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HISTORIC MARKER RETURNS!!!



But I bet ya didn't know...



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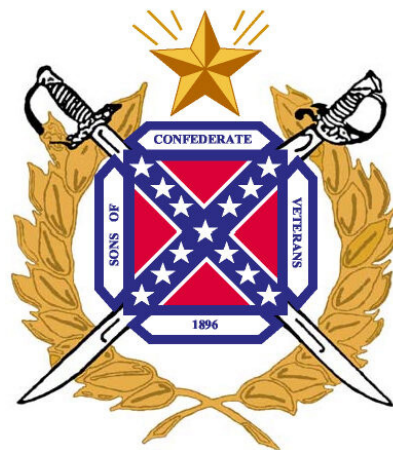
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OPENING THE BALL

Commander Charles C. "Chuck" Hand IV



HUGE news regarding the Page Cemetery Project, the headstone portion of the project has been FULLY FUNDED!!! Thanks to generous donations by Sons of Confederate Veterans, Judge Roy Bean Camp # 2298, General Horace Randl Camp # 1533 and an anonymous benefactor we reached our monetary goal. Now we order VA style headstones from Jay at Southern Heritage Products. We are well on our way to a Fall dedication at the Page Cemetery for 1st Lt. Jesse Page, 1st Lt. Allen Pierce Page, 1st Lt. William Randolph Page, Private Stephen Pillie Page and Private Thomas Adolphus Hawthorn. We will keep you posted on event details.

Thank you to those who donated to the Socks for Warriors program. We eclipsed our initial goal of 200 pairs of socks and were able to meet ALL of Fort Hood's need for 300 pairs.

My hat is off to the Compatriots of 1st Lt. Jesse Page Camp

#2351 for this absolutley amazing effort! Stand by for more opportuinites to contribute to the community of Boerne and Kendall County...

This month features a Banana Bundt Bread recipe from Casey's Kitchen; a feature from UDC Albert Sidney Jonhston Chapter #2060 President Rita Schimpff on the successful return and placement of the Adam's Hill Monument; we recognize Private Anthony Ezra Knapp, Company D, 33rd Mississippi Infantry Regiment, Hurst's Regiment, CSA. He is the 2nd Great-Grandfather of Compatriot Joseph L. Knapp; there is a look into Von Lenk's Guncotton by Commander Hand and a brief rundown of what the Camp has done over the last few weeks.

If you have not registered for the Division Reunion or the National Reunion, click on the links and get it over with! Do not FORGET this year is a Division Election year, so it is important to be there, if you do not vote then you cannot complain about the direction of the division (MY OPINION). REGISTER!!! We will see you there!

Once again, we hope this newsletter informs, entertains, inspires you, and honors our ancestors. Remember, WE ARE THE MONUMENTS, what we do and how we conduct ourselves is the tribute to our ancestors. We come from tough people. There were plenty of times they could've given up...but they didn't. They fought like hell with their backs against the wall, with no hope of winning...tough people! But they felt that their only hope for survival was to go to war, fight and die for their Faith, Family and Freedom! Damned TOUGH PEOPLE! I leave you with a verse from the King James version of the Bible, "His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord."

Matthew 25:23 KJV

LET'ER RIP

Lt. Commander William S. "Bill" Smith

Gentlemen. I will be making the presentation for this month's meeting. In January I received an email from Miss Kim Roffman asking if I knew anything about a shoe factory that was part of the Confederate Tannery in San Antonio. I did not...but it piqued my interest! So I began to dig.

Monday night's presentation is the result of this adventure. Come early, bring a friend, order dinner, visit with our camp and continue to learn the True History of the South!

See you on the 17th!

If you or someone you know would like to help teach the True History of the South to our camp members, please reach out to me via email at william.sanford916@gmail.com, text or call 830-660-7959. We will have the necessary equipment on hand for power point and other computer or film presentations, which should be, give or take, thirty minutes in length. Come contribute to teaching the True History of the South!

~ Lt. Commandeer Bill Smith ~



JOIN UNDER THE FLAG

2nd Lt. Commander Rex W. "Pappy" Shaddox Sr.



The RECRUITING is just starting for 2025 for the 1ST Lt. Jesse Page Camp #2351.

"You miss 100% of the shots you don't take," (Wayne Gretzky)

It's 2nd Lieutenant Commander Rex Shaddox again! Let's not miss our shot at having the most successful Camp in the history of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. You know the old saying "Go Big or Go Home." Well, we are Going Big in Boerne, Texas!

March's recruiting has started off with a Boom. January and February show a record start. This was all due to the hard work put in by our Camp's dedicated Compatriots, staff, and Gracious Commander Chuck Hand-some. We have many important events planned for the new year, and as always, we want you to join us and bring your family and friends.

