



# Clarion Call



Texas Society, Military Order of Stars and Bars



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## FROM THE TEXAS SOCIETY COMMANDER

Gentlemen of the Texas Society,

Greetings to you all. I hope your summer is going well and that you are getting to enjoy some of it with family and friends. We recently had a large family gathering. I came home exhausted with a headache and sunburn. Wouldn't have missed it for the world!

I was listening to a conservative talk radio show recently and everyone was talking about the difficult times in which we are living. I never call in to these type shows, but I was tempted. It is true we are in tough financial times and it is true that the political climate is troubling. However, those of us with historical perspective, know that things have been a lot more difficult for generations past. I find comfort in knowing that those from whom we are descendent showed the true strength of the human spirit. Whether you are talking about our Confederate ancestors, Texas pioneers, those that founded our country, those that lived through the Great Depression, or the "Greatest Generation", they all faced challenges and hardships far worse than what we face today. They got through and so will we.

The international headquarters of our organization has had to do some belt tightening due to these financially difficult times. We have disbanded our headquarters in Daphne, Alabama. I was sad to see this happen because I know how much hard work had gone into establishing it. The solution to get us through, and at a savings of tens of thousands of dollars, was to run headquarters on a

volunteer basis out of a few individual's homes. We should all be thankful for these volunteers. All is going well and except for a change in the Postal address you may not notice much change. (See page 6) We still have a physical address, an e-mail contact, the IHQ website and the 800 number. In addition the merchandise for the MOSB store is now housed in Brownwood, Texas. Be looking for more information on this soon. (See page 3) Buying from the MOSB store is a great way to help support our organization.

Let's not let the hindrances of today keep the Texas Society from growing and being an active part of the MOSB. In my opinion, we have the best Society in the organization and I am most proud to be serving as commander.

I would like to leave you with a couple of quotes. One to help strengthen the soul in these trying times and one to strengthen the political mind.

James 1:2 thru 1:4 King James Version

"My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing."

"The democracy will cease to exist when you take away from those who are willing to work and give to those who would not."  
---Thomas Jefferson

At your service,  
Gary L. Loudermilk  
Commander

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**Texas Society Launches Official State Website**

In July the Texas Society rolled out a new website. This site had been requested by many members and it is hoped that it can be both a recruiting tool and an MOSB information site. Please visit the site at [www.texasmosb.com](http://www.texasmosb.com).

The site is under construction and we have more features that will be added, so check back often. You will notice the home counties for all our Texas Chapters are highlighted in red. When you click on a county it will take you to that chapter's website, or to a page built specifically for that chapter. If you click on your chapter's home county and you are not taken to a new site or separate page, it means no one has provided information as to a link for your chapter OR information to build your chapter a page. This is easily remedied, have your Chapter Commander contact our Society Commander .....

at [mosb264@valornet.com](mailto:mosb264@valornet.com) with information to build your chapter a page or link an existing page.

From experience with my home chapter's web site, we found that people (especially young people) want to find what they are looking for on the web. We need to be there for them to find.

This can be a great tool for potential new members to find us, as well as another way to stay informed of Society activities. Please make use of our new web space.

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Commander - Webmaster  
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- Jay Smith Stenley McBee
- Carroll Dodgen Forest Spindle
- Philip Whitley Steve Bateman
- Charles Walker James Guiffre
- Ray Dickens, Jr. Tulane Gordon
- Earl Freeman James H. Payne
- Shelby Ray Stocks

**Great Yard sign**



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### MOSB Store in Brownwood, Texas

I need to let you gentlemen know how I spent my 4th of July weekend. At the South Carolina MOSB convention I was one of the strong supporters of an all-volunteer MOSB Headquarters staff and that business model was approved as the way we will operate for at least the next few years.

Everything was OK up until that point but then I thought I should volunteer to do something within the administration. Now, I knew better than to volunteer, but with Dorothy's support I did it anyway! We've had a vacant position at Headquarters for several years for a Quartermaster General but now that position is filled! Commander General Hodges appointed me to the position without hesitation.

Our first task was to close the Daphne, Alabama Headquarters as quickly as possible and that's how we spent the 4th.

