

Newsletter of the Col. A. H. Belo Camp #49, SCV

**And Journal of Unreconstructed Confederate Thought** 

### November 2018

This month's meeting features...

# **Example 2** Kyle Sims The Union League



#### Col. A. H Belo Camp #49

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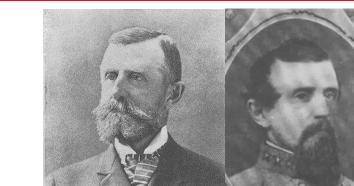
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## Our Next Meeting:

Thursday, November 1st: 7:00 pm

La Madeleine Restaurant 3906 Lemmon Ave near Oak Lawn, Dallas, TX

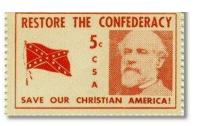
\*we meet in the private meeting room.



Have you paid your dues??

Come early (6:30pm), <u>eat</u>, fellowship with other members, learn your history!





"Everyone should do all in his power to collect and disseminate the truth, in the hope that it may find a place in history and descend to posterity." Gen. Robert E. Lee, CSA Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> 1865



#### COMMANDER'S REPORT



COMMANDER'S REPORT A.H. Belo Camp # 49, SCV October 30, 2018

The Belo Camp will be celebrating Christmas on Tuesday, December 4 with the Gano Camp at Sal Jo's Restaurant located at 2229 W. Park Row in Pantego (Arlington) TX 76013 (phone 817460-6082). The celebration will commence at 6 PM. Many thanks are extended to Kyle Sims for coordinating this joint event. Kyle will be presenting the program on the notorious Union League at our regular monthly meeting on Thursday, November 1. Please make an effort to attend. I regret that family matters will not allow me to attend.

On Monday November 5th, Patrick Tarleton of Strategic Client Solutions (Sarterx.com) will be presenting his Texas Division SCV marketing plan to the 4th Brigade at Carmona's Restaurant located at 301Tanger Dr. Terrell, TX 75160. Dinner will commence at 6 PM followed by the program at 7 PM. You are invited to attend.

A hearing for the proposed Texas Division SCV license plate will be held on December 6th in the offices of Texas Department of Motor Vehicles/Department of Transportation in Austin. Hopefully we will get approval for this design by artist John Paul Strain. I enjoyed looking at John Paul Strain's beautiful Confederate art on his web site.

The general membership of the Dallas County Texas Farm Bureau voted at the annual meeting to approve and support my resolution calling for the protection of statues, veteran memorials, heritage figures and plaques. This resolution was forwarded to the Texas Farm Bureau headquarters in Waco for further action and hopefully statewide support.

Our Camp will hold an election of officers at our regular January meeting. Please let me know if you wish to serve in a leadership position and also encourage your eligible friends and associates to join the SCV.

Respectfully submitted James H. Henderson Commander





Lt Col Alfred H Belo 55th NC Infantry Founder of the Dallas Morning News from Confederate Veteran magazine Vol X FEB 1902 p 83



## Chaplain's Corner

## Window Dressing



My wife is our "in-home" decorator. She fills our home with a wide and varied assortment of bric-a-brac, knick-knacks, wall hangings, and what-not. She has stuff on every table, mantle, wall, and in every corner. Our kids refer to my wife's decorator items as "do-dads," and my father used to call them "dust collectors." Of course, they make our home attractive, but they don't really serve any useful purpose. So, they're what most people call "window dressing."

When I was in Bible school, occasionally one of the ministerial students would get an opportunity to lead services in a local church which was without a pastor. Any time you preach in a church that doesn't have a pastor, you are subject to being asked back for consideration. The following Monday we would ask him how things went. Then he might say, "They're not looking for a pastor. They just want someone to marry their young, and bury their dead." This is called "show and tell." They want a pastor to "show" up on Sunday so they can "tell" people they have one. But to them, he really doesn't serve any useful purpose. Now, the pastor's purpose is to teach the Scriptures and lead the congregation to a better and more meaningful relationship with our Lord. But if they're not interested in studying the Scriptures, and are quite satisfied with their relationship with God, then they don't see a pastor's real purpose. For the most part, he's just window dressing.

The same can be said of SCV Chaplains. Chaplains in the SCV serve a useful and vital purpose. They are ministers and servants of the Lord. The Apostle Paul writes, "And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle to all men, apt to teach, patient, in meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of truth; and that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will." (2 Tim. 2: 24-26)

Perhaps the primary responsibility of the Chaplains in the SCV is to help every member see and understand that not only is their life without Christ hopeless, but that the only hope for the Sons of Confederate Veterans to overcome the opposition we face, and succeed in our commitment to the Charge, is an abiding faith and trust in God by His Son Jesus Christ. As this is realized, we will understand the importance of SCV Chaplains. They are absolutely necessary to the success and well-being of the SCV, and not just window dressing.

May our Lord bless the Chaplains of the Sons of Confederate Veterans as they serve Him in seeking the spiritual well-being of its members.



Bro. Len Patterson, Th.D
Past Chaplain, Army of Trans-Mississippi
1941-2013



Please continue to keep Toni Ray, wife of Rudy, in prayer as she battles with cancer.

Please keep Carolyn Jamail in your prayers. Carolyn suffered from exhaustion at the UDC national convention and is recovering at home.



"IN ALL MY PERPLEXITIES AND DISTRESSES, THE BIBLE HAS NEVER FAILED TO GIVE ME LIGHT AND STRENGTH."

## **Belo Camp 49 Upcoming Meetings:**

November 1<sup>st</sup> - Kyle Sims - The Union League

December 4<sup>th</sup> - Christmas party with Gano Camp at Sal Jo's Restaurant located at 2229 W. Park

Row in Pantego (Arlington) TX 76013

### RECRUITING OPPORTUNITIES

Market Hall Gun Show - Belo Camp Recruiting Booth

Put on by the Dallas Arms Collectors (for more information about dates/times visit: <a href="www.dallasarms.com">www.dallasarms.com</a>)

2018 Show dates: Nov 24-25.

Free parking and no admission to the show if you come to help.

Market Hall is located at Market and Interstate-35

Contact: Lee Norman for information leeandlouann@hotmail.com





#### GOT CONFEDERATE HERITAGE?

THE SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS
NEEDS YOUR HELP TO PRESERVE THE
TRUE HISTORY OF THE SOUTH AND THE
MEN WHO FOUGHT TO PROTECT HER!

CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW TO JOIN THIS HISTORIC ORGANIZATION.

## Not to miss in this issue! Visit our website! www.belocamp.com

An Appeal by Pastor John Weaver on behalf of Sam Davis Youth Camps. www.samdavischristian.org
CLIFTON, TX Mullins,SC
July 14-19, 2019 June 23-28, 2019

#### Confederate Playwright and Author Joan Hough Recognized by UDC!

# Stinkin' Lincolns Storm UDC Convention in Ft Worth! ABE LINCOLN'S MARCH THROUGH TIME - A Playlet by Joan Hough Governmental KUDZU—Peraria Lobata By Joan Hough

The Revival of Secession and State Nullification November 10 @ 9:00 am - 4:30 pm DALLAS- FT. WORTH CONFEDERATE HEROES DAY DINNER Hosted by Alamo City Guards SCV Camp 1325 Saturday, January 12

SPLC: After judge's ruling, Confederate monument in San Antonio park is history

THE ALAMO IS UNDER SIEGE A SECOND TIME (THE ONLY DEMOCRAT VOTE TO CAST IN THIS ELECTION!)

John Wayne would oppose George P. Bush for Land Commissioner

Ag commissioner Sid Miller backs Confederate group's latest Texas license plate

The Humility of Robert E. Lee

To Rechristen Lee Monuments

Chapel Hill police chief speaks for first time since Silent Sam came down

Washington & Lee wets the bed -- makes deal with anti-history devil

Washington and Lee renames buildings; orders portraits of Lee, Washington in military attire replaced

Robert E. Lee name will be stripped from public high school

VICTORY IN THE CAPITAL OF THE CONFEDERACY! RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL VOTES

Is this a farm in South Tampa, or a time warp to the Confederate South?

Prelude To A New Civil War?

**Lincoln As He Really Was** 

The Left Edge of Insanity

**What Is States Rights** 

Sheridan's Scorched Earth Campaign — The Union Army's Forgotten War Crime

Was the Old South Feudal?

Justice Kavanaugh and the Triumph of Symbol over Reality

Accuse-Convict-Remove - Donnie Kennedy

An Act of Tyranny

**Melt the Bells** 

They got their taxes, but paid for them in blood...

Southern Memories of the Good Ol' Days

They were slain by hundreds...

The Old South's Poor Whites

12 Reasons to Fly the Confederate Battle Flag

YANKEE EMPIRE: AGGRESSIVE ABROAD AND DESPOTIC AT HOME By James Ronald Kennedy & Walter Donald Kennedy

Mormon Church and NAACP Leaders Meet in Salt Lake City

**OPEN LETTER FROM HK - Conversations in the Streets** 

**VIRGINIA FLAGGER NEWS!** 

**DIXIE HERITAGE NEWSLETTER** 

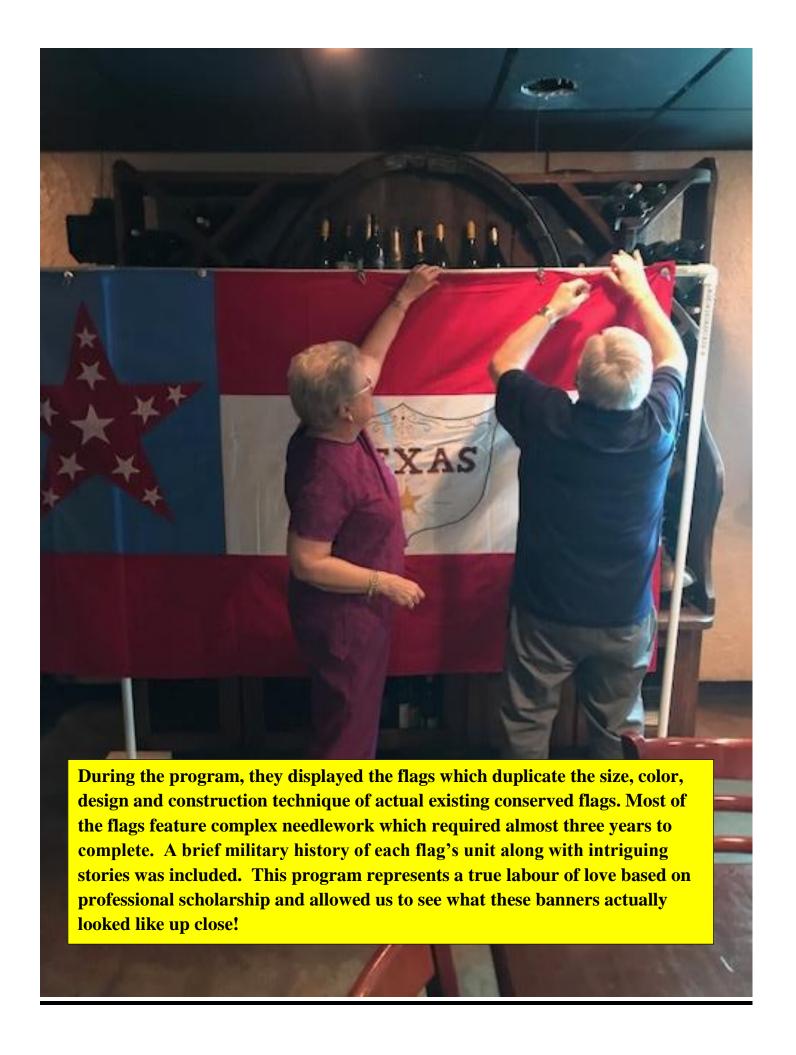
The Union Pledge of Allegiance and why it's a HUGE problem for Confederates

**AND MUCH, MUCH MORE** 



For our October meeting we were treated with Larry and Pam Wilhoite returning to Belo Camp with eight more flags handcrafted to replicate the originals used by Texas Confederate units during the War Between the States.

















## REBEL MOUNTAIN STORY TELLER - SPEAKS TO A. P. HILL CAMP AT SWIFT RUN THEATRE NEAR PETERSBURG, VIRGINIA



#### REPORT FROM BELO COMPATRIOT MARK VOGL:

#### 2018 CAROLINA - VIRGINIA SPEAKING TOUR GOES WELL.

I had the great pleasure to speak to four camps in four nights, three in southern Virginia and one in Spartanburg, Carolina. Four different presentations in four nights is ambitious, and I made some mistakes, but the Lord was with me, and the talks were well received.

The picture above is at Swift Run Creek Theatre, a structure built in the 1660's! It was a wonderful night. Jimmy Easter as Commander knows how to through a party. The tables were covered in white linen, with candles on each table and a three course meal!

I had the honor to present to them, "Jefferson Davis, the Last Washingtonian President"

## AN IMPORTANT APPEAL

## The following letter appeared in the Confederate Veteran Magazine:



FROM the desk of Pastor John Weaver Chairman SDYC LLC, Past Chaplain in Chief SCV

Dear Compatriot,

As an SCV member this is probably the most important letter you will read. The future of the Sam Davis Camps is literally in your hands.

Since 2003 the Sam Davis Youth Camps have done a peerless job in preparing our youth for the future. Now in our 16th year, over a thousand young men & women have gone through our one week program of Confederate history, etiquette, culture, dancing and Christian instruction and fellowship.

Many tell us that the Sam Davis Camps are the "best thing the SCV does," help us to continue that tradition.

Because of liability issues, the General Executive Council decided and the Sam Davis Youth Camp LLC Board agreed to separate the two entities and now the Sam Davis Camps Program is independently incorporated with its own tax exempt status..

The Sam Davis Youth Camp LLC Board has asked for a commitment from the SCV GEC to help raise an additional \$100,000 to help the new Sam Davis Camps as they begin to operate independently of the SCV. We are now up & running with tax exempt status.

As an allied organization, independent of the SCV, the Sam Davis Camps will continue to recruit campers from SCV Divisions, Camps, and members; report on our activities at Reunions; run free or low cost ads in the Confederate Veteran and fund-raise among Compatriots; and recruit adult staff from SCV members: BUT as an independent organization.

The Sam Davis Board does not see the GEC's decision as backing away from the Camps, but a better and safer way to help and foster the future and growth of the Sam Davis Camps. The work of the Sam Davis Youth is vital to secure the future of the SCV and all related heritage groups. Think how many future Commander's in Chief of the SCV have already graduated from a Sam Davis Camp.

Your Tax deductible gift to the Sam Davis Christian Youth Camp INC will help to make this bright future a reality.

#### Send checks to:

# Sam Davis Christian Youth Camp INC POB 589, DECATUR, TX 76234

Thank you for helping us to secure for our ancestor's good name - a future! Sincerely,

John Weaver Chairman, Sam Davis Christian Youth Camp, INC Past Chaplain in Chief SCV

# Confederate Playwright and Author Joan Hough Recognized!



Belo friend, Confederate Playwright and Author Joan Hough earned and was awarded the **Jefferson Davis Historical Gold Medal for excellence in Confederate Research and Writing**.

She also earned and was awarded the **Sidney Lanier Medal for excellence in Confederate Dramatic Performance and Playwriting, documented**.

This one is a very rare award.

Only five Texas UDC members have been awarded and may wear that one on her UDC ribbon.

Carolyn Jamail worked for over a year to document the literary works of distinction Joan Hough is so gifted to produce.





# Stinkin' Lincolns Storm UDC Convention in Ft Worth!



ABE LINCOLNS!! aka The Society of Confederate Thespians stormed the UDC national convention with unabashed truth on stage! These wonderful ladies (and sometimes even a man or two) bring truth through humour to growing numbers of viewers across the State. The Confederate Thespians, based out of the Woodlands, TX, work hard to bring "reader's theater" presentations to heritage groups such as the OCR, UDC and SCV. The plays are written by renowned playwright and author Joan Hough, who is featured above. They will be performing at the SCV Texas Division Reunion in June 2019.

Follow the link below to watch the Playlet performed at the UDC Convention.

# "ABE LINCOLN'S MARCH THROUGH TIME" a playlet by Director and Playwright Joan Hough

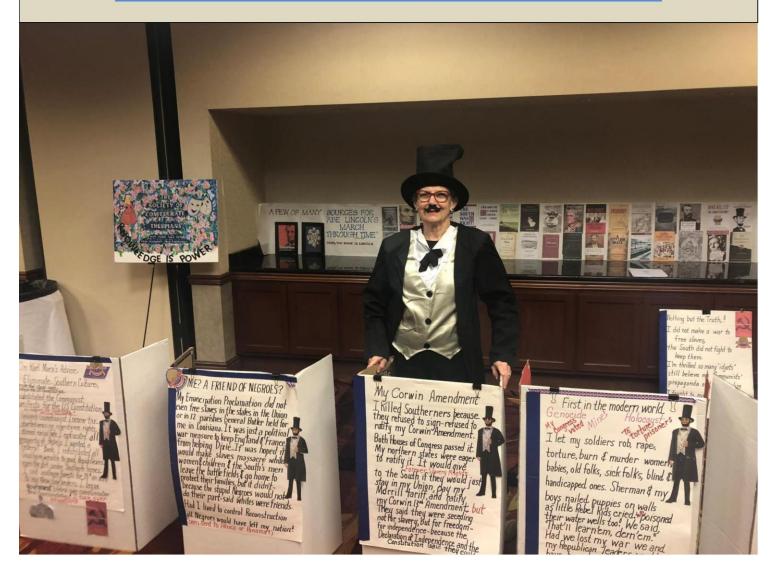
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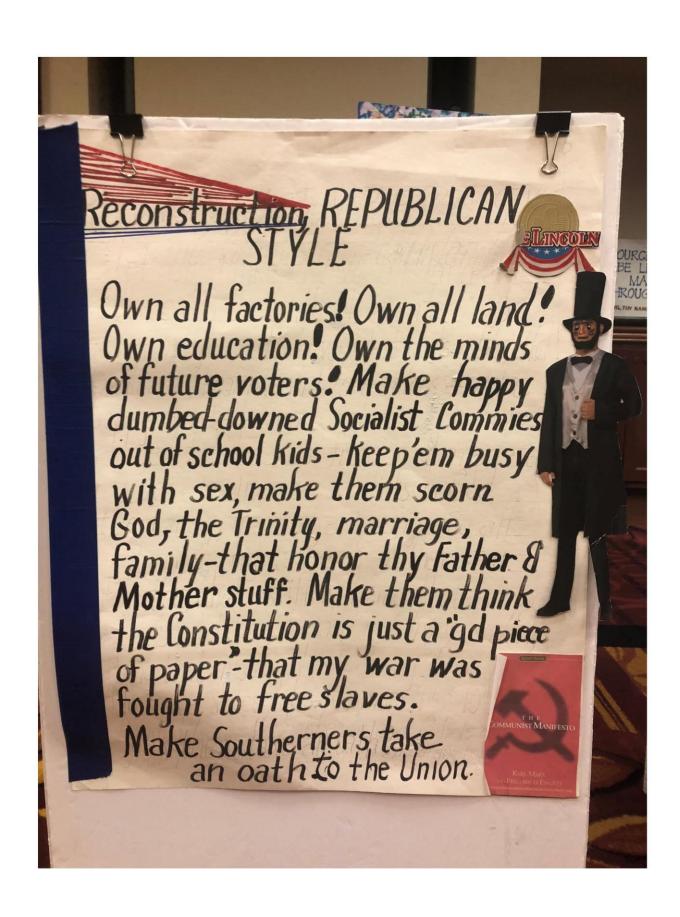
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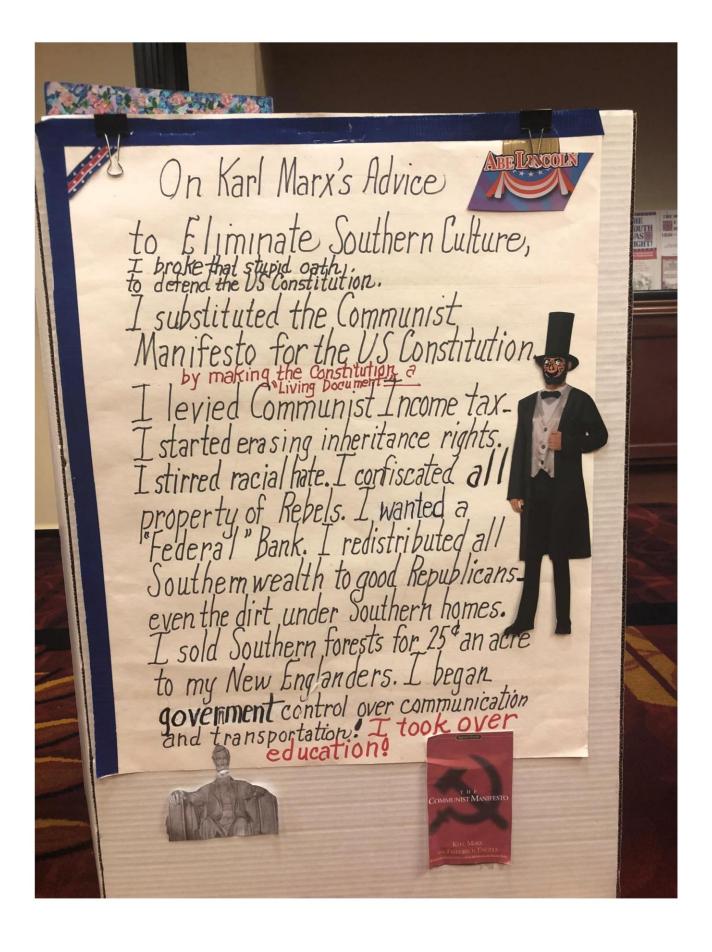
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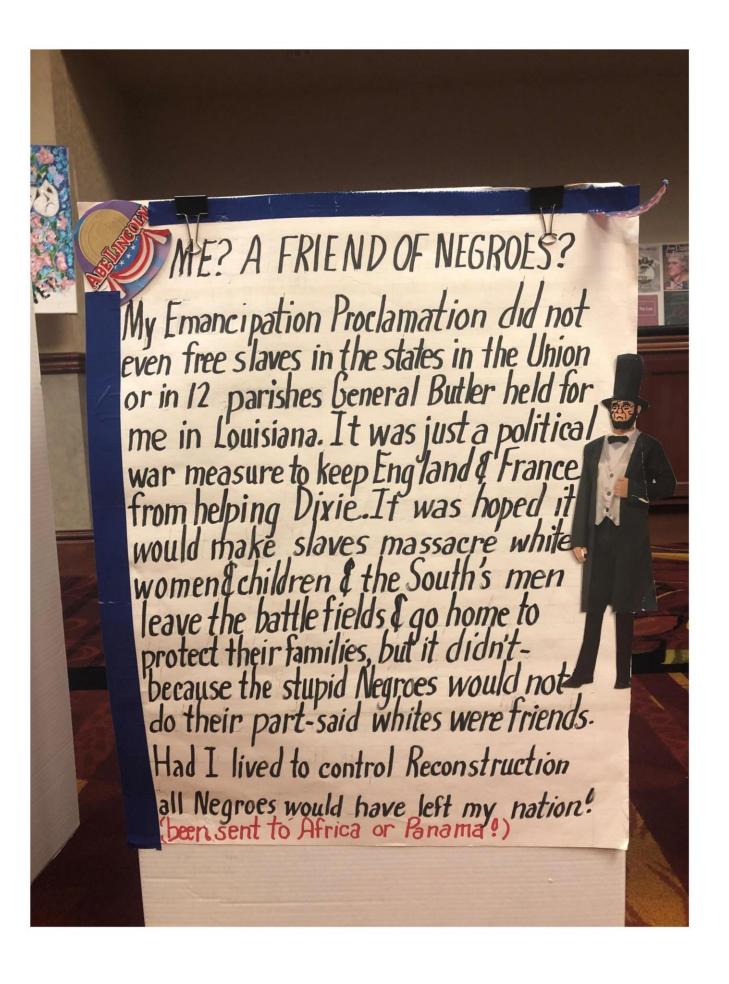
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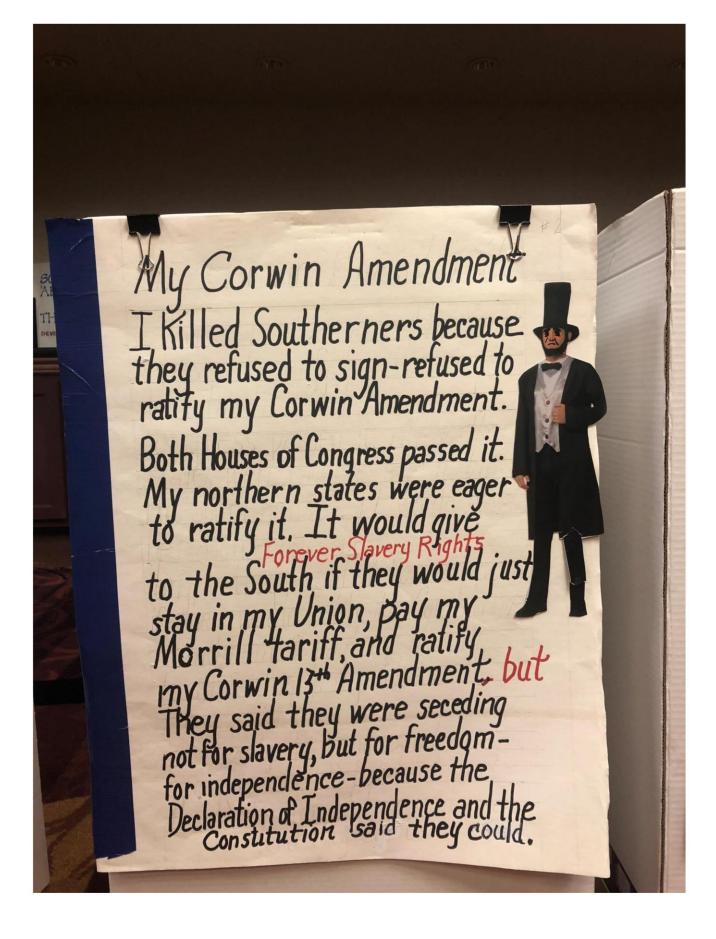
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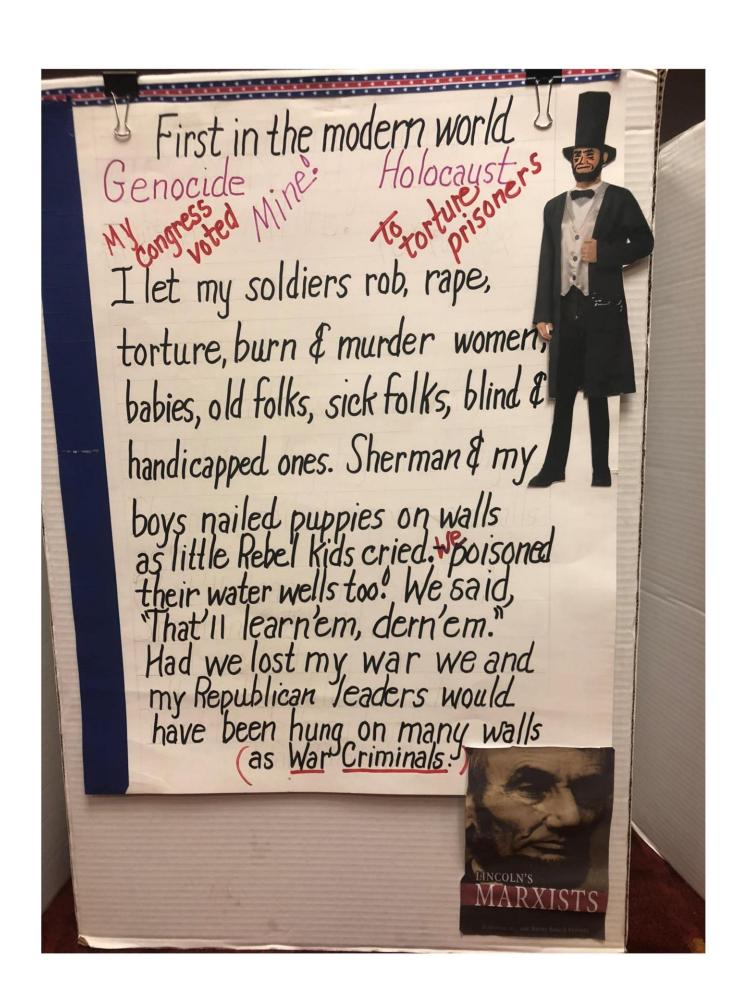


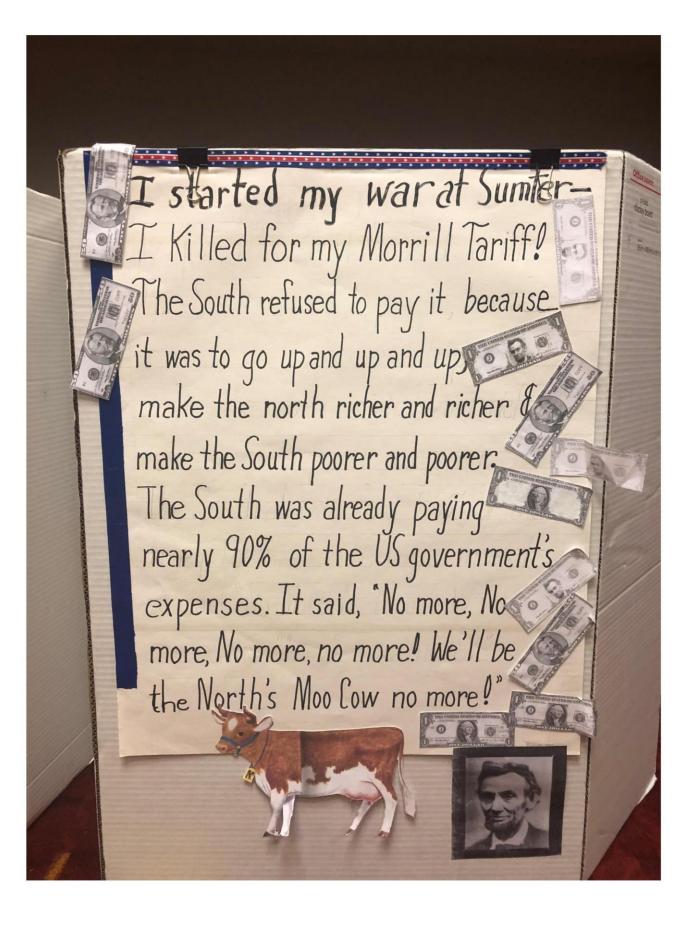


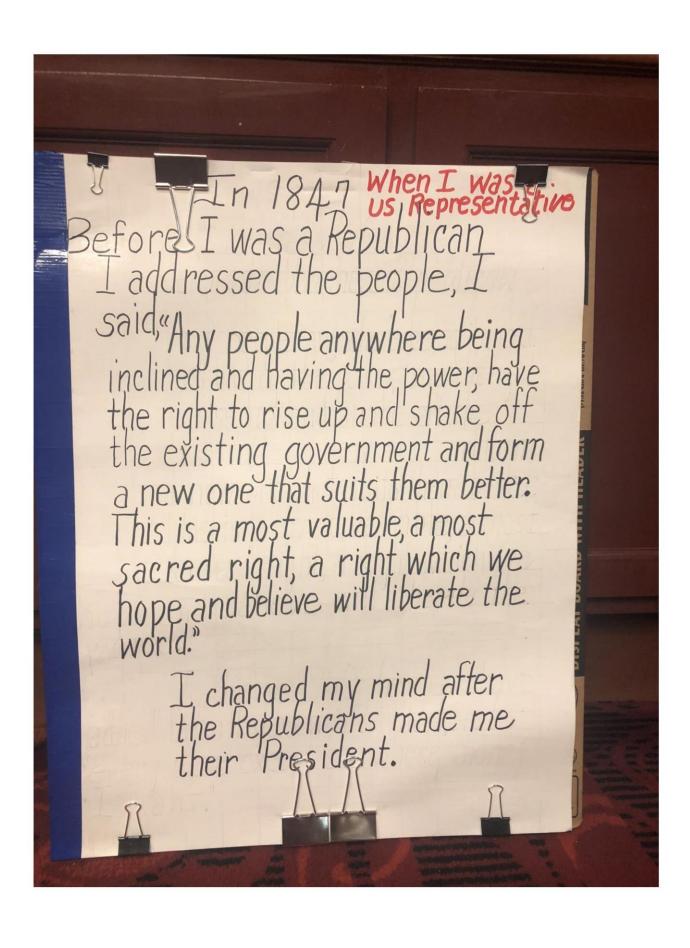


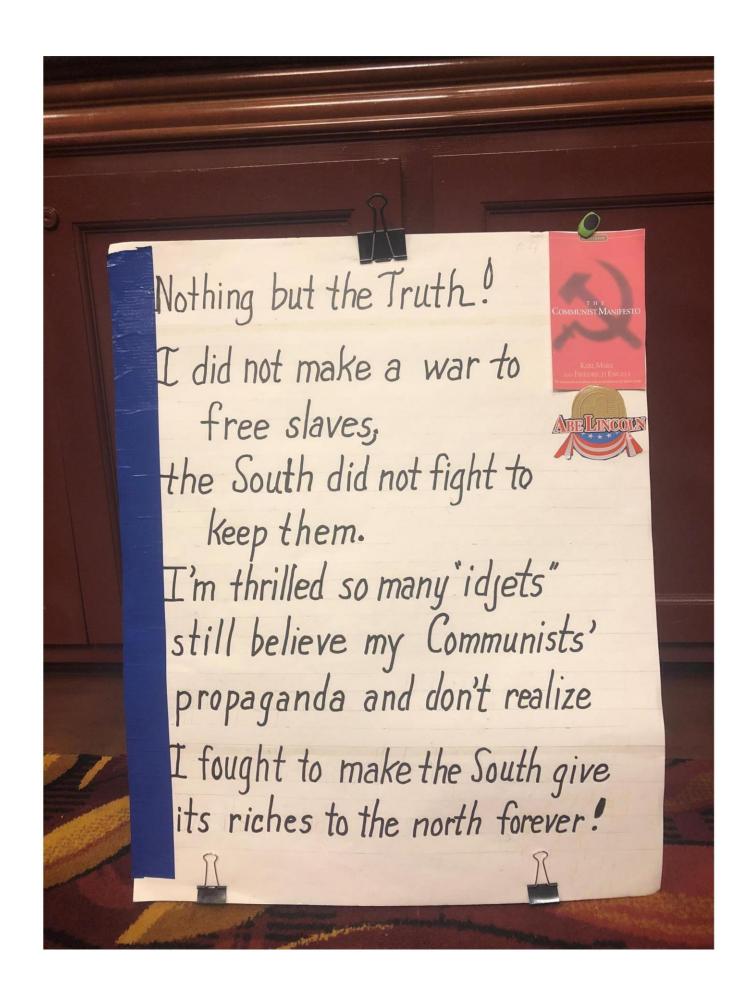












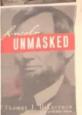




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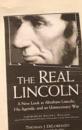
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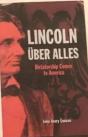




















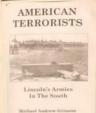
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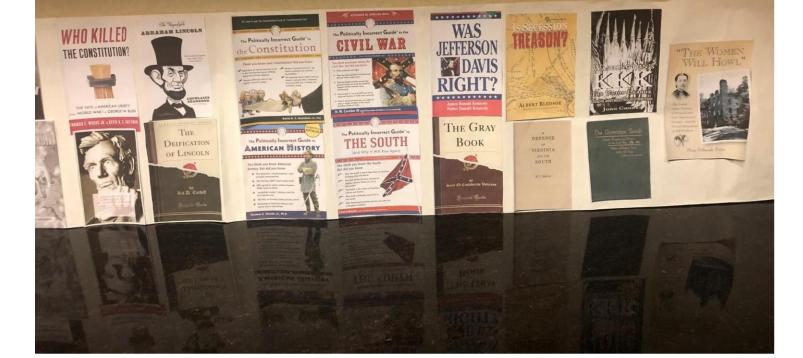














### Governmental KUDZU—Peraria Lobata

#### By Joan Hough

It is true that the NEW WORLD ORDER (Communism turned modern) and all the utter ugliness swamping our government and poking its prying fingers into our homes had its seeds planted back in the 1800s. Those seeds were well-planted in America in 1849.