Recruitment is really important in an organization like our own. Let's see how they did it in the civil war: "While most soldiers were volunteers, representing all social classes, more than ten percent were conscripts, men drafted into military service. The Confederate Congress enacted the first draft in American history in April of 1862. Senator Henry Wilson, chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs, sponsored the Conscription Act of 1863, which established the first national draft system and required registration by every male citizen and immigrant who had applied for citizenship between the ages of 20 and 45 years of age." Civil War Recruitment-Encyclopedia of Arkansas.

"Soldiers were most often recruited by local communities, and most regiments were created out of companies recruited at the local level...." Draftees and the Civil War-Illinois Periodicals Online.

We are looking to recruit you into the 1st. Lt. Jesse Page Camp #2351. We do not want to draft you! We want you to come of your own free will. We want your dedication and support. We want your undying love of all our ancestries and the Confederacy. We need your help and support. We will treat you as what you are: Our Brothers and Sisters of the Confederacy.

Robert E. Lee once said: **"A true man of honor feels humbled himself when he cannot help humbling others."**

In closing, I would like to again encourage all our Compatriots, staff, friends and supporters to bring forward any ideas or suggestions for building and establishing a solid membership of dedicated recruits to educate and uphold the long standing history of the South. It is our gift to the world and future generations of followers and leaders of the South. Lets make our dreams for this great organization a reality.

130TH ANNUAL NATIONAL REUNION SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS



In the heart of Texas, Houston stands as a city of dualities—a place where the “Spirit of the Confederacy” monument whispers tales of valor, while rockets at the Johnson Space Center defy gravity. Here, Hermann Park cradles tranquility—a lush oasis with McGovern Lake and the bronze gaze of Sam Houston. Moody Mansion guards secrets within its red-brick walls, and Sabine Pass, where sea meets land, echoes bravery from the Civil War. But it’s San Jacinto that resonates—a battlefield where Texas won its independence, and the bay murmurs courage and sacrifice. Houston isn’t just a city; it’s a symphony of resilience, launching expectations beyond the stars.

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If you have any questions regarding the reunion
[click here.](#)

But I bet ya didn't know...

by Commander Chuck Hand

Lebel Model 1886 Rifle



The Lebel Rifle Model 1886, also known as the Fusil Mle 1886 M93, because of its modification in 1893, holds the distinction of being the first military rifle in the world to use smokeless powder ammunition. The new propellant known as Poudre B was made of stabilized nitrocellulose. A propellant two or even three times more powerful (by volume), than black powder, without fouling and smoke. Perfected by French chemist Paul Vieille between 1882 and 1884 and placed into service with the Lebel rifle in 1886.

But I bet ya didn't know...

We all know the Model 1854 Lorenz was not as “good” or as highly thought of as the Enfield and Springfield rifles, but it was readily available and took MANY Yankee lives throughout the federal invasion of the South. By the time of Lee’s surrender in 1865 it had become the 3rd most used musket, with a combined purchase of over 300,000 of them from Austria. Why were so many arms so readily available? The Austrian military had decided to switch to gun-cotton entirely and therefore, a lot of their Lorenz rifles designed for black powder were now available for sale. The Lorenz was most widely used in the Western Theater, therefore of some importance to the history of Company E, 11th Texas Infantry, Roberts’ Rangers. In fact, at the Battles of Mansfield and Pleas-



ant Hill, Company K of the 11th Texas was the ONLY company with Enfield Rifles. It is by the grace of God our boys won those battles considering the way they were fought. Wait, what did I say they were switching to? Gun-cotton? Like the way I slipped that one in on ya?



Turn back the clock...1846, German Swiss chemist Christian Friedrich Schönbein created the explosive substance nitrocellulose, or “guncotton”, by treating cotton fibers with a nitric acid and sulfuric acid mixture. But “guncotton” proved to be too fast burning for direct use in firearms and artillery ammunition. After a catastrophic explosion sidelined the research/production of guncotton in 1847 it was a dead issue. Enter Nikolaus Wilhelm Freiherr Lenk von Wolfsberg, aka Baron Von Lenk who through many years clung to the hope of the successful application of guncotton. He endeavored to control and regulate the violence of the explosion of the compound by treating it in the form of cotton yam, which he plaited into twists of various degrees of density and tightness; thus, diminishing or developing the rapidity of the explosion, as he professed, at will.

21st CENTURY CONFEDERATE HERO

Heroic Action is Needed to Vindicate Our Confederate Heroes



Become a 21st Century Confederate Hero so we can place
General Forrest back in his Plaza!

