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Commander's Message... Missouri Division Commander, Jim England

Greetings Compatriots!

I hope you all enjoyed a blessed and happy holiday season.

I was very pleased to see the turnout for the Lee Jackson Dinner in January. We had a great meal and a fine speaker and Larry Yeatman's mint juleps were fantastic. Thanks to all who came.

We have our annual reunion rapidly approaching in March. I know that Gary Ayres and the Coffee Camp have got a great program set up and they have a reputation for being well organized and thorough.

Let's all plan to attend. I hope to see compatriots from **ALL** our Division Camps at the reunion. It is a special time for all of us to enjoy our brotherhood, to learn new ideas from other camps and to elect our new officers for the Division.

Please try to attend, not just officers but all our brothers who can come.

I hope to see as many of you as possible at The Resort at Port Arrowhead . This is **YOUR** organization and all of us need to participate.

**Yours in the Bond of Confederate Brotherhood,
James M.. England, Jr., Commander**



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**Missouri Division Lt. Commander,
Neil Block**

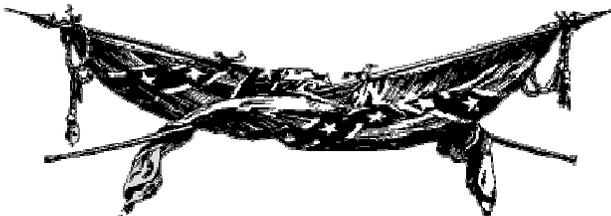


I'll start by saying how much I look forward to seeing old friends and comrades at the annual Missouri Division Reunions. For 141 years now, Missouri's Confederates

Have been meeting to discuss matters that affect their family's lives. How much better would it have been if we had been successful in the field, we'll never know. But what we do know is, it won't get any better unless we continue to forward the cause of States Rights in each and every word and deed !!! See you at the LAKE, feels great to be in the company of so many like minds.

James Bradley has updated the "Missouri Honor Roll" on our web site. Take a look, if you lost a family member to yankee fascism and the info is incorrect, let me know, we'll get it changed next time we do an update. Higginsville CS Home burials are now posted thanks to James' work and at the reunion we'll set and work on how to post the graves we have located onto the web site as well. I have some ideas I'll speak about at the reunion that I believe will help in the search for our CONFEDERATE ancestors.

**Yours in the Cause,
Neil Block**



Be sure to keep your Camp information current on the Missouri Division SCV web-site by contacting our webmaster, **James Bradley** at :

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Missouri Division Calendar

March 23rd-24th, 2012, Missouri Division SCV and Missouri Society MOSB Reunion and Convention. This years convention will be hosted by Coffee Camp at Port Arrowhead on the Lake of the Ozarks. Details and registration Enclosed

Some Good Reenactments coming up to set up booths at:

April 14 Bushwhacker Monument Dedication, Nevada, MO

May 4,5,6 Battle of Jeff City Jefferson City, MO

June 1,2,3 Kingston Civil War Event, Kingston, MO

August 3,4,5 150th Battle of Kirksville Kirksville, MO (Anderson Camp is also holding it's annual Memorial Service in Kirksville and it is on the schedule of events for the reenactment)

August 17,18,19 150th Battle of Lone Jack, Lone Jack, MO



2012 Missouri Division SCV & Missouri Society MOSB Reunion



**Lake Ozark, Missouri
March 23 & 24, 2012**

Your host is the Colonel John T. Coffee Camp #1934, Osceola, Missouri

When.....Friday, March 23rd & Saturday March 24th

Where.....The Resort, Port Arrowhead, 3080 Bagnell Dam Blvd

Hospitality Room.....Friday 4PM to 11PM Saturday 4PM to 6PM & 9PM to 11PM

SCV Business Meeting.....Saturday, 8AM to 11AM

Luncheon, everyone is invited.....12PM, \$10.50 per person.....The speaker will be Jim Beckner bringing a power point presentation about Confederate Veterans and Confederate Veterans Homes. This will be a good program for the ladies, too.