Our Brownwood location will be similar to a warehouse. All ordering should go through MOSB IHQ, PO Box 1700, White House TN 37188-1700 and we'll do the shipping from here.

I hope to be able to attend some local Chapter meetings and offer merchandise direct without the shipping charges. I also plan to lower the prices on some items. There are some really nice items that have been in our inventory for months and even years that I know someone would like to have. I know we'll have the support we've always had from the Texas Chapters. (See Page 9) Thanks,

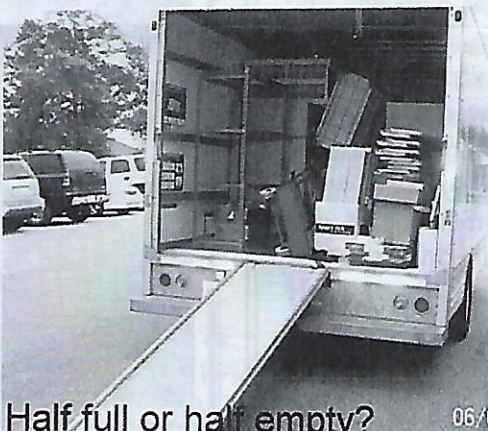
Gary M. Loudermilk,  
Quartermaster General



The loading crew in Daphne.



Decisions, Decisions!



Half full or half empty?



Unloading in Texas

### Historical Marker Harvey C. Sanders, C.S.A.

Year Marker Erected: 1965

Marker Location: roadside park about 8 miles north on SH 8 from New Boston (just below Red River) in Bowie County, Texas.

Marker Text : Native of Kentucky. In Civil War, fought at Shiloh, Chickamauga and other battles. After being wounded twice, became a guard at Confederate White House. When Richmond fell on April 3, 1865, was placed in escort for the departing president. Rode five weeks toward Florida, where President Jefferson Davis was planning to sail for Mexico to join many other Confederate leaders. (These Southerners intended to regroup an army, march north to Texas and continue their fight for states' rights.) President Davis and his guards were followed by thieves trying to steal the Confederate treasury, the horses and the wagons. The assassination of Abraham Lincoln on April 14 and the offer of a reward of \$100,000 caused many adventurers to hunt for President Davis. Just before dawn on May 10, near Irwinsville, GA., Federals captured him and his party, including two Texans, Postmaster-General John H. Reagan and Presidential Aide F.R. Lubbock, a former Governor of Texas. Mrs. Davis and children were soon freed, but all the men were imprisoned. Sanders was released in a year. Later he came to Texas and lived near this site after 1887- honored for years as the last man of the Davis bodyguard. (1965)

**Albert Sidney Johnston Chapter #5**  
Houston, Texas  
**MOSB Convention in San Antonio in 2012**

Compatriots,

I take great pleasure in announcing that the 2012 MOS&B Convention will be hosted by the Texas Society and the ASJ#5 Chapter - in San Antonio, Texas. Although we faced opposition from PCIC Ed Cailleateau of Louisiana and several of his cohorts from the ANV, we were able to prevail.

I want to personally thank Jim Templin, Ewell Loudermilk, Glenn Toal, Randy Jones, Thomas Jones, Gary Loudermilk and Ward Slack for attending this convention and lending their support. Someone suggested that we were possibly the largest Society in attendance.

We have three years to make our convention one of the best yet, which is our goal. Many good ideas have already been suggested. Our game plan is to develop the program and work from that. One thing that has been suggested is to not have Tour buses and to provide freer time for the Conventioneers to explore downtown San Antonio. There is a lot for them to see and do. As we put this together we will be sharing our ideas with you and solicit your ideas and suggestions.

Our Committee includes Lt. Cmdr. Ward Slack, Kathy Stocks, Lasca Bourgeois, John Hoover, Committee Chairman Ray Stocks and myself. I am pinch-hitting for Ray until he is ready to take over. Of course, Society Commander Gary L. Loudermilk is a member of this committee by virtue of his office. Jim Templin has agreed to get us a Color Guard and Randy Jones has already provided the names of quality hotels. We have someone that is very involved with the Alamo that will recommend a speaker.

