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Captain or Colonel?

See Paul Petersen's Article inside for the answer to that question! He'll clarify what rank was assigned to Quantrill!



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Message From The Commander, Sam Stanton

Confederate Patriots,

Hello to all from your new command of John T. Hughes camp 614. Hope all of you had a good labor day weekend.

First I would like to thank Jason Coffman for all his hard work and dedication to John T Hughes camp 614 for many years. He resigned at our last meeting in August, he will be greatly missed.

We set our booth up at Holden street fair on August 25-27. I would like to thank all those who helped with the booth and came to support us. We



did well, \$482 dollars in gross sales and Boyd Chapter MOS&B sold \$185 dollars in raffle tickets. Raising money at booths not only helps our camp support our mission, but also helps raise awareness of the SCV and our Camp.

We need to think about another event in Harrisonville, Mo; Log Cabin Days on September 30 and October 1st, we will need help for that if we are going to do that event. We need to be open 5 to 8:30 on Friday, and 9 AM to 8:30 PM on Saturday.

Our next meeting is Sept 8th (this week!) and our speaker will be Paul Peterson, who will give us some Quantrill and Other Civil War Trivia'

I hope to see everyone there.

Your compatriot Commanding
John T Hughes camp 614
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Camp Calendar

September 8th 7:00 PM - Camp Meeting Zarda BBQ: 214 NW Hwy 7, Blue Springs, MO 64014 Our speaker this month will be Paul Petersen who will give us, "Quantrill and other Civil War Trivia" Show up by 6 to eat first, let's support our venues business!

September 30th -Oct 1 Log Cabin Festival Harrisonville MO

October 22nd, Secession Day Dinner. Flyer enclosed! Inn at Grand Glaize. Reserve Hotel space by September 22nd or so!

March 25-26, 2023 Missouri Division and Society Reunion. Hosted by Hughes and Craven Camp! Mark your calendars now, we'll need all hands on deck!



Br. Gen. John T Hughes

What's been happening on the Western Front

Camp Meeting, August 13th....

Jim Beckner gave us a great talk on the Battle of Lone Jack. He then gave the same speech 2 days later at the annual Battle of Lone Jack Commemoration. I think we were a good practice crowd! But of course, Jim is always a great speaker and didn't need any practice!

The Battle of Lone Jack was fought on August 15-16, 1862. This years event was the 60th straight year of doing the commemoration. 1962 to 2022. It went on before that but WWII interrupted it and it took a while to get it going again. Lone Jack is one of the few battle fields that soldiers are actually buried on. In most cases, bodies were moved elsewhere.

Jim said, Missouri doesn't get the credit it deserves in the War. In Year 1 of the war, 42% of all the battles fought in the war were fought in Missouri. In all the Battles that occurred in the ATM area, (Army of Trans-Mississippi), 2/3rds of the battles fought happened in Missouri. Missouri had more battles than most States combined.

Lone Jack was a thriving town prior to the Battle. 70% of the population came from North Carolina, so it was strongly Southern. 5 major crossroads intersected at Lone Jack. It was going to be something! It had lots of stores, Blacksmiths, a hotel. It

came 1 vote short in the Jackson County legislature of becoming the county seat of it's own County, it would have been called Donnellson County. But the battle wiped Lone Jack out. By the time order No. 11 was issued, there was nothing left for the yankees to burn down or depopulate.

Thousands of events were cancelled during the Covid, but not the annual Lone Jack Commemoration. It continued and it's good that we remember that major battle here in our backyard. Many thanks to Jim for talking to us about it, and for his fine presentation on Saturday at the event. Only thing we need next year is a bigger crowd. We'll do a better job or trying to make the public aware next year!





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Adjutant Corner

Many thanks to all for getting your dues in! We had all but maybe 3 members renew, so that's pretty good! Of course, we strive for 100% and fell just short of that, but overall, we did good and thanks so much to all ya'll!

Next, surprise surprise, But Jason Coffman told us at the August meeting, that he would be not able to continue on as Camp Commander. That sucked! But, we get it. He moved 3 counties away, gas is expensive, and there is Craven's Camp right there in his own county.

Many thanks to Jason Coffman for all his years of service to the Camp! He's put in tons of time and effort into the Camp, and that's super appreciated. Join me in wishing Jason well in all his future endeavors!

So, we had some volunteers step up and did an election to elect our next leaders. Your new commanders are:

Sam Stanton– Commander

Kevin Low– 1st Lt. Commander

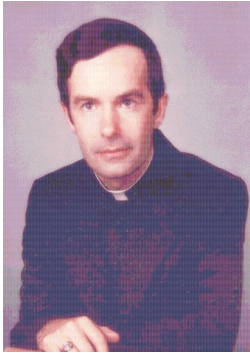
Zech Melton– 2nd Lt. Commander

Thanks and congratulations men! Let us know what we can do to help you lead us into the future!