It is known that Communism, as a weed, existed in America at the time of the Pilgrims and later—from lack of food and water the plant appeared to die---only to be reborn in 1849 as a new seedling. By 1861 it became a plant more harmful to our land than Kudzu (/ˈkʊdzuː/; Pueraria lobata.

The Commie plant exudes a paralytic poison. Breathed in the 1800s, it went directly to the American brain and resulted in the death of over a million Americans—some brought to the North American continent by Republicans just to aid the Marxists-controlled White House kill the South's "oh, so wicked, planter class"—and "make the world safe for democracy." (The Commie American War of 1861 was designed to kill all property owners and would be property owners in the South and to break the chains of the Constitution and remake the US into the homeland the mostly German Revolutionaries had fled to avoid imprisonment or execution earned for them by their failed so-called "Republican" revolution in Europe.

Communists, especially, hate folks who own anything. The works of General William Tecumseh Sherman and his brother Senator John Sherman are perfect examples of Communism in action. The "hero" arsonist General, and his politician brother, both great despisers of the aristocratic, Planter Class" became newly filthy rich "aristocrats" themselves, as a direct result of the genocide and holocaust the noble general perpetrated on Southern families and sleeping Indians, including Indian women and children.

The murder of Southern planters, their women and children was deemed a necessity by Marx, Engels and now by their many *deluded* modern followers. This is not unexpected. Students of Communism have long been aware that Communists are violently, yes, violently, opposed to anyone other than all powerful government (and Commie elites, themselves) owning anything.

To eliminate any hope of private ownership of property and the capitalism that engenders it, the Marxists knew that Americans with sense enough to oppose Communism must have their offspring, their every generation of descendants, influenced away from their parents. Each generation of children must be most carefully Socialist-programmed through compulsory attendance in government controlled schools. Descendants must be propagandized and conditioned to accept the Marxist-Commie-Socialist anti "Planter" beliefs. (Was this accomplished? Almost.)

According to the Communists and their conditioned followers, Confederate descendants of today must be convinced that the so-called "Civil" War was fought to free the slaves. All Americans must have it permanently implanted in their brains that the South's Planter Class deserved total destruction because it was full of wicked, wicked, slave mistreating people—planters such as Jefferson Davis, Robert E. Lee, Stonewall Jackson, J.E.B. Stuart, James Longstreet, Richard Ewell, A.P. Hill, Jubal Early, John B. Gorgon, R. Porter Alexander, John S. Mosby, George R. Picket, Lewis Armistead, Isaac Trimble, "Extra Billy" Smith, Albert Jenkins, James Pettigrew, Richard Garnett, Maxcy Gregg, Basil Duke, Billy Mahone, John Bell Hood, Samuel Cooper, Joseph S,. Johnston, Ebenezer Farrand, Leonidas Polk, Charles Pickett, Robert Dabney, Leroy Augustus Stafford, and others.

Even though Communists abhor all religions other than Communism---and hate all gods except

theirs—the all-powerful government, they know how to sell the most monstrous of lies to ignorant and gullible Americans. The American Commies also know how to feign religious beliefs and use religion to inflame the passions of religious people. Communists never have missed an opportunity to declare the "planter class" a hedonistic group of non-Bibles believing, whip lashing, slave owners. None of the noble northerners, we are told, ever owned plantations in the north or even owned slaves. (Have they forgotten or do they merely lie?) And anyone daring to use the word "Marxist" about any of those 1848ers is banned by the "good and honest listener/reader, because the word "Marxist is political; there, as might be expected no reason for persons using the word KKK to ever be banned. (Never should the truth be mentioned about the KKK—that it was the entity responsible for the end of Bloody Reconstruction in the South—that without it, the South, most likely, would still be an obviously under the yoke of the north, as a conquered country.)

According to the enemies of truth—and these most certainly include most persons in influential positions in academia, the communications media, politics, and behind the pulpits—the War of 1861 was fought to free the slaves. They have convinced themselves that Ulysses S. Grant, a big leader in that war, certainly did not own slaves and certainly did not keep anyone in slavery long after the end of the war—or he would not have been elected U.S. President by his fellow Radical [Commie] Republicans-(Lie after lie!). They cleverly convince themselves and gull fellow Americans to believe that The U.S. government, after 1865, could not have done business for twenty long years with two nations still practicing slavery. After all, according to the Marxist-brainwashed, the War was fought for the noble north to free slaves horrifically mistreated by the decadent, evil South. (How atheist Communists could label Bible thumping Southerners as "evil" continues to amaze me!)

The noxious weed of Communism-name changed to Socialism-- experienced a period of extremely rapid growth again in the 1960s and it continues growing. It has reached the point today where it is choking out all vegetation depending on liberty for sustenance. This horrific weed's growth eventually will result in the total erasure of the few remaining remnants of our nation's once magnificent Republic--a form of government not besmirched originally by Democracy. Soon the "united States" will be absorbed into THE NEW WORLD ORDER OF GLOBAL GOVERNMENT.

The next role of our nation will be a lowly one. This will result due to the country's transformation, through immigration, into a third world nation filled with ignorance, superstition, and cultural conflicts. The immigrants will be used to enable the nation's turning away from the U.S. Constitution and the Republic the Constitution enabled. The people in the "united States" will swing, like the man on the flying trapeze -- with the greatest of ease from freedom into serfdom. Their new feudal lord will be the super-rich elites in THE NEW WORLD ORDER.

The takeover by the New World Order will occur despite the alarmed cries, the prayers, and the resistance of citizens whose ancestors had once created a government designed in recognition of the God given rights of freedom for all citizens—a government under the control of the states, a Republic the world had once hailed as the greatest government on earth.

The move into the New World Order will enrich its elitist proponents, its George Bush bunch, its Clintons, its Obamas, its Kissingers, its Rockefellers, beyond their wildest dreams.

Because they dance as puppets on the strings of the elitists, the execution of the removal plan will not be hindered by more than a few, brave, elected Republican-Constitutionalists. Americans will assume their new roles in a reborn feudal system.

The only hope for disassembling the New World Order Communist plan is if enough Americans can throw off the brainwash which, as a major work of the US government controlled School system, has

inundated Americans' thought processes for generations.

Freedom from the New World Order's tyranny is possible if enough Americans read, understand, and formulate action based on the information provided by an increasing number of politically incorrect authors.

Remember the UNHOLY FOURSOME includes The Council on Foreign Relations, the Trilateral Commission, The Bilderberg Group and the International Bankers. All the biggy Republicans and Democrats are in all four of these little collections of billionaires.

READ: -To obtain information on the Bilderberg Group--The Bilderberg Group by Daniel Estulin.

If you want more information on the International Bankers—read The *Creature From Jekyll Island* by Edward Griffin.

If you are truly interested in putting all the pieces of the puzzle together and to really understand how our national government has "accidentally" made so many horrifically incorrect movements--

READ: The Shadows of Power: The Council on Foreign Relations and the American Decline by James Perloff. Check out all the photos in that book. They are an amazing collection. It has been said that this book is one the most powerful bits of truth, the modern world has ever seen! It connects all the dots and takes us on the path of truth through various historical periods in our modern America. DON'T MISS READING IT!

There can be no denial, Communism has reached new heights now in our America. THE NEW WORLD ORDER GANG has begun dishing out its poison to ordinary mortals all over the globe.

We are encouraged to believe that our mighty politicians are "the brilliant ones who can do no wrong." We are expected to believe this lie because no matter how mediocre their intellectual abilities may be—once politicians find their place among the anointed ones—that is, among "the elected ones," they instantaneously and magically get an IQ boost that places them in the genius class. Their brains become so highly activated that it becomes impossible for them to form a wrong opinion or cast an incorrect vote—why, they can even vote without reading a word in the bill for which they vote. The oh, so brilliant female, Pelosi the all-girl Democrat, has declared voting on a bill must precede reading the bill, so the voters then can get to read the bill. Does she not inspire faith in women in government? Is she not just as intellectually capable as are all of the ladies on the Supreme Court? Of course, she does not and of course she is.

Elected politicians, evidently, gain also the ability to cloud our eyes and control our views of all issues. Thinking upon the vast increase in their intellectual powers and of the near worship their constituents accord them once election occurs—I am reminded of something I read probably while I was quite young—in the days of pre-television and pre-Internet! That something impressed me so that, although I have forgotten the man's name and the name of his nation, here I am sixty or so years later but I have not forgotten his story. He was sent by his nation to serve in the United Nations and so he did. When the time came for his return to his native land, he did and was hailed as a hero recognized for his great wisdom and "smartness." His people, acknowledging his "smartness," and desiring that at least some of it could be theirs—ate him.

One must wonder if many of our current legal and privileged African immigrants and black Democrats in Congress are this smart man's tribal folk. One thing, for sure, is there's not much chance the guy is related to that U.S. Representative from Georgia by name of Hank Johnson (a black man who fears Guam will sink if too many sailors and Marines land on it.)

It is impossible for me to recall the source of what I read about cannibalism and the UN delegate, but

there was no internet then, so the story must have appeared in a regular newspaper—which was my major source of information. It is reported that in places, such as the Congo and in Liberia, cannibalism still is in existence. Today there are some articles online concerning cannibals. I cannot attest to their veracity, but here are some addresses:

#### http://heretical.com/cannibal/congo1.html

#### http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cannibalism

The "popular vote" is a major part of that form of government the Communists (New World Order gang) love so much --DEMOCRACY. Democracy is according to Marx is necessary to Communism, it is the gateway to the New World Order of Communism wherein all humans possess perfect equality—everyone makes the same amount of money (everybody except the "elites.") Of course, Marx never tells the truth that Communism's New World Order is WHERE THE RICH and powerful leaders, while they live GET unequally RICHER and everybody else gets equally poor and stays that way.

Should you not understand why Democracy is such a terrible form of government—and why our founding fathers deliberately chose to make our form of government a Republic, instead of a Democracy and why they avoided a government based on THE POPULAR VOTE:

READ: *THE LAW* by Fredric Bastiat. (this is a very tiny but very important book and can be read quickly.)

The Popular Vote was a grand idea that released the U.S. Senators from the chains of the Constitution by freeing them from the constitutionally-mandated control by the individual state over its two Senators—thus allowing the Senators the freedom of selling themselves to the highest bidders, which they usually seem to do—and which may fully explain why folks enter the Senate as millionaires but within a year or so have doubled their wealth. It makes them especially vulnerable, also, to blackmail, threats, and bribery. They can now vote on bills without reading them and yet cannot be held accountable by the people except when the time comes for re-election. By then the fickle voters with attention spans of a gnat have forgotten what they may have once thought important.

Previously, before the birth of the Commie pushed amendment freeing the Senators, the people in each state could easily recall a U.S. Senator by ordering it through their local politicians in their state's legislative body. The people knew their local politicians--The politicians lived near them- and could be reached easily and regularly so. They were not residents of Washington, D.C. or its environs. The national Senators were under the express control of the State legislature and if they did not do what the people wished—they could be quickly be removed from office. The state legislatures held the "u.S." Senators feet to the fire--just as was intended by the Republic's founding fathers. The Marxist Republicans altered this in 1913 when they made the US senators elected by "popular vote." At the same time, they passed Marx's highly desired income tax amendment and, also. snookered Americans into accepting a privately owned central bank parading as one controlled and audited by the U.S. government. (Those 1848er European Revolutionaries certainly achieved some important Communist goals in 1913.)

PLEASE remember this truth as you examine the Constitutional amendments which were never legally, as required by the Constitution itself, passed during Reconstruction. Those planks not taken care of in the Constitution, ratified by the people, were made into law by Congressional feat. The 1848ers, the European Revolutionaries who, by the thousands hastened to the US after their failed socialist war brought with them to America their political agenda to remake the united States by breaking the chains of the US Constitution. Marx and Engels wrote the Manifesto at the behest of the European Illuminati who thereafter changed their name to COMMUNISTS. The Manifesto is their

"bible." All-powerful government is their god. Some of the Communist "ten commandments" have, been placed by amendments (not legally ratified) into the U.S. Constitution i.e. *Income tax*, as a means of looting citizens, virtually enslaving them. Other Communist plans included the creation of a public-school system and the infiltration of the public-school curriculum into private schools—using education to brainwash future voters so a forever Radical-Marxist-Controlled Republican Party or a Democrat Party (taken over by Marxists) can own the U.S. Congress and the Presidency.

The Marxist commandments called for the seizing of REBEL property, accomplished on huge scale in the so-called Civil War—almost as if the War on the property holders of the South had been planned when the Manifesto was written in 1848. Our Federal Reserve Bank was called for in the Manifesto was not actually presented to the American people as a Constitutional Amendment because of the public's great resistance to the illegally added 14th Amendment which was, like the Income Tax Amendment, termed legal despite its failure to meet the Constitutional ratification requirements for passing.

Most of the people reading this—already know that the Marxist Communists created the Republican Party in Ripon, Wisconsin with the assistance of Horace Greeley and the members of his defunct commune there. (Greeley's Communist communes were scattered about all over the north.)

Horace Greeley should be credited, along with his employee, Communist Allen Bovay, as major creators of the grand old Republican party. Greeley, you may recall was a close friend of Abe Lincoln's—their relationship began when both served in the U.S. House of Representatives. Lincoln, a

poorly educated, none book reader, was an ardent newspaper reader of America's most widely circulated newspaper—that one owned and edited by Greeley.

Greeley hired and sent Charles Dana as a foreign correspondent to Europe to cover the Socialist Communist Revolution of 1848. While there, Dana became a Communist- bosom buddy with Marx. This relationship engendered Lincoln's choosing of Dana to become the "eyes and ears" of the Union, as Edwin Stanton's (and Lincoln's) Assistant-Secretary of War.

Dana's writing skills are believed to have been the source of a virtual whirlwind of hideous, anti-South propaganda spat out to create a northern desire for the killing of Southerners- men, women and children by northerners. This hideous propaganda was in Marxist fashion cleverly fed to men behind pulpits throughout the north—and thus turned the United States invasion of the Confederate nation into a religious impelled extermination of not just the South's military, but its civilians and its preachers.

Interestingly, Charles Fremont, a f two times, Republican Party's candidate for the US presidency and a Republican General in the Uncivil War, was also in Europe at the same time as Dana.

To learn more about Dana and his Communism efforts, refer to LINCOLN'S *MARXISTS* by Al Benson and Walter Kennedy.

The failure of the European Illuminati engineered, Socialist Revolution saw Dana back in New York where he bought a partnership in Horace Greeley's "New York Tribune." It was then that Greeley hired Marx as a Foreign Correspondent. Marx, in his ten years with the Tribune, wrote over 350 bylined articles, —numbers of non-bylined editorials and over a hundred articles with Engels. Marx often voiced his displeasure concerning the lack of credit accorded him for his editorials.

It is known that Abe Lincoln was not only quite a student of socialistic materials while in the U.S. House of Representatives, but was also an addicted, and highly influenced reader of Marx's work in

Greeley's widely circulated paper. Lincoln and Greeley had become close while they both were, for a little while, members in the House of Representatives. Marx's congratulatory communication to Abe may be the only remaining bit of communication left of the Lincoln-Marx mutual admiration society. the very fact that it was not destroyed continues to amaze most folks knowledgeable about it.

To learn more about Karl Marx's employment by Greeley, the only regular job he ever had, read: *Karl Marx: Dispatches for The New York Tribune: Selected Journalism Of Karl Marx*, edited by James Ledbetter.

To get an idea as to the all that served as the foundation for every article written by Marx, delivered to Americans by Greeley, read The Communist Manifesto by Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels,

This little book that has changed the world several times and is now inspiring the hideous nightmare called THE NEW WORLD ORDER. Pro United Nations junk is part of the poison fed us by the same folks. The European Union and the North American Union are birds of the same feather. The awful truth is that now every single plank in the Communist platform, as revealed in their Manifesto— is now the law of the land in our America as is every single moral alteration in American culture created by the update of Marxism in the 1930s by the Critical Theorists out of the Frankfurt Institute—and placed in American schools and American minds by men such as John Dewey.

Some of the Manifesto's goals are clearly recognized as placed on all American citizens today—but, most especially on Southerners who are singled out by the deliberate Marxist- inspired stirring of class hatred. This stirring is clearly visible in the work of the NAACP and the Anti-Poverty movement. The "death tax: is also an aspect of the class-hatred work of the Commies. The Communist desired dissolution of marriage (not one of the Commie's ten commandments but very definitely called for elsewhere in the Manifesto) is impelled forward by the radicals, because marriages create families which are the very glue that holds a national government together- As long as "families," rather than "a village" hold the responsibility for the brining up of the young, as long as parents, rather than the Educators, have the most important effect on the children, Communists cannot break the chains of the US Constitution. It benefits us all if American families remain intact, and there are legitimate kids under the influence of "normal" parental partners (a man and a woman). Communists are aware that not only must people be free from parents to be good Communists, but must be freed from religion. Only the state (the national government) must be god.

If you think the Commies have not been doing their thing in the "united states" since 1849, don't know your American history. If you will take the time to read *The Communist Manifesto*, you will know what our enemy has done to us. You will know that our U.S. Constitution was shredded in 1861 and why it has never been glued back together. You will learn which of our now many thousands of Americanlaws came to us by way of the Illuminati and the Communists, especially the Marxists.

Read: dixieoutfitters.com - Communist's Effect In America.

Read: www.deovindice.org/begin-to-connect-the-dots.html , the work of The Confederate Society of America.

Read: Confederate Gray: Lincoln's Marxists confederategray.blogspot.com/2013/02/lincolns-

marxists.html

Read *Lincoln's Marxists* by Al Benson And Donald Kennedy. Read *The United Nations--Exposed* by William Jasper.

Read: *Abraham Lincoln's Execution* by Dr. John Chandler Griffin; read Murdering *Mr. Lincoln:* A New Detection of the 19th Century's Most Famous Crime by Charles Higham. Learn the truth that has been deliberately hidden from you throughout your entire life. Learn how Lincoln double-crossed his good buddies and lost his life because of it. Learn why control of Reconstruction in the South was

important enough for Lincoln's murder to be cleverly conceived and cleverly put into action—and for those responsible for all to never be caught. Does the Lincoln murder not remind you of the murders of the two Kennedy brothers? If it doesn't make you think back to poor John F. Kennedy and his brother Bobby---and make you understand why Lifeguard Teddy became a tool for the CFR—if it doesn't make you wish we had been given the real truth about that shooting of Ronald Reagan—and make you wonder who really got rid of Richard Nixon---and why-- and who really killed Vincent Foster and why? —and cause you to think that folks old enough to know a few things during WWII still think that George Patton would have made a great Anti-Communist President and wonder just who had him was knocked off in such an opportune manner, you have been hopelessly dumbed down.

Read: Target Patton The Plot to Assassinate General George S. Patton by Robert K. Wilcox,

And some of these same folks think that Patton's nemesis Eisenhower's sudden, sudden, sudden SHOOT up in rocket speed from a low-ranking officer to the role of Supreme Military Commander was more than just a wee bit weird, as was Eisenhower's placement in the Oval Office. (Naïve me! I remember at the time I thought how wonderful it was to have as President a man that both political parties had sought as their candidate for the Presidency.) At the end of WWII, some military veterans considered it rather odd that Roosevelt and Eisenhower prohibited Patton from taking Berlin and let Russia take it instead-----almost as if somebody was following Mother Russia's own orders to give away most of the conquered land to Russia—same reason the U.S. government would not accept Japan's surrender before Russia was in the war against the Orient for a week—allowing the US to give Russia most of that hunk of geography.

We are told, of course, over and over that there was no conspiracy ever involving the U.S.---just that Americans during the World War II period—did their usual thing.

Our leaders certainly had the power and we were completely fooled by them —their ideological heirs now have that same stuff---so none still do not dare call it treason.

Americans are stupid, aren't we? We repeatedly prove this to be true. If we are not stupid, we would never have allowed men with great persuasive powers (and personal loot in mind) to take us into war after war. We would have known after WWII they lied when they promised that if we'd only accept the United Nations there would never be war again. (Rockefeller's gift of NY land was of great value, but his own close relative was likely to gain millions because of his job supervising all creation and construction on that land.) We, the people, were seduced by a vast continental bombardment of lies convincing us that we simply must get the U.S. into the U.N. and build the U.N. in the U. S.—that by doing this we would see the people of the world "debate," "talk," rather than fight.

They LIED. Now it is all too evident—we need to get the U.S. out of the U.N. and the U.N. out of the U.S. We must rid ourselves of that Communist, New World Order central office that instigated wars called "police actions" in places such as Korea and Vietnam and now in never-ending middle east horrors resulting in a virtual avalanche of unassimilable immigrants being invited here by the brain washers and welcomed by the brainwashed.

Any "idjit" knows that all our "Police Actions" are wars—that war is war no matter the name. And some of us even know why we involve our America in wars. Those who know not should read *WAR IS A RACKET* by Brigadier General Smedley D. Butler (This is the truth about all of America's wars written by America's Most Decorated Soldier.) You'll need a strong stomach and a box of Kleenex to view the photos Butler places in the original version ol his text.



# A Confederate REALITY PRIMER for Stacey Abrams candidate for Georgia Governor

REGARDING HER REMARKS IN COLUMBUS, GA

- Confederate monuments were put up AFTER Reconstruction because DURING Reconstruction, the South was under a MILITARY DICTATORSHIP.
- Confederate monuments were not raised right after the war because the South had been LAID WASTE by the savage union army. What little money there was had to go toward rebuilding homes, farms, whole TOWNS ruthlessly and unnecessarily DESTROYED by the union army.
- The people's dire economic circumstances were made worse by PREDATORY, SHAM GOVERN-MENTS that saddled them with GARGANTUAN DEBT from loans often used to personally enrich the sham officeholders.
- 4. It is not some "proof" of racism that Confederate monuments were raised in the early decades of the 20th century. War related monuments almost never go up immediately after a war, even in societies that are not impoverished.

The Vietnam Memorial did not go up until 7 years after the fall of Saigon. The Arizona Memorial in Honolulu opened May 30, 1962, twenty years after the December 7, 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor. The Korean War Memorial was dedicated July 27, 1995, FORTY YEARS after the war ended July 27, 1953. Stop the fake conclusions about the timeframe in which Confederate monuments were raised.

- 5. The "authors of the new KKK" -- whoever that is -- did not raise Confederate monuments. Most were raised by the WIDOWS, WIVES, MOTHERS, DAUGHTERS, AND SISTERS of Confederate soldiers. They formed monument associations and raised funds with raffles and bake sales to have the memorials constructed. It sometimes took decades to raise the money.
- There are no monuments to domestic terrorism in Georgia.
- The carving on Stone Mountain has nothing to do with Charlottesville. Nothing, zero, zilch, nada.
- 8. President Trump was right. Antifa is a terrorist organization whose members cover their faces during their attacks. They are worse than white supremacists. They have rioted, arsoned, and injured from border to border and coast to coast. Antifa doesn't give two hoots about whether real history is understood. They are self-proclaimed communists who want to destroy the United States and put a Communist country it is place. Communism has never done anything competently except mass murder.

Stacey Abrams either does not know history, or is complicit in promoting leftist propagandistic false history -- or both -- which creates divisiveness.

Georgia does not need a divisive socialist as governor. Socialism has no place in the USA.

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#### A REAL CHANCE TO HELP THE CONFEDERATE CAUSE

"THUMBS UP for DIXIE" - a symbol of Liberty & resistance to Tyranny for 21 years

The Southern Legal Resource Center has been the "ACLU" for the Confederate Community since 1995. Think of a major Confederate heritage lawsuit in the last 23 years and we were either major players or providing backup legal counsel. Confederate symbols in public schools, City parades banning Confederate symbols, employees fired for Confederate symbols in in workplace and since 2015 active monument offense against the municipal thugs removing monuments. Yes, we've done and are doing it all. We win some, we lose some, but we have never given up fighting - as our fight is for the liberty of ALL Americans. When Confederates lose - ALL Americans eventually lose.

The "Thumbs Up" stickers started life as "Aggies for Dixie" (its the Gig 'em symbol with a Confederate flag superimposed on it) in our lawsuit against Texas A&M University for banning Confederate symbols in the Corps of Cadets dormitories.

Our other student supporters quickly dubbed it the "Thumbs Up for Dixie" sticker and plastered it all over their schools, school books, light poles etc. It became a student symbol of resistance to tyrannical school boards & school administrators.

When the monument fights began we plastered them all over downtown New Orleans, LA, Columbia, SC, UT Austin campus and other monument crisis sites.

It took us 21 years but we finally distributed over 300,000 stickers across the country. We sold some, but most were given away. Now we are out. The resistance needs more!

We want to order another 100,000 which with delivery will cost us about \$5000.00, but do not have the capital to do it. The beginning of the Spring & Summer is the worst time for fundraising for non-profits as Summer vacations begin, nor can we divert funds for staff, office and our case work to cover this.

Still the stickers are needed on the front lines-WILL YOU HELP? All donations are tax deductible: To donate go to our webpage: <a href="https://www.slrc-csa.org">www.slrc-csa.org</a> indicate that your donation is for stickers.

For donation by check, make payable to: SLRC and mail to: PO Box 1235 Black Mountain, NC 28711 note on check it is for stickers.

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Kirkpatrick Sale, Director of the Middlebury Institute (for the study of secession and decentralization) and author of Human Scale Revisited: A New Look at the Classic Case for a Decentralist Future (2017)

Dan Fisher, former Oklahoma State Representative and candidate for governor.

Marcus Ruiz Evans, Founder of the California Secession Movement "Calexit."

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"Revival of Secession Discourse in the United States" Donald Livingston

"A Most Valuable, A Most Sacred Right" Kirkpatrick Sale

"Decentralization and the Knowledge Problem" Allen Mendenhall

LUNCH 12:00-1:30 Guest Speaker: "Why California Secession Can Strengthen Genuine Federalism in America" Marcus Ruiz Evans

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**LEST WE FORGET** 

"... A lot of people don't really understand these statues were erected during the Jim Crow era ..." - Ben Frazier, Northside Coalition

# TIME TO END THE FAKE CONFEDERATE MONUMENT-JIM CROW CONNECTION

This claim originated with the Southern Poverty Law Center in very recent years. It was rarely made before, because it is not true. The fact that the two circumstances occurred at the same time does not mean they were connected. That is a logical fallacy called *post hoc ergo propter hoc*. It means "assuming causality to mere proximity."

The Southern Poverty Law Center's "timeline" graphic shows "spikes" of monument building during the time when "Jim Crow laws were being passed".

## What the SPLC graphic glosses over is that the "spikes" coincide with the 25th and 50th anniversaries of the Civil War, and short periods of time before and after each.

Why gloss it over? Because the purpose of these attacks on Confederate artifacts is to drum up hatred for white Southerners, past and present, and acknowledging that the monuments were raised by grieving family members to commemorate their war dead is useless for that purpose. The longing to remember is understood by anyone who has lost family in war.

#### Right after the war, the South lay in utter ruin, physically and economically.

There was simply no money for monuments Hundreds of towns and thousands of homes destroyed by the union army's barbarism had to be rebuilt, and that took the few pennies Southerners had. A military dictatorship ruled over the people, and sham state government officials enriched themselves at the expense of the people, saddling them with debt that could never be repaid. Policies intended to keep industry from developing in the South kept Southerners, black and white, in poverty for generations.

But the women of the South were determined that their husbands, fathers, sons, and brothers who fought so valiantly, and died so horribly, to defend them from barbaric invaders, would not be forgotten. So they raised the money in nickels and dimes, no matter how long it took. As an example, fundraising for the Beauregard Monument in New Orleans took twenty years.

#### STOP BELIEVING AND SPREADING THE JIM CROW-MONUMENT LIE!

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### SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER HATEWATCH THIS FROM OUR ENEMIES:

at the Southern Poverty Law Center (see above)

## After judge's ruling, Confederate monument in San Antonio park is history

September 20, 2018

**Brett Barrouquere** 

# A monument to Confederate soldiers that stood in a San Antonio, Texas, park for more than 100 years is now history.

U.S. District Judge David Alan Ezra on Monday dismissed a lawsuit brought by the Texas division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans challenging the removal of the memorial from Travis Park.

Ezra, appointed by President Ronald Reagan, found that the Sons of Confederate Veterans lacked legal standing to challenge the city's decision to remove the statue. The decision is the second in three months upholding the removal of a Confederate statue from a public park in Texas.

<u>In June, U.S. District Judge Lee Yeakel concluded</u> that removing Confederate statues from the University of Texas hallways did not violate the free-speech rights of the Texas division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans to hold unpopular viewpoints, therefore the people bringing the lawsuit had no grounds on which to file suit.

Ezra cited the earlier ruling in his 16-page decision dismissing the lawsuit.

Ezra concluded that claims of being proud of Confederate heritage are not a basis for a legal challenge to the removal of the statue.

"Plaintiffs are likely more deeply attached to the values embodied by the Monument than the average person walking through Travis Park," Ezra wrote, "but their identities as descendants of Confederate veterans do not transform an abstract ideological interest in preserving the Confederate legacy into a particularized injury."

The ruling is the latest to allow a city to remove a Confederate monument from public space. A spate of rulings has upheld the right of cities to remove or relocate Confederate monuments in <a href="New Orleans">New Orleans</a>, <a href="Louisville">Louisville</a>, <a href="Kentucky">Kentucky</a>, <a href="Dallas, Texas">Dallas</a>, <a href="Texas">Texas</a>, in Austin, at the University of Texas, and <a href="Memphis">Memphis</a>, <a href="Texas">Tennessee</a>.

Since Dylann Storm Roof, who waved a Confederate battle flag on video, shot and killed nine people in a predominantly African American church in Charleston, South Carolina, in 2015, more than 113 Confederate symbols have been removed around the country.

<u>City officials in San Antonio removed the Confederate monument</u> in the early morning hours of August 31, 2017. The statue was similar to hundreds of others across the country, featuring a Confederate soldier with his right arm outstretched toward the sky and his index finger pointing upward.

The city also removed two memorial cannons from the park.

The removal came two weeks after a violent white supremacist rally in Charlottesville, Virginia, <u>resulted in the death of 32-year-old Heather Heyer and two Virginia State</u> <u>Troopers</u>, and left dozens of people injured.

City officials at the time referenced the rally as reason for moving quickly to take the statue down.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans in Texas sued the city, alleging a violation of their First Amendment rights, that the city didn't hold the rights to the land where the statue stood and that the removal was an improper use of taxpayer money. The group sought not only to restore the monument, but also have it held in a safe place and preserved while the litigation played out.

Before Ezra's ruling, <u>Texas had at least 68 markers and monuments to the Confederacy</u> still standing on public grounds.



THE ONLY DEMOCRAT VOTE TO CAST IN THIS ELECTION!

# THE ALAMO IS UNDER SIEGE A SECOND TIME

My name is Rick Range. As you may remember, I am President and Founder of the Save The Alamo Committee and was one of the three candidates running against Texas General Land Office Commissioner George P. Bush in the Republican Primary this past March. I am convinced from the results of the March Primary that the great majority of Texans still knew virtually nothing about Bush's plans for the Alamo when they cast their vote. Although we were ultimately unsuccessful in forcing Bush into a run-off, there is still one last opportunity to save the Alamo from his designs.

It is absolutely essential that we do so. His "Reimagine the Alamo" Master Plan contains many flaws, but among the most egregious are that it takes the focus entirely off of the world-famous 1836 Battle and also includes the removal of the marble 1936 Texas Centennial Cenotaph Memorial to the Alamo Defenders. We must remember that Bush said these actions are necessary "in order to promote unity and not division in our society." It is political correctness run amok. And just within the past few weeks, both George P. Bush and San Antonio Mayor Ron Nirenberg have already signed the order to remove the monument.

It must also be remembered that prior to the adoption of this ill-conceived plan, one of Commissioner Bush's first acts in office was to terminate the longtime role of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas as custodians of the Alamo, a duty they had faithfully performed for 110 years. He then seized their library building, and also attempted to illegally confiscate all of their documents and artifacts. As a result of this foolhardy action, a one-year court battle ensued which ended with the Daughters retaining all of their possessions and the General Land Office having to pay two hundred thousand dollars in their attorney fees—our tax money.

Bush's most recent radical act has been to publicly call for the abolition of Confederate Heroes Day in the State of Texas. Contrary to his touted claims, Bush is no "conservative." He is a politically correct radical of the same ilk as the Mayor and City Council of San Antonio—to whose wishes regarding the Alamo he will fully acquiesce if re-elected.

I have not personally voted for a Democrat in decades, but in this case I am perfectly willing to make an exception. Bush has proven himself to be totally unfit and unworthy of the office, and we dare not leave the future of the Alamo in his hands.

Some might prefer to vote for the Libertarian Party candidate Matt Piña or to even abstain in this race. That would definitely be preferable to voting for Bush. However, all that does is decrease Bush's vote total by one vote. Voting for Democrat Miguel Suazo carries a double punch—it not only decreases Bush by one vote but also adds an additional vote to Suazo's total—twice the impact. And realistically Suazo is the only candidate that has any chance of surpassing Bush.

Since there is no 50-percent requirement and no run-off in the General Election, Suazo only has to surpass Bush by one vote in order to win the election.

With the large Democratic Party base behind him, this is definitely possible with Suazo, but no minor party candidate will get anywhere near to within striking distance of Bush. Attempting to succeed with any other option will be a mere exercise in futility. (The most convincing example of this is the 1992 Presidential Election in Texas where charismatic and widely popular native son Ross Perot received 22 percent—the highest ever in Texas for an independent or third-party candidate—but was still handily outdistanced by George H. W. Bush at 41 percent and Democrat Bill Clinton with 37 percent. In fact, no independent or third-party candidate has ever come in first—or even second place—in the entire history of Texas and it is not going to happen this time.) If anybody is to take out Bush it is going to have to be Suazo. He is the only viable option. And he is an excellent option.

Rest assured that Miguel Suazo is no wild-eyed radical leftist that is unfortunately so commonplace in today's Democratic Party. And on the issues that are germane to the Texas General Land Office, he is in total agreement with <u>us</u>—the issue of the Alamo in particular. Suazo is adamantly opposed to George P. Bush's Reimagine the Alamo plan, including any removal of the Alamo Cenotaph. Our supporters have absolutely no qualms about supporting him. And voting for Suazo will do nothing to undermine the rest of the Republican ticket in Texas. Mr. Suazo is the only candidate running on the Democratic ticket that has any chance of being elected statewide—and he is the only Democratic candidate that <u>ought</u> to be elected.

Miguel Suazo is totally in agreement with everything that we all have been fighting for. To give you just a few of the details:

- 1. The Battle of 1836 and the heroism of the Defenders shall remain the primary focus of any future plans for the Alamo.
- 2. The marble Cenotaph Memorial to the Alamo Defenders shall not be moved one inch from where it currently stands.
- 3. The Daughters of the Republic of Texas shall be restored to their proper role at the Alamo.

