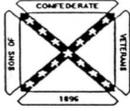
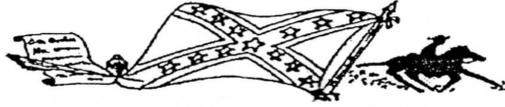


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ALERT! ALERT! ALERT!

The monthly meeting for September will be Thursday the 30th. For the program this month a video by the title Generation Zero will be shown. This DVD shows the decline that America has experienced since the 1960's. In it, the economy is shown as going from the free enterprise system to what it has become today. Other areas of interest are also covered and there are several notable people from the news media and political circles that you will recognize. The meeting will begin promptly at 7:00 PM with prayer and the flag salutes and then the DVD as it is approx. 90 minutes in length. It exonerates our Southern ancestors and leaders of so long ago in the sense that they knew and many predicted the things that have come to fruition in our life time. It is a very intriguing and thought provoking piece. You will see everything unfold in front of you in a short period of time that has actually been taking place for more than four decades. It pretty much covers the main reasons we have been on a down hill slide for so long. Of course we in the SCV and anyone else who has studied American and more specifically Southern history know that the 1960's was the 1860's part two. You will most likely be able to relate to much of what is covered. A short business meeting will follow and a couple of announcements. If there is someone who you have been meaning to bring to a meeting this would be an excellent time. Come early to eat and see ya at the Sizzlin.



I DON'T WANNA
BE "SAFE"
I JUST WANNA
BE FREE!!!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Fall Muster - October 23 - 24 at Beauvoir. This event is sponsored by the Sam Davis Camp # 596. Their email: fallmuster@bellsouth.net Phone - 228-388-4400 / Fax - 228-388-7800. www.beauvoir.org

Monument Anniversary - On October 9th, at 12:00 there will be a service celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Confederate monument in Hattiesburg. Of course we need to be there in uniform as part of the color guard. After the service, the courthouse will be open and refreshments will be served.

The Jones County 9-12 Reclaimers have invited our camp to set up an encampment on Dale & Lynn Holifield's farm located in Jasper County. At this time it seems that we are to be there all day. This can be an excellent time to talk to people with whom we do not usually have an opportunity to present the facts of the War and the parallel with the American Revolution. We need to have as large of a turnout as possible. In addition to us, hopefully Bro. Cary Kimbrell and or Bro. John Killian will be speaking at some point during the event. All the details will be forth coming.

Deason Home Tour - Susan Mitchell, the new regent for the Ellisville DAR has stated that they will be having their annual house tour and will be needing our assistance as in past years. An exact date has not been set as of this writing, however, by the time of our meeting it will be known.

Angels on the Bluff Tour Schedule - Natchez City Cemetery. The 2010 Angels on the Bluff Tour will be Nov. 12th & 13th. Tickets cost \$20.00 each and went on sale August 1st. The Cemetery Association invites you to join the 11th anniversary tour. This is a fundraiser for the cemetery. It brings to life some of the interesting residents with small vignettes during the evening. Traditionally they are sold out. To order tickets call 601-446-6345 or go to visitnatchez.org.

Scottish Games & Celtic Festival - November 13 -14 at the Harrison County Fairgrounds, Gulfport, MS. Email - tchambers@febdistributing.com Our camp has participated in the color guard for almost 20 yrs. besides having encampments several times and always having a booth for recruiting purposes to help send potential members to camps in MS. and also outside of the state. As of last year, the Sam Davis Camp, which is in Biloxi, also had a booth at the games. So, we can work in conjunction with them on recruiting and educating the attendees.

Landrum Homestead Country Christmas Tour - Saturday, November 27, 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM. Entertainment, Gem Mining, Shooting Gallery, Restored Cabins, Food, General Store, Forestry Exhibit, plus our history encampment behind the homestead. Hopefully there will be another cannon demonstration and a couple of skirmishes, which we win of course, of course!

Laurel - Sertoma Christmas Parade will be the first Saturday in December beginning at 10:00 AM. Afterwards we will have our annual dinner at the Mauldin Community Center.

Robert E. Lee / Stonewall Jackson banquet on the last Saturday of January. Lord willing, it will be held again at Bethlehem Baptist Church.

RECONSTRUCTION RHETORIC CONTINUES

Southern Baptist Minister Judges Lee; Condemns Flag

On August 3rd, Rev. Russell Moore, Dean of the School of Theology and Senior Vice president for Academic Administration at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, published a response to the question, "Is it wrong to display a picture of Robert E. Lee" on the Crosswalk website (www.crosswalk.com). A native Mississippian, Moore sounds more like a Northern Unitarian minister than a Southern Baptist pastor believing the War to be a total defense of slavery by the South. Self righteously utilizing 21st Century values and social mores, he easily sits in judgment of Lee calling him a "sinful rebel" who "could not see past his blind spot" of defending the Southern nation, which in his view, "was constitutionally committed to the continuation, with protections in law, of a great evil," NOR DOES HE WRITE THAT THE United States was committed to the same institution for over 80 years before emancipation was employed in hopes of being detrimental to their wartime enemy.

The historically myopic Moore states that Lee was "gifted in commendable ways, " but used his gifts "that ought to horrify." Moreover, he writes, although Lee and his army believed they were fighting for home and not slavery, they

were not “right” as if Moore knew their true intentions. Missing are Lee’s consideration of himself as “a poor sinner trusting in Christ alone for salvation” and the General’s reliance on the Scriptures which “has never failed to give me light and strength.”

