

Scurry Times

October 2014 Newsletter



Charge to the Sons of Confederate Veterans

"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, United Confederate Veterans, New Orleans, Louisiana, April 25, 1906.

SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS



**GEN. W.R. SCURRY/ CAMP 606
3RD TEXAS BRIGADE
WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS**

C o m m a n d e r r e p o r t

I want to thank all of our member that participated in the Texas/Oklahoma Fair last week. This is our best public exposure for recruiting and advancing the Cause for which we stand. I would like to thank Dr. Robert McBroom for the use of his 6# Cannon that was on display at the fair. It draws a lot of people to visit our booth. We received a lot membership inquiries, and we have six ladies that want to start a United Daughters of the Confederacy chapter in Wichita Falls. We believe this will be an asset to our camp growth.

We are purchasing a commercial canopy for the camp for upcoming outside events to promote the Cause and membership. We want the member's input on community activities that we can get more exposure for membership. We will be sending information on our October meeting at Stonewall Jackson Camp instead of our regular meeting place.

I do appreciate all of our Camp members and their families the very best. Hope to see all at our next meeting.

Gary Holly



C h a p l a i n R e p o r t

The SCV needs men of “character”. Your camp needs men of “character”. Our LORD tells us many times, and in many places in the Bible, how to accomplish this. In the book of Deuteronomy, we are told to love the Lord with all our heart, but also to teach this to our children and all who will listen. In Genesis, it is said of Abraham that he will command his children and his household to keep the way of the LORD. “Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it”. If you use these principles in your life, you will become man of character.

Our great General Robert E. Lee was a man of character. Not only did Lee encourage his troops to keep the Faith, but he also instructed his children to do so. Lee often told his children, “Read history, works of truth, not novels and romances.”

Historians have said of Lee that there is no record, either in the field or in the barracks, when his conversation would not have been acceptable in a ladies drawing room. None of his communications gave the slightest suggestion of vulgarity.

General Lee advised his son, Custis, “You must study to be frank in the world. Frankness is the child of honesty and courage. You must never appear to be something that you are not.

Never do a wrong thing to make a friend or to keep one!”

I think we could use these principles in our camps, Brigades, and Division with the problems we are having now. If you find fault with any one, tell him, not others. Be honest and straightforward. Do not talk behind a man’s back. Above all, be understanding of the other fellow’s thoughts and feelings.

May GOD Bless the South and us all!

C a m p O f f i c e r s 2 0 1 4**Commander: [Gary Holly](#)****1st Lt Commander: Glenn Beck****2nd Lt Commander: [Bob McNeely](#)****Adjutant: [Mark Lancaster](#)****N e x t M e e t i n g****Oct 18th Camp Cookout****Stonewall Jackson camp ground south of Holliday****2 0 1 4 E v e n t s****Oct. 11-12: [Wichita Falls Gun & Knife Show](#)****Oct 18: Camp Cookout @ Stonewall Jackson Camp ground****Dec 6-7: [Wichita Falls Gun & Knife Show](#)****Camp Contact Information:****Website: <http://wrscurrycamp.webs.com/>****Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/General-WR-Scurry-Camp-606/226318404130137>****Twitter: <https://twitter.com/GenWRscurry606>**

Stonewall Jackson and the Black Flag



Regardless of one's views on the War Between the States, an interesting historical fact is that the great Confederate General, Stonewall Jackson, believed that the black flag policy in the Old Testament still applies, and that it should be applied in particular to the Union army as a means to counter its brutality. This comes out in a conversation with his brother-in-law, Captain Barringer.

While Jackson does not specify any particular passages from Scripture, perhaps he had at least in mind [Deuteronomy 20:10-15](#). While some Old Testament war passages were commands unique to the promised land (as they dealt specifically with waging war with non-Israelites who lived in the promised land), this particular passage gives the Israelites conditions for implementing the black flag when involved in a just war with nations *outside* the promised land. As such, it is worth considering whether the principles of this passage do in fact apply today.

General Stonewall Jackson's comments to Captain Barringer:

I recall, Captain Barringer, the talk you and I once had at my table in Lexington in the heated party struggle of 1860. Though differing in politics, we happened to agree as to the character of this war, if it once began. We both thought it would be internecine in its results. Neither of us had any special concern for slavery, but both agreed that if the sword was once drawn, the South would have no alternative but to defend her homes and firesides, slavery and all.

