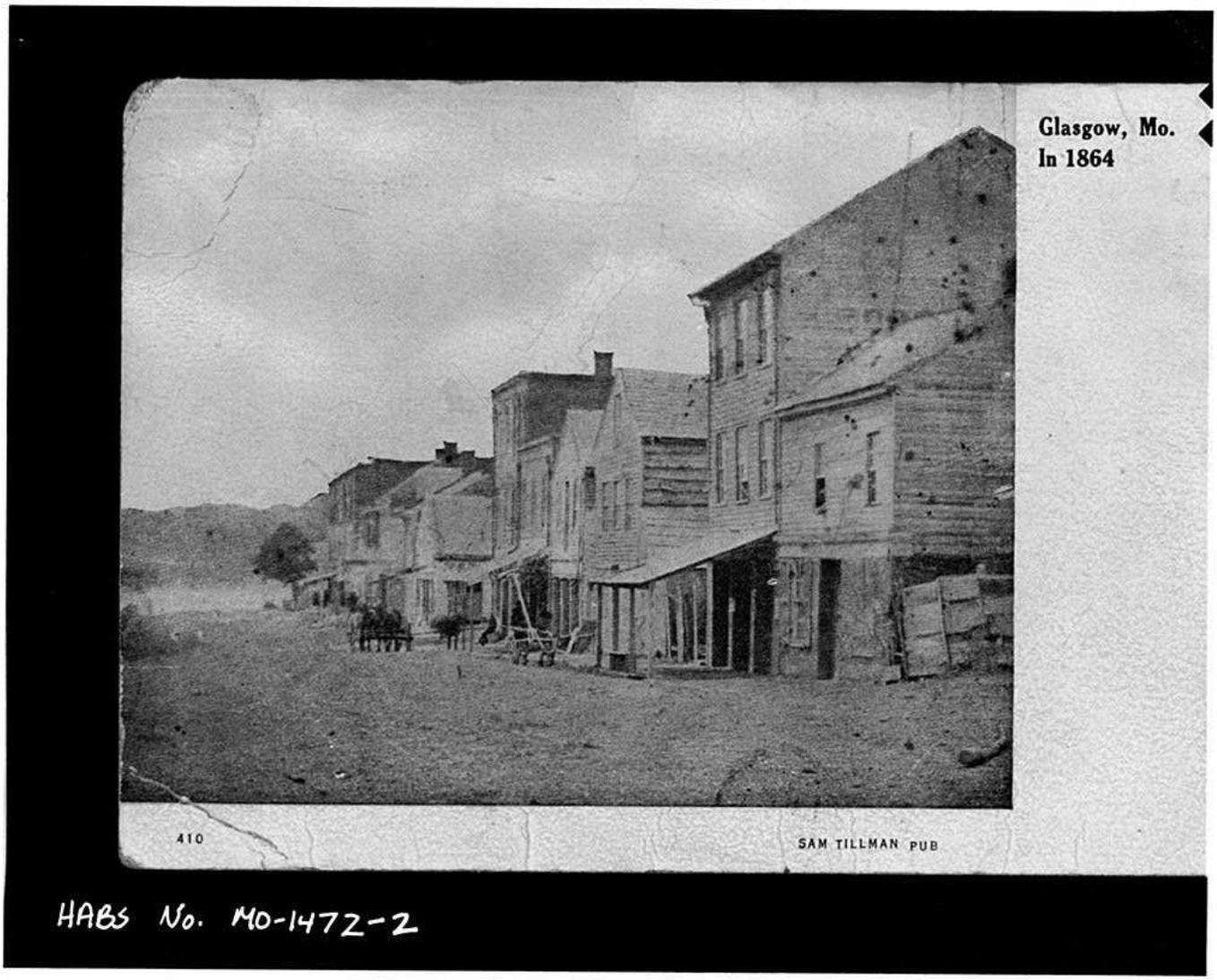




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Glasgow, Missouri in 1864

Glasgow is a Missouri River town that dealt in Hemp and Tobacco shipments. The Battle of Glasgow occurred on October 15th, 1864 as part of Price's Raid. The town was garrisoned by 800 Yankees and Price shelled the town prior to entering it. Before leaving the Yankees blew their munitions supply. Price's men did not loot private property of the citizens. The 150th anniversary of the Battle of Glasgow will occur October 10th-12th at Stump Island Park in Glasgow. In the picture above, the town looks worse for wear and tear from the ravages of war.