MOSB Business Meeting.....Saturday, 1:30PM to 3:30 PM

Fellowship Hour.....5PM to 6PM

SCV & MOSB Banquet.....Dinner 6PM, \$24.50 per person. A brief intermission before Wayne Schnetzer's program about the Missouri State Guard, Their Officers and Men from March 9 1862 -- Spring of 1865

Make your room reservations by calling 1-800-532-3575 or online at www.theresortatportarrowhead.com Make sure to use our group code of SCVR12. Room rates are \$69.00 plus tax. For online reservation enter the group code twice. Group code and password are the same. Reservations by phone until 22 February 2012; online reservations 30 days prior using your group code.

2012 Missouri Division/Society Reunion Registration

Name _____

Number of guest and name _____

Lunch—Total number of people _____ X \$10.50 per person = \$ _____

Banquet—Total number of people _____ X \$24.50 per person = \$ _____

Total check payable to Coffee Camp #1934 \$ _____

Reservation must be in for lunch and banquet by 22 March 2012

Send reservations to Gary Ayres, 3615 S 70th Rd, Humansville, MO 65674



News from the Missouri Confederacy

2011 Secession Day Dinner, Osage Beach, Missouri hosted by the Missouri Society MOS&B

We had an awesome crowd at this years 150th Anniversary Secession Day Dinner. Thanks to all that attended! It seemed like everyone had a good time and really enjoyed our speaker, **David Reif**. Dave always gives a great speech and is a Missouri favorite speaker. Dave is a busy man these days and it's been a while since we've heard one of his typical great speeches. So it was great to get him up to the podium again! David always strikes a great balance between hitting you with the hard facts and working in his great humor and wit.

Prior to hearing from David, **Missouri Society Commander Bill Bowden** got the show started. We also had a reading of Missouri's Ordinance of Secession. A good reminder of why we do this each year! We all then enjoyed a nice meal. Each year the Inn at Grand Glaize has provided us with good service and food.

David's topic was of course, about Missouri's Secession from the Union. It was fun to hear about how the Yankee Historians try to "explain away our secession". They try to say things like, Oh, they didn't have a proper quorum. That inspite of the congressional record that shows they did have a quorum! Or they try to say, well Gov. Jackson had abandoned his post. He didn't abandon it, the legislature was forced to leave Jeff City ahead of an invading Federal force. The same Feds that imprisoned the Governor and legislatures in Maryland, Kentucky, and Tennessee. Our guys weren't going to hang around once they had seen what happened in those states. But that's a tough one for the Yankees to explain away. They'd rather just say we were a border State, implying we were neutral or something!

After hearing from Dave, we had some nice

Prizes that were raffled off. Other than that, seemed like the crowd also enjoyed the Mint Julips! Hey, it's a Southern Thing!

Thanks to all for being there, and we look forward to seeing you at the 2012 Secession Day Dinner!



David Reif in Action



We were able to fill a good sized Banquet Room this year with a good crowd to see David Reif.



Lee Jackson Dinner, January 14th, Osage Beach, Missouri

Thanks to all for the great turnout at this year's celebration of Gen. Lee's and Gen. Jackson's Birthdays! We had good weather to travel to and from the event, that could always be a little dicey that time of year.

Our speaker this year was Retired Marine Master Sergeant Paul Petersen. Paul is also the author of several books on Quantrill, to include ***Quantrill of Missouri***, ***Quantrill in Texas***, and ***Quantrill at Lawrence*** (my favorite!).

