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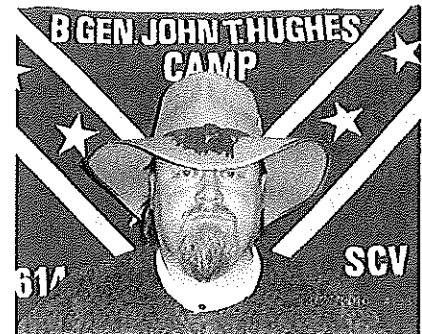
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Message From The Commander, Jason Coffman

Confederate Patriots:

I read an advertisement card from National the other day. It said in bold letters WAS YOUR GREAT-GRANDFATHER A TERRORIST OR PATRIOT? It went on to say, It's been very politically correct the past few years to classify as traitors, or even



worse, terrorists the citizen-soldiers of the South who resisted an illegal invasion of their homes during the War Between the States. We see it differently. Outmanned, out-gunned, and out-supplied – but never out-fought – Confederate soldiers wrote a proud chapter in this country's history for independence, toughness, bravery, patriotism, and honor.

I whole heartedly agree with this. Let's look into this a little further though. Were the founding fathers terrorists to the crown when they wrote the Declaration of Independence? I think we all know and agree that they were patriots. Most of them assuredly were anti-federalist and believed in a de-centralized form of government as to those who were federalist and believed in a centralized form of government. When the War Between the States broke out, how many descendants of the founding fathers who were anti-federalists fought for the North? How many descendants of the founding fathers who were federalists fought for the South? I think we all know the answer to those questions. Today they call us terrorists because we believe in a de-centralized form a government period! Our Confederate ancestors fought to keep from what is going on in now modern day. I plead the 1st amendment on the above paragraph while we still have it!

There was a good turn out for the Battle of Oak Hills. I have posted pictures on the Camp *Continued on Page 3...*

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Camp Calendar

September 8th, 7:00 PM Camp Meeting Courthouse Exchange Restaurant, 113 W. Lexington, Independence, Missouri. This month our speaker will be **Chris Edwards** and his subject will be **Bloody Bill Anderson**. Should be cool! Many of you may remember Chris, he is an SCV member who used to live in Columbia and worked for SCV IHQ as a recruiter. Chris now lives in the KC area. Don't be surprised if he brings his guitar and sings a song also! Come out and see Chris, you'll like him!

September 16,17,18 150th Anniversary Battle of Lexington, Big River Ranch, Lexington, Missouri. Should be another epic event, and the final in the 1861 150th anniversary series of battles to be reenacted in Missouri this year, The Camp will set up the booth and will have some new inventory to sell. Should be some recruiting opportunities with this in our rough proximity. Come on out and see the show!

October 29th, 5:30 PM Missouri Secession Day Dinner, hosted by the Missouri Society MOS&B. This will be our 150th Anniversary celebration of Missouri's Secession from the Union. Details enclosed. We have a great speaker lined up in David Reif, who's subject will be the Secession.



Br. Gen. John T
Hughes

What's been happening on the Western Front.. *The Battle of Oak Hills...*

August- We didn't have a Camp Meeting in August due to many of us going to Wilson's Creek. It's a good thing, many of us were there from Wednesday on! The event went from Aug. 10th to the 14th.

We had quite a few Camp members down at Wilson's Creek. Here's the ones I know of and hope I didn't forget someone!

