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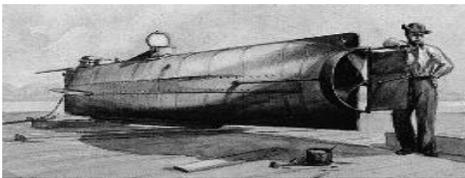
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## Hunley Memorial Service

By Bill Norris



This year's Hunley Memorial Service was held on Sunday, February 17, the actual date of the 144<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the H.L. Hunley's historic mission. Located on the banks of Breach Inlet on Sullivans Island, where the Hunley sailed into history, the Sunrise Presbyterian Church was near full capacity. Those in attendance came to pay their respects to the Hunley's eight brave crewmen and the five U.S. seamen who lost their lives on the U.S. Housatonic that night in 1864. The service began with the entrance of 13 widows dressed in "period black" escorted by Confederate and Union soldiers. Pastor Vance Polley addressed the audience and gave the opening prayer followed by the featured speaker, Division Commander **Randy Burbage**. Commander Burbage gave an inspiring talk on the events of February 17, 1864, followed by the Charleston Sub Vets who presented each widow with a rose as the name of each crewman was called out. The final part of the service featured Compatriot **George Naumann** reading the sailor's poem, "Crossing the Bar." At the end of the service the widows were escorted out, followed by those in period dress, and then the audience. All gathered, then made the progression across the street to the beach at Breach Inlet, where a wreath was laid in the water as a blue light flickered across the inlet. Confederate re-enactors fired a three round musket salute, followed by the firing of five period artillery pieces. As usual it was a very moving experience for all. The local media showed up to report the event as well. If you missed it, make every effort to attend next years service.

## *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*



## General Cheatham at Kennesaw Mountain

By John Whatley

Confederate General Joseph E. Johnston, after leading a Fabian retreat through most of North Georgia, now moved into position at Kennesaw Mountain just north of the Chattahoochee River and Atlanta. The Confederates occupied an east-bending fishhook line anchored along Olley's Creek to the south, north along Cheatham Hill, Pigeon Hill, and the two Kennesaws', then moving east and curving to the southeast along what is now US41. Typical of Confederate entrenchments during the latter part of The War, these were heavy fortifications backed by artillery batteries. But after weeks of plodding through north Georgia's heat and humidity, and outmaneuvering the Confederates, Union General William T. Sherman's commanders were demanding an attack be made for morale purposes and this seemed like a good place. This battle, fought June 27th, 1864, would be Sherman's worst defeat of the entire Atlanta campaign. With his larger armies, Sherman could easily string out Johnston's forces. His plan was to gradually extend on the Confederate left and right flanks in hopes of thinning the Confederate lines. Hopefully Johnston would take troops from his center to compensate. Then Sherman would attack and break the center with two large forces, defeat the Confederates piecemeal, and the campaign would be over. The attacks of course would fall against Confederate commanders not likely to move even considering overwhelming odds. To the north James McPherson's attack would fall against Samuel G. French on Pigeon Hill, a boulder-strewn rise with tangled undergrowth. ( *Gen. Cheatham....cont. p. 5* )



Undated photo of Maj. Gen. Benjamin F. Cheatham.

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**SECESSION CAMP WILL HOLD IT'S NEXT MEETING ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH AT THE KNIGHTS OF PHYTHIAS BUILDING LOCATED AT 1820 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.**

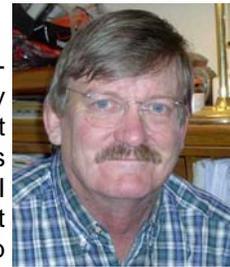
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### FROM THE COMMANDER

