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Ed Moon, Commander

Gentlemen,

This is a very abbreviated version of The Sentinel this month. Editor John Whatley is experiencing computer problems that have left him unable to produce the fine newsletter that you are accustomed to. We hope to have these problems resolved in the near future. Until then we appreciate your patients.

Executive Committee
Secession Camp # 4

The Charge

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.

*Lt. General Stephen D. Lee, Commander General, United Confederate Veterans
New Orleans,
1906*



From the Commander

Compatriots,

Happy New Year!

The Sesquicentennial has kicked off and 2011 will be a full year of activity. The apologist and Confederacy haters are in full attack (lying) mode to only tell a part of the reasons and cause of Secession. We must remain on our guard with these self-important, ratchet jawed, spreaders of half truths, and lies, but we must not stoop to their level and lie about the War Between the States.

The Secession Gala and Play was a grand event and a great kick-off to the next 4 years. I spoke to no one who was disappointed with the event. I wish that each of you could have attended. A DVD will be available for sale in the next few months, of the play: "South Carolina Secedes".

The Lee-Jackson Banquet will be held on the 22nd of January at the Washington Light Infantry building on Meeting Street. Dr. Eric Emerson will give his talk on Robert E. Lee, Thomas J. Jackson and their decision to serve their state with the Confederacy and not the union. Tickets are \$30.00 each and include light hors d'oeuvres and dinner, with a possibility of some adult beverages on site. Please contact Bennie Slay (559-2976) or John Genes (747-2525) for more information.

The Stephen Dill Lee Institute will be returning to Charleston this February on the 4th and 5th at the Francis Marion Hotel. Please visit the site at www.stephendillleeinstitute.com for more information and to register. The subject of this years institute is Lincoln v Jefferson: Opposing Visions of America. Secession Camp might be asked to help with some of the staffing at the event.

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SECESSION CAMP WILL HOLD IT'S NEXT MEETING ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 18TH AT THE KNIGHTS OF PHYTHIAS BUILDING LOCATED AT 1968 BELGRADE AVENUE NEAR SAM RITTENBURG BOULEVARD (HWY. 7), IN CHARLESTON. DINNER WILL BE SERVED AT 6:30 PM AND THE MEETING WILL GET STARTED AT 7:00 PM.

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FROM THE COMMANDER

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The South Carolina Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans will host South Carolina Night with a Meet the Speakers Reception on Friday evening, February 4, 2011 at 7pm. This unique program will allow the South Carolina Division to cordially greet the attendees of the Stephen Dill Lee Institute and show the hospitality made famous by Charlestonians and South Carolinians in general. Our guests will enjoy light hors d'oeuvres and music. The Stephen Dill Lee speakers will be in attendance to meet our guests, sign books and talk history in a casual and relaxed atmosphere. This cost is \$25.00 with all proceeds going to the Stephen Dill Lee Scholarship Program, for students to attend. A cash bar will also be provided.

Friday's featured speaker is Dr. David Aiken of the Citadel and the College of Charleston. Dr. Aiken will speak on one of his favorite topics: "The Burning of Columbia and the Bombardment of Charleston.....Seen through the Eyes of William Gilmore Simms".

Registration for the Institute is \$150 per person with a discounted rate of \$125 for SCV members and family, students, and teachers. The registration fee will include all institute lectures plus breakfast, dinner and a banquet meal on Saturday night.

The Camp will sponsor the South Carolina Division Convention this 8th and 9th of April. We will need a number of volunteers to help Friday night and during the day on Saturday. Member from across the state will be in attendance so we will need to put on a good show. Chairman Bill Norris will be asking for your help at the next 3 meetings before the convention. Please give all the support that you can.

South Carolina Division Commander Mark Simpson is scheduled to speak at the January meeting and is always entertaining and informative. Please bring a friend to the next meeting to meet Commander Simpson.

Deo Vindice,

Ed Moon

**Secession Camp # 4
Meeting of December 20, 2010**

| | Yes | No | |
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| Appropriate Flag Displayed | X | | |
| SCV Charge Read | X | | |
| Invocation | X | | Program the Life of Wade Hampton |
| Presentation of Colors | X | | Speaker: Eddie Rogers |
| Reading and Approval of Minutes | | X | |
| Reading and Approval of Financial Report | | X | |

Remarks: **36 Members:** and **Christmas Party Guests:** were in attendance

- **SCV Charge** was given by **Commander Ed Moon**
- **Invocation** given by **Chaplain Gene Patrick**
- **Salute to the Flags** led by **Color Sgt Alan Bailie**
- **The cooks** were then recognized for the meal. **Mess Corporal Don Pace** was assisted by **Don Petty, Perry Patrick, Ed Vaughn, Cindy Petty,** and everyone who showed up.
- **Commander Moon** gave the guidelines for Compatriot of the Year
- **Treasurer Buck Perry** made motion to skip the business portion of the meeting. Motion carried
- **Bobby Gorman** of the Graves & Registration Chairman recognized the following Compatriots who helped in the clean-up of Battery Cheves on November 20, 2010: **Bobby Gorman, Bob Gissell, John Genes, Tony Genes, and Alan Bailey.** **Commander Moon thanked these men.**
- **Commander Randy Burbage** gave the report on the Secession Gala.
- **2nd Lt Commander John B. Waring:** Introduced the speaker, **Eddie Rogers** who was dressed as General Wade Hampton. **Speaker Rogers** gave a most informative and enjoyable talk on the life of Wade Hampton.
- **1st Lt. Commander Benny Slay** mentioned to the camp that the tickets for the Lee Jackson event are on sale. The speaker will be **Dr. Eric Emerson,** subject yet to be determined.
- **Commander Moon** asked for nominations of Compatriots of the year. The following compatriots were nominated: **Bill Norris** nominated **David Rentz,** **Randy Burbage** nominated **Bobby Gorman, and Benny Slay** nominated **Michael Dixon.** Reasons were given to the camp for why these persons should be Compatriot of the Year by the persons giving the nominations. Ballots were passed out to the camp and the winner will be announced at the Lee Jackson Banquet.
- **Commander Moon** asked if any compatriots had anything to announce for the good of the camp.
- **Treasurer Buck Perry** made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and carried.
- **Final Benediction** given by **Chaplain Gene Patrick**
Ended with the singing of Dixie.

Minutes Prepared by: 2nd Lt Commander John B. Waring & Adjutant Elmore Marlow