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SCV LAUNCHES NEW EFFORT TO SPREAD THE TRUTH ABOUT NATHAN BEDFORD FORREST

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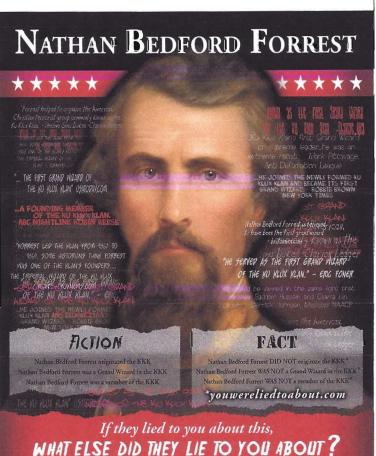
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n September 23, 2013, Commander in Chief Michael Givens launched a new media campaign to get the true history of the Confederacy and its leaders. This effort was begun to help get the truth of Nathan Bedford Forrest's life with the advertisement shown here. This is the first in a series of attempts to counter the prevailing media culture and to get true Southern history into the mainstream media. In his order, the Commander in Chief has ordered Camp Commanders to download this graphic and an identical one in portrait format, and seek the support of their camps to place these ads in local newspapers. He states: "The purpose of this program is to start a debate, as wide as we are able, to discuss the truth of the South in general and in this case, General Forrest in particular."

This effort was discussed at our October meeting and the Camp instructed the Commander to talk with other Camps in our area to see whether they would be willing to pool resources to place this ad in the Sunday *Tennessean* as the Camp believed that that would be the only publication of sufficient circulation to make the cost worthwhile. Commander Lucas will report back to the Camp at the November meeting on these efforts.

OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 14, 2013 AT 7:00 PM. AT THE NEW LOCATION OF BELIEVER'S FELLOWSHIP, STILL ON THE PUBLIC SQUARE BUT NOW AT 130 NORTH WATER AVENUE. PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND.

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REBIRTH OF THE LEGIONNAIRE

As many of you will remember, the Camp published in the past the Sumner Confederate Legionnaire which after long thought and consideration is back.. It will be published quarterly, or thereabouts, and we ate looking for submitted articles. Please Contribute.



Confederate Circle as it looked on October 15, 2013

Part of the History of Confederate Circle, Gallatin City Cemetery

By Randy P. Lucas

he first burial was in the summer of Also buried in Confederate Circle are 1861 and is one of the unknowns. He some of Morgan's Men who were was a soldier believed to be from mortally wounded during his famous the 1st Louisiana Cavalry and was raids in August 1862 when he buried by members of Captain H. B. Boude's destroyed the Big South Tunnel just Co. A, 7th Tennessee Cavalry Battalion. A north of Gallatin and when the battle composedof boxcars arrived in of Gallatin occurred on August 20, train Gallatin with a soldier lying on top of one 1862. of the cars. He had apparently been riding

atop the boxcar and struck his head on some obstruction. He was taken to a nearby office and died the next day without regaining consciousness. On his buttons were pelican insignia which led those who saw him to believe that he was from Louisiana the Cavalry Regiment.

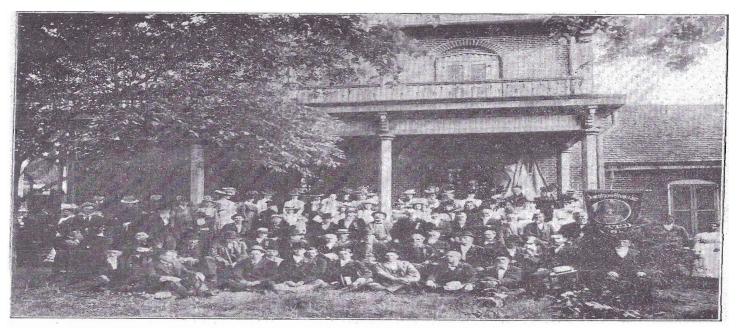
Thereafter, as the Confederate defensive line Pickett's was north of Gallatin in Bowling Green, remained a Prisoner of War until June Kentucky, streamed \mathbf{more} \mathbf{w} ould intoGallatin for medical treatment for their Tennessee wounds and those that died here were Bledsoe interred in Confederate Circle. These men Sharpsburg, was captured and paroled include several members of the 8th Texas to Chimborazo Hospital, Richmond, Virginia. Cavalry, the famed Terry's Texas Rangers.



E.T. Craig who served as a quartermaster officer buying horses in Sumner County and later served with General Nathan В. Forrest is buried in Confederate Circle together with his wife, Sarah.

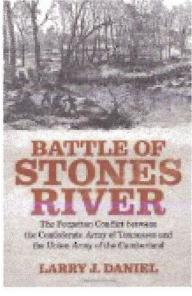
H. T. Williams served in the 7th Tennessee Infantry and was one of those captured in Charge at Gettysburg and 21, 1865. Also serving in the 7th was Alexander Green

OUR HERITÄGE THE UNITED CONFEDERATE VETERANS DONNELSON BIVOUAC AT TROUSDALE PLACE 1900



BOOK REVIEW

Battle of Stones River: The Forgotten Conflict Between the Confederate Army of Tennessee and the Union Army of the Cumberland



by Larry J. Daniel

Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 2012. Pp. xviii, 314. Illus., maps, appends., notes., biblio., index. \$38.50. ISBN: 0807145165.

An account of one of the largest, most interesting, and least remembered battles of the Civil War, Stones River, also known as Murfreesboro.

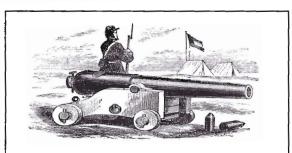
Daniel, who has written extensively on the war in the West, opens the book by observing that Stones River was one of the few battles fought in the dead of winter, was both unusually long (Dec. 31, 1862-Jan. 2, 1863) and very bloody, with about a 30 percent casualty rate, and arguably was a tactical victory for the Confederacy, but a strategic one for the Union. He follows this with an often amusing chapter titled "A War of Egos," which takes a look at the leaders of the armies, Braxton Bragg, Leonidas Polk, and Joe Wheeler, among others, in Gray, and William Rosecrans, George Thomas, Phil Sheridan, Alexander McCook,

and others in Blue, a more contentious bunch than usual in a war of many egos. Daniel then uses two chapters to set the battle within the framework of the war and the campaign for Kentucky and Tennessee. He devotes eight full chapters to the battle, which is well told. There are many useful glimpses of the action from the perspective of the ordinary officers and men who fought the battle, which help carry the story along. Daniel ends with a discussion of why Braxton Bragg chose to break off the battle when he did, despite having arguably "won", and goes on to discuss how the battle helped shape subsequent events.

Daniel has made a useful contribution to the literature of the war, and the book will prove particularly valuable for those unfamiliar with this largely overlooked battle.

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God and Soldier we adore, In time of trouble, not before Trouble gone, and all things righted, God is forgotten, the soldier slighted. —author unknown

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