As a Marine, Paul remembered reading in the Marine Corp Gazette about Quantrill. The Gazette would talk about Quantrill's tactics. Then after retiring and returning to the Kansas City area, he would read things in Missouri about Quantrill that would say glowing things about him such as, he was the *Adonis of the Prairie*. Then he was in a historical society one day in Baldwin City, KS and read that Quantrill was a low down butcher and murderer, killer of women and children. Paul thought, wait a minute, how could there be such a wide difference of opinion of Quantrill? That got Paul interested in Quantrill and he started researching him. Then Paul attended the SCV burial service of some of Quantrill's remains at Higginsville in 1992 I believe. It was at that burial that Paul vowed to find out the truth about Quantrill and tell that truth, whatever that was.

Well about 10 years later, Petersen put out his first book on Quantrill, ***Quantrill of Missouri***.

What Paul found in his research is that the Yankees, and particularly Kansas, lie about Quantrill. Imagine that! What's the biggest lie they tell? That Quantrill murdered innocent women, children and unarmed men in Lawrence.

Turns out, there were quite a few different factions of abolitionist and competing newspapers in Lawrence leading up to and during the war. Those newspapers basically tell the truth on each other. What you can learn by

reading those newspaper articles is that Lawrence was not a defenseless town as they now claim. It was a fortress that was prepared for an attack and was expecting one. There were five forts guarding the entrances into town, that housed 50 soldiers each. Also, every man in town was armed with the latest weapons and was in the militia. In case of attack, the militia members had a plan of what points to rally at. Also, there were newer soldier recruits that were encamped in town. They were somewhat new but armed and had been drilling. There was also regular Federal troops, maybe not regular, but Jayhawkers, camped right across the river from town that were firing from the opposite bank.

Accounts nowadays say that the Quantrill's killings were random. But eyewitness accounts speaking at the time to the local papers said the Guerillas had death list with them, they referred to them, verified identities of guys, then shot them. Now the men on this list were known Jayhawkers who had conducted raids into Missouri and or profited from the stolen goods. These men were not saints.

The truth is, the Jayhawkers got caught with their pants down. Some men slunk off and hid and many did get away. Not all houses were burned. Now days they claim the whole town was burned, but newspapers of the day indicate it was more targeted at the Jayhawkers residences and businesses.

Paul also noted that Quantrill is considered the father of Modern Guerilla tactics, and that's why the War Colleges all teach Quantrill's tactics. That's something if you think about it.

Enough, to get all the details, check out Paul Petersen's books! Many at the dinner did buy autographed copies. But they are all a great read, and chock full of good stuff about Quantrill.

All in all, it was a great night, and Thanks to Paul for being our speaker!



News from around the Missouri Division

Elijah Gates Camp No. 570, Fulton, MO

Gates Camp recently elected new leadership. Noel Crowson is now Commander. Banning Fitzpatrick is Lt. Commander. Martin Northway, our immediate past Commander is still very active in the Camp.

Gates Camp has been working to help promote the Missouri Civil War Heritage Trail throughout the region. We have placed nine plaques depicting history in Callaway County. We've been present at all the dedication ceremonies with our Color Guard and living history Reenactors.

We're looking forward to a busy Spring with several events already scheduled.

SEPTEMBER 29TH, MACON'S WOODLAWN CEMETERY, TIME ???

Still working on the time, the Macon Historical Society is going to have site tours around town during the day. Macon was a major yankee concentration camp during the war and one or two house still stand, include Col. R. S. Bevier's home. The cemetery is the site of a mass murder of CS POW's. They were buried on the spot and the location soon became a major cemetery. They have placed a nice "rock" marker with the names of the POW's engraved. Farris Arty Batty has agreed to be on hand as Color Guard and will have living history during the day....I'm guessing 2 to 3 o'clock I will inform you

For the Cause,

Wm. Neil Block, Com/Adj

William T Anderson Camp No. 1743, Huntsville, MO

Anderson Camp is working hard to make sure the folks in our "operational area" know the full extent of yankee occupation and to what degree their dismal failure to "save the union" has been. Just a big lie and it continues today in every shape and form.

We will have 3 major events this year starting with the annual Confederate Memorial Day **APRIL 28TH FAYETTE CITY CEMETERY AT 3:00PM.**

This event has always been we attended and following the ceremony we'll proceed to town for a meeting at the local watering hole. First rounds on me!!!

