



The Martz Missive

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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 defense of the Confederate soldier's good name, the guardianship 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. Remember, it is your duty to see that the true history of the South is presented to future generations.

Lt. General Stephen Dill Lee, New Orleans, 25 April 1906

Jackson & Ashby: Partners in Command

Coming April 27th - By Stephen Lee Ritchie

The very mention of the Valley Campaign of 1862 creates a mental picture, not of the majestic Shenandoah but of the brilliant but stoic commander of those events, Thomas Jonathan Jackson. Certainly the enigmatic "Stonewall" is central to any mention of warfare in the Valley. Similarly but no examination of the Valley Campaign can fail to reveal the contributions of General Jackson's chief subordinate, the "Knight of the Valley," General Turner Ashby. Both men of few words, their professional relationship was effective but plagued by controversy and confusion, yet somehow they found a way to conduct a tactical masterpiece that 150 years later is still the subject of military study. While not a battlefield study, "Partners in Command" examines the complicated personal relationship that was crucial to their success.

Mr. Stephen Lee Ritchie



Stephen Lee Ritchie holds degrees in both U.S. History and U.S. Government from Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana. He is a Staff Historian for the Civil War Education Association and for the past 15 years has been the Historian of the Civil War Institute at Shenandoah University in Winchester, Virginia. Steve is a founding member of the Kernstown Battlefield Association, and has also served on its Advisory Board.

An award-winning historian, in 1998 he was honored to be presented the Jefferson Davis Historical Gold Medal by the United Daughters of the Confederacy, in 2013, the Dr. William Woods Hassler Award for Civil War Studies by the Civil War Education Association and in 2014 the Robert E. Lee Gold Medal by the Sons of Confederate Veterans, the second highest award given by that organization.

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Adjutant's Report

The March 2015 monthly meeting of the Col. D. H. Lee Martz Camp #10, Sons of Confederate Veterans, was held on the 23rd at the Rockingham County administration center.

The adjutant had taken attendance as members arrived with the following present; Randy Atkins, Casey Billhimer, David Cash, Rod Clark, Leonard Derrer, Bill Fix, Frank Forbus, Dan Goodson, Delaney Hopkins, David Loker, Carl Marshall, Roger Miller, Bill Miller, Lloyd Monger, Wayne Orebaugh, Robert Pearson, Michael Rhodes, Will Shirkey, Lloyd Sprinkle, Tim Turner, Phil Way and Robert Weatherholtz and Tom Yeakle were present.

Commander Phil Way called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. Chaplain Lloyd Sprinkle gave the invocation. The Camp gave the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag. Salutes were given to the Virginia and Confederate flags.

David Cash moved to accept the February adjutant's report as printed in the March newsletter. Motion was seconded and passed.

Treasurer Lloyd Monger read the treasurer's report for March 2015. Lloyd Sprinkle moved to accept the treasurer's report as read. Motion was seconded and passed.

Officer Reports:

Commanders Communications/Orders:

Commander Way discussed Camp elections and officer positions encouraging compatriots to consider running for a position. Anyone new to a position will be trained. Camp 10 officer nominations will be in May with election at the June meeting.

Cmdr. Way asked past Cmdr. David Loker if he was willing to share with the camp. David said that he had been diagnosed with prostate cancer. He said he had been diagnosed by way of a PSA (prostate-specific antigen) test and encouraged everyone over 50 to get one. He has been getting hormone shots and will begin radiation treatments in May.

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Officer/Committee Reports:

Membership: Bill Miller reported two new members received their certificates last month. Another new member has applied and his membership is pending.

Heritage, History & Research: No report.

Programs & Publicity: Dan and Casey reported collecting approximately \$800 for the April Confederate Heritage proclamation.

Cmdr. Way confirmed there will be a brief dedication ceremony on the 27th at 6:00 pm for the new stones Camp 10 has placed at Woodbine Cemetery. Compatriots that are able please help put out the small flags at 9:00 am on the 27th.

Rod reported that Stephen Ritchie had confirmed that he could speak at the April 27th Confederate Memorial Day meeting. Rod said Stephen intended to speak on the personal relationship between Ashby and Jackson. Casey will get the information into the Daily News Record.

Headstones Markers & Monuments:

Rod Clark reported no changes at the Turner Ashby monument.

Rod reported that Rinker and Frye has all but four stones completed. He will work out delivery of the 21 (or 22?) stones.

UDC: Cmdr. Way read a letter from Ms. Linda Ridder inviting Camp 10 members to the April and May meetings of the Turner Ashby UDC. The April meeting is the first Thursday, 11 am at the Wood Grill with Teresa Roane speaking about Mennonites in the Confederacy. The May meeting will be held on the 7th, 11:15 am at the Holiday Inn with Gary Walker speaking on the Surrender at Appomattox.

New Business:

Discussion was held on attending the Virginia Division Convention. David Cash moved that the Camp pay \$108 each for two people to attend the convention. Motion was seconded and passed. Robert Weatherholtz moved for the Camp to provide \$50 for gas. Motion was seconded and passed. Will Shirkey and Frank Forbus committed to attending the business meeting.

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Lt. Cmdr. Wayne Orebaugh reported visiting Beauvoir where his wife had taken many pictures. He hopes to get them organized for viewing soon. Delaney Hopkins reported discovering a newspaper article in the HRHS Heritage Museum archives printed in June 1865 of the exchange rate of gold for Confederate notes.

