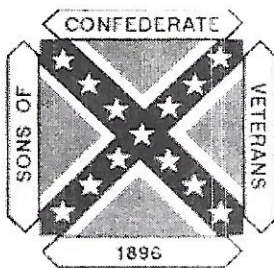


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"Remember, it is your DUTY to see that the true history of the South is presented to future



Recap of the July Meeting Meeting

Our July "General Forrest Birthday Picnic" was a great success. There were 40 people in attendance with plenty of food for all. The highlight of the evening was a film on General Forrest that everyone found interesting. There were many displays on the General from books to pictures as well. The men of the Camp would also like to thank the ladies of the Ella Palmer Chapter for sponsoring the meeting as it was a success for the second year in a row.



Our Camp also gained a new member that night, Mr. Jack Taylor. Jack's ancestor was his Great-Great-Great-Grandfather Nathaniel Taylor, Pvt., Co. B, 5th Mississippi Cavalry. Jack comes to us from Lakewood, Colorado.

August Meeting Will Be Held on 17 August 2000

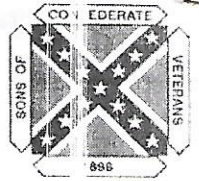
For those who have missed meetings lately you are missing some really great fellowship. Our average attendance to the meetings have risen to 40. We are starting to get a lot of attention and our members are "rallying around the flag." Please make the effort to join us at our next meeting for you are the ones that makes this Camp and when your are not there , you are surely missed.

Remember that your Dues will be due in August for the 2000-2001 year

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Commander's Note: Earl McCown, Jr.



Greetings,

It is encouraging to see the increase in attendance at our Camp meetings. Our July meeting was attended by forty people including at least five guests. All of the guests voiced a desire to join our Camp. That would mean three more OCR members and two more SCV members. If we could get all of our members to attend, we probably would need a larger meeting area. I hope for that day. For those of you not attending, we really do miss you.

It is also encouraging to see that we are all focused on the same goal. I feel that we have all had the same things in mind as far as defending our Confederate Heritage, but now I am hearing some UNITY in our voices. The NAACP is stronger than ever and are determined to destroy all evidence of the War Between the States. We must not allow this to happen. We must unite and become as one in order to stand against the foe!!! They are well organized and they are determined. We can do no less. We must stand as one and be counted and now is the time. This is not something we can take care of tomorrow, it is here now and has to be dealt with. We cannot fall back and dwell on things that we have done in the past, the NAACP will "eat us alive" if we do. We must be alert and go forward with this fight. We have no choice in the matter now.

It is time to pay our dues for the coming year. We need to do this as soon as possible.

I hope to see you at the August meeting,
Earl M. McCown Jr., Commander

NAACP Threatens Mississippi Boycott

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As a board appointed by Gov. Ronnie Musgrove debates whether to change the state flag, the NAACP is considering expanding its boycott of South Carolina to include Mississippi and Georgia. On Tuesday, at the NAACP's national convention in Baltimore, the group's Georgia chapter offered a resolution urging churches, businesses and corporations to avoid states where the Confederate battle flag or emblem is flown in public places. That specifically targets Mississippi and Georgia because the Confederate symbol is part of their state flags.

The resolution was adopted by national NAACP board members. It will not become NAACP policy until it is voted on by the 64-member national board of directors in October.

Musgrove recently appointed a commission to make a recommendation on whether the Confederate symbol should be removed from Mississippi's 106-year-old state flag. But the commission has until May of next year - well after the state Legislature convenes in January - to make a recommendation. Rep. Erik Fleming, D-Jackson, said the flag should be redesigned quickly before NAACP activists demonstrate against Mississippi. "I don't want Mississippi's tourism and economy to be stunted because of some stubborn individuals who don't want to let go of the past," Fleming said. "The longer we prolong this issue, the harder it will be to resolve."

The Rebel flag issue caused tension on the Coast earlier this year, when residents, Coast NAACP-branches and other groups protested against Harrison County flying the flag at its Eight Flags display on the beach. The county removed the flags and plans to replace Eight Flags with a historical display that flies only the American flag.

