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We Talk Funny?

How many times have you been told, or have heard how funny we talk down South? It will have to be acknowledged that there may be some truth to these remarks, but at the same time, Yankees have their own language also. Listed below are some of the words that the Yankee will use that may need some interpretation also. Let's have a little fun with it.

Pahty: A place to go to drink and socialize—(nothing to do with Mother Nature, that's p-o-t-t-y). We say 'party.'

Beah: Malt beverage. We say beer.

Bahn: As in: "What 'yeah' were you born in?" We say born.

Chowdah: You know, clam chowdah, or chowder.

Connah: Where streets intersect. We say corner.

Fiah: Blaze, or as we say, fire.

Gahden: A place to plant vegetables—you know—garden.

Yeah: A 365 day period—you guessed it, a year.

Wottah: H2O, or water.

Pastah: You know, preacher, or 'pastor', as in John Bumgardner.

Owah: Sixty minutes. The amount of time 'pastah' Bumgardner is allotted before his church members threaten him with bodily harm.

Shuah: Of course, or we say sure.

Noo Yok: A sinkhole 611.77 miles north of S. C. state line.

Now when you hear some Yankee say how funny you talk, you can laugh with him—and at him.

The Battle Continues

How many times do we continue to place emphasis on the Charge to the Sons of Confederate Veterans? How many times do we see the need to defend the Confederate soldiers' good name? Every time there is a Confederate flag issue, you can bet that there is also an issue of who and what the flag represents. We cannot deny that some racist and hate groups have hijacked our beloved flag and have used it to present and to represent their ugly views. Of course other symbols are used in the expressions of these racist and hate groups, but none on them are remembered by those who have taken it upon themselves to eradicate Southern symbols and all things Southern. For example, when these idiots use the American flag, or 'Old Glory', in order to promote their hateful views, the other idiots who are hell bent, bound and determined to see the Confederate symbols eradicated, are able to simply and easily overlook that symbol as being misused. This doesn't say much for equal treatment or all inclusiveness. Such is the case of a couple of 13-year-old boys at Darby Junior High School in Alvin Texas who found themselves in trouble because they displayed Confederate symbols on their clothing. How ironic

is it that in Southern states, we have so much trouble with the display of Confederate emblems? What better place to display Confederate symbols than in the South? The Darby Junior High School was named after a lady named Grace Darby. Again, a part of the irony here is the fact that Grace Darby was a member of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. Her membership pin and her membership certificate were on display at the school—both featuring Confederate flags. Of course, after this 'problem' occurred, school officials removed those items from display. The normal remarks of how the Confederate flag, especially the battle flag, has been associated with the Klan and other white-supremacist groups began to roll. The question that remains unanswered is; when did the Confederate Battle Flag decide to 'associate' itself with these white-supremacist groups? When the boys remarked that their interest in the flag was its history and that they displayed those symbols only to honor their families' heritage; that fell upon deaf ears. Why is it that the feelings of those who may feel 'offended' always outweigh the feelings of those who wish to honor? A school district spokeswoman stated that they had a zero-tolerance policy of violence in the schools; however, the only threat of violence came from other students, not the boys wearing the Confederate symbols. There is nothing said that would indicate that any other students were disciplined. Something just doesn't seem quite right in this world of inclusiveness and tolerance when it rubs against political correctness. Then, of course, we have a Yankee who moves down South with the perfect and innocent mindset about symbols of the Confederacy. He thought that it was all just something from the history books, just another element of our past that looked cool but carried little meaning. Then—he moved to South Carolina and lived there four years. That is where his perception of Southern symbols made a u-turn. He claims that a segment of the population in South Carolina uses the January white sales to replenish their wardrobes. That is when he decided that the Confederate flag could be, in its current usage, a divisive, racist symbol. He sites this reason as why he cannot support these two boys from Alvin, Texas. This Yankee transplant is assistant managing editor and writes articles and a commentary called "The Facts," his name is Michael Morris. Mr. Yankee Transplant Morris wants to give you a history lesson. "Since Lee's surrender, the flag has been incorporated into hateful expressions of white supremacy. Blacks have been lynched and crosses burned in front of their homes by people waving that symbol. That is its pre-eminent history for the last 140 years—racism—and any symbol of racism has no place in our schools." Mr. Morris believes that parents who want to use the 'rebel' flag, as a teaching tool for their children should do so. He says, "They should teach that the army that fought under it was

seeking to preserve a system that enslaved other human beings. They should teach how men in white hoods carrying that flag tortured, abused and murdered blacks for decades without a hint of compassion or remorse. They should teach that, in America, there is a right and wrong and rules to follow, and one of those rules is that such symbols do not belong in school." It could be that Mr. Morris may need a history lesson himself, further, if after four years of living in South Carolina, he finds a segment of the population using January white sales as a way to replenish their wardrobe, he may need to learn to choose his friends a little more carefully. Many of the lifetime residents of South Carolina doesn't know anyone using the white sales for any such thing. All of this has been said to let everyone know that the SCV still has plenty of work to do.