Mr. Suazo grew up in a ranching family—9 generations on the same land. He is imminently qualified and has well-thought-out positions on all the duties of the Land Office. And unlike George P. Bush, his intent is not to use this office as a stepping stone to higher office—he wants to repair the mess that Bush has made

of it. Full details can be viewed at Mr. Suazo's website at <a href="https://www.miguelsuazo.org/">https://www.miguelsuazo.org/</a>.

Even though he avoided a run-off, Mr. Bush still had 42 percent of his own party vote against him in March, indicating that he is definitely vulnerable. This is very likely to be the closest statewide race of all in the November General Election. Make no mistake, the conservative voters who really care about our heritage hold the balance of power in this race, and if we utilize it to the fullest Bush and his Reimagine the Alamo Master Plan will be defeated.

Please do all you can to help us make that a reality. This result is absolutely essential for the future of the Alamo. Because of this fact, all four of Mr. Bush's prior Republican Primary opponents—Former Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson, Davey Edwards, David Watts (2014), and myself—are unanimously urging that George P. Bush be defeated for re-election. Thank you very much for your consideration of this critical matter, and for your loyalty to our Texas heritage. Remember the Alamo!

Sincerely,
Rick Range
President and Founder of the Save The Alamo Committee

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P.S.—Please help by forwarding this email to everyone that you possibly can and ask them to do the same. I believe that a great many of them will agree that the entire future of the Alamo is vastly more important than one man or the issue of personal loyalty to any one particular political party. I for one will never vote for a politically correct scalawag like George P. Bush just because he has an "R" next to his name. I hope that you and multitudes of other like-minded patriotic Texans agree.

Remember that this is our last chance to save the Alamo.

## John Wayne would oppose George P. Bush for Land Commissioner

October 8, 2018 by Mark Vogl

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#### The Alamo is on the ballot in Texas.

For the Alamo is former Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson (R), who is **endorsing Democrat Miguel Suoza** in an opinion piece in the <u>Houston Chronicle</u>.

What?

Commissioner Bush has had a "politically correct" plan to change the Alamo from his first day in office. Rick Range, a 2018 candidate seeking the Republican nomination wrote in a recent email call to Republicans: "Commissioner Bush's first acts in office was to terminate the longtime role of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas as custodians of the Alamo, a duty they had faithfully performed for 110 years."

Former Commissioner Patterson writes in his Opinion piece: "All four of Bush's former Republican primary opponents have decided to follow Shivers' lead. Alamo historian Rick Range and I, after lengthy discussions with Miguel Suazo, have decided to endorse Bush's opponent for land commissioner. His other 2018 primary opponent, land surveyor Davey Edwards, has unequivocally said he will not vote for Bush. His 2014 Republican primary opponent, author and photographer David Watts, adamantly opposes Bush's re-election as well."

Patterson is the former commissioner of the General Land Office. Suoza has made the following commitments concerning the Alamo:

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- 3. The Daughters of the Republic of Texas shall be restored to their proper role at the Alamo.

So why do I say John Wayne would oppose Bush?

Because the movie John Wayne made about the Alamo is one of my top five movies of my life. John Wayne was the voice of American patriotism before Rush Limbaugh. No other American could speak for this nation, for its character and for its values like John Wayne. And in the movie he made, a movie he invested his own money in, and created a production company to make, John Wayne planted in my mind what Texas was! No other state has a symbol as strongly identified with American strength, courage and defiance more than the Alamo.

I admit I am not native to Texas. I also admit I would never claim to be a Texan. But I know why I moved to Texas. I know why the past fifteen years have been the most enjoyable, and most significant in my life. As I have said many times; "I know there's a heaven, 'cause I live in East Texas."

My wife Barbara is the epitome of a Texas woman. Her grit, honesty, Christian faith, and homespun manners are a reflection of her birth and upbringing here in Texas.

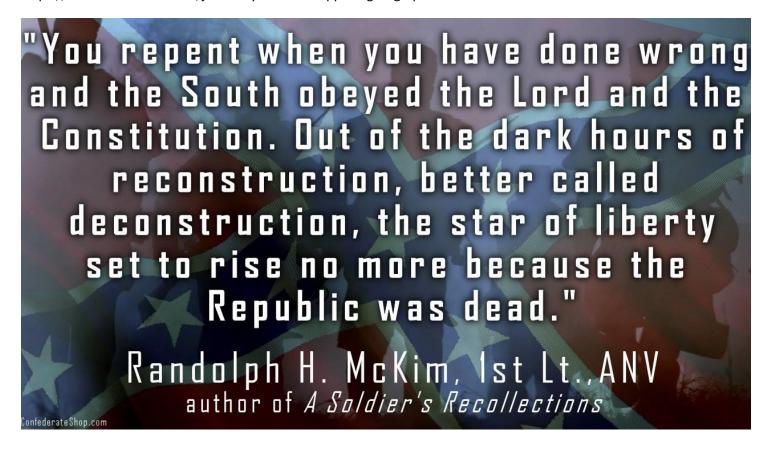
Both Patterson and Range warn us not to waste a vote on Libertarian. In this case we don't want to caste a protest vote, we want to elect a Commissioner, Miguel Suazo. Let's say thank you George P. Bush and send him home to the northeast.

All my life I have followed politics. When I was in 8th grade I participated in my first national election. I have been a Republican Committeeman in New York, and a Republican Legislative aide at County and State Level in New York. I was a Republican Election Judge in Upshur County, and ran for County Commissioner as a Republican. And while I no longer claim to be a Republican... I do claim to be a Christian Conservative and a Deplorable.

It appears to me, George P. Bush is bringing the Bush's New World Order and Globalism to the Alamo. They would prefer to erase history and re-write it to fit their view of the 21st Century world. As someone who has seen what this kind of thinking has done to the nation's battlefield at Gettysburg by President Obama, I can tell you, I don't want to see Texas heroism suffer the same fate.

I will be casting my vote for Miguel Suazo for Land Commissioner and I hope you will consider the same course of action. In this case, the best man is NOT a Republican.

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Dear Fellow Texans,

The fact that all four of Commissioner Bush's past primary opponents from the 2018 and 2014 Republican primaries—Jerry Patterson, Rick Range, Davey Edwards, and David Watts—refuse to vote for him in the general election should get the attention of Republican voters.

### Rick Range and I have endorsed his Democratic opponent, oil & gas attorney Miguel Suazo.

We are concerned about Bush's management of the Alamo. Bush oversees the Alamo with nonprofit entities that are exempt from public scrutiny. Shouldn't the public have the right to know how the \$450 million of planned expenditures will be spent? Bush is negotiating an agreement with the City of San Antonio with an initial draft provision to allow the city to "monitor compliance" of the Alamo with

UNESCO world heritage site requirements— requirements that currently don't exist. He precipitated a disastrous lawsuit with the Daughters of the Republic of Texas—which he lost on all counts—and was required by the court to pay the DRT's legal fees—\$200,000 of our tax money. He has already signed an agreement with the City of San Antonio that would remove the Cenotaph—a memorial to the Texians and Tejanos who died there defending liberty—from the Alamo grounds. That's a direct violation of the plank passed at this year's Texas Republican Party Convention mandating that the Cenotaph not be

moved. I might also add that In September 2017, the State Republican Executive Committee effectively censured and condemned Bush's management of the Alamo by a vote of 57-1.

A recent poll of over 1000 voters had Bush at 41 percent, Suazo at 36 percent, Libertarian Matt Piña at 13 percent and undecided at 10 percent. The only person who can beat Bush is the Democrat. There is no runoff in general elections; the candidate with the most votes wins. Those of you who are considering voting for the Libertarian candidate are wasting your vote. Matt Piña needs 28 percent to catch Bush, and Suazo only needs 5 percent.

So what is Miguel Suazo's position on the Alamo? <u>Please view the recent News 8 Austin TV</u> interview and hear from the candidate himself.

If you're concerned about voting for a Democrat because of issues other than the Alamo, keep in mind being Texas Land Commissioner has nothing to do with any of the core issues associated with the National Democratic Party. Instead, you'll find addressed in Suazo's platform the responsibilities of the Texas General Land Office and specifically, the Alamo. Suazo's Alamo plan is closer to the Texas Republican party platform than Bush's actions to date.

I understand that the recent confirmation of Justice Kavanaugh and the Democratic lies, juvenile antics, and out-of-control asinine protests make voting for a Democrat difficult, but this is about the Alamo. We have one chance remaining to do the right thing. This November 6th please vote for Miguel Suazo for Texas Land Commissioner.

Semper Fi and God Bless Texas!



Former Texas Senator, former Texas Land Commissioner LtCol USMCR ret

## DEBUNKING THE CLAIMS OF THE TAKE 'EM DOWNERS

CLAIM: "The war was not to protect states' rights but to allow the continuation of slavery. The Southern states said so in their declarations of secession."

Only **four** states issued declarations of secession. Why did the others secede?

Only four states issued secession declarations, so why did the others secede? Those four -- South Carolina, Georgia, Mississippi and Texas -- were states of

the "first wave" of secession (which also included Florida, Louisiana and Texas). The declarations do state that slavery was **one** of the reasons for secession. If slavery was the only reason, why were these others included? Since they were included, we have to assume they were as legitimate to the issuers as slavery; so why do Take 'Em Downers ignore them?

The "second wave" states seceded over a genuine states rights issue.

The "second wave" of secession included the states of Virginia, Arkansas, North Carolina, Tennessee. None of them issued Declarations of Causes but some did mention in their secession

ordinances that they were seceding because the federal government was trying to coerce them to send troops to invade the seceded states. Thus, their reason for seceding was genuinely states' rights -- their right to not be coerced by the federal government. This is totally ignored by Take 'Em Downers.

Secession is not war, and the reasons for each are different.

The secession declarations state the reasons for seceding. They were not declarations of the reasons for fighting a war. Secession is not war. It is a peaceful, political act. War is military violence. Confusing

the two is a mistake most critics of the Confederacy make repeatedly and continuously. The Southern states seceded for political and economic independence from the United States.

The union army did not invade the South to free slaves.

Except for a handful of abolitionists, the north was not deeply interested in ending slavery, even after they abolished it at the state level (and sold rather than freed many of their slaves). New England's

maritime interests made fortunes shipping slave-grown cottonn Northern textile industries made foruns weaving slave-grown cotton in their mills. Northern banks made money financing plantations and slaves, and northern insurance companies made money insuring slaves. Both north and south benefited enormously from slavery; the major difference was that the slaves were no longer domiciled in the north.

### YOU CANNOT FIGHT TO KEEP WHAT NOBODY IS TRYING TO TAKE AWAY FROM YOU.

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# Ag commissioner Sid Miller backs Confederate group's latest Texas license plate

Written by



Robert T. Garrett, Austin Bureau chief

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Reb from Texas.

AUSTIN — Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller is backing a renewed attempt by the state arm of the Sons of Confederate Veterans to generate money from specialty license plate sales.

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller is applauded as he takes the stage during the 2018 Texas GOP Convention held at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center in downtown San Antonio. Texas on Saturday, June 16, 2018. (Louis DeLuca/Staff Photographer)

This time, the Southern historical group wants the tag to feature a rebel soldier carrying a Texas regiment's special flag at a major Civil War battle, and not the Confederate battle flag itself.

While the U.S. Supreme Court has upheld the state's authority to reject the plate, Miller said Monday that he sees nothing wrong with the Sons of Confederate Veterans' latest push to let motorists choose a specialty tag depicting a gray-clad Johnny

Asked if he's concerned black Texans will be offended, Miller replied, "The Confederate flag is one of the six flags that flew over the state. There's no profit in hiding our history and trying to rewrite history."

An aide to Kim Olson, Miller's Democratic opponent in the Nov. 6 election, though, questioned the move.

"Kids are hungry, farmers are struggling, rural communities are suffering, and this is his focus?" Olson campaign manager Kolby Monnig said in a written statement. "Kim Olson is working to reach all voters, because the Texas Department of Agriculture must represent all Texans."

Miller, an early supporter of President Donald Trump, regularly uses social media to push back on what he calls rampant "political correctness" in 21<sup>st</sup>century America. Though his tweets on Facebook posts sometimes have made even fellow Republicans cringe, Miller has persisted with defiance.

More than a decade ago, the Texas Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans sought the state's approval for a tag showing its name and a square Confederate battle flag.

The board that oversees the state Department of Motor Vehicles rejected that plan as too divisive, spinning off a legal fight. In 2015, the Supreme Court upheld Texas' rejection as a legitimate choice by a government to decide which programs it wants to promote or espouse.

David McMahon and Gary Bray, the current and past Texas division commanders of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

#### New plate proposed

In March, the Sons of Confederate Veterans submitted a new application to the Department of Motor Vehicles, department spokesman Adam Shaivitz confirmed Monday.

"New specialty license plate designs submitted ... must meet standards in legibility, reflectivity and graphics, and are subject to final approval by the" department's nine-member board, Shaivitz said in an email.

"This plate may be considered for action at the next board meeting in December," he said.



Proposed Texas Sons of Confederate Veterans Texas motor vehicle license plate. (Texas  $DMV)\,$ 

According to the Sons of Confederate Veterans application, the state Department of Agriculture is listed as the sponsoring state agency.

On March 18, Miller wrote a letter of support saying the Department of Agriculture, which he runs, would sponsor the plate and funnel the money from sales back to the nonprofit group.

Presumably, that would allow motorists to help fund, among other activities of the group, its lawsuit against University of Texas president Greg Fenves for removing Confederate monuments from the flagship school's Austin campus. The suit, on which the group's application says it's spent \$30,000, is before the Texas Supreme Court.

In an interview, Miller said the Sons of Confederate Veterans approached him last spring, asking him to sponsor its application for a tag. After reviewing the design, Miller said:

"I couldn't see anything offensive about it."

The agriculture department sponsors specialty plates that raise money for Masons, the American Quarterhorse Association and Go Texan, which promotes the state's agricultural products, he noted.

"I'm not one to rewrite history, and I don't support taking the Confederate monuments down," he said.

"They have every right to do that," Miller said of the group.

Earlier, Miller spokesman Mark Loeffler made two points about the Sons' renewed application. "That's the Texas flag," he said, noting the new design doesn't display the Confederate emblem, though it shows a soldier's gray cap and tunic.

The department charges a \$30 fee for a specialty plate. Of that, \$22 goes to a selected cause.

In this case, that money would entirely flow to the Sons of Confederate Veterans, not to Miller's department, Loeffler noted.

#### **Bloody Antietam**

The newly proposed plate includes a portion of a painting by Fort Worth historical artist John Paul "Jack" Strain. Strain's painting depicts a Confederate soldier from the 1<sup>st</sup> Texas Regiment carrying what became known as the Texas Wigfall Flag at a crucial Civil War battle at Antietam, Md., in September 1862. The flag lists several earlier battles.

In 2011, the department's board unanimously rejected a proposed plate that would show the Sons of Confederate Veterans' name and the Confederate battle flag, a blue cross inlaid with white stars over a red background. The words "Sons of Confederate Veterans 1896" encircled the flag.

In a 5-4 decision, the Supreme Court upheld the board's decision, saying it didn't violate the First Amendment because the messages on such license plates are "government speech," not private speech.

Former Justice Anthony Kennedy, who over the weekend was replaced by Brett Kavanaugh after a searing confirmation battle involving accusations of sexual assault, joined dissenters. They argued that when a government opens up a forum — in this case space on its license plates — to outside groups, it can't pick and choose which messages are offensive and which are OK.

All five justices who ruled the DMV's board has every right to declare the Confederate battle flag too divisive to be emblazoned on its specialty license plates are still on the Supreme Court.



An undated handout photo of a proposed design of the novelty plate showing the Confederate flag, that Texas rejected. The Supreme Court ruled on Thursday, June 18, 2015, that Texas did not violate the First Amendment when it refused to allow specialty license plates bearing the Confederate battle flag.

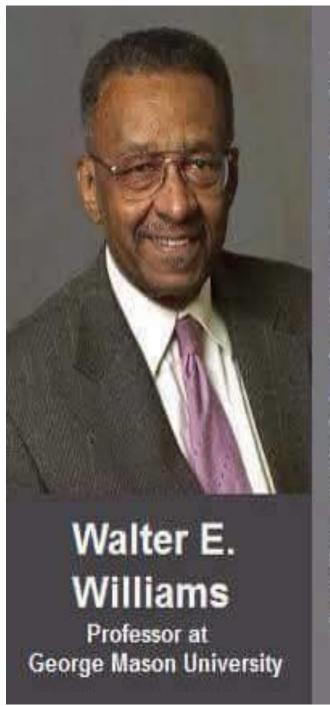
(TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES)

In July 2015, a month after the high court's ruling, Bray, who at the time was group commander, told *The Dallas Morning News*, "We are going to come back with another design for our license plate," he said. "And our battle flag is not going anywhere."

The Sons of Confederate Veterans first conceived of the specialty plate bearing its logo as a fundraising gambit in 2007. The idea had the support of then-state Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson, who had the General Land Office he ran sponsor the group's design.

In hundreds of comments from opponents, though, elected officials, religious leaders, NAACP members and other critics called the proposed plate offensive — a hurtful reminder of slavery.

https://www.dallasnews.com/news/politics/2018/10/08/ag-commissioner-sid-miller-backs-confederate-groups-latest-texas-license-plate



"The flap over the Confederate flag is not quite as simple as the nation's race experts make it. They want us to believe the flag is a symbol of racism. Yes, racists have used the Confederate flag, but racists have also used the Bible and the U.S. flag. Should we get rid of the Bible and lower the U.S. flag? Black civil rights activists and their white liberal supporters who're attacking the Confederate flag have committed a deep, despicable dishonor to our patriotic black ancestors who marched, fought and died to protect their homeland from what they saw as Northern aggression."

### TEXDIV SCV LICENSE PLATE EXEMPLAR APPROVAL PROCESS MOVING ALONG

Compatriots,

We are now in possession of the exemplar of our proposed Texas Division SCV License Plate.



**Close-up of Exemplar Plate** 

I received it in the USPS on Monday, 22OCT, along with instructions on how to evaluate it. The TexDOT/DMV instructions say that we should look at it in various lighting conditions an at various distances to ensure it meets our expectations and approval. Please look at these photos and let me know if there appear to be any problems that we might like to address with the DMV about its appearance. They suggested using only a 5-digit format to allow the image to occupy more space on the plate which I believe to be a good idea.



View from about 5 feet



View from about 15 feet

I have also confirmed with the TxDOT/DMV folks that we have a hearing confirmed for December 6, 2018 in their offices. There may be other groups present objecting to approval so we need to be prepared for same and project ourselves in a positive light as a group, i.e. dress and deportment should be business-like.

I have also contacted our two Congressional supporters who have advised that they have placed the hearing on their personal calendars and plan to attend alongside our leadership.

## IRONY!

### SAVING THE USA MAY REQUIRE SAVING THE CONFEDERACY

LEFTISTS REMOVING CONFEDERATE HISTORY ARE SETTING PRECEDENT FOR REMOVING U.S. HISTORY

Removing Jefferson Davis and Robert E. Lee will be used to justify Removing Thomas Jefferson and George Washington

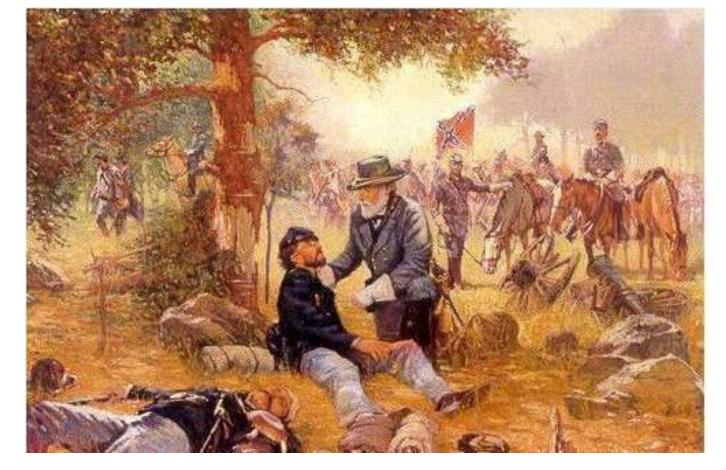
The removal campaign will mercilessly, breathtakingly trash and smear our Founding Fathers to make what they believed and accomplished unworthy of upholding and following. Then it's

### **GOODBYE, USA!**

STOP THE LEFT'S WAR ON CONFEDERATE HISTORY.
SAVE AMERICAN HISTORY.

TELL YOUR ELECTED OFFICIALS TO REMEMBER

THEY ARE AMERICANS



The Humility of Robert E. Lee

Although we've shared this story before, I thought it appropriate to share once again. Like this Union soldier, many today who have no ties to the Southland respect General Robert E. Lee. He was undoubtedly a man of character.

His encounter with Union soldier Marcus Wright.

"I had been a most bitter anti-South man, and fought and cursed the Confederates desperately, I could see nothing good in any of them. A ball shattered my left leg. I lay on the ground not far from Cemetery Ridge, and as General Lee ordered his retreat, he and his officers rode near me. As they came along I recognized him, and, though faith from exposures and loss of blood, I raised up my hands, looked Lee in the face, and shouted as loud as I could--'Hurrah for the Union!' The General heard me, looked, stopped his horse, dismounted and came toward me. I must confess I at first thought he meant to kill me. But as he came up he looked down at me with such a sad expression upon his face that all fear left me, and I wondered what he was about. He extended his hand to me, grasping mine firmly, and looking right into my eyes, said 'My son, I hope you will soon be well.' If I live to a thousand years I shall never forget the expression on General Lee's face. There he was defeated, retiring from a field that had cost him and his cause almost their last hope, and yet he stopped to say words like those to a wounded soldier of the opposition who had taunted him as he passed by! As soon as the General had left me, I cried myself to sleep there upon the bloody ground."

[The Heart of Lee. Philadelphia, 1923] This story is one of many in the book The Maxims of Robert E. Lee for Young Gentlemen available from **Crossroads Country Store**.

#### To Rechristen Lee Monuments

DREW SULLIVAN SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2018

As the founder of the Fans of Robert E Lee, I thought you should know why Lee is so important to American military history and why every military family and every American should honor him.

He did not want secession or war and was conflicted over slavery. This man has now been demonized for all the wrong reasons. Had President Lincoln followed the Constitution, as President Andrew Jackson did during the Nullification Crisis, he would have asked Congress for an authorization for the use of force to bring back the seven seceding states in to the Union. Had Lincoln done this, General Robert E Lee would have been commander of Union forces, not Confederate forces, and the war would have been shorter with fewer lives lost.

Instead, in violation of the Republican Platform of 1860 which condemned military action against states, he went directly to the Yankee states to raise a militia of 75,000 men and the result was four more states seceding from the Union. The capital of the Confederacy was moved to Richmond, Virginia, the home state of General Lee.

Lee understood the military must follow the civilian laws and rule, so he sided with his state and became leader of Confederate forces. What else could he possibly do? Virginia citizens had already had one convention rejecting secession, but with Lincoln's decision, they voted for it. Whom, in their right mind, would go against civilian rule? No one!

This is why General Lee must be remembered. His statues which have been removed, need to be rechristen as Decision monuments. Not only must these statues be restored but all who love American history must make a point of having a public statue of Lee established in every state of the Union.

Why such grand a plan? Lee was berated after the war. The winners of the war buried the dead on Lee's land, which would become Arlington cemetery. The spite against Lee was so deep, that his papers to request restoration of his rights were lost until President Gerald Ford restored them in the mid 1970s.

We, as modern Americans in the 21 century, cannot begin to grasp the difficulty of the decision Lee had to make between country and state, between military rule and civilian rule. Lee deserves the honor and high praise of all Americans, because in a free society, we all must make decisions of consequence. Lincoln made his choice, and Lee made his and Lee was in the right and Lincoln was in the wrong. https://www.facebook.com/notes/drew-sullivan/to-rechristen-lee-monuments/10156145092493773/

# Chapel Hill police chief speaks for first time since Silent Sam came down



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Chapel Hill chief speaks for first time since Silent Sam came down.

By Josh Chapin Monday, October 01, 2018

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (WTVD) --

Six weeks after **Silent Sam came down**, Chapel Hill's police chief spoke publicly for the first time.

Chief Chris Blue participated in a community conversation led by the Orange County Human Relations Commission about the statue's future.

The talk was entitled "Hate, Heritage and Hope: Orange County Voices."



#### Josh Chapin

✓ @JoshChapinABC11

"I think we've been very fortunate." Tonight @chapelhillgov police chief speaks about the night #SilentSam came down and the actions of his police officers. #ABC11 9:47 PM - Oct 1, 2018

"I'm saddened that our department's association with Silent Sam may well diminish the work we've done," Blue said. "We've done great work when it comes to addressing racial disparities, tackling bias and building relationships with everyone in every corner."

Last year Blue said UNC's Police Chief Jeff McCracken sent a letter to the chancellor expressing concerns that the statue had become a public safety threat -- it's a position Chief Blue agreed with then and now.

"Many people in our community are highly, highly charged around the issue and we've seen that," Chief Blue said. "I think the statue makes us less safe in our community. We said that a year ago and my opinion about that has not changed. I think we all expected that at some point, an effort would be made to take the statue down. We certainly had concerns about when that happened that somebody could be seriously hurt, but I think we've been fortunate so far."



#### Josh Chapin

✓ @JoshChapinABC11

"I think at some point we expected an effort would be made to take the statue down." That tonight from @chapelhillgov police chief who spoke for first time publicly about #SilentSam #ABC11 6:42 PM - Oct 1, 2018

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The chief said a large-scale review is going on in his department as well as others that responded to the incident.

He encouraged members of the public to reach out to him if they had an issue with the way Chapel Hill officers did their jobs during the last six weeks.

#### MORE: Full coverage of the Silent Sam saga

https://abc11.com/society/chapel-hill-police-chief-speaks-for-first-time-since-silent-sam-came-down/4387584

### **Public Safety Threat**

To: Chief Blue cblue@townofchapelhill.org 10/6/18

#### Chief Blue,

There you are, a grown man, able to drive, go on dates, shoot a gun, and everything an adult should be able to do, and you make a moronic statement about Silent Sam being a "public safety threat". What an asinine comment! That statue

has been there for many decades and has harmed how many people? Zero. Nada. It is NOT the statue posing a public safety threat, but the unbridled hate from the fascists in your community who don't have enough historical knowledge to fill a thimble. You have emboldened the hysterical cultural genocide crowd with your bias and your position will only aid in the destruction of more Confederate monuments. We need people with backbones and guts to stand up to the evil historically ignorant crowds and defend what is right. It is right that we have monuments to honor our brave dead Confederates. It is right that we have streets, schools, and parks named after our brave dead Confederates. The Confederates were not fighting to keep slaves any more than the Yankees were fighting to free them. If freeing the slaves was the issue, why did the Yankees not free the more than 429,000 still in the Union AFTER the South seceded?

The Confederacy was defending itself from an illegal invasion and wanting only to be left alone. The South was financing 85% of the federal revenues through excessive and unfair tariffs, yet only had 1/3 of the population. Lincoln stated in his inaugural address that the revenues would be collected from the seceded states, "by force if necessary". He cared not a whit for the black race, as is evidenced in his many quotes. He wanted money and power, and the subjugation of all the states under a strong, centralized government. Lincoln destroyed what our Founding Fathers established. Our Confederate ancestors were trying to preserve what our Founders established. Since 1865, a rewritten version of our history has been taught which is as far from the truth as you can get. Just because it's in the "history books", and we hear it parroted by the media, PBS, and people like Ken Burns does NOT make it so. There would be no cultural genocide taking place against all things Southern and Confederate if the truth had been taught. There is nothing to be ashamed of in honoring our Confederate soldiers. but plenty to be ashamed of in honoring Lincoln and his army of demons who burned, raped, murdered, and looted their way across the South. Any Southerner who will not defend the honor of the Confederate soldier is a traitor to his ancestors and heritage and should leave the South. You are a total and complete disgrace and have no business being a police chief. The only reason anyone is "offended" by anything Confederate is because they are either ignorant of true history, just plain stupid, or both. You should take more pride in your community by defending Silent Sam instead of accusing a statue of being a "public safety threat".

Jeff Paulk Tulsa, OK

### Response to Silent Sam article

From: Rex Cash

To:

**Sent:** Saturday, October 6, 2018, 8:56:03 AM CDT

Subject: Response to Silent Sam article

I read the following Silent Sam article. My response below to the police chief's moronic comment:

Chapel Hill police chief speaks for first time since Silent Sam came down

This is to report a typo in the article titled "Chapel Hill police chief speaks for first time since Silent Sam came down" dated 1 Oct 2018. The typo is in this line "Chief Blue said. "I think the statue makes us less safe in our community." Clearly, since the statue is an inanimate object, it is impossible of posing anymore of a threat to anyone or anything than the lamp post beside it. On the other hand, there are more than enough historical examples to prove it is only the violence, hatred, intolerance and fascist tactics of the irrational students and other political correct extremists that toppled this statue that are a threat to the community and civilization. Certainly, no one can believe the police chief is so inept, irresponsible and derelict in his duty as to blame an inanimate object for the criminal behavior of flesh and blood perpetrators. So, quite obviously the line was meant to read "I think the students make us less safe in our community."

Rex cash

## LYIN' POLITICIANS in LAWLESS NORTH CAROL



Orange County BOCC issues statement on removal of Silent Sam

The Crange County Board of Commissioners released the following statement on the removal of the Silent Sam statue at the University of North Carolina

Silent Sam was erected decades after the Civil War and memorialized racism. Its removal was long overdue.

Of course, the removal of one monument does not eradicate the legacy of racial discrimination that divides our community and our nation and undermines our collective potential. We will and must continue to do the necessary work of dismanting recism and bringing the full measure of equity and inclusion to

We are grateful for those in our community who have long Orange County

"Silent Sam was ... a memorial to racism." This is a bald-faced LIE.

Has North Carolina gone COMPLETELY LAWLESS at the government-level? Does the "justice" system hate justice? Does the educational system HATE SOUTHERNERS? Is North Carolina embracing crime and communism?

In Durham, a mob of antifa terrorists, the American ISIS.

shown leadership on this issue. led by a self-professed, card-carrying communist was allowed to destroy public property (and later get off scotfree) in front of dozens of witnesses videoing the crime with cell phones, while LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENTS stood around and did NOTHING.

In Chapel Hill, a mob led by a self-professed *communists* and *antifa* terrorists were allowed to destroy public property in front of dozens of witnesses videoing the crime with cell phones, while LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENTS stood around and did NOTH-ING. Will these destroyers also get of scot free in lawless North Carolina?

North Carolina -- trashing and throwing away her honorable history and noble heritage because it wasn't perfect (none of human history is perfect) while turning a blind eye to the tactics of antifa (riot, arson, violence, injure) and ideology of communism (mass murder in the hundreds of millions). How tragic.

#### LAWLESS DURHAM ~ CRIME-LOVING CHAPEL HILL MOURN FOR NORTH CAROLINA

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## Washington & Lee wets the bed -- makes deal with anti-history devil



The Capitol Rotunda is seen with the statue of George Washington on Capitol Hill in Washington, Tuesday, Jan. 30, 2018, ahead of the State of the Union address by President Donald Trump. (AP Photo/Pablo Martinez Monsivais)

By Charles Hurt - The Washington Times - Sunday, October 21, 2018

#### **ANALYSIS/OPINION:**

Washington & Lee University has — officially — wet the bed.

Tilting at snowflake machines, the once proud and serious university has decided to cash out its winnings from history in a hopeless effort to pay off the self-appointed history Gestapo now clanging at the gates with torches and pitchforks.

Just ahead of the fiery mob, university officials will take down portraits, lock museum doors and rename buildings on campus in order to protect their precious young adolescents from being exposed to some of the harsher realities of American history — as well as the founding of the university itself.

A slippery slope, indeed.

What will you surrender the next time they come in a hot fever?

If one is of weak constitution and apt to tilt with every latest prevailing wind, then these are tough times to be alive in America. Also, it is a grievous blow to the public when such people inherit important artifacts from our rich history together.

It would be so much better these days to leave history in place and learn from it. Venerate the brave and good and heroic figures — large and small — from history for their actions and accomplishments.

Really, what match are one child's fragile emotions today, compared to so many great and mighty deeds from the centuries past?

There is always at least a bit of comedy when dealing with such unserious people.

University knaves decided, for instance, to remove portraits of General George Washington and General Robert E. Lee, the two great American generals for whom the university is named. Those portraits will be replaced with portraits of General Washington and General Lee — in civilian clothing.

So wait a second. Are we condemning slavery or the U.S. military? Are we erasing the Confederate Army or the American Army? Are we denouncing the failure of the Confederacy or the founding of America?

University President William Dudley, who would not have been worthy to dig latrines for either of the great generals, will soon be forgotten from history. Except, perhaps, for his brief effort to obliterate it.

Among the most urgent proposals: "Re-name Robinson Hall immediately. The hall's association with slavery at Washington College — i.e., that the Robinson bequest included enslaved persons who labored at the institution until the institution sold them to others — gives special urgency to this proposal."

Robinson Hall was named for John Robinson, who left his estate, including some 73 slaves, to the university. In 1836, the university sold the slaves and used the proceeds from that sale to build Robinson Hall.

To correct this grave injustice, Mr. Dudley and his spineless collaborators decided to — change the name of the building to that of a black man.

They are not tearing the building down or giving it back to the slaves who built it. They're not calculating the price of the slaves they sold in today's dollars and giving it to charity. Oh no, they are keeping the building and will continue to live large off the blood money of their generous benefactor.

But they will change the letters on the side of the building. And reorganize the letters so that they spell the name of a black man.

Oh my. What pandering fakers!

These people are not sorry. They just pretend to be. They pretend to be just sorry enough so that maybe mob justice will smile upon them.

Mob justice will declare that they have reformed and they have repented. No punishment necessary. Let them to keep all their ill-gotten gains, stained by the blood of slaves — at least for now.

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# Washington and Lee renames buildings; orders portraits of Lee, Washington in military attire replaced

From staff reports



Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Virginia Friday, June 6, 2008.



THIS STONE
MARKS THE SPOT
WHERE
THE MORTAL REMAINS
OF
GENERAL ROBERT EDWARD LEERESTED
FROM 1870 TO 1883

PLACED BY
THE UNITED DAUGHTERS
OF THE CONFEDERACY
1929

The portrait of Robert E. Lee in Lee Chapel is of him when he was superintendent of the U.S. Military Academy in West Point in 1855.

#### BOB BROWN/TIMES-DISPATCH

Washington and Lee University has decided to make changes to the names of some campus buildings after concerns from students and faculty.

On Tuesday, the Board of Trustees announced that it will rename Robinson Hall as Chavis Hall, in honor of John Chavis, the first African-American to receive a college education in the United States. He graduated from Washington Academy, the predecessor of W&L, in 1799. Also, Lee-Jackson House will be renamed Simpson Hall in honor of Pamela Hemenway Simpson, who served as an associate dean of the college and helped move to a co-ed environment in the 1980s.

The board also announced that effective immediately, it will replace portraits of Robert E. Lee and George Washington in military uniforms inside Lee Chapel with portraits of the two men in civilian clothing. The board also ordered the doors to the statue chamber in the 1883 addition to Lee Chapel to be closed during university events.

The board's decisions were made after meeting with students and faculty last weekend and after reviewing feedback from alumni.

