



BUGLE CALLS, MAY 2021

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE

1. **MAY 13TH Meeting Cancelled.** (See President's message)
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2. **JUNE 10TH Meeting** (Hopefully!):

Professor Illene Averson will be speaking about her book on her great grand-father, Colonel Upton Hayes. Denny's Restaurant: 710 W. Shaw, Clovis.

- 6:00 Dinner & Social Hour
 - 7:00 Meeting & Speaker
 - 8:15 Book Raffle
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3. PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings,

The May meeting is NOT happening, due to the banquet room will not be open at Denny's. We're hoping that we can have a meeting in June. It all depends on the status of the room opening. I just wanted to let everyone know since we have not had a meeting, annual dues were due in January and are still due for 2021. Once again, the [Conference](#) is still going strong and is happening November 5-7 of this year. We have our speakers lined up, the [registration form](#) may be printed from our [website](#). As always, summer is around the corner and so is the summer potluck at Brian's house in Shaver Lake. We will keep you posted. I hope everyone is doing well.

Regards,

Michael Spencer

4. AFTER ACTION REPORT

By Ron Vaughan

CIVIL WAR CONGRESS LECTURE SERIES: The 4:00 Wednesday and Friday lectures have continued, with some unusual topics. April 30th, Robert May spoke about Jewish Confederates. Did you know Judah Benjamin's (CSA Secretary of Treasury) picture was on the CSA \$5 bill? There were three Jewish leaders who were prominent in pro-slavery activities. (Note: It was not until the 20th C.

that the KKK became anti-Jewish.) Those wishing to learn more on this topic may purchase: “Manifest Destiny’s Underworld” by Robert May; or “The Jewish Confederates” by Robert Rosen.

CIVIL WAR RE-ENACTMENTS: An “unofficial” re-enactments is scheduled for May at a private ranch. No outside viewers. The Fresno Historical Society has scheduled its re-enactment event at Kearney Park for this October. It will emphasize local history, too.

5. CIVIL WAR HUMOR, From “The Blue & Gray Laughing”

“EXPLAINING SOLDIER’S TALK: The word ‘arms’ has been distorted into ‘uum,’ like the last groan of a dying cat; and in place of ‘march’ we hear ‘utch.’ A tent is ‘canvas’, a sword is a ‘toad sticker, and muskets are ‘howitzers.’ Mess beef is ‘salt horse.’ Coffee is ‘boiled rye,’ vegetables are ‘cow feed,’ and butter is ‘strong grease.’ ‘Bully’ is the highest term of commendation, while dissent is expressed in the remark, ‘I Don’t see it.’”