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## Message from the Commander, Jason Coffman

**Confederate Patriots:**

We are in the festival season. These next four months are going to be busy on some weekends. Look in this issue of the Hughes News for Festival Event dates we are attending this year. Last month's message I damned the Bloody Red Communists and their beloved philosophy of Cultural Marxism in our Dixieland. This message will be about usurper of individual rights Abraham Lincoln. It is a known fact that the Northern States had just as



many Slaves as those in the Southern states so we all know too well that slavery was not the cause of the War of Northern Aggression. The fact is at that time in history congress was trying to force economic changes and excessive taxation without representation on the Southern states while the terrorist traitor John Brown from Kansas was stirring everybody up with his psychopathic philosophies during the Wakarusa Wars here on the borders of Missouri and Kansas in the late 1850's. When those sovereign nation states in the South disagreed and seceded, the North declared war on them. President James Buchanan was in office at the start of the secession. In his words:

*"The power by force of arms to compel a State to remain in the Union was not among the enumerated powers granted to Congress."*

He was right; the UNITED STATES Federal Government had no legal authority to compel those Southern nation states to remain in the Union. When Abraham Lincoln became president that is exactly what he did. While the first shots may have been fired at Fort Sumter, an embargo and excessive taxation without representation of the Southern

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### Camp Calendar

**June 8th, 7:00 PM Camp Meeting** *Ernie's Restaurant and Kross Lounge* 605 N Sterling Ave Sugar Creek Mo 64054 . Our speaker will be John Moloski and Jim Beckner, who will give a power point presentation on the Missouri Monument at Vicksburg rededication, that took place Memorial Day Weekend.

**June 3rd 11:00 AM or so: Confederate Memorial Day at Confederate Cemetery in Higginsville.** Bring your lawn chair and lets honor the 800+ buried there in the all Confederate Cemetery. Jim Beckner will be our MC.

**June 17 and 18** *Lathrop Antique Tractor Show* Hughes Camp will be there at this Confederate friendly environment. Come on out and help man the booth!



**Br. Gen. John T Hughes**

### What's been happening on the Western Front..

#### **Camp Meeting May 11th**

In May our speaker was **Jim Beckner** and his subject was **"Current Events around the Confederacy"** Jim's main topic was about the sweeping demolition of our historical monuments and markers, at the behest of narrow minded people. He said that at this point, we're not just fighting for our Confederate Ancestors, we're fighting for our County and our very survival.

He urges us to educate ourselves, so we can properly combat these forces against us. Take the time to write letters, emails, phone calls, to our politicians, newspapers etc. Convince your friends and family to stand up against these attacks.

He pointed out where now the city of Charlottesville, VA, now wants to remove a statue of Thomas Jefferson.

**Editor note:** I've thought and been saying, these commies and anarchist won't stop with Confederate Monuments. Sooner or later, they will get around to all Veterans monuments. That's why it's so important we get legislation passed in Missouri to protect all war memorials and monuments

Jim did point out some things in the most recent Confederate Veteran magazine. He read the poem in there about the Terry's Texas Rangers Camp. He also discussed and was glad to see the

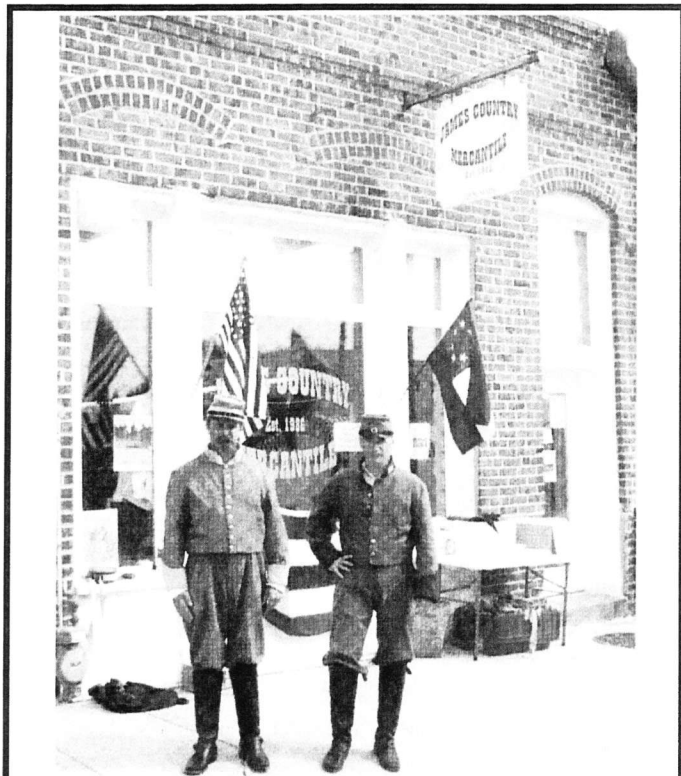
article about Sterling Price in there also. Jim talked about the fact that the only time the Missouri 1st and 2nd Brigade did not push the Yankees off the field was at the Battle of Franklin, TN.

