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Does Your Blood Tingle or is it Stagnant?

John Leach was enlisted in Company C, 53rd North Carolina Troops. He was one of many who surrendered at Appomattox and then took a long walk home. He and his Black friend, Needham Leach walked together to their home in Pittsboro, N.C. John Leach was given the honorable title of "Captain" Leach and when he passed away in 1914, a monument was erected to him in Littleton, N. C. The monument depicts two



hands shaking, one white and one black, with the inscription: "This is what he meant, all men up—Erected By His Colored Friends." A quote by Joseph Powell Pippen on Confederate Memorial Day, August 10, 1911 given in the presence of John Leach

speaks volumes. *"I say we cannot know your suffering, but this we do know; We love and honour you, veterans, and are justly proud of the heritage you have given us. Just so long as warm blood flows in the veins of man, so long will the words 'Confederate Veteran' cause that the blood to tingle with glorious pride, and, if there be one among us, born in our glorious Southland who is not so thrilled, ever drop of stagnant blood proclaims him bastard to the South—a coward to all the world."* (Now, that's good stuff!)

Soldier in Iraq Shows His Confederate Pride

Colonel Bill Hollingsworth is most likely the highest ranking officer of the SCV now serving in Iraq. He is a Past Commander of the Lt. Gen. Wade Hampton Camp in Columbia. He shows his

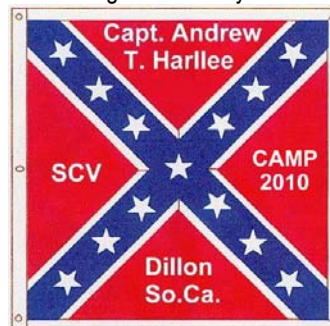


Confederate Pride by having his picture made with the Battle Flag while in service in a war zone. Compatriot, Colonel Hollingsworth says the building on his left is an unfinished

building started by Saddam. It was called the "Victory Over America" monument by Saddam, but since the 2003 invasion, it was never finished and has been hit several times by Americans. The other building on the Colonel's right is a view of the mosque and its minaret (tower). Of course we wish a safe and productive tour for Colonel Hollingsworth. His pride in his heritage and his dedication to the Sons of Confederate Veterans is deserving of our respect and appreciation.

Camp 2010 Son's of Confederate Veterans

The Andrew T. Harllee Camp 2010, Son's of Confederate Veterans is still a fairly new Camp. We have only been chartered since December 2002. We have seen some good times and recently, we have seen some times that have not been as good as they should. Then again, I suppose that



depends on how much you participated in some of the events the Camp has been involved in. The necessary ingredient for a successful Camp is YOU. There have been some remarks made recently that the meetings and some of the speakers are boring. The answer to

boring meetings can be dealt with if you have a suggestion that could improve things from your perspective. Maybe this is a time for us to reflect back when things seemed to be better. For the most part, the speakers have really been pretty darn good, so there must be something other than boring speakers that have changed the way meetings are perceived by some. Your editor is only one person, and God knows that I have not been as motivated this past year as much as I probably should have been—but whose fault is that? I can only lay that blame on myself. Since this is a new year, it is the time that we reflect on the past and make an honest effort to improve in the areas in which we feel that we can. New Years Resolutions are promises that we make and very often don't keep. This is one that I would like to see us keep. I would like to make a new commitment to the Son's of Confederate Veterans, and more especially to the Andrew T. Harllee Camp. I would also ask that the other members do the same. Each of us have at least one Confederate ancestor, or we would not be a member of this organization. We are, or at least at one time we were proud enough of this ancestor that we made a conscience decision to

