

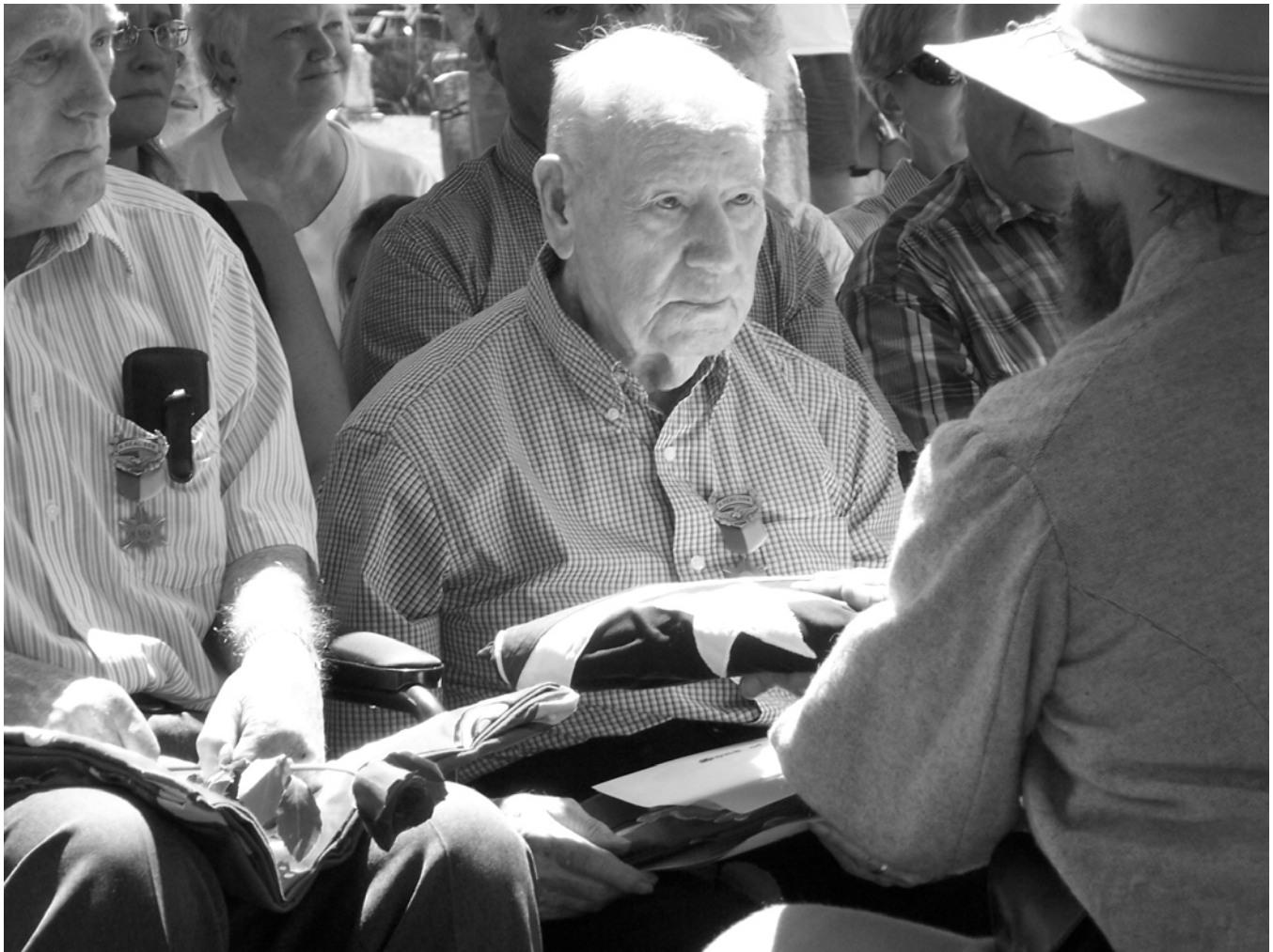
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Official Organ Of The
Samuel R. Watkins Camp #29
Sons of Confederate Veterans



Heritage of Honor

THE MT. PLEASANT CONFEDERATE MONUMENT

Submitted by Jason Boshers

On September 26, 1907, in the presence of an audience of approximately 4,000 people the Confederate Monument was unveiled on the public square at Mt. Pleasant. It is best described by one who was then present:

