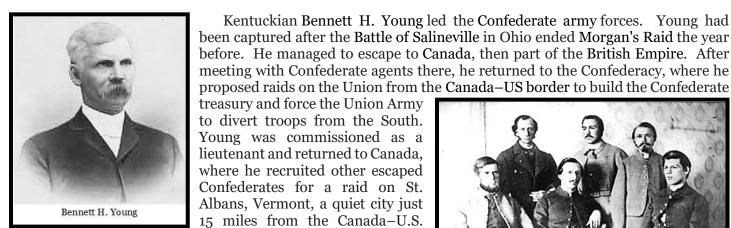
LT. COMMANDER'S TENT -

LAYNE WATERS (RETIRED)



Kentuckian Bennett H. Young led the Confederate army forces. Young had

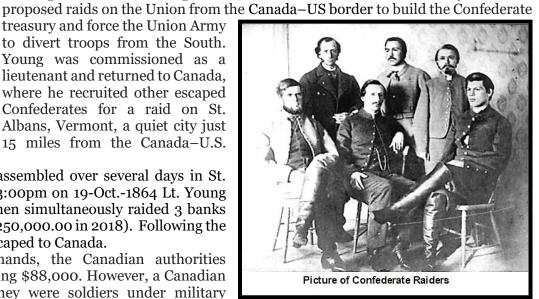
~ Events of October ~



border.

Lt. Young and his men assembled over several days in St. Albans, VT. Shortly before 3:00pm on 19-Oct.-1864 Lt. Young and 21 Confederate cavalrymen simultaneously raided 3 banks taking \$208,000.00 (US \$3,250,000.00 in 2018). Following the robbery, the Confederates escaped to Canada.

In response to US demands, the Canadian authorities arrested the raiders, recovering \$88,000. However, a Canadian court ruled that because they were soldiers under military



orders, officially neutral Canada could not extradite them. Canada freed the raiders but returned to St. Albans the money they had found.

CHAPLAINS WITNESS -

WALTER W. "SOAPY" LINDLER

"From inside the fish Jonah prayed to the LORD his God. He said: 'In my distress I called to the LORD, and He answered me. From the depths of the grave I called for help, and You listened to my cry." Jonah 2:1-2

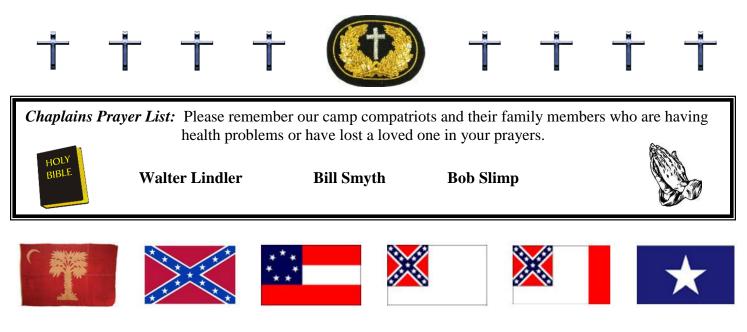
Jonah chapter two chronicles Jonah's prayer of thanksgiving to the LORD. He is praising the LORD for rescuing him in his distress. Jonah uses phrases such as: "*I called to the LORD and He answered me; I called for help and You listened to my cry; You brought my life up from the pit O LORD my God; salvation comes from the LORD.*" It is apparent that Jonah is overwhelmed with gratitude for the LORD'S mercy despite his disobedience.

What stands out the most about this passage is not so much *what* Jonah is saying as much as *from where* he is saying it. The passage begins with, *"From inside the fish Jonah prayed..."* These words of thanksgiving and praise are being lifted up from deep inside a giant fish's hot, stinky belly. From Jonah's perspective, this fish's gut was the LORD'S salvation. Did Jonah know at that point that God planned to command the fish to place him on dry land after three days? From the Scripture we have no indication that he had such knowledge.

So, what did Jonah know? What led him to such gratitude despite his bleak circumstances? Jonah knew he disobeyed God. God commanded Jonah to go to Nineveh, and he chose to rebel and run from God, boarding a ship headed as far from Nineveh as possible. He knew that God sent a huge storm that threatened to sink the ship. And when the men on the ship threw him overboard, the raging sea grew calm. He knew that he was drowning...and perhaps that he deserved such a fate due to his rebellion towards God. And he knew that just in time, a fish swallowed him whole, rescuing him from certain death.

So often, we choose to focus on where we are instead of on who God is and how He has proven Himself faithful. Perspective is everything. Will we focus on the belly of the fish, or on the God who has brought us safely through the storm? Will we lament our situation, or gratefully praise our God of second chances?