join this organization. Ask yourself how you felt about that ancestor at the time you joined the Son's of Confederate Veterans. Ask yourself how you feel about him today. Is there a difference? Sadly, in some cases there is. For those of us who are still proud of those ancestors, it is time we re-dedicate ourselves to the organization that these Veterans organized. It is time that we get ourselves out of this daze that we have begun to live in and see things as new again. "To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we submit 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 he loved and 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.'" This is of course, 'The Charge' given to the Sons at New Orleans during the United Confederate Veterans Convention in 1906. Could it be that this Charge was given because of the feelings that Col. Richard Henry Lee, of Virginia had expressed in the early 1890's? At the dedication of the Confederate monument at Clarke County, Virginia he said, "Twenty years have passed since the close of our civil war. Time, I trust has healed the wounds of war, but with the revolving years the causes and events of that terrible struggle seem to be forgotten, or if not forgotten, considered as unimportant events of history. And even the history of those events, and the causes that led to that struggle, are not set forth fairly and truthfully. It is stated in books and papers that Southern children read and study that all the blood-shedding and destruction of property of that conflict was because the South rebelled without cause against the best government the world ever saw; that although Southern soldiers were heroes in the field, skillfully massed and led, they and their leaders were rebels and traitors who fought to overthrow the Union, and to preserve human slavery, and that their defeat was necessary for free government and the welfare of the human family. As a Confederate soldier and as a citizen of Virginia, I deny the charge, and denounce it as a calumny (slander). We were not rebels; we did not fight to perpetuate human slavery, but for our rights and privileges under a government established over us by our fathers and in defense of our homes." Fellows, this is what it is all about. At a recent SC Convention, one of the speakers put it as plain as it can be said. He said, "Gentlemen, it isn't about you or me, it is about THOSE MEN! Those men, being the Confederate Veterans. So, let us put aside any personal feelings we may have, put aside any other negative feelings that can be a hinderance to the progress of this Camp or of the Son's of Confederate Veterans. Because really, it is not about us, it is about them. I heard just recently by the President of the South Carolina UDC, "We are the last line of defense," because no one else is left to defend our Southland. We need numbers and we need unity. I simply ask that each of us do our part.

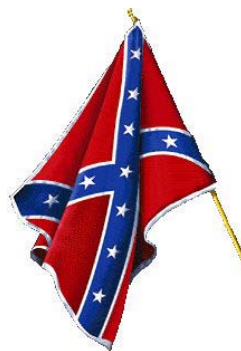
January Meeting

The Andrew T. Harlee Camp 2010 will meet on Thursday, January 17, 2007 at the American Legion Hut on Hwy 9. This will be the annual buisness meeting, so there will not be a designated speaker for the evening. Please plan to attend this meeting. Your input is very important as we discuss the future

direction of this Camp. We have some of the best members in all of the Confederation, and we are looked upon in the Pee Dee as the Camp to be compared to. We must set the course to find the most productive way to honor and defend our Confederate ancestors. Please come out and help the Camp to grow into a more vibrant and successful Camp. We can become exactly what the old veterans intended us to be, but we need the help of everyone. The supper will be served around 6:30 PM and the Chef of day will be Thom Thompson and company. He always does a fantastic job. The business meeting will begin around 7:00 PM. Looking forward to seeing you Thursday night.

Another Confederate Flag on the Interstate

The Lee-Moses-Dixon Vindicator Camp of Mobile, Alabama in co-operation with the Dabney H. Maury Camp of Grand Bay, Alabama has erected a Confederate Battle flag along the side of I-10, just west of Mobile. The flag pole stands eighty feet high and is built to withstand the winds of a hurricane. Below the flag is two light poles with two 2,000 watt halogen lights. Nearby the flag pole is an old family cemetery where two Confederate veterans are buried. The site where the flag pole is positioned will attract the estimated attention of over 2,160,000 people per month. It will be visible for over one mile in both directions. Currently, atop the pole is a 3 X 5 flag similar to one carried by the greatest army that ever walked the North American continent. It was the army of a Christian Nation. It is to be