My Fellow Compatriots,

I'm still getting use to the idea of being commander of our fine organization but I think it's coming together. My first meeting as commander went pretty well except for the unfortunate task of reporting the resignation of Compatriot **Jimmy Wheeler** as Chairman of the Highway Clean-up Committee. Jimmy has done an excellent job for the past four years and on behalf of Secession Camp I want to thank him for his service. On the up-side I can report that Compatriot **Michael Dixon** has agreed to take over as Chairman of the Highway Clean-up Committee. Not only Michael but his whole family, including wife Penny and son Compatriot **Joey**, have been helping with the clean-up for several years now. I'm sure Michael will be able to move right into his new role and continue the excellent job that Jimmy was doing. Thanks for stepping up Michael. In other news around the camp, we will be looking into the production of a camp "Challenge Coin." These coins, of a historical nature, are being minted by several camps in the Division for the members to carry as good luck pieces and symbols of their camp. Another program Secession Camp is proud to support in the JROTC H.L. Hunley Medal Program. West Ashley High School has asked to participate in the program again this year and we will be awarding a medal to a deserving JROTC student there this spring. Compatriot's **Louie Warmouth** and **Bryan Riddle** will be looking for volunteers soon to help with the upcoming Camp Yard Sale and the Fourth Annual Confederate Heritage Ride, so please make plans to help out. I'd also like to welcome our two newest members to Secession Camp, Compatriots **Edward Picquet** and **William Vanzuylen**. In closing, remember if you have any ideas or suggestions for the camp, I'm ready to listen.



Your Compatriot in Southern Heritage,  
Bill Norris, Commander



Our February speaker, Col. John Whatley, spoke to our camp about the scarcely praised but vital contributions of black Confederates toward the Southern cause. John is a Confederate re-enactor and Commander of the 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade of the Ga. State Line and a retired artillery officer in the US Army. He is also a fine writer (please see his article on Gen. Cheatham). Secession Camp thanks John for an informative evening and for the newsletter contribution.

### NEW CAMP MEMBERS



Bringing in new members is the life blood of any organization and Secession Camp is proud to have inducted two new members into the fold at the February meeting. Shown here taking the oath are new Compatriots Edward Picquet And William Van Zuylen, Jr. As always we are glad to have new men in our camp and to fellowship in our Southern heritage as members of the SCV. Welcome aboard!

### FROM THE CHAPLAIN

Compatriots:

I would like to thank those who were able to support the USS Housatonic and H. L. Hunley 144th Anniversary Memorial Service on February 17, 2008. It was a memorable event. Events such as this will ensure "the true history of the South is presented to future generations".



Easter is approaching it is also a day of remembrance of the sacrifice and hope given us that we may know there is a place for us beyond the grave. We have the promise:

"In my Fathers house there are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you." (John 14:2,)

It is our prayer they who have gone before us look favorably upon our efforts to honor their sacrifice.

Compatriot Jimmy Wheeler will have corrective surgery on his leg in March.

Please remember those who are unable to share with us due to illness, it is our prayer that they be blessed and return to good health. Continue to remember Compatriots Dickinson, Jacobs, and Heidtmann in your prayers.

I am always available at 843-871-9713 or by e-mail, smabie@earthlink.net. Please feel free to contact me at any time.

Sy Mabie  
Chaplain

### *In Memory of My Confederate Ancestors*

Private Wesley P. Beach  
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Capitan George W. Way  
11th SC Infantry  
Corporal Beverly Rodgers  
Co. F 1st Local Troops, GA (Augusta)  
  
Deo Vindice  
Clyde W. Rogers

### CAMP SUPPER

The Chili dinner with Rice that warmed our bellies on a cold February night was prepared by Mess Corporal **Don Pace** and his crew. Last month Compatriots **Dan Pinson, Don Petty, Bob Dandridge and Perry Patrick**, gave Don a hand. Just as usual these folks came in long before the meeting to cook for us (and clean-up after us) and we owe them our thanks for another fine meal. Remember without volunteers like these we would not be able to enjoy a good supper together at camp meetings so please let them know how much we appreciate what they do for us and think about volunteering to help Don's crew sometime. Everyone should try and help with camp duties when they can. At the March meeting Don and the crew will be cooking Hot Dogs with Chili & Onions, Pork and Beans, Iced tea and dessert. Good Southern food, good Southern company!

**General Cheatham at Kennesaw Mountain...cont. from p. 1**

Confederates here looked out over their foe and shot them down from behind thousands of natural entrenchments. To the south George Thomas' attack would fall against Patrick Cleburne and Benjamin Franklin Cheatham, two real battlefield brawlers on the Confederate side, whose troops fairly loved combat. Dug in on what is today called Cheatham's Hill and the high ground to the Dallas Road, the troops were protected by a log wall with banked dirt in front and entrenchments so deep a man could load without being seen. Out in front were the usual chevaux-de-frise and felled trees. On the flanks were forts bristling with artillery. The position was built for the defense.

