Sgt. James W. Sons of Confederate Veterans Nicholson **Louisiana Division** Camp #1478 **Stories from Dixie** May www.scv.org www.lascv.comm 2014 **UP-Coming Events During**



The "Sesquicentennial"

May 26 Nicholson Camp Meeting Pizza Inn, Ruston

June 3 **Confederate Memorial Day**

> June 3 Jackson Volunteers **Camp Meeting** Weston Firehouse

June 10 McGuire Camp Meeting BBQ West West Monroe, LA



I'm a Proud Descendant Of a Brave **Confederate Soldier**

June 12

Ward Camp Meeting Johnny's Pizza **Farmerville**, LA

June 17

Benton Camp Meeting Catfish Cabin Monroe, LA

June 23 Nicholson Camp Meeting Pizza Inn, Ruston

Meeting Date: Monday, May 26, 2013 Pizza Inn 1108 Cooktown Rd. Eating At 5:30 P. M. Meeting at 6:30 P.M. For Directions : Todd Owens: 548-2846 Donnie Kimbell:245-3401



CONFEDERATE

"To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit the vindication of the cause for which we fought. To your strength will be given the defence of the Confederate soldier's good name, the gaurdianship of his history, the emulation of his virtues, the perpetuation of those principles which he loved and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish."

> Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee, Commander General United Confederates Veterans, New Orleans, Louisiana, April 26, 1906.

Salute to the Confederate Flag

I salute the Confederate flag with affection, reverence, and undying devotion to the cause for which it stands.

May 26th Meeting Program

Our Program tonight Presented by Lt. Commander Donnie Kimbell **"Fort Pillow the Real Truth"**

We will also have a special guest for our meeting So act your best !!!!!! You never know who it might be.

Commander's Corner

Nicholson Camp Family,

As many of you know the Louisiana Division Reunion is coming up this Saturday on May 24 down in DeRidder. The event will take place at the War Memorial Civic Center starting at 9:00 Saturday morning and ending with a Awards Banquet on Saturday night. I would like to see as many of our members at the convention as possible We as members of the Nicholson camp NEED to be there and support our Louisiana Division.

It is also an election year in our division and several of our own members from the northern half of the state are running for office. Here is a run down of offices and candidates that are hopefuls for these offices.

Division Commander: Thomas Taylor Division 1st Lt. Commander: Donnie Kimbell Division 2nd Lt. Commander: J. C. Hanna NE Brigade Commander: Kevin Adkins NW Brigade Commander: Paul Gramling SW Brigade Commander: Chip Landry SE Brigade Commander: Richard Brians

Good Luck to each of these men, our compatriots, leading us into the future. God Bless the Sons of Confederate Veterans and God Bless the South !!!

Yours in the Bonds of the South, I remain,

Todd Owens Commander Sgt. James W. Nicholson Camp #1478

Lt. Commander's Corner

"Pillow Talk"

On April 14, 1864 a battle took place along the Mississippi River in Tennessee that would become one of the most debated actions of the War of Northern Aggression. The Union press, Secretary of War Edwin Stanton conspired to skew the truth about the battle. Stanton and several members of Congress created a "Congressional Investigation" that fabricated "facts" to start a propaganda campaign that would renew public interest in the Yankee war effort. It was very successful. Confederate Hero General Nathan Bedford Forrest was painted as a blood-thirsty devil who ordered the massacre. The lies of the "Fort Pillow Massacre" were told for so long, it has become accepted truth, even though later testimony of witnesses disproved Union accounts in the Congressional Record. General William T. Sherman acknowledged that Forrest could not be held personally responsible for it (the deaths)

So let's look at the truth. Here are a few facts brought out by some rational and unbiased researchers and authors:

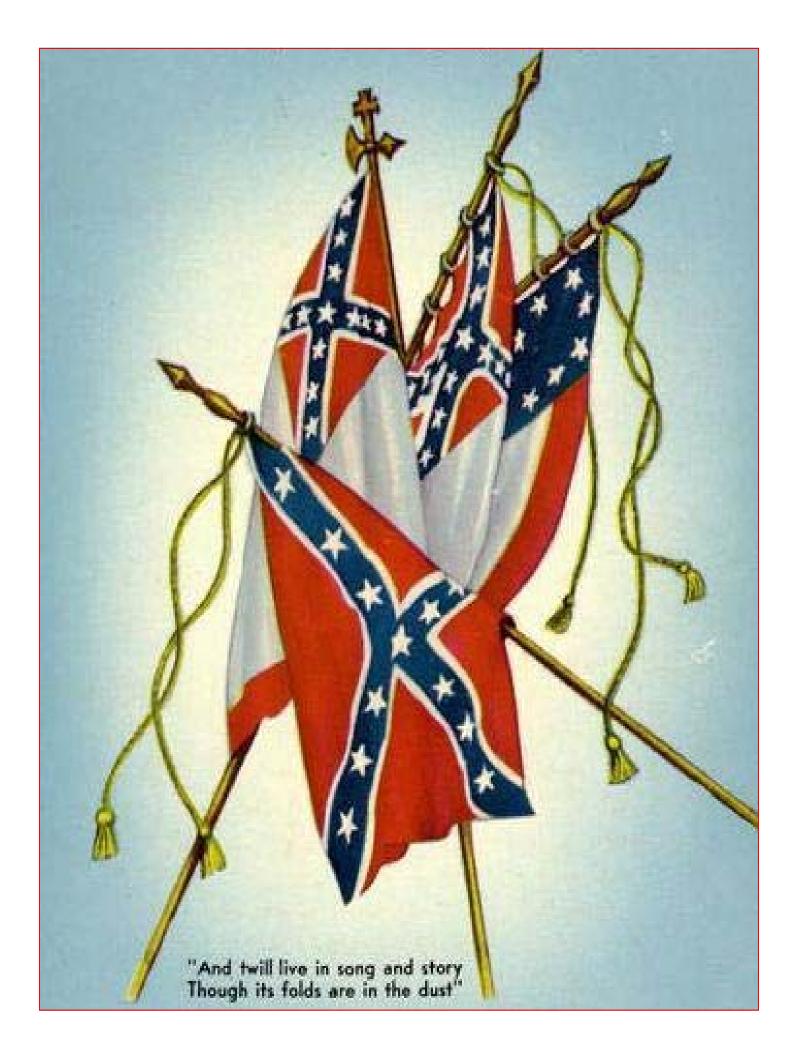
•Forrest informed the commander of Fort Pillow that the fort was surrounded and outmanned. Forrest gave more than ample opportunity for the peaceful surrender of the fort and assured that all combatants would be treated as prisoners-of-war. He informed the commander of the fort that he (Forrest) will not be responsible for the consequences if the fort had to be forcibly taken.

•The commander of the fort was actually using an alias.

•Black Union soldiers fought admirably and wanted to stay and fight. The first Union soldiers that turned tail were the white Tennessee Cavalry and white Union officers. The incompetence and inexperience of the white Union officers led to mass confusion in the ranks. One white Union soldier testified that no orders were given and not one soldier knew whether to surrender or fight or retreat. Unfortunately, this mass confusion led to the deaths of many men, white and black.

There are more interesting truths that I will talk about at our meeting next Monday. Don't miss it. Oh, we may have a special guest that night also.

Donald Kimbell 1st Lieutenant Commander









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Preserving Heritage while Honoring History

ATM Chaplain's Corner

Any Moment Now

The Word of God rings out with the truth that Jesus may come back at any moment. No one knows the day or the hour, but we have every reason to believe His coming is near. It could happen while you are reading this message. It could happen while we are in bed tonight or during the day tomorrow. The Scripture states, "For yet a little while, and He that shall come will come, and will not tarry." (Heb. 10: 37)