Larry Yeatman– Adjutant



Chaplain's Corner, Hughes Camp Chaplain Richard W Rudd



Fear, like the Roman god Janus, has two faces. The image we perceive depends on the nature of the provocation, the firmness of our convictions, the actual severity of the threat, and how we choose to react.

One face of fear projects a negative emotional image. It is cast by a form of psychological

warfare used to produce an intimidating, debilitating, demoralizing, even paralyzing effect on its targets. Solomon noted, "The fear of man lays a snare..." (Prov. 29:25) The Roman Empire ruled by instilling fear in its citizens using primitive forms of propaganda. Those who did not conform were crucified along Roman roads to keep fear in the forefront of people's minds. That was why at Gethsemane, knowing what He must endure, Christ's "...sweat became like great drops of blood falling down upon the ground." That was why He prayed, "Father, if Thou art willing, remove this cup from Me." (Lk. 22:42) Peter had told Christ, "I will lay down my life for You." (Jn. 13:37) But, after Christ's arrest, a young girl asked Peter, "Are not you also one of this Man's disciples?" In fear of also being arrested, Peter answered, "I am not." (Jn. 18:17) Nearly 2000 years later, Hitler boasted, "Confusion, indecision, fear: these are my weapons." Today, the art of instilling fear is more refined, but no less brutal in its intent. Instead of Roman roads and concentration camps, mass media is fear's means of conveyance. American writer Nelson Crawford observed, "Closely related to ignorance and inertia, but even more powerful in its influence against complete and impartial truth-telling by newspapers, is fear."

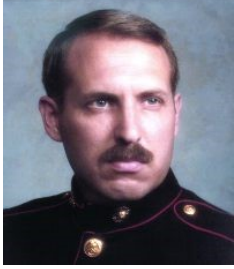
The socialist left, fearing freedom and truth, threatens those who challenge them with censorship and loss of First Amendment rights, slander and false accusations, removal of Christian and Confederate monuments and flags, and loss of jobs and even lives. They seek to transfer to those who resist them not only the hate and intolerance they feel, but also their sense of fear. All too often that is why, as Victor Berger said a century ago, "The herd instinct makes the average man afraid to

stand alone..." More recently, English writer Norman Angell wrote, "The vested interests can only get the public to act as they wish by manipulating public opinion, by playing...upon the public's fears. And the only way in which the power of the interests can be undermined, and their maneuvers defeated is by bringing home to the public the ...hollowness of its fears." Truth is one of the best weapons against fear and the preservation of freedom. As the French motto proclaims, "Verite sans peur." (Truth without fear.) English philosopher Francis Bacon advised 400 years ago. "Nothing is to be feared but fear."

The other face of fear projects a beneficial image. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." (Prov. 9:10) This type of fear fosters reverence and respect for legitimate authority. Fear can also alert us to be cautious in the face of danger, judiciously assessing the threat and preparing to deal with it. Regarding fear, Christ warned, "If they persecuted Me, they will persecute you..." (Jn. 15:20) "In the world you have tribulations; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world." (Jn. 16:33) "Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid." (Jn. 14:27) After Christ's crucifixion, the disciples were wary, "...the doors being shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews..." (Jn. 20:19) But on Pentecost, after being filled with the Holy Spirit, the same Peter who had fearfully denied Christ faced a multitude and "...standing with the eleven lifted up his voice and addressed them, 'Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words.'" (Acts 2:14) Peter openly proclaimed the Gospel and 3000 souls were saved that day. Except for John, all of the apostles and countless other Christians have been persecuted and martyred. They have endured their trials not with fear and trepidation, but with the serenity and assuredness of one receiving a reward, for St. Paul testified that the Christian's reward is "...to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord." (II Cor. 5:8)

Fear of the consequences of submission and acquiescence to threats and intimidation can embolden us and fortify our courage. Epictetus, a first century Greek philosopher, said, "No man who is in fear...is free..." Paul Hoffman, a US industrialist, also said, "Of all the forms of tyranny over the mind of man, none is more terrible than fear..." Patrick

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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.

Captain or Colonel

There has been some small debate surrounding the actual military rank concerning the great Missouri guerrilla leader, William Clarke Quantrill, similarly as with other well-known Civil War leaders. For example, George Armstrong Custer was only breveted as a major general during the war due to his rank as a captain in the United States Volunteers. After the war he joined the regular U.S. Army and given the rank of lieutenant colonel. A brevet rank may be given for meritorious service but does not confer the authority or pay of the real rank.

In 1992, Quantrill's existing remains were reinterred in the Confederate Veterans Cemetery in Higginsville, Mo. His gravestone lists his rank as a Captain of Missouri Partisan Rangers. Around the same time Quantrill's skull was buried in his family's plot in Dover, Ohio, and marked as "William Clarke Quantrill, Captain Missouri Cavalry, Confederate States Army." Only in Louisville, Kentucky in St. John's Cemetery where Quantrill was originally buried a grave marker was placed by the Sons of Confederate Veterans noting Quantrill's rank as colonel.