One other bit of trivia he gave us, he pointed out that this last February, was the first February in like 800+ years, where the were 4 Sundays, Mondays, etc thru Saturday. He said it will not happen again for another 800+ years. Go back and look at your February calendar-kind of neat!

Many Thanks to Jim Beckner as always for speaking to us, and for all he has done for many years to preserve history. And, I believe he said this is the last year he will be MCing the Confederate Memorial Day event at Higginsville. Let's all give him a pat on the back for a job well done!

For business, Tim Borron gave us an update about the ongoing effort to get Monument protection legislation passed in Missouri. He has done a great job of reaching out to the VFW, AmVets, etc, and it seems to be they are on board and will help back our legislative play. They're ticked that certain groups have been blocking this legislation, and it's leaving all Veteran monuments at risk. They understand that now, and having those groups behind up will aid greatly. They've already brought pressure to bear on the House Speaker. That is one bit of good news in an otherwise bleak situation.

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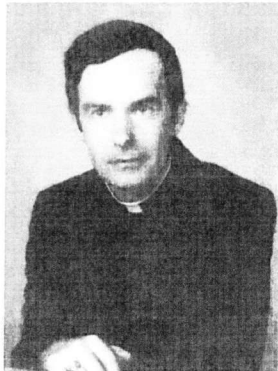
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## Chaplain's Corner, Hughes Camp Chaplain Richard W Rudd



"Enter by the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is easy, that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. For the gate is narrow and the way is hard, that leads to life, and those who find it are few. Beware of false prophets, who come to you in

sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. You will know them by their fruits." (Matt. 7:13)

In this admonition, Christ speaks to each one of us personally and to all Americans collectively as a nation. As recorded in both Biblical and secular history, God deals with nations as He does individuals. One needs only to study the fates of empires as ancient as Assyria, Babylon, Egypt, and Rome, or as recent as Britain.

Consider the Assyrian Empire whose capital was Nineveh, located on the east bank of the Tigris River near present-day Mosul in Iraq. It had a large population and was both wealthy and powerful. In 1859, Charles Dickens wrote a novel entitled *A Tale of Two Cities*. As recorded in the books of Jonah and Nahum, Nineveh's story reads like two tales of one city. We are familiar with Jonah and his fishing expedition when the big fish did not get away, but instead caught Jonah. Around 840 BC, God commissioned Jonah to warn Nineveh to repent of their warfare, bloody cruelty, and pagan practices or face judgement. "(T)he people of Nineveh believed God..." (Jonah 3:5) and God's messenger. The king issued a proclamation decreeing a fast and repentance. "When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God..." retracted His threat of judgement "...and He did not do it." (Jonah 3:10) But later, around 710 BC, Nineveh backslid into its old ways and faced a similar choice between mercy and judgement. They stood before the same God Who "...is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; He knows those who take refuge in Him." (Nahum 1:7) But as Nahum predicted, this time they did not amend their ways and chose to stand before a God Who "...is avenging and wrathful; (Who) takes vengeance on His adversaries and keeps wrath for His enemies." (Nahum 1:2) In 612 BC, Nineveh, in spite of its wealth and power, was

destroyed and never recovered. Its glory was reduced to a mound called Tell Kuyunjik, referring to it as a place where sheep grazed.

