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## ARDOR OF VETERANS

Not Dampened By the Chilling

Weather

## FULL OF VIM AND VIGOR

Hundreds of "Johnny Rebs" Present When Body Convened

All of General Officers Re-elected—Birmingham Chosen, as City for Next Reunion—Recommendations Made—Returns Thanks to Congress and President for Return of Battle Flags—Veterans Hear Addresses by Gen. Young and Ex-U. S. Senator Berry.

Richmond, May 1.—The grand camp United Confederate Veterans, today re-elected its general officers as follows:

Commander in Chief—General Stephen D. Lee.

Lieutenant General, Department Army of Northern Virginia—General Irine Walker.

Lieutenant General, Department of Tennessee—General Clement A. Evans. Lieutenant General Trans-Mississippi Department—General William L. Cabell.

All of the above already hold the offices to which they were elected, and all were chosen by acclamation and amidst the wildest cheers.

Birmingham was chosen as the city of the next eighteenth annual reunion of veterans.

Other cities competing were San Francisco and Nashville.

The vote first stood at 1,600 to 800. The report of the committee on resolutions was adopted without debate.

It recommends that the speeches of General S. D. Lee, Senator John W. Daniel and Colonel R. E. Lee be printed in pamphlet form for distribution, and endorses the objects and aims of the Arlington Confederate Monument Association, which proposes the erection of a Confederate monument in Arlington National cemetery.

On the correct representation of the Confederate battle flag the resolution committee submit as a substitute, "that the action of this association at its convention held in Nashville, Tenn., in 1904, be endorsed and reaffirmed."

The report favors the preservation of all papers, manuscripts and historical sketches of the Confederate states and recommends the endowment of a Confederate hospital in the home formerly owned by Stonewall Jackson at Lexington, Va.

It suggests the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of General R. E. Lee by a permanent memorial in the institution, of which he was president (Washington and Lee University) and favors erection of monument to 18 soldiers killed at Appomattox. The building of this last mentioned memorial in commend to the camp of Appomattox. The report recommends the tabling of the request of the "Daughters" for a change of the rules governing the bestowal of the crosses of honor, so that they may be worn by the descendants of the recipients.

It thanks congress and the president for the returning of the captured battle flags and for the appropriating \$200,000 to make the graves of Confederate soldiers buried in northern soil.

It likewise thanks the twenty-third New Jersey infantry for erecting a tablet at Salem church to the Alabama soldiers with whom it was engaged.

The report urges that the southern states give each Confederate soldier a testimonial of his record and when the end comes an appropriate burial; also that the division commanders shall constitute the executive committee of the association.

It declares that the title of general shall be born only by those who had that title during the war.

It also recommends the tabling of the resolution by the "Daughters" providing that no state sponsors and maids of honor be appointed.

It likewise recommends the tabling of the resolution regarding a monument to the women of the south and extends a tribute to Mrs. Mca. McKinney.

The report was signed by Joseph F. Johnson, of Alabama, chairman; John P. McKim, of Tennessee, secretary;

B. W. Green, of Arkansas; S. E. Lewis of the District of Columbia; Albert A. Esterponial, of Louisiana; H. S. Burgwin of North Carolina; E. K. Goree, of Texas; General Pascual of Florida, O. L. Schumpert, of South Carolina.

Great sheets of cold wind-swept rain were sweeping down from a frowning sky when the gray coated "boys" of '61-'65 force gathered once more in the horse show building to attend the third session of the United Confederate veterans, but larchymose heavens and chilling weather could not drive the sunshine from the hearts of the old soldiers.

The joy of again being with the comrades of over four decades ago over leaped all difficulties and ignored all discomfort while the stirring southern airs played by the band aroused a host of dormant memories which were sweet in their revivication.

To say that the weather was viciously disagreeable but half expresses it, yet hundreds and hundreds of "Johnny Rebs" were in the hall when the body was called to order. In fact, the attendance was but little smaller than that was yesterday when General Stephen D. Lee rapped the body to order and presented the Rev. Dr. McKim of Washington, D. C., who offered prayer.

Dr. J. William Jones submitted the annual report of the Confederate memorial association which dealt chiefly with the status of the Battle Abbey and the benefaction of Charles Broadway Rouss.

