# THE RANGER REPORT

1st Lt. Jesse Page Camp #2351 Volume 2 - Issue 15 - May 2025

# THE RANGER REPORT Volume 2 Issue 14

OPENING THE BALL - PAGE - 3 Commander Chuck Hand

> LET'ER RIP - PAGE - 4 Lt. Commander Bill Smith

TEXANS AND THEIR COLT COPIES
- PAGE - 5

CONFEDERATE GENERAL'S BIRTHDAY
- PAGE - 10

CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL FOUNTAIN
- PAGE - 12
Assoc. Member Avery Frantz

CRACKER LINE - PAGE - 14

ANCESTOR MEMORIAL - PAGE - 16 Commander Chuck Hand

CASEY'S KITCHEN - PAGE - 19 Matron of Honor Casey Michelle Hand

HORSE SENSE - PAGE - 25

CALL TO ACTION - PAGE - 26 Assoc. Member Avery Frantz

Editor: Chuck Hand Associate Editor: Dalton Hand Photo Credits: Bill Smith, Casey Hand, Dalton Hand, Chuck Hand, Abigail Hand & Madison Hand

Disclaimer: The views and opinions expressed in this newsletter are those of the authors and do not necessarily reflect the views or positions of either the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Texas Division - Sons of Confederate Veterans or the 1st Lt. Jesse Page Camp #2351; or any entities they represent.









#### **OPENING THE BALL**

Commander Charles C. "Chuck" Hand IV



Confederate Heritage Month flew by...but EVERY month is Confederate Heritage month right? At least if you are leading and living the Charge it is! We were in Marshall, Belton, Sheffield, Boerne and San Antonio, doing what we do. Attending meetings, memorial services, headstone dedications, placing headstones, putting flags on grave sites and even discovering a few more Confederate Veterans in Kendall County. We completed two of our community outreach programs (pictures inside); attended a couple of cousin Camp's meetings and even got in a day of cemetery clean-up in there somehow. Decoration Day at the Confederate Cemetery in San Antonio, led to a new Camp Member (application pending approval). So, it was a pretty eventful month for our Camp, the Texas Division and the SCV in general.

This issue in the Cracker Line you will see pictures of much of what I just mentioned; we have an article from Associate Member Avery Frantz (Arizona) regarding the illegal removal of a monument in Helena, Montana; *Casey's Kitchen* has a Confederate Cherry-Nut Cookie Recipe that is phenomenal, it is one of those cookies that every time you pass by the cookie jar, you stop and eat one or two; we honor Sergeant George Washington Foster, Company C, 19th Louisiana Infantry Regiment, Claiborne Volunteers, CSA; 2nd Brigade Commander and Judge Roy Bean Camp Commander Bob Hazelwood gives us a rundown on the grave-site dedication of Private John W. Scott (1843-1930), who served honorably with Company F, 2nd Texas Cavalry, CSA; for Heritage Month you will see pictures of Cemeteries and Monuments from across the South opportunities to participate and contribute to the SCV cause.

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."

#### LET'ER RIP

Lt. Commander William S. "Bill" Smith

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: email william.san-ford916@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!



Roy Poole will be our speaker for our monthly meeting in May. He will be presenting the story of Confederate soldier Berry Benson, who fired a cannon at Ft, Sumter, and lived an amazing tale until he walked away from Appomattox Court House with his sniper rifle in hand. Come around 6 and order dinner, visit and eat dinner. The meeting will begin at 7. We still have a number of presentation openings. So if you or someone you know would like to teach the true history of the South reach out to me.

#### ~ Lt. Commandeer Bill Smith ~



Lt. Commander Smith and members of the Trans-Mississippi Old Guard performing Honor Guard duties on Confederate Decoration Day 2025.

