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○ April Meeting ○ Emblems of Honor: Confederate Flags of Mississippi

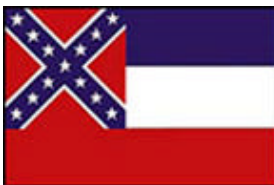
First Lt. Commander Emmett Eaton reports that Michael Wright, Curator of Collections for the Museum of Mississippi History (MDAH) will present a program on a number of CSA flags from the museum's collection at MDAH. Along with images of these rarely seen flags, Mick will relate some of the human interest stories associated with them.

The raffle this month should be something every member would like to have so bring money for raffle tickets. Everyone come and bring a recruit!

When: May 22, 2007. 6:00 pm.

Where: Municipal Art Gallery, State St., Jackson.

See you there!



At the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?

And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them,

And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me.

But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea.

Matthew 18 : 1-6
(KJV)

April Meeting Report

Hunley Crew Burial



The program for April was a slide show presentation by 1st Lt. Commander Emmett Eaton on the burial of the remains of the crewmen recovered from the Hunley.

Compatriot Dan Duggan presented "this day in the War Between the States" (April 24).



None of the "Dixie Hummingbirds" were present so no music was provided.

Notice

Due to the April Reveille not being printed and distributed as usual, some material in this month's newsletter repeats that in April's so that all compatriots will have an opportunity to read it.

Welcome to a transfer

Donald R. Drane, previously of the W.R. Scurry Camp #606 in Wichita Falls, TX, has transferred his membership to the Jefferson Davis Camp.

Welcome!

In Memoriam John E. Aldridge

Mr. John E. Aldridge, long time member of our camp, passed away April 22nd. He was 94 yrs. old, and had been a Past Commander of the Camp as well as member of the Beauvoir Board of Directors. (The last of the James West Thompson-Dale Fleming-Walter Bivins generation of Southern Gentlemen and SCV Leadership.) He had been a member of the camp since 1962 (45 years), and was always proud of his membership and Confederate Heritage.

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rebuilding of the house? Where are the funds coming to rebuild the Hayes Cottage, the Little Library, the Presidential Library, the Visitors Center and Museum, the landscaping of the total acreage, the replacement of the fencing and the rebuilding of the other ancillary buildings and edifices lost during Katrina? The Board of Directors should, by now, have those answers. Is there a copy of a complete business plan or even a draft plan, for the continuation of funding for Beauvoir after it is rebuilt? How will it fund itself? What efforts have the Board taken to secure a new Curator and grant writer. If ever we need a grant writer, it is now. The list goes on and on for Beauvoir.

If Chairman Forte is truly thinking of the betterment of Beauvoir and truly loves this Division, as he iterates in his musings, then for the betterment of the Division and Beauvoir, he should concentrate his efforts on the task before him now, that is the rebuilding of Beauvoir and decline the nomination as Division Commander.

Larry McCluney has shown he is a good, decent, effective man and DESERVES to be our next Division Commander. I urge Mr. Forte to do the right and honorable thing for Beauvoir and the Division, that is, to throw his support to Compatriot McCluney as our next Division Commander.

These are my humble thoughts for your consideration.

Stand fast Mississippians.

Bert Green
Commander

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Calendar

May 22, 2007

Regular meeting of Camp 635 at the Municipal Art Gallery

June 26, 2007

Regular meeting of Camp 635 at the Municipal Art Gallery

July 24, 2007

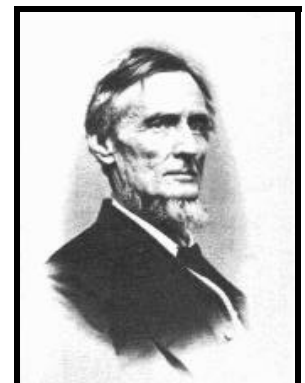
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August 28, 2007

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**September 25,
2007**

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Reveille edition

The Late Father Huber

Dedication by Peter Miazza

Originally Printed in April, see note on page 1.

(This obituary appeared in the McComb City Enterprise on May 28, 1903.)

The Late Father Huber

Father Huber, who died Thursday morning at Chatawa, where he was chaplain at the boarding school conducted by the sisters of Notre Dame of Milwaukee, Wis., was one of the oldest clergymen in the diocese of Mississippi.

During the Civil war he was stationed at Jackson, Miss., and was *persona non grata* to the Federal forces, not only because he was an ardent rebel, but because he reported their wanton destruction of the Catholic church there, by fire, to the government at Washington. Huber, having occasion to pass through the picket lines at night, to administer the sacraments to a dying man residing some miles in the country, he was fired upon by the pickets. He said that he owed his life to the fleetness of his gallant Confederate horse.

After the war, he was transferred to Vicksburg, where he remained until he became totally blind. A few years after the war some northern priests who were touring the south, stopped off at Vicksburg and called on Father Huber, by whom they were hospitably entertained.

In discussing the war, they soon learned that Father Huber was an eloquent champion of the southern cause. "Father Huber," said one of these clergymen, "I am told that there are fifteen thousand northern soldiers buried in the National cemetery. Now, I wish to know if you pray for the repose of their souls daily?"

"I certainly do," quickly replied Father Huber, "and **I am only sorry that there are not fifteen thousand more of them there to be prayed for.**"

Father Huber was greatly beloved by all who knew him.

