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Al Sharpton, Dick Cheney and yet another Flag Flap

After a New York Daily News photographer captured the 3-by-5 foot Dixie flag affixed to a door in the garage of the Clove Valley Gun and Rod Club in upstate Union Vale, NY where Vice President Dick Cheney was hunting last week, Rev. Al Sharpton wasted no time spewing forth his hateful and disrespectful speech towards one of our most cherished symbols:

"It's appalling for the VP to be at a private club displaying the flag of lynching, hate and murder. It's the epitome of an insult... This is an outrage - he ought to leave immediately," Sharpton told The News. "He ought to apologize to the American people for being there in the first place."

Not surprisingly, Sharpton demanded Cheney distance himself from the offending hunt club where "the Stars and Bars" [sic] was flown.

Quick on the heels of this outrage, SCV headquarters issued the following press release:

"It has come to our attention that Al Sharpton has used highly volatile and untrue words to inject his prejudice into a non-story with Vice President Cheney.

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The offending photograph.
You might be able to make out the flag if you try real hard...

Bus Tour of Sherman's March to be held on November 17

The Greater Columbia Civil War Alliance (GCCWA) still has a few seats for the bus tour of the Left Wing of Sherman's army to be held on Saturday, November 17, 2007. The cost is only \$20.00 per person and the will be narrated by Dean Hunt, a South Carolina history teacher who has written a book about Sherman's Left Wing that is currently being published. The tour will be leaving from Cayce Historical Museum at 10 a.m., the tour will last around three hours.

According to the GCCWA's announcement, the tour will begin by traveling to the southern boundary of Lexington County, where the Union army entered the District. We will tour the skirmish sites along the North Edisto River and make stops at Jeffcoat's, Horsey's and Gunter's Bridges, where dismounted Confederate cavalry and artillery disputed the Union army's crossing the river. The Confederates burned all three bridges and delayed the Federal advance by one day. Next, we will travel north of the town of Pelion, S.C. to visit camp sites of the Union army and skirmish sites at the following locations:

- Skirmish at Columbia crossroads north of Pelion
- Skirmish site near Edmund community, where the Left Wing encountered a brigade of Confederate cavalry
- Skirmish sites along Old Orangeburg Road, where there were multiple cavalry actions
- Site of heavy skirmish at Congaree Creek near Red Bank, S.C., where some 50 dismounted Confederate cavalry burned the bridge at the creek and chopped down trees in the road to slow the Federal advance
- Skirmish at Red Bank Creek
- Skirmish at Two League Crossroads
- Ending with the Union advance into the town of Lexington at the Court House at Hwy 6 and I-20

For tickets or more information, please contact Liz Jenkins at the Greater Columbia Civil War Alliance by phone at 803-217-0071 or by e-mail at gccwa@knappagency.com.

Compatriots,

This month our Camp will hold elections. Please put thought into who you'd like to see lead the Camp in 2008. Our current Adjutant, Layne Waters, has offered to be Adjutant for one more term. Layne has done an outstanding job and I think we should back him in 2008. As for Commander, there are many men among us who can handle the duties, but just don't think they can. If you know of a man who'd make a good Commander, by all means nominate him! Your expression of trust may just be the push he needs in the right direction. I have enjoyed being chosen your Commander for the last two years, but I will not accept nomination for a third term. It is time for a new leader.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of you who voted in favor of the takeover of the *Battle*

for Columbia event by the Camp, and to thank Jeff O'Cain for funding the event for the last four years. Many of us believe that the event is a great way to fulfill our obligations to the Charge by educating the public on the true history of the South. With the efforts of every man in the Camp, we will not fail. Our Camp's time to shine will begin almost immediately with event planning and efforts to make a profit on this event for the Camp. We need anyone who has an interest in helping with this *Camp project* to contact any member of the Camp staff so we can get you in the loop and find out what you're able and willing to do to help.

I also appreciate the honest expression of opinion by those of you who voted against the takeover, whatever your reasons may be.

Our meeting this month will be

one week earlier than usual, on the 15th. Our speaker will be Krissy Dunn of the South Carolina Confederate Relic Room and Military Museum. Ms. Dunn will be telling us all about South Carolinians at Gettysburg. You don't want to miss Krissy's return visit!