“Between the wide-stretched arms of Bigby Creek, in Maury County, lies the garden spot of Tennessee.” For a half century before the war for Southern rights the noted Bigby Valley was a seedbed for refinement and culture. The men who entered life in this surpassingly fertile region were born to wealth, honor and power. Yet three generations of luxury since the clearing of Bigby canebrakes had not weakened the fiber of their manhood nor dulled the keen edge of their patriotic spirit. Prompt as they were practical in protest against sectional coercion, they were among the earliest to offer for the Confederate service. Neither delaying nor holding back the best, Bigby Valley ungrudgingly gave to the cause her sixteen-year-old boys of promise, her choice young men of twenty-five. It was the hope and pride of each Bigby family who hastened in the early spring of 1861 to join the company being then organized in the village of Mt. Pleasant by Captain (afterwards Col.) Fount Wade under the name of “Bigby Greys’ a picked band that was one of the first ten companies of Tennessee Volunteers enlisted in the war. At Nashville on May 16th, they were mustered in as Company C of the 3rd Tennessee Infantry. Few came back to the beautiful Valley unmaimed or alive, except as their memories persist in the hearts of their grateful countrymen. In such sense, indeed, they, with all good Confederates, still live. Nor shall they die so long as tongue can tell and ear receive the folk tales of their valor, and so long as there remains a fragment of this monument.

“The shaft here pictured was erected by the Mt. Pleasant chapter, U.D.C., called “Bigby Greys,’ on the spot were forty-seven years before, the Bigby Greys had made their vows of war and accepted their virgin banner from the hands of a typical Bigby maiden, Miss Matt Dobbins. This granite testimonial of the devotion and reverence of the people of this section for that noble army of heroes occupies a prominent position in the center of the public square, and is surmounted by a chastely carved figure of a Confederate soldier, standing erect with musket in hand, facing the rising sun.”

1861 – 1865

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IT IS OURS – “*Let Us Love It-Let Us Protect It.*”

The Bigby Grey Chapter of the U.D.C. had been organized some years before and had devoted much time and effort to the objects of the organization.

For the dedication an excellent program was arranged. Senator E.W. Carmack and Judge S.F. Wilson made speeches. Congressman L. P. Padgett and Capt. John W. Morton were present. Dr. C.Y. Clarke, Chief Marshall, arranged the parade led by a fine band and many veterans. Then came a beautiful float drawn by four white horses occupied by 13 beautiful young ladies representing the 13 Confederate states. Hon. Percy Chandler, Mrs. J.G. Frierson and Mrs. J.B. Bond took part in the ceremony. The carriage occupied by Senator Carmack and Mrs. J. Tate Jenkins, who was most active in the organization, was among the first. The young ladies who pulled the cords unveiling the monument were Mary Dale Craige, Bessie Craige, Blanche Erwin, Alice Bullock, Vera Cross, Minnie Smith, Virginia Ricketts, Florence Reynolds, Media Jones, Fannie Nowlin, Carrie Bauchamp, Mamie Powers and Louise Wilkins.

Program committee, Mrs. Tate Jenkins, President: Mesdames Sid Goodloe, C.Y. Clarke, L.L. Frierson and Misses Irene Irwin and Mary Dale Craige.

Reception committee, Mesdames J.T. Jenkins, A.W. Southworth, G.W. Killebrew, John Goodloe, William Long, Agnes Kittrell and F.M. Ricketts.

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Chapter XI—Dalton



Gen. Joe Johnston Takes Command

Before General Joseph E. Johnston took command of the Army of Tennessee, the soldiers were very poorly fed, it is true, but the blame was not entirely attributable to General Bragg. He issued enough and more than enough to have bountifully fed his army, but there was a lot of men in the army, generally denominated commissaries, and their "gizzards," as well as fingers, had to be greased. There was commissary-general, then corps commissary, then division commissary, then brigade commissary, then regimental commissary, then company commissary. Now, you know were you to start a nice hindquarter of beef, which had to pass through all these hands, and every commissary take a choice steak and roast off it, there would be but little ever reach the company, and the poor man among the Johnnies had to feast like bears in winter--they had to suck their paws--but the rich Johnnies who had money could go to almost any of the gentlemen denominated commissaries (they ought to have been called cormorants) and buy of them much nice fat beef and meal and flour and sugar and coffee and nice canvassed hams, etc. I have done it many times. They were keeping back the rations that had been issued to the army, and lining their own pockets. But when General Johnston took command, this manipulating business played out. Rations would "spile" on their hands. Othello's occupation was gone. They received only one hundred and forty dollars a month then, and the high private got plenty to eat, and Mr. Cormorant quit making as much money as he had heretofore done. Were you to go to them and make complaint, they would say, "I have issued regular army rations to your company, and what is left over is, mine," and they were mighty exact about it.