Jason Coffman

Gordon Fristoe

Bill Knight

Jim Beckner

John Sutton

Sam Stanton

Bob Capps

Robert Capps

Larry Yeatman

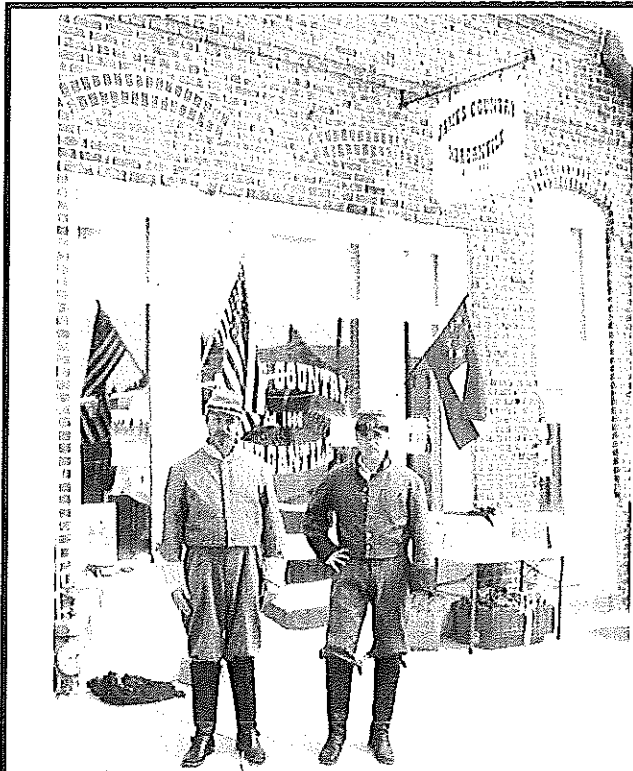
I suspect David White from southeast Missouri was there with his artillery unit but I didn't run into him.

Thanks to all for supporting this awesome event!

For one thing, the public showed up in force for this event, about 30,000 people came out over the 3 day event. That's pretty good, and hopefully raised some money for the Wilson's Creek National Battlefield Foundation, a non profit group dedicated to supporting and improving the National Park there. Right now, their big goal is to build a new Sweeney Museum, which will be located inside the park boundary's. Right now it is located outside the park and is in a frame structure, which is not very secure against fire, tornado, theft.

The Sweeney Museum has one of the best collections in the ATM. One of their prized artifacts is the sash that belonged to General Claiborne.

Steve Ross is the President of the foundation. He says they have not tallied up the expenses versus revenue yet to see what net proceeds they have. But, he said **Continued on page 4...**



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Facebook account <http://facebook.com/JohnTHughesSCVCAmp614>. We did well selling merchandise and handing out brochures. We teamed up with the McBride Camp from Springfield. I would like to thank all of the Hughes camp members that were there along with the ladies of the UDC. The battle of the hemp bales is coming up in Lexington on the 17th and 18th of September and the Hughes, Shelby, and Searcy camps will be there. I would like a good turn out from the Hughes camp being it is almost in our back yard. Bring a lawn chair and help out with sales and recruitment. There have been about only the same few 4 or 5 camp members attending these types of events this year of the 150th anniversary of the war. Please at least make an effort to attend this event.

So far Larry Yeatman has received 22 renewals and we are about half way there. Do not forget to pay your camp dues, we need them yesterday!

Yours in the Bonds of Confederate Brotherhood,

Jason-Nathaniel: coffman

John T. Hughes Camp 614 Commander

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Salute!



The Battle of Wilson's Creek continued from Page 2...

that if they reached any kids at all and got them interested in the history of the war, then it was all worth it. He said that we have to get young people interested in this history in hopes that they will become the future stewards and caretakers and supporters of our hallowed grounds. Amen to that.

Shane Sealy of Wide Awake Films told Steve Ross that he has done these events all over the country and had never seen such a large opening day crowd. That's something. The Springfield Tourism Bureau did a good job of helping the Foundation advertise this event. It was \$20 to \$25 for adults to get in, kids 12 and under were free. But that \$20 is a pretty steep price tag for a reenactment, and I had feared that would curtail the crowds. It probably did to some degree, but the public did still turn out in good numbers, so my fears were unfounded!

There was a huge number of Reenactors there, I would say around 3000-4000. It made for an awesome spectacle. I would say the crowd saw a good show.