The report stated that after long and vexatious litigation all of the money donated by Mr. Rouss—\$100,000—had been procured. This gift was promised years ago on condition that an additional \$100,000 be raised. The condition precedent, said the report, had been met and all the money now is in a Richmond bank, while those back of the movement are ready to go forward at an early date in the erection of the memorial.

The report which called for additional financial aid was adopted amid great enthusiasm.

The report of the history committee was received and ordered to be printed. It was not read to the convention.

A cane cut from the center of Cold Harbor battlefield, where 14,500 were killed June 3, 1864, in thirty minutes, was presented by J. J. Estes, Company D, Eighth Virginia Cavalry to General Stephen D. Lee. The commander accepted the gift in fitting language.

A stirring speech was made during one of the unoccupied intervals of time by General Bennett Young, of Kentucky, who commented on the many monuments which had been erected to the memory of the Confederate soldiers in the southland. He said Kentucky alone had raised forty erals.

Ex-United States Senator James H. Berry, of Arkansas a rugged old "Johnny Reb" who lost a leg at Corinth Miss., was presented to convention. He hobbled forward to the speaker's stand on his crutch and was greeted by a tremendous wave of applause, and once again the whole convention rose to its feet. Senator Berry delivered a tip-top address, full of fire and fervor, and replete with felicitous references to Virginia.

The convention formally received a committee from the Sons of Veterans which was headed by John M. Apperson, of Tennessee, who delivered a cordial greeting. This speech appeared to please the old soldiers greatly, and was happily responded to by Mr. J. William Jones.

The greatest enthusiasm and the loudest cheering of the day occurred when the hour for the election of officers came, though it certainly cannot be said that there was the slightest doubt about the outcome of the voting.

The result was as above stated. A few minutes after the choice of the next meeting place the convention adjourned, after a session which had been full of fire and spirit, but which nevertheless accomplished a great deal of work in a comparatively short while.

Never was there a more dismal day, so far as the weather was concerned, and at times the rain thundered on the roof so loudly that it almost drowned the voice of the speakers, but for all that the hearts of the old soldiers were all aglow and their patriotism was at fever heat.

It was announced in the convention that Mobile is fixing her triggers to play host to the old foes in 1910.

Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea purifies the blood, strengthens the nerves, regulates the bowels, aids the kidneys, cures stomach troubles, builds up the nervous force and repairs the ill effects of over eating. Tea or Tablets, 35 cents. R. R. Belamy.

## PRESIDENT BACK IN WASHINGTON

Thoroughly Enjoyed Trip Through the West

HAD "ROOSEVELT" WEATHER

Appeared on Platform Every Time Train Stopped and Bowed to Crowds—Steam Whistle too Much for Him at One Place.

Washington, June 1.—President Roosevelt, Secretary Loeb and Surgeon General Rixey returned to Washington from their visit to Canton, Indianapolis and Lansing, at 4:45 o'clock this afternoon via the Baltimore and Ohio railroad. Secretaries Root, Garfield and Wilson, who departed with the president from Washington, did not return with him. Messrs. Root and Garfield preceding him here and Secretary Wilson remaining in the west. The president went at once to the White house and later to the executive offices to dispose of business which had accumulated. The president is to start on June 10th for the Jamestown exposition where Georgia Day is to be celebrated on the 10th. On the 12th he will leave for Oyster Bay where, as he said today, he hopes to pass a quiet summer. The president expressed himself as having thoroughly enjoyed his trip through the west. "Roosevelt weather" favored him with the exception of today when it rained hard all the way from Pittsburg to Washington.

The run from Pittsburg was without special incident. Everywhere the train stopped the president appeared on the platform of his special car and bowed to the crowds. When time permitted he shook hands with them and at a number of the larger places he spoke briefly.

Several times he got a good drenching as he stood with bare head on the platform of the car.

At Cumberland, Md., a steam whistle kept up its racket while the president was attempting to talk. Finally he gave in to the whistle, remarking that he could not "talk against the hum of industry."

ENTERED STATE BY FRAUD  
The Waters-Pierce Oil Company  
Fined \$1,623,900.

Austin, Texas, June 1.—The Waters-Pierce Oil Company of Missouri, today was adjudged guilty of violating the anti-trust laws of Texas, convicted of having entered the state by fraud, and fined \$1,623,900. The state's request for ousting proceedings was granted.