Father, Thank You for second chances. Even when I fail, You stand ready to forgive me and set me back on Your path. Please help me to focus on Your goodness, even when I don't understand Your ways. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



Quote: *President Harry S. Truman* (May 8, 1884 – December 26, 1972) speaking about what the Yankee "**Redlegs**" did to his uncle, at age thirteen during the 'War Between the States'.

". . They tried to make my uncle Harrison into an informer, but he wouldn't do it. He was only a boy . . . They tried to hang him, time and again they tried it, 'stretching his neck', they called it, but he didn't say anything. I think he'd have died before he'd said anything. He's the one I'm named after. And I'm happy to say that there were people around at the time who said I took after him."

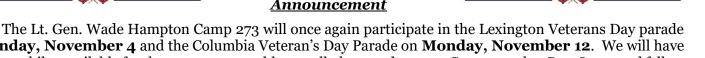
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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS -

Event Date **Contact / Web Site** John M. Kinard Camp 35 Nov. 7, 2018 Meets 7:00 PM 1st Wednesday of the Month -Hawg Heaven – Hwy. 76, Prosperity, SC Palmetto Camp 22 Nov.8 4, 2018 Meets 6:30 PM 1st Thursday of the Month -Cavce Museum, 1800 12th Street, Cavce, SC Hampton Redshirts Meets 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM 1st Tuesday of the Nov. 6, 2018 Month – Cavce Museum – 1800 12th Street, Cayce, SC SC 17th Regiment Camp 2069 Meets 7:00PM Third Monday of the Month -Nov. 19, 2018 6822 Barnwell Rd. Hilda, SC 15th Regt. S.C. Volunteers Camp Meets 6:30 PM last Tuesday of the Month -Oct. 30, 2018 Lizards Thicket – 4616 Augusta Rd. Lexington, SC 51 Meets 7:00 PM Last Tuesday of the Month-Gen. Paul Quattlebaum Camp Oct. 30, 2018 Shealy's BBQ – 340 East Columbia Ave., 412 Batesburg-Leesville, SC Parade begins at 3:00PM rain or shine. Parade Lexington Veterans Day Parade November 4, 2018 route is down Main St. to South Lake Drive. Parade begins at 1:00PM on the square in Signers Monument Dedication November 10, Abbeville, SC and ends at the "Singers Monument" 2018 on Secession Hill where the unveiling and dedication takes place. Parade begins at 10:45AM. Parade route is down **Columbia Veterans Day Parade** November 12, 2018 Sumter St. and ending at Senate St. Cayce Historical Museum's December 1, 2018 Cavce Historical Museum 1800 12th Street Cavce, Annual Christmas Traditions SC Details to be provided



<u>Veteran's Day Parade</u> <u>Announcement</u>



Sunday, November 4 and the Columbia Veteran's Day Parade on **Monday, November 12**. We will have automobiles available for those veterans unable to walk the parade route. Camp member Don Jones and fellow musicians will once again participate and will be playing patriotic music with our beloved <u>"Dixie"</u> played on numerous occasions along the parade routes in both the Columbia and Lexington parades.

Dress Protocol for Camp Participants:

- Those of you who have long ago left the armed services and have your old uniform; we encourage you to wear it.
- If you are currently an active member of any branch of the armed services, we encourage you to wear your uniform.
- Those of you wishing to celebrate your ancestor's service during the War Between the States are encouraged to wear your Confederate uniform.
- Finally, anyone with military service who marches without a uniform, we request you wear a coat and tie.

<u>Please</u> send a confirming email or call if you plan to participate in the parade. If you have a physical issue that would prevent you from marching, please let us know so we can make arrangements for a place in one of the cars we will be using.

I will be sending out additional details for both parades detailing where we will form up for each parade as well as parade rules.

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We are rapidly working our way through the annual renewal period for the SCV and we currently have **8**members who have not renewed. It is important that we maintain and grow our membership. We must be seen as a strong "United" organization working to counter what historical revisionists are attempting to do to our "Southern" history as well as our nation's history. <u>"Let's live up to the CHARGE."</u>

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

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RECRUIT A NEW MEMBER



Individuals interested in joining the SCV or this Camp should contact Billy Pittman, Ph. (803) 939-9652, Email billfish@sc.rr.com *or* Adjutant Charles Bray, Ph. (803) 749-1042, Email cdbiii@bellsouth.net **WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD MEN!**



LAVINIA CORLEY THOMPSON MONUMENT DEDICATION -

I participated in a truly historic monument dedication today honoring Lavinia Corley Thompson (1844-1928).

She is the only African-American woman honored by the 1923-1925 SC Legislature with a Confederate Pension for service to SC during the War Between the States as a cook for the Confederate Army.