I myself see in this war, if the North triumph, a dissolution of the bonds of all society. It is not alone the destruction of our property (which both the nation and the States are bound to protect), but it is the prelude to anarchy, infidelity, and the ultimate loss of free responsible government on this continent. With these convictions, I always thought **we ought to meet the Federal invaders on the outer verge of just right and defence, and raise at once the black flag, viz., "No quarter to the violators of our homes and firesides!"** It would in the end have proved true humanity and

mercy. **The Bible is full of such wars**, and it is the only policy that would bring the North to its senses.

But I see now clearly enough the people of the South were not prepared for such a policy. I have myself cordially accepted the policy of our leaders. They are great and good men. Possibly, too, as things then stood, no other policy was left open to us than the one pursued by President Davis and General Lee. But all this is now suddenly changed by the cruel and utterly barbarous orders of General Pope, who is not only subsisting his army on the people of Culpepper, and levying contributions upon them, but has laid whole communities under the pains and penalties of death or banishment; and in certain cases directed that houses shall be razed to the ground, and citizens shot without waiting civil process. ...

General Lee is now considering certain special features of my war policy as applicable to the present emergency, and as the only way to check Pope's dastardly system of warfare and plunder. Unfortunately, the Confederate authorities are fully committed to a different policy — in fact, to a very stilted style of waging war. In every aspect the situation is embarrassing. McClellan is nominally in command, and his mode of warfare is in strict conformity to the usages of civilized nations.

But here is Pope, right under the eye of Mr. Lincoln, violating all the so-called principles of modern warfare, and manifestly expecting to supersede McClellan and desolate the South. With McClellan on one side of Richmond, and Pope on the other, each with a vast army, and with their apparently opposing policies, it is impossible to choose your own special plan of campaign or to change your general military methods. But General Lee is equal to whatever emergency may arise, and I trust implicitly to his great ability and superior wisdom. All I can say is that he has (as I told you) heard certain suggestions of mine, and has promised me to consider their force and application, if circumstances permit.[1]

Notes

[1] Cited in Mary Anna Jackson, *Life and Letters of General Thomas J. Jackson (Stonewall Jackson)*

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3rd Brigade Camps and Meetings

Arlington, Texas

[Colonel Middleton Tate Johnson Camp #1648](#)

Commander: [James MacNab](#) (214) 679-1532

Adjutant: [R. Hearcan](#) (817) 656-5060

Meets: Second (2nd) Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm

Location: Division Street Diner 1800 W. Division St.
Arlington

Decatur, Texas

[Albert Sidney Johnston Camp #983](#)

Commander: [Henry Ross](#) (940) 627-5335

Adjutant: [James Keen](#) (940) 644-5830

Meets: Second (2nd) Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm

Location: Wesley Center 201 E. Main Street, Decatur

Haltom City, Texas

Col. William H. Griffin Camp #2235

Commander: [Jack Dyess](#)

Adjutant: [Jack Dyess](#)

Meets: Please contact the Camp

Fort Worth, Texas

Robert E Lee Camp #239

Commander: [James Turnage](#) (817) 297-2987

Adjutant: [Dustin Nabors](#) (940) 395-7180

Meets: Third (3rd) Monday of the month 7:00 pm

Location: Ol' South Pancake House 1509 S. University
Drive, Fort Worth

Bedford, Texas

[Colonel E W Taylor Camp #1777](#)

Commander: [Michael E. Patterson](#) (817) 283-2658

Adjutant: [James Alderman](#) (817) 605-0538

Meets: Last Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm

Location: Catfish Company Restaurant 900 Airport
Freeway, # 110, North Richland Hills

Weatherford, Texas

[Gov. Samuel W.T. Lanham Camp #586](#)

Commander: [Larry Martin](#) (817) 964-1747

Adjutant: [Vaughn Oliver](#) (817) 550-6012

Meets: Fourth (4th) Monday of the month

Location: Antonios Mexican Food 1900 South Santa Fe
Weatherford

Cleburne, Texas

Patrick R Cleburne Camp #436

Commander: [Thomas Freeman](#) (817) 447-8459

Adjutant: [Carl Johnson](#) (817) 295-9587

Meets: First (1st) Monday of the month at 7:00 pm

Location: United Cooperative Services Bldg. 3309 N.
Main Street, Cleburne

Wichita Falls, Texas

[General W R Scurry Camp #606](#)

Commander: [Gary Holly](#) (940) 357-1229

Adjutant: [Mark Lancaster](#) (940) 613-4181

Meets: Second (2nd) Monday of the month at 6:30 PM.

Location: [China Star Restaurant](#) 1024 Central Freeway,
Wichita Falls



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