There was one wrinkle in the reenactment. The Foundation had leased at least 320 acres of private land for the event. Unfortunately, a neighbor on one side that is more or less under new ownership, complained to zoning and planning that he didn't want all that going on on the other side of their fence line. Zoning caved, they let the event happen there but said we would have to stay away from that portion of the property. Unfortunately that was the field that was large enough to accommodate that many soldiers on the field and still have room for Cavalry. So the Cav guys got stuck with limited rolls and were sidelined during much of the battles. You really couldn't have horses moving around on the smaller field safely in that close proximity to infantry, especially once there were dead and wounded laying on the field.

But, that did afford me a unique perspective of the battle on Saturday, after we were excused from the battle, I went up on top of a hill on the other side of Wilson's Creek and was able to look down onto the field. It was an awesome spectacle to see. I had a good panoramic view of the field. The infantry, dismounted Cavalry, and artillery put on a

great show. But what really got me was the *sound!* It was loud. But sometimes there would be a lull in firing as troops maneuvered, never completely seizing to fire, but at times slowing down. What got me about that was all the noise still. Officers yelling commands, rebel yells, huzzah's, the noise of men and equipment moving about. And that was 3000-4000 guys. Think about how loud the actual battles were, at Wilson's Creek I think there were around 20,000-30,000 troops involved. Back east, 150,000 or so at some battles. The noise had to be incredible.

When you're out there reenacting in the battle, you don't notice all that sound, and often don't notice all the action around you. But maybe this is why I can't ever seem to hear what my commanders are saying, and why many commanders voices are shot after a battle from having to yell to be heard!

Here's what happened over the 5 day event...

Wednesday- tactical march into the Battlefield National Park, where those that went were able to bivouac overnight on the actual battlefield. No tentage was allowed, only what you could carry.

Thursday- non public Tactical Battles. They were supposed to last all day, but after a few heat casualties, we stood down in the middle of the day until evening.

Friday- Tactical Battles for the public to view. There was a good crowd there and a lot of school children.

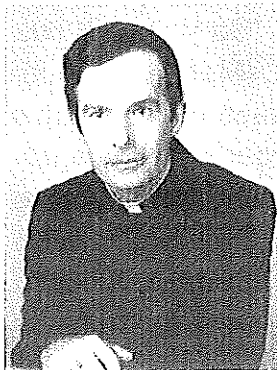
Saturday- two main battles for the public

Sunday- one main battle for the public.

Overall this was an awesome event to mark what was the second major land battle of the entire war. Missouri southern troops in the actual battle were all in the Missouri State Guard, as Missouri had not seceded yet. They were the true second amendment rights guys, picked up their guns at home to repeal an invading Federal Army, the reason the founding fathers had in mind when they came up with that amendment. They knew that any government could become tyrannical and that citizens would need that right. No better example of that than the war in Missouri. *Larry Yeatman*



Chaplain's Corner, Hughes Camp Chaplain Richard W Rudd



We are familiar with the old adage, "You cannot judge a book by its cover." Yet, in spite of knowing this truth, much emphasis continues to be placed on exterior form to the neglect of the

importance of essence. W.P. Young wrote in *The Shack*, a novel that attempts to elucidate certain philosophical and theological topics, "Once you begin to know the being behind the very pretty or very ugly face, as determined by your bias, the surface appearances fade away until they simply no longer matter." Essence is the spirit or soul, the intrinsic and real nature and character that dwells behind the visible image or façade of each man, associations of men composing organizations, and nations of people.

In recent years numerous denominations of the Christian church, the mystical body of Christ on earth, exemplify the inequities between form or body and essence or spirit. They bear the same names and assemble in the same places, but what some clergy teach and some laymen believe resembles distorted and fractured congruency with the divinely inspired and inerrant Word of God. "For the time is coming (It has arrived.) when people will not endure sound teaching, but...will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own likings and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander into myths." (II Tim. 4:3) The litany of myths confronting the faithful, those who resist the current heresy and apostasy, was unheard of only a few years ago. While much is being said about preventing Christianity's influence in politics, the myths of political correctness have infiltrated parts of the church.