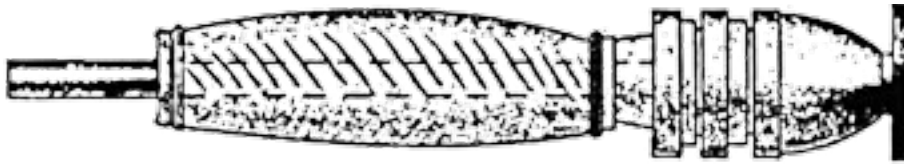
By enlisting in this effort, money which is currently being used to service the banknote will now be used to go on the offensive against those seeking to destroy our Southern heritage. The SCV is offering 1,500 Southerners the opportunity to be designated as a 21st Century Confederate Hero by donating \$1,000. Funds received will be used to fund the restoration of the Forrest Plaza, pay down the loan to the Brooks Fund and assist in special projects to promote Southern Heritage. Those donating will receive:

- 21st Century Confederate Hero Neck Ribbon,
- Placement in SCV's Book 21st Century Confederate Heroes and receive a personal copy of this book,
- Paver on the "Walkway of Confederate Heroes" with the information provided by the donor,
- Option of having his name or his ancestor's name displayed on large screen TV in our museum and their names noted at the Forrest Plaza.

Payment may be made in full or in installments over 18 months.

Join in this effort and let us get started taking the fight to our enemy. More information is available on the
Confederate Legion website:

<https://scvconfederatelegion.com/>
click on "21st Century Heroes"



In 1861, the service rifle for the Austrian Army was the Model 1854 Lorenz in .54 caliber, a conventional percussion muzzleloading rifle musket. Von Lenk's cartridge for the Lorenz was unlike any other cartridge in use. The cartridge used the standard Austrian compression bullet, but a 3"-long wood stick protruded from the base of the bullet, and the guncotton propellant was placed around the stick. This was necessary because the stick prevented any compression of the guncotton in the chamber of the Lorenz rifle; if compressed even a little bit, the gun might blow up. The stick physically ensured enough space remained in the chamber, but just to be certain, Von Lenk's final version of the Lorenz cartridge was loaded simply by dropping it down the barrel, without the ramrod. The guncotton burned cleanly and left no fouling behind, so shots could be rapidly and easily reloaded. Lorenz rifles intended for using Von Lenk's cartridge had a recess machined into the breech-face, and the stick would lodge in this recess, holding it firmly and preventing the cartridge from sliding back out of the barrel if the muzzle were tipped down.



Soon the guncotton Lorenz cartridges went into production at the Imperial-Royal guncotton factory, and they were issued to the troops for large scale tests. Some were even issued to Austrian troops on campaign in the Schleswig War of 1864, although they were not to be used in combat; the rounds were carried by the troops for several months and then tested for deterioration. They were found to be undamaged by months of marching and field service and shot just as well as new cartridges. In speed firing tests, a soldier fired **55 rounds in 9 minutes and 30 seconds, a rate of fire of over six rounds per minute.**



By the start of 1862, there was a growing expectation that guncotton propellant would replace black powder for both the Austrian infantry and artillery. Although the guncotton experiments were a state secret, word was getting out to other countries (including the United States), and foreign powers started to pay attention. The gun-cotton cartridges and the M1862 Lorenz rifle model came to the attention of Dr. Theodore Canisius, the US consul to Austria at that time. Dr. Canisius saw the advantages of guncotton over black powder and began to send back regular reports to the State Department about various Austrian experiments with gun-cotton propellants. In August

1863, Dr. Canisius returned to the US with an M1862 Lorenz rifle and some Austrian ammunition samples, and arranged meetings with several key officials (including then Secretary of State, William Seward, Secretary of War,