#### TEXANS AND THEIR COLT COPIES

The first original Tucker & Sherrard was manufactured by Tucker, Sherrard & Co in their factory near Dallas in 1861 and 1862 during the Civil War. Originally contracted to supply the State Military Board with 3,000 revolvers, half were to be big, .44 caliber Dragoons and half .36 caliber revolvers based on the 1851 Colt Navy. The board received only one sample gun and total production was only an estimated 400 revolvers. And it seems that only two actual Tucker, Sherrard & Co. revolvers ever made it out of production. Needless to say, the contract was canceled. The company became Clark, Sherrard & Co. after the war and produced a limited number of these Dragoon revolvers c. 1866-1867. The revolvers were the same, only the manufacturer name was changed.

It seems the majority of the very limited surviving examples were assembled and finished after the war by Clark, Sherrard & Co. A.S. Clark, the firm's foreman, wrote in 1867 that they had "about 400 caliber .44 old style army revolvers which we plan to embellish into high class merchandise". So they turned to the Civilian market.



#### The Rarest Confederate Revolver Ever Made, A Texas-Made George Todd( Austin, Texas) .36 Caliber Revolver

The George Todd .36 revolver, has a storied and spectacular reputation as an extremely rare Texas Confederate weapon. George Todd came to Texas 1851 and set up his small operation on Second Street in Austin, patterning his revolvers on the .36 caliber Colt Navy model with octagon and round barrels. After the outbreak of the Civil War he moved back to Alabama making only a small number of these revolvers in Texas. This six-shot revolver with six stops on an iron frame features a 71/2" octagon barrel where "George Todd . Austin" is stamped on a barrel flat. The trigger guard, back strap and front strap are made of brass. The serial number appears at the loading lever flat, barrel lug, on the frame in front of the trigger guard, butt strap and trigger guard flat.



The J.H. Dance Bros. produced an estimated 350 to 500 revolvers in Texas, making them one of the few manufacturers of both .36 and .44 caliber revolvers in the South. The Dance family, originally from Virginia, transitioned their steam factory into a gun-making facility around 1861-1862, with several family members serving in the Confederate cavalry while managing the factory. Dance revolvers are characterized by their lack of recoil shields and minimal markings, with some exhibiting unique serial numbers or symbols. They closely resembled Colt models and were ultimately supplied to Texas cavalry units.

Functioning reproductions are available from Pietta for approximately \$350.00



# 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.

SCHEDULE

HOTELS

REGISTER

If you have any questions regarding the reunion click here.



Oakland Cemetery Atlanta, Georgia



Magnolia Cemetery Charleston, South Carolina



Confederate Cemetery San Antonio, Texas



Confederate Rest Cemetery Mobile, Alabama



Confederate Circle - Athens Cemetery Athens, Alabama



Confederate Rest Cemetery Point Clear, Alabama



Page Cemetery Carthage, Texas



Vicksburg National Cemetery Vicksburg, Mississippi



Oakland Cemetery Shreveport, Louisiana

#### 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:

<a href="https://scvconfederatelegion.com/">https://scvconfederatelegion.com/</a>

click on "21st Century Heroes"

## COMING SOON!!! 2ND BRIGADE PURPLE HEART MEDAL



#### Albert Sidney Johnston Chapter 2060

United Baughters of the Confederacy®

Invite you to the



#### Jefferson Davis Birthday Gala

June 7, 2025

5:30~8:30

Hilton DoubleTree Hotel Airport-San Antonio, Texas

#### Special guest speaker - Bertram Hayes-Davis

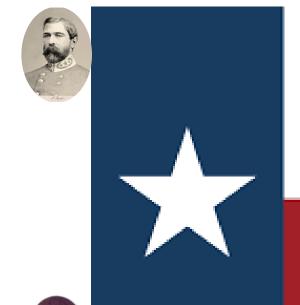
2nd great grandson of the only Confederate President

Tickets: \$55 include dinner & complimentary cocktail ~cash bar~ cocktail attire

Silent Auction benefitting the Confederate Cemetery-San Antonio

info: rita.schimpff@gmail.com or sandy.barsun@yahoo.com

Checks payable to 'ASJ 2060' mail to Jeannette Kirts, 8357 Windway Drive, Windcrest, TX 78239-2438