*Next month's dedication will be presented by
You, perhaps?*

Chaplain's Dispatch

Compatriots:

In Matthew 18:20, the Bible says, "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

This is Confederate History Month as proclaimed by Governor Barbour, and I trust we will all do everything within our power to honor our brave forefathers during this time.

The following story reminds me of our ancestors -- once they were raging fires fighting for what was just and right for their families and homeland, and then as they got older, they were fiery coals, and finally in death, their fire was gone. But the effect of lives well lived is still living today through us, Camp 635, because we know and understand the truth about why they took the stand they did back in 1861. These men had a profound affect on their descendents; otherwise, we would not be gathering to honor them.

The Quiet Sermon

A member of a certain church, who previously had been attending services regularly, stopped going. After a few weeks, the pastor decided to visit him.

It was a chilly evening. The pastor found the man at home alone, sitting before a blazing fire. Guessing the reason for his pastors visit, the man welcomed him, led him to a comfortable chair near the fireplace and waited.

The pastor made himself at home but said nothing. In the grave silence, he contemplated the dance of the flames around the burning logs. After some minutes, the pastor took the fire tongs, carefully picked up a brightly burning ember and placed it to one side of the hearth all alone. Then he sat back in his chair, still silent. The host watched all this in quiet contemplation. As the one lone ember's flame flickered and diminished, there was a momentary glow and then its fire was no more. Soon it was cold and dead.

Not a word had been spoken since the initial greeting. The Pastor glanced at his watch and realized it was time to leave. He slowly stood up, picked up the cold, dead ember and placed it back in the middle of the fire. Immediately it began to glow, once more with the light and warmth of the burning coals around it.

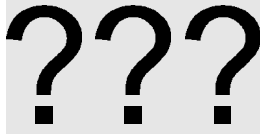
As the pastor reached the door to leave, his host said with a tear running down his cheek, "Thank you so much for your visit and especially for the fiery sermon. I shall be back in church next Sunday."

We live in a world today, which tries to say too much with too little. Consequently, few listen. Sometimes the best sermons are the ones left unspoken.

-- Author unknown

If you don't stand for something you'll fall for anything!

In God We Trust,
Randy Rogers
Chaplain



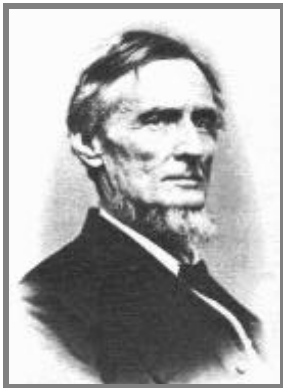
Trivia Question:

This month's question asks: What personal tragedy struck President Jefferson Davis and his wife Varina on April 30, 1864?

February's question asked: What happened at Osceola, Missouri that figured into Quantrill's infamous Lawrence, Kansas raid?

The answer:

The town was ransacked and burned by a Federal raiding party composed of both regular soldiers and Kansas Jayhawkers. The Lawrence raid was prompted by this and other Federally sanctioned actions against the Missourians.



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Commander's Column

TO MY FELLOW COMPATRIOTS:

It is with great trepidation and mixed emotions that I pen one of the last Commander's Columns. My term as Commander of our Camp is drawing to a close. I have been honored and humbled to have served as your Commander for these past two years.

I am sure that most everyone in the Camp has read and is aware of the missive that Richard Forte has written, that nominates him for Division Commander as well as allows him to remain as Chairman of the Combined Boards of Directors of Beauvoir. In this dictum, he postulates his meritorious qualifications for his nomination as Division Commander.

The questions that arise from his quest to be Division Commander as well as Board Chairman are many. Why, out of all the members of this Division, is it necessary for one man to hold both positions? Are there not others that are equally or better qualified to be Commander? The traditional method of selecting a Commander is using the "ladder" method i.e.; a compatriot is voted to be Lt. Commander and rises through the ranks, gains experience and is selected to be Commander. Larry McCluney has followed such method.

Rick states that Larry is a compatriot and friend. Then why does Rick feel he must usurp Larry and attempt to derail his election to the position of Commander of the Division? Although Larry and I have not agreed on many issues, he is the rightful person to assume the position of Commander. He has followed the rules as the Division has laid down both in the by laws and through precedence. Are we trying to change the precedence that has successfully guided this Division for many years? Chairman Forte has been Division Commander in the past. When he was elected, the division followed the time-honored precedence for selection of Commander.

Why now is it necessary to change the rules? The Division needs new thoughts and new people to take the reins of command and lead. The life blood of any organization is new blood, new ideas and a new spirit.. We have all heard and know Compatriot Forte's thoughts, feelings and ideas. The Division now needs new input and fresh ideas. Larry is the best qualified and the best man for this job.

Chairman Forte now has an awesome responsibility to rebuild Beauvoir. If he is doing his job as Chairman of Beauvoir, it should take ALL his efforts to undertake that responsibility. Both President Davis and General Lee understood the effectiveness of using one's strengths and recognizing one's weaknesses. Neither men sought to undertake the responsibilities and job of the other man. They could not have done as such and have had the South succeed.

We, as a Division, have yet to see the total plans for the rebuilding of Beauvoir. So far only a patchwork of bricks, raffles, cake sales and such. Where are the funds coming to complete the
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