About 12 of her direct descendants attended the ceremony. Her great great grandson, Dr. Walter Curry, has organized this effort to honor her and has published a book on The Thompson Family-Untold Stories of the Past 1830-1960.

Walter is a member of the Lt Gen Wade Hampton Camp #273, Sons of Confederate Veterans in Columbia, SC.

Lavinia C. Thompson was a slave. Many African-Americans served with the Confederate Army, some were free, most were slaves who were contributed to the war effort, or who followed their masters into war, and a few actually enlisted voluntarily (not PC these days).

These men (about 100 from SC) and one woman are documented in a booklet: South Carolina's African American Confederate Pensioners 1923-1925 by Alexia Jones Kelsley,

SC Department of Archives and History,1998. Most of these folks in today's terms would be described as part of the Confederate Army's logistics as cooks, laborers, servants, musicians, and teamsters.

Walter Curry has made contact with the descendants of the Corley Family, the owners of his great great grandmother. He describes it as the beginning of a new relationship.

The ceremony consisted of speakers and a military ceremony at the gravesite by a SCV honor guard and firing cannons.

Hollywood and New York would never understand how a rural black church would be receptive to such a ceremony to honor one of their ancestors. The pastor and church officials could not have been more gracious. Their only condition was that the Confederate Battle Flag not be flown due to all the recent controversy. So the First National Flag, CSA (7 stars) and the Bonnie Blue Flag were used instead.

It has been said that truth is stranger than fiction. Today was real history in the making. In a separate Email I will send along some photos.









HAROLD W. MILLS, JR.

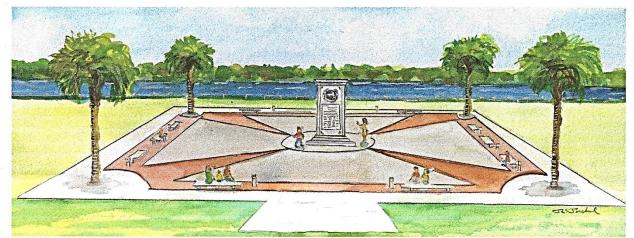
BE A PART OF HISTORY !

Be in attendance on November 10, 2018

In Abbeville, SC for a

Monument Dedication Ceremony

An edifice erected to honor the 170 men, duly elected, who risked their lives, families, & fortunes to decide the best action to protect South Carolina citizens against an un-fair & over-bearing government.



Parade steps off at 1:00PM from the town square with unveiling & dedication at Secession Hill (Festivities to include period dress, music, cannon, & musketry)

Check website for updates at <u>www.scsignersmonument.com</u>



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Important Dates in Lincoln's War to Prevent Southern Independence

Oct. 16 - 18, 1859	Harpers Ferry, VA - John Brown attempts to lead an armed slave insurrection by seizing a federal arsenal at Harpers Ferry, Virginia sparking a national outcry both for and against Brown's actions. The recently-formed Republican Party and their anti-slavery platform received blame for inspiring violence. U.S. Marines, commanded by future Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee, suppress the insurrectionists. Brown was caught and sentenced to death; his hanging witnessed by Abraham Lincoln's assassinator John Wilkes Booth.	Camp Meeting THURSDAY, OCT. 25 6:00 P.M.
Oct. 2 - 3, 1861	Camp Bartow, VA – During the night of October 2-3, UN Brig. Gen. Joseph Reynolds with two brigades advanced from Cheat Mountain to reconnoiter the Confederate position at Camp Bartow on the Greenbrier River. Reynolds drove in the Confederate pickets and opened fire with his artillery. After sporadic fighting and an abortive attempt to turn his enemy's right flank, Reynolds withdrew to Cheat Mountain	LEI CONTRACTOR
Oct. 21, 1861	Ball's Bluff Harrison's Landing Leesburg, VA - Confederate Brig. Gen. Nathan "Shanks" Evans stopped a badly coordinated attempt by Union forces under Brig. Gen. C. P. Stone to cross the Potomac at Harrison's Island and capture Leesburg	SEAWELL'S
Oct. 5, 1863	Murfreesboro , TN – CSA Gen. Wheeler's Calvary destroys the bridge at Stone's River near Murfreesboro, cutting another important link in the Union supply line.	1125 Rosewood Drive Columbia, SC
Oct. 4, 1864	Dallas, GA – CSA Gen. Hood's army matches toward Dallas, GA, detailing a strong force of cavalry which tears up 15 miles of railroad above Marietta, GA.	Speaker Mr. Mike Long (Guns of the
Oct. 5, 1864	Altoona, GA – CSA Gen. French's forces attack a federal supply base/garrison. After a 2-hour artillery bombardment Union forces refuse to surrender. Gen. French withdraws when Union reinforcements arrive.	Confederacy)

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