SAVE THE DATE

ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY

1ST LT JESSE PAGE CAMP #2351

MONDAY - MAY 19, 2025

6:00 PM SOCIAL/MEAL HOUR 7:00 PM MEETING

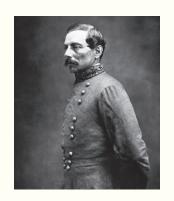




## MAY CONFEDERATE GENERAL'S BIRTHDAYS







SIBLEY HOKE BEAUREGARD

EDWARD PORTER ALEXANDER ~ MAY 26, 1835 Alpheus Baker ~ May 28, 1828 Laurence Simmons Baker ~ May 15, 1830 RICHARD LEE TURBERVILLE BEALE ~ MAY 22, 1819 PIERRE GUSTAVE TOUTANT BEAUREGARD ~ MAY 28. 1818 CHARLES CLARK ~ MAY 24, 1811 WILLIAM GEORGE MACKEY DAVIS ~ MAY 9, 1812 George Pierce Doles ~ May 14, 1830 BASIL WILSON DUKE ~ MAY 28, 1838 SAMUEL TAMESON GHOLSON ~ MAY 19, 1808 THOMAS HARRISON ~ MAY 1, 1823 ROBERT FREDERICK HOKE ~ MAY 27, 1837 WILLIAM YOUNG CONN HUMES ~ MAY 1, 1830 GEORGE DOHERTY JOHNSTON ~ MAY 30, 1832 WILLIAM EDMONDSON "GRUMBLE" JONES ~ MAY 9, 1824 EDWIN GRAY LEE ~ MAY 27, 1836 WILLIAM FITZHUGH LEE ~ MAY 31, 1837 JAME S PATRICK MAJOR ~ MAY 14, 1836 John Bankhead Magruder ~ May 1, 1807 DABNEY HERNDON MAURY ~ MAY 21, 1822 Mosby Monroe Parsons ~ May 21, 1822 STEPHEN DODSON RAMSEUR ~ MAY 31, 1837 HENRY HOPKINS SIBLEY ~ MAY 25, 1816 EDMUND KIRBY SMITH ~ MAY 16, 1824 WILLIAM STEELE ~ MAY 1. 1819 Bryan Morel Thomas ~ May 8, 1836 ISAAC RIDGEWAY TRIMBLE ~ MAY 15, 1802 WILLIAM FEIMSTER TUCKER ~ MAY 9, 1827 ALFRED JEFFERSON VAUGHN JR. ~ MAY 10, 1830 REUBEN LINDSAY WALKER ~ MAY 29, 1827 CADMUS MARCELLUS WILCOX ~ MAY 29, 1826 FELIX KIRK ZOLLICOFFER ~ MAY 19. 1812