Christmas Party to be Held on the 21st

The Andrew T. Harlee Camp 2010 will hold its regular meeting and the Christmas party on Thursday the 21st. You owe it to yourself to make plans to attend this meeting. There will be lots of fun, good food, fellowship and an award ceremony. Please feel free to bring your family with you to help us as a Camp to celebrate the birth of Christ.

The Conquered Banner

What a day in the town of Anderson, S. C. on January 18, 1902 when the Confederate monument was dedicated to those local men who had sacrificed so much for their homeland. At one point of the dedication ceremony, James Armstrong, Jr., who was known as the "Irish Orator" of Charleston, delivered a fine speech bubbling over with Irish wit. Then, Aunt Cora sang the "Conquered Banner," upon which Armstrong lowered his head to his desk and cried. Written on this monument are words from the Conquered Banner. On the North side of the monument it reads as follows:

"THOUGH CONQUERED, WE ADORE IT!
LOVE THE COLD, DEAD HANDS THAT BORE IT!"

On the South side it reads:

"THE WORLD SHALL YET DECIDE,
IN TRUTH'S CLEAR, FAR-OFF LIGHT,
THAT THE SOLDIERS WHO WORE THE GRAY, AND DIED
WITH LEE, WERE IN THE RIGHT."

It's no wonder that Col. Armstrong was moved to the point of shedding tears. He knew many who gave the ultimate sacrifice, he lived through those darkened days, and he remembered them. We as Sons should never forget those men either. They were our grandfathers and they were our grandfather's neighbors, they were our Southern people, they were the men who are responsible for our being here today. They deserve to be honored today and we are their offspring who are living today; it is our duty, and should be our pleasure, to honor them.

Say What? Mr. President!

Less than five months before the Emancipation Proclamation was presented to the American people, Mr. Lincoln invited a group of free Negroes to the White House. One of the matters in which the President wished to speak was his purpose to colonize "people of

African descent." The following is what they heard from the Great Emancipator:

"Why should people of your race be colonized, and where? Why should they leave this country? This is, perhaps, the first question for proper consideration. You and we are different races. We have between us a broader difference than exists between almost any other two races. Whether it is right or wrong, I need not discuss; but this physical difference is a great disadvantage to us both, as I think. Your race suffers very greatly, many of them, by living among us, while ours suffers from your presence. In a word, we suffer on each side. If this is admitted, it affords a reason, at least, why we should be separated. You here are freemen, I suppose. Perhaps you have long been free, or all your lives. Your race is suffering, in my judgment, the greatest wrong inflicted on any people. But, even when you cease to be slaves, you are yet far removed from being placed on an equality with the white race. The



aspiration of men is to enjoy equality with the best when free, but on this broad continent not a single man of your race is made the equal of a single man of ours."

The president of the United States could get by with remarks such as this in 1862; as a matter of fact, this president is still getting away with his remarks because of the way revisionist historians have portrayed him. It would not be recommended that anyone in a political office make any of these comments today.

The Harlee Guard has Encampment

Beginning Friday evening on the first day of December through the morning of the third, the Harlee Guard held an encampment and living history event at the Harlee Cemetery. This has become an annual event and is enjoyed by the Guard and other Camp members who wish to come out and have a good time. There was a number of the public who came out from time to time to satisfy their curiosity and see for themselves how a small camp would have appeared during the wartime era. This year the Guard added a pretty neat addition to the event. The camp was visited by a small detail of Yankees who fired on the Confederate camp. With quickness, the Harlee Guard gained their composure and fired back on them. The skirmish lasted for several minutes with musket and mortar fire. Finally, all of the Yankees lay dead except for one, which was captured. The captured Yank thought he could escape and took off in a run toward Harlee's Bridge where he was mortally wounded by one of the privates from the Harlee Guard. It must be noted that all members of the Harlee Guard fought with gallantry and bravery unsurpassed by any others. The folks at home would be proud of them. Many of the Guard will now remember this as the 'Skirmish at Harlee's Bridge.'