The ball is rolling.

David Whitaker  
Convention Chair (Temp)

P.S. I now have my third grandson in the ASJ#5 Chapter. He is Jack Whitaker and came in on his 12th birthday. Jack is the youngest member in the MOS&B. We also could very well have the oldest member in our Chapter. Wilbur Johnson is 95 years old and rarely misses a meeting. Wilbur is an Honorary member who served in North Africa during WWII.

**Major John Loudermilk Chapter #264**  
Comanche, Texas  
By Gary M. Loudermilk

The regular meeting of the Major John Loudermilk Chapter #264 was held on Saturday morning, July 18 in the Community Room of the Texas Bank in Bangs, Texas. The meeting was a joint meeting with the Lone Star Chapter of the DCV. Items of discussion included the recently concluded state and national conventions, the possibility of the chapter presenting an ROTC award at Howard Payne and/or Tarleton State University, ongoing projects involving grave marking and other routine agenda items.

A sampling of merchandise from the MOSB "store" was displayed and some items were sold later in the day, after the meeting.

After the meeting all members and guests adjourned for lunch at Underwood's Barbecue in Brownwood.



MOSB and DCV members - Bangs, Texas  
July 18, 2009

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**There comes a point in your life when you realize:**

**Who matters,      Who never did,**

**Who won't anymore...      And who always will.**

**So, don't worry about people from your past,  
there's a reason why they didn't make it to your future.**

*Sent along by Compatriot Jim Benton*

### Col. W. H. Parsons Chapter #273

Ennis, Ellis County, Texas

By Jim Templin

The Parsons Chapter has been very active in the last several months. On Memorial Day, we placed ninety-six flags on the graves of Confederate Soldiers, and, along with the Daffan-Latimer Chapter, UDC, participated in a memorial service at the UDC lot in the cemetery. After the memorial, all members went to the home of Jim and Helen Templin for a back-yard picnic. We were pleased to have Barney, Kay, and Amy Hilburn as our guests that day.

Three members of our chapter, Randall Jones, Chapter Commander, Jim Templin, Past Texas Society Commander, and Glenn Toal, Texas Society Adjutant, along with our wives (all UDC members), attended the National Convention in Columbia, SC. The best result of the convention is that the Texas Society will be hosting the 2012 National Convention in San Antonio. The Convention Committee is going to need the assistance of all Texas Society members to make this convention the best one ever.

Our quarterly meetings are always well attended, and at the July meeting, we were honored to have Ralph Green as our speaker. Ralph is the author of "Sidelights and Lighter Sides of the War Between the States." The meeting was enjoyed by members and guests.

If you go to the Texas Society's new web page and click on Ellis County (we're the one just below Dallas County) you will see pictures of the stones our chapter has placed at the graves of some of the Confederate Officers. We are in the process of locating our next recipient for such a stone, feeling that their graves deserve more than just a name and date.

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"You cannot legislate the poor into prosperity by legislating the wealthy out of prosperity. What one person receives without working for, another person must work for without receiving. The government cannot give to anybody anything that the government does not first take from somebody else. When half of the people get the idea that they do not have to work because the other half is going to take care of them, and when the other half gets the idea that it does no good to work because somebody else is going to get what they work for, that my dear friend, is the beginning of the end of any nation. You cannot multiply wealth by dividing it." *Adrian Rogers, 1931.*

Sent along by Compatriot Jim Benton

### Bridge City/Claiborne Park Website

From Bobby Tisdale

Forwarded by Gary M. Loudermilk

Gentlemen:

Just a note to let you see what we are doing here in Orange County, Texas. Every year in about February the Bridge City Eighth Grade classes begin to prepare for the month of May, where they study the War Between the States. They make their own uniforms, learn to cook over an open fire, set up tents and a camp site, march in formation, become artillerymen, operate and make tools on a forge, learn about the flags flown in that period, and learn to be cavalrymen. This is headed by Mrs. Lloyd and Coach Dixon. We, The 3<sup>rd</sup> Texas Light Artillery, do the training and hold the event as we did May 15, 2009 out at Claiborne Park. Over 600 students attend the event from area schools. It is really a good work and next year the class will be an elective and the event will be 2 days due to some of the local schools were turned away this year due to time.