Thee misguided minister is quick to say the Confederate battle flag makes him “wince” and that he voted to change the Mississippi state flag during its referendum in 2001. Moreover he continues by stating that “I wince at the symbol that was used to enslave the little brothers and sisters of Jesus, to bomb little girls in church buildings, to terrorize preachers of the gospel and their families with burning crosses on front lawns by night.” I wonder if he has the same reaction when he views the Stars and Stripes, under which many atrocities were committed.

The self-righteous pastor, with his 21st century hindsight, continues by stating that he would have helped slaves escape had he been born in 1841, and that he would have participated in the 1963 March on Washington singing “We Shall Overcome,” had he been born in 1984. What intellectual dishonesty!

What this Southern Baptist pastor does not seem to realize that many of those “sinful” Confederate soldiers committed their lives to Christ during the War, and propagated the Christian faith when they returned home. As a result, evangelical Christianity and the church flourished in the South and thus led, indirectly, to his present employment and avocation.

Read this entire article at: <http://www.crosswalk.com/blogs/russellmoore/11635879/>

Respond to this article on his website: www.russellmoore.com

A LINCOLN LOVER ?

Glenn Beck’s Lincoln Contradictions

By Thomas J. DiLorenzo

I’ve been occasionally watching Glenn Beck on the Fox News Channel and think he has done an admirable job of smoking out and identifying the shockingly hardcore, radical socialists who dominate the Obama administration. He has also done a generally good job talking about the libertarian founding principles of America, how they have been lost, and our duty to regain them. But he has been absolutely abysmal when discussing the subject of Lincoln, the War to Prevent Southern Independence, and its legacy. I suspect that the reason for this disconnect with historical reality is that: 1) The Fox News Channel is essentially a propaganda arm of the neoconservative political cabal that has captured the Republican Party; 2) One of the cornerstones of neocon ideology is Lincoln idolatry and hatred of the South and Southerners. (Professor Paul Gottfried, for one, has written extensively about this.) 3) Therefore, if Glenn wants to keep his gig at Fox, he must toe the party line on Lincoln. Being otherwise libertarian—*while the Democrats are in power*—serves the purposes of the neocon cabal nicely. To the neocons, Lincoln idolatry serves the purpose of helping to prop up the centralized, bureaucratic, liberty-destroying, military-industrial complex that defines their existence. As William F. Buckley, Jr., the original neocon, declared in 1956, fighting the Cold War meant that “we have got to accept Big Government for the duration,” including “a totalitarian bureaucracy within our own shores” with its “large armies, atomic energy, central intelligence, war production boards, and the attendant centralization of power in Washington.” In case you haven’t noticed, for quite some time now the Republican Party has stood for war, war, and more war, and little else. How on earth genuine conservatives who favor limited constitutional government came to embrace Buckley as one of their leading spokesmen is a bizarre mystery.

When I debated one of the gurus of neocon Lincoln idolatry—Harry Jaffa—shortly after *The Real Lincoln* was published in 2002, he bellowed at one point that “9/11 proves more than ever that we need a strong central government.” (In reality, it proved the failure and incapability of “the central government” to protect even its own D.C. headquarters from a few nuts armed with box cutters.) “We need big, totalitarian government to fight all the new Hitlers and potential Hitlers in the world” is the neocon mantra, in a nutshell.

To neocons, Lincoln is the poster boy of militaristic big government that runs roughshod over civil liberties while bankrupting the country with taxes and debt and murdering thousands of innocent foreigners (not that Southerners during the 1861-1865 war were foreigners; they were fellow American citizens). Doesn’t this sound like the Republican Party of today, as embodied in slavery was already constitutional and then, alluding to the Corwin Amendment, said: “I have no objection to it [slavery protection] being made express an irrevocable” in the Constitution. This was by far the strongest defense of slavery ever made by an American politician, coming from the president himself. Beck and the wacky preacher posing as an intellectual make no mention of this.

More recently, Beck has admirably attacked the idea of “collective salvation” that Obama himself espouses, and which is apparently as much a part of the ideology of the American Left today as militarism fueled by Lincoln idolatry is of the Right. According to the doctrine of “collective salvation,” a Christian cannot be saved and go to Heaven unless one first embarks on a crusade to have *government* “save” the “oppressed” of society by expanding the welfare state, raising taxes, making taxation more “progressive,” adopting more racial hiring quotas, and

regulating and nationalizing as much of private industry as possible. It is a variant of “liberation theology” which, according to Pope John Paul, IV, is essentially Marxism masquerading as Christianity. What Beck and his wacky preacher/faux lincoln expert do not know is that *the main supporters of the Lincoln regime believed in the exact same quasi-religious ideas*. Indeed, it defined their very existence. As explained by Murray Rothbard in “America’s Two Just Wars: 1775 and 1861” (in John Denson, ed., *The Costs of War*, Transaction Publishers, 1997, p. 128):

The North, in particular the North’s driving force, the “Yankees” – that ethnocultural group who either lived in New England or migrated from there to upstate New York, northern and eastern Ohio, northern Indiana, and northern Illinois – had been swept by a new form of Protestantism. This was a fanatical an emotional neo-Puritanism driven by a fervent “postmillennialism” which held that, as a precondition for the Second Advent of Jesus Christ, man must set up a thousand-year Kingdom of God on Earth.