In a statement, J. Donald Childress, rector of the board of trustees, and William C. Dudley, university president, said, "We appreciate the seriousness and thoughtfulness with which our fellow trustees have approached these matters. On behalf of the Board, we want to express our gratitude to all of those members of the community who contributed to our deliberations, through countless letters and conversations over the summer and on campus this weekend. We are fortunate to be part of a community that cares deeply about this institution and is so dedicated to its continued success."

Last year, Dudley named the Commission on Institutional History and Community to address the university's history after the visceral national response to events in Charlottesville, when white nationalists protested plans to remove a statue of Lee from a city park. The commission recommended the university stop holding campus events in Lee Chapel and instead transform the entire building into a museum with a new name.



One of the commission's major areas of focus was Robinson Hall, named for a founder of the university. John Robinson left his estate, a large farm and 73 enslaved men, women and children, to the college. In 1836, the college sold the slaves and used the funds to build Robinson Hall on the campus' historic Colonnade.

The commission recommended renaming Robinson Hall, expanding recognition of enslaved people on campus, hiring a genealogist to track down their descendants and potentially establishing an education fund to support their secondary or collegiate educations.

The board of trustees has taken the first step by renaming the building Chavis Hall, but the other recommendations have not yet been considered.

Dudley announced in August that the university planned to hire a director of institutional history, who will spearhead some of the initiatives suggested in the commission's report. The director would be responsible for determining whether the university should hire a genealogist or use resources already dedicated to studying the history of African-Americans on campus. The new director will also be in charge of the design, construction and operation of a new museum dedicated to the history of Washington and Lee and its connections to American history. The director will also oversee Lee Chapel.

The commission recommended renaming Lee Chapel, Lee House and Lee-Jackson House. Dudley said that both Lee Chapel and Lee House will keep their names.

Robert E. Lee was president of Washington College from 1865, shortly after the Confederate surrender, until his death in 1870, when his name was added to the institution's. Lee Chapel is a central building to campus life — Lee and his family are buried there.

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#### From Frank Bussey:

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Commits from the Website:

Concerns from students and faculty? Why did they apply to attend or teach at W&L if they had concerns in the first place. It is a free country, the could have went to Texas Southern University as an example. No, these socialists want to destroy from within. This is like a person choosing to move next to the airport, and then want the airport changed because of the the noise.

P.C. gone too far! Since when did Washington become a target of liberal snowflakes? Perhaps the cowards on the Board should just close the university to appease the liberal socialist professors and students!

The socialist far left is preaching "evolution of thought" as the reason to destroy the history of Virginia.

"What you'll need to figure out, is how you choose to handle the evolution of thought In our country - the tides are changing and days of honoring these statues and that part of our history is numbered." Misti Fowler Newsom

Washington's name was added as a thank you for the significant financial support he provided. Lee's was added as he served as President of the university for five years. Now they will close the door on their statues, classy.

"If anything we are fully appreciating what these men fought for. Recognizing that the confederate agenda is no longer a positive reflection of the value and morals of our country today. This changes our perspectives and thus how we choose to recognize history. Placing one on a pedestal is an honorable recognition - what these men fought for is not honorable. Should they be destroyed, absolutely not... they should be placed in a museum and recognized for their role in history - not honored. Let's cease with these ludicrous arguments that those not in favor of honoring an ugly part of our past are trying to re-write history - that's just ignorant." Misti Fowler Newsom

Misti Fowler Newsom sorry, I don't agree with you.

"History and their role in our civil war and the confederate agenda is an ugly and embarrassing part of our history and one that is not deserving of honorable recognition.... so let stop with that pettiness." Misti Fowler Newsom

Misti Fowler Newsom, don't you know Washington never fought for the Confederacy? Misti Fowler Newsom, you said "their role in our civil war" which is plural.

Misti Fowler Newsom, so I am petty because I don't agree with you?

"This is heartbreaking. I had a son who proudly graduated from W&L in 2010. It used to be an honor and a privilege to be selected to attend due to the very high standards placed on admittance. My son was only able to attend W&L due to the generous alumni donations. From the rumblings I'm hearing there will be a huge loss in alumni donations, which means there will be many other young men and women who will now be unable to attend this prestigious institution due to lack of funds. T his is so sad to me that names of buildings have to be changed and pictures removed just because some want to pretend like the history didn't exist. You cannot have it both ways. Do you really think that making these changes at W&L will make a difference?? It changes nothing but shows we always bend to keep the few happy at the expense of the many." Cindy Motley Bondurant

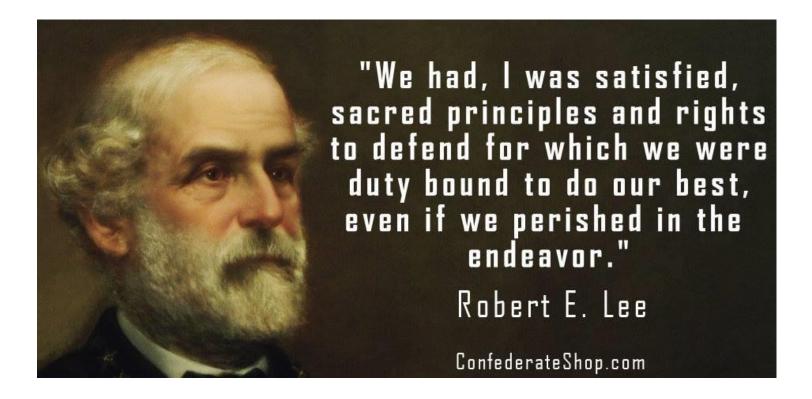
"They actually did a very thorough study, involving the entire University and alumni/ae community, and realized how much history they'd been leaving out. Deal with it." M E Drum

"Actually they did that a long time ago. Our universities mainly do not want diversity of opinion and the traditional way of learning through these discussions. They have become leftist socialist institutions." Diane Embry

"It is really sad. Heartbreaking. I attended class in the room they used to swear Lee in as president of the college. He is buried in the chapel he built on campus and where he had his office. The recumbent statue, of Lee stands over the crypt where he is buried and depicts him in uniform sleeping on the field of battle. How do you divorce Lee's military history from his life? He attended West Point, fought in the Mexican War and led the armies of the Confederacy where he won fame and honor from his men, his country and even his foes. He once said that "Duty is the most sublime word in the English language." The people running W&L these days are not doing theirs." Caryle Gregory

Sad that the Board of Directors actually entertained the stupidity of such liberal snowflakes. Hopefully this mentality does not flow downhill to the finest learning Institute in Lexington, " <u>Virginia Military Institute</u>. Maybe next year they'll surrender fully and rename the school. Such a disgrace. And when are they giving out crayons and coloring books to the student body and faculty? Raymond N Shashaty

"We're oh so close to being able to pretend the Civil War never happened and that Virginia wasn't an integral part of the Confederacy. Once everything is renamed or removed for being deemed "offensive" by a particularly sensitive group of people, we're all going to get along and live in a social Utopia, Not. "Jeff Ensley



# Robert E. Lee name will be stripped from public high school

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#### School board decides to dump R.E. Lee name



Lee Hodge speaks in favor of keeping the Robert E. Lee High School name. Staunton, Va., School Board voted 4-2 Monday, Oct. 8, 2018 to drop the Robert E. Lee name from the city's only high school. The new name and exact timing are to be determined after more study and public input. David Fritz/The News Leader



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(Photo: David Fritz/The News Leader)

STAUNTON - Robert E. Lee's name will be stripped from Staunton's only public high school, officials decided Monday night.

In a 4-2 vote, the Staunton City School Board signaled the beginning to the end of an era in Staunton. For months, neighbors have been divided on whether the confederate general's name should represent the school no longer segregated by race.

Board member Kenneth Venable, great great great grandson of Virginia slaves, made the motion to remove the name. The motion included language so the name could not be changed to any variation of Robert E. Lee High School.

The history-making meeting took place at the Gypsy Hill Gym, which held two sets of 120 folding chairs ready to host the divided community.

As the gymnasium filled with neighbors who display "Save the Name" and "But the Name Hurts" signs throughout Staunton, the public comment period began.

The board let the audience know that time would be limited. Each individual had two minutes to speak and the comment period would not last longer than 30 minutes. Anyone who acted out, or used slurs, would be thrown out, warned school board chair William Lobb.

Residents

The Rev. Edward Scott of Allen Chapel, stood at the mic and delivered a sermon to all gathered.

"I long for you to vote at last," Scott said, who bought \$300 worth of "But the Name Hurts" signs displayed throughout Staunton.

Scott, a former school board member, said he didn't address changing the name when he was on the board because he felt it was a battle he could not win. When he heard of Heather Heyer's murder in the Charlottesville Unite the Right rally last year, he knew he need to speak up.

"I didn't want to be a coward anymore," he said after the meeting.

The public comment period brought discussions of history, finances and the divisiveness the name issue brought forward.

"I do not appreciated having characteristics projected on me," said resident Pat St. Clair-Wertman, who did not want to be labeled as racist for wanting to keep the name.

Caroline Sheridan was the first resident to tell the board she favored changing the name.

"Whose history, whose nostalgia are the save-the-name campaigners representing?" Sheridan asked.

A theme of hoping Staunton residents could soon move on from the divisive issue was apparent in the gymnasium.

"Whatever the name is, I will support the school system," said resident Baldwin Jennings.

School board members

The majority of the school board members favored changing the name. Just board chair William Lobb and vice-chair Robert Boyle voted to keep Robert E. Lee's name on the public high school.

Lobb acknowledged, though, that after the meeting that it would be time to move forward for the benefit of the school and community.

"We're moving forward folks, no matter what the name of the school is, we're moving forward," said Lobb.

School board member Amy Wratchford said the name of Robert E. Lee, and public use of other confederate names, have been "turned into weapons to be used against people of color," and to keep the current name would be complicit with that form of hate.

"This is my home," Venable said, adding that when he moved back to the area, he could not rest until the town moved forward.

Venebal is a graduate of the segregated black Booker T. Washington school and won the May school board election by just two votes.

It was the fall of 1965 when Booker T. Washington was absorbed into Robert E. Lee High School through desegregation. The first desegregated graduation took place in 1966, 12 years after the landmark Brown v. Board of Education U.S. Supreme Court case which started the long process of integrating schools through the U.S.

"Yes we are a historic city, but we can be a progressive city," Venable said.

Well, now what?

School board members said although the final renaming will be decided by them, that they would like to hear from the community first.

Superintendent Garett Smith said an online survey for students and community members could be online as soon as noon Tuesday. Members said the survey will be open for about three weeks.

On Wednesday, the board will conduct another meeting to discuss the renovations for the high school, set to be completed by August, 2020.

The beginning of change

The name of the high school has captivated Staunton residents since the school board election on May 1. The election results favored the school board members who ran in favor of renaming Robert E. Lee High School.

Amy Wratchford, Kenneth Venable, Christine Poulson, and in the special election, Natasha McCurdy, won seats on the school board.

Wratchford, Poulson and McCurdy were clear that they thought the R.E. Lee name is problematic on a public school.

The contentious race led incumbent Ron Ramsey, who was seen as wavering on the need for a name change, to petition the Staunton Circuit Court for a recount after losing his seat to Venable by two votes.

Next came the dueling yard signs and listening sessions. Staunton residents gathered at the Gypsy Hill Park gym to participate in two listening sessions on the future of the high school name.

As the weeks after the school board election passed, blue "Save the Name" signs were put on display in residents' front

yards. The red "But the Name Hurts" signs soon followed.

Now, the remnants of a segregated high school displaying the confederate general's name will be history as Staunton begins to follow the school board member wishes of moving forward.

Live Video: School board set to discuss school name change

**More:** <u>Full</u> coverage of how Staunton got to this point, including stories, editorials, letters

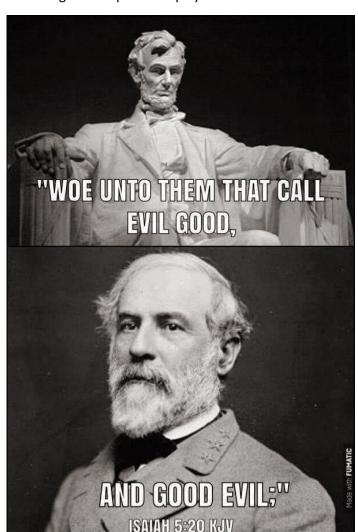
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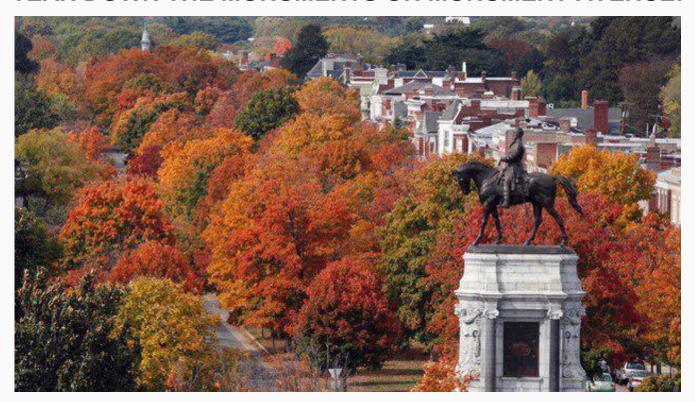


### GO AHEAD ....



KEEP ON KICKING IT !!

# VICTORY IN THE CAPITAL OF THE CONFEDERACY! RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL VOTES AGAINST THE RESOLUTION TO SEEK PERMISSION TO TEAR DOWN THE MONUMENTS ON MONUMENT AVENUE!



Michael Jones' ridiculous resolution brought before the Richmond City Council that would have asked the Virginia Assembly for permission to tear down the city's Confederate Monuments has failed with a solid 6-3 vote against the resolution.

Here's how they voted:

Andreas D. Addison
1st Voter District

Vote: No

Kimberly B. Gray 2nd Voter District

Vote: No

Chris A. Hilbert 3rd Voter District

Vote: No

Kristen Nye Larson 4th Voter District

Vote: No

Parker C. Agelasto 5th Voter District

Vote: No

Ellen F. Robertson 6th Voter District

Vote: Yes

Cynthia I. Newbille 7th Voter District

Vote: Yes

Reva M. Trammell 8th Voter District

Vote: No

Michael J. Jones 9th Voter District

Vote: Yes

PLEASE take a moment to contact the Councilmen who voted AGAINST the measure and thank them!

http://www.richmondgov.com/CityCouncil/contacts.aspx

While we will certainly celebrate tonight, we will not rest, for our enemies will not. We have not yet begun to fight.

Stay tuned for more opportunities to join the fight!

## Is this a farm in South Tampa, or a time warp to the Confederate South?



Marion Lambert, owner of the South Tampa Farm poses for a portrait near his milking station on September 25, 2018 in Tampa. TAILYR IRVINE / Times

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TAMPA — Marion Lambert sits near the wood-burning stove in his living room.

There's an outhouse in back, 1,000 chickens, dozens of dairy cows, steer and hogs, all in the middle of would-be posh South Tampa.

McMansion neighbors occasionally drive their sedans through mud and what they say is manure, tracked into the streets by Lambert's scratched and dented Dodge pickup.

"It's just mud," says Lambert, 70, tapping snuff into his lip. Then he laughs. "Palma Ceia, we ain't."

This is South Tampa Farm. It's no petting zoo or field trip. It's four acres tucked between swimming pools and perfect lawns, a stone's throw from bustling MacDill Avenue. Some years back, the cows got loose and ended up on Bayshore Boulevard.

He sells milk, eggs, meat and honey by the honor-system. His customers drop cash in a box and take what they want. If they're short, they square up later.

And if folks could experience a bit of his sense of self sufficiency, he believes they'd feel better. They might realize city life was "the worst thing that ever happened to people." So, he welcomes visitors — the soldier who rounds up cows, the former makeup artist who collects eggs, the veterinary assistant who needs tranquility at lunchtime.

Bringing people together in peace, however, is not what Lambert is known for. This year marks the 10th anniversary since he led the effort to raise the massive and, for many, mortifying 30-by-50-foot Confederate flag — then the world's largest — which still flies over Interstate 75 near Interstate 4.

"The newspaper called me the most divisive man in Hillsborough County," he says.

Lambert has been interviewed by reporters from around the country about that flag, but rarely has anyone asked about his peculiar farm. It seems more out of place now than ever in Ballast Point, where old homes are increasingly demolished to make way for bigger, fancier ones.

And when a new employee recently moved in, a black woman who serves as a chef and housekeeper, it begged for a closer look at exactly what Lambert is preserving there.

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The Dodge's bald tires whoosh on the asphalt as Lambert whips a U-turn in a luxury condo lot near the water.

"Look that way and tell me if someone's coming," he says, pointing in the direction of his bad eye.

Lambert, a Pensacola native, completed work for a master's in psychology at 24, but when it was time to write a thesis, he got in his truck and drove toward Tampa. He purchased the farm in 1974 and was grandfathered in for agriculture.

The farm, he says, was a farm even before the city of Tampa existed. He lives there in the spirit of the Agrarians, the early 20th century writers who esteemed rural society over technology, and reads their books before drinking his single, nightly shot of Jack Daniels and nodding off.

This morning, he's on a "bucket run," an eight-restaurant loop through South Tampa. He strolls into kitchens that churn out \$34 orange lavender-seared entrees wearing his mucky rubber boots. He collects buckets of half-eaten brunches, old pizzas and pulverized fruit from an organic juice bar. Hog food.

Along this route he's greeted with two hugs, a kiss and multiple cups of free coffee. At Cook's Kitchen, he charms ladies carrying Louis Vuitton bags who can't get a table, recommending they go to Potbellies, his favorite restaurant, for \$7 liver and onions.

Back in the truck, he wants to talk about the flag.

The flag site includes 10 granite monuments and cost about \$150,000 to build. It took three years to raise the money and navigate all the city, county and FAA restrictions to raising a giant flag 139 feet high. Lambert bought the private property himself, but has since donated the whole thing to the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

One monument is etched with the names of Confederate soldiers, including his namesake, Marion D. Lambert, who he says served with the 7th Cavalry Company in Tennessee under Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest.

County commissioners and activists fought the flag's raising from the beginning, saying it would damage Tampa's reputation and hurt the local economy, but they couldn't stop it. In 2015, when nine black church members were killed in Charleston, S.C., a group formed to erect a large "unity" flag reading "STAND AGAINST RACISM" across from Lambert's, but they fell short raising funds.

Is he a racist?

"Absolutely not. I want to preserve Southern heritage. It's a memorial to those who served."

But doesn't it bother him that many people feel bad, and divided, when they see that flag?

"It does bother me, a lot. They don't understand what it means."

Doesn't he realize what people will think about a guy who praises the Confederacy's "noble cause" and has a black housekeeper?

"What, that I have ... a slave?" He raises his eyebrows, shakes his head. "Ridiculous. Veronica tells me what to do."

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Veronica Johnson is 67. She is a Vietnam veteran and an Army retiree. She's a widow and an entrepreneur and a concert flautist.

She was born in rural Georgia but grew up in Philadelphia, where she turned down a scholarship to the Ivy League University of Pennsylvania to enlist at 18.

On the farm, she cooks breakfast (grits with eggs and sausage from out back), lunch (soup, always soup) and supper (a heavy one), served at the same time every day. She makes and sells her own ice cream, churned from the farm's fresh milk.

And she knows how this looks, a black woman working in this house with the bouquet of rebel flags on the side table, the Confederate Way street sign over the hallway and *The South Was Right!* on the bookshelf with many others like it.

"Trust me, I get it," she said. "I grew up in the era of the Black Panthers."

The thing is, she didn't need this job.

When her husband was alive, the plan had always been to retire to their family farm in Georgia and get back to their rural roots. Then she lost him and ended up in New Port Richey in a big new house she didn't need, with a big new SUV she didn't use.

She found Lambert's post for live-in help on Craigslist and looked him up.

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Lambert is a devout believer in many of the myths of the Lost Cause, the post-Civil War propaganda campaign that has long sought to recast the South as fighting for states' rights rather than the preservation of slavery.

He calls slavery "a curse," but the story of black Confederate soldiers willingly fighting against the North, for example, is one of his favorites. Historians have pointed out those men were slaves, not soldiers. Lambert disagrees.

He does not own a TV, but reads Fox News and Drudge Report on the computer in the shack that serves as his office.

He recently read a book by Abraham Lincoln's personal secretary, an example, he says, of reading things from the "other side."

"I didn't agree. It was the total Northern viewpoint, but I understood where he was coming from."

He was once as "liberal as it gets." In college, he grew his hair long, protested the Vietnam War and "smoked a lot of dope.

"My philosophy is that if you're not a liberal when you're young, you have no heart," he says. "And if you're not a conservative when you're older, you have no brain."

His sympathies for the South and his modern conservative politics seem to have merged, like his Android smartphone with the 160-year-old portrait of Confederate general Jubal Early as the wallpaper.

Questions many would consider settled 150 years ago remain up for debate. He's still salty over how Reconstruction went down, "crippling the South economically."

But Lambert isn't actively trying to change anyone. And the farm, he concedes, is something else.

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The sun isn't even close to coming up.

A lanky, leather-skinned feller with a belt buckle reading "JOE" swigs Pedialyte between drags on a cigarette.

"Howdy," says Joe Basco, 51, before lathering Pearlette's udder with dish soap.

Pearlette munches grain. Basco slips suction cups onto her udder. Roosters crow from the blackness.

Joe's fiance Ali Harris, a 32-year-old Miami native who started four years ago with zero farm experience, lugs the filled metal jug to a room for bottling.

It's 5:10 a.m. and they still need to milk Pearl, Hilda, Viola, Jasmine, Ida and Daisy. There are chickens to feed, and a gate that needs building.

Basco, upbeat a day after becoming so dehydrated he got a hospital IV, woke with a splitting headache at 2 a.m. and got to the farm at 4:40.

"I love it. You have to love it, because the pay's not much."

Basco's been working the farm eight years. He loves his "girls," the farm's seven dairy cows, and says the health of the farm's "critters" is his main concern. He got tearful talking about a barn cat that died.

Harris, too, has become a devotee of "the farm life." It has simplified their days, kept them sane.

The farm does a decent business. Lambert estimates taking in around \$100,000 a year, but after all his expenses his profit is only a fraction of that, a modest living. The farm's unpasteurized dairy products are labeled "for pets only" and "not for human consumption," though a next-door neighbor says his son went from breastfeeding straight to the farm's milk.

The farmhands pondered Lambert's Confederate ephemera.

"I don't think he even realizes the hateful double meaning behind it for some people," Harris says. "I can't relate necessarily, because it's not my heritage, but I know it's not about preserving anything hateful for him."

She takes a long pause and looks up with glassy eyes.

"It's a very complicated issue, but please try to separate the farm and the flag. People try to put them together, but it's really about spreading the farm life."

Lambert's view, she says, is "generational." A Confederate battle flag hangs above the milking platform.

Lambert himself has no designs on leaving a legacy. Past retirement age, his hands tremor fiercely. He's as skinny as a man can be.

Has he given thought to how his farm might continue?

"You mean after my demise? No."

It was time to feed the hogs.

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Veronica Johnson saw the news stories, the Confederate flag stuff.

But she talked to Lambert, vetted him her own way, she says, and decided working for him would be okay. She sold her home and moved into the farm's guest house in January.

This is how she sees it:

She put in her decades of service to her country, and now she's doing something for herself. She likes to cook. She likes to be on a farm. She likes to sell her ice cream. At this point in her life, you can't begrudge her that.

There is a whole world with problems and divisions and much work to be done, she said, but at the farm, on a person-to-person basis, this arrangement with Lambert is going just fine. They don't talk politics.

"It's up to the younger generation now to figure that out," she says. "At his age, nobody is going to change his mind, and nobody is going to change my mind."

And that's all she wants to say about that.

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### Prelude To A New Civil War?

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Large grey tombstone listing names of Confederate POWs to be destroyed on orders of Madison, Wisconsin leaders

Matthew Schmitz posted this comment from Solzhenitsyn to Twitter just now:

The following morning we were driven through Madrid's university town (etched so firmly in our memories since 1937, though now there is no trace left of all the trenches), then to the Escorial and the Valley of the Fallen, where many victims of the Civil War are buried beneath a single solemn shrine, without distinction as to which side they had fought on, regular Masses still being held above the dead. (On the day we visited there was a special Mass, it having been five months since the day General Franco had died. The large church was full.)

This equality of both sides, the equality before God of the fallen, made a profound impression on me. This is the result of the Christian side having won the war! Back home, Satan's side had won, and for sixty years had been trampling and spitting on the other side, nobody uttering so much as a syllable about the equality of the dead.

Well. In Madison, Wisconsin, the city council has voted overwhelmingly to remove a cemetery marker noting the names of about 140 Confederates, most of whom died in a prisoner of war camp in the town. More:

"You don't have discussion in a cemetery. You have reflection, and you have memories, and this (monument) brings up memories that are not so pleasant in our history," said Council Vice President Sheri Carter.

These are Americans who died as *prisoners of war*. "They die off like rotten sheep," said a Union soldier who worked at the camp, where conditions were bad. The "monument" is a tombstone large enough to feature the names of each of the dead. This is not a statue of a Confederate war hero. It is simply a grave marker noting the names of POWs who died far from home.

There is no longer equality before God of the fallen, not in Madison, Wisconsin. The city council spits on these dead men, who passed away not in combat, but in Union custody.

In Grace Church cemetery in my Louisiana hometown, you can visit the grave of Lt. Commander John Hart, US Navy, who captained a Union gunboat that was shelling the town and that very church in 1863 [a local friend just informed me that Hart's boat was blockading the town to prevent contraband from coming and going; the Union gunboat that shelled the town came in 1864]. Cmdr Hart committed suicide on the boat during the battle. He was a Freemason, as many of the Confederates were. Hart's men asked for a truce, and for the right to bury their commander in the Grace Church cemetery with full Masonic honors. The Confederate Masons agreed. So the war stopped while all the combatants gathered around the grave to commit Cmdr Hart to the earth.

Children in my hometown are often taken to Hart's grave and told the story. His grave is treated with great respect locally, and always has been. That's what decent people do for the dead. There is a brotherhood that defies mortal conflicts.

The leaders of Madison, Wisconsin, are manifestly not decent people. God preserve us Southerners from behaving so shamefully. I suppose it won't be long before they disinter the Confederate bodies and put them on a barge down the Mississippi.

It's hard to imagine what kind of despicable people destroy a tombstone — a *tombstone!* — for political reasons. This is a sign of the times — and of a time to come.

**UPDATE:** Here's the text from a 1990s-era story from the *Baton Rouge Advocate*, written by George Morris, telling about the local woman who rescued that cemetery from ruin. Notice that the people of Madison did their best to take care of the interned POWs, and that when Mrs. Waterman died, one of her pallbearers was a former Wisconsin governor and wounded Union veteran. This is the noble history of Union supporters and veterans that the current Madison City Council defecates on:

Alice Whiting Waterman, born in Baton Rouge in 1820, is buried in the Confederate Rest section of Madison's Forest Hill Cemetery. That is a rare honor for any non-soldier, much less a woman. But Waterman earned the right by pouring the last 30 years of her life into caring for the fallen warriors interred there.

That the cemetery exists at all is a matter of historical accident. In the spring of 1862, Southern soldiers were defending Island No. 10 in the Mississippi River a few miles south of New Madrid, Mo. They had been stationed there to prevent Union warships ,reinforcements and supplies from getting to Gen. Ulysses Grant, who was fighting farther to the south in Tennessee. When Union troops captured New Madrid on March 14, the soldiers on Island No. 10 found themselves surrounded. The Mississippi River was high, forcing many of the defenders to fight in knee- and waist-deep water. Badly outnumbered, they finally surrendered on April 8, 1862. More than 1,000 were captured and shipped north.

Under normal circumstances, they would have gone to Camp Douglas in Chicago or the Rock Island, Ill., prison camp. The Battle of Shiloh, however, had ended a day before their surrender, and the Union suddenly had more Confederate prisoners than it knew what to do with. So, many were taken to Camp Randall, a Union training base in Madison. From their ordeal on the island and the cold train ride north, pneumonia and other diseases ravaged the Confederates.

"Word spread like wildfire through the city of Madison that they were going to get these Confederate soldiers, so everybody got to the railroad station," said Jim Zeirke of Sussex, Wis. Zeirke is historian for the Alice Whiting Waterman Camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. The long stream of sick and wounded soldiers touched the crowd, Zeirke said. "Some woman just cried out in the crowd, 'My God, that could be my son,' "Zeirke said. "Something about that electrified the community, and the next thing you know they're bringing milk, cheese, meat, all sorts of food products, all sorts of medicines, blankets, clothing, everything for these prisoners. The Wisconsin Union soldiers training at Camp Randall are starting to get kind of irritated because they've never had this kind of attention."

For many, the kindness was too little too late. By the end of May, 114 prisoners died. Before the prisoners were moved to Camp Douglas in July, the death toll reached 140. The town quickly forgot those left behind. Waterman discovered this when she came to Madison in 1868. The cemetery was badly overgrown and the wooden headboards rotting.

"Nobody in the North thought they should take care of it. It was their enemies, and why take care of it?" said Jim Heberling of Madison, who has researched the cemetery's history. "Then she saw it. She felt it was part of her heritage, and she took care of it."

A childless widow who worked in rooming houses to make a living, Waterman's sacrifice was considerable. She bought new wood headboards. She weeded the cemetery and planted trees, hedges and flowers. Accounts differ as to whether she accepted any financial help for the work, but most agree that the bulk of it came from her pocketbook.

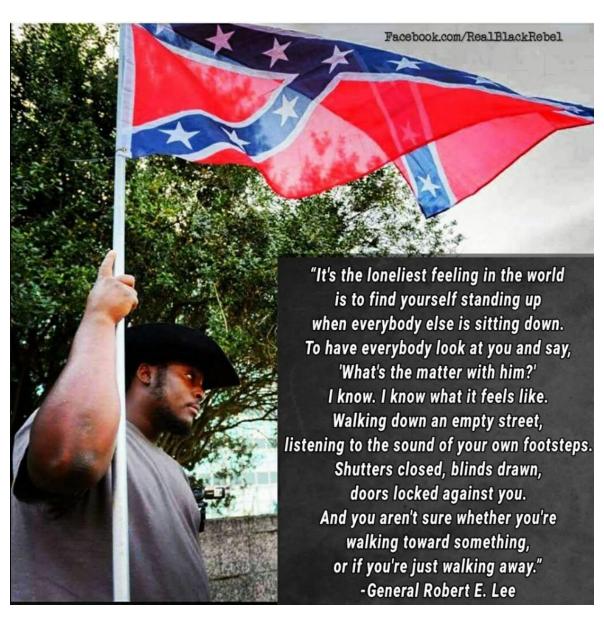
"I've seen some indication in some other history of her that she was a very modest woman, judged by the fact that we don't have a lot of terrific background on her," Zeirke said. "I'm not aware that she was ever profiled. I've looked through some old newspapers. I've never done an extensive search. I wish they had Nexis and Lexis for the 1880s."

"She said about the men buried there, 'They are mine. I belong to them and they to me. They are my boys,' "Heberling said.

When Waterman died on Sept. 13, 1897, her work had become famous in Madison. Former Wisconsin Gov. Lucius Fairchild, a Union veteran who had been wounded in the war, was one of her pallbearers in a funeral attended by many prominent residents. An obituary in the Wisconsin State Journal lauded her life's work, which others would continue. Permanent headstones have replaced the wooden ones, and a brass plaque now explains the history and Waterman's contributions. Part of Forest Hill Cemetery, this section is called Confederate Rest. Zeirke and Heberling believe it is the nation's northernmost Confederate cemetery.

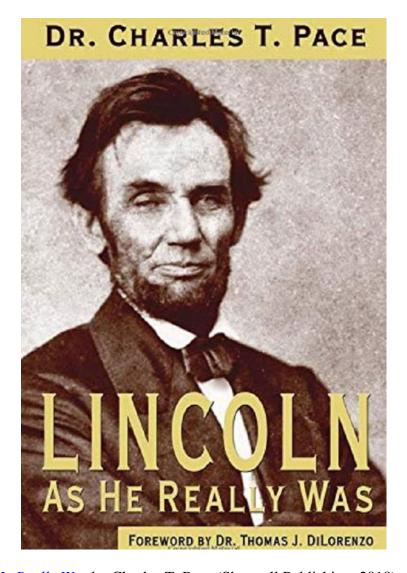
"Mrs. Waterman, being of Southern birth, took a very tender and touching interest in the plot occupied by 100 or more Confederate dead," her obituary said. "She beautified the spot, encircled it with shade trees ... and for these soldiers lying so far among strangers she unceasingly performed the most sweet and charitable labor of love. At her own request and on the exact spot long since designated by her, she will be laid to rest with her 'boys,' as she so fondly called them."

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## Lincoln As He Really Was

By Michael Potts on Oct 23, 2018



A review of *Lincoln: As He Really Was* by Charles T. Pace (Shotwell Publishing, 2018).

Abraham Lincoln was American's Robespierre, but his crimes only reflected the character flaws he had while in office. Dr. Charles T. Pace, a medical doctor from Greenville, North Carolina, has written a masterful political biography of Lincoln. He portrays Lincoln as a "politician's politician, a political animal, ambitious, domineering, and ruthless, with a Machiavellian love of power without principle. His biography does not, however, demonize Mr. Lincoln but affirms that he was a deeply flawed man of great rhetorical talent, a man whose character flaws led him to wage war against the Confederacy and destroy the old republic of loosely organized states, replacing it with a centralized state.

Thomas J. DiLorenzo writes a masterful Foreword, connecting the cult of Lincoln with the sense of "false virtue" in the United States that was used to justify needless, brutal wars such as the Indian Wars, the Spanish-American War, the Philippine War, and the many U.S. interventions and invasions of sovereign states. He mentions the extent of the hatred of Lincoln during his lifetime, and the role of New Englanders in deifying him after his

assassination and notes the results of Lincoln's tenure as President: a "Soviet-style state" in which the union of states is forced at the threat of the sword. His excellent summary is a fine segue into Dr. Pace's biography.

The introduction focuses on the lies of Lincoln's legend—he was not a pioneer, did not like farming, and disliked physical labor, preferring the life of towns to life on the farm. He disliked reading, focusing on books on politics, never read a novel, and he lacked humility. His ambition was such that he tended to never be satisfied with his level of power, a trait those who knew him recognized. He enjoyed making as much money as possible. Dr. Pace notes that "His character was described by various associates as self-confident, aggressive, selfish, self-absorbed, and consumed with ambition for power" (7). Lincoln was obsessed with making his mark in the world, doing some great thing that would be remembered in the future. Dr. Pace is describing a narcissist, someone only out for himself, a utilitarian who used people for his personal ends. That may be the reason his contemporaries said he "never had a real friend."

The account of Lincoln's childhood notes that Thomas Lincoln, his father, was no country bumpkin, but was a well-respected member of the community. Abraham did not grow up poor, but as part of the middle class. He was physically strong, but one of his bosses said, "He didn't love work half as much as his pay" (13). He was aggressive and prone to getting into fist fights. His darker side revealed itself when Lincoln was upset about his father's dog barking, especially with Lincoln was trying to avoid work. "[Y]oung Lincoln sewed a coon skin to his hede, and the bigger dogs tore him to pieces" (14). While Dr. Pace does not belabor this incident, I believe it is important in helping to dissect Lincoln's character. Lincoln would destroy anything, any animal, any human who interfered with what he wanted. His ruthlessness toward the dog reflected his ruthlessness in politics.

