



THE REBEL ROUSER

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HOLIDAY GREETINGS!
WE WISH YOU A VERY
MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

ARLINGTON'S CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL



Confederate veteran Ezekiel Moses sculpted the Confederate Memorial in Arlington Cemetery. The central figure is a woman representing and facing the South, leaning on a plow, holding a wreath representing peace. A quote from Isaiah 2:4 is below the woman, "They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks." Thirty-two figures circle the base, starting with Roman goddess of War, Minerva. Minerva holds a wounded woman representing the South at the beginning of the War. The woman holds a shield embossed "United States Constitution." Two lines of soldiers march into battle behind the woman. One of those men is a black man wearing a Confederate cap. A black nanny next to the soldiers is lifting a baby for an officer to kiss, while a small child clings to the nanny's legs. Other images memorialize the poor, the wealthy, and the religious who served the Confederacy.

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Mark Twain commented, "In the South, the War is what AD is elsewhere: they date from it."

Due to the many conflicts in schedules we will not have a December meeting.

We regret that we will not have the pleasure of your company this month and hope you will make it a point to be with us for our meeting on January 16. On that date we will have an outstanding program on Nathan Bedford Forrest. In addition we will hold elections for officers for the coming year. We look forward to seeing you then!

Again, our very best wishes to you and your families for Merriest of Christmases and the Happiest of New Years.

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