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LEE AT STONE MOUNTAIN

Sorrow and pain and anger,
Hatred and death are fled.
It is only glory lingers
With the great immortal dead.

For they knew defeat—whate'er it cost—
Could never mean that their cause was lost!

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**UNITED CONFEDERATE VETERANS,
UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY,
CONFEDERATED SOUTHERN MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION,
SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS.**

**Though men deserve, they may not win, success;
The brave will honor the brave, vanquished none the less.**

No. 4. { S. A. CUNNINGHAM
FOUNDER.

Color Bearer United Confederate Veterans.—Miss Jessica Smith, Washington and North Carolina

Historical Department, U. D. C.

MOTTO: "Loyalty to the truth of Confederate History."
KEY WORD: "Preparedness." **FLOWER:** The Rose.
MRS. JOHN L. WOODBURY, Historian General.

HISTORICAL STUDY FOR 1928.

U. D. C. Topics for April.

Ballads of Your Section.

C. of C. Program for April.

Make a study of the city of Norfolk, Va.; tell where located, who founded it, who named it, and why so named; its connection with the history of the Confederacy; its population and principal industries in the sixties and now; what distinguished people were born there. Give a little story about it, either history or tradition, at any period of its history.

THE SAM DAVIS HOME CHAPTER, U. D. C.

An outstanding feature of the Middle District Convention, of the Tennessee Division, U. D. C., held in Murfreesboro on December 9, 1927, was the organization of the Sam Davis Home Chapter, with twenty charter members, and its first meeting was held on March 5, at the home of Mrs. Carleyle Felder, in Smyrna, with a full attendance and with applications for nine more memberships presented. Mrs. Medea Davis Sinnott, a niece of Sam Davis, is the President. The reports of officers given at this meeting brought out the great object of the Chapter, the preservation and developing of the Sam Davis home as a shrine, a tribute to one whose integrity and loyalty to duty will go down as the finest type of bravery brought out by the War between the States.

It will be remembered that this old Davis home place has been acquired by the State and will be made into a museum and park.

The letter which Sam Davis wrote to his mother in the last moments of his life will be framed and hung on the wall of the room in which he had knelt at her knee while they prayed together before he went out on his death mission, and the home will again be furnished as nearly as possible as it was in the days when Sam Davis lived there. Much of the old furniture is being recovered, given gladly to be replaced in the home, and other furnishing of the same type and period is also being secured, and it will be a typical home of the well-to-do farmers of the South, who were, and are, the backbone of the commonwealth, the keepers of her covenant to preserve State Rights, individual liberty, and the highest type of democratic government.

The motto of the Chapter is the immortal words of Sam Davis: "I would die a thousand deaths before I would betray a friend."

The Chapter will hold a bazaar in the fall, at which they will offer for sale old-fashioned samplers of the Sam Davis home surrounded by the tea rose, the Chapter flower, with the motto wrought below.

The tea rose was chosen as the Chapter flower because that rose was planted by the mother of Sam Davis at the window on which he tapped that fateful night—and it is still growing there; and the lilac bushes and Confederate jasmine will be planted where they used to grow.

IN MEMORIAM—MRS. AUGUSTINE T. SMYTHE.

(Resolutions passed by the Charleston Chapter No. 4, U. D. C. upon the death of Mrs. Augustine T. Smythe.)

On January 10, 1928, there passed from earth into the great beyond, Mrs. Augustine T. Smythe (Louisa Cheves McCord), the first President of the Charleston Chapter, No. 4, U. D. C., a woman in every way typical of the Old South, of which she was a true representative. Living up to all its traditions, she has left her impress strongly on all who knew her. She was an embodiment of that womanly graciousness so seldom cultivated now, and by each and all who knew her her charm of manner was felt. Overflowing with the "milk of human kindness," her heart and sympathies went out to all the trials of those less fortunate, wherever they were found. The thought always seemed uppermost, "Is there anything I can do to help?" all of which was done in the most unobtrusive way.

Upon the founding of the Charleston Chapter, U. D. C., on the 17th of November, 1894, Mrs. Smythe was unanimously elected President and served in that capacity until 1901, when she resigned.

In May, 1896, in accordance with U. D. C. rules, there then being the requisite number of Chapters in the State, upon the call of the new Chapters, Charleston, the Mother Chapter, sent representatives to Columbia to those from the new Chapters and formed the South Carolina Division, U. D. C., with Mrs. Smythe as President. This office she held for one year, and although urged to keep it, she resigned in 1897.

In 1903, at the general convention U. D. C., held at Charleston, she was elected President General, presiding at St. Louis, Mo., in 1904, the eleventh convention of the general organization.

In 1907, Mrs. Smythe was again elected President of the Charleston Chapter, resigning after having served four years.

In all the positions she most ably filled, Mrs. Smythe preserved the dignity and culture of the true gentlewoman, thus gaining the affection and respect of all whom she met. She shrank from conspicuousness, never claiming prominence by right of her position. She has left us a notable example of a class that is fast passing away. Therefore be it

Resolved: 1. That in the death of Mrs. Augustine T. Smythe, the Charleston Chapter U. D. C., mourns not only the loss of its first President and one of its founders, but one who had earned the love and affection of our members.

2. That the text of these resolutions be spread upon our minutes, and a blank page be inscribed to the memory of Mrs. Augustine T. Smythe, the first President of the Charleston Chapter, U. D. C., and that copies of these resolutions, expressive of our love and sympathy be sent to the family of Mrs. Smythe.

Committee: Martha B. Washington, *Chairman*; Mrs. Thomas Frost, Mary B. Poppenheim.

CONFEDERATE RECORD.—It has been announced that compilation of the records of the Southern Confederacy, which have long been in the U. S. Archives, has been begun and that the work will be carried on under a special appropriation made by Congress. It will require about a year to complete this work,

THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER.—Many soldiers lie in unmarked graves, their identity unknown. The War Department of the United States has approved this inscription: "Here rests in honored glory an American soldier, unknown but to God."