Lincoln was well-trained in rhetoric by his reading and was able to get continuous practice by speaking everywhere he could and through his practice as a lawyer. The source that helped lead him to use the Declaration of Independence, rather than the Constitution, in his talk about slavery was "Grimshaw's *History of the United States*, written from "the New England viewpoint regarding slavery" (15). Lincoln was an abolitionist, but hid his views for political reasons. A well-known fact Pace mentions is Lincoln's plan to send former slaves to South American and Africa. Realizing that the people of his home state of Illinois did not want Blacks in the state, Lincoln did not oppose their views—his goal was gaining power, getting elected.

Pace notes that Lincoln was not religious, but knew the Bible well, using quotations from it in his speeches in order to gain political points. In this area he tended to be more a man of the century prior to him, a man of the eighteenth century Enlightenment. However, his ideals tended toward the French Enlightenment; he was at most a deist, and perhaps an agnostic. Pace tends to think he leaned toward deism but was not a Christian in any sense, having rejected any special claims made for Jesus Christ other than Jesus being a great teacher. His use of the Bible for political gain reveals a cynicism and a drive to power that would use any means to reach its goals.

Lincoln's supposed Christianity was only one of the myths of his life that Pace reveals as false. His supposed love affair with Ann Rutledge, at least as far as later accounts, was false. He was prone to depression, but depression haunted him during the times he did not have the power he craved.

Pace also points out Lincoln's support of the Whig program—support of Northeastern industry, a high tariff, a national bank, and federal money used for "improvements." In the Illinois legislature, Lincoln and his allies passed policy that almost bankrupted the state. When he joined the fledgling Republican Party, he continued to support a partnership with big business and government, reflected also in his practice as a corporate lawyer for the railroads.

School children learn of Lincoln serving in the Black Hawk War. However, Lincoln was in the reserves and was court-martialed twice for misconduct. He did not see combat, though he had no problem using his alleged service for political gain.

Lincoln was an effective rhetorician who knew how to move audiences—but without putting much substantive content into his speeches. He would tell stories, and in some audiences tell dirty stories, to loosen up his audience

and entertain them. He won numerous court cases with such rhetorical skill, and used it to good effect in politics. However, he also heaped personal vitriol on his political opponents, leading to his being challenged to a duel that was averted at the last minute by Lincoln's apology. He learned to be more subtle in his speeches while still being able to move audiences.

As a "pure politician," Lincoln was concerned with power and not with concrete acts to help the people he represented. He was a party man who supported the Whig and Republican platforms to the letter. If there was a conflict between the good of the party and the good of the country, he chose the former. This happened after he was elected; he followed his wealthy New England backers who dominated Republican policy, even if it meant provoking a war with the South. Lincoln did all he could to avoid peace negotiations, and by sending supply ships to Major Anderson at Fort Sumter, he had the war he wanted when, as he expected, the Confederates fired on the fort. Pace places the responsibility for the war squarely on the shoulders of Lincoln. Making use of the best recent statistical studies of casualties, Pace notes that the actual death toll of the War Between the States is over 700,000 men. That does not include the immense suffering and increased death rate of Southerners after the war. The War's purpose was to "preserve the Union" by force, not to end slavery, and the result was a destruction of the old republic of states voluntarily participating in the Union. Instead, Lincoln created a modern centralized state, the kind of state that inevitably takes away freedom from its citizens.

Pace brings out the familiar truth that slavery was becoming less economically feasible and was probably going to end without a war, though it may have taken a few years longer. At least, though, 700,000 plus military lives and scores of civilian lives would have been saved. Pace realizes that it takes someone with a reduced moral sensibility to suggest that the war was worth the cost in lives, injuries, and disease among both the military and civilian populations, since it accelerated the end of slavery. Normally one would think only a moral monster would suggest that the lives lost were worth what was "gained." What was lost was the American system of government the Founders set up. The totalitarian potential of the centralized state was revealed in Lincoln's suspension of habeas corpus and his jailing of political opponents. He ruled as a virtual dictator during the war. His legacy is a stream of abuses of power by the federal government: Reconstruction in the South after the war, the extermination of the Native American tribes, and thousands of arrests of innocent in 1919-20 by Attorney General A. Mitchell Palmer during the Red Scare. Although some of those arrested may have been Communists or anarchists, Palmer created a paranoia that led to innocent people being arrested and jailed. One can also note Franklin Roosevelt's attempt to pack the Supreme Court and his near-dictatorial rule during World War II when he ordered setting up the Japanese Internment Camps. The intelligence community has abused its authority, with the CIA testing biological warfare agents on selected American cities during the 1950s and 60s that led to some deaths from the disease microorganisms they released. The FBI routinely spied on Americans. Posse Comitatis has been ignored. Currently, the National Security Apparatus routinely spies on Americans. Needless wars that not only take American lives, but usually result in exponentially greater loss of life among "the enemy," are now routine, the most brutal of which (other than the "Indian Wars) was the Philippine War of 1899-1902, which killed hundreds of thousands of Filipinos.

The reach of the central government in everyday life has never been greater. It is to Dr. Charles Pace's credit that he lays the origin of such abuse of power at the feet of America's Machiavelli, Abraham Lincoln.

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## The Left Edge of Insanity

By Lewis Liberman on Oct 5, 2018



A Short Story of a Dystopian America

To my fellow Associates: My name is Diversity-26, although my family and friends knew me as John before the Great Purge of Christianity. Today, as part of my punishment, I have been required to give you my story and beg you all for forgiveness for having disrupted your safe and happy lives.

According to the decrees of Democratic Socialism (or Dezism), I am a non-binary citizen of the Commune of Equality. The year is 142 E.T. (Era of Tolerance), and I live in the Quadrant of Purple, which is now referenced in history as The Great Wicked South Carolina by our State Educational Officers. Some of you may recall that I once wrote for <censored> before the Egalitarian Uprisings of 2020 P.T. (Pre-Tolerance), and the subsequent instituting of the Holy Doctrines of Leftism. In the years following, I was drafted into the Grand Army of the Antifa to fight the endless Wars of Southern Fascism — which many of our brave Associates continue to fight to this day. I served Rainbow Nation with honor, and was discharged seven years ago after losing my right arm and being blinded in my left eye by Fascist Free Market Shrapnel.

As tribute to my service, I was allowed to live within Progress City, a vast complex of prefabricated structures and shipping containers provided by our benevolent Dezi Party Officials. It was here that my Associates and I lovingly contributed to the advancement of Secular Multiculturalism and The Great All by encouraging positivity and

harmony throughout the Quadrant of Purple. Some of the ways we shared in this happy task was through eliminating and censoring any images, artwork, books, movies, historical artifacts, music, etc. that may give offense to any group protected by the State. I am proud to say that we performed our tasks with remarkable efficiency, and 452,975 pieces of illegal material were incinerated under my watch alone.

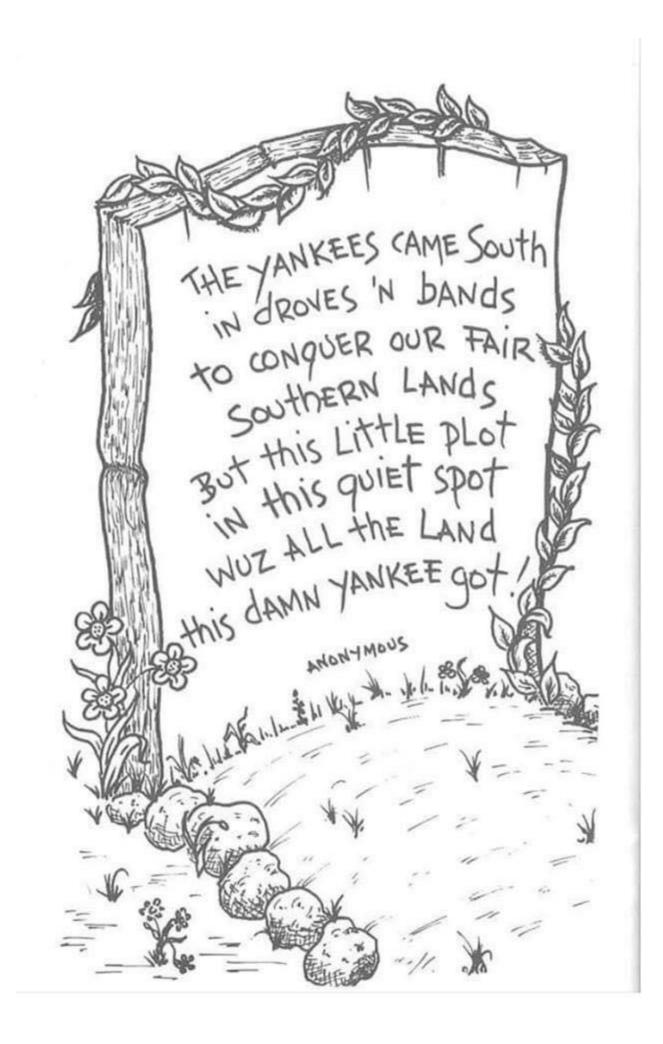
But as stated by the Holy Doctrines of Leftism, it's only a matter of time before the sins of individualism, agrarianism, or capitalism burst forth and must be purged. My first offense was during the daily Weeping and Gnashing over the Crimes of the Past. The non-binary pre-pubescent life form the State provided me with happened to fall asleep during the ritual, and because I didn't want to be arrested for being a poor role model, I woke them up. However, my child felt their status as an Equal was threatened, and promptly contacted their Public School Watcher, who then notified the Hallowed Halls of the Southern Poverty Law Center. Thankfully, due to their dedicated inquisition, it was soon discovered that I had not only committed one, but two Equality Infractions. The second was for neglecting to let my dog sleep in my bed with me on a cold night. For both cases, I was placed on the SPLC's Map of Hate, and all Associates in the Commune of Equality were notified that I was a potential Child and Animal Abuse Predator.

My third offense occurred while communicating with friends on the Social Network known as Twitbook. I foolishly shared a photo of what I mistook for a beautiful statue that I discovered in a densely forested area beyond Progress City. Although Twitbook algorithms ensured that only a limited few saw the image (unless I paid a special tax to boost the image to a wider audience), the Twitbook Internal Artificial Intelligence Network recognized the image as a potential violation and promptly notified the proper authorities. State Peace Enforcers quickly responded, and identified the picture as something called a Racist Remnant of the Putrid South. After deleting the image and offering grief counseling to those who had seen the offending image, they then put me on a weeklong suspension from the network. I don't know what the Confederacy was or how it was associated with this statue, but now, praise The State, I know it was a despicable thing. Furthermore, I have been assured the actual artwork will soon be destroyed secretly at night for the safety of all Associates throughout the Quadrant of Purple.

The High Priests of Tolerance had been merciful to me thus far, but the fourth offense I committed could not be ignored. I shudder to even mention it, but I was caught reading a book I should have liquidated. It was an ancient Book of Barbarism called *Uncle Remus*. I'm sorrowed to say that I was quite captivated by a picture in the front featuring an unusual white haired, dark skinned person talking to a rabbit. The stories within amused me, and made me think that perhaps those wretched people of the past might not have been as terrible as our schools, movies and books have lead us to believe. Of course, I now know this is false, as I was later reassured of the truth of Statism by being made to watch 72 hours of non-stop recordings from CNN, Fox News and Great Thinkers like Eric Foner and Bernie Sanders.

And so this brings me to the present. Fellow Associates, know that today I do not kneel in shame or embarrassment before you like a traitor, but that I stand proudly before you and our Rainbow Flag on global news feed. Like you, I have pledged allegiance to our State, and long ago signed my Oath of Loyalty in blood. I admitted to my sins against Rainbow Nation in Court, and was rightly sentenced by the Social Justice Tribunal for Political and Cultural Crimes against Life. As such, I will joyfully serve out 24 years of Equality Sensitivity Training at The Peaceful Way Re-education Gulag. This is likely the last time you will hear from me – for a while, at least, but hopefully not forever. Still, if it is, so be it. The State gives, and the State takes away. Blessed be the name of the State.

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## What Is States Rights

There seems to be some difficulty relating states' rights to the War Between the States. When some talk about the causes for the war many do so with the idea that there is only one cause. Lately there are those who are more insistent that the war was fought over slavery than there ever were in 1861. They seem to look at the claim of states' rights as if it were some sort of racist rationalization. They are getting even more ridiculous about it, such as the simpletons who wrote and admire the book Neo-Confederates. They claim that they have "proven" that the war is over slavery. When we are talking about states' rights we are talking about something much more universal that a war that took place in this country 150 years ago, we are talking about a ancient conflict which has been going on for thousands of years and has affected many nations and cultures. I am speaking of something called localism versus centralism.

What is centralism? That is the belief that we can accomplish more if we all work together. This is something we have all believed in at one time or another. It is difficult to dispute. In the business world they even speak of synergy, the concept that two people working together can accomplish more than the total of the two working independently. I think most of us would like to see such a world.

So why do we opt for localism? Localism is the opposite view, the preference to keep command at home. Problems occur with centralism because we can rarely agree on how thing should be done. The only way around this is compromise. Compromise means that no one gets to do what they want.

One of the reasons I have a problem with the idea of American exceptionalism is that it makes it more difficult for us to understand how we compare to the rest of the world. We like to believe we are different, and one of those ways is that we are a melting pot. There is no disputing that we are a melting pot, the reason that I object to our claim is that this implies that we are unique.

I have never been to a nation that was not a melting pot. I spent six months in Switzerland. That little country has four official languages. I recall seeing the flag of the canton of Geneva more often than the flag of Switzerland. One of the oldest republics in the world they are very much localist there, which has a lot to do with why they are such a small country. I lived in Cote d'Ivoire for one year. That country has about sixty tribes, thus that many languages that many cultures. Some are very similar, some are very different. My point is that every nation on earth is the product of people giving up a portion of their local autonomy. The large and more diverse the population the more difficult it is to do.

History is full of the rise and fall of nation states and empires as people yield to the universal appeal of centralism, but then snap because they reach a point where they do not want to sacrifice anymore of their localism. This is what happened in 1861.

The concept of centralism has generally been labeled Federalism in American history. The preference for localism has been called states' rights. We have even had some states separate, such as Maine from Massachusetts, North from South Carolina, and, yes, West Virginia from Virginia. Most of our states have their localism too. I know in Oklahoma there is tension between east and west; in Tennessee there is west, middle, and east, and in Louisiana there is the Cajun part, New Orleans, and the red neck north part of that state.

Back when we were still part of the British Empire there were even more colonies than the thirteen that started the United States, such as east and west New Jersey, Plymouth and Massachusetts Bay,

etc. When Benjamin Franklin suggested the Albany Plan of unification the leaders of the colonies accepted the idea, but their constituency back in their respective colonies rejected the plan. There was clearly a preference for localism.

In Lincoln's famous speech at Gettysburg he claimed that our forefathers brought forth to this continent a new nation. That is not true, they brought forth thirteen new nations. What started as a military alliance became more permanent with the Articles of Confederation. In this government states' rights was paramount, and that is the main reason the national government was so weak. Enough thought it was too weak and that is why they came up with the Constitution. This was finally ratified, though many opposed it, because it was full of compromise. These compromises left unresolved issues which primarily revolved around the question of the rights of the individual states versus the new Federal government.

When they fought for independence from Great Britain they were taking the position of localism while the empire represented centralism. Many of those, including Thomas Jefferson, saw this new Federal government as being little better that the King. As a result there were several disputes over the rights of the individual states before the one that actually came to fruition in 1861.

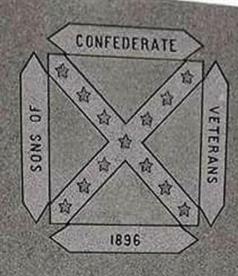
One of the first statements for states' rights came in 1798 from Thomas Jefferson and James Madison. Their objection to the Alien and Sedition acts led to the Virginia and Kentucky Resolves in which they took the position that the states had the right to nullify a Federal law they did not agree to. Thus the word nullification came to be the first on the way to discussion of secession.

The next serious discussion of states' rights came from New England in 1804. There were those who wanted New England to secede from the other states. Their hero Alexander Hamilton rejected their views so they turned to Aaron Burr, which aggravated the relationship between those two men to the point that Burr killed Hamilton. Their main issue was the territorial expansion which came with the Louisiana Purchase. Disagreement over the War of 1812 led to the Hartford Convention. Many of the same men from New England objected to the war enough that they again threatened secession. They left us a list of other specific complaints:

- 1. Prohibiting any trade embargo lasting over 60 days, they did not like Jefferson's Embargo Act.
- 2. Requiring two-thirds Congressional majority for declaration of offensive war, admission of a new state, or interdiction of foreign commerce, disagreement of the War of 1812.
- 3. Removing the Three-fifths representation advantage for the South. This continued to plague Northerners until the war.
- 4. Limiting future Presidents to one term. They did not like the Southerner Jefferson's reelection.
- 5. Requiring each President to be from a different state than his predecessor. They did not like the idea of Southern domination. Just think, they didn't even know about Madison yet, also from Virginia.

It is clear that they did not like the Southern domination of the national government. I personally believe that the main reason the South wanted to leave in 1860 is that, with the election of a man who had not even appeared on the ballot in Southern states, it was clear that not only would the South not be equal in the central government, but that they would be in the back seat. Apparently this bothered some Northerners when the South was in control.

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# Sheridan's Scorched Earth Campaign — The Union Army's Forgotten War Crime

Secession is a peaceful democratic action and it's not the same as war. War was Lincoln's choice.

The North started the war. You can't occupy a Fort in another Country without their permission. You can thank the North for the conditions of today. It was not against the Constitution at the time to secede.

Many Yankees and Scalawags continue arguing might makes right. Therefore I can assume if Germany had won the war in Europe these Yankees and Scalawagswould be apologists for the war crimes Germany committed as the invader of other countries during the war, and Poland and others should just be quiet if they can't handle the criminal tactics. The victors will not punish themselves, true enough, but we don't have to remain silent over the shedding of innocent blood at the hands of war criminals.

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By James Bovard



Gen. Philip Sheridan

**GEORGE ORWELL WROTE** in 1945 that "the nationalist not only does not disapprove of atrocities committed by his own side, but he has a remarkable capacity for not even hearing about them." The same moral myopia has carried over to most Americans' understanding of the War between the States. While popular historians have recently canonized the war as a veritable holy crusade to free the slaves, in reality civilians were intentionally targeted and brutalized, particularly in the final year of the conflict.

The most dramatic forgotten atrocity in the War between the States occurred a little more than 150 years ago when Union <u>Gen. Philip Sheridan</u> laid waste to a hundred mile swath of the Shenandoah Valley leaving vast numbers of women and children at risk of starvation. Surprisingly, this scorched earth campaign has been largely forgotten, foreshadowing how subsequent brutal military operations would also vanish into the Memory Hole.

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In August 1864, supreme Union commander <u>Ulysses S. Grant</u> ordered Sheridan to "do all the damage to railroads and crops you can... If the war is to last another year, we want the Shenandoah Valley to remain a barren waste." Sheridan set to the task with vehemence, declaring that "the people must be left nothing but their eyes to weep with over the war" and promised that, when he was finished, the valley "from <u>Winchester to Staunton</u> will have but little in it for man or beast."

Because residents of the region lived within the borders of a state that had seceded from the Union, Sheridan acted as if they had automatically forfeited their property, if not their very lives. Yet some Union soldiers were aghast at the marching orders. A Pennsylvania cavalryman lamented at the end of the fiery spree: "We burnt some 60 houses and all most of the barns, hay, grain and corn in the shocks for 50 miles [south of] <a href="Strasburg">Strasburg</a>... It was a hard-looking sight to see the women and children turned out of doors at this season of the year."

An Ohio major wrote in his diary that the burning "does not seem real soldierly work. We ought to enlist a force of scoundrels for such work."

A newspaper correspondent embedded with Sheridan's army reported: "Hundreds of nearly starving people are going North. Not half the inhabitants of the valley can subsist on it in its present condition."

After one of Sheridan's favourite aides was shot by Confederate soldiers, the general ordered his troops to burn all houses within a five mile radius. After many outlying dwellings had been torched, the small town at the center – <u>Dayton</u> – was spared only after one Federal officer outright disobeyed Sheridan's order. The homes and barns of Mennonites – a peaceful sect who opposed slavery and secession – were especially hard hit by that crackdown, according to a 1909 history of Mennonites in America.

By the end of Sheridan's campaign, the former "breadbasket of the Confederacy" could no longer even feed the women and children remaining there. An English traveler in 1865 "found the Valley standing empty as a moor."

Historian Walter Fleming, in his classic 1919 study, *The Sequel to Appomattox* (available here), quoted one bedeviled local farmer: "From Harper's Ferry to New Market, which is about 80 miles, the country was almost a desert. The barns were all burned; chimneys standing without houses, and houses standing without roof, or door, or window."

John Heatwole, author of <u>The Burning: Sheridan's Devastation of the Shenandoah Valley</u> (1998), concluded: "The civilian population of the valley was affected to a greater extent than was the populace of any other region during the war, including those in the path of <u>Sherman's infamous march to the sea in Georgia</u>." Unfortunately, given the chaos of the era at the end of the and its immediate aftermath, there are no reliable statistics on the number War between the States of women, children, and other civilians who perished thanks to "the burning."

Some defenders of the Union's military tactics insist that there was no intent to harshly punish civilians. But, after three years of a bloody stalemate, the Lincoln Administration had adapted a 'total war' mindset to scourge the South into submission. As Sheridan was finishing his fiery campaign, Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman wrote to Gen. Grant that "[U]ntil we can repopulate Georgia, it is useless to occupy it, but the utter destruction of it's roads, houses, and people will cripple their military resources." Sherman had previously telegramed Washington that "[T]here is a class of people – men, women, and children, who must be killed or banished before you can hope for peace and order." President Lincoln congratulated both Sheridan and Sherman for campaigns that sowed devastation far and wide.

The carnage inflicted by Sheridan, Sherman, and other northern commanders made the South's post-war recovery far slower and multiplied the misery of both white and black survivors. Connecticut College professor Jim Downs' recent book, <u>Sick From Freedom</u>, exposes how the chaotic situation during and after the war contributed to the deaths of hundreds of thousands of freed slaves.

After the War between the States, politicians and many historians consecrated the conflict and its grisly tactics were consigned to oblivion. The habit of sweeping abusive policies under the rug also permeated post- War between the States towards the Indians (Sheridan famously declared "the only good Indian is a dead Indian") and the <a href="suppression of Filipino insurgents">suppression of Filipino insurgents</a> after the <a href="Spanish-American War">Spanish-American War</a>. Later historians sometimes ignored U.S. military tactics in World War Two and Vietnam that resulted in heavy civilian casualties.

The failure to recognize how wars routinely spawn pervasive brutality and collateral deaths lowers Americans' resistance to new conflicts that promise to make the world safe for democracy, or rid the world of evil, or achieve other lofty sounding goals. For instance, the Obama administration sold its <u>bombing of Libya</u> as a self-evident triumph of good over a vile despot; instead, chaos reigns in Tripoli. As the administration ramps up bombing in Syria and Iraq, both its rhetoric and its tactics echo prior U.S. misfires. The proclaimed intentions of U.S. bombing campaigns are far more important than their accuracy.

Since 1864, no prudent American should have expected this nation's wars to have happy or uplifting endings. Unfortunately, as long as the spotlight is kept off atrocities, most citizens will continue to underestimate the odds that wars will spawn debacles and injustices that return to haunt us.

Union outrages against innocent civilians existed throughout the war zones of the nation. In Missouri entire counties were burned to the ground in the winter of 1864-64 leaving their inhabitants to starve. Similar destruction was wrought during the failed Red River campaign in 1864. In modern times these actions would have been considered war crimes as demonstrated by the German generals tried for their devastation left as their retreated in Russia, "scorched earth" tactics were grounds for long prison sentences and in some cases death. Arbitary Union executions against civilians suspected of favoring the South would mirror German occupation policies in the Balkans and Russia although no Union officer ever was executed or imprisoned.

Lincoln's policies demonstrated his true nature rather than the lofty speeches he gave. A man who refused to allow the exchange of drummer boys, and thereby condemned them to death in various hellholes, is not a saint nor a man most of would wish to invite for dinner.

War is war and revolutions and wars of Independence are perhaps the cruelest. This is the price of war and why our leaders should not resort to force of arms unless our vital national interests are at stake. Slavery did not threaten the existence of the USA, the War between the States did.

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"In the State where I live," said Ohio Senator John Sherman, on April 2, 1862, "we do not like Negroes. We do not disguise our dislike. As my friend from Indiana (Mr. Wright) said yesterday, "The whole people of the Northwestern States are, for reasons, whether correct or not, opposed to having many Negroes among them, and that principle or prejudice has been engraved in the legislation of nearly all the Northwestern States."

(Leigh Robinson's Address, 18 December, 1909, Southern Historical Society Papers, Volume 36, 1908, pp. 319-321)

John was brother to William T. Sherman the war criminal.



# Was the Old South Feudal?

By Michael Martin on Oct 24, 2018



### Was the Old South Feudal?

Eugene Genovese wrote several works on antebellum slavery that essentially argued the Old South was neither feudal nor capitalist. His book *Fruits of Merchant Capital: Slavery and Bourgeois Property in the Rise and Expansion of Capitalism* and earlier writings on slave economies postulated that the Southern mode of production was pre-capitalist and utilized a type of bondage not compatible with feudal society.

On the other hand, Richard Weaver in *The Southern Tradition at Bay*, described the antebellum South as a "feudal paradise" and the plantation as a "little cosmos" with everyone playing an important role in the production process. Weaver saw the plantation system of the Old South as feudal because it protected its community from dependence on outside institutions and generally operated on a code of chivalry.

So, was the Old South feudal or not? Let us dig deeper, to an older time and place, for a better understanding.

### What was Feudalism?

Feudalism emerged after the fall of the Roman Empire. The lack of leadership and stability led to a desire for protection. Naturally, there was also a desire to re-establish roads and trade, and preserve Greek and Roman

learning. As a result of these needs, less powerful people promised their loyalty to more powerful people in exchange for protection.

Both the South and feudal society had a similar hierarchical system, but the complexity of both systems is often overlooked. In addition to laboring classes of serfs, there were also vassals that were expected to fight as soldiers in the feudal system. These forms of vassalage and serfdom were often hereditary and varied from country to country. Marc Bloch, in his two volume work, *Feudal Society*, gives an example of how these ties functioned:

"To be the 'man' of another man: in the vocabulary of feudalism, no combination of words was more widely used or more comprehensive in meaning. In both the Romance and the Germanic tongues it was used to express personal dependence per se and applied to persons of all social classes regardless of the precise legal nature of the bond. The count was the 'man' of the king, as the serf was the 'man' of his manorial lord...An instance of this, dating from the end of the eleventh century, is a petition of Norman nuns, complaining that their 'men' – that is to say their peasants – were forced by a great baron to work at the castles of his 'men', meaning the knights who were his vassals."

In the case of vassals, they were expected to pay homage to their manorial lord and sometimes received land grants called fiefs. But make no mistake, vassalage was a system not so different from slavery. For example, the Carolingians had a list of offences which, if committed by the lord, would justify a vassal breaking their contract. With the exception of such cases, the tie lasted for life and working in the fields was considered a task anyone could perform. Another example showing distinction in class of vassal and lord can be found in the provisions of the old Norman law. Both the lord who killed a vassal and the vassal who killed a lord could be punished by death. But only the crime against the chief involved the dishonorable death of being hanged.

Serfdom was step below vassalage and also varied in condition from place to place, but was essentially the same as slave bondage. Bloch described the typical daily life of a serf:

"On certain days, the tenant brings the lord's steward perhaps a few small silver coins or, more often, sheaves of corn harvested on his fields, chickens from his farmyard, cakes of wax from his beehives or from the swarms of the neighbouring forest. At other times, he works on the arable or the meadow of the demesne. Or else we find him carting casks of wine or sacks of corn on behalf of the master to distant residences. His is the labor which repairs the walls or moats of the castle. If the master has guests the peasant strips his own bed to provide the necessary extra bed-clothes. When the hunting season comes round, he feeds the pack. If war breaks out he does duty as a foot-soldier or orderly, under the leadership of the reeve of the village."

Bloch goes on to describe two distinct forms of serfdom. The first included those who performed mostly agricultural labor and were officially classified as moveable property; they often lived in tenements and were regarded as human cattle. The second form of serfdom was classified as the tenant-slave, who had his own dwelling, subsisted on his own produce, could sell his own surplus, and was not dependent on any master.

It's also important to point out that those who were considered "free" men were still subjects of the king and mostly dependent on some particular lord. In some cases, "free" men were not even permitted to marry outside of their manor. During the reign of St. Louis in France, for example, almost the entire population consisted of persons whose status was described as servile.

#### **Honor and Land**

One of Weaver's most convincing arguments for the South being feudal is his assessment of slavery. He insists that land ownership and productivity were important to all Southerners. According to Weaver, there was a kind of *noblesse oblige* on the part of the landowners to make sure their land and slaves were well maintained. He uses several examples to explain this concept, including Robert Carter and George Washington.

When "King" Robert Carter of Virginia's Corotoman plantation devised his will in 1726, he listed seventeen indentured servants among the personnel of the homestead, including "sailors, tailors, and carpenters, a glazier, a bricklayer, and a blacksmith." A later member of the Carter clan, Robert the master of Nomini Hall, counted among his slaves eleven carpenters, two joiners, two postilions, a bricklayer, a blacksmith, a miller, a tanner, a shoemaker, a hatter, a sailor, a carter, a butcher, a cook, a waiter, and a scullion from the men; and from the women three housemaids, two seamstresses, two spinners, a laundress, a nursemaid, and a midwife.

George Washington had thousands of acres with a great number of both slaves and indentured servants. White indentured servants were typically expected to perform some type of specialized service. They had drawn up contracts which allowed them a house, a stated amount of provisions, and sometimes placed restrictions on their moral conduct. His slaves included waiters, cooks, drivers and stablers, smiths, waggoners, carpenters, spinners, knitters, a carter, and a stockkeeper. Washington was even reputed to visit his sick slaves on occasion and supervise their treatment. Mount Vernon was divided into five farms, each under the management of an overseer and all under the authority of a single steward that reported to Washington.

On the other hand, in the Middle Ages, agricultural labor was regarded as contrary to the honor of nobles and the military class. According to Bloc, ploughing, digging, and hauling goods were decided by Parliament of Paris to have been jobs designated to serfs and peasants. *Feudal Society* gives the following description of nobles and farm labor:

"Though usually a countryman in the sense that his home was in the country, the noble was nevertheless no agriculturalist. To put his hand to the hoe or the plough would have been an indication that he had come down in the world...And if he sometimes liked to contemplate the workers in the fields or the yellowing harvest on his estates, it does not appear that as a rule he took a very direct part in the management of the farm."

Perhaps because of weather, or maybe a desire to attach the family name to a piece of land, Southerners had much stronger ties to agricultural pursuits. James Henry Hammond's estate, Redcliffe, for example, was worked by over 400 slaves and had a gristmill, a forge, a wheelwright's shop, a hospital and a church that was visited by a white preacher once per month. Hammond eventually wrote a plantation manual that talked about crop rotation and even featured progressive practices for female slaves that breastfed. Southern women also tended to be very involved in the daily functions of the plantation. Eliza Lucas Pinckney, for example, managed three plantations and cultivated strains of indigo that were highly prized around the world.

# **Manliness and Chivalry**

It's common to equate the Southern gentleman to the medieval knight. Richard Weaver, Bertram Wyatt-Brown, and many other authors have done much to show that the Southern gentleman was an adherent to a chivalric code. This code, in both the South and the Middle Ages, was a complex system that involved frequent tests of manliness. Just as the knights often settled conflicts in trials by combat, Southerners had the pistol duel. The duel had its own written code and was often reserved for men of the gentleman caste. If a man was challenged by someone of his own standing and refused to duel, his manhood might be challenged next. Even though these conflicts tended to be highly personal and publicized, they were also looked down on as archaic and denounced from time to time.

After the last legal duel in Virginia, an issue of the Baltimore Sun declared in 1873:

"It is earnestly to be hoped that this most mournful event will at least have the effect of rousing the public sentiment of Virginia to put down a cruel, bloody and inhuman practice, combining in itself the elements of both murder and suicide, as contrary to the laws of God and to those of man, and not more contrary to either than to reason, common sense and justice."

While dueling was seen as barbaric to some, its practice was rooted in a simpler time when men were willing to fight for their own honor. And duels did not always end violently either. In an 1826 duel between John Randolph

of Roanoke and Henry Clay, Randolph chose to fire what could have been a fatal shot into the air and the two men resumed a courteous political relationship afterward.

But behind the acts of chivalry was a desire to exude male dominance. For the poorer whites, who did not always have the option of dueling, there was the practice of gander-pulling. The gander-pull was the Old South's version of the joust. For the contest, a live gander was greased up and hung by its feet. The competitors, on horseback, rode at full gallop, reached up to grab the gander by the neck and rip off the head. This practice was described in William Gilmore Simms' 1852 story *As Good as a Comedy*, in which Simms described a Tennessee gander-pull by saying it was "one of those sports which a cunning devil has contrived to gratify a human beast" and that it was "a source of pleasure to the purely vulgar and uncultivated nature."

Simms literally compared the sport to the joust himself and stated "Gander-pulling has been described as a sort of tournament on horseback; the only real difference is that the knight has a *goose* for his opponent instead of a person like himself." Simms also pointed out that these contests occurred while the competitors were "in a state of betweenity," meaning not drunk or entirely sober, and noted that the crowd's screams "form no bad echoes to the cries of the goose." Many refined people like Simms thought the abuse directed toward the gander made this sport undesirable, but the mere existence of the gander-pull shows us that the South was feudal in many ways. In the Middle Ages, riding in the saddle was an essential skill that most knights had to master. Combine this with the dexterity and grip required for the gander-pull, and you have a unique and challenging Southern sport that was inspired by the feudal age.

### **Blood and Vendettas**

In the South and the Middle Ages, complicated situations often ended with demands of satisfaction that could lead to blood feuds and vendettas. During feudal times, individual acts often involved entire kinfolk and whole communities took up arms to punish the murder or wrongdoing of members. *Feudal Society* provides some examples, one of which can be found in twelfth century Flanders, where a noble lady's husband and two children were killed by enemies. An ensuing blood-feud spread throughout the countryside and a saintly Bishop named Arnulf of Soissons came to preach reconciliation – but the widow refused to listen to him and raised their drawbridge to avoid talking to him. Another example could be seen in the Frisians, who were known to hang the corpse of a murdered kinsman in their manor until the day vengeance was accomplished.

These characteristics match almost exactly with Bertram Wyatt-Brown's work *Southern Honor*. He argued that there were several characteristics that were crucial in the formulation of Southern conduct, one of which was "honor as immortalizing valor, particularly in the character of revenge against familial and community enemies." Wyatt-Brown called the War Between the States a test of manhood, and asserted that "Courage in the Old South, as in ancient times, was a personal attribute, but it could not be wholly separated from the familial context."

The South has plenty examples of this primal attachment to family vendetta. The Hatfields and McCoys had a feud that started during the War Between the States, intensified over the alleged theft of a hog, and resulted in dozens of deaths. When "Devil Anse" Hatfield explained why he had murdered so many McCoys, his answer was: "A man has a right to defend his family." By family, he meant all Hatfields and kin. Andrew Jackson also possessed this dedication to family, having once fought a duel to defend his wife's honor against charges of adultery and fought in many more to defend his own personal honor.