MARCH CONFEDERATE GENERAL'S BIRTHDAYS

WILLIAM WIRT ADAMS ~ MARCH 22, 1819
BRAXTON BRAGG ~ MARCH 22, 1817
WILLIAM NELSON RECTOR BEALL ~ MARCH 20, 1825
WILLIAM ROBERTSON BOGGS ~ MARCH 18, 1829
WILLIAM FELIX BRANTLEY ~ MARCH 12, 1830
JOHN BRATTON ~ MARCH 7, 1831
MATTHEW CALBRAITH BUTLER ~ MARCH 8, 1836
THOMAS JAMES CHURCHILL ~ MARCH 10, 1824
HENRY DELAMAR CLAYTON ~ MARCH 7, 1827
PATRICK RONAYNE CLEBURNE ~ MARCH 17, 1828
MONTGOMERY DENT CORSE ~ MARCH 14, 1816
WILLIAM RUFFIN COX ~ MARCH 11, 1832
GEORGE BIBB CRITTENDEN ~ MARCH 20, 1812
JOHNSON KELLY DUNCAN ~ MARCH 19, 1827
JOHN DUNOVANT ~ MARCH 5, 1825
JOHN ECHOLS ~ MARCH 20, 1823
JAMES FLEMING FAGAN ~ MARCH 1, 1828
MARTIN WITHERSPOON GARY ~ MARCH 25, 1831
HIRAM BRONSON GRANBURY ~ MARCH 1, 1831
WADE HAMPTON ~ MARCH 28, 1818
LOUIS HEBERT ~ MARCH 13, 1820
JOHN ROBERT JONES ~ MARCH 12, 1827
JOHN HERBERT KELLY ~ MARCH 31, 1840
LEWIS HENRY LITTLE ~ MARCH 19, 1817
ROBERT LOWERY ~ MARCH 10, 1830
JOHN SAPPINGTON MARMADUKE ~ MARCH 14, 1833
WILLIAM THOMPSON MARTIN ~ MARCH 25, 1823
SAMUEL BELL MAXEY ~ MARCH 30, 1825
THOMAS TAYLOR MUNFORD ~ MARCH 28, 1831
ALLISON NELSON ~ MARCH 11, 1822
ELISHA FRANKLIN PAXTON ~ MARCH 4, 1828
EDWARD AYLSEWORTH PERRY ~ MARCH 15, 1831
WILLIAM FRANK PERRY ~ MARCH 12, 1823
ROSWELL SABINE RIPLEY ~ MARCH 14, 1823
FELIS HUSTON ROBERTSON ~ MARCH 9, 1839
JEROME BONOPARTE ROBERTSON ~ MARCH 14, 1815
ROBERT EMMETT RODES ~ MARCH 29, 1829
FRANCIS ASBURY SHOUP ~ MARCH 22, 1834
WILLIAM RICHARD TERRY ~ MARCH 12, 1827
EDWARD LLOYD THOMAS ~ MARCH 23, 1825
WILLIAM HENRY WALLACE ~ MARCH 24, 1827
JOHN WILKINS WHITFIELD ~ MARCH 11, 1818
WILLIAM HENRY CHASE WHITTING ~ MARCH 22, 1824
STERLING ALEXANDER MARTIN WOOD ~ MARCH 17, 1823

MILITARY ORDER OF THE STARS AND BARS

"It is a duty we owe to posterity to see that our children shall know the virtues, and rise worthy of their sires." President Jefferson Davis

So, you are a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans or the Descendants of Confederate Veterans, but have you ever considered joining the Military Order of the Stars and Bars? "Well, I'm not kin to General Lee," you say. You do not have to be related to General Lee, Stonewall, J.E.B. the President or even old Nate. You only need to be a lineal or collateral male (at birth) descendant of someone in the Confederate States of America Officer Corps; someone who was an elected or appointed civilian official in the Confederate States of America; a member of the national Confederate Government and the Five Civilized Tribes which allied with the Confederacy; a doctor, clergyman or civilian who supplied aid to the Confederate cause. ladies interested in honoring their Confederate ancestor are eligible to join the Daughters of the CSA Officer Corps.

If any of the surnames from the previous page look familiar or are in your family tree, reach out to Texas Society Genealogist Chuck Hand for help in tracing your lineage. He can further detail eligibility requirements for the Society.



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"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." General Robert E. Lee

Historic Marker Returns! The so called 'Battle' of Adams Hill May 9, 1861

By Rita Schimpff

The story of the 'Battle' of Adams Hill Marker is an MIA story of sorts, as this 1965 marker may have been out of sight more than in sight for history travelers.

From 1961-1965 the Texas Historical Commission (THC) and the Texas Civil War Centennial Commission worked together to place monuments on Civil War battlefields across the US to honor Texas military units during the war. The first was the Texas monument in Vicksburg National Military Park in Mississippi which has recently been restored. The original Adams Hill marker was on a pole and placed by the THC in 1965 on Old Highway 90 near the Bexar and Medina County lines.

After much research it was determined that it had been stolen in the 1990's or earlier. Work began to replace it in 2004 with Theresa Gold at the helm. She was a commissioner with the Bexar County Historical Commission (BCHC), and past president of the Albert Sidney Johnston Chapter 2060 United Daughters of the Confederacy in San Antonio.