"Now the Spirit expressly says that in later times (We are living in the latter days.) some will depart from the faith by giving heed to deceitful spirits and doctrines of demons..." (I Tim. 4:1) They are guilty of "...holding the form of religion (Christianity) but denying the power of it. Avoid such people." (II Tim. 3:5) However, today, as God has done in the past, we are reminded, "So too at the present time there is a remnant, chosen by grace." (Rom. 11:5) Seek out such people. There you will find the real church and the true faith that supply the strategy, ammunition, and strength needed to repel, hunt down and eradicate today's demonic myths of political correctness.

Of all Americans, Southerners best understand Christ's warning, "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing (their form) but inwardly are ravenous wolves (their essence)." (Matt. 7:15) Today, we call these wolves liberals. Hiding behind such sheep's-clothing imagery as intellectualism, scientific methodology, free choice, fairness, and inclusiveness, unable to obliterate our symbols, flags, heroes' monuments, or the very South itself they scheme to impute their own characterizations to change the spirit and essence of what it really means to be a Confederate. In brash overconfidence, they dare to reach beyond the WBTS to the American Revolution and our founding documents and Fathers. Our land is still called America. The Stars and Stripes still fly. The original copies of the Declaration of Independence and Constitution still exist. Yet, the Declaration of Independence is all but ignored and liberals boast that the Constitution is, given the relative needs of the current situation and desire for expediency, whatever they say that is. The reputations of men of the stature of Washington, Jefferson, and Franklin have been shamelessly slandered, all



to revise the 1776 spirit of liberty and essence of what it really means to be an American.

Christ would no doubt say to today's liberals what He once said to Pharisees. "So you also outwardly appear righteous to men, but within you are full of hypocrisy and iniquity." (Matt. 23:27) Liberalism is being hypocritically inconsistent, but consistently hypocritical. In the face of liberalism's heresy, we must remain vigilant, resolute, and uncompromising, persevering in our resistance, remembering who we are and taking courage from knowing that "...the day of the Lord will not come unless the apostasy comes first..." (II Thess. 2:3) In doing so, Christ promises the faithful, "Now when these things begin to take place, look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." (Lk. 21:28) Only Christ is capable of giving that blessed assurance to Christian Confederates that *Deo vindice* will soon pass from hope to reality.

Fr. Richard W. Rudd

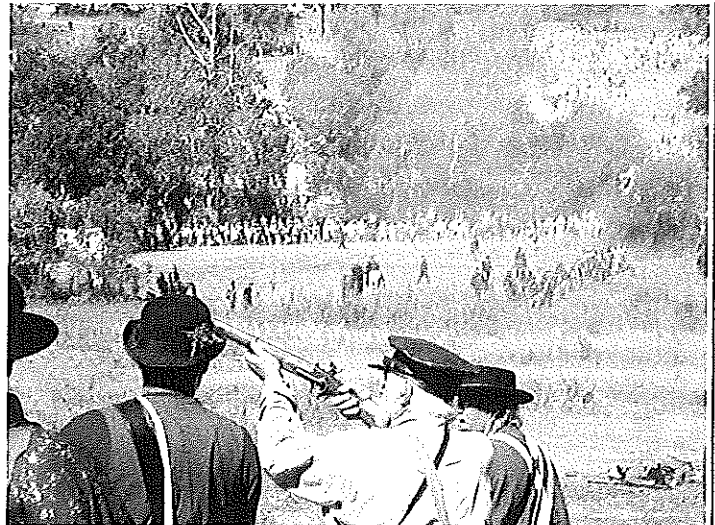
Hughes Camp Chaplain

Editor Correction from last month... Tim Appgar pointed out an error I had in the Quantrill story by Paul Petersen. I said, Quantrill married Bush Smith. I wrote that down wrong in my notes. Bloody Bill Anderson married Bush Smith, Quantrill was married to Kate King.

Oak Hills Photos by Bob Capps...

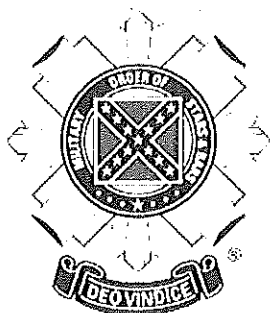


Overall Confederate Commander Major General Joe Way, of Claiborne's Division.