#### **Final Verdict**

Ultimately, the South was a lot more homogenous in government and diverse in society than Europe in the Middle Ages. The South, and American society in general, was designed with the flaws and strengths of the feudal system in mind. There was also a dominant, republican political tradition within the South, while feudal society saw constant conflict between numerous principalities, kingdoms, and small republics over issues like religion and

territory. Many Southerners believed their society was thoroughly modern and provided a better route to progress than the Northern system of industrial wage slavery.

Most people reckon the Middle Ages to have lasted until about 1500, but its social systems lasted for hundreds of years afterward in some places, like France, where feudalism was not abolished by law until 1789 during the French Revolution. Meanwhile the first Southern colony, Jamestown, was established in the early 1600s, in a world geographically far from the Enlightenment. In the big picture of history, there was not a huge time difference between the Middle Ages, the founding of the South, and the end of feudalism. Maybe the South was feudal, not in some complicated societal sense, but in the traditions and practices of its people.

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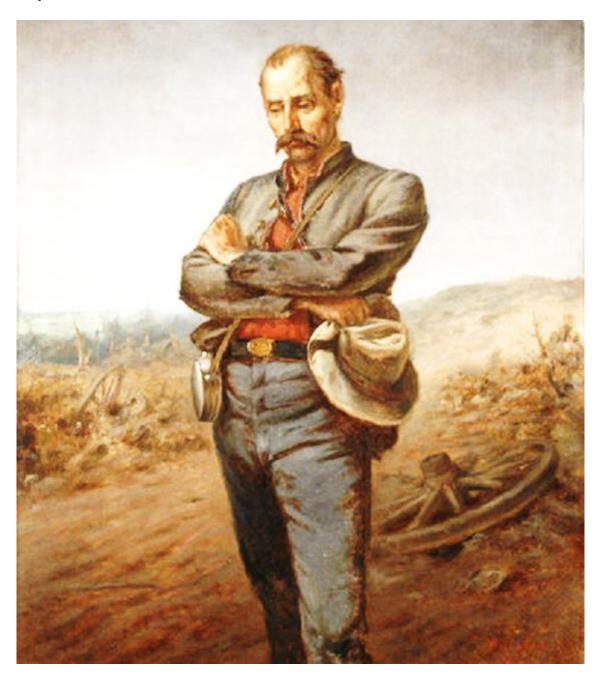
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# Justice Kavanaugh and the Triumph of Symbol over Reality

By John Devanny on Oct 17, 2018



"History does not repeat itself, but it often rhymes." Attributed to Mark Twain

Americans at their best are a pragmatic "can do" folk, be it "Yankee ingenuity" or good old fashioned "get 'r done." We are at our worst when we stray from this pragmatic bent into the misty fields of sacerdotal ideology, which is to say when we ascribe to our pet ideologies a sacred nature, and confer a sainthood, or at the very least, a priestly ordination upon our favored ideologues. In the antebellum period, abolitionist ideology exercised over the course of time a profound effect upon the Yankee mind. More and more northerners, even those whom the

abolitionists annoyed, came to accept the idiocy of the "slave power conspiracy." For the innocent and uninitiated, this conspiracy theory asserted that southern slaveholders were planning to use the powers of the federal government to expand slavery into the territories and throughout the Union. Once this was accomplished, free white labor would be degraded, and the stout wheat farmers of the Midwest would find themselves enslaved. Of course this was nonsense.

During the crisis of the 1850s Southerners did insist on being allowed equal access to the territories, which did mean that slaveholders could settle in the territories with their slaves, but everyone knew this was not happening and was not going to happen. There was a bare handful of slaves in the territories; ironically the anti-slavery, Mormon dominated Utah territory had the most (29) according to the 1860 census. Realities, however, no longer mattered. Symbols defined people's views of each other whether one was opposing the "Black Republicans" or the "Slave Power." Thus Southerners and Northerners, who had a great deal in common, were now ready to kill each other.

On balance, I do believe the North bears the much greater blame in all of this. Beginning with the Missouri Compromise and lasting through and after the war, Northern politicians continually painted the South as a part of Dante's *Inferno*. Southern fire-eaters and pro-slavery apologists began to play the same sort of game, but they were very much Johnny-come-latelies; the most extreme pro-slavery folk were also viewed by many in the South as an eccentric minority. Also, the South's politicians were asking for a symbolic concession on the territories issue. Which is to say that most Southerners probably understood that even if the slave property friendly Lecompton constitution was approved by the federal government for the Kansas territory, sooner or later slavery would be abolished in Kansas as more northerners than southerners made their way into Kansas. But when the symbolic becomes the real, symbolic concessions, such as what the South was seeking since the days of John C. Calhoun, become in the minds of many northerners very real and very dangerous concessions. And so to quote Father Abraham, "the war came."

For a time it was a restrained war, a war waged by people who were on the whole Christian, through the states and a federal government, under most of the provisions, laws, and customs that governed the prosecution of conflicts. As the war progressed, civilized restraints lost their hold upon the war lords of the North. But with the exceptions of Kentucky and Maryland, where brother literally fought brother, and the Missouri—Kansas border, the war was mostly a war between the states. Where symbol most ardently challenged reality, the frontiers and borders of the Southland, that is where civil war reigned.

Which brings us to the present day. The controversy surrounding the confirmation of Judge Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court illustrates that left-leaning Americans are once again embracing the symbolic over the real. In my view, some of us on the right and the left had good reasons to oppose Judge Kavanaugh. Judge Kavanaugh seems to be a decent man and a supporter of the second amendment, but in my view he is horribly wrong on many constitutional issues. His support of and involvement in framing the misnamed "Patriot Act" decidedly places him in the anti-fourth and anti-fifth amendment camp. I am not sure if he realizes that there are a ninth and tenth amendments to the Constitution, and his support for an expansive executive branch gives me the willies. Seems we have some grounds here for a united front of some rightist and civil liberty minded leftists to oppose Judge Kavanaugh.

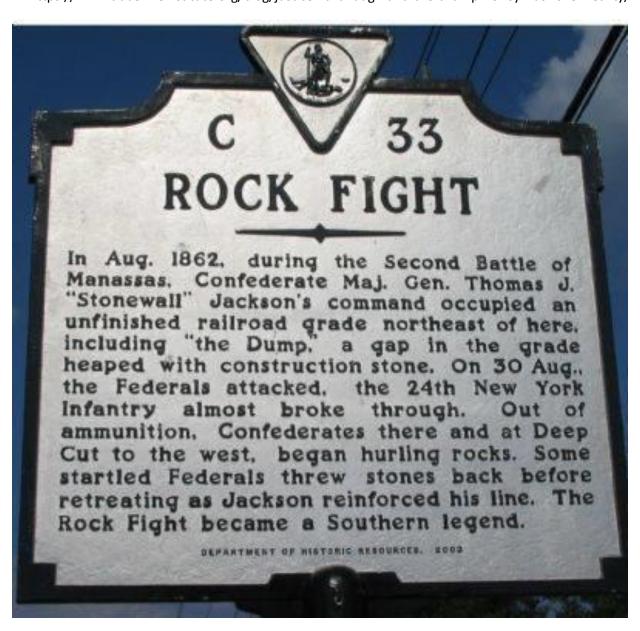
The left, however, chose to make a symbol of Kavanaugh that bears no resemblance to the man. Hoping to portray Judge Kavanaugh as dangerous example of white male privilege run amok, the Senate Democrats relied upon a witness, Dr. Christine Blasey Ford, who was unable to provide even the bare minimum of corroboration, not evidence mind you, but simple corroboration, of her claim that Kavanaugh sexually assaulted her thirty-five years ago. Soon others, even less credible than Dr. Ford, came forth from the woodwork alleging even more terrible and criminal behavior on the part of Kavanaugh in his high school and college days. Senate Democrats ran with it, and soon Judge Kavanaugh found himself the new symbol of evil, white male, patriarchy running wild and on the loose. Senator Susan Collins is spot on when she suggested that Kavanaugh is far more moderate than many on the left believe. That does not matter. What matters to the left, with their threats of impeachment, violence,

"resistance," etc. is not who Kavanaugh is, but what he symbolizes in their minds. The Democrats have moved beyond the politics of personal destruction to a politics of hate, and in the political climate of hate, symbol will always trump reality.

What the Kavanaugh case illustrates for the larger political and cultural picture is disturbing. The dividing lines in America no longer run along the Mason and Dixon, the Ohio River, and the southern border of Missouri. The division occurs as a blue archipelago of metropolitan areas in a sea of rural red. It is now a replay of court versus country. If the current trend continues and the left remains committed to the politics of symbol and hate, God forbid, we have an excellent historical example of what it might look like if the left makes good on its threats of violence. The example is America's first true civil war, the brutal conflict in South Carolina during the American Revolution. There were few niceties and a plethora of atrocities fueled by hatred committed by both the patriot and loyalist. As they say in the low country of that gallant little state, it was not pleasant. Let us pray the same fate does not await us all.

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# Accuse-Convict-Remove

By Walter D. (Donnie) Kennedy on Oct 18, 2018



In the past few weeks two major interrelated events took place in these once *United* States of America that should serve as a warning for all Americans. First, after the most contentious confirmation process for a Supreme Court justice in over 100 years, America has displayed its political-cultural division to the world and second, the evergrowing campaign of cultural genocide against all things Confederate continues unabated.

Most Americans, including too many Southerners, do not understand just how these events are related. The use of mob-rule and guilt by *accusation* as orchestrated by the neo-Marxist cabal should be very familiar to defenders of Southern heritage. The use of force and intimidation attempting to overturn the will of the people (as seen in the Kavanaugh hearings) is the same spirit and action that is being used to remove all things Confederate in Dixie. For example, when Southerners defend memorials of their Confederate ancestors, they are quickly and vociferously met with the charge of "defending slavery" and therefore being racists. Now notice that when the neo-Marxists could not stop the appointment of Judge Kavanaugh to the court by legitimate means, they attempted to do so by using the tried and true method that has worked well in the South. Neo-Marxists quickly pulled from their

playbook the well-used and successful technique of *Accuse-Convict-Remove!* After all, it works well down South why not in Washington?

To implement their technique of *Accuse-Convict-Remove*, neo-Marxists will find a person or a group of people that will bring a hideous and revolting charge against their victim. In the neo-Marxist world due process with its presumption of "innocence until proven guilty is "gone with the wind!" After the neo-Marxists accusation is stated, the victim is simply pronounced guilty. Once pronounced guilty, a process of denigrating anyone who offers proof of the victim's innocence will commence.

As with Kavanaugh, when neo-Marxists desires to remove a monument or artifact which reflects positively upon Southern history, the technique of *Accuse-Convict-Remove*, is used. First it is announced that the "offending" monument or artifact was established to promote "white supremacy" and is therefore a harmful and a hateful racist symbol. As with Kavanaugh, the "guilt" is announced along with the charge. When Southerners (regardless of color or ethnicity) bring forth proof that said monument/artifact was *not* erected or placed as a symbol of racism, they are forcefully scorned and belittled as being "defenders of slavery" and therefore unworthy of being heard. Just as in the case of Judge Kavanaugh, no proof of innocence is allowed—the charge being so hideous, guilt cannot be questioned. Removal of the offending person/item is all that is left to be done. Fortunately for Kavanaugh, he had strong defenders, unfortunately the Confederacy does not—at least not yet.

This unjust *Accuse-Convict-Remove* technique which has been so successful in destroying Southern heritage and history and which was used against Kavanaugh is also being employed against *traditional* American values. The ultimate goal of neo-Marxists is the destruction and debunking of America's traditional values and replacing it with a Marxist value system. Americans should understand that when neo-Marxists can have a Confederate flag removed because it "offends" someone, what will protect the Christian flag when it "offends" someone? When a Confederate monument must be removed because someone finds it "offensive," what will happen to a Christmas Nativity Scene when someone finds it "offensive?"

Traditional values as embraced by Southerners who hold dear a Biblical worldview and strict-construction Constitutionalism are anathema to Marxists. The left's hatred of these traditional values is one reason they often belittle Bible-believing, Constitution-loving Americans as "bitter clingers." The problem faced by the neo-Marxists is how do they destroy something that is so dearly held and loved by the majority of Americans? They soon discovered the answer—slavery and/or white supremacy! First attack the Confederate States of America as being the defenders of slavery and America's sole advocates of white supremacy. Neo Marxists then continue their attack by stigmatizing anyone who defends the traditional values of the South, especially defenders of the Confederacy as vile, evil racists. They then announce to the world that anyone who seeks to defend Southern heritage is using that term as a "code-word" for defending slavery and promoting white supremacy. Neo Marxists then use their control of the "fake news" industry to deny Southerners an equal voice in defending their well-studied and factual defense of their history.

While the left is busy promoting its fake history about the South, neo-conservatives are busy agreeing with the neo-Marxists and therefore promoting the acceptance of the *Accuse-Convict-Remove* method of attack. Is it any wonder that when neo-Marxists began their attack upon Judge Kavanaugh, unfounded and undocumented accounts were believed by so many people? Every time a conservative talking-head on radio or T.V. announces that the South is responsible for Jim Crow laws (when it was New England that introduced these laws), or that the burden of guilt for slavery belongs to the South (even though slavery existed much longer in Massachusetts than in Mississippi and longer still in New York than in Alabama), or that the South committed treason when it seceded from the Union (even though the Declaration of Independence states that a free people have the *unalienable* right to "alter or abolish" any government they no longer like and have the right to establish a government they do agree with), the neo-Marxists agenda is actually being advanced by these conservative talking-heads.

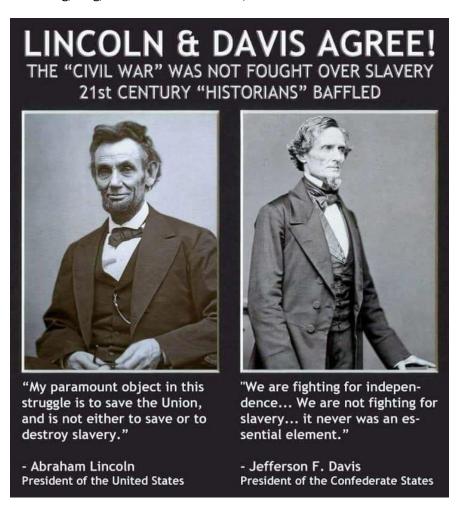
Americans need to understand that the ultimate objective of the neo-Marxists is the destruction of the Constitution and its replacement with a Marxist-style document. Remember that in three different places the Constitution either

defines or defends slavery. Once the neo-Marxist rabble has conditioned newer generations of Americans to remove anything they say is associated with slavery, what do you think will happen when the Constitution has been so identified? The process has already begun. The day after Judge Kavanaugh became Justice Kavanaugh, the new darling of the Social Democrats, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, tweeted that the time has come to get rid of the Electoral College because it is anti-democratic and "a shadow of slavery's power."[1] It should be obvious to all that the neo-Marxists have no desire to merely ban the Confederate flag or take down Confederate monuments. Neo-Marxists intend to use the odious stigma of slavery and /or racism to take down *all traditional American values* from Christianity to the Constitution. The Confederacy is just the low-hanging fruit that makes the process possible!

[1] Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez@Ocasio2018, tweet viewed October 6, 2018.

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"The South has no apology to make for her acts in the past, she thought she was right in 1861 and now knows she was right. If time, truth, reason, justice and law, stand for anything, history can give no other verdict. C. Gardner, 1906





**Defending the Heritage** 

# Cass County, which had a population of 10,000 was reduced to 600 by this "ethnic cleansing.

"Union Colonel Lazear wrote his wife that the ensuing arson was so thorough that only stone chimneys could be seen for hundreds of miles. "It is heart sickening to see what I have seen since I have been back here. A desolated country, men, women, and children, some of them almost naked. Some on foot and some in wagons. Oh God."

~ **†** Robert **†** ~

Why America lost the "Civil War" <a href="http://calltodecision.com/Civil%20War.html">http://calltodecision.com/Civil%20War.html</a> | October 30, 2002 | Nat G. Rudulph

# An Act of Tyranny

By John M. Taylor on Oct 25, 2018



**Constitutional Violation: Amendment One.** Freedom of Speech Denied. Vallandigham Imprisoned in Ohio.

"From the beginning to the end of these proceedings law and justice were set at naught; ...the President should have rescinded the sentence and released Vallandigham: ...a large portion of the Republican press of the east condemned Vallandigham's arrest and the tribunal before which he was arraigned." [1] James Ford Rhodes, historian and industrialist from Ohio

Clement L. Vallandigham was born July 29, 1820, in New Lisbon, Ohio. He was Scots-Irish on his mother's side (Laird) and Flemish Huguenot on his father's side (Van Landegham). Vallandigham was educated at New Lisbon Academy and Jefferson College in Canonsburg, Pennsylvania. He built a respected law practice and became a popular political speaker. His qualifications helped open the door for his election in 1845 as the Ohio State legislature's youngest member. Vallandigham admired Southern character and honor; there was a personal aspect as well because the South (Stafford, Virginia) was part of his family lineage. He opposed a strong central government and slavery, but felt the Federal government should not interfere where it existed.

Vallandigham was a Jeffersonian States' Rights Democrat who believed in interpreting the Constitution as it was written. He publicly denounced the Radical Republicans and opposed the 1857 Tariff. In a February 24, 1859, address to the House of Representatives he stated his belief that the legislation "was peculiarly a manufacturer's tariff and a highly protective tariff too...He then referred to the manner in which the interests of his constituents and the farmers, especially the wool-growers of Ohio, had been disregarded in the Act of 1857."[2] Somewhat ironically, the 1857 agreement gave some degree of relief to the South and ruffled the feathers of Northern industrialists who almost immediately lobbied for an increase in tariff rates.[3]

Comments by Vallandigham during the early stages of the war likely put him on the wrong side of the Lincoln Administration. In a February 3, 1862, speech delivered on the floor of the House of Representatives, Vallandigham criticized the Lincoln Administration's Legal Tender Act. From an economic and historical standpoint, he saw the creation of a fiat money system, i.e., greenbacks backed by nothing, as a risky maneuver relative to helping finance the war on the South. Vallandigham accurately predicted this Act would result in "... high prices, extravagant speculation, enormous sudden fortunes, immense fictitious wealth, general insanity. These belong to all inordinate and excessive paper issues." [4]

During the war, Vallandigham served as U.S. Representative from Ohio, which was part of a military district that included Indiana and Illinois. The district was under the command of Ambrose Burnside, a Union general with a record of mediocrity as a field commander. Vallandigham was labeled as a Peace Democrat and a Copperhead as he espoused the importance of individual liberty, constitutional government, and the dangers of increased centralization. His vocal criticism of the war against the South made many enemies.

Vallandigham was troubled by the Lincoln Administration's claim of changing the goal of the war from preservation of the Union to suddenly being a quest to end slavery. He voiced his concerns to Congress on January 14, 1863:

The war for the Union is in our hands, a most bloody and costly failure. The President confessed it on the September 22...War for the Union was abandoned; war for the Negro openly began...I trust I am not "discouraging enlistments." If I am, then arrest Lincoln and Stanton and Halleck... But can you draft again? ...Ask Massachusetts... Ask not Ohio, nor the Northwest. She thought you were in earnest and gave you all, all-more than you demanded... But ought this war to continue? I answer, No, not a day, not an hour. What then? Shall we separate? Again I answer no, No, no, no! What then? ...Stop fighting. Make an armistice. Accept at once the friendly foreign mediation and begin the work of reunion, we shall yet escape. [5]

Vallandigham recognized military failure as a catalyst for this diversionary political tactic, arising on the heels of several Northern military defeats and increasing apprehension that a foreign power (beyond the Vatican's vague affirmation) might officially recognize the Confederacy. According to Illinois politician and U.S. soldier John A. Logan (aka *Black Jack* Logan), there was a gathering at Springfield, Illinois, (Lincoln's home) of almost 100,000 Vallandigham, Anti-War, Peace Democrats voicing their opposition to the invasion of the South and calling for an end to the war.

On April 13, 1863, Burnside issued General Order Number 38, which stated that free speech would not be tolerated if that speech were in defense of the South. Burnside felt Lincoln's September 24, 1862, suspension of habeas corpus gave him the authority to issue his order.

During a May 1, 1863, speech, Vallandigham described the Union war as "wicked, cruel, and unnecessary." [6] He went on to say this "was a 'war for the purpose of crushing out liberty and erecting a despotism" [7] and he called for Lincoln's removal from office. Unknown to Vallandigham, Burnside had sent two captains, dressed in civilian clothing, to Mount Vernon, Ohio, to listen to this speech where he ridiculed the unconstitutional activities of "King Lincoln" [8] and publicly denounced Burnside's order. In retaliation for his comments, officers surrounded, and then broke into Vallandigham's house at 2:00 A.M. on May 5th. He was arrested and sent to face trial before a military commission. Vallandigham was charged with violation of Burnside's General Order Number 38, by expressing disloyal opinions that weakened government efforts to suppress a rebellion. He was also accused of illegally discouraging military enlistments. Though military commissions are not designed to handle civilians and the regular civilian courts were in operation at the time, Vallandigham was placed before a military tribunal (based on Lincoln's suspension of habeas corpus). Trying a civilian in a military court typically indicates the verdict has been predetermined or as Daniel Webster, an opponent of such activities, stated, "military courts are organized to convict." [9] Lincoln favored the use of military courts for civilians in such circumstances.

In response to the arrest, on May 6, 1863, a crowd of 500-600 gathered at the newspaper office of the pro-Republican *Dayton Journal*; Vallandigham had lived in Dayton since 1847. They took over the building and burned it to the ground. The fire spread "and all the property from the south end of the Phillips House to the middle of the square was destroyed. All the telegraph lines in the city were cut down and destroyed." [10] It was also reported that the Xenia Road Bridge had been destroyed.

The *New York Herald* demanded a release of Vallandigham in its May 24, 1863, edition. Burnside disallowed circulation of the *Herald* and also ordered suppression of the anti-Republican *Chicago Times* on June 3, 1863. Under Burnside, not only did infringements of liberty increase, the death penalty was prescribed for certain offenses. Although violations of individual civil and constitutional rights were common, Vallandigham's case was the highest profile as he was considered the quintessential Copperhead.

During his confinement, a letter in Vallandigham's handwriting emerged from his prison cell with the comment: "I am here in a military bastille for no other offense than my political opinions...I am a Democrat-for the Constitution, for law, for Union, for liberty—this is my only crime." [11] Vallandigham was tried in Cincinnati and initially *convicted* of being disloyal to the U.S. and sympathetic to the Confederacy. He was sentenced to two years at the military prison in Fort Warren, located at the entrance of Boston Harbor. George Pugh, Vallandigham's attorney, appealed the verdict to Federal Judge Humphrey Leavitt based on the lack of jurisdiction of a military tribunal combined with the fact his client's free speech and habeas corpus rights had been violated. Leavitt would not budge and the verdict was left intact.

Vallandigham was sentenced to close confinement for the duration of the war; however, there was such a public outcry in both North and South "that Lincoln commuted the sentence to banishment—a penalty not before known to the country, and 'not for deeds alone, but for words spoken,' to use the language in which it was denounced by John Sherman, and these were words that had been spoken in public debate and received with wild applause by thousands of his constituents."[12]

Lincoln had sought to minimize political damage from Burnside's illegal arrest and it was Burnside himself who suggested Vallandigham be sent to General William S. Rosecrans, commanding the Army of the Cumberland, at Murfreesboro, Tennessee. From there, Vallandigham was sent into Confederate territory, with the warning that he would be imprisoned if he returned to Union soil.

In early June of 1863, Vallandigham was banished to the South although Lincoln refused to admit the Confederate States existed as a separate country. Lincoln had initially supported Burnside's arrest of Vallandigham; however, it is unclear if he knew ahead of time that it would take place. Lincoln was very aware of the often vocal, pesky, Ohio Copperhead whom he referred to as this "Wily agitator" [13] and his initial support of Burnside's actions exacerbated the situation. This arrest and banishment was not entirely unprecedented in American history; it echoed the 1798 Alien and Sedition Acts, under President Adams, where verbal criticism of specific individuals in government was prohibited and punished, sometimes severely.

Though the arrest and harsh treatment of Vallandigham was endorsed in many Republican circles, there were others who were alarmed, including some who opposed his peace efforts. Denying Vallandigham his First Amendment and *habeas corpus* rights ignited a firestorm of opposition and indignant reactions. The *Detroit Free Press* responded:

We have never been champions of Mr. Vallandigham. In many particulars we have disagreed with him in opinion; but we have seen nothing in his course which he was not permitted by the [C]onstitution and laws to do; but even if he is guilty of any offense, he is entitled to a trial by a jury of his country and by the law of the land. If, in his case, a military court—the most offensive of tribunals to a free people—is allowed to usurp the office and functions of these, we will be justified in asserting that the worst apprehensions of the designs of the administration are fulfilled, and that American liberty is so dead, that even its forms are no longer observed. [14]

Even a portion of the Republican press of the East condemned the whole affair. For example, the anti-slavery, pro-Republican, *New York Evening Post* referenced Burnsides' subversion of democratic government by stating:

[N]o governments and no authorities are to be held above criticism, or even denunciation. We know of no other way of correcting their faults, spurring on their sluggishness, or restraining their tyrannies, than by open and bold discussion. How can a popular Government, most of all, know the popular will, and guide its course in the interests of the community, unless it be told from time to time what the popular convictions and wishes are?[15]

The *New York Daily Tribune*, another anti-slavery Republican newspaper, simultaneously criticized the beliefs of Vallandigham (though they misstated some of his views) and the tactics of the Lincoln Administration:

Vallandigham [was] a Pro-Slavery Democrat of an exceedingly coppery hue...[I]f there were penalties for holding irrational, unpatriotic and inhuman views with regard to political questions, he would be one of the most flagrant offenders. But our Federal and State Constitutions do not recognize perverse opinions, nor unpatriotic speeches, as grounds of infliction.[16]

The list of prominent individuals protesting Vallandigham's arrest included Wilbur Storey, Editor of the *Chicago Times*; Gideon Welles, Union Secretary of the Navy; Erastus Corning, New York businessman; and Horatio Seymour, Governor of New York. "The *Allentown Democrat* in its edition of June 10, 1863, decried Vallandigham's treatment calling it unconstitutional. There were rallies in Buffalo, Newark, N.J., New York City and Philadelphia, according to the newspaper, defending Vallandigham's right of free speech." [17]

There were also protests in Vallandigham's home State of Ohio. At the Democratic State Convention on June 11, 1863, prominent party members wrote a lengthy plea for Lincoln to revoke the banishment. Vallandigham was nominated for governor of Ohio at the convention. Many Ohioans voiced their displeasure with Lincoln, calling him a *usurper* and a *despot*. George Pugh, running for Lieutenant Governor in Ohio, delivered a scathing and cynical address on August 15, 1863, commenting:

Beyond the limits and powers confided to him by the Constitution, he is a mere County court lawyer, not entitled to any obedience or respect, so help me God [Cheers and cries of 'Good.'] And when he attempts to compel disobedience beyond the limits of the Constitution by bayonets and by swords, I say that he is a base and despotic usurper, whom it is your duty to restrict by every possible means if necessary, by force of arms. [Cheers and cries 'That's the talk.'] If I must have a despot, if I must be subject to the will of any one man, for God's sake let him be a man who possesses some great civil or military virtues. Give me a man eminent in council, or eminent in the field, but for God's sake don't give me the miserable mountebank who at present exercises the office of President of the United States.[18]

Though he felt the Confederacy should be recognized as a legitimate entity, Vallandigham did not support Southern Independence. He favored returning the Southern States to the Union through peaceful negotiation instead of military coercion. This placed Vallandigham and his Confederate hosts in an awkward position. Remaining in the South for only a few weeks, Vallandigham was allowed to leave and work his way back home. He ran the blockade to Bermuda and moved on to Halifax before finally settling in Windsor, Ontario, Canada, where he ran unsuccessfully for governor.

Vallandigham consistently represented the principles of Ohio's Peace Democrats; mobs rioted in his support, and constant efforts were made to have him returned to Ohio. Seemingly from out of nowhere, on June 15, 1864, Vallandigham appeared at Hamilton and Dayton, Ohio, denouncing Lincoln and his actions and spitting upon General Order Number 38.

This time, the Lincoln Administration made no attempts to have him arrested. Vallandigham, along with his friend and supporter, Dr. John McElwee, the editor of the *Hamilton True Telegraph*, insisted the 1864 Democratic Party Platform include a declaration that the war was a failure and that there should be an immediate end to hostilities.

Their incessant advocacy of peace possibly backfired during the latter stages of the war. Significant Northern victories shifted popular sentiment away from the Democrats, and the North, with a reenergized morale, could see victory within their grasp, given the depleted manpower and resources of the Confederacy. Vallandigham's last-ditch effort at peace was an unsuccessful appeal to Horace Greeley to help end the war.

Lincoln's death brought great sadness to Vallandigham; he feared the Radical Republicans would respond with even greater retribution on the Southern people. Also, after the war, Vallandigham's political success waned. Initially, he stood against Black voting rights and equality. After losing a couple of post-war elections based on his anti-reconstruction platform, Vallandigham returned to his law practice. Realizing the situation of the country under Republican control, he moderated his views and advocated a policy called New Departure, a program of burying the issues of the war and moving on. Vallandigham accepted that reconstruction was a *fait accompli* and the logical course was to work for the benefit of all citizens. He directed his efforts toward joining Democrats and disgruntled Republicans into what became the Liberal Republican Party in 1872.

Clement L. Vallandigham died in 1871 of an accidental self-inflicted gunshot wound. While defending his client in a murder case, he attempted to show the victim had actually killed himself but the demonstration went awry and he accidentally shot himself, suffering a tragic demise before his well-intentioned political efforts came to fruition. James W. Wall, a former New Jersey senator who had also been imprisoned by Union authorities during the war, performed his eulogy.

Vallandigham's legacy factored into the short story, *The Man Without a Country*, which appeared in the *Atlantic Monthly* in August 1863. Written by Unitarian Minister Edward Everett Hale, the story was based on the life of Philip Nolan. Hale was disturbed by Vallandigham's actions and referenced the legacy of Nolan, who had been tried and convicted of treason in 1807. Nolan was placed on a boat and banished to the sea, with any news of events in America withheld from his sight. As time passed, Nolan decided he loved his country despite its government's flaws. [Hale published the short story in 1863 as a way to support Lincoln's war and to encourage allegiance to the central government.]

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# "Melt the Bells"

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From the *Richmond Daily Dispatch* April 1, 1862:

# To the patriotic — the value of Church Bells.

The Ordnance Bureau of the Confederate States the use of such bells as can be spared during the war, for the purpose of providing light artillery for the public defence. While copper is abundant, the supply of deficient to convert the copper into bronze. Bells contain so much tin that 2400 pounds weight of bell metal, mixed with the proper quantity of copper, will suffice for a field battery of six pieces.

Those who are willing to devote their bells to his patriotic purpose will receive receipts for them and the bells will be replaced, if required, close of the war, or they will be purchased at prices.

Bells may be directed as follows: ...

The Government will pay all charges to these places, and receipts will be promptly returned to the proper parties.

Persons and congregations placing their at the service of the Government, are requested to send a statement of the fact, with a description and weight of the bell, to the Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance at Richmond, for record in the War Department.

# From the same <u>issue</u>:

# Patriotic example.

—The congregation of the Second Baptist Church in this city have set an example that may challenge emulation, but for self-sacrificing patriotism cannot be excelled. They met not long since and by unanimous vote gave their church bell to be cast into cannon to be sued in the public defence. To show that this was not an empty promise made for effect, they immediately had it taken down to be put to the use indicated. At the same meeting at which the resolution above stated was passed, it was determined to subscribe and such sufficient to purchase enough metal to add to that in the bell to form into a battery to he called the Second Baptist Church battery. Mr. John F. Tanner, and influential member of the church, and largely engaged in the foundry business, promised on behalf of himself and associates that the battery should be ready at an early day, and without cost to those who furnished the material. The

churches in New Orleans (a large proportion of them being Catholic) have, with the sanction of their Bishop, adopted the same course.

It is <u>said</u> that in 1862 General Beauregard came up with the idea of using church bells to make cannon. <u>"Melt the Bells"</u> was a poem published in the *Memphis Appeal*.

Richmond's Second Baptist Church <u>supports</u> the *Dispatch* article: "During the Civil War the church assisted the Confederacy in many ways, from preparing bedding and bandages, to donating the steeple bell and selling the pew cushions, to furnishing some members to defend the city."

http://www.bluegrayreview.com/2012/03/31/melt-the-bells/

Some church bells were melted down and used to make cannons for the Confederacy. Here is a poem written and published in <a href="https://example.com/The-Raleigh Register">The Raleigh Register in April of 1862</a>:

# The Church Bells of the Confederacy

Loosen the bolts-lower me down;
Cannon must be made.
From hill and vale, and leagured town
A Nation's call for aid.
The joy of a country's heart is gone,
The light of a people fled;
To hearts and hearths, the foe presses on
O'er the forms of the gallant dead.

No more should the tongues of the village bell Give forth its cheerful strain
'Til freedom and peace together shall dwell
In this fair sunny land again.
So haste to the foundry, let me go
Where my brazen sides may yield
A weapon of death to the insolent foe
And then-away to the field!

Transferred again to my lonely perch,
When the battle's fought and doneA peal I'll ring from the village church
For countless glories won.
And anon-a song for the brave who bled.
Ere victory crowned the day.
And a dirge for the names of the honored Dead,
Who fell in the fearful fray.



# They got their taxes, but paid for them in blood...

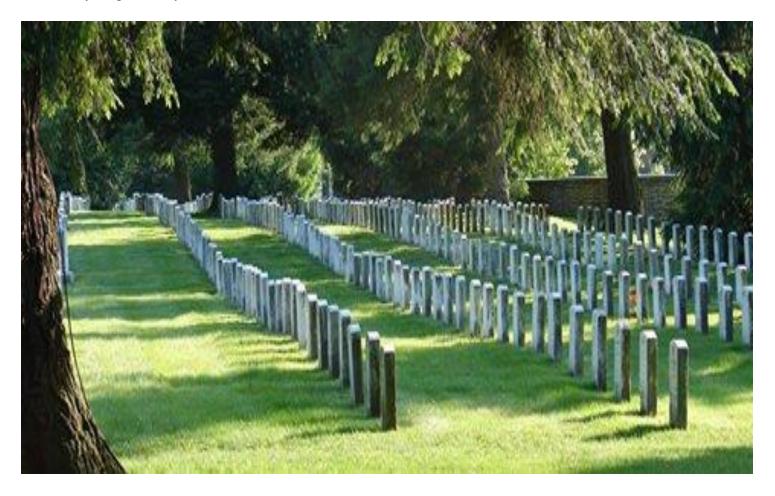


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The 1861 Morrill Tariff ultimately tripled the Tariff rate from 15% to 48%. It was passed two days before Lincoln took office. The next day at Lincoln's 1st inaugural address, he promised that any state that would not pay the taxes would be invaded and the taxes would be taken by force with bloodshed if necessary.