In May, angered over government and community reaction to the flag issue and to Black Springbreak held on the Coast, the Biloxi branch of the NAACP called for a one-day "blackout," urging black consumers to refrain from spending money at unauthorized. The NAACP began its boycott of the South Carolina tourism industry Jan. 1 because the Rebel flag flew above the Statehouse dome. After months of legislative debate, the flag came down July 1 and a similar banner was raised at the nearby Confederate Soldier Monument. The NAACP said that is still too prominent and the boycott would continue and be expanded until the flag was off Statehouse grounds. South Carolina Attorney General Charlie Condon says he will continue to investigate a possible lawsuit against the NAACP over the boycott.

The Confederate Cookbook: Family Favorites from the SCV

The Confederate Cookbook is now available with over 340 of Dixie's finest recipes courtesy of contemporary kitchens from Florida to Alaska. Here you will find delicious traditional dishes that evoke the flavor of the Old South, as well as savory contemporary and regional favorites from all over the country that will make your mouth water.

So our yourself a big glass of sweet tea and enjoy! Fascinating historic anecdotes and previously unpublished, nostalgic sepia-toned images of identified Confederate Soldiers are here for maximum visual appeal, along with easy-to-use instructions on how to make some of the most memorable dishes ever to grace your sideboard. All royalties on sales on this book benefit the SCV. Dial 1-800-843-1724 to order your copy today at \$25.00 a book.

Reparations for Slavery?

By Walter Williams of the Jewish World Review

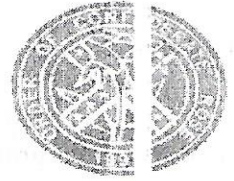
IF THE NOVEMBER ELECTIONS put Democrats in control of the House of Representatives, we can expect John Conyers, D-Mich., to introduce legislation that would set up a committee to decide who would qualify for reparations for slavery, whether they should be compensated in cash, land or some other payment, and how much each black person would receive. City councils in Chicago, Houston, Detroit and several other cities have already called for Congress to hold hearings on reparations.

First off, let me say that I agree with reparations advocates that slavery was a horrible, despicable violation of basic human rights. I'd also agree that were it possible slave owners should make reparations to those whom they enslaved. The problem, of course, is both slaves as well as their owners are all dead. Thus, punishing perpetrators and compensating victims is out of the hands of the living. Reparations advocates, however, want today's blacks to be compensated for the suffering of our ancestors. If we acknowledge that government has no resources of its very own, and that to give one American a dollar government must first confiscate it from some other American, we might ask what moral principle justifies forcing a white of today to pay a black of today for what a white of yesteryear did to a black of yesteryear? We might also recognize that a large percentage of today's Americans, be they of European, Asian, African or Latin ancestry, don't even go back three or four generations. Are they to be held accountable and taxed for slavery and why? Then there's the fact that white slave owners aren't the only villains in the piece. In Africa, Moslems dominated the slave trade in the 18th and 19th centuries. Africans also engaged in slave trade with Europeans. In fact, there was plantation slavery in some parts of Africa, such as the Sudan, Zanzibar and Egypt. Thus, a natural question arises: Do reparations advocates hold those who sold blacks into slavery subject to reparations payments? After all slavery, of the scale seen in the western hemisphere, would have been all but impossible without the help of Africans and Arabs. Incidentally, President Clinton apologizing for slavery in Africa, of all places, is stupid -- apologizing to descendants of slave traders for slavery in America.

Though it's not politically correct to say, today's blacks benefitted immensely from the horrors suffered by our ancestors. You say: "What do you mean, Williams? Would you run that by us?" Most black Americans are in the solid middle class. In fact, if we totaled the income black Americans earned each year, and thought of ourselves as a separate nation, we'd be the 14th or 15th richest nation. Even the 34 percent of blacks considered to be poor are fairly well off by world standards. Had there not been slavery, and today's blacks were born in Africa instead of the United States, we'd be living in the same poverty that today's Africans live in and under the same brutal regimes. If reparations were to be made, then what? Would reparations payments accomplish what the 6 trillion dollars spent since 1965 on the War on Poverty didn't? Let's face the fact that there's not one thing anyone can do to change the past. There's a lot we can do about the future. Dwelling on the past comes at the expense of preparing for the future. There's one condition where I might fall prey to the reparations temptation. The federal government owns up to 90 percent of the land in western states such as Alaska, Nevada, New Mexico and California. Turning that land over to blacks, and hence into private hands, might not be a bad

