# The Delta General







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## THANK YOU !!!!!

This is probably my last issue of the Delta General and as my tour as Editor comes to an end, I want to thank each of you for your encouragement and assistance. This has at times been frustrating but a truly enjoyable experience. I do extend my heartfelt thanks to each of you and ask that you continue to assist the new Editor.

## 1999 YEARBOOK.

Letter from John Echols -Communications Offiver Mississippi Division - SCV

Compatriots:

The 99 Yearbook is at the printer. Adjutant/Editor Tom Waggener expects to have it ready for distribution shortly after the first of the year. It is 127 pages with over 130 photographs. The cost will be as follows:

If it is ordered by mail, the cost is:

1-4 copies \$7.00 each (This includes

mailing and handling)

5-9 copies \$6.00 each (This includes

mailing and handling)

10 or more \$5.00 (There will be no

charge for mailing)

We encourage the camps to order 10 or more. They will not have any trouble getting their money back through sales to their members, If they will order right away, they will get their books shipped as soon as they arrive.

Anyone wishing to pre-order or oder when they come in may contact Tom at:

Tom Waggener Rt 3 Box 152 Taylorsville, MS 39168-9527 Compatriots, this is definitely a publication that you need to add to your library, both personal and in your locality. To the best of my knowledge no other Division publishes one and you want to support your Division and make certain it continues. Our thanks and appreciation for this outstanding job.

Deo Vindice.

John Echols Communications Officer Mississippi Division.

NOTE: I STILL HAVE SEVERAL COPIES OF THE 1998 YEARBOOK THAT I WAS UNABLE TO SELL.

# WISHES FOR SPEEDY RECOVERY

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Compatriot Herman Wilson recently encountered a severe health problem, but I understand that he is now at home and doing much better. Our thoughts and prayers are with him. Get well soon.

# THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE WAS SUBMITTED BY MS. SUSAN WILLIAMS

The Grenada Sentinel January 12, 1901

Mule Meat Rations

Southern Soldiers knew its Taste at Vicksburg

Editor Sentinel: - Always feeling a deep interest in finding truthful records of our late civil war, I was greatful to see that Col. J.L. Power in his "Mississippi Matters" of recent date, was able to add a statement in regard to the use of "mule meat" by General Pemberton's men during the seige of Vicksburg in 1863. I would like to show Colonel a peice of mule steak my husband brought out to me after the fall of Vicksburg, he having dried by "Jerking" it for his rations on July 3, 1863. It was a liberal slice when he first gave it to me, but it has been subdivided as momentos until it is now but a small piece,

therefore preventing me from sending a bit of it to the truthful historian Col. J.L. Power.

My husband did not see the flesh of the canine tested, but he did witness an exciting wrangle between two poor half-starved but bravely gallant men of ours over a rat, both of whom thought he had killed the prey and was entitled to it for his breakfast. Indeed truth should record the courage of such soldiers.

Mrs. P.S. Dudley

(Mississippi Matters - Notes of the Past and Current Events by J.L. Power was a popular column run in newspapers of the day.)

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## DECEMBER MEETING

Thursday, December 16th at 7:00 PM. Please be there !!!!! This is our annual business meeting. We will be finalizing the plans for the Lee/Jackson Dinner, Voting on the changes to the By-Laws and electing officers for the next two years. Your presence and input are very important. This is your camp and your participation is invited. You need to present your ideas for the operation of the camp.

Our camp is growing and in order that this growth continue the assistance of all members is important. The officers can't always run the camp, it takes all members working with them.

#### MOS&B CHAPTER

I just received notification that our application for MOS&B Chapter has been accepted and we should receive our Charter soon. The title is Brig. General Charles Clark Chapter No. 253

Commander: Lt. Commander:

Adjutant:

Earl McCown Jr.

ander:

Randle Furr Sr. Frank Aderholdt

## COMMANDER'S NOTE

My Fellow Compatriots,

The Holiday Season is upon us and we are all busy with various Christmas activities. I hope we do not forget the importance of this month to elect new officers and adopt the Camp's new By-Laws. It is very important that all members show up for this important meeting as we choose our new leadership for the new millenium.

Also, as you know, the By-Laws Committee has worked really hard to come up with the new revised by-laws for the Camp. The old ones that were drawn up when the Camp was formed are behind the times. The State and National Constitutions have been amended and we have not changed with times. Also our current By-Laws have so many inaccuracies, typoegraphical errors and vaugeness that it leaves the door open for uncertainties and future problems.

Please make all effort to attend this very important meeting. We are setting the ground work here for the future of our Camp. As you know from the communications from National Headquarters, the year 2000 poses to be the beginning of an all out attack on our heritage and we must be prepared to meet this attack head on. As you know, the NAACP and its allies are organizing to renew their attacks on our heritage and it starts in South Carolina. The NAACP is placing all their cards on the table in an effort to remove the flag over the capitol in Columbia, South Carolina. This campaign begins January 1, 2000, and it will have a domino affect throughout the South. If we give in now what will those people want next? If they win here they will want to change the flag designs of Mississippi and Georgia, and remove Confederate Monuments in public places, eliminate Confederate names in parks, public buildings, schools and streets. Those people will attempt to wipe out forever the truth about our heritage in an effort to be more "politically correct." I say NO to this and challenge all members to rally to this cause. How can you make a difference? The first step is attending the December meeting so we can gather our forces and prepare for the New Year and these renewed attacks.

Remember the mission set forth to us by General Stephen Dill Lee, "...remember, it is your duty (the Sons of Confederate Veterans) to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations." Rall to the cause and don't be a BACK SEAT REBEL and answer the call. The South once again needs all of its sons if we are to stop this new Campaign against our heritage.

Now I must close. I hope to see all of you at the last meeting of the millenium.

Deo Vindice,

Larry McClunney, Commander

#### OCR PRESIDENT'S NOTE

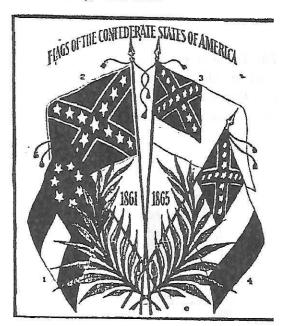
Ladies and Gentlemen of the South,

I come to you with heavy heart during this Holiday Season. As you know, the forces of the "Politically Correct" are gathering their armies to begin a new campaign of attacks on our heritage beginning in the new year. During the war, the men were on the forefront while the women of the South carried on the battle at home. Now we must do the same. We must prepare for this new attack and hold firm our ground by increasing out membership in the new year, be more public, educate our young people, and prepare to be more active with the men. Remember, their fight is also our fight.

At our December meeting, I hope to see all of you as we finalize plans for the Lee/Jackson Dinner. As you know, it is the social highpoint each year for the SCV/OCR as we honor the birthdays of two of the South's greatest heros. It will be the first meeting of the new millenium and should prove very exciting as we make this banquet even more enjoyable than the last. I hope everyone will take time out from their very busy holiday preparations and make all effort to attend. Until then, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

God Bless the Southland,

Annette McClunney, OCR President



Merry Christmas and Dappy New Year