AUGUST 4TH, KIRKSVILLE'S FORREST/LEWELLYN CEMETERY, 4:30 PM

This event is part of a re-enactment week-end there at Rotary Park, Hwy 63, North. It wasn't part of the plan until I ask to be placed on the schedule and the local sponsors thought it a great idea. I updated them we have been doing this for several years. The late time is to follow the 3:00 afternoon battle. Hope to have a great crowd, make it if you can.

**Major James Morgan Utz
Camp No. 1815
Florissant, MO**

Last May 15th Camp 1815 welcomed 29 folks who braved the weather and attended our 14th annual Confederate Memorial Day service at the Fee Fee Cemetery in Bridgeton, Missouri.

The camp experienced many historically entertaining programs presented at our camp meetings at the St. Peters Lions Den.

The camp continued to support the United Daughters of The Confederacy, The Missouri Division SCV and the Missouri Society MOSB with their money and presence.

The camp founded in 1998 looks forward to growing in 2012.



Col. John T. Coffee Camp #1934, Osceola, Missouri

The Coffee Camp Committee has been working on the Missouri Division, SCV and the Missouri Society, Military Order of the Stars and Bars Reunion.

The reunion will be at Port Arrowhead in Lake Ozark. The rooms are \$69.00. The room rates are very good.

Lunch is \$10.50 and the Dinner Banquet is \$24.50.

SCV business will start at 8 AM and end at 11 AM. The MOSB business will start after lunch at 1:30 PM and end 3:30 PM. Jim Beckner will be the speaker for lunch and Wayne Schnetzer for the Banquet.

12th Annual Confederate Heritage Dinner Update, April 21, 2012

This year our guest speaker is Donnie Kennedy. He and his brother are authors of many great books. This would be a great time to come and listen to him, buy his books and have him sign them.

The dinner is \$15.50 each. The meals have always been exceptional and will continue to be. **RSVP to:** Willie Lawler

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Clinton, MO 64735

660-477-3683

lawler@embarqmail.com

RSVP NO LATER THAN APRIL 18,

BG John T Hughes Camp No. 614 Independence, MO

Hughes Camp is still hovering around 53 members. Probably makes us about the 3rd largest Camp in the State. We're happy about that and hoping to continue to grow!

The Camp is currently working on placing a historical marker to John T Hughes at the

location where he was killed adjacent to the Independence Courthouse Square. The marker will also talk about the First Battle of Independence. Thanks to **Jim Beckner**, who has been working with MODOT, who makes the signs, and the Independence City Council. He's had to put in some time, but it looks like that is all coming together. The sign should end up on the State's Historic Registry and it will let the world know what happened to Col. Hughes on that day.

Other than that, the Camp has good attendance at our monthly meetings. We always have a good speaker and announce who that will be in our newsletter we send out each month. The Camp plans on setting up booths at several events this year such as Kingston and Lone Jack.

www.hughescamp.org

Col. James J. Searcy Camp # 1923, Columbia, Missouri

The Col. James J. Searcy Camp #1923 has voted to award special recognition certificates to Jim Lee and Mel Holdeman for their outstanding work in helping stabilize and preserve the Mt. Zion Monument. Certificates will also be mailed to Becky Anderson and Linda Matteson for their selfless dedication and hard work in helping put together the wonderful exhibit in the Boone County Historical Society.

Our Camp website is:

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~mojjssc/>

You can also just search on Searcy Camp and find the site that way. On our site you will see our newsletter, ***The Sharpshooter***.

The Searcy Camp meets on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 7 pm at the Boone Co. Museum & Historical Society located at 3801 Ponderosa St., Columbia.



Proposed changes to Constitution and By-Laws, Missouri Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans.
Proposed Changes to our Constitution we can vote on at the Division Reunion

Gentlemen,

In an effort to improve the Missouri Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans, I am proposing the following changes to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Missouri Division:

Article III - Organization

Current:

Section 1.