The defense filed a motion for a new trial in line with future steps of appeals to the state supreme court, the case to be finally taken to the federal courts. The state filed a petition with District Judge Brooks, praying for the appointment of a receiver and an injunction to restrain the company from moving any of its property from the state. The judge granted a temporary injunction.

The trial consumed three weeks in the district court and its conclusion today is merely the beginning of the long legal struggle.

NEGRO LYNCHED

Charged With Attempted Criminal Assault Upon Wife of His Employer.

Alexandria, La., June 1.—Henry Johnson, a middle-aged negro was lynched at Echo, La. last night by about 150 men who took him from the jail. He had been arrested charged with attempted assault on the wife of his employer.

When Johnson was placed in jail Deputy Sheriff Richardson wired Alexandria for assistance. Richardson says he succeeded in keeping the mob back until 8 o'clock when he went to his supper. While eating he heard about 50 shots fired and was told that the negro had been lynched.

Without encountering resistance the lynchers had taken Johnson from the jail and hanged him to a tree.

Call for General Strike.  
Birmingham, Ala., June 1.—Following a conference at the mayor's office today two calls for a general strike of all working men and working women in Birmingham and the Birmingham district was issued this afternoon.

One is signed by J. F. Jacob, president of the Birmingham trades council and the second is signed by the union labor committee appointed at Wednesday night's mass meeting to seek to adjust the trouble.

W. R. Ward, of Dryesburg, Tenn., writes: "This is to certify that I have used Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup for chronic constipation and it has proven without a doubt, to be a thorough, practical remedy for this trouble, and it is with pleasure that I offer my conscientious reference." Sold by Jos. C. Shepard, J. Hicks Bunting.

## ELECT OFFICERS AND ADJOURN

Sons of Veterans Hold Last and Most Important Meeting

ELIGIBILITY TO MEMBERSHIP

Resolution Passed Forbidding Election of Any Person Other Than Son of Confederate Veteran—Women of Confederacy Hold Interesting Meeting.

Richmond, June 1.—The Sons of Veterans held their last and most important meeting this afternoon and passed a resolution forbidding the election of any person to the organization other than a son of a Confederate veteran, meaning one who bore arms for the Confederacy.

It was attempted to include the grandsons and nephews of veterans and the sons of those who held official positions in the confederacy, but this was defeated.

It will appear strange that the grandson of President Jefferson Davis is not eligible to membership in the Sons, but it is pointed out that he is not the son of a veteran, and that his grandfather did not bear arms, although he was commander-in-chief of the confederate army and navy.

The election of officers was without contest. John W. Apperson, of Memphis, being elected commander-in-chief. W. W. Old, of Norfolk, Va., commander of the army of Northern Virginia. Clarence J. Owens, of Alabama, commander of the army of Tennessee and J. S. Hilliard, of Texas, commander of the army of the trans-Mississippi.

Dr. Thomas M. Owen, of Alabama, late commander-in-chief was made historian general, and a committee on history, composed of one member from each state was elected to assist him. The Woman of the Confederacy held a most interesting meeting in the afternoon.

The most important business transacted was the passage of a resolution which names a committee of three women of the Confederate Memorial Association, three members of the Daughters of the Confederacy and three members of the United Confederate Veterans to request the United States government to restore the names of President Jefferson Davis and Colonel Alfred L. Rives, which were cut from the Cabin John Bridge near Washington, during the war. Mrs. Hayes, daughter of Mr. Davis, is a short address told the association that it had been the dying request of her father that his name should be restored to Cabin John Bridge.

Mrs. Clements Clay, known as the Belle of the 50's, made a delightful little speech full of reminiscences. This session of the association ended the business of the reunion.

EARTHQUAKE IN ECUADOR

Inhabitants of Guayaquil Jump From Bed and Run Into Street.

Guayaquil, Ecuador June 1.—Three earth shocks about 3:20 this morning caused the inhabitants of the city to jump and run panic-stricken into the streets.

The first and last of the shocks were slight but the second was heavy and lasted about forty seconds, causing the bells in the church towers to ring and stopping the clocks in the church towers.