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Message From The Commander, Jason Coffman

Confederate Patriots,

**"Raising of the Confederate Navy
Jack over Okinawa"**

"Only the Normandy D-Day invasion surpassed Okinawa in its scope, preparation and forces employed! More than 548,000 Americans participated in the Okinawa invasion. American service members were surprised to find virtually no resistance as they stormed the



beaches on Easter 1945. They soon discovered that the Japanese Imperial Army and Navy had literally gone underground having spent a year forcing Okinawa slaves to dig their underground defenses. It required 83 days of combat to defeat the Japanese!

The invasion of Okinawa was by the newly organized American 10th Army. The 10th, commanded by Lieutenant General Simon Bolivar Buckner, was composed of the XXIV Corps, made up of veteran Army units including the 7th, 27th, 77th, and 96th Infantry divisions, and the III Amphibious Corps, with three battle-hardened Marine divisions, the 1st, 2nd, and the 6th. One of the most significant milestones in the Okinawa campaign was the taking of Shuri Castle, the underground headquarters of the Japanese Imperial Army. After two months of fighting the Japanese, the 6th Marines and the Army's 7th Division were moving south, nearing Shuri Castle. Major General Pedro del Valle commanded the 6th Marines. Following a hard fight at Dakeshi Town, del Valle's Marines engaged in a bloody battle at Wana Draw. Wana Draw stretched 800 yards and was covered by Japanese guns from its 400-yard entrance to its narrow exit. The exit provided the key to Shuri Castle. The Japanese were holed up in caves the entire length of the gully, and had to be eradicated in man-to-man combat.

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Hughes Camp would like to give a warm Southern welcome to our latest new members: Greg Anderson, Andy Johnson, and Lee Everett. Welcome aboard men!

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Camp Calendar

October 9th, 7:00 PM Camp Meeting Kross Lounge and Ernie's Restaurant 605 N Sterling Sugar Creek, MO 64054 816-254-9494 Our speaker this month will be **Jim and Annette Houx and their topic is "Why each side thought they were going to win the war"** In understand they have a great powerpoint presentation put together!

November 1st 5:30 PM Secession Day Dinner Osage Beach, MO (see inside) I could use some reservations for this, have a few, but am getting nervous! *Larry Yeatman-Missouri Society Commander*

Camp Events we'd like to have a booth at: Oct. 4th-Cannonball Festival-Holt MO; Oct. 11th, Battle of Glasgow-Glasgow, MO; Oct. 25-26-150th Battle of Albany-Richmond, MO



**Br. Gen. John T
Hughes**

What's been happening on the Western Front..

September Camp Meeting...

We swore in 3 new members at the September meeting! They are: Greg Anderson, Andy Johnson, and Lee Everett. See pictures and details inside! Congratulations men and we're glad to have you join our Merry Band!

Our speaker this month was **Terryl (Terry) Elliott**. Terry is the author of several books and a local historian. He has talked to us in the past as well as the Civil War Study Group and the Civil War Roundtable of Western Missouri among other venues.

Terry's subject was: **M. Jeff Thompson-The Swamp Fox**. General Thompson was as interesting as he was wily. He was a guerilla leader, a wordsmith, loved to write and talk, and flamboyant. According to U.S. Grant-"he seemed to be everywhere at once". Thompson fought mostly in the swampy area of Southeast Missouri. He preferred mules over horses in the swamps. He attacked suddenly and unexpectedly and then disappeared.

His area of operation was remote and therefore there was limited newspaper coverage of his feats. Mark Twain-a personal friend of Thompson-referenced him in the book "Gilded Age" by saying "he was the best engineer and friend to look at thru the bottom of a glass".