The Yankee attack to the north was broken up by first a boggy area, then an artillery attack from Little Kennesaw, and finally concealed Confederates. Pigeon Hill was steeper than anticipated and the Confederates merely had to lean over and shoot down any bluecoat coming up. Part of the attack even broke up when it reached a perpendicular wall of rock, and the Confederates rolled boulders on them. In two hours the Yankees lost 850 and the attacks were called off.

To the south the Yankees fared not much better. One of the attacking Union divisions, Jefferson C. Davis', formed in lines of regiments and brigades to overwhelm the Confederates. The other division, John Newton's, attacked in columns of massed regiments, two companies wide, five companies deep. That meant it would have to redeploy for the final attack. Two other divisions would cover their flanks. Behind them Thomas was massing reserve troops to exploit any advantage. Once the Confederate lines were broken, these reserves would rush in.

The initial attack overwhelmed only the Confederate skirmish line, who were either killed or captured. But when the blue lines advanced further, entrenched Confederates and the artillery opened fire. Newton's front was mowed down and could not redeploy for the attack. Newton called on his reserve third brigade for help, but as it advanced out of the treeline it attracted the attention of the Confederate artillery who fired on it with canister. A final Union charge was beaten back by the Confederates and the attackers broke off.

Davis' attack seemed to fare better. He also attacked with two brigades, keeping one in reserve. The attack went well at first, although broken up by a wooded creek, until the units entered a wheat field. Confederates took deadly aim as the Yankees began a run at the entrenchments. Here the Yankees would fight hand-to-hand with the Confederates – and here they would suffer another defeat.

Just as the Yankees seemed destined to win, Confederates opened on them with volleys and two batteries of artillery joined in. Surviving Union troops charged toward an area called the Dead Angle. Confederate troops rushed there too. The Union troops, now attacking in waves, were beat back a wave at a time, some Confederates throwing stones when their rifles became fouled, and the surviving Yankees entrenched in a safe area. For the remaining days the two sides would face each other.

On July 29th a truce was called along Cheatham's front. Several days of lying in hot Georgia sun had caused the dead to putrefy. Bodies presented "a revolting appearance, as black as negroes and enormously swollen, fly blown and emitting in intolerable stench." A New York Tribune reporter noted, "We gained a footing alongside the enemy on the hill, but made the ground a vast cemetery of our heroic dead." According to the terms of the truce, both sides would stand in front of their breastworks while burial parties buried the dead in a trench dug between the lines.

While this was going on, the troops from each side got together for a little trading and fraternization. Southern tobacco was traded for Northern coffee and newspapers were swapped. In the fraternizing crowd was Gen. Cheatham.

Cheatham was over six feet tall and weighed over 200 pounds, large for the mid-nineteenth century. He grew up on a 2400-acre family plantation, Westover, on the Cumberland River and served with distinction during the Mexican War. He had served as a general in every major campaign of the Army of Tennessee and now commanded a division composed entirely of troops from his home state, Tennessee. He was profane, fond of horse racing, and took a drink – some claimed too often – but his men loved him.

During the truce Cheatham was dressed in "nothing but a rough pair of grey pants tucked under the tops of an unpolished pair of boots, a blue flannel shirt and rough felt hat. . . ." No rank appeared anywhere. One Yankee assumed Cheatham was a private, asked him for a drink from his canteen, and attempted to put his arms around Cheatham's neck. At this point Col. Horace Rice of the 29th Tennessee finally revealed who Cheatham was. "A forty-pound shot thrown into their midst would not have produced a greater sensation than did this announcement," recalled an eyewitness. Yankee troops dashed back to their trenches to get paper, pens, and autograph papers for Cheatham to sign. And Cheatham obliged. Cheatham, speaking to the enemy gathered around him, said, "It is useless for you to keep up this contest. We don't expect to whip you, and you can't whip us, so you will after awhile get tired of the war and let us alone."

The burial details having finished their grisly work, the troops having wished each other good luck and returned to their respective trenches, the truce ended. The next day Sherman began his flanking maneuver again.

Special thanks for this great article goes out to Col. Whatley, our February speaker on "Black Confederates", owner of the St. Brendan Press, and is the author of "The Typical Georgia Confederate".

## MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 15TH MEETING

Recorded by Adjutant **Elmore Marlow**

|  | Yes | No                         |
|--|-----|----------------------------|
| Appropriate Flag Displayed                                       | X   |                            |
| SCV Charge Read  | X   |                            |
| Invocation   | X   | Program Black Confederates |
| Presentation of Colors   | X   |                            |
| Reading and Approval of Minutes                                  |     | Speaker John Whatley       |
| Reading and Approval of Financial Report                         |     |                            |
| Remarks: 59 members and 8 guests for a total of 67 in attendance |     |                            |

- SCV Charge was given by Commander Bill Norris
- Invocation given by Wayne Clark
- Salute to the Flags given by Loren O'Donnell
- The cooks were then recognized for the meal. Head chef Don Pace was assisted by Perry Patrick, Robert Dandridge, and Danny Pinson.
- Introduction of guest included several SCV members from Moultrie Camp.
- The speaker was John Whatley, who is a retired artillery officer with 23 years service in the U. S. Army. He is a Confederate re-enactor and Commander of the 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade of the Ga. State Line. It is well known that General Stonewall Jackson had over 3,000 armed black troops under his command. It was also reported by a Michigan soldier that when they were attacked by General Nathaniel Bedford Forrest that armed black soldiers were noted throughout the ranks. A black Confederate sharpshooter was given credit for killing Union officer Major Theodore Rumpert, who was also an abolitionist from Massachusetts. The truth is there were many blacks who served the Confederacy in many different ways.
- An amendment to the September, 2007 was read by Adjutant, Elmore Marlow. Due to an oversight, the minutes did not include three new members who were admitted into Secession Camp. Former Commander Ed Moon's father, Edward Clarence Moon, Jr. and two brothers, Steven Todd Moon, and James Binford Moon. While these men all reside out of town, they were voted on and approved for membership at the September meeting. We apologize for this omission and would like to welcome these Compatriots into Secession Camp.
- Treasurers Report - Buck Perry was not present and Bill Norris read the report. A beginning balance of \$6,859.90 with deposits of \$642.50. Expenses were \$75.00 for National dues, \$35.00 for Division dues, \$128.66 for the printing newsletter and postage, \$247.56 for the Lee/Jackson Banquet. Total expenses were \$486.22, which left a balance of \$7016.18. There are two checks which still have not cleared. One is \$25.00 for National dues and \$15.00 for Division dues. Last months report failed to state that there were outstanding checks which resulted in an improper balance.
- Committee Reports: Jimmy Wheeler has resigned as highway cleanup chairman but reported that the highway cleanup which took place on February 2, resulted in 50 bags of trash and a numerous amount of wood and trash. Jimmy has done a great job and will be missed as chairman. Andy Langdale reported that three applications were turned in to him since last meeting. Louie Warmoth reported that the yard sale is scheduled for April, 26<sup>th</sup>. This will take place at his shop located at the intersection of Main and River Roads on Johns Island. If you have items to donate, contact Louie at 813-2783.
- The Resolution was read for former member, Melvin Vincent Barrineau. A framed copy of this will be presented to his wife by the Adjutant.
- Brian Riddle will be the chairman of this years Heritage Ride and will have the first meeting at the next camp meeting.
- New Business: Two candidates were voted on and inducted. William Vanzuylen, Jr. and Edward Picquet are the newest members of Secession Camp. (February Minutes cont. p, 7 )

## HERITAGE WATCH by Bill Norris

This month's Heritage violator is unfortunately another Southern city council. It is truly amazing and sad that even our own cities are violating our Southern heritage. Such is the case with the Ringgold, GA City Council. In 2005 the City of Ringgold completed restoration work on the Ringgold Depot historic site and added a brick walkway, with bricks bearing the names of about 750 Confederate soldiers who embarked from the station to fight in various theaters of the war. The local SCV camp purchased and contributed a Confederate fieldpiece as a centerpiece for the memorial area and four flags, including the Confederate Battle Flag, were installed on poles at the site. Soon after the flags were installed the local NAACP told the city council that they were offended by the presence of the Confederate Battle Flag and shortly after that the Battle Flag was removed and replaced with a Hardee-pattern unit flag, a white oval on a dark blue field, that was carried by most of the Confederate units involved in the Battle of Ringgold Gap in November of 1863. The SCV and others criticized the council's decision on grounds that the Hardee flag was not the only flag used at the Battle of Ringgold Gap and not representative of all the Confederate soldiers who passed through the Depot during the war. The Southern Legal Resource Center's Roger McCredie recently penned a letter to all council members requesting that the Battle Flag be restored to its rightful place at the Depot. Unfortunately our flag has still not been returned to the Depot. The fact that it's not even acceptable to fly the Battle Flag at a historically appropriate site is proof of the NAACP's total intransigency. Even sadder is the fact that Southern cities no longer have the courage to stand up for our Southern Heritage and what is right. If you're ever in Ringgold, GA stop by the Depot and make sure you let them know what you think about their treatment of our flag.