#### 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.



www.mosbhq.org www.txmosb.org

Chuck Hand - Texas Society Genealogist chuckhand.mosb184@yahoo.com

"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

## Confederate Memorial Fountain by Avery Frantz

The Confederate Memorial Fountain in Helena, Montana at Hill Park was dedicated on Sept 5, 1916 to the city of Helena. Making it the only Confederate monument in the Northwest until 1926. Placed on the highest point of the park it was a symbol of community unity between the Blue and the Gray. The United Daughters of the Confederacy invited the Grand Army of the Republic, the Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, and the Daughters of the American Revolution. The UDC explained their reasoning for the fountain stating, "seeing the need of more means of beautifying Hill park, set about on a campaign to secure funds for the work. She explained the motives of the order in planning such a gift, telling how the Confederate Daughters, desirous of making some presentation to their new residence after leaving the south, had dedicated upon the fountain as a fitting memorial." With the sound of drums, the flag which covered the fountain was then pulled and the water was turned on in which hundreds of citizens and veterans cheered. There, "the speaker lauded the present day American spirit, a spirit of union with no feeling between the old north and south, which caused such bitterness and sorrow years ago. Both sides are now engaged in building up a better country to live in, making their homes more comfortable, their cities more beautiful. She closed: "On behalf of the Daughters of the Confederacy, I present this fountain to the city of Helena as a token of our esteem toward our new home." "The city of Helena is pleased and honored to accept this substantial and beautiful donation from the Daughters of the Confederacy. On behalf of the city I accept most heartily this splendid token. Thus spoke Attorney Edward Horsky, in place of Mayor Purcell. The city attorney, in accepting the gift, delved into the history of the city and the park, on which the monument was built. He lauded the spirit of the Confederate Daughters in making such a fitting gift. The efforts of the Daughters of the Confederacy in planning such a gift are worthy of the highest praise," said Mr. Horsky" (The Independent Record, Sept 6, 1916, Pg. 7).

#### **Creation Details:**

The decision to place a monument was announced on Lee-Jackson Day of 1906. The appeal of the Winnie Davis chapter stated, "There are buried in Montana many soldiers who served in the Confederate army, but they are so scattered that it is not practicable to erect a monument over each. The Daughters of the Confederacy in the South are placing monuments on the various battle fields made sacred by the sacrifice of the men of the South from 1861 to 1866. The Winnie Davis chapter, U. D. C, is very anxious to erect a fountain in a park in the city of Helena and dedicate it to the southern soldier. History has never yet told the true story of the devotion to the South and the courage on the battlefield displayed by the Confederate soldier and we esteem it a high privilege to be able to be able to work for a memorial to such men." (The Anaconda Standard, Mar 10, 1906, Pg. 2). The fountain was commissioned much later and was carved from native Montana granite. It towers eight feet high and in the top a large electric globe is placed. Four streams of water pour forth into a large bowl which overflows into a basin six feet square. The structure is ornamented with pretty carvings and the inscriptions read: "A Loving Tribute to Our Confederate Soldiers," and "By the Daughters of the Confederacy in Montana, A.D. 1916.". It was designed by Architect George H. Carsley and erected at a cost of \$2,000. It was placed on the highest point in Hill park.

#### Removal:

Removed August 18, 2017 by direction of then Mayor Jim Smith and the Helena City Commission. The decision happened during a 2 hour public meeting on August 15th. The decision happened with so little thought that even then Commissioner Ellison said, "Rather than the commission's usual approach of starting with a discussion, gathering input, resolution of intention, public hearings and proceeding deliberately to a consensus decision, taking action seems to be the best option before us."

Even the historical society states the fountain is racist and has lost its context. A year later the monument sat in an undisclosed field with a tarp over it. "At one time, Helena's Public Works Director Randall Camp said, city officials considered burying the fountain to prevent people from vandalizing it."

#### Winnie Davis Chapter Community Contributions:

Entertained disabled veterans at Fort Harrison 1921, Portrait of Robert E. Lee donated to Helena High School and hung in assembly room 1910, held a ball to raise money to help needy southern families 1907, a benefit card party 1915, donation to the Woodrow Wilson Foundation 1922, participation in Flag Day.



Armistice Day 1918





Monument Removal



2018 Undisclosed Location

#### **CRACKER LINE**



At the April monthly meeting Compatriot William Bozic presented a program on Historiography.





Our Camp took place in a community outreach program called "Brighten Up Boerne" which has organizations volunteer to decorate trash cans that are placed







around the city. This years theme was "Family Game Night."

Our Compatriots KNOCKED IT OUT OF THE PARK!!! Check out that art work and creativity. Keep up the great work 2351.











Major Memorial Service at Belton South Cemetery for Heritage Month. Extra Credit from Chaplain Bozeman at Belton Cemetery North...more to come later he says!