replaced by a 12 X 18 foot flag and then the ultimate goal is to place a 20 X 30 flag on the pole. The Commander of the Lee- Moses-Dixon Camp says that this project is a monument to truth. A truth that as President Jefferson Davis said; "if crushed to the earth will rise again." We salute you President Davis, in the 200th anniversary of your birth! It is a monument to the courage and honor of the Southern soldier. The pole is a reminder that in a free country, the speech, heritage and culture of all deserves equal protection. It will stand as testimony to the fact that millions of Southern Americans remain proud of their ancestors, who as R. E. Lee said, fought invaders to keep the constitution and the country that was inherited by them from their fathers. This project is a reminder to cultural bigots who deserve no individual recognition here, that their efforts to dimis, disparage, and otherwise erase our heritage will only fuel a fire in Southern Hearts. This fire will result in more of these projects, some of which are already in the works. And finally, this project is given to Southern people as a challenge. We challenge every camp in the SCV to erect a similar pole, and will be happy to give details of how this can be done for surprisingly small expenditures. We will officially dedicate the flag on General Robert E. Lee's 201st birthday, Saturday, January 19, 2008.

Lame Duck President James Buchanan

In his last message to Congress on December 3, 1860, the lame-duck president James Buchanan was still trying to seek compromises to avoid secession and war. He told Congress, "The fact is that our Union rests upon public opinion and can never be cemented by the blood of its citizens shed in civil war. If it cannot live in the affections of the people, it must one day perish. Congress possesses many means of preserving it by conciliation, but the sword was not placed in their hand to preserve it by force." Of course South Carolina was not willing to wait for Lincoln's inaugural speech or his early actions as president. The ordinance of secession was passed on December 20th.



President James Buchanan

Harlee Guard Goes to Conway

The Harlee Guard was invited to participate in a Memorial Service at the Lakeside Cemetery in Conway. This service was held in honor of Pvt. Henry Clay Moore. The Litchfield Camp 132 at Conway hosted this Southern Cross of Honor dedication



service along with the descendants of Pvt. Moore. Private Moore enlisted for the duration of the War in Manigault's Artillery in Charleston, SC at the ripe age of 16. He was one that was fortunate enough to endure the full four years of the war and still come home. There were approximately one hundred people attending this service. We are blessed to have the Harlee Guard who make themselves available to others in order to give a special honor to those heroes of our heritage.

What Flag Should Fly Over Veterans Graves?

American veterans who were killed in other countries and are buried there, have the American flag flying at the cemeteries where they are interred. Ten of the largest cemeteries outside of

this country have the bodies of 63,856 American military men who have the American flag flying over them to show that they were soldiers of America. That is a good thing. All that was said in order to ask this question to the United States Government. Why can't the Confederate Battle Flag fly over the remains of the soldier of the Confederate States? The regulation through the Veterans Administration will not allow the Confederate Flag to fly over the cemetery of the Point Lookout Prison. The picture



shown here was taken before the Battle flag was required to be removed. This is a most unfair regulation because all of the remains that are buried here are Confederates who were not citizens of the United States and who never took the oath of allegiance to the United States. None of the guards of the prison who died are buried here. They were buried in another location. As a whole,

foreign countries fly the U.S. flag over our dead soldiers who are buried abroad. It seems that these countries have more respect for our dead than the Veterans Administration does for its fellow Americans. One must wonder how the U.S. Government would react if France would decide that no longer would the U.S. flag fly over the graves of the 10,994 Americans buried at the Normandy Cemetery. It would not be inconceivable to think that there would be another fight at Normandy. The U.S. Government has declared that the Confederate soldier is an American soldier. The Confederate Battle flag IS an American flag and was the Southern veterans flag of choice. Why shouldn't it be allowed to fly over the mass grave of the Point Lookout Cemetery? The Confederate Battle flag is the flag that the prisoners fought for, were imprisoned in Point Lookout for, and the flag that they died for!

A Word About the Flag from a Former Prisoner at Point Lookout

...Arrived at Point Lookout on the 14th (April, 1865). That was the day that President Lincoln was assassinated and the guards showed their resentment in their treatment of us...I received a letter advising me and my comrades to take the oath of allegiance to the United States. I took the oath and was released on June 14th just two months after I was in prison and I was hungry the whole time I was there and cold a great deal of the time. When we were marched out to take the oath, we were compelled to stand on the Confederate flag while we bent our heads under the U. S. flag and I have never liked to look at the thing since. ...Ludwell Hutchison, Co. D, 8th Virginia Infantry.

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