No news has yet been received from the interior of the republic, but it is probable that damage was done by the earth shocks in the country. Owing to the peculiar construction of the buildings the disturbance did not cause any damage in this city.

WINSTON-SALEM TO RALEIGH

Reported That Road Will be Built by the Norfolk and Southern.

(Special to The Messenger)  
Raleigh, N. C., June 1.—Several months ago your correspondent stated it was reported that a railway was to be built from here to Durham or some other point on the Norfolk and Western railway to give the latter a coast connection. Some sort of a survey is now being made and stakes have been set west of here. The last legislature chartered over 40 railways and among them the Raleigh and Winston-Salem. It is now stated that this line will be built by the Norfolk and Southern Railway Co., which is already into Raleigh. The distance between Winston-Salem and Raleigh is ninety miles. The connection would give coal to Beaufort, which is to become of some importance as a coaling station.

The Norfolk and Southern and Norfolk and Western are very friendly. The Carolina and Northwestern railway today served a complaint on the attorney general and corporation commission to prevent the reduced passenger and freight rate from being put into effect. Judge Pritchard will hear the matter June 27th.

## FAYETTEVILLE NEWS LETTER

The Old Road Bed to Rockfish—Notable Marriages—Monticello Park. Death of Mrs. Thomson—Falls From a Roof—Bitten by a Dog. News and Personal Notes.

(Special to The Messenger)  
Fayetteville, N. C., June 1.—The correspondent is informed that the Charleston and Northern R. R., of which Mr. J. F. L. Armfield, of this city, is president, building this way from Lumberton, has acquired by purchase a good part of the abandoned road bed of the old Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railway, between this city and Hope Mills, and wants the whole of it, for entrance into Fayetteville. The Street Railway Company is also a claimant for the road bed; but, while a trolley line to Hope Mills would be a fine thing, it is too far off in the future. Fayetteville wants the railroad between here and Lumberton worse than it does a country street car line.

Maj. and Mrs. John B. Broadfoot have issued cards announcing the marriage on the 12th of June, in St. Johns Episcopal church, of their eldest daughter, Miss Mary Norcott Broadfoot, and Mr. C. L. Pemberton, secretary and treasurer of the McNeill Manufacturing Company.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Underwood, of this city, announce the marriage of their niece, Miss Mary Pemberton Glenn, daughter of the late E. T. B. Glenn, and Dr. E. J. Willingham, at 12 o'clock on the 12th of June, at their residence, No. 326 Green street.

Miss Georgie Hicks, president, and other members of the Women's Civic Improvement Association, are in favor of Monticello Park, skirting Monticello Heights, for a pleasure ground and suburban resort of the city. It is beautifully situated, following the graceful windings of Robinson's creek, takes in the famous "Robinson Spring" and is well wooded.

Chief of Police Benton has arrested Joe Kitchen, a negro, who has served a term on the chain gang, and who was found in the Ray woods, suspected of having been concerned in the house robberies wired to The Messenger Thursday night.

Capt. J. D. McNeill, president of the National and State Firemen's Associations, left yesterday for St. Paul, where he meets the Firemen's Association of Minnesota, whence he goes to Detroit to meet the Michigan Association.

Governor Glenn spoke yesterday at the commencement exercises of Stedman High school.

Miss Emma Belle Williams has gone to pay a visit to Miss Annie MacRae, in Baltimore.

Mrs. Jane Pemberton is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Underwood on Green street.

The National Bank of Fayetteville has bought the business of the Fayetteville Savings and Trust Company and Mr. Alfred McKeithan, cashier of the latter will take a position in the savings department of the bank.

Mr. Wm. Jones, a carpenter, while working yesterday afternoon on a house in east Fayetteville, lost his footing and fell to the ground from the second story. He was badly bruised and cut, but no bones were broken.

Harry, a son of Mr. James F. Johnson, was bitten yesterday by a Scotch collie, and was immediately carried to the Highsmith hospital, where the wound was cauterized and dressed.

Mrs. G. A. Thompson died at her home in this city this morning aged 65 years, and the funeral service takes place from the family residence at 10 o'clock on Sunday morning. Besides her husband, the deceased leaves two sons, Messrs. J. C. and G. H. Thompson, of this city, and four daughters, Mrs. H. L. Murphy, of Fayetteville; Mrs. C. E. Cripps and Mrs. Stella Westcott, of Baltimore, and Mrs. B. E. Dilahunt, of Commerce, Ga.