I'd like to put together another unofficial Camp meeting in December. Last year we had a private tour of the Relic Room in December. This year I thought we could meet up in town and ride out to Kensington Mansion near Eastover. I have heard that Wade Hampton got married there, but I have not talked to anyone yet who is sure about that. Anyway, if you're interested let me know. If we have enough folks interested I'll put it together.

See y'all on the 15th!

Chaplain's Pulpit

—REV. ROBERT SLIMP

Compatriots,

A member of our Camp, Charles W. Patrick Sr., went home to be with the Lord, Friday, November 2. He was born in Gaffney, SC and served in the US Air Force. He was in military intelligence and was selected for a confidential assignment at the American Embassy in Belgrade, Yugoslavia in 1964.

He became a successful business man and was for many years head of the Grain Marketing Division in North and South Carolina. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Columbia and was active in our SCV Camp back in the 1970's and 80's. Until recently, he attended at least one or two meetings every year and was a current member at the time of his death. Let us remember his family in our prayers.

I have spoken to several of our members who remember him well and

have testified that he was a very active member until he moved back to Gaffney several years ago.

Let us also pray for Compatriot and Colonel Robert Hollingsworth who is in Kuwait and who is working in areas of government, infrastructure, power grids, transportation, sewerage, water etc. He has an important mission. He says, "I miss seeing everyone, but I am speaking with several of my Sailors, Airmen, and Soldiers of my proud Confederate lineage!" We may all be proud of Bob Hollingsworth as he serves his country in the Middle East.

Let us all remember our Confederate Veterans. Let us take every opportunity to remind our fellow Southerners, and indeed all who will listen of the rightness and truth of their cause. We must also honor them by preserving

their history, why they fought and why we must never give up or surrender our Southern culture and symbols.

I wish to conclude by quoting the inscription on the Texas State Confederate Monument in Austin:

These valiant soldiers died for States' Rights, guaranteed under the Constitution. The people of the South, animated by the spirit of 1776 to preserve their rights, withdrew from the Federal compact in 1861. The South against overwhelming numbers and resources, fought until exhausted. Let none of the survivors or descendants of these men offer in their behalf the penitential plea, they believed they were right, be it ours to transmit to posterity our unequivocal confidence in the righteousness of the cause for which these men died.

ADJUTANT NOTICE

Sixty- Eight, (68) 2007 Members have *not* paid their 2008 dues as of today (Nov. 8th)

All are now delinquent for 2008 and will require an additional \$10.00 (A total of \$55.00) to cover the SCV-IHQ and SC-DIV \$5.00 late fees to be reinstated.

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Individuals interested in joining the SCV or this Camp should contact
Comp. Scott James, Ph. (803) 781-1836, E-mail wscottjames@bellsouth.net
WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD MEN!

Flag Flap

It appears to be another attempt by Sharpton to grab headlines and falsely cry 'racism' for profit.

"According to wire reports, a photographer for the New York Daily News took a picture of a Confederate flag hanging in the garage of a private hunting lodge where Vice President Cheney was hunting. Since this Cheney hunting trip apparently garnered no real news, the media ran the picture to Sharpton for comment. Sharpton did not disappoint, pronouncing the New York club as

"representing lynching, hate and murder of black people."

"Once again Mr. Sharpton demonstrates his bigotry by trying to unjustly disparage the Confederate soldier's flag.

"In the hearts of millions of diverse Americans, as well as by federal law, Confederate soldiers are U. S. veterans, and Sharpton's divisive antics are dismaying to most fair-minded Americans.

"The Sons of Confederate Veterans demands Sharpton apologize for

his remarks.

"In the future, if Mr. Sharpton again chooses to play politics, he should leave out his messages of hate and anger toward Confederate veterans and their symbols."

I, for one, am not holding out any hope for an apology from Mr., I mean, Rev. Sharpton. If nothing else, this kind of madness keeps your humble newsletter editor from having to look far and wide for material of interest to pass along to the camp...

Greetings from Kuwait

—COL. WILLIAM R. HOLLINGSWORTH, JR.