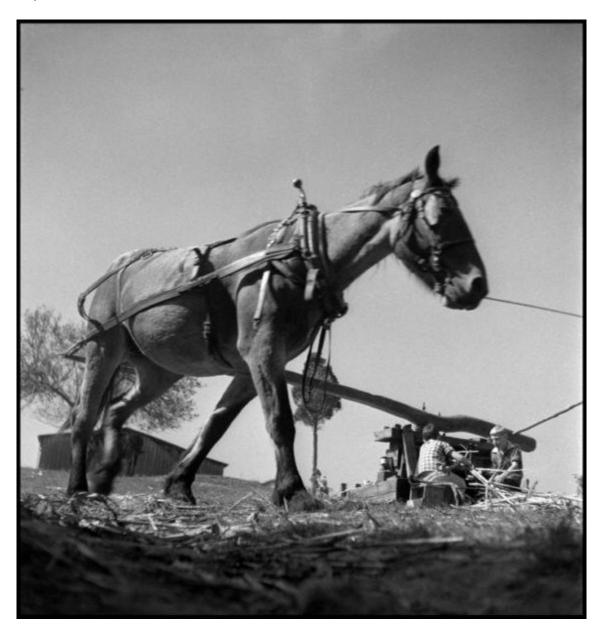
~ **†** Robert **†** ~

Photo: Gettysburg Cemetery



# Southern Memories of the Good Ol' Days

By Cary Lindsay on Oct 12, 2018



Having traveled in all fifty states, I must admit there are certain areas of this great country that continue to draw me back, time and again, to enjoy their natural beauty, pleasing climate, and their historical sites. The most fascinating place I've traveled is the tiny village of Barrow, Alaska, the northern most of cities in the United States. However, it's the Chautauqua Institute located in western New York state that continues to garner our return visits each year. Where else can one find such an array of renowned speakers from the arts, education, religion, and politics? And at night you can be entertained by the likes of the Beach Boys, Smothers Brothers, Kingston Trio, The Jersey Boys, The Temptations, The Four Tops, and even Carol Burnett.

But during the summer of 2002, after a short stay in Boston, my wife, daughter and I made a trek to one of the quaint villages on the central coast of Maine. For those old movie buffs that remember the film –Peyton Place – Camden is very much the same village as it was more then 40 years ago when the movie was filmed there. To sit on the tiny waterfront and watch the tall sailing ships gliding in and out of this picturesque harbor is a beautiful and serene sight.

Using Camden as our base, we made day trips to various places in the area. One day we took the ferry boat to the tiny island of Vinalhaven. The island sits just a few miles off the Maine Coast. The ferry ride is very relaxing, and the view of the marine life is breathtaking. Along the way, one can view the lobster boats making their daily runs to their lobster traps that lie in the cold dark waters in this part of the north Atlantic.

Vinalhaven is known for the vast number of granite outcroppings that for generations provided the stone needed to construct many of the granite buildings and monuments in which granite is used as the main construction material. Many of the monuments in the Washington, D.C. area used Vinalhaven granite. Sadly, today most of the island is pocked with abandoned quarries where the easily obtained granite was mined and shipped away. Still there is a thriving community on the island. However, today, the economy isn't based on the granite industry, but rather tourism and lobsters.

As we sat enjoying lunch in a little organic grocery/deli that overlooked the harbor, I glanced over the shelves that lined the grocery's walls. I made a mental note of the various products that were displayed there. My eyes were drawn to a section that contained a product that brought back memories of my growing up on a rural Alabama farm. As I thought about this product, my mind drifted back to two events that occurred every autumn on our farm.

Each fall, I knew that two events were about to unfold, two traditional mainstays on the farm. The product I was fondly gazing at inspired joyous memories, but instantly this memory was joined by another ritual that I dreaded.

It was with great anticipation that I looked at the fields of sugar cane we had growing on the farm and when the cane was ready to be harvested. Waiting for the day to start cutting the cane and hauling it to the cane grinder located on the old Lindsay homestead site, this was a delight all the kids in the community could hardly wait. The grinder sat there all year-round under the chinaberry tree waiting for the next fall harvest to start.

For all the kids in the area, it was an eagerly awaited sight to see Daddy and the farm workers getting the grinder ready for squeezing the sweet nectar from all those stalks of cane. Watching them get out the grease buckets to oil the grinder, we knew our little bellies would soon be filled with what must have been about a gallon a day of the flowing juice churned out from the grinder. A grinder that was being powered by a mule, as one of the farm mules was harnessed to a long pole that as the mule walked around and around, it operated the press part of the grinder.

The juice was supposed to run down a trough into a catch vat, but Daddy always let us kids hold our little metal cups to catch some of the juice as it flowed down the trough - if we stayed out of the way of the plodding mule.

Momma took whatever was left from our skimming and from that she would make our annual supply of sweet cane syrup. Once the syrup was made, Momma would store it in metal cans, assuring us a supply that would grace her biscuits and pecan pies for a full year. And, as always, she supplied all our neighbors and workers on the farm with their yearly supply.

Ah, that sweet nectar! And all the visits to see Dr. Simonton, the local dentist, for so many of us farm kids who had tin cups to catch the sweet over flow of pure sweet sugar.

But there was the other event that took place each fall, just as the first frost came to south Alabama.

With the first frost, I also knew it was time for the 'hog-killing' ritual. The frost was the catalyst for the women in the community to gather up their work tables and move them into our backyard. From these tables the processing and making sausage would be done and the carving of the rest of the hog carcass into other cuts of pork.

At the same time as the women's preparation, the men began the construction of the gallows. These were made from young saplings cut from the nearby copse of woods. From the elevated gallows, the slaughtered hogs would be hung after they had been dunked in scalding vat of water where this would make the removal of their skin and hair being much easier.

The other part of the preparation process involved hauling in loads of hickory wood from the nearby forest. This wood was placed by the wooden smokehouse we had there on the farm. In this smokehouse, our annual supply of bacon and other cuts of pork would be cured with hickory smoke that billowed out of the smokehouse. The smoke filled the air for days and could be smelled for miles around.

I will spare those of you (including myself) who have weak stomachs. This annual ritual and the gruesome aspect of this event took place in our backyard and other backyards across the rural south as late as the 1950's. It would suffice for me to say, if you ever watched sausage being made, you would never eat sausage again. Never!

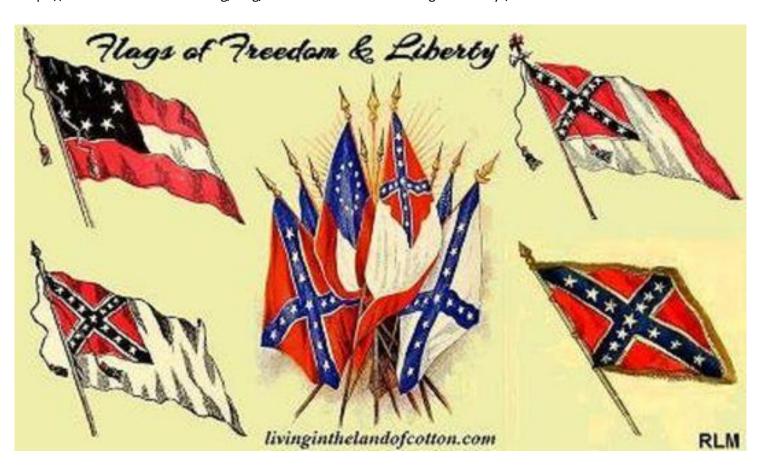
The only thing positive about this process was that I was probably the only kid in hundreds of miles in radius from Abbeville, Alabama, who had a swimming pool in the 1940's and 1950's. My Daddy's 'hog boiling' vat was made of cast iron and was large enough for me to use it as my personal pool. It wasn't big enough for swimming laps, but on a hot July day it was the perfect lounging area, as long as the pecan tree kept the vat in the shade.

But as I sat there that day in Vinalhaven, my eyes were fixated on the jars of cane syrup sitting there on the shelf. I got up from the table and walked over and picked up a jar of the sweet liquid. As I read the information on the label, I was jolted back to reality. As with most childhood memories for those my age, the memories of simpler times we cherished in our society have changed. Those memories are fleeting as we remember old customs and how we have discarded them. We can recite the constant excuses why we don't have time to do these things. We will do it next year! Always another time. Maybe tomorrow! But always later! But tomorrow never comes —!

The label on the jar of cane syrup said, "Product Made and Shipped from Paraguay."

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# NO SUCH THING AS BLACK CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS???

More first person documentation of the truth from the Official Records of the US Government.

~From Les Tucker,

My biography of General Adams puts him under the command of Forrest in 1862. Many of the South haters love to hate Forrest. They also say that it is a myth that African-Americans were the Confederate uniform.

The following report is from a Union Lt. Col. "The forces attacking my camp were the First Regiment Texas Rangers. Colonel Wharton, and a battalion of the First Georgia Rangers, Colonel Morison, and a large number of citizens of Rutherford County, many of whom had recently taken the oath of allegiance to the United States Government. There were also quite a number of negroes attached to the Texas and Georgia troops, who were armed and equipped, and took part in the several engagements with my forces during the day."

#### Official Records of the War of the Rebellion, Ser. I, Vol. XVI Pt I, p. 805

No serious study of the American Civil War is complete without consulting the *Official Records*. Affectionately known as the "OR", the 128 volumes of the *Official Records* provide the most comprehensive, authoritative, and voluminous reference on Civil War operations. The reports contained in the *Official Records* are those of the principal leaders who fought the battles and then wrote their assessments days, weeks, and sometimes months later. The *Official Records* are thus the eyewitness accounts of the veterans themselves. As such they are "often flawed sources – poorly written in some cases, lacking perspective in others, frequently contradictory and occasionally even self-serving." Nevertheless, they were compiled before the publication of other literature on the subject that, in several cases, caused some veterans to alter their memory and perception of events later in life.

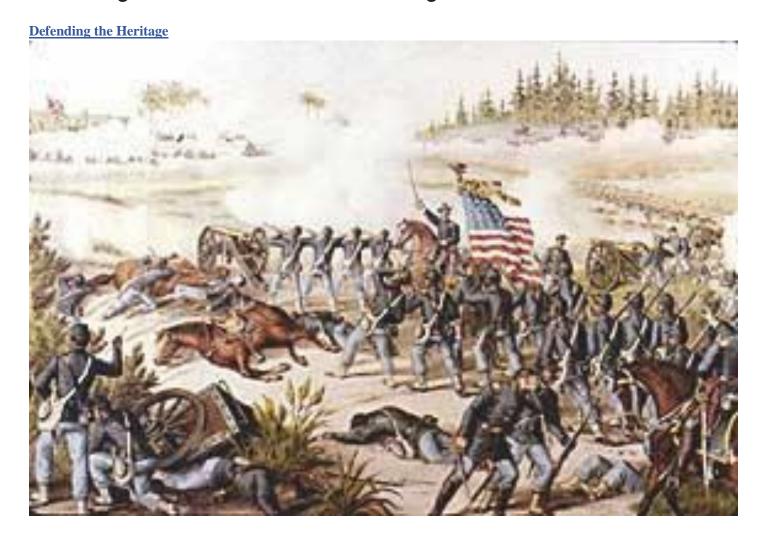
Impetus for publishing the *Official Records* came from Union General-in-Chief Henry Wager Halleck. Apparently overwhelmed by the task of writing his 1863 annual report to Congress, Halleck recommended to the Committee on Military Affairs the collection and publication of official documents and reports on all Civil War operations. Republican Senator Henry Wilson of Massachusetts, Chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs, introduced a Joint Resolution "to provide for the printing of the official reports of the armies of the United States." Both the House and the Senate adopted Wilson's resolution on May 19, 1864. President Abraham Lincoln signed the bill into law the next day.

Officially titled, *The War of the Rebellion: A Compilation of the Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies*, the *Official Records* are compiled in 127 volumes, plus a General Index and accompanying Atlas. Editor Robert N. Scott divided the OR into four major topical areas:

- Series I contains 53 volumes (Books 1-111) and focuses on military operations. These include the battle reports for both Union and Confederate armies, arranged chronologically by campaign and theater of operations. Union reports are followed by Confederate accounts. The intent is to provide a complete history of the event in the same volume.
- Series II contains 8 volumes and 8 books, and includes Union and Confederate correspondence, orders, reports, and returns relating to Prisoners of War, as well as political prisoners.
- Series III contains 5 volumes and 5 books, and includes "miscellaneous" Union correspondence, orders, and reports
  pertaining to the organization and logistics of the Union war effort. Series III also includes calls for troops,
  correspondence between National and State authorities, and correspondence between Union and Confederate
  authorities.
- Series IV contains 3 volumes and 3 books, and includes "miscellaneous" correspondence, orders, and reports of the Confederacy. Also found in Series IV are the General and Special Orders of the Confederate States Army, as well as correspondence relating to conscription and blockage running.

A word of caution must be made here about the value and limitations of the *Official Records*. As primary source material, the Official Records are, without question, the most complete and impartial documentation on the War. They provide a foundation for serious research into virtually any aspect of the war. On the other hand, no study of the War should rely exclusively on the Official Records. The accounts contained in the OR were not edited for accuracy, and due to space considerations, only excerpts of reports were often included. Researchers should thus verify the information found in these reports with other source material to gain as complete a picture of events as possible.

# They were slain by hundreds ...



"...As usual with the enemy, they posted their negro regiments on their left and in front, where they were slain by hundreds, and upon retiring left their dead and wounded negroes uncared for, carrying off only the whites, which accounts for the fact that upon the first part of the battle-field nearly all the dead found were negroes." -

Federal Official Records, Vol. XXV, Chapter XLVII, pg. 341 - **report of the Confederate Commander, Savannah, April 27, 1864 - Battle of Ocean Pond [Olustee]** - 54th Mass.

Shame on em, they only print the history they want you to know...

~ **†** Robert **†** ~

Photo: The Battle of Olustee (Ocean Pond). 54th Massachusetts at Olustee

# The Old South's Poor Whites

By Michael Martin on Oct 11, 2018



There was a time, before universal white male suffrage and the closing of the frontier, when the poor whites of the South were considered shiftless and without caste. If we were to look at the South as a hierarchical system, it could be argued that the poor whites were a kind of pariah. There's a common misconception that all whites during the antebellum period had an equal standing economically and socially.

The Old South was a complex society, not just a place comprised merely of free whites and enslaved blacks. There were indentured servants, African slaves, Native Americans, poor white yeoman farmers, and a wealthier landowning aristocracy. Some of the first colonies were owned by wealthy English barons (like the Lords Proprietors in Carolina) and after the Revolution, most states had property requirements that kept the poor whites from voting.

Most people look at the South as a society that had slaves at the bottom, with all the whites having a higher social standing. But it must be remembered that Europeans initially brought Africans to America, and "Southern" people were a distinct group that developed over time, alongside and combined with this African population. There have always been poor and toiling people of all races, and some Southern writers have even argued that the early planting classes weakened the white backcountry populations economically. W.J. Cash described the poor whites of the backcountry as:

"...those who had been driven back farthest – back to the red hills and the sandlands and the pine barrens and the swamps – to all the marginal lands of the South; those who, because of the poorness of the soil on which they dwelt or the great inaccessibility of markets, were, as a group, most completely barred off from escape or economic and social advance. They were the people to whom the term 'cracker' properly applied – the 'white-trash' and 'po' buckra'"

"Po' buckra" was Gullah for "poor white man." If we were to look at history from this perspective, it could be argued that these poorest of whites were of a different stock than planting families and hierarchically just as low (if not lower than) black slaves in the Old South. The physical differences of these backcountry folk was noted by Timothy Flint, who in 1816 wrote recollections from traveling down the Mississippi and noted that the poor whites in the region "claim to be the genuine and original breed, compounded of the horse, alligator, and snapping turtle." These whites lived on a diet that primarily consisted of corn pone and the flesh of razorback hogs, were reputed to eat dirt from time to time (a practice still found in some rural Southern communities today), and often suffered from nutritional diseases.

Bertram Wyatt-Brown noted that poor whites in the Old South were subjected to "the ancient prejudice against menials, swineherds, peddlers, and beggars." Some examples of this prejudice include William Perkins, an English divine, who wrote in 1632 that poor whites were "as rotten legs and arms that drop from the body." Another man named Daniel R. Hundley wondered if the hog-raising, hill folk of the South were a result of bad genetics and asked "...who ever yet saw an athletic, healthy human being, standing six feet in his stockings, who was the offspring of runtish forefathers, or wheezy, asthmatic, and consumptive parents?"

One of the finest literary examples of this kind of poor white can be found in Mark Twain's *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*. Huck's alcoholic father, Pap, had "long and tangled and greasy" hair that draped over his eyes like vines. Pap also wore rags for clothes and his skin was described as "not like another man's white, but a white to make a body sick, a white to make a body's flesh crawl – a tree-toad white, a fish-belly white." Clearly, even whites were not afraid to point out the "white trash" within their own communities.

Another example can be found in A.B. Longstreet's story "The Fight" in his book *Georgia Scenes*. One character in the story was named Ransy Sniffle, a young man from Richmond who lived to fight and was raised on copious amounts of red clay and blackberries. Longstreet described this character by saying "His shoulders were fleshless and elevated; his head large and flat; his neck slim and translucent; and his arms, hands, fingers, and feet were lengthened out of all proportion to the rest of his frame. His joints were large and his limbs small; and as for flesh, he could not, with propriety, be said to have any. Those parts which nature usually supplies with the most of this article — the calves of the legs, for example — presented in him the appearance of so many well-drawn blisters." The story goes on to describe a brawl between two backcountry legends that resulted in one man losing an ear and a large piece of his left cheek, while the other man lost about a third of his nose and his face was swelled to the point of being unrecognizable.

### **BACKCOUNTRY VIOLENCE**

The bloody scene Longstreet described was an all too common occurrence in the backcountry. While some consider the South to have been paternalistic and genteel, this treatment rarely branched out to the poor whites beyond the plantation. The planter class was refined and cavalier, while the poor folk had virtually nothing but their whiteness, perhaps a small patch of corn, and their fighting ability to be proud of. This is why "rough and tumble" brawling (complete with eye-gouging, scratching, and even biting) was a popular pastime in the backcountry.

Timothy Flint's Recollections reinforced the existence of this mindset by saying "...according to their definition, the question about the 'best' man had been reduced to actual demonstration. I found, on farther inquiry, that the 'best' man was understood to be the best fighter, he who had beaten, or, in the Kentucky phrase, had 'whipped' all

the rest." In other words, societal standing in the backcountry was predicated on how a man could handle himself in a fight.

In 1807, an English traveler named Charles William Johnson published a book titled *The Stranger in America*, which described this backcountry violence in explicit detail. Traveling through Georgia, Johnson witnessed an eye gouging match and found the fighters "fast clinched by the hair, and their thumbs endeavoring to force a passage into each other's eyes; while several of the bystanders were betting upon the first eye to be turned out of its socket." One of the combatants, a Carolinian named John Butler, had his eye gouged out by a Georgian and after the match ended, Johnson stated the "The savage crowd applauded, while sick with horror, we galloped away form the infernal scene…the first eye was for the honor of the state to which they respectively belonged."

Johnson also described some local fighters and explained that these "rough and tumble" matches included the use of teeth, feet, scratching, and biting. One man named John Stanley, of North Carolina, was described as having sharpened his teeth with a file and bragged about the noses and ears he had bitten off, as well as cheeks he tore apart. Another man named Thomas Penrise, also from North Carolina, was defending himself from a group of sailors when he gouged out three eyes, bit off an ear, and tore some cheeks before retreating.

Unlike today, there was not always a consequence for this type of lawlessness. In fact, courts at the time tended to pursue crimes against property more vigorously than these instances of violence. One man named Jarvis Lucas was beaten by three men who bit, gouged, and kicked him repeatedly. At the trial for this assault in a Carolina court of justice, the three attackers received a small fine only as the punishment. Charles Johnson closed his description of this poor white violence with the following thoughts:

"The lower classes in this gouging, biting, kicking country, are the most abject that, perhaps, ever peopled a Christian land. They live in the woods and desarts [sic] and many of them cultivate no more land than will raise them corn and cabbages, which with fish, and occasionally a piece of pickled pork or bacon, are their constant food...Their habitations are more wretched than can be conceived; the huts of the poor of Ireland, or even the meanest Indian wig-wam, displaying more ingenuity and greater industry. They are constructed of pine trees, cut in lengths of ten or fifteen feet, and piled up in a square, without any other workmanship than a notch at the end of each log, to keep them in contact...Amid these accumulated miseries, the inhabitants of log-houses are extremely tenacious of the rights and liberties of republicanism."

One explanation for this predisposition to violence might be, as David Hackett Fischer argued in *Albion's Seed*, that the backcountry was filled with small family farms that flourished independently alongside abundant sources of water. Fischer pointed out that the condition these families lived in "encouraged a sense of stubborn autonomy" and that they were a people who came looking for material betterment, not to build a city on a hill. Impermanent homes of clay and daub were often thrown up as emigrants poured into these Southern highlands and quickly formed a strong sense of individual sovereignty. The overall mindset of how justice, violence, and retaliation intertwined in the region might be best reflected in Andrew Jackson, whose mother once advised him to "...never tell a lie, nor take what is not your own, nor sue anybody for slander, assault and battery. Always settle them cases yourself." In most cases, backcountry men tended to view themselves as the sheriff of their own property and affairs

The most shocking account of violence in *Albion's Seed* was of Russell Bean, the first white child born to permanent settlers in what is now Tennessee. Bean's life was filled with violence and he was found guilty of beating and kicking the wife of a neighbor in 1789. In 1801, Bean travelled to New Orleans and came home to discover his wife had given birth to a child out of wedlock. Bean took the child and cut off the ears to mark it and distinguish it from his own children. After being found guilty of maining an infant, Bean was sentenced to be branded with the letter M on his hand. Once his hand was free, Bean bit out the brand with his teeth, and "spat the charred and bleeding flesh defiantly on the courtroom floor."

Fischer also showed that backcountry violence occurred as a result of bandits and border raiders. One example can be found in 1767, when Carolina newspapers reported that robbers captured a man named Davis and tortured him in his own home with hot irons until he revealed where his hidden money was. The robbers then burned his farm for amusement and left Davis tied up to watch all of the flames. These criminals were known to mutilate victims for sport and sometimes worked in family groups. In response to this violence, the Regulator movement formed to bring people some kind of vigilante justice.

#### THE MYTH OF WHITE PRIVILEGE

The Southern backcountry was rife with violence, poverty, and even nakedness. While most people associate the South with plantations, honor, and acts like the pistol duel, there were thousands of whites in the South's backcountry that equated honor with hand-to-hand combat skills and barely subsisted on tiny farm plots. When Reverend Charles Woodmason traveled through the Carolina backcountry in the 1760s, he noted that whites were living in conditions worse than Native Americans, were scantily clad, had a poor diet, and that entire families lived in one room shacks with dirt floors.

In the wake of pervasive myths like "white privilege," it's interesting to note that so many whites lived in groveling conditions and were literally described as savages not long ago. And there are still massive numbers of poor whites today. Just in 2015 the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) documented that there are more whites on food stamps than any other race, by a large margin. The history of the poor whites in the South shows that this poverty not some new trend, but a problem that has always been around since the founding.

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Bullet riddled Confederate uniform on display at The Museum of the Confederacy in Appomattox in front of the plaque for Patrick R. Cleburne, killed November 30, 1864, at the Battle of Franklin, a tragic loss for the Confederacy, including six generals who were killed or mortally wounded. Cleburne was one of these six, killed while attacking Union breastworks.

# 12 Reasons to Fly the Confederate Battle Flag:

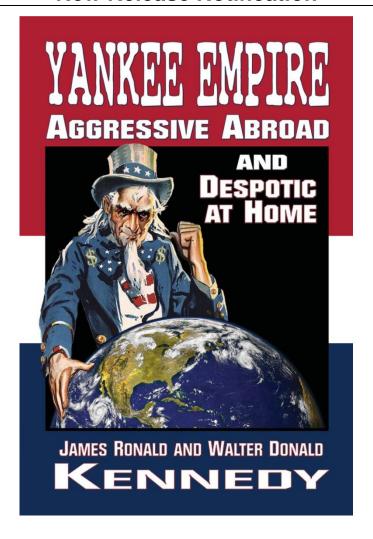
- 1) It is one of the oldest Christian Symbol on Earth (The St. Andrews Cross) and silently, but eloquently lets the world know that a Christian family resides at the residence where it is flown.
- 2) It is a universal symbol of resistance to tyranny, having been sighted flying in nearly every modern day conflict where people were, or are, fighting an oppressive and despotic governance.
- 3) It lets the world know that you know where you came from, and are proud of your ancestors efforts to preserve their liberty and God-given freedom.
- 4) It is a sign of unity that is instantly understood by all who have Southern blood, and if enough folks would begin flying it, it would almost overnight put an end to the liberal clamor to have it, and all Confederate symbols removed from public view.
- 5) It is a constant and powerful reminder that we have not forgotten what the Yankees did to our Ancestors and to our civilization, and are still doing, and that we do not intend to forget, nor forgive, until they cease meddling in our Sovereign affairs.
- 6) It honors the thousands of Southern Men, and Boys, whose blood was spilled, and who lost their lives, homes and everything they had, trying to keep the "Free, Constitutional, Representative Republic" that was bequeathed us by the Founders. A Republic we have not had, since Lee laid down his sword!
- 7) It is a reminder that Liberty is a God-given right, not a commodity to be controlled by greedy politicians, left-wing liberal teachers, and power-crazed activist judges. And also a reminder that Liberty is worth fighting for.
- 8.) The sight of it subtly stirs the embers of pride which still glow, ever so faintly, in every real Southerner's heart, and which, now more than ever, need to be re-kindled into a bright and blazing fire!
- 9) It lets those who would oppress us, and steal our liberty know, that they have not yet succeeded, and will have not succeeded, until they have killed every last one of us, and destroyed every last Battle Flag. This has seldom happened in any oppressed country throughout history and will not happen here, unless we fail to educate our children about the real meaning of our flag.
- 10) Flying the Battle Flag reinforces the meaning of the First Amendment to the Constitution, which is supposed to guarantee that no despot can interfere with your God-given right to express Yourself, (Freedom of Speech).
- 11) It symbolizes the unique Southern States, where, we as a separate people, with a common background, have preserved, and continue to preserve, our honorable cultural heritage. In fact, the design of the Flag is Christian and Celtic in origin.
- 12) And finally....It is so brilliantly beautiful, one of the most beautiful, if not "the most beautiful" flag on the planet!

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Whether or not you agree with the authors, you will never be able to look at our situation the same way again after reading this book. This is not hyperbole. Prepare yourself, gentle reader, for a paradigm shift!

Ladies and gentlemen, we are pleased to present . . .

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# A Tale of Two Cults

# Mormon Church and NAACP Leaders Meet in Salt Lake City

Joint education and employment efforts continue

6 OCTOBER 2018 - SALT LAKE CITY

Senior leaders of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) met with leaders of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Friday, October 5, and Saturday, October 6, 2018 — another indication of the growing friendship between the two groups.



#### DOWNLOAD MEDIA

President M. Russell Ballard of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles with Leon W. Russell, chairman of the board of directors of the NAACP, on Temple Square in Salt Lake City, Saturday, October 6, 2018.

At a series of meetings and presentations held with members of the NAACP board of directors and senior staff along with general authorities of the Church and various Church department representatives, the two groups advanced conversations and efforts on their education and employment initiative that the Church and the NAACP have undertaken as a joint venture. The two groups worked on ways to customize the Church's self-reliance



Church leaders gather for a breakfast meeting with leaders of the NAACP on Temple Square prior to the first session of general conference, Saturday, October 6, 2018.

Participating was NAACP chairman Leon W. Russell; NAACP vice chair Karen Boykin-Towns; Rev. Dr. Amos C. Brown, interreligious affairs chairman; and Rev. Theresa A. Dear, interreligious affairs vice chair.

The group also attended the Saturday morning session of the Church's semiannual general conference, where Dr. Brown particularly enjoyed one of his favorite renditions by The Tabernacle Choir at Temple Square, "Come, Come, Ye Saints." Prior to the session, Church leaders, including President M. Russell Ballard, Elder Ronald A. Rasband, Elder Gary E. Stevenson, Bishop Gérald Caussé, Elder Jack N. Gerard and others, hosted the NAACP

leaders at a breakfast. Church leaders and NAACP chairman Russell spoke warmly about the new relationship and the groups' eagerness to work together.



Leon W. Russell, chairman of the NAACP board of directors (right), with Karen Boykin-Towns, vice chairman of the NAACP board of directors (left), in the Conference Center on Temple Square, Saturday, October 6, 2018.

The visit to Salt Lake City by leaders of the NAACP follows an invitation for Elder Jack N. Gerard to offer remarks at the NAACP 109th annual national meetings held in San Antonio, Texas, on July 15 of this year and a press conference held in Salt Lake City in May with the Church's First Presidency and NAACP leadership. At the latter event, both groups called for greater civility and racial harmony and announced efforts for expanded collaboration between the members of the two organizations.

https://www.mormonnewsroom.org/article/church-and-naacp-leaders-meet-in-salt-lake-city

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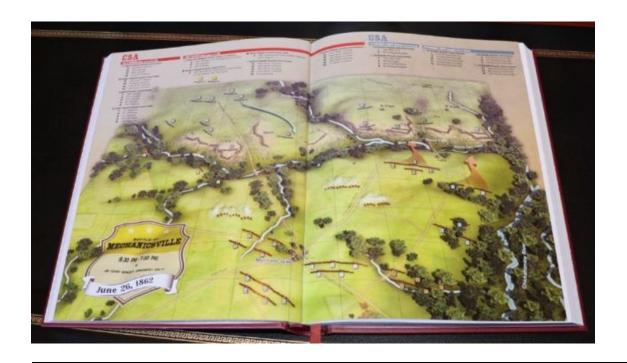
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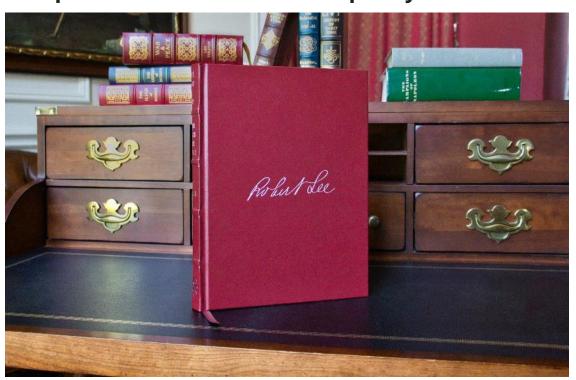
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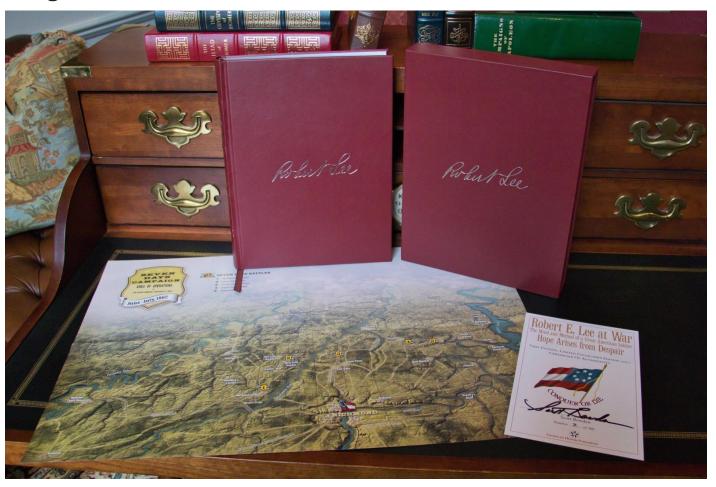
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### JANIS PATTERSON ... Committing Crime With Style!

Like her idol, the legendary Auntie Mame, Janis Susan May believes in trying a little bit of everything. She has held a variety of jobs, from actress and singer to jewelry designer, from travel agent to new home sales, from editor in chief of two multi-magazine publishing groups to supervisor of accessioning for a bio-genetic DNA testing lab.

Above all, no matter what else she was doing, Janis Susan was writing. As her parents owned an advertising agency, she grew up writing copy and doing layouts for ads. Articles in various school papers followed, as well as in national magazines as she grew older. In time novels followed, seven of them in rapid succession with such publishers as Dell, Walker and Avalon.

In December of 1980, just before the release of her second novel, Janis Susan met with approximately 50 other published romance writers in the boardroom of a savings and loan in Houston, Texas to see if an association of working, professional romance novelists were practical. The organization which evolved from that meeting was Romance Writers of America. Although the current reality of RWA is very different from what was first envisioned, Janis Susan has maintained her membership from the beginning and is very proud of being a 'founding mother.'

But writing was far from the center of Janis Susan's life. Single, footloose and adventurous, she believed in living life to the fullest. Although she maintained the same small apartment for years, she traveled over a great deal of the globe, living several months at a time in Mexico for years as well as trekking through Europe and the Middle East, indulging her deep and abiding love of Egyptology.

Then life took a turn. Janis Susan's father had been dead for a good many years; when her mother's health began to fail she realized that she would need a great deal of money to ensure her mother's care. Although she had been supporting herself comfortably, Janis Susan made the wrenching decision to give up writing novels and its attendant financial uncertainty and get a job to provide for her mother's needs

Ten years passed without Janis Susan publishing a novel, though she had a few she tinkered with as a hobby. Her writing talents were directed elsewhere, though; towards Egyptology and archaeology.

Janis Susan was a member of the Organizing Committee which founded the North Texas Chapter of the American Research Center in Egypt, arguably the largest association of working Egyptologists in the world. Janis Susan began and for nine years was publisher/editor of the NT/ARCE Newsletter, which during her tenure was the only monthly publication for ARCE in the world. In 2005 Janis Susan was the closing speaker for the International Conference of ARCE in Boston.

Her Egyptological work gave Janis Susan a very special benefit of which she would never have dreamed. In the local organization there was a very handsome Naval officer a number of years younger than Janis Susan. After several years of friendship and three years of courtship, he waited until they were in the moonlit, flower-filled gardens of the Mena Hotel across the road from the floodlit pyramids in Giza to propose.

Janis Susan became a first-time bride at the time of life that most of her contemporaries were becoming grandmothers for the second or third time. Sadly, her mother passed away just three weeks after the small and romantic wedding, but Janis Susan is forever grateful that her mother lived to see and participate in that wonderful celebration.

It was after the first grief passed and the trauma of remodeling and moving into her childhood home that Janis Susan's husband decided it was time for her to go back to writing full time. She fulfilled his expectations by selling her first novel in over ten years just weeks before he left for a tour of duty in Iraq.

He returned safely, and during his absence Janis Susan sold two more projects. Another deployment to Iraq followed much too quickly, then yet another to Germany before he retired from the Navy. During the German deployment Janis Susan went to visit several times, and they celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary in Paris. He continues to be a guiding and supporting force in her career, even to acting as her assistant when necessary. In a phrase quite openly stolen from a writer she much admires, Janis Susan calls her husband her own personal patron of the arts.

A talented actress for many years, Janis Susan has also narrated the audio version of several novels - not one of which is hers!

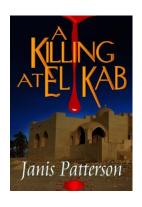
Janis Susan is very proud of being a seventh-generation Texan on one side of her family and a fourth generation one on the other. She and her husband share their Texas home with two neurotic cats which they rescued



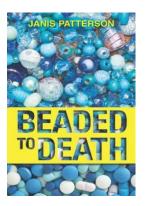
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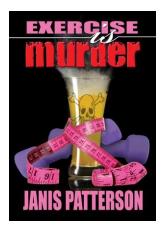
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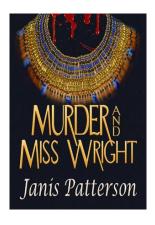
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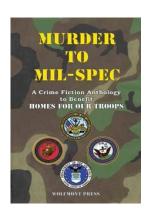
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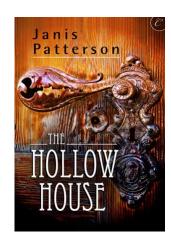
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# AN OPEN LEMER

# From IIK Edgerton

October 28, 2018

# Conversations in the Streets

Dear Ms. Lunelle,

As I stood with the Southern Cross in hand, a young lady from the small crowd that now surrounded me would ask "Mr. HK, I read that you were in disagreement with the outcome of the trial of Maya Little who defaced the Silent Sam monument. Could you expound a little more about your position?"