#### **CRACKER LINE**























Middle rows: Judge Roy Bean Camp #1111 Memorial Service - Sheffield, Texas

Bottom row: left - drop off day for Warm Feet For Warriors Project 301 pairs of socks to Fort HOOD - Texas. right - drop off day for Brighten Up Boerne Project. Erick at Boerne Parks & Recreation was thrilled we had such an awesomely designed trash bin!



#### PVT John Napoleon Linscomb Company K & I, 13th Regiment, Texas Cavalry (Burnett's 13th Mounted Volunteers, CSA









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.

John Napoleon "Pole" Linscomb was born April 24, 1842, in Jefferson, Texas, to Joseph Linscomb and Maty Denise Linscomb (Peveto), one of nine children and the youngest of four sons. Census records show he was raised in and around Orange, Texas and other than his time served in the war, never ventured far from this area.

He married Feliciana Richard on July 7, 1860, and the honeymoon was cut short because on February 1, 1862, alongside his older brother Joseph, he enlisted in Company I, 13th Regiment, Texas Cavalry (Burnett's- 13th Mounted Volunteers). They mustered into service as Privates on March 1, 1862, at Orange, Texas. Muster cards show the enlisted with Company K under Capt. S. A. Fairchild. Napoleon was given \$150.00 for his horse and \$30.00 for his equipment, which we assume was his saddle and tack, as no firearms are listed. As with many Confederate soldiers, it did not take long for illness to hit Company I; "Pole" is shown as sick in the hospital at Camp Nelson, Arkansas, from November 22, 1862, until at least December 1862. But, unlike so many soldiers who entered the hospital at Camp Nelson, John Napoleon Linscomb would come out alive.

After the war, he returned to Orange, where he started farming and raised the family he had tried to start before the war. He and Feliciana would have Caleb, Robert "Reb," Joseph, Mary, and Luella. It is unknown exactly when Feliciana died, but it is thought between 1872-1875. Napoleon would remarry in June 1875 to Comelette Frederick, they would have seven children together. He would continue farming until his death on April 24, 1904, his 62nd birthday. He is buried in the Linscomb Cemetery in Orange, Texas, which bears a Texas Historical Marker (pictured).

Pvt. John Napolean Linscomb is the third great-grand-father of Lt. Commander William Sanford Smith. Compatriot Smith, 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



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

Personal QR code

**Charles Hand** 



Scan to pay Charles Hand

paypal.me/Page2351



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!





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

COME JOIN US!

EVERY 3RD MONDAY FROM 6:00 - 8:00 (SOCIAL HOUR 6:00-6:59), MEETING STARTS PROMPTLY AT 7:00.

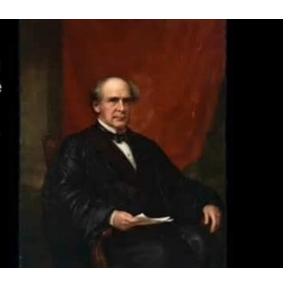
Longhorn Cafe 369 S Esser Road Boerne, Texas 78006 (830) 331-4011

BRING THE FAMILY AND COME SHARE
IN HONORING OUR CONFEDERATE
ANCESTORS. LEARNING AND
SPREADING THE REAL TRUTH OF OUR
HERITAGE AND THE SOUTHLAND!!!

**DEO VINDICE** 

"If you bring these Confederate leaders to trial it will condemn the North, for by the Constitution secession is not rebellion."

 Salmon P. Chase
 (1866) Chief Justice of the Supreme Court



#### Casey's Kitchen by matron of Honor Casey Michelle Hand

#### Confederate Cherry - Nut Cookies

#### Ingredients:

1 1/2 cups self-rising flour

1 tsp ground cinnamon

1/2 tsp salt

1 cup unsalted butter (softened)

1 1/2 cups sugar

1/2 cup brown sugar

2 large eggs

1 tsp vanilla

3 cups old fashioned oats

1 cup of dried cherries

#### Instructions:

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
- 2. Sift flour, cinnamon, and salt into a small mixing bowl.
- 3. Using a mixer, cream butter, sugar, and brown sugar until light in color (3-4 minutes at medium speed).
- 4. Add eggs and vanilla to butter and sugar in the mixing bowl. Mix until eggs are fully incorporated.
- 5. With mixer at a low speed, slowly add flour mixture to the mixing bowl contents. Then add oats.
- 6. Fold the dried cherries into the cookie batter using a spatula.
- 7. Using a medium-sized cookie scoop, scoop cookie dough into balls and place on a cookie sheet.
- 8. Bake cookies for 10 minutes, or until edges are slightly brown but centers aren't quite set.