To the Yankees, their “kingdom” was to be a “perfect society” cleansed of sin, the principal causes of which were slavery, alcohol, and Catholicism. Furthermore, “government is God’s major instrument of salvation,” Rothbard wrote. This is why the Yankees never seriously considered ending Southern slavery how THEY had ended it in their own states – peacefully through some kind of compensated emancipation. They were not so concerned about the welfare of the poor slaves. Indeed, even Tocqueville noticed that “the problem of race,” as he phrased it, was worse in the North than it was in the South. Instead, as Rothbard continues:

The Northern war against slavery partook of fanatical millennialist fervor, of a cheerful willingness to uproot institutions, to commit mayhem and mass murder, to plunder and loot and destroy, all in the name of high moral principle and the birth of a perfect world. The Yankee fanatics were veritable Pattersonian humanitarians with the guillotine: the Anabaptist, the Jacobins, the Bolsheviks, of their era.

“Collective salvation,” as opposed to the individualistic salvation that the Bible teaches, was what motivated the Yankees and their war on the South. This of course is exactly what Glenn Beck has been ranting and raving about recently when it is practiced by opponents of the neocon establishment – the exact same establishment that embraces the Lincolnite, Yankee millennialist fervor as one of its defining characteristics. That’s why the neocons constantly invoke Lincoln’s “all men are created equal” words from the Gettysburg Address (via Jefferson’s Declaration of Secession) to “justify” their endless military meddling in over 100 countries of the world. ALL men deserve “equal” liberty, they tell us, and it is OUR job to invade, conquer, and occupy any nation on earth where there is a lack of such liberty.

America was founded with the George Washington/Thomas Jefferson foreign policy of commercial relationships with all nations, entangling alliances with none. The neocon establishment, which is influential in *both* major political parties, believes in just the opposite: “entangling alliances” and endless military interventionism with as many nations a possible, all in the name of some undefinable Great Moral Cause, in the tradition of Dishonest Abe. Of course, all of this high-handed talk about the Republican Party supposedly being “the party of great moral ideas” is also a convenient smokescreen for the economic greed that is its real motivation, and has been ever since the party first gained power. As Rothbard further explained: “On the economic level, the Republicans [in 1860] adopted the Whig program of statism and big government: protective tariffs, subsidies to big business, strong central government, large-scale public works, and cheap credit spurred by government.” It hasn’t changed much since.

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EXCELLENT SOLUTION

DEAR I.R.S.

Enclosed is my 2010 Tax Return & payment. Please take note of the attached article from USA Today. In the article, you will see that the Pentagon paid \$171.50 for hammers and NASA has paid \$600.00 for a toilet seat. So, please find enclosed four toilet seats (value \$2400). Please note the over payment of \$22.00 and apply it to the “Presidential Election Fund,” as noted on my return. Might I suggest you send the above mentioned fund a “1.5inch

screw ?” (See attached article...HUD paid \$22.00 for a 1.5 inch Phillips Head Screw.) It has been a pleasure to pay my tax bill this year, and I look forward to paying it again next year. I just saw an article about the Pentagon and “screwdrivers.”

Signed,
A Faithful Taxpayer
Jack Medley

This article comes from the Jitter News published bi-monthly by Kelly McRainey Moore and can be found at various businesses for free in and around the Laurel area.

WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM 1860 ?

By Linda Brady Traynham

One of my friends read “Should We Talk About Secession,” an article just posted on the net. He’s from the wild and wooly Montana-Idaho-Wyoming school of thought and commented, “I’ve been talking about it for two years.” Woohoo...some of us have been talking about it since 1840. I haven’t read the piece yet, not wanting to be influenced by another writer before I see what I have to say. Signature chuckle...well, how do I know what that is ? I haven’t written it, yet. That only sounds like an odd thing to say; it isn’t. That is how our minds work, you know: we dump information in the hopper, our brains process the data, and then we have to get the results out either through writing or speaking. “Thinking” is the act of imposing order on facts, of deducing connections, of correlating interlocking facets, of discerning order and patterns. Thinking is similar to using a washing machine: first you put in water, detergent, and dirty clothes. Close the lid and turn the machine on. Go away for a while. Sure enough, in general when you return the device has cleaned your clothing, but it isn’t anywhere near ready to wear. You have to get it out of the cavity and process items further by drying and then folding and putting away. Only then do you have fresh, clean jeans to wear.

What I think about secession basically is that it is a consummation devoutly to be wished, but a dangerous pursuit to advocate publicly. Janet Napolitano and the alphabet soup guys do not take kindly to the notion of freedom in any way, and for the precise reason that Abraham Lincoln did not. When asked why he didn’t just let the South go, Lincoln exploded in a rage, “Let the South go ? LET THE SOUTH GO ? How, then, should I fill my coffer ?”

Documented historical fact. Look it up for yourselves. Winners write history and the North/Leftists have had nearly 160 years to spin their propaganda, but the fact is that the South was the wealthy portion of the country back then. Cotton was, indeed, king, the Feds had gotten themselves into monetary trouble, and bankruptcy was imminent! The back room Congressional brawls were over whether to declare the USA closed at the Mississippi and raise taxes, or to hit tariffs even harder to benefit their factories and shipping businesses, improving their bottom lines and increasing tax revenues. Greed and tariffs won. Hit the South for the enrichment of the North. Hit those who produced cane, corn, and cotton for the benefit of those who consumed and controlled shipping and rail transport and to increase federal control.

We are still disagreeing over the same issues, although the team names have changed. The War for Southern Independence (aka “The War of Northern Aggression” on our side and “The War of the Rebellion” on the other) was about financial matters and the proper role of government. The Southern states had been sold a bill of goods that they were going to get something similar to the original Articles of Confederation before the Constitution and still expected that. Th’ Yankees, for simple terminology, have mocked “States Rights” deliberately and consistently as a giant joke since who flung th’ chunk, but it isn’t and they know it quite well. It is a grave issue of utmost importance to those of us who wish to be responsible for our own behavior and neither beholden to any government anywhere nor raped for the benefit of those who outvote us.