Subsection (b) The Missouri Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans shall be geographically divided into three (3) Brigades consisting of the following:

(1) Western Brigade: which shall include the:

Major General J.O. Shelby Camp #191 - Warrensburg, Missouri

General John T. Hughes Camp #614 - Independence, Missouri

General J.H. McBride Camp #632 - Springfield, Missouri

Colonel Emmett McDonald Camp #1846 - Mountain Grove, Missouri

Colonel John T. Coffee Camp #1934 - Osceola, Missouri

(2) Central Brigade: which shall include the:

Colonel Elijah Gates Camp #570 - Fulton, Missouri

General M.M. Parsons Camp #718 - Jefferson City, Missouri

Captain William T. Anderson Camp #1743 - Huntsville, Missouri

Colonel James J. Searcy Camp #1923 - Columbia, Missouri

(3) Eastern Brigade: which shall include the following:

General Sterling Price Camp #145 - St. Louis, Missouri

Colonel Amos Camden Riley Camp #791 - New Madrid, Missouri

Colonel Solomon Kitchen Camp #1731 - Dexter, Missouri

Major James Morgan Utz Camp #1815 - Florissant, Missouri

Proposed:

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Major General J.O. Shelby Camp #191 - Warrensburg, Missouri

General John T. Hughes Camp #614 - Independence, Missouri

General J.H. McBride Camp #632 - Springfield, Missouri

Colonel John T. Coffee Camp #1934 - Osceola, Missouri



Proposed amendments continued...

(2) Central Brigade: which shall include the:

Colonel John Woodside Camp #203 - West Plains, Missouri

Colonel Elijah Gates Camp #570 - Fulton, Missouri

Brigadier General M.M. Parsons Camp #718 - Jefferson City, Missouri

Captain William T. Anderson Camp #1743 - Huntsville, Missouri

Colonel James J. Searcy Camp #1923 - Columbia, Missouri

(3) Eastern Brigade: which shall include the following:

Major General Sterling Price Camp #145 - St. Louis, Missouri

Major James Morgan Utz Camp #1815 - Florissant, Missouri

Colonel Joseph Porter Camp #2055 - Shelbina, Missouri

Intent: Simple cleanup, removing camps that are no longer active and inserting active camps that have chartered since the last printing of the Missouri Division Constitution and By-Laws.

**** Please note, I am not sure which Brigade the Colonel John Woodside Camp #203 was placed.***

Please advise if the Central Brigade is incorrect.

Article VI - Officers

Current:

Section 2. The Division Commander shall appoint a Chief-of-Staff and an Editor, and may appoint a Chaplain, Judge Advocate, Historian, Inspector, Quartermaster, Surgeon, Genealogist, Director of Communications, Aides-de-Camp, and other such officers as he may deem appropriate.

Proposed:

Section 2. The Division Commander shall appoint a 2nd Lieutenant Commander, a Chief-of-Staff, an Editor, and may appoint a Chaplain, Judge Advocate, Historian, Inspector, Quartermaster, Surgeon, Genealogist, Aides-de-Camp, and other such officers as he may deem appropriate.

Intent: The addition of the 2nd Lieutenant Commander position will have designated duties to be shown below in Article VII - Duties of Officers. The removal of Director of Communications will be addressed by the duties that will be designated to the 1st Lieutenant Commander, to be shown below in Article VII - Duties of Officers.

Article VII - Duties of Officers

Current:

Section 2. Lieutenant Commander - In the absence, death or resignation of the Division Commander, the Lieutenant Commander shall become the Division Commander for the unexpired term. The Lieutenant Commander shall assist the Division Commander in the performance of the Commander's duties, or as the Division Commander may direct.



Proposed amendments continued...