Sir, what I have told you is not that I want a pat on the back, I just wanted to let you know, as a member of the MOSB and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Texas, we are making positive in roads. I also was asked last week to give my flag presentation to the Bridge City Rotary Club. About 30 in attendance and it was well received. Have a blessed day.

Robert Tisdale.



## MOSB Headquarters

June 20, 2009

**Compatriots of the Military Order of the Stars and Bars –**  
The General Executive Council met on June 11, 2009 to review matters of the Order prior to the commencement of the 2009 Annual Convention in Columbia, South Carolina.

A major topic that was discussed was the economic need to decentralize the operations of our International Headquarters. As stated in Commander General Hodge's Annual Report dated May 15, 2009, our Headquarters operations requires more money to function than we receive in revenues. The GEC met on December 04, 2008 and approved a \$49,700 Calendar Year 2009 budget. In order to balance this budget it was anticipated that a \$14,200 withdrawal from our investments would be necessary during the year. Of this \$49,700 overall budget, our Headquarters operation was reduced to a minimum level of \$28,550, which primarily consists of wages and salary, license fees, insurance, rent, and utilities.

Three proposals were brought to the GEC meeting on June 11, 2009. The first option was to keep Headquarters in Daphne, Alabama as a **status quo operation**, the second option was for the **hiring of a paid Executive Director** operating out of his NC residence for an annual fee of \$18,000, and the third option was to use the General Staff as an **all volunteer operation** to manage our Headquarters operation and to meet the daily requirements of our membership.

The GEC voted on the third option. The planning and initial steps required to implement the GEC decision has been taken this past week. To contact Headquarters now and in the future, please use the following immediately:

Our US Postal Service address is:

MOSB IHQ  
P. O. Box 1700  
White House, TN 37188-1700

Our toll free number is 877-790-6672

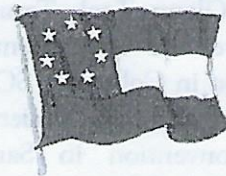
Our email address is [headquarters@mosbihq.org](mailto:headquarters@mosbihq.org)

It is anticipated that by adopting this decentralized model, we will save on an annual basis a minimum of \$28,000. This savings can be redirected to our investments, used for special projects that support our objectives, and ultimately used to fund a permanent headquarters, as our membership expands.

Should you experience any problems or have questions, please do not hesitate to contact your Staff.

Max L. Waldrop, Jr.

Lt. Commander General / Chairman of the Headquarters  
Operations Committee



## MOS&B Texas Society Convention

*Reprinted from Officers Call*

The 2009 Convention of the Texas Society of the Military Order of the Stars and Bars was held in Fort Worth on April 24-25. Texas Society Commander Jim Templin presided. A reception Friday evening gave members a chance to socialize before the business session on Saturday morning.

The business session opened with pledges, salutes, and greetings from other patriotic groups. We were pleased to be honored with the presence of MOS&B Lt. Commander General Max Waldrop and Executive Councilman Richard Rhone, both of whom reported on activities and status of the general organization. Texas Society officers gave reports on their responsibilities. Plans were announced for an at large chapter for Texas. New officers for the state were elected. Bill Morris, Commander of the Col. Benjamin Morris Chapter, won a very close election, but for personal reasons chose not to serve as Texas Society Commander. Gary L. Loudermilk (*runner-up*) will serve in that position.

Our luncheon program was presented by Tony Sinclair speaking on the subject of "Female Spies of the Confederacy". The Convention ended with a visit to the Texas Civil War Museum.

## Military Order of the Stars and Bars 2009 National Convention

This Seventy-Second annual General Convention was held in Columbia, South Carolina on June 11, 12 and 13, 2009. Columbia was witness to the founding of the Order by seventeen former Commissioned Officers of the Confederate States of America, in 1938.

The host for this year's convention was the South Carolina Society of the Military Order of the Stars and Bars. Accommodations and meeting facilities were provided by the Hilton Garden Inn.