Ella Palmer Chapter #9: OCR
President's Note: Annette McCluney

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Ladies of the South,

As you know, August is the time for us to elect new officers. The past two years has been very eventful for us and now we must choose our leaders for the next two years. Have this on your mind as we come together at our meeting on August 17.

As you know, the State Executive Committee has been working hard on the new Society By-laws and they are completed and adopted. I will try to make sure each of you get a copy at the meeting. The men last month voted to sponsor the Siege of Fort Pemberton Reenactment. We have set up a recruiting table every year at this event and I propose that we vote to sponsor this event as well and purchase an add in the program as well.

I hope to see each and everyone of you at this important meeting. Bring a friend. People are starting to hear more about our Society and they want to belong.

God Bless the South,
Annette McCluney

New Pro-Confederate Center Opens in Wiggins, Mississippi

On the first of August, in the Year of our Lord Jesus Christ, Two Thousand, the Confederate States Research Centre will open its doors to the good people of Stone County, Mississippi. The purpose of the Centre is to counter the ever-growing trend of defamation of all things Southern by the National Association for the Advancement of Coloured People (N.A.A.C.P.), the Nation of Islam (Black Muslims), "Rip" Daniels of WJZD Radio in Biloxi, and all other agitators for "political correctness." Southerners have a proud history and heritage that is worthy of respect by all people, and yet Southern heroes are either ignored, or openly maligned in the public school system and in the mainstream media and entertainment industry. Southern history is rewritten and distorted to suit the latest agenda of the ruling elite, and Southern culture and religion is trampled underfoot by masses of social miscreants who have been brainwashed to hate what they do not understand. It is time for someone to stand up and say, "Enough is Enough!" and the staff of the Confederate States Research Centre intends to do just that.

This unique Centre will feature a free Southern History Library which will include copies of rare and out-of-print Confederate and Copperhead books that the average public library would never dare to place on its shelves. Also free to the public will be the Lecture Room where continuous video or audio taped lectures on Southern History, Reformed theology, and related subjects will be played throughout each week-day, and an occasional live lecture on the weekends (we will be posting an online schedule soon). In addition, we will have a wide selection of historical and theological materials for purchase as well as Southern bumper stickers, t-shirts, flags, and other memorabilia.

The Confederate States Research Centre is located at 155 East Pine Street in Downtown Wiggins. Our hours will vary, so please consult the schedule. The Centre is a non-profit educational outreach and is sponsored by FreeMississippi.org, Crown Rights Book Company, and Apologia Book Shoppe. Donations to this work are welcome, but please note that they will not be tax-deductible. Subscriptions to the monthly The Rebel Yell newsletter are free upon request.

NATIONAL WEEKLY SCV RADIO SHOW

Is your local radio station pro-Confederate? If so, your help is needed! The creation of a weekly, national, call-in radio program was the subject of a proposal, developed by Ron Casteel, put before the SCV General Executive Council at the council's March meeting in Columbia, SC. The proposal was given unanimous approval by the governing body. Such a broadcast would be an excellent, cost-effective way for the SCV to get its heritage message before the public across the nation and throughout Dixie. But says Casteel, the program can become reality only if SCV members assist him in identifying radio stations within each division that are either Confederate-friendly or aren't intimidated by the likes of Nfume and friends. Stations that would consider airing a top-drawer, professionally produced program crammed full of Confederate heritage news. A program that would cost the participating station nothing. Casteel says the show can only be launched if a sufficient number of stations can be lined up to both maximize the audience as well as justify the substantial expense involved in putting the show up on satellite for national / international distribution. The program would originate in Jefferson City, Missouri and uplinked from there by one of the leading national satellite distribution companies. Whether this effort becomes fact or remains only a plan depends upon locating at least five to ten stations per state to carry the broadcast. So, if you know a radio station whose owner, manager, sales, program, or news director who might assist in getting the program aired in your area, please get in touch with Casteel and let him know the call letters, a contact person and their position, a telephone number and postal address. Only with your help can cooperating stations, the "needles in the haystack," be located out of the thousands of radio stations across the nation and throughout Dixie. If you can help, please contact Ron Casteel. He can be reached by mail at 617-4 Woodlander Drive, Jefferson City, MO 65101, by telephone at 573-761-3007 or by email at MoSecesh@aol.com Maybe we can find one of the "needles."