Judge Cabe and the Prosecutor in my opinion stepped away from their judicial duties and allowed this farce of a trial to become a event for trying and convicting the South for making an honorable Stand against a great evil that descended upon its region illegally.



Maya Little getting her 'hand slapped" for vandalizing "Silent Sam"

And for those who use slavery as a weapon of choice against the South and its people; Cabe handed a invitation to break the law, and should step down or relieved of duty by the State Attorney General/Governor. Along with the Prosecutor, Cabe in effect, nullified the laws of North Carolina that established by the people, i.e. monument protection laws, and Historic Commissions.

What these white folk guilters like Judge Cabe, and those of like minds don't understand is that those of us who are descendants of Southern slaves are truly family of the Southern white man. It was his ancestors that gave them his language and his God for their moral compass as they went into the church places with the Honorable Rev. R.L. Dabney of Prince Edward County, Virginia to pray for the safety of Marse Kirby Smith, and his side kick, Alexander, slave and Aid de Camp of General Smith; boyhood friends who grew up in the same house together; a scene playing out all over the South!

Congratulations and kudos to the student Honor Court that did what was in their power to condemn this criminal, Ms. Little!

For the bravery and courage of this integrated military against overwhelming odds to protect its homeland and the rule of law of the National Constitution; the women of the South built Cenotaphs to memorialize their lives.

Should I be able to raise the funds, I shall post their Colors once again at the base of Silent Sam this very week, and hope that, if there is a speech at the unveiling of its return; that I am one of the presenters.

Then came: "Mr. Edgerton, what do you think about the young black kids who went to the White House on October, 20, 2018 as a part of what was deemed 'The Young Black Leaders Summit?".

I was very proud of the and the President for having them, was my reply.

God bless you!

Your brother, HK

Chairman of the Board of Advisors Emeritus of the Southern Legal Resource Center Recipient of the National Sons of Confederate Veterans H.L.Hunley Award Recipient of the United Daughters of the Confederacy Jefferson Davis Medal Member of Save Southern Heritage Florida President of Southern Heritage 411 www.southernheritage 411.com

Help Fund My fight....





Monday, October 22, 2018

### LEE Chapel at W&L Vandalized- "Gay Pride" Flags Nailed to Doors of Historic Lexington, VA Church



This morning, one of our Flaggers visited the LEE Chapel on the campus of Washington and Lee University to pay his respects to General Lee. Upon arrival, he found the beautiful doors to the chapel desecrated with "gay pride" flags. These flags have been NAILED into the 150 year old doors. Campus officials are currently trying to determine the best way to remove the vandalism without causing further damage to the historic site.

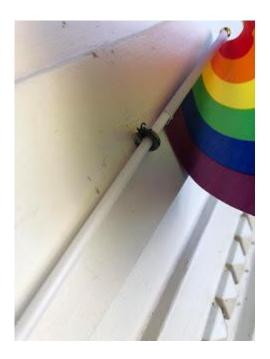
This, on the heels of a recent announcement by the W&L Board of Trustees that portraits of Lee & Washington in military attire in the Chapel would be replaced and the doors to the mausoleum CLOSED during University events to prevent the fragile students from having to view the magnificent Recumbent Lee memorial. Robinson Hall will be renamed to Chavis Hall and the Lee-Jackson House will also be renamed.

ALL of this comes just a few years after W&L officials caved to the demands of SIX extremist law students who demanded historic flags be removed from the chapel, among other outrageous requests. The university capitulated to

#### EVERY single demand.

THIS is what happens when you pander to Godless heathens. They are NEVER satisfied and they will violate school and public law in their temper tantrums to get their way.

Where are the men of courage and conviction to rise up and defend the honor of men like Lee and Washington and discipline those who dare to commit such acts as these?





God bless the eternal memory of Robert E. Lee and God save the University he so dearly loved and saved from destruction.

### Private Security Hired to Protect Monuments in Charlottesville, Richmond

Last month, we announced that we were hiring private security to help guard the monuments in Charlottesville, Virginia, in light of the heightened threats after a violent mob removed the statue from the Silent Sam monument on the Campus of the University of North Carolina. Your response to our request for assistance was overwhelming. We raised enough money to not only cover security in Charlottesville for the 3-day labor day holiday, but we were also able to add private security to our Monuement Patrols in Richmond. In addition, we were able to extend the coverage throughout the week in Charlottesville, and an additional weekend since then, when there was a specific threat.

Our experience is that the monuments are targeted when the leftist haters do not get their way. In anticipation of a Kavanaugh confirmation this weekend, we have hired security for this weekend in Charlottesville and are looking at adding some patrols in Richmond, as well.



The companies we hired received praise from the Richmond and State Capitol police, and the coordinated efforts between our Monument Guards, hired security, and State Capitol and Richmond police were very successful. Monument Avenue residents have also offered their appreciation and thanked us for our efforts.

We received an email from the security company we hired to protect Lee and Jackson in Charlottesville. Apparently a resident saw the security vehicle patrolling the night before, and called the company the next morning, wanting information on how they could get in touch with us to donate to help fund the extra security.

Just having a presence out there is sending a strong statement to the haters, elected officials, and private citizens who want to join the fight.

We offer our sincere thanks to all those who so generously gave toward the monument security fund. We will continue to monitor the situations in Richmond and Charlottesville, and have additional, private security on call, ready to assist when needed.

In the meantime, our RVA Monument Guards continue to patrol in the Capital of the Confederacy and we are always looking for new recruits to assist in the endeavor. If you would like to help, please contact info@vaflaggers.com for more information.

http://vaflaggers.blogspot.com/

# Dixie Heritage Newsletter

#### CANDIDATE STAGED FLAG BURNING

At a protest on the steps of the Georgia Capitol in 1992, Stacey Abrams, now the Democratic candidate for Governor, burned the State Flag in "protest," calling it a symbol of "white supremacy."

Ms. Abrams's role in the protest, and burning of the Georgia State Flag, which took place around the end of her freshman year at Spelman College in Atlanta, emerged on social media on the eve of her first debate with her Republican opponent, Secretary of State Brian Kemp. Mr. Kemp has published the images of Abrams burning the Flag to portray her as "too extreme for Georgia."

Ms. Abrams, now 44, has responded by stating that she is proud of her Flag burning and would do it again. If elected, she would become the first black female governor in the nation.

#### ANOTHER DESPERATE LAWYER BLAMES ROBERT E. LEE

Lawyers for a black suspect in Virginia who is facing a capital murder charge are requesting a portrait of Robert E. Lee be removed from the courtroom where his trial is scheduled to begin in May.

Attorneys for Darcel Nathaniel Murphy filed the 12-page motion last week, the *Richmond Dispatch-Times* reported.

Murphy is charged in the shooting death of Kevin Robinson, 43, in March 2016. Two others are charged in the slaying, but only Murphy faces the death penalty.

The portrait of Lee overlooks the Louisa County courtroom. Rusty E. McGuire, the Louisa commonwealth's attorney, told the newspaper that he can't comment on pending litigation but that his office reviews all motions and responds as appropriate. A November 8th hearing is set for the case.

#### TEXAS A/G PUNTS ON CONFEDERATE PLAQUE

The Texas Attorney General's Office says it needs more time to decide who has the authority to remove a Confederate plaque from the State Capitol.

In May, Attorney General Ken Paxton was asked to give his opinion on which political entity - the Legislature, the state historical board, the Governor himself - has the power to decide the fate of the Children of the Confederacy plaque. Paxton had 180 days to issue his decision. But this week, a full six months later, his office said it wanted an extension.

My guess is that he is not wanting to touch this issue this close to election. We expect that he will issue an opinion quickly after the votes are counted.

#### **FACEBOOK UPS ITS ATTACK**

Facebook on Wednesday briefed journalists on its latest attempt to stop "fake news" and "hate," offering an exclusive tour of a windowless conference room at its California headquarters, packed with millennials monitoring Facebook user behavior trends around the clock.

This is Facebook's first ever "war room," designed to bring leaders from 20 teams, representing 20,000 global employees working on monitoring posts to the platform into one room to lead a crusade against conservatives on the platform. The team includes "intelligence," data science engineering, research, legal, operations, policy, communications, and representatives from Facebook and Facebook-owned WhatsApp and Instagram.

The war room was originally staffed with millennials working from 4 am until midnight, but starting on Oct. 22, social media workers began momitoring 24/7. This meamns that EVERY post is examined by a human eye within minutes of being posted. That human will decide the fate of the post assuring that Conservative posts do not have time to "go viral" before being caught.

#### SCV ATTEMPTS NEW LICENSE PLATE

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller is sponsoring a proposed Texas license plate that honors Confederate soldiers to help raise money for the Sons of Confederate Veterans - reigniting a decade-old debate over establishing a novelty plate to benefit the group.

The new design does not have a Confederate Flag but instead includes a rebel soldier clad in a gray Confederate uniform carrying a Texas regiment's flag.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans is a group of about 3,200 members in Texas, according to its March application for the specialty license plate. The group estimates about 1,000 such plates would be sold in the first year. Of the \$30 fee collected for specialty Texas license plates, \$22 would go to the Department of Agriculture as the sponsoring agency. The department would give that money back to the Sons of Confederate Veterans in the form of grants "for supporting charitable causes and related activities," Miller told the DMV in a letter offering to sponsor the plate.

The purpose of the special license plate is to "remember and honor our Confederate ancestors" and to make the commemorative plate available to people interested in Texas' participation in the war, according to the application.

Kim Olson, a retired lieutenant colonel running against Miller in the November general election, said the agency should be focused on agricultural resources instead of sponsoring Confederate license plates, "We have bigger fish to fry."

#### **ALSO IN TEXAS**

The push to rename five schools named for Confederates in the Austin, Texas school district is inching closer to reality, but some of the names will stay for now.

The majority of trustees for the Austin Independent School District "appeared to favor" renaming Zachary Taylor Fulmore Middle School and John T. Allan Elementary School during a meeting late Monday, the Austin American-Statesman reported. The schools are named after a private and an officer who fought in the Confederate Army, respectively.

Fulmore would be renamed after Sarah Beth Lively, a teacher at the school for 25 years, while Allan would be changed to honor Anita Ferrales Coy, a former principal and administrator in the district. A vote

is expected to be held on the proposed new names on Oct. 29, according to the newspaper.

District officials voted to rename five schools in February but the names of three other schools originally slated for renaming will remain the same, at least for the time being.

The effort to rebrand Eastside Memorial High School at the Johnson Campus - named after Confederate Gen. Albert Sidney Johnson has been postponed until the campus moves to another location, the newspaper reports.

A decision to rename Sidney Lanier High School will also be postponed until November after a district trustee said not enough time was given to residents to provide input on a new name of the school.

Trustee Ted Gordon said he opposed renaming John H. Reagan High School as simply Reagan High School to remove any reference to the Confederate postmaster general because the change would be merely superficial.

Costs associated with changing the name at one secondary school in the district were estimated earlier this year at \$77,000, not including new sports and band uniforms, according to the newspaper.

#### TRUMP LEE AND A PATHETIC PILE OF SLOBBER

President Donald Trump praised Confederate general Robert E. Lee at a campaign rally in Lebanon, Ohio last week Friday night.

"So Robert E. Lee was a great general. And Abraham Lincoln developed a phobia. He couldn't beat Robert E. Lee," Trump said, "He was going crazy. I don't know if you know this story. But Robert E. Lee was winning battle after battle after battle. And Abraham Lincoln came home, he said, 'I can't beat Robert E. Lee," Trump said.

"And he had all of his generals, they looked great, they were the top of their class at West Point. They were the greatest people. There's only one problem - they didn't know how the hell to win. They didn't know how to fight. They didn't know how," he continued.

The President went on to describe how "incredible" Union commander and Ohio native Ulysses S. Grant went on to defeat Lee, and referenced Grant's heavy drinking.

The president said that Ohio gave the U.S. a general "who was incredible, he drank a little bit too much, you know who I'm talking about. And Lincoln said, I don't care what problem he has, you guys aren't winning. And his name was Grant, General Grant, and he went in and he knocked the hell out of everyone.....Sad to see the history and culture of our great country being ripped apart with the removal of our beautiful statues and monuments," The President said.

"Rev." Robert Lee IV, who is the sniveling cry-baby great-great-great-great-nephew of General Lee, tweeted out a video of his own after the Trump rally responding to the President: "Robert E. Lee fought for the continued enslavement of black bodies," Lee's effeminate great-great-great-great-nephew said in his Twitter video. "It was for states' rights yes, but for states' rights to own slaves."

"He is showing us he supports an idol of white supremacy and of hatred," Lee IV said of Trump.

The Lee IV video had accumulated over 7,000 retweets at the time of this writing.

Lee had previously criticized his ancestor when he spoke at the 2017 MTV Video Music Awards, calling him an "idol of white supremacy, racism and hate."

#### "SOUTHERN" COUPLE IN NEW YORK HARASSED

A group of nine people, organized by Cynthia Davis, the Staten Island National Action Network coordinator, came to the small four-home offshoot of Midland Avenue last Wednesday because one of the homeowners hung two Confederate Flags outside their own home.

"It's unacceptable. In 2018 in New York City, a person should be able to live where they live and not deal with this," Davis said.

Mary, who is black, and Kevin, who is white, the neighbors living next door to the Flags are insisting that the Flags are a "racist" dig at their miscegenation. However, the woman who owns the Flags insists that she is not prejudiced against Mary. She said the Flags, which were used in battle during the WBTS to signify a group of southerners rebelling against tyranny, were hung by her boyfriend, "because he is into that." She then pointed to a claim of \$2,000 she won against Kevin after she was bit by the couple's pit bull, and not the Flags, as the reason the dispute has recently flared up.

A police source confirmed multiple visits to the block to deal with disputes stemming from the "feud." Two officers at the location last Wednesday night declined to comment on the situation, and referred us to the NYPD's press office.

Davis said a second visit to include protestors is being planned.

#### SILENT SAM RESTORATION CHALLENGED

**The News & Observer** of Raleigh reports that the University of North Carolina Faculty Council adopted a resolution Friday calling for the statue nicknamed "Silent Sam" and its remaining stone pedestal to be removed from campus grounds.

The faculty move came hours after the university's 225th birthday celebration. Chancellor Carol Folt used the occasion to make a public apology for the university's connection to slavery and the oppression of blacks.

Folt and the school's trustees have until Nov. 15 to present a plan to the statewide public university system's governors for how they will restore the statue.

#### SILENT SAM VANDAL GOES FREE

In the week's trial of a University of North Carolina student accused of vandalizing Silent Sam, the Judge has declined to punish the University graduate student who admitted to the crime in open court.

Orange County Judge Samantha Cabe noted that Maya Little had admitted to the crime on the stand and that the facts showed she was guilty of the charge of defacing a public monument. But Cabe used a

North Carolina judicial maneuver known as a "continued judgment" to essentially withhold the guilty verdict because she sympathized after hearing Little's testimony about how she struggled with the statue's Confederate symbolism.

Judge Cabe also waived court fees and restitution. Little known fact, "Court Fees" go straight into the Judges retirement account. Because of that, Judges almost never waive them. That is why even the innocent, and those whose charges were dismissed, are still assessed "Court Fees," or "Court Costs."

#### TENNESSEE LAWSUIT TO DETERMINE WHERE - NOT IF

The future of Franklin's public square has been a disputed topic the past couple months among city leaders and the county court system.

While Franklin aldermen voted unanimously Tuesday to support placing markers about black history on public property in downtown, a judge has yet to determine who owns the public square.

Both the city and the local chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy chapter claim ownership.

In 1899 a resolution was passed empowering the County Judge to execute - in the name of Williamson County - a deed to a square, of such dimension as may be needed to the Franklin Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy for the purpose of an erection of a monument on the Public Square to the memory of the Confederate soldiers." But the deed did not include dimensions for the piece of land.

After the monument went up, the United Daughters of the Confederacy placed a small fence around the monument along with a Flag.

Photographs from 1913 show an elevated patch of land with four Union cannons surrounding the monument. Tennessean archives show that the Union cannons were added in 1909. The cannons were placed by the Daughters with the help of the now defunct Interurban Railroad Company, which ran a trolley line from Nashville to Franklin until 1941.

In 2010, city officials reached an agreement with the Daughters for the monument's upkeep. In 2014, a local group spearheaded efforts to remount the cannons.

In August, black pastors and leaders from the Battle of Franklin Trust brought forward a plan to place four markers depicting black history on the steps beside the Confederate monument. The Daughters threatened to sue over the plan, because the signs would alter their property and the monument. So the city filed a lawsuit to determine who owns what on the public square.

On Tuesday, the city voted to approve the use of "public land" for the project "in and around the city square." The exact location of the markers will be determined once the ownership and what is and is not "public" has been determined.

#### **OUR FLORIDA SUBSCRIBERS MAINTAINING PRESSURE**

Last year's removal of Manatee County's confederate statue is still fresh on the minds of many of our subscribers. Now, two of them have discovered a document that they say is red-handed proof of county officials going back on their word.

The Board of County Commissioners voted 4-3 in August 2017 to remove the monument dedicated to key figures in the Confederate States of America including Jefferson Davis, Stonewall Jackson and Robert E. Lee. During that vote, commissioners said the statue would be relocated to an "equally prominent and respectful place" that would be decided at a later public hearing.

The newly formed Bring It Home Coalition doesn't believe that has been done. The group made a public records request of the local government, which revealed a letter from county spokesperson Nick Azzara to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

"The county has concealed their actions by not asking for public comment and not putting the matter on the commission's agenda," said Barbara Hemingway, leader of America First-Team Manatee. "We view the county's action as supportive of Antifa, the anti-American and anti-veteran radicals that are targeting memorials like ours around Florida and the nation."

The letter, which Hemingway called "a smoking gun," was sent Sept. 10, the day after the group made a public call to bring the monument back to the courthouse. She also accused Sen. Bill Galvano, R-Bradenton, of being complicit in the collusion to move the statue without public comment.

David McCallister, a representative from Save Southern Heritage, said he's found tangible evidence of violent threats against monuments. About three weeks ago, he discovered a Twitter account called Destroy This Statue, which automatically posts pictures of confederate monuments across the globe along with directions on how to get there.

The account has been active since August 2017, the same time that the national movement to remove Confederate monuments began gaining momentum after Charlottesville, Virginia. It has called for the removal of various Florida monuments in Jacksonville, Lakeland and St. Augustine. The account has been reported to Twitter, as well as Florida Attorney General Pam Bondi, McCallister said.

The Bring It Home Coalition also accused Galvano of colluding with Manatee County and asked that he and other Florida lawmakers elevate the monuments to cenotaphs so that they remain as permanent historical memorials.

Activists also decried Manatee's handling of the removal that resulted in tens of thousands of dollars of damage after the 93-year-old monument was broken in two pieces. It may cost about \$41,500 to repair.

Now commissioners say a public hearing will be held and once the relocation spot is chosen, the monument will be "repaired and erected anew."

#### **TEXAS ISSUE RE-FLARES**

Texas House Speaker Joe Straus took aim once more at a Confederate plaque in the Capitol in remarks Monday to the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce. The speech was part of a luncheon honoring the outgoing speaker's public service.

We reported last year when Straus called for the State Preservation Board to remove the plaque from Capitol grounds. The board, which Governor Abbott heads, is responsible for maintaining and preserving the Capitol, including its Confederate symbols.

During a gubernatorial debate Friday, Abbott said the plaque should be removed, but that it's up to the Legislature to decide to remove it.

So what we thought was a battle won is now a battle we're gonna have to fight all over again.

#### ATLANTA'S BLACK POLITICIANS FLIP BIRD TO VOTERS

Rejecting overwhelming opposition to the change from residents, and with a clear disregard of the rules for making such name changes, the Atlanta City Council voted unanimously Monday to change the name of Confederate Avenue to United Avenue. Another nearby street, Confederate Court, will be renamed Trestletree Court.

Mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms quickly signed the measure before effected residents could issue a challenge. The name change will become effective on Jan. 21, Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

#### **RULES AND LAWS BE DAMNED**

Tuesday night in Wisconsin the Madison City Council voted yet again to remove the Confederate monument in Forest Hill Cemetery, a direct rebellion to last month's decision by the Landmarks Commission which had denied the City's application to remove the monument the first time they voted to remove it.

Newly appointed District 13 Alderman Allen Arntsen requested that the Council reconsider the removal, disregarding the decision of the Landmark Commission. He said removing the monument, which includes the names of 140 Confederate soldiers there buried, would be a step toward inclusiveness and improving racial equity in the city of Madison.

"The monument that was put up, the cenotaph, is not a monument to the Confederacy," the Landmark's Commission determined. "It doesn't extol the virtues of slavery, or racism or the Confederate cause."

In April, the City Council approved removing the large stone that is located in an area of the cemetery called Confederate Rest. The monument also recognizes Alice Whiting Waterman, who cared for the graves and was later buried in Confederate Rest in 1897. But the City cannot lawfully remove the monument without the approval of the Landmarks Commission because Forest Hill Cemetery is a designated city landmark. But in voting yet again to remove the monument, the City Council is signaling that it will now remove the monument even without the lawful approval to do so.

#### VIRGINIA MAN ASSAULTS TEENS OVER FLAG

According to a Police report, a 53-year-old Poquoson man was arrested for assault and battery on Friday at York High School's Bailey Field for confronting a Poquoson High student who was waving a Confederate Flag at the Poquoson-Tabb football game.

York-Poquoson Sheriff J.D. "Danny" Diggs said that at about 7 p.m., Thomas Ozoroski of Merritt Drive in Poquoson saw a Poquoson student, approximately 15 years old, waving the Flag on the side of the field with Poquoson fans. Diggs said that Ozoroski walked over and pushed the student to display his displeasure, which led to more pushing and shoving with other kids.

Diggs said that Ozoroski eventually came down from the stands to talk to the deputies, as did several kids. Ozoroski was then arrested. None of the kids were kicked out of the game.

"It was an isolated incident that was over very quickly," Sheriff Diggs said.

#### MONUMENT ROW VOTE GOES OUR WAY

For the second time in 10 months, a majority of Richmond City Council members have signaled that they do not want the authority to determine whether the Confederate statues lining Monument Avenue should stay or go.

A divided council on Monday rejected a resolution to ask the Virginia General Assembly for the power to determine the fate of the Confederate iconography on the street. Currently, State law limits local governments' power to remove or modify war memorials, and flatly prohibits taking down Confederate statues.

Council members opposed to the resolution said they thought adding the request to the city's wish list would hurt its ability to sway state politicians on other priorities, including securing more State money for city schools.

Supporting the resolution were Jones, 6th District Councilwoman Ellen Robertson and Council Vice President Cynthia Newbille of the 7th District.

Opposing the resolution were Gray, 1st District Councilman Andreas Addison, Council President Chris Hilbert of the 3rd District, 4th District Councilwoman Kristen Larson, 5th District Councilman Parker Agelasto and 8th District Councilwoman Reva Trammell.

Monday's vote marks the second time the council has spiked a measure pursuing authority to take action on the monuments.

#### VIRGINIA SCHOOL TO CHANGE NAME

News outlets report the Staunton School Board voted 4-2 Monday to change the name of Robert E. Lee High School. The board plans to launch an online survey this week for community input on what to rename the school. Comments will be accepted through next month.

#### INDIANA STUDENTS STAND FOR FLAG

Wawasee High School students spoke out after they were told by administration officials that they can no longer wear or fly the Confederate Flag on school property.

The students reacted by flying Confederate Flags on their trucks to school on Thursday and even wearing it on their clothing.

"When you see a bunch of boys like us flying them on our trucks, we don't mean no harm," Wawasee senior Austin Murphy said. "We're just trying to state a point that we're raised a southern way. It's a brotherhood, too. We're all gentlemen. None of us will treat nobody in harm."

The students said school leaders went out and wrapped up the flags they found in the parking lot while

the students were in class. They also say they've received threats from other students while in school. "They've threatened to beat me up," one student said. "I've been chased down the hallway because they said they were going to whoop me for flying a racist flag."

Wawasee Community Schools say the police have been asked to investigate the situation.

#### WISCONSIN STUDENT RETURNS TO SCHOOL

A Boyceville High School student is back in school, after being suspended for sporting a Confederate Flag sweatshirt.

Last week, sophomore Jonathan Dinsmore wore the sweatshirt for the school's homecoming celebrations. He said multiple students wore Confederate Flag clothing for a red, white and blue themed day. Those students were asked to take them off. Dinsmore said he was the only student who said no, because he believes the Flag stands for fallen heroes. He also wears the sweatshirt for his families roots in the South.

But because Dinsmore said no, the principal suspended him.

Dinsmore's father William told local reporters that their family is not racist, adding that the Confederate Flag stands for their Southern pride, history and heritage. "See, that's the thing that bugs me about people, is they use racism for the Confederate flag, but people also use race against the bible and U.S. flag, does that mean we're going to take away the bible, or take away the flag? No," said Dinsmore.

We reached out to the Boyceville Area School District, but school officials did not wish to comment. However, Dinsmore said he wore the sweatshirt multiple times last year, under the supervision of a different principal, and never ran into trouble. Dinsmore said he's never been suspended before. We looked into the school dress code, which said school officials can ban clothing that is deemed to be disruptive, distractive, provoking, provocative, or intimidating.

#### **GEORGIA SCV TOLD NO GUNS**

The Sons of Confederate Veterans are upset that they won't be allowed to shoot their muskets at the Moultrie Christmas parade. Charlie Parks, a member of the group, spoke out at the city council meeting about his disappointment in the decision made.

"I don't know what the problem is," said Parks. "I don't think there is no danger there. Whenever we do fire our muskets we do something called extreme elevation, where our muskets are up in the air and then we fire them and it is basically nothing but a controlled fire cracker. There's no bullets in them; its just powder and primer. It's part of our heritage and it's part of our tradition."

City Manager Pete Dillard said the city's ordinance against discharging a firearm in the City had not been applied to the group before, but now it would be. "There is a city ordinance that has been on the books for over 20 years that says you cannot discharge a weapon within the city limits," Dillard said. "It has been ignored in the past, but it's still a law....we are the ones getting the complaints from people saying their kids are scared and people with PTSD are traumatized by the sounds. It's not my place to evaluate stuff like that, but it is my job to protect the people."

We here at *Dixie Heritage* agree 100%. The law is the law and it should be equally applied. Neither the SCV, nor any police or "law enforcement" officer, or anyone else should be allowed to discharge a weapon in the City limits until the law has been repealed. The City Manager should inform the Chief of Police and the County Sheriff immediately so they can effect the immediate compliance of their officers and deputies with the law.

#### ALABAMA REFUSES TO PROSECUTE KNOWN CRIMINALS

Charges have been dropped against protesters who police said splashed ketchup and colored powder on statues honoring Confederate figures at the Alabama Capitol.

Jon Broadway, along with 13 other activists, were arrested in April after Broadway smeared ketchup at the base of the statue while his wife Faya Rose Toure tossed colored powder into the ketchup.

Court records show criminal trespassing and tampering charges were dismissed.

#### **NBC FIRES REPORTER**

A television reporter in southern Minnesota might need a new hat saying "Make Me Employed Again."

James Bunner, a journalist for NBC affiliate KTTC-TV in Austin, was fired Friday, reportedly for wearing a "Make American Great Again" hat while covering President Trump's rally in Rochester on Thursday.

As the rally got underway, images of Bunner wearing the bright red hat began appearing on Twitter.

Noel Sederstrom, the station's news director, told the Star Tribune of Minneapolis that Bunner was fired for wearing the hat during Thursday's rally.

Bunner doesn't have a listed phone number and didn't return an eMail seeking comment.

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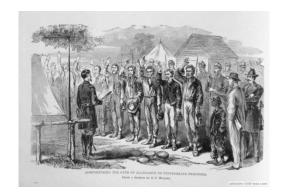
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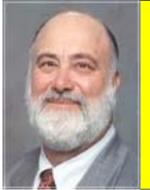
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"One of the war's many tolls: a cropped detail of a boy holding a photo of a Confederate soldier. Clearly, the soldier meant something to the boy--is it his father? A brother or uncle? Did the soldier survive the war? Based upon the soldier's photo being in the photo and the boy wearing the watch, I would sadly suggest that the soldier did not survive."

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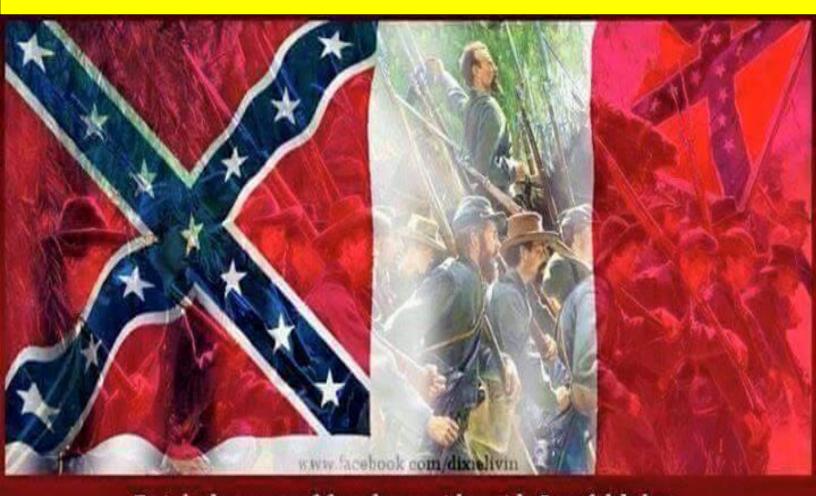
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Fair flag of my country, with love I behold thee
Gleaming above us in freshness and youth;
Emblem of liberty, symbol of truth;
For this flag of my country in triumph shall wave
O'er the Southerner's home and the Southerner's grave.



"I hope the day will never come that my grandsons will be ashamed to own that I was a Confederate Soldier"

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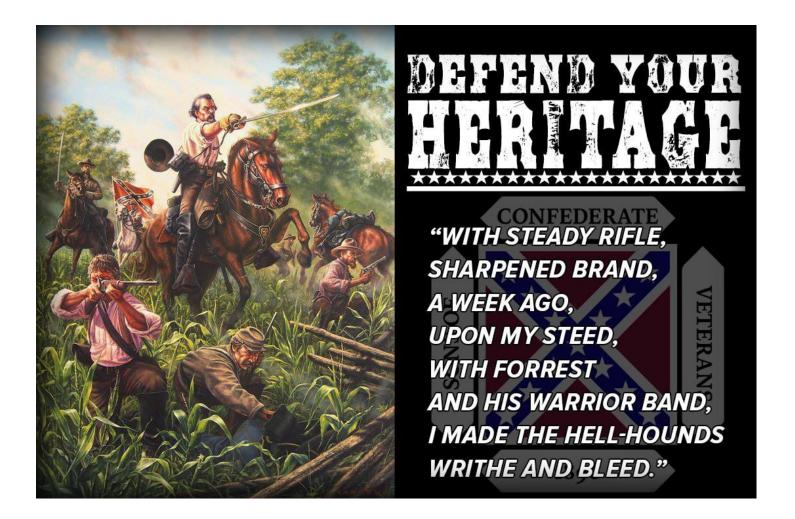
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# ATTN: DESCENDANTS OF THE CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA

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# CONFEDERATE EVENTS

This list includes those events known when this list was published. There might be other events not yet listed.

### Recurring Events

#### <u>January</u>

1<sup>st</sup> weekend after new years. Sam Davis New Year's Ball: Palestine, TX

3<sup>rd</sup> weekend: Moonlight and Magnolias Ball: J. L. Halbert Camp #359, Corsicana, TX

3rd weekend: Grovetown, TX, CW Weekend

April 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend (unless that is Easter weekend): **The Battle of Pleasant Hill (Louisiana)** 

1<sup>st</sup> weekend: Great Locomotive Chase and Naval Battle of Port Jefferson, TX

4<sup>th</sup> weekend: Battle of the Brazos (beginning in 2017), Yellow Brick Road Winery, Sealy, TX

#### November

Weekend before Thanksgiving: Civil War Weekend at Liendo Plantation, Hempstead, TX



# Texas Division



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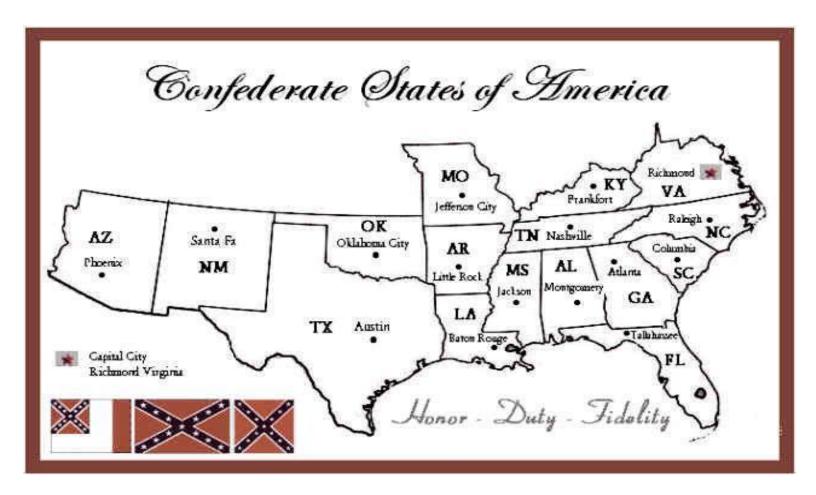


#### Calendar

#### Upcoming Schedule of Events

01/12/19 <u>Confederate Heroes Day Dinner</u> San Antonio, TX

Click on the event or on the calendar for more information.





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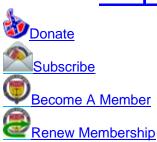
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#### Mission

A return to social and constitutional sanity for all Americans and especially for America's most persecuted minority: Confederate Southern Americans.

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Thank you, Kirk D. Lyons, Chief Trial Counsel

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Today, the Sons of Confederate Veterans is preserving the history and legacy of these heroes, so future generations can understand the motives that animated the Southern Cause.

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#### **Events & Functions**

Memorial Services • Monthly Camp Meetings • Annual Reunions • Grave Site Restoration Educational Programs • Parades & Festivals • Heritage Defense • Honoring Our Veterans











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They took a stand for us. Now, we stand for them.

May God bless our efforts to Vindicate the Cause of the Confederate South.

> Michael Givens Commander-in-Chief Sons of Confederate Veterans



#### About our namesake:

#### belo.herald@yahoo.com

Colonel A.H. Belo was from North Carolina, and participated in Pickett's Charge at Gettysburg. His troops were among the few to reach the stone wall. After the war, he moved to Texas, where he founded both the Galveston Herald and the Dallas Morning News. The Dallas Morning News was established in 1885 by the Galveston News as sort of a North Texas subsidiary. The two papers were linked by 315 miles of telegraph wire and shared a network of correspondents. They were the first two newspapers in the country to print simultaneous editions. The media empire he started now includes radio, publishing, and television. His impact on the early development of Dallas can hardly be overstated.

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Sic Semper Tyrannis!!!

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Are you interested in honoring them and their cause?

Do you think that history should reflect the truth?

Are you interested in protecting your heritage and its symbols?

Will you commit to the vindication of the cause for which they fought?

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"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit the vindication of the cause for which we fought. To your strength will be given the defense of the Confederate soldier's good name, the guardianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles which he loved and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish." Remember it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations".

Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee, Commander General

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