The war was and is about freedom and money, what else ? Slavery was a distraction, an attempt to pretty up the naked aggression of the North, long after the war was started by firing on Ft. Sumter, and Lincoln never freed a single slave. His famous proclamation applied only to slaves in territory he did not control; it certainly did not free slaves in the North. Yes, the Northerners had slaves, too, and Yankee ship captains were the ones who plied the slave trade. Not one Southern ship was ever a blackbirder.

Lincoln was looking for spin and a highly-emotional issue to cloak his behavior. He was a despicable man, the

original Illinois super politician.

The South was in a manpower bind, with every free man already working, and was phasing out slavery as rapidly as possible, should this issue still disturb you. Slave labor is the most expensive, least effective solution to a problem, but until machinery was invented to pick cotton and process cane, the South had no other choice save not remaining in business. Slaves have to be fed, housed, clothed, purchased, and provided with medical care, and then someone has to stand around constantly to get any sort of work at all out of them. Slavery is wildly uneconomical, and sharecropping isn't much better in terms of Return On Investment. Southerners came from different portions of the British Empire; the North was settled by small shopkeepers and religious zealots, while the richer land and more hospitable climate of the South drew those who live on and in harmony with land, particularly those from Scotland, Ireland, and Wales.

If you're still dubious, here are some facts: 70% of all Southerners never owned a single slave. Slaves were very expensive; a prime field hand cost \$2,000, making him at least a Maseratti. A trained ladies' maid or butler was even more. Sure, you could abuse a slave because you owned him, but how many people would? Do you key your car and take a baseball bat to the windshield just because you can (so long as you do not file an insurance claim?) Normal people don't. Free blacks who owned slaves were more likely to do so, historically. Yankee overseers weren't always nice, either, abusing the workers occasionally in an attempt to exceed production quotas. Even so, *Uncle Tom's Cabin* was sheer, sentimental, sensationalist hogwash.

27% of those in the South never owned more than two slaves. Slaves were a luxury in a land where it was all but impossible to hire a maid or a farm hand.

Only 3% ever owned three or more slaves, and no, neither *Gone with the Wind* nor *Mandingo* were at all true to life. Yes, there were a very few stereotypical antebellum mansions, just as there are a very few of those who own ski lodges in Vail and summer places on Martha's Vineyard, and buy ambassadorships and \$540 Lanvin tennis shoes.

The BIG question is...why did the Southerners resist so fiercely? Would you go fight and die for Nancy Pelosi's power when there is nothing in it for you? Would you fight to maintain Al Gore's lifestyle? Would you go into battle to ensure that Michelle Obama can have ten thousand dollar purses? What stupid questions. Of course not.

The South fought for what it believed, which was that we were free and independent states entitled, in writing, to withdraw from the "union" whenever we wished, and to govern ourselves as we see fit. That we saw no reason to be impoverished for the benefit of shipbuilders, bankers, and politicians. That all we wanted was to be left in peace instead of being robbed and attacked. That Yankees are crazy and our totally different lifestyle is vastly superior...and we haven't changed our minds.

Once again, the issue was and is redistribution of wealth and unbridled governmental control. I wrote recently about the enormous tariff Obama slapped on tire imports. 5,000 tire workers lost their jobs when several manufacturers of low-end tires could not compete with China, which holds about 15% of the market. Well, Statists can't have that! 5,000 voters and union favor are clearly more important than affordable tires for most of us. The tariff was raised from 4.7% to nearly 40%, and the cheapest tire (not counting one of those ridiculous donuts) in WalMart went immediately from \$49 to \$125. Did this reopen the tire plants or create 5,000 jobs to replace those that could not compete in a faintly free market? No, of course not. It did not, and will not, create a single job. It *did* become another enormous tax on the American driving public. "Oddly" enough, only enormous tires for 18-wheelers are exempt, leading one to suppose that Jimmy Hoffa, Jr., still has a bit of influence.

A tariff IS a tax, a way of transferring wealth. It targets the many for the wealth of a few. It is monopolistic in nature. By hobbling Chinese imports, American manufacturers are not obliged to practice competitive business policies. Their market is protected at the expense of the customer. Mind, I haven't really any problem with monopolies, which are self-correcting in a free market. Goodyear (or whoever) couldn't compete at the low end, and China snagged 15% of the market. If US manufacturers want the low-end market back, they need to produce better tires at the same prices or cheaper similar tires than China can.

My preliminary thoughts on secession, then, are that we should understand what we want and how we can get it. Do many really care whether or not Hawaii, for example, becomes a free nation again? Sure, some few Romantics do, but for all practical purposes Hawaii has belonged to Japanese Democrats most of my life. The Hawaiians of the blood royal have a very good point: the US wrested the throne from Queen Liliuokalani. Beats me why they want it back, but it sounds fair to me.

What we had better care about is whether or not the massive Federal government continues to grow unchecked and ever more rapacious and dictatorial. It makes me very nervous when new laws make it impossible for us to leave the country without proper documentation! Shades of the Berlin Wall. Canada and Mexico make no such demands; Washington D.C. does. Do you deal well with something called a “trusted traveler” document? I don’t. How about “no fly” lists that forbid you to get on an aircraft going anywhere? Not healthy, people. Not all Gulags are in northern Russia. A gulag is a state of mind and overwhelming force, not a matter of location.