HISTORIC CONFEDERATE NATIONAL ORIGIN CLAIM SETTLES

A Federal lawsuit that settled in July is the first ever settlement of a Federal claim alleging discrimination based on National Origin - Confederate Southern American! Kathy Knight filed a pro-se Federal discrimination claim against Ben Mynatt Chevrolet of Concord, North Carolina in 1999 alleging sexual harassment, discrimination based on her being proud of her Southern Heritage and hostile work environment leading to her resignation from Mynatt's employment. Kirk D. Lyons assisted Kathy in drafting the pleadings and later became counsel of record with local counsel Robert D. Palmer.

At the time, Knight was active on behalf of her daughter, Katie Knight, over the Cabarrus County School's policy on Confederate symbols. Mynatt's wife was Chairman of the Cabarrus County Board of Education. Kathy's case was settled by Palmer at a court ordered arbitration on June 27 in Greensboro for an undisclosed amount while Lyons was participating in the Branch Davidian Civil trial in Waco, Texas. "This is the first case of its kind to settle out of Federal Court so it is historic," said Lyons of the settlement. "May there be many more," he added.

Kathy Knight, who has been actively supporting the Alcoa workers, shared a copy of her lawsuit with one of the workers disciplined for displaying Confederate symbols. "When management found out that the case had settled, they sat up and took notice!" Knight said. SLRC advises any Southern worker seeking protection from discrimination under National origin should fill out all federal and state forms requiring information on race with "Confederate Southern-American."

SLRC will be handling another EEOC appeal on behalf of a Confederate Southern-American in Virginia later this Summer.

August Birthdays

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Maj.-General John Porter McCown ————— **August 19**
Brig. – General William Barksdale ————— **August 21**
Brig.-General Benjamin G. Humphreys ————— **August 26**

Upcoming Events

1. **Memorial Day in Magnolia, Arkansas on August 19**
—— Gravesite of Maj.– General John Porter McCown
2. **Battle of Coffeville Reenactment to be held at Grenada Lake on Septemeber 1-**
3. **Memorial Service at the Yellow Fever Cemetery in Grenada on September 16**
at 5:00 PM
4. **October 7-8, Battle of Ditch Bayou Reenactment in Lake Village, Arkansas**
5. **October 21-22 is Fall Muster at Beauvior**
6. **October 28-29, Living History at Florewood River Plantation in conjunction with**
Fall Harvest
7. **November 10-12, is the Battle of Liberty Reenactment in Liberty, Mississippi**

Arm-twisting is no way to bring hands together

In his column of July 16. Editor Stan Tiner writes of creating a new Mississippi, where, seemingly, people of both races will walk around holding hands and hugging each other. Apparently, this utopia could be created if white people would just give up their heritage and love of the symbols that we Southerners hold dear.

Well, it ain't gonna happen. The tensions that exist today were caused by the refusal of the NAACP and other hatemongers to just accept the Confederate flag as an icon of Southern pride. And, to make matters worse, the editorial board of The Sun Herald sided with the NAACP in calling for the removal of our Confederate battle flag from public display and from our 106-year-old state flag.

What a great way to promote racial harmony: Just advise ol' whitey to roll over and play dead.

Too bad that Donald Adderton went on to a better position upstate. He was the only member of The Sun Herald who had the guts to stand up to the hatemongers. And he's a black man. ... Go figure.

Maybe I'm dense, but here I am 63 years old and I still can't understand the liberal mind.