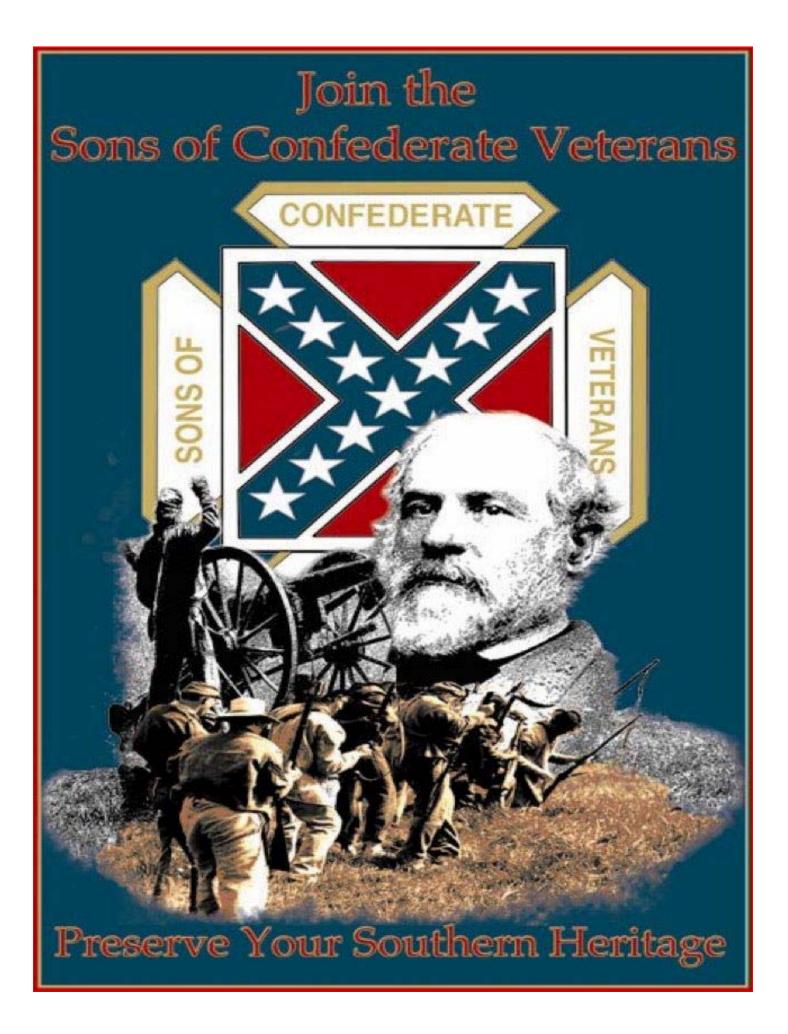
While the fact of His coming is an absolute certainty, the time of His coming is uncertain. God knew it best to withhold this fact from us. Consider the mother who tells her little girl, "I'm going to town, and I don't know exactly what time I'll return. But, if you keep your hands, face, and dress clean, I'll bring you a present." The little girl will do her best to stay clean so she will pass the test when her mother comes back. However, if the mother had told her she would not return until four o'clock, the child might not have cleaned up until three o'clock.

So, if Christ had said, "I will return at such-and-such a time on a certain day," many people might say, "I'll wait until the day before that time to get ready." In John 24: 44, Jesus warns us, "Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh." There are those so called "Bible Teachers" who seem to think they can predict the future. They may say that some event will take place, or something will happen before the return of our Lord. Like the evil servant in John 24: 48, what they are saying is, "My lord delayeth his coming."

The truth of His imminent return was for the whole church of all ages. If He had told us that He would return in the twenty-first century, the Christians of the first century would have felt it didn't apply to them. They might not have lived for Him as they should have. So He didn't give us the exact date of His coming, which means that all Christians of all ages are exhorted to live in the light of His return at any moment. It has been said, and rightly so, "If Jesus came back right this second, He would not owe an apology to anyone."

Jesus warns us in Matthew 25: 13, "Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh." So it is my prayer that every member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, or anyone else reading this message, will commit their lives to Christ, serve Him, follow Him, and be ready, because "The King is Coming." And, it could be any moment now.

Bro. Len Patterson, Th.D (Deceased) Army of Trans-Mississippi (Chaplain Emeritus) Sons of Confederate Veterans



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