There's Jim Beckner shooting in the air at a pigeon or something. Just kidding, safety requires that we elevate sometimes! Anyway, check out the crowd down low and up high on the hill. In this view you can only see a small portion of the field and crowd.

Secession Day Dinner and Symposium, October 29th, 2011



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5:30 PM - Doors open for Social Hour (Cash Bar)

6:00 PM - The Dinner begins with greetings from the Missouri Society Commander, Bill Bowden to be followed by Dinner and David Reif.

Cost is \$30 per adult. Children under 12 are \$15 Registration deadline is October 17th, 2011.

Please use the following registration form to send in your reservation! For questions, call Larry Yeatman at 816-728-2291 or email at larryyeatman@msn.com We hope to see you all there!
Deo Vindice! Billy Ed Bowden, Missouri Society MOSB Commander

2011 Missouri Secession Day Dinner Registration Form

Name _____

Number of Guest and names _____

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Hughes Camp member John Sutton helps dedicate marker for Anthony K Wright, CSA

From the Herald-Leader Lifestyles

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By Brittany Reading

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Decades have passed since Civil War soldier Anthony Kitchen Wright died in 1926. The Missouri Confederate braved incredible difficulties and dangers during the time of war, and yet his grave location was unmarked until recently.

Wright, who died at 84, will not be forgotten as his valor was honored with a monument by the Sons of Confederate Veterans of Missouri on July 23 at Oak Hill Cemetery.

Prior to his residency in Siloam Springs in his later years, Wright fought for the South during the Civil War. He was born to Lewis Fields and Frances Kitchen Wright at Yancey, later named Yancey Mills, Mo., in 1841. His grandfather, William Kitchen — a colonel in the War of 1812 — founded the town of Yancey in 1829. The Wrights were a product of their time as war raged in the late 1850s and early 1860s.

According to Garrett Gabel, Civil War re-enactor and author, a Southern background wasn't enough of an argument to side with their seceding sister states. Slavery was declining in the state of Missouri by 1860 and was no longer a reason to leave the Union.

When the federal Army invaded and took prisoners of pro-Southern Missouri militiamen at Camp Jackson in May 1861, many undecided Missourians made their decision.

Due to the actions of the Union Army, the Wright family chose to side with the South and joined the Missouri State Guard as there was no actual Confederate Army close enough to sign with. Wright and his brothers — Elias, Isaac and Tartan — fought in battles with the Missouri State Guard early in the war before finally enlisting in the Confederate Army.

As the War Between the States progressed, Isaac was killed in the Battle of Pea Ridge in March 1862. Brothers Tartan and Elias were taken as prisoners of war. Wright continued fighting at Vicksburg, Miss., where the Confederate Army surrendered to federal forces after a long and bloody fight in July 1863. After the Confederate Army surrendered, Wright, who served in the 3rd Battery of the Missouri Light Artillery, signed the United States oath of allegiance on July 9, 1863.

"Many men on both sides of the conflict re-joined the armies regardless of their oaths," Gabel said. Wright returned home to Missouri and refused to take the oath of loyalty to his state. He was automatically labeled a guerrilla, and a \$10,000 reward was offered for his head. "Anthony decided to fight the war on his own terms and when he wanted to fight. That was the way of war for many Missouri boys, especially later in the war," Gabel said.

After the deaths of several family members, Wright sought out a more peaceful life with his youngest sister, Susan. According to Gabel, the siblings moved to Benton County, Ark., where he became a county surveyor and a produce dealer.