Rush Limbaugh Favors Lincoln

On the Rush Limbaugh Show of the 5th of December, a caller from Shreveport, Louisiana challenged Limbaugh on his thoughts on the War Between the States and his thoughts on President Lincoln. Limbaugh feels that Lincoln did the right thing saving the Union at any cost. That includes suspending habeas corpus and having his secret police to invade private citizens homes and have them arrested because they did not agree



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with his policies concerning the war against the South. Limbaugh stated that Lincoln was one of the greatest presidents in the history of the country. What made Lincoln great in Limbaugh's mind was the fact that Lincoln preserved the Union. The caller told Limbaugh that Lincoln did preserve the Union, but he did it by trampling the Constitution. Of course, Limbaugh denied that Lincoln had trampled on the Constitution. When Limbaugh was questioned about Lincoln's acceptance of 59,000 innocent civilians being killed during this war, with instances such as Sherman's march through Atlanta and Grant's shelling of Vicksburg, Limbaugh simply stated, "It won the war didn't it? It won the war and that was the objective." Limbaugh finally told the caller, "I hope before you die you learn to thank God for Abraham Lincoln." To which the caller replied, "I hope before you die you learn what a bigot and a power-hungry maniac he was." Rush then asked, "Abraham Lincoln? How in the world can you call a guy who ended slavery a racist and a bigot? I have heard everything now. Everything, in 22 years of hosting this program, I have heard everything."

[Editor] Rush Limbaugh has proven through the statements he made that he doesn't know very much of the truth concerning the War Between the States or much truth concerning Abe Lincoln. This would probably be a good time for old Rush to do that retirement thing. Then he would have all the time he needs to discover real history and get off those pills.

Elections Made a Few Officer Changes

At last month's meeting, elections were held for the officers of the Andrew T. Harlee Camp. Most officers were left as they have been for a while but a few changes were made. The officers for the next two years, beginning in January will be as follows:

Commander—Arthur L. Quick, Jr.
Lt. Commander—David McDaniel
2nd Lt. Commander—Donald Hayes
Adjutant—P. Kevin Daniels
Chaplain—John Bumgardner
Historian—Howard Arnette, Jr.
Judge Advocate—Daryl Hardwick
Surgeon—Jason Tice
Quartermaster—Leroy Jackson
Color Sergeant—Billy Norton
Sergeant-at-Arms—R. P. Grimsley
Webmaster—Darrel Bracey
Newsletter Editor—Larry Jones

The Month of December in History

December 4, 1862 Gen. Joseph E. Johnston assumes overall command in the west.

December 6, 1889 President Jefferson dies in New Orleans.

December 10, 1861 An act of Confederate Congress in Richmond admits Kentucky to the Confederacy, thus completing the thirteen states.

December 17, 1860 At Columbia, the South Carolina Secession Convention issues a resolution in favor of South Carolina seceding from the Federal Union known as the United States of America.

December 20, 1860 By a vote of 169 to 0, South Carolina adopts an Ordinance of Secession and the Union is dissolved.

Sovereignty "necessarily includes what we call the 'right of secession.' This right must be maintained" lest we establish a "colossal despotism" against which the founding fathers "uttered their solemn warnings."

The "Providence Evening Press"—Nov. 17, 1860

"I do believe that a single, consolidated government would become the most corrupt government on earth."—Thomas Jefferson

The Chaplain's Corner

Dear Sons, This is my last installment for the Chaplain's Corner. A new Chaplain, Dr. John Bumgardner, will be assuming responsibilities as Camp Chaplain. I have great confidence in John's abilities and I know he shares a commitment to the Sons of Confederate Veterans. I am now able to devote more time to my responsibility as 4th Brigade Chaplain. The last four years have been rewarding and challenging. You may be surprised to learn that it requires more time than you think to serve on Camp Staff. I would not change anything in the past years for I have grown as God's servant and now have an extended family of brothers of the SCV and sisters of the OCR. I pass the baton with a warm affection for every camp member. I look forward to the future as our camp grows and I hope to grow our friendships as well.

Now for the lesson. As the year comes to a close, let us be mindful of this holiday season. Oh, you say, we have all heard this before but my final request as your Chaplain, please take this to heart. Let us remember that if it were not for Jesus Christ, there would be no Christmas. I encourage all of you to experience a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Remember He died on the cross at Calvary to save you from your sins that you may have eternal life in heaven with Him IF you accept Him as your personal Savior. There is no other way. Once you have accepted Him as your Savior, live responsibly. Always be on your best behavior. Be the true southern gentleman God wants you to be. Be courteous and kind. Be helpful and considerate. Stand firm in the values and virtues of the Confederate soldier. Remember, as a SCV member, it is not about us; it is about that brave and glorious ancestor we are pledged to support. So when you come to the meetings, when you make that extra effort, you are honoring him. One day you will meet, and when you do, it will be with your head high or your head held low. It is up to you. It is your choice. No one can do this for you. Our camp is there for you, to support and nurture you. Let's rededicate next year to growing our camp with faith and fellowship. In Christ name and Love of the Confederacy, I am

Your humble servant

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