*Camp minutes cont. from p. 6...*

- An SCV membership certificate was presented to Jack Merritt, who was inducted in January.
- Randy Burbage said that the South Carolina Division Convention will be March 14 & 15 in Columbia and encouraged members to go. The camp gave their support to Leland Summers, who is running for 1<sup>st</sup>. Lt. Commander and Jeff Antley, who is running for 10<sup>th</sup> Brigade Commander.
- Bill Norris thanked Woody Weatherford for his service as treasurer and Gene Patrick for his service as Color Sergeant. He also thanked Jeannie Weil for her help at Lee-Jackson and Jimmy Wheeler for his service to the camp as chairman of the highway cleanup.
- Rick Hatcher said he was contacted by a gentleman who claims to have a piece of the flag used by the Chesterfield Artillery and would like to donate it. We will know more when Rick has the flag in hand.
- A motion was made to adjourn and seconded. The benediction was made by Wayne Clark followed by the singing of Dixie.

## Secession Camp Highway Clean-Up



The Highway Clean-up on the Camp's stretch of Glen McConnell Parkway was well attended last February 2nd. There were 50 bags of garbage collected. As you all know, Michael Dixon has taken over as Chairman of the Highway Clean-up Committee and we'd all like to thank Jimmy Wheeler for his years of service as Chairman. Compatriots from left to right as follows: Don Pace, Ben Pittman, Will Van Zuylen, Joey Dixon, Walter Carr, Jeff Provost, Jimmy Wheeler, Elmore Marlowe, Michael Dixon, Sam Antley, Andy Langdale, Elmore Rourk and Bruce Hodges; Penny Dixon-not shown.

**2008 CALENDER OF EVENTS**

**March**

3/14-15 South Carolina SCV Division Convention  
 3-18 Secession Camp Meeting, 6:30 PM

**April**

4-1 Secession Camp Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM  
 4-12 Anniversary of the firing on Ft. Sumter  
 4-15 Secession Camp Meeting, 6:30 PM  
 4-26 Camp Yard Sale, Louis Warmouth's shop, Main Rd. Johns Is., see below

**May**

5-6 Secession Camp Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM  
 5-3 Confederate Memorial Day Service in Columbia, SC  
 5-10 Confederate Memorial Day  
 5-10 Confederate Memorial Day Service in Charleston, SC  
 5-20 Secession Camp Meeting, 6:30 PM  
 5-31 Highway Clean-Up, Glen McConnell Parkway\*

**June**

6-3 President Jefferson Davis' Birthday  
 6-3 Secession Camp Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM  
 6-14 Battle of Secessionville Memorial Service at Ft. Lamar \*  
 6-16 Anniversary of the Battle of Secessionville  
 6-17 Secession Camp Meeting, 6:30 PM  
 6-28 Carolina Day

**July**

7-1 Secession Camp Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM  
 7-15 Secession Camp Meeting, 6:30 PM  
 7/16-19 SCV National Convention in Concord, NC

**August**

8-5 Secession Camp Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM  
 8-19 Secession Camp Meeting, 6:30 PM

**September**

9-2 Secession Camp Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM  
 9-6 Highway Cleanup, Glenn McConnell Parkway \*  
 9-16 Secession Camp Meeting, 6:30 PM  
 9-27 2nd Annual Secession Camp Heritage Ride \*

**October**

10-4 Secession Camp Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM  
 10/10-11 Confederate Ghost Walk at Magnolia Cemetery \*  
 10-21 Secession Camp Meeting, 6:30 PM

**November**

11-4 Secession Camp Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM  
 11/8-9 Battle of Secessionville at Boone Hall Plantation \*  
 11-15 Highway Cleanup, Glenn McConnell Parkway \*  
 11-18 Secession Camp Meeting, 6:30 PM

**December**

12-2 Secession Camp Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM  
 12-16 Secession Camp Meeting and Christmas Party, 6:30 PM  
 12-20 Secession Day