Hello Fellow SCV Compatriots-

I am in Kuwait. We will soon conclude our training here. We will be in Iraq within the coming week. I will be spending most of my time at Camps Victory and Slayer. I will be the Special Functions Cell Chief. I know that probably doesn't mean much to

you. What it means is that I will have a team of approximately 20-25 specialists who will plan and coordinate nation-wide projects in the areas of Rule of Law, Governance, Health and Welfare, and Infrastructure (includes power grids, transportation, sewage water, etc.) I will be on mission through July of 08. Give the

Camp members my regards. I miss seeing everyone. But, I have spoken to several of my fellow Sailors, Airmen, and Soldiers of my proud Confederate lineage!!!

Take care,

Compatriot Hollingsworth

One for the Book...



Companions Layne Waters (center) and Paul Graham (right) stand with R.W. John McMillian, Past Master of St. Johns Masonic Lodge 192 in Muthill Pershire, Scotland, where the Southern Cross of St. Andrew is proudly displayed.

Sherman in Atlanta

"It is a remarkable fact that while the male natives of the South have ceased to bear animosity toward the grim old warrior who left a black souvenir of Georgia forty miles wide and 300 long, the women, on the contrary, will never forget that Sherman burned their homes, and they uniformly refuse to regard him as anything else than as invader, "and a despoiler." - Cincinnati Commercial.

The women of the South would be lost to all decency and self-respect if they ever should look upon Sherman as anything else than an invader, despoiler and brigand. Sherman went beyond his legitimate duties to tyrannize over helpless women and children; he went out of his way to exercise heartless cruelty. Sherman ordered the women and children in Atlanta to leave their homes within five days. The Mayor of the city appealed to Sherman for mercy, representing in piteous language the "woe, the horror, the suffering, not to be described by words, which the execution of that order would inflict on helpless women and children." Sherman replied in these words: "I give full credit to your statements of the distress that will be occasioned by it, and yet I shall not revoke my order, because my orders are not designed to meet the humanities of the case."

At the end of five days the women and children of Atlanta were expelled from their houses and driven from the city, and before they had passed into the Confederate lines, they were robbed by the Federal officers and soldiers who were sent to guard them, of the few articles they had been permitted to take with them.

The Commercial complains that Sherman was not banqueted at Atlanta. Had Sherman possessed the decency of a well-bred dog, he would never have shown himself in Atlanta after the atrocities he there committed.

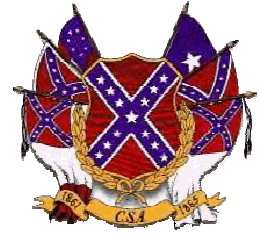
Source: *Southern Historical Society Papers*, Vol. X, Richmond, VA, 1882. pp.332-333

Important Dates in the *War of Secession*:

- Nov. 2, 1861 – The British steamer *Bermuda*, runs through a Federal blockade and escapes Charleston, SC, with 2,000 bales of cotton.
- Nov. 3, 1863 – Charleston, SC. Federal artillery bombards Fort Sumter with 661 rounds.
- Nov. 4, 1864 – Gen. Forrest attacks and bombards Johnsonville, TN, destroying Federal gunboats, transports and storage warehouses, and causing over two million dollars in damages.
- Nov. 5, 1861 – Gen. Lee is named the commander of the new Confederate Department of SC, GA and East FL.
- Nov. 7, 1863 – Severe fighting erupts on the Rappahannock River at Kelly's Ford and Rappahannock Station.
- Nov. 12, 1861 – The Confederate blockade runner *Fingal*, bought in England, arrives in Savannah with military supplies.
- Nov. 18, 1864 – In GA, Sherman's "march to the sea" continues as Union troops move between Ocmulgee and Oconee Rivers.
- Nov. 19, 1861 – Round Mountain, Indian Territory. Texas Confederates and pro-Southern Cherokees attack pro-union Creek Indians who are fleeing to Kansas.
- Nov. 23, 1863 – The Battle of Chattanooga begins.
- Nov. 27, 1864 – In VA, the U.S. Army transport ship *Greyhound* is sunk by a Confederate torpedo in the James River.
- Nov. 28, 1861 – MO is officially admitted into the Confederate States of America.
- Nov. 30, 1864 – Battle of Franklin, TN. Six Confederate generals lose their lives in the largest frontal assault of the war.

Y'all Come!!!

Next Camp Meeting
Thursday, Nov. 15
6:00 PM



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This month's speaker will be
Krissy Dunn
 on

South Carolinians at the
Battle of Gettysburg

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