ALVA PRITCHARD JR.
Gulfport

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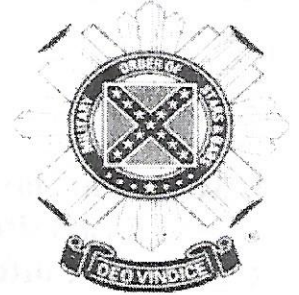
Camp Color Guard unit makes a hit in Meridian

During Memorial Service of Lt. Charles Read, CSN

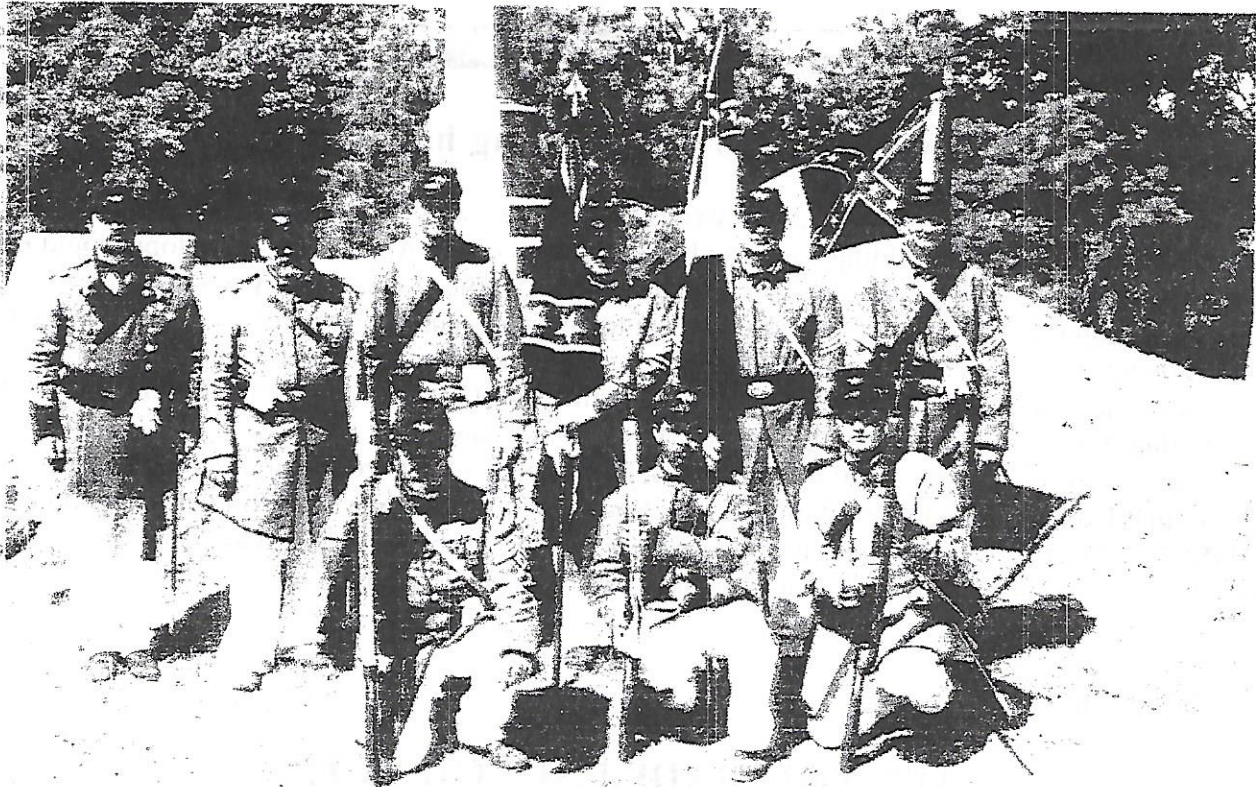
Earl,

Please express our heartfelt thanks to the "Marines" for their excellent performance at the Memorial to Lt. Charles Read. The whole event went very well. Many people in the community have remarked on how dignified the ceremony was. Ya'll really made a hit with the 12 year old GGG Grand Daughter of Lt. Read. Without your help, we couldn't have made it. Thanks a million.