\* Dates not confirmed

**Meeting Dates for Camps of the 6th Brigade**

|   |                           |
|---|---------------------------|
| Secession Camp #4, Charleston           | 3rd Tuesday of the month  |
| H.L. Hunley Camp #143, Summerville      | 4th Thursday of the month |
| Moultrie Camp #27, Mt. Pleasant         | 3rd Tuesday of the month  |
| Gen. Capers Camp#1212, Moncks Corner    | 3rd Thursday of the month |
| Pvt. John S. BirdCamp#38, N. Chas.      | 2nd Tuesday of the month  |
| Star of the West Camp#1253, The Citadel | (irregular)               |
| WeeNee Vol's Camp#58, Kingstree         | 1st Monday of the month   |
| Ft. Sumpter Camp #1269, Charleston      | 2nd Thursday (irregular)  |
| Linchfield Camp #132, Conway            | 3rd Monday of the month   |
| Battery White Camp#1568, Georgetown     | 2nd Tuesday of the month  |

**Camp Yard Sale is April 26th!!**

Remember we need your items for the upcoming Camp Yard sale! We need donations and "boots on the ground", so please volunteer! For more info contact Louis Warmoth at 843-813-2783.

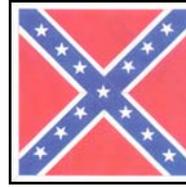
**Other Camp Notes...**

A ladies coat was found at the WLI after the Lee-Jackson banquet. It was a tan, all weather Size 16, woman's coat. If you know who's coat this is, please contact Cdr. Bill Norris. Thanks!

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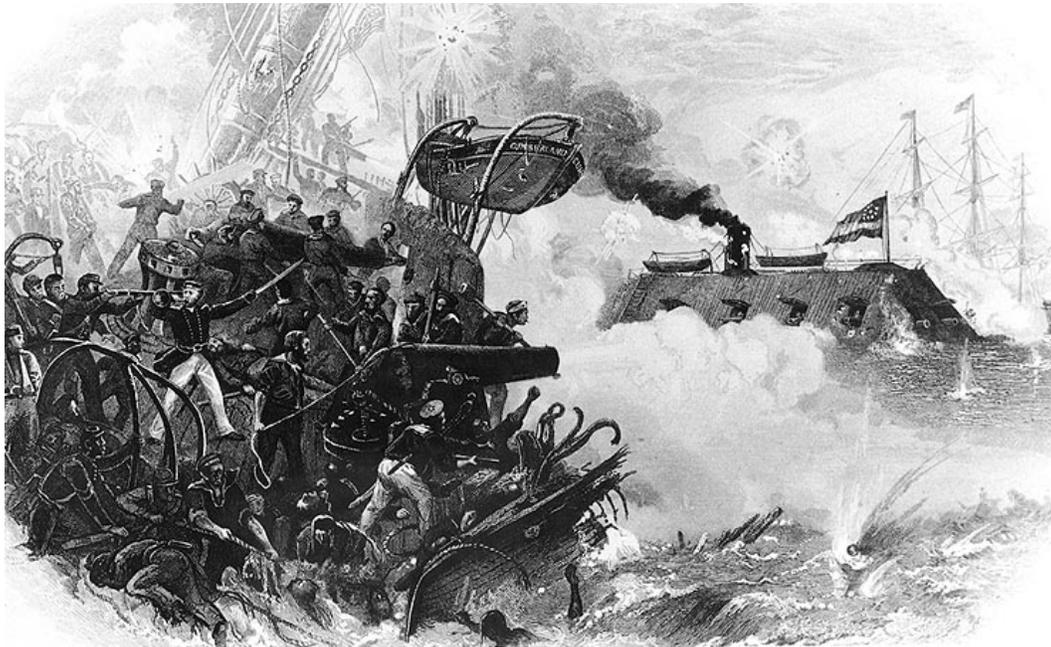
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**THE NEXT CAMP MEETING WILL BE MARCH 18TH**



The CSS Virginia, formerly the USS Merrimack, sinks the frigate USS Cumberland on March 8th, 1862. With Confederate bravery and iron, the CSS Virginia would also go on to sink the frigate USS Congress on the same day. This event proved beyond a doubt that wooden hulled ships stood no chance against the ironclads. The CSS Virginia would go on the next day at Hampton Roads to meet the USS Monitor in the great battle of the ironclads. After many spirited exchanges of fire and positioning, the two ironclads fought to a stalemate.