RFID-chipping animals, machinery, clothing, and humans is to increase government surveillance, identification, and control. One problem in Iraq and Afghanistan, as it was in Viet Nam, is that the “insurgents” blend into the rest of the population. Be very wary of the national “driver’s license” which functions as an identifying document and must be carried on your person. Eye askance the “traffic cameras” which are springing up, for they are meant to track vehicles, read those drivers’ licenses, and allow your every move to be monitored.

Big Brother watches us more every day, controls more of our lives, and is backing us into corners where we can neither flee nor supply our own needs through our own efforts. The Food “Safety” Bill will make it illegal to use any save genetically-modified seeds from Monsanto (dangerous and do not propagate from what you grow), allow the government to know where every head of cattle and chicken is, and make it possible to locate every bite of food so that it can be confiscated at federal whim. It turns possessing raw milk out of your goat and the chicken you killed for dinner into crimes.

Taxing us at rates over fifty percent is unacceptable, but controlling the food supply is intolerable. Gun confiscation became far closer by a proposed “simple” tax of \$50/year on each gun, something that need not even be voted on by Congress, since it is presented as “an IRS issue.” In order to take our guns, first they have to know where they are. As the founding father said, “Fear the government that fears your guns.”

Fear the government that has changed from the most basic of “thou shalt nots” to incessant meddling with every aspect of our lives, and holds that we are cows to be stripped for personal gain and to buy votes. King John is back on the throne, and in this version he does not have a brother named Richard, off fighting in the Holy Land. Robin Hood is a crony of the Sheriff of Nottingham. A successful secessionist movement that established a smaller truly independent nation with time to undo the harm of the past would be a start...but would Washington let the people go? I don’t think so.

Regards,
Linda Brady Traynham

November 17, 2009

SOUTHERN PARTISAN

The Minority View

By Walter Williams

Picking Us Off One At A Time

Richard Mann, a North Carolina farmer, shot a wolf that was threatening his cattle. When he went to bury the animal the next day, he was confronted by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) officials who charge him with killing a red wolf—a federally protected endangered species. Mann was fined \$2,000 and required to perform “community services”—building wolf houses and feeding the wolves.

John Taylor, of Mount Vernon, Va., was ordered not to build a small house on his lot to accommodate his wheelchair-bound wife. The FWS says it would harm a bald eagle nest located 90 feet away.

Oregon’s Board of Forestry has forced Alvin and Marsha Seiber to set aside 37 acres of their 200-acre commercially harvestable land to protect the northern spotted owl.

Paul Presault purchased his Burlington, Vt., residence in 1975. About 60 feet from his house was a railroad track. After he moved in, the railroad company pulled up the track and formally abandoned the line. Under an 1899 agreement, the land was to be returned to the original owners or successors. The City of Burlington had other plans. They simply took the property and built a bike and pedestrian path. People ride through Presault’s property creating a nuisance.

Every week, 15 women gathered at Diane Reiter’s Denver home for Bible study, prayer and dinner. There was no loud music, speeches or other noise. Nonetheless, the Denver zoning administration served Reiter with a cease-and-desist order citing a municipal ordinance that prohibits more than one “PRAYER MEETING” a month in

a private home.

These cases and many more are summarized in the “National Directory of Environmental and Regulatory Victims,” a publication of the Washington, D.C. – based National Center for Public Policy Research. They represent gross violations of the Fifth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, namely, “...nor shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation.”

You say: “What do you mean, Williams ? The government didn’t take their property; the people still hold title.” Holding title to private property, all by itself, doesn’t mean very much. For example, suppose the government recognizes that you can hold title to your house but forbids you from living in it. The fact that you hold title to the house would be meaningless because the government has restricted your options. By decree the government has reduced the value of your property, and as such it is a “taking” of property without just compensation in violation of the U.S. Constitution.

Let’s look at Oregon’s Board of Forestry forcing the Seiber family to set aside 37 acres of their 200-acre plot to protect the northern spotted owl. It just might be that protecting the spotted owl is vital to the national interests. But the burden and cost of protecting the spotted owl should be borne by all Americans, not fall on particular Americans—Mr. And Mrs. Seiber. Justice and fairness require that the Seibers be compensated for the loss in value of their property from having to set aside 37 acres.

Just compensation doesn’t go over big with environmentalist wackos, simply because it would reveal the cost of their agenda. They achieve their agenda better simply by getting federal, state and local governments to run roughshod over people’s rights. They pick us off one at a time. The rest of us don’t know how our neighbors are being victimized and, if we did, I doubt whether there’d be many of us who’d care and be willing to help defend our fellow citizen.

We should all pause and remember that if the government can rip off one citizen, what’s to say one of us won’t be next ?

Could They Be Elected Today ?

Now that we’re about to decide the White House’s next occupant, let’s speculate about how previous presidents might fare were they standing for election in today’s America. What would be the presidential prospects of Thomas Jefferson or James Madison, our third and fourth presidents ? Here’s my bet: They’d go down in an unprecedented landslide defeat. I could see the likes of a Joseph Stalin or a Mao Zedong winning long before a Jefferson or Madison. Let’s look at it.

In 1792, Congress appropriated \$15,000 to assist some French refugees. James Madison wrote disapprovingly, “I cannot undertake to lay my finger on that article of the Constitution which granted a right to Congress of expending, on objects of benevolence, the money of their constituents.” Even though our Constitution hasn’t been amended to authorize Congress to spend on the objects of benevolence, I can’t imagine today’s Americans electing a president who’d share Madison’s view. Such a president who’d share Madison’s view. Such a candidate would be labeled mean-spirited, racist, sexist and homophobic.