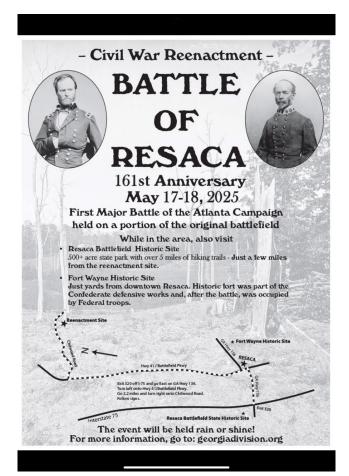














128TH TEXAS DIVISION SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS REUNION
JUNE 6-8, 2025
401 N. OAK, MINERAL WELLS, TX 76067
940-325-4605
THECRAZYWATERHOTEL.COM

MORE INFORMATION AT:

HTTPS://SCVTEXAS.ORG/128TH-TEXAS-DIVISION-REUNION/

#### JUDGE ROY BEAN CAMP #2298 HONORS VETERAN WITH CONFEDERATE HEADSTONE SHEFFIELD, TEXAS



Sheffield, TX Saturday, April 26, 2025

The Second Texas Cavalry was originally organized in May 1861 as the Second Texas Mounted Rifles. It was reorganized in April 1862 with all the same officers and enlisted men. The unit was known by several alternate names including Baylor's Cavalry, Ford's Cavalry, Donelson's Cavalry, Littleton';s Cavalry, Nolan's Cavalry, Hardeman's Cavalry, Walker's Cavalry, Pyron's Cavalry, Spencer's Cavalry, and Richardson's Cavalry. The Second Texas Cavalry consisted of 1,200 men from Anderson, Bee, Bexar, Cherokee, Goliad, Harris, Harrison, Houston, Johnson, Karnes, Leon, Lavaca, Live Oak, Nacogdoches, Nueces, Parker, and Uvalde counties.

The Second Texas was assigned to the Trans-Mississippi Department throughout the war. The unit served garrison duty at Fort Brown and was briefly attached to Sibley's Brigade of the Army of New Mexico. It then served in the districts of Galveston and Houston during 1862. In mid-1862 the Second Texas Cavalry mutinied and was dismounted as a result in early 1863. In the spring they were assigned to the district of Western Louisiana, where they served with Xavier Debray's command. The regiment was reorganized in Austin, Texas, in September 1863, and in the winter of 1863–64 they returned to Texas to serve at Velasco and San Bernard. In November 1862 the Second Texas Cavalry consisted of 752 men, but by July 1864 its numbers decreased to only 167 men. In the fall of 1864 the unit was assigned to the Seventh Texas Cavalry Brigade. In March 1865 the regiment consisted of 150 men who served at San Antonio, Fort Clark, and Fort Duncan.he Second Texas Cavalry participated in several engagements during the Civil War. The regiment fought at San Lucas Springs, Mesilla, San Augustine Springs, Fort Stanton, Fort Craig, Fort Bliss, Fort Thorn, Canada Alamosa, Camp Robledo, and Fort Inge. In 1862 the unit was engaged in the Sibley campaign at the battles of Valverde and Glorieta in New Mexico and Boutte Station and Bayou des Allemands in Louisiana. The Second Texas Cavalry returned to Texas where they fought at Fort Clark near the Nueces