Thompson was born in Harpers Ferry, VA. As a boy he was friends with a black wagon driver named Jeff. Thompson was named Marion____Thompson, but later in St. Joseph, Missouri he had his name legally changed to M. Jeff Thompson in honor of his childhood friend, Jeff.

Early in life Thompson attempted a military career that did not work out. He then worked at a mercantile before joining an engineering party to survey for the railroad. He then became a Civil Engineer. He later moved to St. Joseph, Mo where he became the City Engineer and was then elected Mayor of St. Joseph in 1859. While Mayor, he oversaw the opening of "The Pony Express". He was also a Colonel in the Northwest Missouri Militia.

With war clouds looming, Thompson wrote and distributed a Pro Secession pamphlet. When the Harney-Price agreement happened to prevent MO Secession, Thompson left St. Jo in disgust, never to return again until just shortly before his death in 1876. Thompson headed for Virginia to join with Southern forces there. He made it as far as Memphis when he heard that Gov. Fox called for 50,000 men to defend Missouri. Thompson turned around to head back but was stopped in Southeast Missouri, elected to B.G. over 2500 men. There he took up the fight in the swamps, creeks, boggs and marshes. Here, traditional military tactics were impossible, so he went to Guerilla tactics. He was very successful, raiding supply lines, railroads, destroyed bridges and tracks. Fremont and Grant made his capture a priority.

Thompson was ordered to Beauregard in MS but he stopped in Memphis to man the Cotton Boat Fleet on the River. He narrowly escaped capture in Memphis and escaped on a train he drove himself! **Continued on page 6...**



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Coffman continued...

While the Marines battled through the mud and blood up the draw, the Army's 77th Division was approaching Shuri from the east. To the west, the 6th Marines were pushing into the capital city of Naha. Faced with this overwhelming force, Japanese Gen. Ushijima's army retreated to the south. On May 29, 1945, A Company, Red Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, commanded by Capt. Julius Dusenberg, approached to within 800 yards of Shuri Castle. The castle lay within the zone of the 77th Infantry Division, known as the Statue of Liberty Boys. However, General Ushijima's rear guard had stalled the 77th's advance. Impatient, Major General del Valle ordered Capt. Dusenberg to "take that ... place if you can. I'll make the explanations."

Dusenberg's Marines stormed the stone fortress, quickly dispatching a detachment of Japanese soldiers who had remained behind. Once the castle had been taken, Dusenberg took off his helmet and removed a flag he had been carrying for just such a special occasion. He raised the flag at the highest point of the castle and let loose with a rebel yell. **The flag waving overhead was not the Stars and Stripes, but rather the Confederate Navy Jack.** Most of the Marines joined in the yell, but a disapproving New Englander supposedly remarked, "What does he want now? Should we sing 'Dixie'?"

Major General Andrew Bruce, the commanding general of the 77th Division, protested to the 10th Army that the Marines had stolen his prize. But

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Our Meeting Place!



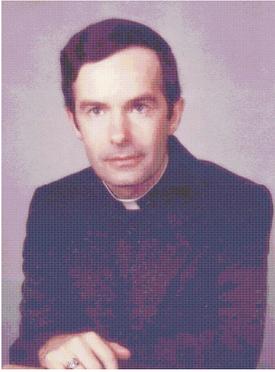
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Chaplain's Corner, Hughes Camp Chaplain Richard W Rudd



"Look at the ships also; though they are so great and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs." (Jas. 3:4) One hundred fifty-three years ago, our ancestors, subsequent to the 1860 election, perceived the US ship of

state to have run aground and be sinking into a morass of perversion, the result of being diverted from the course charted by the Founding Fathers in the *Declaration of Independence* and *Constitution*. A decade following WWII, the stories of ten ordinary men who lived under fascism were told in a book by Milton Mayer entitled *They Thought They Were Free*. Today, most Americans think they are free. Within prescribed perimeters, they may roam about the deck of the USS America. But, who really controls the rudder and the course of the ship?