Texas Society attendees include Gary M. Loudermilk, Commander ATM, Jim Templin, past Commander Texas Society, and Glenn Toal, ATM Lt. Commander. Albert Sidney Johnston Chapter number 5 attendees were: David Whitaker, Past Commander ASJ #5 and Ward W. Slack current Commander of ASJ #5. Other Texans in attendance were Ewell Loudermilk, Thomas Jones, and Randy Jones.

Thursday, June 11, 2009 was filled with the GEC meeting and registration of the delegates; Thursday evening the South Carolina Society hosted a cookout for all attendees. The cookout was a good time to meet with other attendees from other parts of Texas to plan our strategy for the upcoming business sessions and GEC meetings.

The Friday, June 12, 2009 events included the Forrest Cavalry Breakfast and our first Business Session of the convention. The business session was an opportunity for all the Officers, Departments and Societies to make their report to the Convention. The Department of the Army of the Trans Mississippi (ATM) report was given by Commander Gary M. Loudermilk, and past Commander Jim Templin filed the Texas Society report.

Friday evening Commander General Anthony Hodges had his reception aboard the Southern Patriot on Lake Murray. The cruise was a good social event with liquid refreshments and hors devours. After the lake cruise there was a problem with one of the buses so everyone had to make room on one bus for the return to the Hotel and dinner.

Saturday opened with a Prayer Breakfast before the second and final session of our business meeting, followed by the final GEC meeting. I am proud to add that the delegates

from Texas held 6.75% of the total 185 delegate votes in attendance.

The business session had a number of amendments and motions that needed to be voted on. One of the biggest votes was the selection of the Convention location for 2012. After a motion to move the location of the 2012 Convention to Virginia by past Commander General Edward Cailleteau, and a second from the Virginia Society, there was a great deal of discussion as to the political motivations for the 2012 Convention to be held in San Antonio, Texas. Past Commander David Whitaker made the case that the Texas Society had not hosted a Convention of the MOS&B in thirty two years and that Texas as a whole had only two conventions to their credit, one in 1970 (an election year) and again in 1977 (held in Houston). Virginia and other eastern Societies had an infinitely greater number and that it was Texas' turn. The following voice vote was a resounding success for Texas and the matter was settled securing the location in 2012 as San Antonio, Texas. Thank You, Commander Whitaker!

The proposed changes to the MOS&B By-Laws and Constitution took the remainder of the session with a number of the proposed amendments for the By-Laws adopted and/or withdrawn. The Constitutional amendments were tabled in total due to a communication problem that left some attendees not receiving the proper 30 day notification, as required by the Constitution. A copy of the new By-Laws will be sent as soon as I receive them from Headquarters.

Following the business session the GEC met to discuss the Headquarters building and the financial burden facing the Order. I do not have a copy of the GEC minutes at this time so I cannot include them in my report.

The Convention came to a close at the end of the Awards Banquet on Saturday evening. Texans receiving awards included David Whitaker, who was awarded the Prestigious Gold Award and the Rebel Club Certificate. Ward W. Slack was awarded the Colonel John Pelham Legion of Merit and the Lt. Charles Read Meritorious Service awards.

This concluded our 2009 National Convention of the Military Order of the Stars and Bars.

Deo Vindice,  
Ward W. Slack, Lt. Commander Texas Society, MOS&B.  
Commander ASJ #5, MOS&B

## Military Order of the Stars and Bars Celebrates in Columbia

By Warner M. Montgomery Warner@TheColumbiaStar.com  
June 19, 2009

Seventeen former commissioned officers of the Confederate States of America, members of the United Confederate Veterans, and the Sons of Confederate Veterans, met in Columbia in 1938 and founded the Military Order of the Stars and Bars (MOS&B) to commemorate the Confederate soldier's good name and heritage. There are chapters of the organization in 23 states. This past week the 72nd Annual Reunion of the MOS&B was held in Columbia. Steven Wolfe is the commander of the South Carolina Society of the MOS&B and organizer of the event.

The reunion included a Lake Murray cruise on the Southern Patriot, a family cookout at Saluda Shoals Park, and presentations by Dr. Jon Leader, SC State Archeologist; Col. Mike Dawson (US Army retired), director of the River Alliance; archeologist Chris Amer; and tours of the Confederate Relic Room and Military Museum and the Congaree Creek Battleground.