River. In January 1863 several companies were engaged at Galveston Island and Sabine Pass in Texas, while several other companies were captured at Arkansas Post, Arkansas. Following parole the unit was involved in operations in Western Louisiana in the spring of 1863. The Second Texas Cavalry was engaged at Bayou Vermillion, Bayou Beouf, LaFourche Crossing, and campaigns in the Teche Country. They returned to Texas in early 1864 and remained there for the duration of the war. The men were dismounted in March 1865 and gradually disbanded in mid-May as a substantial number of the men fled across the Rio Grande into Mexico. The Second Texas Cavalry was officially surrendered with Gen. Edmund Kirby Smith at Galveston on June 2, 1865.

Although many in this unit deserted, Pvt Scott did not. Today, we honor Compatriot John W Scott, who fought the good fight.

The members of the Judge Roy Bean and 1st Lt. Jesse Page Camps performed a Canteen Ceremony and Rifle Salute to honor Private John W. Scott (1843-1930), who served honorably with Company F, 2nd Texas Cavalry, Confederate States of America.







#### The Same Canteen

There are bonds of all sorts in the world of ours

Fellers of friendship and ties of flowers

Find true lover's knots, I seen

The girl and the boy are bound by a kiss

But there's never a bond, old friend like this

We have drank from the same canteen.

It was sometimes water, and sometimes milk

And sometimes applejack, Fine as Silk

But whatever the tipple it has been

We shared it together in battle or bliss

And I warm to you friend, old friend like this

We drank from the same canteen.

We shared blankets and tents together

And have marched and fought all kinds of weather

And hungry and full we have been

Itad days of battle and rest

Dut this memory I cling to love the best

We have drank from the same canteen

For when wounded I lay on the center slope

With my blood flowing fast and but little hope

Upon which my faint spirit could lean

Oh, then I remember you crawled to my side

And bleeding so fast it seemed both must have died

We drank from the same canteen.







# DO YOU HAVE A CONFEDERATE ANCESTOR?

OUT-MANNED, OUT-GUNNED AND OUT-SUPPLIED BUT NEVER OUT-FOUGHT; CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS WROTE A PROUD CHAPTER IN THIS NATION'S HISTORY FOR INDEPENDENCE, TOUGHNESS, BRAVERY, PATRIOTISM AND HERITAGE OF HONOR. IF YOU WANT THE SYMBOLS OF THE CONFEDERACY TO REMAIN PART OF OUR CULTURAL HISTORY, AND YOU ARE THE MALE DESCENDANT OF A CONFEDERATE SOLDIER, THEN WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN OUR CAUSE. THE SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS, IS A

NON-POLITICAL, NON-RACIAL, NON-SECTARIAN, HERITAGE ORGANIZATION, UNAFFILIATED WITH ANY OTHER GROUP, DEDICATED TO THE PRESERVATION OF THE REPUTATION OF MEN LIKE ROBERT E. LEE, STONEWALL JACKSON, JEFFERSON DAVIS AND YOUR ANCESTOR...

CAL

210-376-7772

OR

**EMAIL** 

INFO@1LTJESSEPAGE.ORG



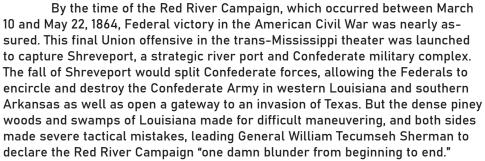






#### HORSE SENSE

# Decisions of the Red River Campaign: The Fifteen Critical Decisions That Defined the Operation (Command Decisions in America's Civil War) by: Michael S. Lang



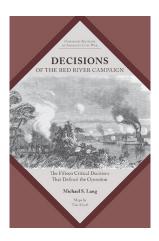
Decisions of the Red River Campaign explores the critical decisions made by Confederate and Federal commanders during the campaign and how these decisions shaped its outcome. Rather than offering a history of the operation, Michael S. Lang hones in on a sequence of decisions made by commanders on both sides of the contest to provide a blueprint of the campaign at its tactical core. Identifying and exploring the critical decisions in this way allows students of Civil War battles and campaigns to progress from a knowledge of what happened to a mature grasp of why events happened.