Today’s politicians might argue that Madison, the acknowledged father of our Constitution, is all wrong. They’d say spending on the objects of benevolence (legalized theft) is authorized by the Constitution’s “promote the general welfare” clause. James Madison spoke to that argument saying, “With respect to the words general welfare, I have always regarded them as qualified by the detail of powers (enumerated in the Constitution) connected with them. To take them in a literal and unlimited sense would be a metamorphosis of the Constitution into a character which there is a host of proofs was not contemplated by its creators.”

Today’s Americans wouldn’t elect Thomas Jefferson, either. He’d be labeled an extremist and a gun nut. Jefferson warned, “The issue today is the same as it has been throughout all history, whether man shall be allowed to govern himself or be ruled by a small elite.” Today, he’d be referring to the White House, Congress, the U.S./ Supreme Court and federal regulatory agencies. Because of elite proclivities, Thomas Jefferson urged: “No man shall ever be debarred the use of arms. The strongest reason for the people to retain the right to keep and bear arms is, as a last resort, to protect themselves against tyranny in government.” Jefferson wasn’t referring to just any old government; he was referring to the U.S. federal government.

Franklin Pierce, our 14th president, took actions that would be political suicide today. In 1854, he vetoed a bill to help the mentally ill saying, “I cannot find any authority in the Constitution for public charity,” adding that to approve such spending “would be contrary to the letter and the spirit of the Constitution and subversive to the whole theory upon which the Union of these States is founded.”

In 1887, President Grover Cleveland, our 22nd and 24th president, said when vetoing an appropriation to help drought-stricken counties in Texas: “I feel obliged to withhold my approval of the plan to indulge in benevolent and charitable sentiment through the appropriation of public funds...I find no warrant for such an appropriation in the Constitution.”

Today’s politicians can’t be held fully responsible for our growing constitutional contempt. We might blame them for not being statesmen. The lion’s share of the blame rests with 270 million Americans. Our elected officials simply mirror our contempt for constitutional principles and our desire to live at the expense of our fellow

American. It's unreasonable to expect a congressman, or a president, to live up to his oath of office, to protect, defend and bear true allegiance to the Constitution, if doing that means political suicide.

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DO YOU KNOW ? The CIVIL WAR

**A brain-stretching quiz about the historic struggle between the blue and gray
Compiled by Guy Robinson**

1. Which one of these songs of the era did Confederacy sympathizers favor ?

- A. "When Johnny Comes Marching Home"
- B. "Marching Through Georgia"
- C. "John Brown's Body"
- D. "Tramp! Tramp! Tramp!"
- E. "For Bales"

2. A copy of General Lee's plan to invade Maryland was lost in the field and retrieved by a Union soldier, who found it wrapped around three cigars in an envelope. What was the official order number of that document

- A. 11
- B. 19
- C. 119
- D. 191

3. Which end-of-statement is true ? At West Point, Robert E. Lee...

- A. ...finished second in the class of 1829
- B. ... failed a senior seminar on History of Military Tactics
- C. ...was suspended for a week for discharging a weapon in chapel
- D. ...roomed with three cadets, all of whom later became Union generals

4. In his pre-Confederacy days as war secretary under President Franklin Pierce, Jefferson Davis organized An experiment in military transportation for the U.S. Army in the Southwest. What kind of transport did The trial use ?

- A. Hot air balloons
- B. Foot-powered railroad cars
- C. Ostriches
- D. Camels

5. Thomas Nast, Winslow Homer, Frederic Remington—which artist *didn't* contribute battle sketches to Harper's Weekly during the war.

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THE COPPERHEAD CHRONICLE

Federal Precedence Over the States

By Al Benson Jr.

Reviewing the 14th Amendment in a nutshell, we can see that it accomplished certain ends that were consistent with Northern revolutionary aims for both the War of Northern Aggression and for the period after that revolution. And we might as well get used to referring to it as a revolution, for, in truth, it was the real American Revolution. It was a revolution in which God-given liberties were exchanged for “privileges and immunities” granted by an all-powerful federal government in Washington. After the shooting phase of the revolution was over, the United States played the part of Esau on a national scale. We traded our God-given birthright for a mess of federal pottage, and now we weep, as did Esau, because we do not have God’s blessing. We don’t have that blessing now, because, in our apostasy, we don’t deserve it now!

Instead of enjoying the blessings of God, we now labor under such apostate vehicles as Thaddeus Stevens’ infamous 14th Amendment.

How many realize that the 14th Amendment redefined citizenship in this country? Up until the War. A man was a citizen of the United States due to his being first a citizen of a particular state. A man was a U.S. citizen because he was first a citizen of Texas, or Louisiana, or New Jersey. His state citizenship gave him his status as a U.S. citizen.

After the adoption of the 14th Amendment, however, a man became foremost a citizen of the United States. His state citizenship was, to all intents and purposes, at best, secondary. This was consistent with Northern revolutionary aims, and opened the door for future federal intervention in the various states in areas the federal government had no business being in.

The Kennedy Brothers in their book *The South Was Right* noted the political gyrations of Thaddeus Stevens and his revolutionary cohorts. They said: “To secure enactment of the amendment, the Northern Congress had to accomplish the following: Declare the Southern states outside of the erstwhile indivisible Union. Deny majority rule in the Southern states by the disenfranchisement of large numbers of the white population. Require the Southern States to ratify the amendment as the price of getting back into the Union from which heretofore they had been denied the right to secede.”