AD 2016 was, to date, perhaps the most critical period for America in the lifetime of most of us. As individuals and as a nation, we stood poised on the precipice of one of the most momentous decisions America's citizens have had to make in recent history. Like Nineveh, we had come to that juncture in our national journey where we were called upon to choose our future course by entering either through the wide or the narrow gate. Beckoning to us through the wide gate were ravenous wolves in sheep's clothing, offering false prophecies and promises of easy freedom without moral responsibility and easy prosperity through socialism. Many, a slight majority of the electorates' popular vote, entered by the way of the wide gate. Had they prevailed, the DNA of America would have been irreversibly mutated. It is because the liberal cartel, through their effective manipulation of the media and the masses, came so close to realizing the solidification of their dream that they and their minions cannot believe, accept, or adjust to the defeat they were dealt. At stake were not only a tightening of the binding chains of legislation and bureaucratic regulations, but the appointments of numerous federal judges and possibly several Supreme Court judges whose tenure and ramifications of their decisions will reverberate far into the future.

Throughout history, God has spoken through messengers to warn nations of the implications of their political errors. Elijah opposed King Ahab and experienced his resistance. Elisha was directly involved in political and military events, provoking a rebellion against Ahab. Isaiah warned Judah of its errant policies. Jeremiah delivered an unpopular message against government corruption and experienced rejection by the misguided people he sought to rescue from their false hopes. Nehemiah sought to rebuild his country of Judah, but experienced organized opposition from those among the populace.

Our American Forefathers, both Revolutionary and Confederate, grounded in the Christian faith and a working knowledge of history, strove to apply both

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### Historians Corner, Paul R Petersen

Paul is the Author of *Quantrill of Missouri*, *Quantrill in Texas*, *Quantrill at Lawrence* and *Lost Souls of the Lost Township*. Petersen is a retired U.S. Marine Corps master sergeant and a highly decorated infantry combat veteran of the Vietnam War, Operation Desert Storm, and Operation Iraqi Freedom. He is a member of the William Clarke Quantrill Society, the James-Younger Gang Association, the Sons of the American Revolution, and the Jackson County and Missouri State Historical Societies.

## Main Stream Media & Fake News – circa 1860

In 1854 three Territorial newspapers were established in Lawrence, Kansas, headquarters of the abolition movement in the United States. Just as today the most prominent and widely read newspapers are the eastern newspapers; the NY Times, the Washington Post and the Wall Street Journal. Prior to the Civil War Americans also valued reading the leading newspapers back east. Those in the west valued these New England Newspapers whose contributors were most notably a set of Godless and lawless men. William Lloyd Garrison, John Greenleaf Whittier, Ralph Waldo Emerson, Henry David Thoreau were eccentric, uncompromising, radicals, who turned their backs on religion in order to promote their eccentric uncompromising and bizarre viewpoints on abolitionism. And even religious Henry Ward Beecher took up funds to arm a rebellion in Kansas with crates of rifles labeled "Beecher's Bibles."

Newspapers in Kansas were far removed to how newspapers operate today. The first printing presses were brought to Kansas by the New England Emigrant Aid Society to be used as propaganda tools to espouse their abolitionist philosophy. The early members of the Society were representatives of newspapers in New England. A peculiarity that sprang up in Kansas was the idea of "special correspondents" representing New England newspapers. Their brand of fake news showed them to be always "hovering around certain distinguished personages in Kansas, who write as they are bidden, and whose correspondence is everywhere characterized by personal malice and detraction or who magnify every incident into gigantic importance." These correspondents not only wrote biased articles from Kansas and sent them back east to be printed in New England papers but also were paid to sell subscriptions of the New England papers to pay for their anti-slavery activities.

New England newspapers hired these "special correspondents" to sell and distribute their newspapers in Kansas besides having them write articles and sending them back east for publication. In Lawrence papers reported fake news to get financial contributions from New England

abolitionist supporters in the form of money for travel, lodging and weapons. They understood the connection between being able to disseminate ideas through print in order to mould an ideological perspective based on their political views. Therefore their editorial writings were not to be "conservative" but were transparently recognized as being vindictive and influencing armed conflict. Every skirmish, every contest, had to be described as a bitter struggle between proslavery and free-state men. In order to champion their cause the "special correspondents" sensationalized their accounts.