SURRENDER OF COLONEL REEVE NEAR SAN ANTONIO
— Courtesy Artist José Cisneros

Theresa submitted the request to the THC for a replacement marker. BCHC put up \$750.00, The ASJ chapter UDC put up \$600.00 and were both noted as the Major sponsors. Minor sponsors each contributing \$50 were the Carey McNelly Wroe CofC Chapter #374, Hood's Texas Brigade Camp #153, and the Civil War Round Table. Rudy Krisch, with Alamo City Guards Camp #1325 and Air Force Village III (Blue Skies of Texas West) were noted as in-kind sponsors. Rudy owned San Jacinto Materials, and his contribution was a 10,000 pound pink granite plinth with the THC aluminum marker firmly imbedded to thwart would be thieves. He also installed it and was part of the rededication ceremony. Blue Skies offered the property at the corner of Montgomery Road and Larissa St and even held a reception after the dedication in 2007. Later, when platting issues arose during the sale of the property, Blue Skies offered to safeguard the marker until another location could be found. The marker has been stored

privately by Blue Skies of Texas West since 2019.

In April 2024, I was contacted by Alan Ernst with the BCHC because our chapter was the major sponsor and asked to help find a new home for the marker. I immediately enlisted the aid of Honorary Associate UDC chapter member, John McCammon. A nearby residential community named Adams Hill was researched and found to be on property once owned by Robert Adams and where forces were camped for the 'Battle' on May 9, 1861. Thanks to further research by Express-News columnist, Paula Allen, it was also discovered that this community was developed almost 100 years later by Ray Ellison in 1972 and advertised as the 'last Civil War battle in Texas'. Many of the streets are named for both Union and Confederate places. At the entrance to this subdivision is a San Antonio "pocket Park" named Adams Hill Park. After all the parties agreed, the heavy marker was moved and installed by the City Parks Department and now the park, subdivision and marker all have more context. John McCammon and I met recently and gave the marker a good cleaning.

Now as for the so called 'Battle' it is noteworthy that not a single drop of blood was shed and it involved several noteworthy individuals including Medal of Honor recipient Gen. Zenas Bliss, who also wrote a firsthand account of the "battle."

Ray Ellison advertised this as the last battle in Texas, but it is more likely one of the first confrontations!

The inscription on the marker reads:

Near this site, an early armed confrontation of the Civil War ended without bloodshed. On February 16, 1861, in San Antonio, General David E. Twiggs, commander of the U.S. Army Department of Texas, surrendered all federal military property in the state to forces under command of Ben McCulloch. Possession of the San Antonio Arsenal and 20 other installations statewide transferred to Texas forces, who permitted U.S. soldiers to march to the coast and leave Texas as soon as ships could be procured. After the outbreak of hostilities in the South in April, federal troops still in Texas were declared prisoners of war. There was, however, one unit still armed and not in Confederate custody. Marching southeast from Forts Bliss, Davis and Quitman in far west Texas were six companies of the 8th U.S. Infantry, a total of 347 men under the command of Lt. Col. I.V.D. Reeve. Here near San Lucas Spring, Col. Earl Van Dorn, Confederate commander of Texas, stationed 1300 men and six field pieces to meet Reeve. Federal troops took up a defensive position on Adams Hill, a half mile in front. After a six-week march from El Paso, Reeve's numbers were down to 270 men. On May 9, Van Dorn sent a demand for surrender, but Reeve refused. Reeve rejected a second flag of truce with the same mandate. Van Dorn succeeded with his third request -- that Federal officers come over, see the Confederate strength, and surrender peaceably. The move brought an end to the encounter without the firing of a shot. Reeve's men were made prisoners of war, interned, and later exchanged. In February 1863, the last of the 8th U.S. Infantry left Texas in exchange for Confederate prisoners at Baton Rouge after more than 21 months of imprisonment. (2007)



1 Texas.gov <https://learning.thc.texas.gov>

2 BCHC records 2007 Theresa Gold

3 ibid

4 ibid

5 April 21, 2018 The History Column by Paula Allen, San Antonio Express-News

6 Email conversation with Paula Allen 12 June 2024

7 udc adams hill first-hand account project_muse_203062.pdf

Reminiscences of Maj Gen Zenas R. Bliss

Also, Tim Draves - April 21, 2018, The History Column by Paula Allen, San Antonio Express-News

CRACKER LINE



CRACKER LINE

Previous page: Pictures from our partnership with Care Choice of Boerne for their Valentine's Day event for the residents of the facility. The generosity of our Compatriots and the dedication of the Care Choice staff combined for a successful event!.

Below: Our February monthly meeting entailed Compatriot Bobby Moore instructing the members of Camp #2351 on how the Hardee Manual of Arms instructs an infantryman on how to Stack Arms. Members of the Company K demonstrated the action and then volunteers from the Camp came forward to participate.