And they continued: “The third point could be turned into a Yankee brain-teaser. The North, in 1866, removed the Southern states from the Union. This was the same North that in 1861 refused to allow the South to secede from the Union. This same North now declared the Southern States to be non-states. To get back into the Union (that originally the South did not want to be part of anyway, and from which it had previously been denied the right to secede), it was required to perform the function of a state in that Union, while still officially no longer a part of the Union, by ratifying an amendment that previously as states in the Union it had legally rejected! Words alone fail to meet the challenge of such pure Yankee logic.” Almost makes you wonder what brand of revolutionary weed Stevens and his pals had been smoking!

Some have, upon reflection, observed that the adoption of the 14th Amendment opened the door for the adoption of the 17th Amendment, the direct election of Senators by “popular” vote. One can, almost, in overview, see an evolutionary process in this, whereby we first lost state citizenship, then, eventually, even national citizenship, until we all finally become “citizens of the world” much like Karl Marx’s “workers of the world.” You don’t suppose there could be any connection do you?

So Thaddeus Stevens was a moving force in helping to bury the concept of state citizenship in favor of national citizenship. The naive might be tempted to be charitable and say he didn’t know what he was doing. Me, I’ve got a suspicious mind. Stevens, the professional South-hater, knew exactly what he was doing!

Stevens and his crowd were apostate revolutionaries of the first order. Their main intent was to alter the American system of government, keeping the forms but changing the substance. Unfortunately, their revolution succeeded, and we, today, are living under the results of it. The republic the Founding Fathers delivered unto us died with the Southern loss of the War of Northern Aggression—the Marxist/Lincolnist Revolution of 1861 if you will. Those who fail to realize this have missed the boat. We hear so much talk today from patriotic and sincere people who have not been on the firing line long enough to know the difference. They shout about “taking America back.” Back to what? What most of them fail to realize is that what they grew up with, and they grew up after the revolution had already been accomplished. They are 100 years too late.

When Stevens introduced the 14th Amendment, some of the more cautious Republicans threatened to remove his third section of it, dealing with the ineligibility of former Confederate leaders to run for Congress until at least 1876. Stevens, through political maneuvering, at which he was a past master, put together a coalition of radicals and Democrats to prevent that change. He pled with them to retain that third section. His vindictive anti-Southern nature clearly showed as he pleaded: "It is too lenient for my hard heart. Not only to 1870, but to 18070, every rebel who shed the blood of loyal men should be prevented from exercising any power in this government." A true example of abolitionist charity and forgiveness ! Had Stevens been able to shape his attitude to conform to Biblical standards the country might have been better off.

But Stevens was totally unable to do such. Long after Stevens' death, an old political opponent, Jeremiah S. Black, noted of him that: "When he died he was unequaled in this country as a lawyer. He said the smartest things ever said. But his mind, as far as his sense of obligation to God was concerned, was a howling wilderness." So noted Fawn Brodie in her biographical work on Stevens.

God stated in both Deuteronomy 32:35 and Romans 12:19 that vengeance belongs to Him, that man is only to execute that which God entrusts to him, and he is to leave vengeance to God. Stevens, in the manner of most true revolutionaries and apostates ignored this, as he did most of the rest of Scripture. With his abolitionist mindset, and for his own twisted reasons, he sought vengeance on all whites in the South, the vast majority of which had never done him any harm. His twisted hatred would allow him to do nothing else.

The 14th Amendment, in its final form, dealt with four different areas. In the first, it made the radical departure of redefining citizenship as a national rather than a state matter. This was an important first step toward making the states mere vassals to the federal deity in Washington. The second section reduced representation in Southern states to a basis of the voting population only. The third section excluded Confederate leaders from office indefinitely, barring a two-thirds vote by Congress. The fourth section repudiated the Confederate debt and upheld the Union's national debt.

Attempting to explain all the implications of this radical amendment would take more space than we have here. Hopefully, these brief comments will give others the incentive to dig into the 14th Amendment, as well as the 13th and 15th Amendments to see what implications these have for us, especially in regard to our modern "civil rights" movement.

This article is from Volume 9, Number One, First Quarter AD 2006 in the ninth year of publication. Some of you will know Mr. Al and his wife Gina from our annual Southern Heritage Conference. This publication was started when they were living in Chicago. As Mr. Al has said, the only reason he lived there was because his mother happened to be there when he was born. For many years he and Miss Gina longed to come South and live. They were led to move to Sterlington, LA. several years ago and seem to be very happy in God's country, even if it is Louisiana. The Copperhead Chronicle is published four times a year and is well worth the investment of \$10.00 annually. Also remember that he co-authored the book "Red Republicans and Lincoln's Marxists with Donnie Kennedy. A perspective into the WBTS and the aftermath that has led us to where we are today in this country and a look into history that the majority of people, including and especially the "trained" historians have never ventured.

THE SOUTH

Alabama -----

A group of Alabama friends went deer hunting and paired off in twos for the day. That night, one of the hunters returned alone, staggering under the weight of an eight-point buck. "Where's Henry ?" The others asked. "Henry had a stroke of some kind. He's a couple of miles back up the trail," the successful hunter replied. "You left Henry laying out there and carried the deer back ?" They inquired. "A tough call," nodded the hunter. "But I figured no one is going to steal Henry!"

Louisiana -----

A senior from Louisiana was overheard saying..."When the end of the world comes, I hope to be in Louisiana.

“When asked why, he replied, “I’d rather be in Louisiana because everything happens in Louisiana 20 years later than in the rest of the civilized world.”

Mississippi -----

The young man from Mississippi came running into the store and said to his buddy, “Bubba, somebody just stole your pickup truck from the parking lot !” Bubba replied, “Did you see who it was ?” The young man answered, “I couldn’t tell, but I got the license number.”