The Lawrence Tribune often completely fabricated the facts with falsehoods in attempting to glean sympathy from the Eastern press. A few of the descriptions of the Kansas newspapers show what their fake news were contributing to the tensions along the Missouri-Kansas border. An early free-state settler, Thomas C. Wells wrote to his father in Rhode Island explaining the true state of affairs in Kansas Territory. "We do not wonder that you are alarmed for our safety when you read the newspaper accounts from Kansas, they are frequently exaggerated however and more frequently inaccurate as to names of places and numbers of people engaged in battles etc. but they are more always founded in fact sometimes do not state the case nearly as bad as the truth would allow." And William Smith, another early Kansas settler also admitted that getting to the truth was no easy matter. Smith stated, "The Eastern papers are teeming with misstatements."

As a result ordinary citizens in Kansas were afraid to express a contrary opinion in private. John Vansickle living in the Kansas Territory wrote to his father back east about the border troubles caused by roving bands of abolitionists. "You hear a small sketch of this in the public papers. It is only on one side of the question. The people here is afraid to write the facts in the case to their friends for fear it might find its way to the public press as it has often done. Then it finds its way back, then the writer is a victim to be drove off. It is not worthwhile to write any more on the subject."

Responding to false newspaper accounts in Kansas one settler retorted by writing, "Look at the outrages mentioned in their journals, of babies shot through the sides of houses, etc. There is nothing so

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with a mixture of common sense to deal effectively with the issues they faced in their day. In the course of writing these articles, it has been my humble effort to follow their example and encourage my readers to do the same. The overlapping political, economic, and social (i.e. moral) issues with which we grapple are merely symptoms of the root cause of what so deeply divides America today. America's real division is spiritual; Christian culture is under attack from forces promoting a secular, pagan society. Written within the context of eating food, Prov. 23:7 tells us, "For as (a man) thinks in his heart, so is he." Those thoughts we accept as truth form our belief system. If physically, we are what we eat, then spiritually, we are what we believe. According to Gallop, 95% of Americans identified themselves as Christian in the 1950's, 80% in 2008, and 75% in 2015. In 2014, Pew Research found that all categories of Christians declined and all categories of non-Christians increased. Unless America experiences real repentance, at the current pace of decline, America will be only 50% Christian in the next 25 years.

The organizing principle of society is not law; it is moral virtue. Due to the limit of their external effect, it is repeatedly demonstrated that laws fail to adequately govern man's behavior. To accomplish that, an internal spiritual transformation is needed. What we do when nobody is looking is the true barometer of our moral state. How two people treat each other extrapolates to affect society's organization. How we approach the political issues of our time will be determined by whether we deal with them from a secular or Christian perspective. Washington said, "Religion and morality are the essential pillars of civil society." John Adams observed, "Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of another."

In 2016, America secured a reprieve from God's judgement. Victory was not won with the results of the election; the battle has just begun. As it was with the ancient prophets, we can expect rejection, fierce resistance, and even persecution from the opposition. Like a bad disease, secular liberalism might appear to be in remission, but will only come

back with a vengeance if we fail in this opportunity to be vigilant in accomplishing the task before us. As a warning, it has been said, "What is against us is preached to us...and what is preached to us...will prove to be against us." In 2016, the silent majority finally mustered enough resolve to break their silence. If we miss this opportunity and regress into silence and inactivity, we will be viewed as weak, fearful and intimidated, lacking the dedication and commitment to what we claim to believe, and fail to convince others of the justification of our cause. What we can learn from our opposition is to make our presence visible, our voices heard, our positions known, and our strength felt. What our opposition should learn through us, if we persevere in our cause, is this: "If we confess our sins (individually and as a nation), He (God) is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us (and our land) from all unrighteousness." (1 Jn. 1:9)

**Fr. Richard Rudd**

**Hughes Camp Chaplain**

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nation states had begun long before that battle. On December 25, 1860, South Carolina declared unfair taxation without representation to be the cause of secession. They conveyed that the people of the Southern states are not only taxed for the benefit of the Northern States, but after the taxes are collected, three-fourths or seventy five percent of them are expended at the North to subsidize Wall Street industries that elected Abraham Lincoln. Abraham Lincoln himself declared that the war was to collect taxes in his two presidential war proclamations against the Confederate states, on April 15 and 19, 1861. In his words:

"Whereas an insurrection against the Government of the United States has broken out and the laws of the United States for the collection of the revenue cannot be effectually executed therein."