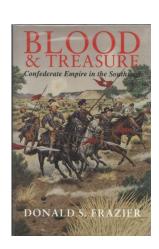
Complete with maps and a driving tour, Decisions of the Red River Campaign is an indispensable primer, and readers looking for a concise introduction to the campaign can tour this sacred ground—or read about it at their leisure—with key insights into the campaign and a deeper understanding of the Civil War itself.

Decisions of the Red River Campaign is the twenty-second in a series of books that explores the critical decisions of major campaigns and battles of the Civil War.

#### Blood & Treasure: Confederate Empire in the Southwest (Texas A & M University Military History Series) by: Donald S. Frazier

Blood and Treasure tells the fascinating story of the Confederacy's ambitious plan to conquer the Southwestern territories of New Mexico and Arizona. Led by Lieutenant Colonel, and later Arizona governor, John R. Baylor and General H. H. Sibley, Texan soldiers trekked from San Antonio to Fort Bliss in El Paso, then northward up the Rio Grande, to Santa Fe. Fighting both Apaches and Federal troops, the half-trained, undisciplined army met success at the Battle of Val Verde and defeat at the Battle of Apache Canyon. Finally, the Texans won the Battle of Glorieta Pass, only to lose their supply train - and eventually the campaign. Pursued and demoralized, the Confederates abandoned their dream of empire and began a dispirited journey back to El Paso and San Antonio. Using narratives of veterans of the campaign and official Confederate and Union documents, the author explains how this seemingly far-fetched fantasy of building a Confederate empire was an essential part of the Confederate strategy. Military historians will be challenged to modify traditional views of Confederate imperial ambitions. Generalists will be drawn into the fascinating saga of the soldiers' fears, despair, and struggles to survive.





## CALL TO ACTION SPREAD THIS FAR & WIDE

o6 March 2025 City of Madison, Wisconsin Mayor's Office 210 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, Room 403 Madison, WI 53703

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the Madison Common Council,

We, the undersigned descendants of the men interred at Confederate Rest in Forest Hill Cemetery, respectfully request the restoration of the Confederate Rest Memorial, which was removed in 2020. The memorial, placed in 1906, served as a solemn recognition of those who rest in the cemetery, honoring their memory without promoting any divisive ideology. Its removal has not only erased a historic marker but has also caused undue distress to the families of those buried there.

The men laid to rest in Confederate Rest were prisoners of war, many of whom perished due to illness and hardship far from their homes. Regardless of the historical circumstances that led them to this final resting place, they

remain sons, brothers, and fathers whose sacrifices deserve acknowledgment. The memorial was not a glorification of the Confederacy but a simple tribute to lives lost, consistent with the fundamental principles of respect and remembrance afforded to all who have passed.

As descendants, we believe that history should be preserved in its entirety, and removing a grave marker does not change the past. Rather, it diminishes the opportunity for present and future generations to learn from history in a



thoughtful and informed manner. Restoration of the Confederate Rest Memorial would demonstrate Madison's commitment to historical integrity, inclusivity, and respect for all families who have loved ones interred in its cemeteries.

We ask that the City of Madison work with descendants, historical organizations, and the community to restore the memorial in a manner that respects all perspectives while ensuring the dignity of those who rest in Confederate Rest is maintained.

We welcome the opportunity to discuss this matter further and collaborate on a resolution that honors both history and the principles of reconciliation.

Respectfully submitted,

Signatures of Descendants - Our Confederate Rest Dead

Mrs. Sharon Villa Mrs. Denise Smouse Mr. Wade D. Essary Mrs. Lydia Adbo Mr. Christopher Villa Mrs. Joyce Jensen Mr. Terry Turner Mrs. Mary Barlow Horton Col. Avery Frantz