Cmdr. Way reported the Living History Day at Grand Caverns is October 3rd this year.

Casey spoke on using Facebook to find another of his Confederate ancestors.

Will Shirkey spoke on the need to instill a sense of history in the younger generation.

Lloyd Monger had looked up James Edward Hanger in response to an email inquiry for information and read an article about the man he had found on Wikipedia.

David Cash moved to close the meeting. Motion was seconded and passed. Chaplain Sprinkle gave the benediction and Cmdr. Way closed the meeting at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Adjutant Tim Turner



Outstanding Camp Award – Camp 10
Virginia Division SCV



On behalf of the Camp, member Willard Shirkey accepts the 2015 Outstanding Camp Award from Virginia Division Adjutant Tony Griffin

1865 Published Exchange Rate

Submitted by Delaney Hopkins

VALUE OF CONFEDERATE MONEY.

MESSRS. EDITORS:--In consequence of numerous inquiries daily as to the price of gold for Confederate notes during a certain period, we have, for the convenience of our citizens who may have settlements to make, prepared a table from our books, showing actual sales from May 1, 1861, to May 1, 1865, which is at your service, and which we think proper to publish the same.

Very respectfully,

F. C. BARBER & SON,
Exchange Brokers.

AUGUSTA, GA., June, 1865.

PRICES OF GOLD FOR CONFEDERATE NOTES FROM MAY 1, 1861, TO MAY 1, 1865, INCLUSIVE.

1861,	Nov 15	15 50	for 1
May 1 to Oct 1	10 pr December 1	20	for 1
Oct 1 to Oct 15	12 pr December 15	21	for 1
Oct 15 to Nov 15	16 pr		1864
Dec 1	20 pr January 1	21	for 1
Dec 15	30 pr January 15	20	for 1
	February 1	20	for 1
1862,	February 15	21	for 1
Jan 1	20 pr March 1	26	for 1
Jan 15	25 pr March 15	20	for 1
Feb 1	40 pr April 1	19	for 1
Feb 15	60 pr April 15	21	for 1
March 1	65 pr May 1	20	for 1
March 15	75 pr May 15	18	for 1
April 1	80 pr July 1 to July 15	18	for 1
April 15	90 pr July 15 to Aug 15	20	for 1
May 1	90 pr August 15	20 50	for 1
May 15	95 pr September 1	20 50	for 1
June 1	2 for 1 September 15	22 50	for 1
June 15	2 for 1 October 1	27	for 1
July 1	2 for 1 October 15	25	for 1
July 15	2 20 for 1 Nov 1	26 50	for 1
August 1	2 20 for 1 Nov 15	28	for 1
August 15	2 50 for 1 December 1	32	for 1
Sept 1	2 50 for 1 December 15	25	for 1
Sept 15	2 50 for 1 December 31	51	for 1
Oct 1	3 for 1		1865.
Nov 1 to Dec 31			
1863.	January 1	60	for 1
Jan 1 to Feb	3 for 1 January 15	65	for 1
Feb 1 to March	3 10 for 1 February 1	50	for 1
March 1	3 25 for 1 February 15	48	for 1
March 15 to May 15	for 1 March 1	65	for 1
Mar 15	6 for 1 March 15	68	for 1
June 1	6 50 for 1 April 1	70	for 1
June 15	7 50 for 1 April 15	80	for 1
July 1	8 for 1 April 20	100	for 1
July 15	10 for 1 April 25	200	for 1
August 1	15 for 1 April 27	300	for 1
August 15	16 for 1 April 28	500	for 1
Sept 1	14 for 1 April 29	800	for 1
Sept 23	11 for 1 April 30	1000	for 1
October 1	13 for 1 May 1	1200	for 1
October 15	12 50 for 1		Which was the last actual
Nov 1	13 for 1		sale of Confederate notes.

Camp #10 Calendar

April

CAMP MEETING

MONDAY 27TH

WOODBINE CEMETERY

6:00 PM RE-DEDICATION CEREMONY FOR REPLACED STONES

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

7:00 PM PROGRAM: JACKSON & ASHBY: PARTNERS IN COMMAND

SPEAKER: PAST AIC MR. STEPHEN LEE RITCHIE

May

TURNER ASHBY UDC MEETING

THURSDAY 7TH 11:15 AM

HARRISONBURG HOLIDAY INN

SPEAKER: GARY WALKER

TOPIC: SURRENDER AT APPOMATTOX

CAMP MEETING

MONDAY 25TH 7:00 PM

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

June

CAMP MEETING

MONDAY 22ND 7:00 PM

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

July

SCV NATIONAL REUNION

JULY 14TH – 19TH

RICHMOND, VA

CAMP MEETING


MONDAY 27TH 7:00 PM

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

On the Web

Confederate History Month: An Embarrassing Abomination

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/jeff-schweitzer/confederate-history-month_b_7119936.html



Woodbine Cemetery Flag Days 2015

January 16:
Lee-Jackson Day

April 17:
Virginia's Secession from the Union

April 27:
Confederate Memorial Day

May 25:
American Memorial Day

June 6:
Death of Turner Ashby

November 11:
Veteran's Day

From The Editor

This is your newsletter. Any item of interest to the members of the Camp will be included. The right to make minor edits, if necessary, is reserved; this will obviously be kept to a minimum and only when absolutely necessary.

The deadline for submissions is ten (10) calendar days before the next monthly meeting.

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