Private Anthony Ezra Knapp

Company D, 33rd Mississippi Infantry Regiment, Hurst's Regiment, CSA

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Knapp, Ezra
Co. D, 33 Mississippi Inf.
(Confederate.)
Private Private
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2 6490 21
3 6491 22
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BOOK MARK:
See also.

Each month we feature the Confederate ancestors of our Camp compatriots. Honoring their memory by telling their story so others will know and remember them and their sacrifice.

Ezra Knapp was born May 20, 1816, in Ohio, to Anthony and Dorothy Knapp (Morrill) II. One of five children and the oldest son, it is said Ezra was "bound out" to a carpenter to apprentice. When he was mistreated by the man he fled and ended up in Franklin County, Mississippi. He met and married Martha Jane Godbold on June 23, 1842 in Franklin County.

The 1850 US Federal Census of Franklin County, shows him as a father of three, employed as a farmer with real estate valued at \$600 and a holder of one slave. The 1860 Census reflects his prosperity, as his real estate value had increased to \$2000 and his personal estate valued at \$1800. His family now consisted of his wife and five children and he was working as a carpenter.

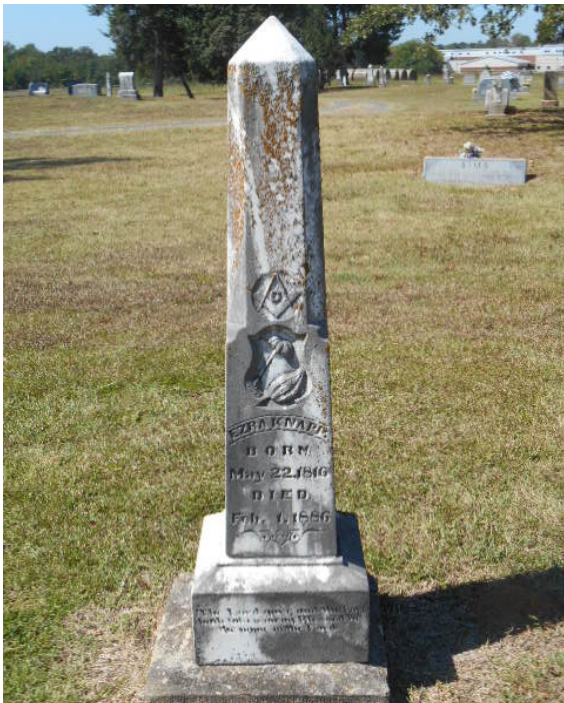
On March 1, 1862, he enlisted as a Private in Company D of Hurst's 33rd Mississippi Infantry Regiment, CSA. Records are scarce, and the last date shown present is February 1863.

The 1870 and 1880 Federal Census' reflect a return home and to the farming industry. Sometime in that ten years, he re-located his family to New Boston, Bowie County Texas where he lived out the remainder of his years, Private Knapp passed away on February 1, 1886 at the age of 69. He is buried in the New Boston Cemetery along with 2 of his children. His wife died a few years later in Oklahoma and is buried there.

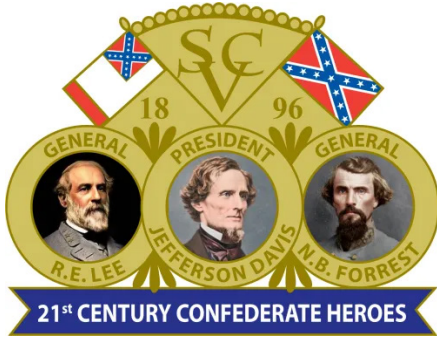
Private Ezra Knapp is the 2nd Great Grandfather of Compatriot Dr. Joseph L. Knapp Jr. Compatriot Knapp, we thank you for the sacrifice made by your family and their dedication to the defense of the Faith, Family and Freedom of the South.

Deo Vindice!

by Commander Chuck Hand



SCAN or CLICK



Join the Confederate Cemetery
Association

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1st Lt. Jesse Page Camp #2351
Challenge Coins - \$20.00
all proceeds go to
Page Cemetery Fund



3" Die Cut Vinyl Decal
\$3.00



1st Lt. Jesse Page Camp #2351
Coffee Mugs - \$20.00

Help support our Camp and the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Purchase items or make a donation in any amount. Shipping on items is a flat rate of \$5.00, please mark Friends & Family so our Camp receives the entire benefit of your purchase or donation. Thank you for supporting Southern Heritage!