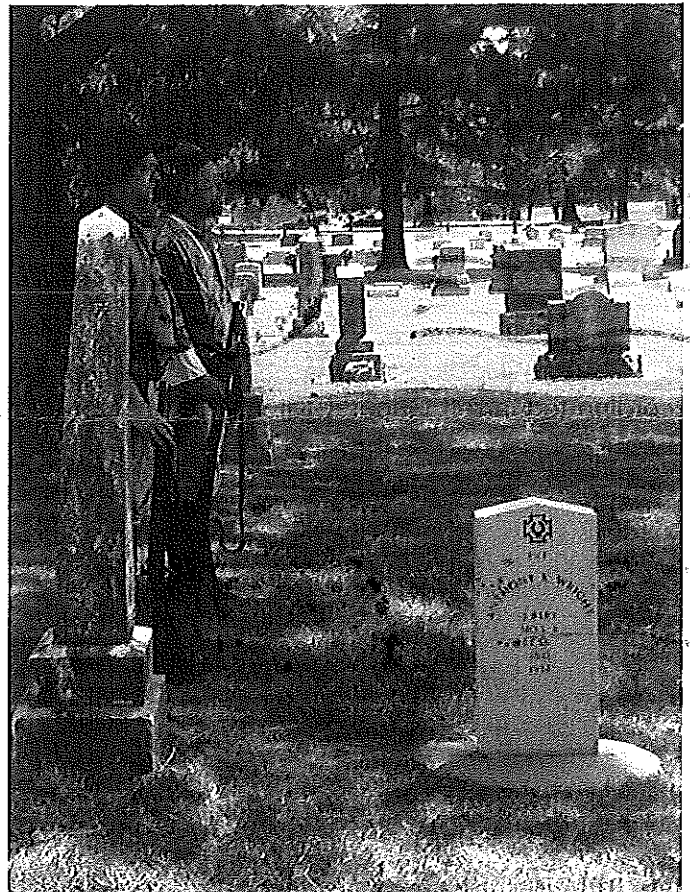
He married Sarah Camp and had two children: Anna in 1873 and Lewis in 1874. According to Ancestry.com, Wright and Sarah lived in Hico before Siloam Springs was established. His wife died in 1876 and was buried in the Hico cemetery.

In 1882, he re-married to Mary-Elizabeth. The 1890 and 1910 censuses show they lived in Siloam Springs. According to a city directory from 1908, Wright was living on what would now be the south side of the 600 block of East Delaware. Mary-Elizabeth died January 27, 1912, followed by her husband on March 24, 1926. The couple are buried alongside one another in Oak Hill Cemetery.

Eighty-five years after his death, Wright was honored for his valor by receiving a monument and funeral with honors. "The love and respect for our fallen Confederates of Missouri will never die. Us Sons of Confederate Veterans of Missouri are very proud of our ancestors," Gabel said.



Above: Gabel and Sutton honor Wright's service by featuring the Missouri Confederate flag at his grave.

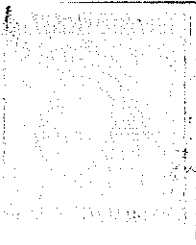


Above: Gabel and Sutton, dressed in period garb and firearms to salute Wright's service in the Civil War.

John Sutton is one of our Camp Members and lives in Newburg, Mo, which is where our 2nd Lt. Commander Patrick Cole lives. Garrett Gable is also a member of the SCV, although I don't remember which camp he is in. Both John and Garrett are in the Elliott's Scouts and were at Wilson's Creek. Thanks to John and Garrett for making sure Anthony Wright is marked and remembered!

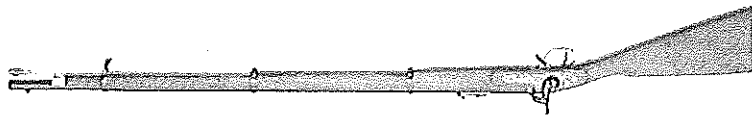
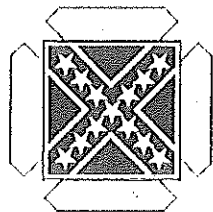


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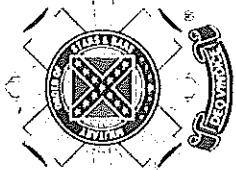
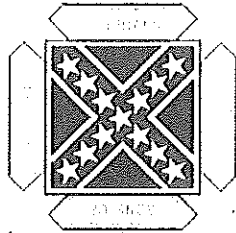
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