Abraham Lincoln himself also said that he had no desire to abolish slavery. In his words:

"My policy sought only to collect the revenue." A forty percent federal sales tax on imports to

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Southern states under the Morrill Tariff Act of 1861 – reads paragraph five on Abraham Lincoln’s first message to the U.S. Congress, penned July 04, 1861.

“I have no purpose, directly or in-directly, to interfere with the institution of slavery in the States where it exists. I believe I have no lawful right to do so, and I have no inclination to do so – first inaugural on March 04, 1861.

In closing, remember that Congress never declared war, Abraham Lincoln and international financiers did making it an illegal war. I will see you all at the next meeting on Thursday June 08.

**Yours in the Bonds of Confederate Brotherhood,**

**Jason-Nathaniel: coffman**

**John T. Hughes Camp 614 Commander**

Lincoln attributed Stowe's book to helping lay the groundwork for the Civil War and fuel the abolitionist cause. Lincoln met Stowe at the start of the Civil War declaring, "So this is the little lady who started this great war."

Imagine, the Civil War where over 600,000 men were killed and wounded, started by fake news. Is it any wonder that with men like these in Kansas printing such false accounts with deception and lies that the feelings of Missourians were turned against the Yankees at every turn.

**Article by Paul R. Petersen**

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outrages mentioned in their journals, of babies shot through the sides of houses, etc. There is nothing so low or mean but abolition papers are found to tell it. We, the Union-loving and State-rights party, of Kansas, have kept too still, and allowed the nullifiers to proclaim millions of lies.”

Not even a murder charge kept foreign anarchist Richard Realf from becoming a correspondent for the New York Tribune. As soon as he came to Kansas in 1856 Realf made a raid along the Neosho River where he murdered a Mrs. Chris Carver, sister of John C. Van Gundy. Realf wrote a number of articles for the New York Tribune as well as the Springfield (Illinois) Journal and for a paper in Concord, New Hampshire. He also wrote for the Chicago Tribune. With so many noted Lawrence abolitionists known to be murderers and thieves writing for New England newspapers the view of what Lawrence was like and the sensationalized descriptions of Missourians gave an improper image to those back east.

Fake news precipitated the Civil War in not only newspapers but in books at the time. Uncle Tom's Cabin was written by Harriet Beecher Stowe who never set foot in a Southern state her entire life. Her dishonest view of slavery did not depict the truth but rather fueled the most radical of Northern abolitionist bias and prejudices. Abraham

**2017 FESTIVALS**

Lathrop Antique Tractor Show June 17 and 18  
Attending

Odessa Puddle Jumper Days August 03, 04, and 05  
Forms Sent In

Holden Street Fair August 24, 25, and 26  
Have Forms

Wellington Community Fair September 23  
(to be determined)

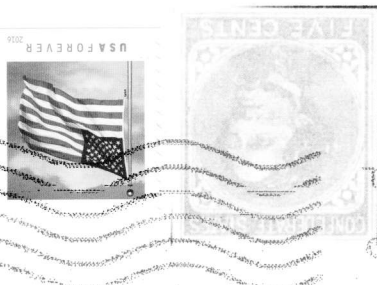
Richmond Outlaw Days September 09

Kearney Jesse James Festival September 16 and 17  
Have Forms

Waverly Apple Jubilee September 16  
Maybe

Harrisonville Burnt District Festival October 06 & 07  
Have Forms

Holt Cannonball Festival October 14 (to be determined)

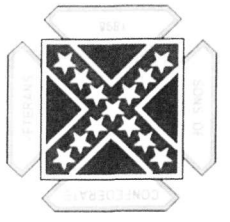


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Confederate Memorial Day, June 3rd, 2017

Missouri's Confederate Memorial Day will be held at Confederate Memorial State Historic Site in Higginsville, MO. This park is the final resting place for over 800 Confederate Soldiers and wives, many of whom were residents of the Confederate Veterans home that was on this site.