Many who continue to refer to him at a lower rank does his memory a great disservice. Let's take a look at the official records to make a more qualified determination. One little known fact reported by Quantrill's men as they camped at the Perdee Farm in Johnson County, Missouri, prior to the Lawrence, Kansas raid in August 1863, related that Quantrill wore a Confederate colonel's uniform while in camp. One famous portrait of Quantrill shows him wearing the uniform of a Confederate colonel.

The most well-known story about Quantrill seeking a colonel's commission from the Confederate Secretary of War, James Seddon was when he

traveled to Richmond, Va. during the winter of 1862. Official records from at least four of Quantrill's men attest to the fact that he received his colonel's commission from Confederate authorities in Richmond. Guerrilla Harrison Trow remembered that "Quantrill, together with Captain (Andy) Blunt, returned from Richmond, Virginia, in the fall of [1862], with his commission from under the hand of Jeff Davis, to operate at will along the Kansas border." Quantrill had already obtained a commission as a captain from Colonel Gideon Thompson, following the 1st Battle of Independence in August, 1862, where Quantrill spearheaded the assault. Guerrilla John McCorkle also claimed that "Quantrill had gone to Richmond, Virginia and secured his commission as a colonel and command a battalion of Missourians." Even Quantrill's youngest recruit, guerrilla Frank Smith of Blue Springs attested to the fact that "Quantrill left men in camp in Arkansas and with Andy Blunt went to Richmond where he got a colonel's commission and promptly returned to Missouri waging warfare along the Kansas-Missouri border." Besides these three statements another of Quantrill's men, guerrilla Lee C. Miller asserted that "Quantrill himself had a captain's commission from General Price, and later a colonel's commission from the Confederate war department. His commission authorized him to operate on the Missouri-Kansas border as a Partisan Ranger."

When Quantrill pulled his men south into Texas in October 1863, he encountered General James Blunt's command near Fort Baxter in southeast Kansas and annihilated his entire command. After the initial encounter Captain George Todd demanded the surrender of the fort in the name of "Colonel Quantrill" of the First Regiment, First Brigade, Army of the South. After his victory over General Blunt, Quantrill sent a report to General

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Henry, along with his fellow patriots, understood this when he declared, "Is life so dear or peace so sweet as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, almighty God! I know not what course others may take, but as for me, give me liberty, or give me death." Almost a century later, Confederate patriots in battles like Gettysburg and Vicksburg, in the face of fear, exhibited the same fortitude and courage. St. John Chrysostom said, "Fear and discouragement do not come from the pressure of the danger but from the weakness of the spirit." How do we strengthen our spirit? John Witherspoon, clergyman, statesman, and signer of the Declaration of Independence, taught, "It is only the fear of God that can deliver us from the fear of man." As Christians and patriots, regardless of the challenges we face, let us heed the charge of Scottish historian Thomas Carlyle, "The first duty of man is that of subduing fear."

Fr Richard Rudd**Hughes Camp Chaplain*****Paul Petersen continued from page 5...***

Sterling Price, commander of all Missouri forces signing his dispatch as: "Your obedient servant, W. C. Quantrill, Colonel, Commanding" On November 2, Price replied to Quantrill's report addressing him as "Colonel,"

When Quantrill arrived in Texas he reported to General Henry McCulloch, commander of the sub-district of North Texas. McCulloch also sent out General Orders Number 187, referring to "Colonel" Quantrill. In like manner Department of Texas commander General John Bankhead Magruder also published a general order congratulating "Colonel Quantrill" for his victory over Blunt. On the same day that Price responded to Quantrill concerning his victory he wrote a letter to Missouri Governor Thomas C. Reynolds reporting that he had the honor of reporting "Colonel Quantrill's" victory.

Later, even General Edmund Kirby Smith, commander of the Trans-Mississippi Department wrote to General McCulloch ordering him to use Quantrill's command in a military operation and stating: "Colonel Quantrill, I understand will perform that duty, provided rations and forage are issued to his men and horses."

Before he left Texas and returned to Missouri, General Price directed Quantrill to realign his command. Price directed Quantrill to remain in overall command as colonel and could select four other officers. Quantrill selected George Todd as Captain, William Anderson as 1st Lieutenant, Fletcher Taylor as 2nd Lieutenant and Jim Little as 3rd Lieutenant. He chose Isaac Berry as his orderly sergeant. Guerrilla Frank Smith reported that: "After conferring with General Price Quantrill reorganized his company and 'Quantrill was in general command and had a colonel's commission from Price'."

Two of Quantrill's companies were allowed to serve as a unit of independent cavalry with missions assigned by the commander of the Trans-Mississippi Department. Captain Dave Poole commanded one company and Cole Younger as a lieutenant served under his brother-in-law Captain John Jarrette in the other. These two companies of Quantrill's were assigned to serve in the Red River Campaign.

Article by Paul R. Petersen, author of Quantrill of Missouri, Quantrill in Texas and Quantrill at Lawrence.

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