Proposed:

Section 2. 1st Lieutenant Commander - In the absence, death or resignation of the Division Commander, the Lieutenant Commander shall become the Division Commander for the unexpired term. The 1st Lieutenant Commander shall assist the Division Commander in the performance of the Commander's duties, or as the Division Commander may direct. The 1st Lt. Commander shall also be designated as Committee Chairman for the Annual Missouri Division Reunion Committee, and shall appoint members to said committee, to be charged with planning the Annual Missouri Division Reunion, and report back to the Executive Council periodically regarding the progress of the Annual Reunion.

Intent: To put in place a procedure and process whereby each year's Annual Reunion is planned and carried out by an actual committee, rather than by a loosely thrown together group or a volunteer camp. It has become increasingly difficult to not only get camps to volunteer to host an Annual Reunion, but is also becoming increasingly cost prohibitive for smaller camps to host said Reunions. By placing an actual Division Officer to be charged with planning and coordinating the Annual Reunion, the responsibility of hosting said Reunion would thereby be shifted to the Missouri Division, and no longer rest with an individual camp.

Proposed:

Section 3. 2nd Lieutenant Commander - The 2nd Lieutenant Commander will become the chief communications officer of the Missouri Division. Communications between camps, the webmaster, the Editor and the Brigade Commanders will be at the direction of the 2nd Lieutenant Commander, and other duties as may be assigned him by the Division Commander.

Intent: By placing an actual Division Officer in place to coordinate and direct communications, it is hoped that activities that are being planned and carried out by camps, brigades and the Missouri Division can be disseminated to and from all constituent bodies within the Missouri Division on a regular basis.

Current Sections 3-11 would necessarily have to change and be incremented by 1 due to the insertion of the proposed and new Section 3.



Proposed amendments continued...

***** Please note, I have not included the newly proposed 2nd Lieutenant Commander in the Executive Council section of the Constitution and By-Laws. Heretofore, the Missouri Division has only had elected officers carry votes on the Executive Council, and I see no reason to change that at this time. The 2nd Lieutenant Commander is however, a required position, to be appointed by the Division Commander, and will have the duties as defined in the proposed changes, and will serve as an ex-officio member of the Executive Council (non-voting member).

***** Please also note that the copy of the Constitution and By-Laws is one that I have printed from the Missouri Division website, so I am not sure just how old this copy may actually be.

These changes to the constitution are being proposed by Gary Ayers, member of Coffee Camp.

Darrell Maples of Parson's Camp to run for Division Commander at upcoming Division Reunion

I am writing this short letter to inform you that I will be seeking the position of **Missouri Division Commander** - Sons of Confederate Veterans, this March at the annual Missouri Division Reunion. I have spent a great deal of time thinking about this, talking to members from throughout the Missouri Division and praying about it too. I feel very blessed to now be in a position of retirement, which undoubtedly will give me much more time to devote to this important position. And... perhaps more importantly... I've got the "ok" from my wife! Perhaps some of you might recall that I held the position of Commander back in the late 90's. I hope and believe that the passing of time has not only aged me, but has given me perhaps a little more wisdom along the way.

We are in the Sesquicentennial of the War Between the States, and this is a time that I believe our organization can make great strides. We will also be under fire repeatedly, regarding the reasons for the War, and it is our duty as members of the SCV to present the truth. I look forward to this challenge.

I will be presenting more ideas in the not too distant future, and I welcome your thoughts as

well. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or thoughts that you might have. I realize that I may not be the only one interested in the position of Commander, and I would also welcome anyone that would be so inclined to seek this position to please do so. We are all members of the Missouri Division, and that will always be the case.

I may be contacted at:

pvtmape@embarqmail.com

I look forward to serving the Division and the Cause, Darrell Maples

In other Division Officer election news, **Larry Smith** of Jefferson City, Missouri is running for **1st Lt. Commander of the Division**, and also **Paul Lawrence** of Warrensburg, Missouri is running for **Division Adjutant**. I have not heard of anyone else running for these positions at this time.

Larry Yeatman