Dr. J. F. Highsmith, proprietor of the Highsmith hospital, leaves tonight for Atlantic City, to attend the meeting of the American Medical Association, of which he is a delegate, and thence he returns to the meeting of the meeting of the State Medical Society, at Morehead City.

IN HONOR OF DAVIS

Business to be Suspended on Southern Railway and in Several Cities.

Washington, June 1.—On account of the ceremonies at Richmond in honor of the memory of Jefferson Davis, an order was issued today for a five minutes general suspension of business on the Southern railway next Monday from 2 o'clock to 2:05 p. m.

Nashville, Tenn., June 1.—Mayor Morris, of Nashville, issued a proclamation today requesting that the wheels of commerce be stopped on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, for five minutes in honor of the unveiling of the monument to Jefferson Davis at Richmond, Va. The mayors of other cities in Tennessee and Alabama have issued similar proclamations.

## SITUATION GRAVE

French Shipping Interest Paralyzed By Strike

## TROUBLE IS EXTENDING

Tie-Up Complete in France, Algeria and Tunis

Torpedo Boats Used in Dispatch of Mails—Government Seems to be Almost Helpless—Many Industries Will be Compelled to Shut Down if Strike is Prolonged—Action Taken Against Strikers.

Paris, June 1.—The cabinet met today and discussed the maritime strike at length. The measures taken by Marine Minister Thompson to insure the dispatch of mails to the colonies by transports and to maintain communication by mail to Mediterranean ports, by means of torpedo boat destroyers and torpedo boats, were approved. Other measures were decided upon by the ministers, to be put in practice in case the strike is prolonged, but their nature was not announced when the meeting adjourned.

While Minister Thompson says he hopes the strikers will "recognize the logic of facts and come to their senses" the government seems to be almost helpless. The seamen's organization is making it clear that they have no cause for complaint against the navigation companies and that the fight is against the government for an increase of the pensions of the men of the naval reserves, to which nearly all the strikers belong.

The situation is very serious. French shipping is paralyzed and unless there is an immediate settlement of the dispute many industries will be compelled to shut down and thousands of workmen in other branches of trade will be thrown into enforced idleness. The strike today was extended to Dunkirk, Calais, Boulogne, Gravelines, Bordeaux and other ports which were not affected yesterday and the tie up is now complete everywhere in France, Algeria and Tunis. The commercial interests are crying out against the so-called "tyranny of the labor organizations" and against the government for not being able to meet the strikers' demands.

The minister of marine says it is impossible to increase the minimum of age pensions to \$120 and \$360 for men and officers respectively, as the seamen's organization demands.

In order not to remain entirely passive, some of the navigation companies took action against the strikers today. Formal charges of desertion were made against nearly 9,000 officers, engineers, seamen and others who have abandoned their ships, and under the decree of 1852, they are subject to heavy penalties.

Rotterdam, June 1.—The strike fever has reached Holland. The local branch of the Dutch Seamen's Association has proclaimed a general strike of sailors. The strikers demand an increase of pay and the introduction of labor contracts.

COTTON AND NAVAL STORES

Monthly Report Posted at Chamber of Commerce Yesterday—Cotton Receipts Exceed Those of Last Year.

According to the monthly report of cotton bulletined at the rooms of the chamber of commerce yesterday, showing the receipts at this port for the crop year from September 1st to June 1st, there have been received 321,225 bales, compared with 311,911 bales for the corresponding period last year. The receipts for the month, however, fell 10,000 bales short of the receipts in May last year, being only 7,080 bales against 17,118 bales.

The domestic exports for May just passed amounted to 187 bales and for the season 1,513 bales. The foreign exports for the cotton year amount to 307,419 bales, bringing the grand total of cotton exported up to 309,038 bales. The grand total last year was 301,901 bales.

In naval stores the receipts have about equalled last year's receipts. There have arrived at this port 1,553 casks of spirits, 10,833 barrels rosin, 7,246 barrels of tar and 1,731 barrels of crude. Last year there were 2,190 casks spirits, 10,830 barrels rosin, 3,560 barrels tar and 4,220 barrels crude.