

Confederate Gazette

Dues Are Now Due

Local Camp dues are tied to the fiscal year of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Now is the time to make your dues payment.

Much of our dues money stays right at home to help the Camp pay for printing and postage of the monthly newsletter, costs for dinner speakers, etc.

The Texas Division assisted the Texas Camps again this year by sending out a dues notice to every Division

member. Although the Division mailed the notices, all



payments should go directly to the Camp.

The 2011-12 dues are \$10, Divisions dues are \$5, and National dues are \$30, for a total of \$45.

Please remit your dues to the Camp Adjutant:

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The goal of the Camp is to get 100% of our members to renew.

Best Camp in the Division?

An Editorial
by Steve Wooley

Back in 1995 when I joined the Major Robert M. White Camp #1250 I really did not know what to expect. I knew there were like minded individuals in the camp with the same views as I had about the War Between the States. When my grandfather passed away in 1992 I made a commitment to find out what his grandfather had done in the war. I heard him as a kid talk about wanting to know more as he was but a young man when he passed away. So on that fateful day

in '92 I made a promise to my grandfather to find out all there was to know about Jesse Sutton, 6th TX Infantry, Company "F".

My sister had seen a billboard on IH-35 between Salado and Austin advertising the Sons of Confederate Veterans. She took down the phone number for me and National contacted the local camp to let them know I was interested in joining the SCV. Mr. Will Port Hall wrote me a nice letter inviting me to the camp so that I could attend a meeting. I was so impressed with that personal touch that

I have never forgotten Will Port Hall.

As I made friends in the SCV and traveled to Texas Division Reunions I had come to the conclusion that the camp I belonged to was one, if not the best in Texas! As the years have passed some things have changed but other things have remained the same. I remember our membership as low as 49 members, but also as high as 65 members. We had great attendance at meetings and a lot of participation from camp members. If

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CONFEDERATE PROFILE

Father of a Governor



Joseph Lewis Hogg

**“a fine specimen
of the best type of
Southern
manhood”**

This Texan was perhaps the only Confederate General not only to never see combat, but also to never even don a Confederate uniform.

Joseph Lewis Hogg was born on September 13, 1806, in Morgan County, Georgia. At age twelve his parents moved to Tuscaloosa County Alabama, where his parents ran a very successful plantation. At adulthood Hogg continued in his parents footsteps as a successful planter. He also studied law and served as a colonel in the militia.

At the age of thirty-three Hogg, his wife, Lucanda McMath Hogg, and two daughters moved to Texas. They settled outside of Nacogdoches and Hogg opened a law office in town. He had dabbled in politics prior to leaving Alabama and the political bug must have bit him again in Texas. Hogg was elected to the Republic of Texas' House of Representatives serving from

1843 to 1845. He Austin Hogg was a strong supporter of Sam Houston.

Hogg was a supporter of annexation to the United States and was a delegate at the Convention of 1845. After Texas was annexed Hogg served as a state senator in the first state legislative session in 1846, but soon resigned his position to fight in the Mexican War.

He ran for the position of colonel of the Second Regiment, Texas Mounted Volunteers, but was defeated. Instead, he served in the regiment as a private and participated in the capture of Monterrey. After the war Hogg returned to East Texas and worked in the railroad business.

According to the 1860 United States census, Hogg owned twenty-six slaves, \$9,000 in real estate, and \$22,000 in personal property, a considerable estate at the time, some of which he inherited upon his

parent's deaths.

Hogg was elected to attend the 1860 state convention to consider secession, and he cast his vote in favor of Texas leaving the Union. He ran for a seat in the Confederate Congress but lost.

He volunteered his services to the Confederate war effort and was elected captain of the Lone Star Defenders, which eventually became Company C of the Third Texas Cavalry. One of Hogg's sons, Thomas E. Hogg, also served in the same company, as a private. Sergeant Samuel B. Barron described Joseph Hogg as “a fine specimen of the best type of Southern manhood-tall, slender, straight as an Indian, and exceedingly dignified in his manner.”

Hogg, almost immediately resigned the command of the company in order to accept a

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Ima Hogg

Ima Hogg was the granddaughter of Joseph Lewis Hogg. Many in Texas history had wondered about her unique name and a Texas legend has developed that Ima had a twin sister named, Ura. Ima was one of four children of General Hogg's son, James, who was a Texas governor. She had only three brothers, so twin sister Ura is

a myth. Ima was named for the heroine of a War Between the States poem that was written by her uncle, Thomas Elisha. Ima was affectionately known as “Miss Ima” for most of her long life.

After oil was discovered on family property, she became quite wealthy. She became a

philanthropist, supporting many different causes, including many historical endeavors.