At the Awards Luncheon, Dr. Anthony Hodges, Commander General, gave awards to Lt. Commander General Max Waldrop, Robert E. Lee Chalice; Col. Barton Campbell of the Army of Northern Virginia, Dr. Richard Rhone of the Army of Tennessee, and Toni Turk of the Army of Trans Mississippi, Gold Star Awards; members of the state chapters for meritorious service, leadership abilities, and recruitment activities. Dr. Eric Emerson, director of the Charleston Library Society, was presented with the Henry Timrod Southern Culture Award for his book, *Sons of Privilege: The Charleston Light Dragoons in the Civil War*.

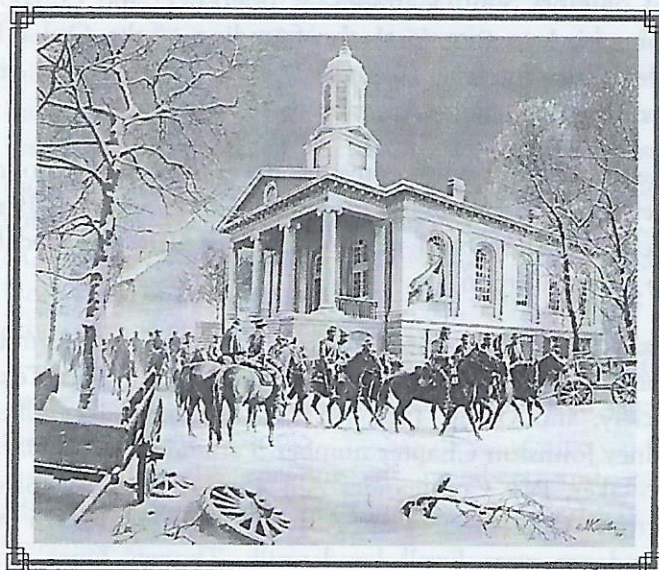
Dr. Warner M. Montgomery, president of the Star Reporter Corporation, was presented the Judah P. Benjamin Merit Award for his series in *The Columbia Star* on "Pineville, City of Refuge."

Steven Wolfe  
(second from left)  
congratulates (l-r)  
Dr. Eric Emerson,  
Col. Mike  
Dawkins, and  
Dr. Warner M.  
Montgomery.



## Bravest of the Brave Black Horse Cavalry

Warrenton, Va., February 22, 1863



By Mort Künstler  
(Official 1999 Snow Print)

### *The Black Horse Cavalry:*

From a newspaper of the times: Alexandria, July 25, 1861. "I overheard one of the men sitting on the doorstep of the house describing the charge of the Black Horse Cavalry, part of which, I believe, is Capt. Scott's Fauquier cavalry. He said they advanced in a wedge form, then opened, disclosing a battery which fired upon his regiment, and that then the cavalry charged upon the regiment, hemming it in on all sides; and, cutting right and left with tremendous blows, each blow powerful enough to take off a man's head. He said he never wished to see such a charge again."

*The Richmond Daily Inquirer,*  
quoting the *Baltimore Exchange*

Note: Around 300 men from Fauquier and surrounding counties served in the Black Horse Cavalry over the course of the war. At any one time, around 80 to 100 men were in active service.



## Books from the MOSB Store



“Ralph Green’s deft skill in collecting and polishing anecdotes makes this work come alive, sometimes with a whisper, sometimes with a shout. No dry recitation of dates and battles here. This is history in terms of people, the famous as well as the obscure, offered in quick glimpses that resonate with the character of the participants of that long-ago struggle. Our enjoyment and their memory are better served by remembering them in this manner—in laughter, sadness, suffering, triumph, and not as faceless apparitions from the greatest American tragedy.”

*Robert L. Hawkins, III, Past Executive Director, Beauvoir, the Jefferson Davis Home and Presidential Library*

**About the Author:** Through the years Ralph Green has gathered and recounted many of the speeches, written articles and occurrences that illustrated the hardships faced by the gallant people of the South, their efforts to cope, their spirit, and the nature of the conflict. It has often been suggested that Ralph condense and publish these short narratives in a book and now he has! Ralph is a long-time life member of the MOSB and has held a myriad of leadership positions. He is now retired and resides in Fairview Texas. (Ralph will provide a personalized dedication of each copy if the purchaser specifies the name of the person to whom dedicated.)