T. J. Jackson

Lt. General Thomas Jonathan "Stonewall" Jackson

**SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS
1ST LT. JESSE PAGE CAMP - BOERNE**

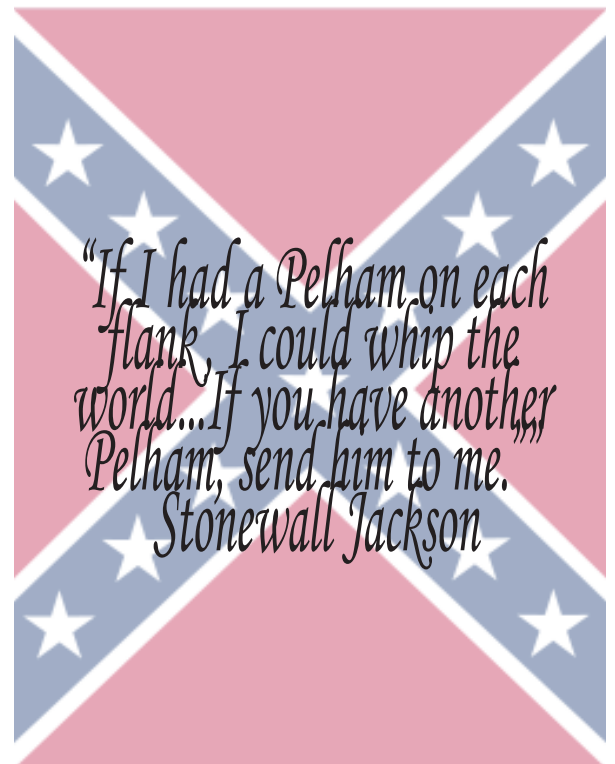
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DEO VINDICE



Casey's Kitchen

by Matron of Honor Casey Michelle Hand

Bundt Pan Banana Bread

*3 cups self-rising flour
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon nutmeg
1/2 teaspoon salt
3 large eggs
1 1/2 cup sugar
3/4 cup oil
1/2 cup chopped nuts (optional)
powdered sugar for dusting (optional)*



Brush bundt pan with oil and flour. Set aside.

Combine eggs, flour, bananas, sugar and oil. Set aside.

Combine flour, cinnamon, nutmeg and salt. Pour the wet mixture all at once to the dry mixture. Stir until just moistened as the batter will be lumpy. Pour mixture into the bundt pan and bake for 60 minutes at 350 degrees. Let cool for 10 minutes and flip out of your bundt pan. If desired, you may dust with powdered sugar. It is also a tasty treat to top with butter once sliced.



Muster Roll of 1st Lt. Jesse Page Camp #2351

Sons of Confederate Veterans - Feb 2025

Commander Charles C. "Chuck" Hand IV
Aide-de-Camp. Color Sergeant Dalton C. Hand
Lt. Commander William S. "Bill" Smith
2nd Lt. Commander Rex W. Shaddox Sr.
Adjutant Benjamin C. "Ben" Sewell III
Judge Advocate Jeffrey F. "Jeff" Addicott
Chaplain Leon Steiner
Captain Honor Guard G. "Bubba" Cheek

Clarence M. Smith
Joseph L. Knapp Jr.
D. David Powell
Mark G. Riser
Charles C. "Rick" Richter Jr.
Kerry Hellums
Earby S. Markham
Marc A. Mabrito
Jeffrey M. "Jeff" Leonard

David B. "Dave" Foshee Jr.
Christopher M. "Chris" Clarke
vuv Michael W. "Mike" Moss
Marion C. "Mark" Durden Jr.
Harold L. DeHart Jr.
John M. Hoke Jr.
Jack V. Huggins Jr.
Dale D. Tidwell
Russell "Rusty" Busby

Matron of Honor Casey Michelle Hand (UDC, TSOCR, DCSAOC)
Maid of Honor Abigail M. Hand (UDC, TSOCR, DCSAOC)
Maid of Honor Madison K. Hand (UDC, TSOCR, DCSAOC)

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SAVE the DATE **Saturday April 5th, 2025**

Last April's Army wide event at the Mansfield Battlepark was such a great success, we are doing it again!! This year our presenters will focus on the contributions to the Red River Campaign by troops from Texas, Arkansas and Missouri!

So plan to spend the day celebrating our Honorable History and Heritage! Details on times and speaker at a later date.