A poll recently taken in my congressional district presented a microcosmic view of what a growing percentage of citizens think; America is sailing in the wrong direction. Consider the following circumstances. We have elections every two years, but little changes. Running for a national office requires a massive sum of money. Those who provide the funds determine which candidates can successfully run. Consequently, the electorate goes to the polls to vote in a free election, but the options available have been predetermined. Various news media, through both print and broadcasts, present carefully edited scripts which conform to the material fed to them from a small number of private wire services. The mind can only process one thought at a time. Movies and sports provide amusing diversions, distracting attention away from the serious issues of which we should all be cognizant. The explosion of welfare and proliferation of credit cards keep increasing numbers of citizens dependent on government and indebted to banks. Capitalism is an economic system that rewards each according to their individual capabilities, encourages initiative, and promotes equality of opportunity. Socialism replaces equality of opportunity with the dictation of equality of

results, demoralizing one's initiative and penalizing one's capabilities. Even if we avoid personal debt, the public debt voraciously devours more of our wages. In 1913, Congress ceded its constitutional authority over monetary policy to the Federal Reserve, a system of private banks. In the same year, the Internal Revenue was established. The Federal Reserve loans money to the government, the government borrows and spends freely, and the bankers collect escalating amounts of interest from taxpayers like shearers fleecing sheep. Megalithic international corporations, many bigger than some small nations, and interlocking boards of directors exercise tremendous influence over demographics pertaining to government programs and the economy as well as people's personal finances, places of residence, tastes and priorities, values and beliefs through propaganda-filled advertising, precision marketing, and job control. Parents no longer possess a dominant influence over how their children are reared or an awareness of how they are being assimilated into a culture that is foreign to our fathers. Increasing numbers of children spend time in nurseries while both parents must work to support the family. The world's influence through technology begins at an early age. When enrolled in public schools, their young teachers are unable to transfer tradition and culture from one generation to another and the distinction between education and indoctrination is becoming blurred. The educational philosophies of higher education are influenced by donors to schools' endowment funds. Steeped in those philosophies, graduates from such schools as education, journalism, and law are sent out to disseminate what they have been taught. Political correctness (censorship) is proscribing freedom of speech and thought. Instead of being taught the process of how to think critically and independently to arrive at rational conclusions in the quest for truth, Americans are being told what to think with the lie and hyperbole being fabricated after the fact to prop up preconceived notions. Through direct elections or our elected representatives, legislation is enacted reflecting the will of the people. Yet, by what has become the dictatorship of the judiciary, an elite minority that answers to nobody is subverting the will of the majority and saying what is law.

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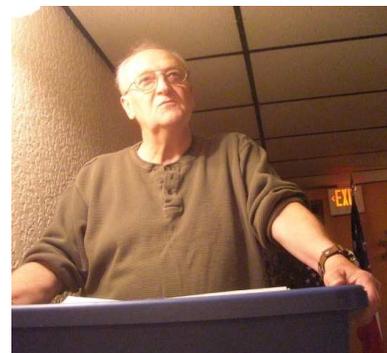
Terry Elliott from Camp meeting Continued from page 2...

Thompson devised a plan to capture New Orleans with a force of 200 men. He had Union General Butler convinced he had 10,000 men! Not sure what happened to that plan though.

At Pocahontas AR Thompson was finally captured. He spent time in Gratiot Street prison in St. Louis, Alton, IL; Johnson Island and Pt. Lookout, MD and Port Delaware. He always worked hard to keep the men's spirits up and plotted several unsuccessful escape attempts. He was then exchanged for a Union General in 1864.

He returned to the fight and joined with Price for the 1864 Raid. When Shanks was wounded Thompson took a Division. He helped cover Prices retreat. Arkansas was in disarray and Thompson was given near dictatorial powers to bring it under control.

After the war, Thompson tried several failed business adventures, living in Memphis. In 1876 he returned to St. Joseph for a visit and was there when his health took a turn for the worst. He died on September 5th, 1876 and is buried in St. Mora Cemetery in St. Joseph. LTY



Terryl Elliott

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Begun in the 1960's, rewriting of the law has transformed the face of immigration and assimilation into the image of invasion and occupation by those with values and aspirations alien to America.

