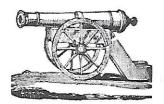
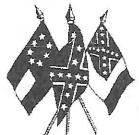
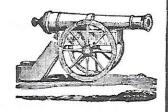
The Delta General







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WELCOME NEW MEMBER

We want to take this opportunity to welcome our newest member John Aaron Lee who comes on the record of his Great-grandfather Sergeant John Henry Lee Co. H, 30th Mississippi Infantry-try. Mr. Lee was recruited by Compatriot Henry McCabe.

THANKSGIVING IS NOT OVER!!!

Although Thanksgiving Day has passed us by, this is truly the season to be thankful. With the Christmas comes a thankfulness that should be with us the year round. I'm talking about the thanks that we should feel and express everyday for the fact that God chose to send His Son to earth to minister and be a Sacrifice for the sins of all mankind.

Our Camp has many Blessings to be thankful for this year. We have experienced an almost "dream" year with an enthusiasm that few have seen ever. Among our many blessings is the recent illness of Compatriot Paul Artman. We all give thanks to Almighty God that Mr. Paul's medical problems were not as severe as first thought. We also should be thankful that we

met almost all Commander McCluney's goals for the year. We fell short of our membership drive, but there is always next year.

Let us all remember that the birth of our Lord Jesus is the reason that we celebrate this holiday and let us all count our blessings.

DECEMBER MEETING

Our meeting will be December 17th at 7:00 p.m. at The First Presbyterian Church, 311 Catchings, Indianola. We have a full agenda so we need all members to be present. We will be discussing the final plans for the Lee and Jackson Banquet in January. We will also be presenting the Charter for the Ella Palmer Chapter of the Order of the Confederate Rose. This is a once in a lifetime event and we want to make it a very special time for the Ladies of the OCR who worked to make this happen. Men don't forget to bring your special "finger" foods and make this a joyous occasion.

COMMANDER'S LETTER

My Fellow Compatriots:

First I would like to take this time to say, "We Miss You, Paul Artman." I hope you are doing well. "Mr. Paul" has been sick recently and it is very rare for him to miss a meeting. We hope you have recovered and will be with us for the December meeting.

I hope that everyone will take time out to attend our December meeting in record numbers. We had a large crowd in November, over twenty people in attendance, for the program on the Battle of Port Gibson. Many members were delighted in the slide show. Amazingly, the slides revealed that much of that area has not changed since the war. Our December meeting will be the Charter dedication ceremony for the ELLA PALMER CHAPTER #9, ORDER OF THE CONFEDERATE ROSE. The ladies have worked very hard to establish this important auxiliary to our organization. Remember that all of our men are to bring some type of finger food for the fellowship as we welcome this new addition.

Also, be prepared to discuss and finalize all plans for the LEE/JACKSON Dinner at the meeting. The date for the event is January 23, 1999, at the Leland Country Club. The menu, time, guests, and other details are still to be worked out. Grady Howell, author of TO LIVE AND DIE IN DIXIE, is to be our guest speaker.

As we approach the holiday season, we must not forget the sacrifices that our ancestors made those four winters away from home and families. Let us not forget the true and just CAUSE they fought for that many revisionists would try to rewrite and forget. During this season, let us remember how these men endured the separation from home during the holiday season and the melancholy they felt.

For those who cannot make the meeting in December, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a Merry Christmas and the Happiest of New Years. Now I must close. God bless each and everyone and remember to KEEP THOSE SOUTHERN COLORS FLYNG.

God Bless the South, Larry McCluney

OCR PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Ladies and Gentlemen of the South:

I have the OCR pins and will bring them to the charter dedication ceremony. I will also have the certificates for the charter ceremony. I hope that you are as excited about the ceremony as I am and are looking forward to the night.. Also I have the scrapbook so we can begin work on it. Mrs Betty Furr donated the money for this and we would like to thank her for that contribution. We have a big night on December 17th but we must take time out to prepare for the LEE/JACKSON Dinner. The men are going to need a lot of help from us on this event and it is now time to get busy. Be prepared to discuss suggestions for preparations for that event.

I hope everyone got a chance to see the flag that Ann decorated for us. She did a beautiful job and it will be displayed proudly at all of our meetings and events. The Ella Palmer Chapter would also like to take this opportunity to thank the men of the Brig/General Benjamin G. Humphreys Camp for your generous contribution for the framing of our charter. I would also like to congratulate everyone on a job well done for the food at our November meeting. I hope everyone enjoyed the fellowship as well as I did. I know the men did!

Now I must close. Let us not forget the sacrifices our ancestors made on battlefields far away from home and missed Christmas on four different occasions with their families for a Cause they rightfully felt just. See you at our December meeting.

Happy Holidays and God Bless the South
Annette McCluneyPresident