Ward Malhoun, Commander
Mississippi Society
Military Order of the Stars and Bars



Below is the Camp Color Guard Unit posing in front of the grave of Lt. Charles Read, CSN





Adjutant's Report: Time to Pay camps Dues

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Compatriots,

A new year for the Sons of Confederate Veterans will begin on August 1, which means that your annual dues will be due after that date. Renewal dues are still \$ 37.00 for the year. All dues need to be paid no later than January 1, 2001 in order to avoid any late fees. Late fees are \$ 5.00 for National Headquarters and \$. 1.75 for the MS Division. Checks should be made out to "SCV" and mailed to one of the following addresses:

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As many of you know, the NAACP has been successful in coercing the South Carolina legislator into lowering the Flag on the capitol dome. Now their sights are set on the flags of Mississippi and Georgia. In order to fight these attacks, the SCV needs money. The primary source for funds is from the annual dues collected each year. It is vital to the defense of our Confederate Heritage that each member renews his membership and recruit new members for our camp.

DEO VINDICE

National Convention News

Compatriots:

Some convention news for you. Two of our members have been elected to National offices. George Church of Meridian is now our SCV Army of Tennessee Department Commander. Lamar Roberts was elected as MOSB Army of Tennessee Department Commander. Our congratulations to both.

The SCV Commander-in-Chief is Ed Deason of Oklahoma.

The SCV Lt. Commander-in-Chief is Frank Powell of Virginia.

The SCV Army of Tennessee Executive Councilman is Alan Trapp of Georgia.

The MOSB Commander-in-Chief is Albert Jones of North Carolina.

The MOSB Lt Commander-in-Chief is Jeff Massey of Oklahoma.

The MOSB Army of Tennessee Executive Councilman is Avery Hudson of Alabama.

We thought our members would like to know this.

Deo Vindice,

John L. Echols, Communications Officer

Mississippi Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans

SCV National Convention: Confederate Flag Fight to Continue

c The Associated Press By AMY GEIER

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) - Members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans said Thursday the battle over the Confederate flag may be lost in South Carolina, but they will fight to keep it flying in Georgia and Mississippi. With more than 800 national members here this week for their annual reunion, Danny Wheeler, national commander in chief, announced an informal proclamation of support for the flag at one of the group's business meetings. No formal vote was taken.

"As far as South Carolina, that's over and done with," Wheeler said. But the group would discuss plans to defend the flag in other Southern states, he said. Georgia and Mississippi incorporate the Confederate emblem of crossed blue lines with white stars on a red background on their state flags. Mississippi Gov. Ronnie Musgrove recently appointed a board to review whether that flag should be changed and opponents in Georgia also have pushed for a change there.

The group, which was formed in the 1890s to honor Confederate veterans, tried to keep the Confederate flag flying over the Statehouse in Columbia. Faced with a boycott of the state by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and pressure from business groups, legislators decided to lower the flag from the dome July 1 and move it to a soldiers' memorial on Statehouse grounds.

Groups like the Sons of Confederate Veterans say the flag is a symbol of their heritage. Opponents say it denotes racism. The NAACP has vowed to continue its boycott until the flag is moved off the Statehouse grounds.

Randall Burbage, commander of the group's Charleston branch, said the Statehouse might not be the most appropriate place for the flag, but he staunchly denied it stood for anything but heritage. "Some people have set a course bound for destroying our heritage," he said. "It's considered a bad thing to celebrate the sacrifices of our ancestors." Black soldiers also fought for the Confederacy and the flag represents their sacrifices, too, Burbage said. "It's not about racism," agreed Nelson Winbush of Kissimmee, Fla., one of the group's few black members. "It never was. Anyone who thinks so is just ignorant." At the funeral for his grandfather, who fought for the 7th Cavalry in Tennessee, a Confederate flag was draped over the gray coffin, Winbush said.

Welcome our newest member Jack Taylor — GGG Grandson of Nathaniel Taylor, Pvt., Co. B, 5th Mississippi Cavalry. Jack comes to us from Lakewood, Colorado.

This month's issue of the *Delta General* is dedicated to Charlene Barr and the Bolivar Troop, United Daughters of the Confederacy for their generous donation in for the publication of this month's issue.