**MOSB Store Price: \$17.95  
(Plus \$4.00 Shipping and Handling.)**

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Organized in 1862 by Col. M. W. Hannon, the 53<sup>rd</sup> Alabama was a mounted unit from its origin. Serving under such legendary leaders as Frank Armstrong, Nathan Bedford Forrest, Joseph Wheeler and Wade Hampton, it saw action in some of the hardest fighting in north Alabama and Tennessee and the Atlanta Campaign and was one of the main forces opposing Sherman on his infamous “March to the Sea.” Not only is this book the story of specific cavalry units that served under M. W. Hannon, it is also a study of Western Theater cavalry in general.



**About the Author:** Robert Garrett McLendon, Jr. was born and raised in Gainesville, Florida. He received a BS degree from Florida State University and an MS from Eastern Kentucky University. He retired in 2002 after a career of 36 years in law enforcement and moved back to some of his family roots in Pike County, Alabama. His great grandfather, J. D. McLendon, served in the 53<sup>rd</sup> Alabama. A living history re-enactor for more than 25 years, he portrays several periods of American history. He is a life member of the MOSB and SCV and a member of the OSC and SAR. He is a 32<sup>nd</sup> degree Scottish Rite Mason and a member of the Confederate Military Lodge of Research. He has done extensive research on the WBTS and has had several articles published. He currently operates a military museum in Troy, Alabama.

**MOSB Store Price: \$35.95  
(Plus \$4.00 Shipping and Handling.)**

Order: MOSB IHQ, PO Box 1700, White House TN 37188

## New Items:

### Great Music from a Great Band!



**Volume 1:** Dixie, Stonewall Jackson’s Way, Tenting on the old Campground, Cross of the South, The Marseillaise, Bonnie Blue Flag, Lorena, Slumber Polka, Somebody’s Darling, Think of your Head in the Morning, Wait for the Wagon, The Girl I left behind Me, The Rose of Alabama, Cheer Boys Cheer, Aura Lee, Richmond is a Hard Road to Travel, Goober Peas, Boys keep your Powder Dry, The Yellow Rose of Texas, ‘Twas at the Siege of Vicksburg, Kathleen Mavourneen, How Firm a Foundation, Dixie

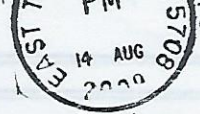
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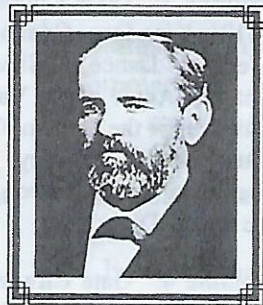
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ECTOR  
1822 - 1879**



Ector was born in Putnam County, Georgia, on February 28, 1822. He was educated at Centre College in Kentucky. After admission to the Georgia bar in 1844, he served one term in the legislature and then moved to Henderson, Texas, where he served one term in the legislature in 1855.

Ector enlisted as a private in 1861 and was appointed adjutant of General J.L. Hogg's Brigade which he accompanied to Corinth, MS. Shortly thereafter, he was elected colonel of the 14<sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry. This regiment, dismounted, he led through General Bragg's invasion of



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Kentucky, and distinguished himself by hard fighting at the battles of Richmond and Murfreesboro. He had been commissioned brigadier general to rank from August 23, 1862, commanding the 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 32<sup>nd</sup> TX regiments of dismounted cavalry. He was present at Chickamauga, and returned to Mississippi to take part in the Atlanta campaign, during which he had a leg amputated. This injury put an end to his active field service, although he participated in the defense of Mobile during the latter days of the war.

Ector returned to Texas to resume his law practice and was later elevated to the bench. He died in Tyler, October 28, 1879, while serving as presiding justice of the Texas court of appeals. He is buried in Greenwood Cemetery in Marshall, Texas.

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Ector County is named in his honor.