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DR. C. T. QUINTARD

Dr. C. T. Quintard was our chaplain for the First Tennessee Regiment during the whole war, and he stuck to us from the beginning even unto the end. During week days he ministered to us physically, and on Sundays spiritually. He was one of the purest and best men I ever knew. He would march and carry his knapsack every day the same as any soldier. He had one text he preached from which I remember now. It was "the flying scroll." He said there was a flying scroll continually passing over our heads, which was like the reflections in a looking-glass, and all of our deeds, both good and bad, were written upon it. He was a good doctor of medicine, as well as a good doctor of divinity, and above either of these, he was a good man per se. Every old soldier of the First Tennessee Regiment will remember Dr. C. T. Quintard with the kindest and most sincere emotions of love and respect. He would go off into the country and get up for our regiment clothing and provisions, and wrote a little prayer and song book, which he had published, and gave it to the soldiers. I learned that little prayer and song book off by heart, and have a copy of it in my possession yet, which I would not part with for any consideration. Dr. Quintard's nature was one of love. He loved the soldiers, and the soldiers loved him, and deep down in his heart of hearts was a deep and lasting love for Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of the world, implanted there by God the Father Himself.

June 19 MINUTES

On Tuesday June 19, 2007, the Samuel R. Watkins Camp #29 assembled for the sixth official meeting of the year. Camp meeting mainly focused on the discussion of Mt. Pleasant, Tenn. Confederate Monument re-dedication and organization of a color guard..

7:00PM- meeting called to order by Camp Commander, Kenneth Lovett. Meeting begins with prayer. Following prayer, the Camp says pledges to the U.S. Flag and salute to the Camp Confederate flag.

7:04PM- Lovett makes motion to accept minutes from last meeting as posted in the Webfoot newsletter—motion seconded by Compatriot Howard Roberson—no objections.

Communications:

None reported.

Reports:

7:05PM- Camp Sergeant at Arms, Jason Boshers spoke to the camp regarding the upcoming Mt. Pleasant, TENN Bigby Grays Confederate monument re-dedication. He stated that he had been in contact with the city and that a date of September 30th had been set. Boshers also noted that the UDC and other groups had been notified of the event including the Tennessee Division Internet 'Echo' which serves as a listserv for subscribed members.

Old Business:

7:16PM- Commander Lovett inquires to Adjutant, Jack Taylor if all matters regarding the Liberty Church of Christ Cemetery had been resolved. Taylor replied that he had not spoken with DuBois but it was understood that the camp's interest in the matter had been dissolved officially at the May 15 meeting but personal interest was up to anyone's discretion. Taylor inquired to Compatriot Johnny Eskew if he knew any more on the matter. Eskew replied he knew nothing and had heard nothing but then stated that he had spoken with Tom DuBois regarding the matter and that he had also spoken with the District Attorney, Mike Bottoms. and Tennessee Division Commander, Michael Bradley. He stated that the Division would not work on the cemetery matter since the property didn't belong to the Division. No other matters regarding the cemetery was discussed.

News:

7:25PM- Boshers goes over with the camp regarding the recent ceremony that inducted two real sons of Confederate Veterans into the SCV. He said the ages of the men were 97, 94 and one sister at age 90. He also stated that it would behoove men in the camp to join the Tennessee 'Echo' which serves as a E-mail/listserv voice for the Tennessee Division of the SCV

New Business/proposals:

7:31PM- Adjutant Jack Taylor goes over the newsletter and that he needed some assistance for materials to be added to it. He then went over the upcoming Mt. Pleasant, Tenn. Bigby Grays Monument dedication and that he was working with the company that made the camp pins for a 100th anniversary Bigby Grays monument pin.

Boshers interjects with news regarding the monument plan and then goes over the Color Guard proposal. He stated that currently he had James Smith, Andy Hall (Haystack), Howard Roberson and himself as potential recruits.

7:40PM—motion made to adjourn; meeting adjourned.

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His remains were recovered during salvage operations and are being conveyed to Camp 11 from the Navy Historic Center through the gracious services of the CSS Alabama Association.

Ceremonies will consist of a Memorial Service, Wake, Funeral Procession, and Interment in Confederate Rest of Mobile's Magnolia Cemetery.

His Memorial Service will be conducted July 26, 2007, in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Mobile, Alabama.

His Wake will be in the home of Admiral Raphael Semmes on Government Street, on July 28, 2007.

The Funeral Procession, route yet to be finalized, will take place July 28, 2007, culminating at Confederate Rest in Mobile's Magnolia Cemetery, wherein this patriot's remains will be interred among approximately 1100 of his fellow Confederate war dead.

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ON THE COVER:

Real Confederate Sons ,Frank Walsh (97) and Robert Walsh (95) are presented a Confederate Battle flag in honor of their father Pvt. Pat Walsh of Morton's Battery who was honored at a special ceremony .

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Event hosted by numerous local groups. Keep checking back with the Sam Watkins camp to stay informed on the event. Times and events are still tentative and in the planning stages. YOUR help is appreciated!

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