South Carolina -----

A man in South Carolina had a flat tire, pulled off on the side of the road, and proceeded to put a bouquet of flowers in front of the car and one behind it. Then he got back in the car to wait. A passerby studied the scene as he drove by and was so curious he turned around and went back. He asked the fellow what the problem was. The man replied, “I have a flat tire.” The passerby asked, “But what’s with the flowers ?” The man responded, “When you break down they tell you to put flares in the front and flares in the back. I never did understand it neither.”

Tennessee -----

A Tennessee State trooper pulled over a pickup on I-65. The trooper asked, “Got any ID ?” The driver replied, “Bout whut ?”

Texas -----

The Sheriff pulled up next to the guy unloading garbage out of his pick-up into the ditch. The Sheriff asked, “Why are you dumping garbage in the ditch ? Don’t you see that sign right over your head.” “Yep”, he replied. “That’s why I’m dumpin it here, cause it says: Fine For Dumping Garbage.”

You can say what you want about the South, but you never hear of anyone retiring and moving North!!

NEW MEMBER

Billy C. Doggette of Laurel joins our camp on the service of his great-grandfather, William Anderson Doggette from Jones County. He was a private in Co. F, 32nd AL. and was released on oath 6-12-1865. He is buried in Florence Church Cemetery in Jones County. We welcome Mr. Doggette, (even if he knows Carl Ford and is in the same profession) in honoring his ancestor by joining the SCV and the Jones County Rosin Heels in particular. Welcome to the ranks sir !

Laurel Daily Leader, Saturday, April 6, 1929 Aged Veteran Dies Suddenly While In Auto W.A. DOGGETT

W. A. Doggett, Confederate veteran and resident of Sandersville, died suddenly while riding in the automobile of his nephew, Mr. Douglas, at State Line Friday. Accompanied by his wife, Mr Doggett and his nephew were riding along shortly after noon when death occurred without warning. The couple was at the time visiting relatives at State Line. A native of Alabama, from which he enlisted and served throughout the Civil War, Mr. Doggett moved to Sandersville 25 years ago where he had been actively engaged in farming up to a few years ago. He is survived by his widow, five sons and two daughters. They are J.F., D.L., A.B., and J.A. Doggett of Sandersville and W.A. Doggett of Agricola, and Mrs. Mamie E. Evans of Frost Bridge, near the Alabama-Mississippi state line and Mrs. ~~Margaret E. Stevens of Red Hill, grandchildren, great grandchildren and a number of other relatives and survivors.~~

AWARD WINNERS

At the national SCV Reunion this year, as always, there was a lot of business to cover and even more lies...rather

stories to tell. During the awards ceremony an award was given that some have questioned as to the individual who received it. This person has been in the SCV since 1978 and he has been known to show up at the most unexpected times and places. There is a theory about he and his spouse. It is a popular belief in our camp that years ago they stopped at a gas station for a break, then drove off, thereby forgetting their children who were left at the station. The reason this is mentioned is that it is also a popular belief that those two children have been members of our camp for many years. Their names will not be mentioned in this publication, however, their initials are Howard Patrick and Reed Walters. This can be discussed in more detail at our next meeting. Now, you would think that the man and woman in this story have always been forgetful. Not entirely true. For instance, when it comes time to eat, the two of them will run you down with their car if you happen to be in between them and their food. Also, when it comes time to head to the house about 4:30 PM or there about. Over the decades most of what these two have done has had a bit of covert operations flavor to it. However, in this particular instance they were given awards for what can be known and repeated in public, which is, to be honest, an unusual situation. If you have not already figured out who they are, then you must be new to the camp. Yep, compatriot Carl D. Ford was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal, in recognition of exceptional service to the Sons of Confederate Veterans. Also, a Certificate of Appreciation was given to Nancy Ford, which is not always done by the national SCV. To both of them we say thank you for years of fighting the good fight in and outside the realm of the SCV. If you attempt to congratulate either of them, don't be surprised they try to hide under a nearby table. Although, if you first offer to buy them a meal they may just turn red, then accept your gift.

DUES DUES DUES -YES DUES - NOW!!

Yes gentlemen, Cotton Norris our alleged adjutant, has been expecting them since the new year began in August. Just to remind you, to re-up you will invest \$50.00 U.S. dollars. Yes, we all know that Confederate currency is worth a great deal more but, even our SCV headquarters seems to have succumb to the theory that only American money can be accepted. With this said, send **ASAP** to Cotton and make him happy as he likes to receive money, any kind of money. If you happen to be late, like not having paid in months or a year, even longer, just add \$5.00 to your investment. The dues can also be paid in increments if you do not have it all at once. Nothing wrong with that. It's better than nothing at all. So please get them in pronto. That means in a hurry.

COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

As we anxiously await Fall and cool weather all we have to do is look at the political races to find hot topics. The members of our organization is a large voting bloc and with our conservative values I think our voices can be heard in November.

Thanks for those who came to the Southern Heritage Conference. All had a good time with excellent food and entertaining speakers. The upcoming camp meeting on the 30th is an informative video that brings to light how this country is in the trouble its in now, politically, morally, and financially. It's an eye opener worth watching. It's title is "Generation Zero".

Several events are in the works as Fall approaches and my favorites are the Deason House, in which helps us make some money for our camp, Landrum Country on the Saturday after Thanksgiving and of course our marching in the laurel Christmas Parade. There are other events also and the dates and places are forth coming.

November elections is the time for people to make a statement, exercise the right to vote and hopefully a change of course for the good of this country can begin.

Thanks
Billy Langley

Answers to Questions: 1. E, 2. D, 3. A, 4. D, 5. Remington