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Friday, April 11, - Sunday, April 13, 2025
Entry fee is \$5 per person (Ages 5 and under free). Free parking.
Re-enactments and activities will take place 3 miles North of Pleasant Hill at
23271 Hwy 175 Pelican, LA

EVENT SCHEDULE

Friday - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. School Day

Saturday

10:00 a.m. - Parade- Downtown Pleasant Hill
11:00 a.m. - Parking & camps open
park at Battlefield Parking Area
*free shuttle
historical demonstrations/sutlers
11:30 a.m. - Guest Speaker -Battlefield Hall

1:30 p.m. - Opening Ceremonies
2:00 p.m. - Battle Re-enactment
7:00 p.m. - Period Ball & Court Presentation
- Elam O'Pry House
(Period dress suggested)
Luminary Memorial Ceremony
- Battlefield
(FREE and open to the public)

Sunday

10:00 a.m.-12:00 a.m. Open Camp Activities
10:00 a.m. Church Services-Elam O'Pry House (open to all)
1:00 p.m. - **Crowning Ceremony**
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followed by Opening Ceremony
2:00 p.m. - Battle Re-enactment

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Edwin Stanton and some military officers) to try and convince them to adopt this new technology. The Confederacy, which relied as much as possible on “high tech” to over-come the Union’s equipment and manpower superiority, was a candidate to experiment with and use guncotton.

Imagine how things could have played out had the Confederacy adopted the guncotton ammunition and guncotton mines and torpedoes. Lookout Mountain, Missionary Ridge, Chickamauga, Sabine Pass, Mobile Bay, Chattanooga, Atlanta...any or all could have gone the other way.

Some pictures and information are courtesy of Brett Gibbons, the self-proclaimed guncotton nerd. Brett graciously sent me a couple of inert, rounds of his Lorenz guncotton ammunition for Dalton’s Lorenz display. This article is not intended to be a definitive work on Austrian Guncotton but just to whet your appetite and encourage you to research more on your own. Go to Brett’s YouTube video by clicking the logo below. Also, visit his website for your blackpowder cartridge needs



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HORSE SENSE

Little to Eat and Thin Mud to Drink: Letters, Diaries, and Memoirs from the Red River Campaigns, 1863–1864 (Voices of the Civil War) by: Gary D. Joiner

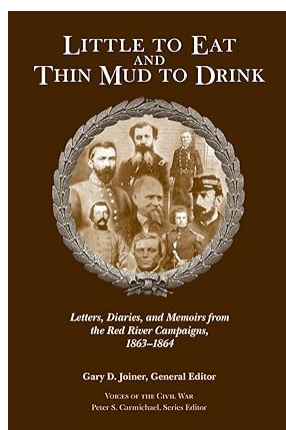
Little to Eat and Thin Mud to Drink does more than just document the history of the Trans-Mississippi conflict of the Civil War. It goes much deeper, offering a profound, extended look into the innermost thoughts of the soldiers and civilians who experienced the events that took place in Louisiana, Texas, and Arkansas. Gleaning from a rich body of rare journals, diaries, and letters, this groundbreaking book demonstrates the significant impact that military operations in this region had on the local population in years between 1863 and 1865.

Readers will be introduced to the many different individuals who were touched by the campaign, both Confederate and Union. Ably edited by Joiner, a leading expert on the Trans-Mississippi conflict, and others, some of these manuscripts are witty, others somber, some written by Harvard- and Yale-educated aristocrats, others by barely literate farmers. All profoundly reflect their feelings regarding the extraordinary circumstances and events they witnessed.

In Little to Eat and Thin Mud to Drink, readers will have access to the diary of James A. Jarratt, a Confederate sergeant whose cogent narratives dispute commonly held views of the Battle of Mansfield. Representing a much different point of view is the diary of Private Julius Knapp, whose lengthy diary sheds light on the life of a Northern soldier fighting in the ill-fated Union march through Louisiana in 1864. A rare glimpse into the diary of a Southern woman is offered through the fascinating and melancholy musings of plantation belle Sidney Harding. Readers will also encounter the private letters of a French prince turned Confederate officer; of Elizabeth Jane Samford Fullilove, the angst-ridden wife of a Confederate soldier; and many others.

These first-person narratives vividly bring to life the individuals who lived through this important, but often neglected, period in Civil War history. Little to Eat and Thin Mud to Drink will engross anyone interested in exploring the human side of the Civil War.

Gary Joiner is an assistant professor of history at Louisiana State University in Shreveport and the director of the Red River Regional Studies Center at LSUS. His books include *One Damn Blunder from Beginning to End: The Red River Campaign of 1864* and *Union Failure in the West* and *Through the Howling Wilderness: The 1864 Red River Campaign and Union Failure in the West*. He is also the coeditor, with Marilyn S. Joiner and Clifton D. Cardin, of another volume in the *Voices of the Civil War* series, *No Pardons to Ask, nor Apologies to Make: The Journal of William Henry King, Gray's 28th Louisiana Infantry Battalion*.





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