The struggle between preservation of individual freedom and the incursion of big government is still with us. The terrain of the battlefield and the strategies of the conflict have changed. America in the mid-19th century was divided politically and geographically. America at the beginning of the 21st century is divided philosophically and spiritually. We are engaged in contentious competition not just for government offices or territory in America, but for the very minds and souls of Americans. Ultimately, "...we are not contending against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places." (Eph. 6:12) This is the location and epicenter of the motivating inspiration, driving force, and mounting strength of those with which we strive. (To be continued...)

Fr. Richard Rudd Hughes Camp Chaplain

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Lieutenant General Buckner only mildly chided General del Valle, saying, "How can I be sore at him? My father fought under that flag!" General Buckner's father was the Confederate General by the same name! The Buckner who had surrendered Fort Donnellson to General; Ulysses S. Grant in 1862! The flag flew for two days over Shuri Castle, when it was formally raised on May 31, 1945. Dusenbergs's flag was lowered and presented to General Buckner as a souvenir. General Buckner remarked, "OK! Now, let's get on with the war!" Tragically, just days before Okinawa fell; General Buckner was killed by an enemy shell on June 18, 1945, on Mezido Ridge, while observing a Marine attack."

From the "Okinawa Marine", written by Lieutenant Commander Joe D. Haines

I am going to the Holt Cannonball festival Saturday, October 4th to recruit and sell camp merchandise. I will also be going to Glasgow and Richmond Missouri this month. We can discuss the last two big events at the meeting, see you all there.

Yours in the Bonds of Confederate Brotherhood,

Jason-Nathaniel: coffman

John T. Hughes Camp 614 Commander



We swore in 3 new Members In September! To the left from left to right is David Andrew (Andy) Johnson, Greg M. Anderson, and Weldon Lee Everett (aka Packrat Lee). Thanks for joining men and we're excited to have you in our Camp! Below are the pictures of these men being presented their SCV Certificates. Salute to these men for honoring their Ancestors sacrifices.

David Andrew Johnson. Andy lives in Richmond, Missouri and is married to Mary. They have 4 children, Tanner-21, Angela-18, Wyatt-11, and Mary Elaine-9. Andy is a Safety Manager.

The Ancestor Andy honors on his certificate is **Pvt Thomas M. Roberts, Co. F, 1st Reg. Missouri Cavalry.** Thomas was from Trenton in Grundy County and enlisted on March 20th, 1862. Thomas was unfortunately killed on October 4, 1862 at Corinth, MS and is buried in a mass grave with other Price's Soldiers in Alcorn, County. That's sad that the Yankee's killed this young man so quickly.

Salute to Andy and Private Roberts!

Greg M. Anderson. Greg lives in Belton, Missouri and served in the U.S. Army. He was an E-4 and served in Vilseck, Germany from 1975-1978 as Ordnance and EOD personal. He is married to wife Debbie and they have two sons, Jeremiah and James.

The Ancestor that Greg honors on his SCV Certificate is **2nd Lt. Andrew J. Odell, Co. G, 8th Reg. Virginia Cavalry.** Lt. Odell was captured at Morfield on August 7th, 1864 and appears on the Roll of Prisoners of War. He was paroled and transferred from Camp Chase, Ohio to City Point, Va on March 2nd, 1865, for exchange. It is sure Lt. Odell suffered in those yankee hellhole prisons, but he survived and came west. He is buried in Bourbon, KS but I don't know when he died. **Salute to Greg and Lt. Odell!**

Weldon Lee Everett. Lee lives in Cainsville, Mo and is a historian. We've seen Lee around for years now, he's always come up to our booths etc at events.

The Ancestor Lee honors on his SCV Certificate is **Captain Horatio Gales Bruce, Co. H, 20th Texas Cavalry.** The records on Captain Bruce are extensive. Born in Kentucky, he moved to Johnson County, Texas in 1848. He became a leader in the Community, and when war broke out he raised a company of men and was elected Captain. They fought in Arkansas and Indian Territory. After the war he was elected to Congress and was a delegate to the 1875 Constitutional Convention. He died Jan. 11th, 1882 in Austin Texas. **Salute to Lee and Captain Bruce!**



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