She restored the Hogg family home at Varner Plantation near West Columbia. In 1958, she presented it to the state of Texas as the Varner-Hogg

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there was something to be done we had 15 to 20 volunteers to do projects! But along the way something has happened. When I became Brigade Commander I realized that our camp was no longer an elite camp. In my opinion we are not even the best camp in the brigade!

Some of the old time members have passed away others have lost interest for whatever reason and have dropped out of the camp. Some have become

angry at things that were said or done by past officers (including myself) and dropped out of the camp and the SCV altogether. What I guess I am trying to say gentlemen is we are at a crossroads as the way I see it with this camp.

Now it seems to be the same 7 or 8 men and women that are doing all that needs to be done to keep the camp functional.

We are back down to about 47 members from the last roster that I saw. We generally have only about 25% of the camp membership coming to a meeting!

Gentlemen we have a rare opportunity with the 150th anniversary of The War Between The States upon us right now. I would like to see the camp gain members back and become active again. I think we need to ask ourselves why we joined the S.C.V. I know that not all of

our members can come to every camp meeting. I understand that. I know that not all of our members can get out there and do physical labor like we could when we were younger. But we can attend some meetings; we can recruit family members and gain our camp strength back. I really think that we can become in my mind one of the best camps in Texas



Former Camp Commander George Ballentine shows the 2005 Outstanding Camp in the Texas Division award given to Camp #1250.

again! So as you read this opinion if you honor your ancestor with membership in the SCV the way that I do, lets at least make an attempt!

To you, Sons of Confederate Veterans, we will commit 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 which he loved and which you love also, and those ideals which made him glorious and which you also cherish.

General Stephen Dill Lee Commander UCV

Comments are not those of the camp just mine.

Wooley challenges Camp during 150th anniversary of the war

Rose News

By Linda Wooley

Chapter 19 has grown to 20 members strong and looks forward to continued support to our sponsoring camp, Major Robert M. White, Camp 1250.

Our main objective has been to assist Camp 1250 whenever and wherever we can help with the most recent being the South Belton Cemetery Restoration Project, of which we are

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Camp Schedule

September 13, 2011

Regular Camp meeting at Cotton Patch Café, Temple Mall. 7:00 PM. Speaker: Greg Manning, author of the newly published book Unwavering Duty: Jefferson Davis.

October 8, 2011

Quarterly Camp Dinner meeting

at Cotton Patch Café, Temple Mall. 7:00 PM. Speaker: TBD.

November 8, 2011

Regular Camp meeting at Cotton Patch Café, Temple Mall. 7:00 PM. Speaker: TBD

December 13, 2011

Regular Camp meeting at Cot-



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January 14, 2012

Annual Lee-Jackson Dinner

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commission from Governor Edward Clark as a colonel. His task was to immediately begin organizing troops in East Texas for the Confederacy.

He received, on February 14, 1861, an appointment as brigadier general in the Provisional Army of the Confederate States and was ordered to report to Gen. Benjamin McCulloch's Army of the West near Fayetteville, Arkansas. By the time he arrived McCulloch had been killed and the Confederate forces badly beaten at the Battle of Elk Horn Tavern in March. He was given command of a brigade, mainly made up of Texas and Arkansas troops, and Hogg was

ordered to report to Corinth, Mississippi.

Hogg arrived after the Battle of Shiloh and formally took command of the brigade under General P. G. T. Beauregard. Hogg, almost immediately got in hot water with Beauregard. Beauregard ordered Hogg arrested for recklessly endangering a trainload of supplies that Hogg thought to be threatened by the enemy. The only problem was that there were no enemy troops. One of Beauregard's staff members found Hogg to be, "rather an irritable man," and claimed that Hogg's "suspicions were easily aroused."

Hogg became very ill, before anything could be done about the charges. He suffered from the dysentery that was ravaging Beauregard's men.

Hogg was moved to a private home several miles from the camp. There he was nursed by his body servant, Bob, but he died on May 16, 1862. Tradition has it that Hogg never wore a Confederate uniform, preferring civilian clothes. His son James served as governor of Texas 1892 to 1896.

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all proud to be a part of. At our last quarterly meeting, we discussed and voted to purchase a paver for the South Belton project. At the last Camp 1250 meeting held on August 9th, we challenged the Camp to do the same. They met our challenge with unanimous approval. What a great way for our legacy to continue on. We extend the invitation for others

who may be interested in becoming a part of the Texas Society Order of Confederate Rose. You don't have to be a direct descendant of a Confederate Veteran or Soldier. We would love to have you join us. There is no requirement to dress period, just show an interest in helping us all to preserve and protect Southern history and heritage.

Contact any of our Rose Members or Camp 1250 Members for information. And yes, this invitation is open to women, men, and children under the age of 12.

Ima Hogg

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Plantation State Historical Park. She died at age 93 in 1975 of complications from a traffic accident, while she was vacationing in London.