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Lee, Clark  
(Hamilton)

A July 10 / 23

No. 107

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STATE OF TENNESSEE

Colored Man's Application for Pension

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Co. Ga Regt Rgt.

Filed Sept 16. 21

Allowed

Card Sept 16. 21

All blanks on this filing to be filled by the Pension Board.

FOSTER & PARKES CO., NASHVILLE

1812 (in rear) Whiteside St  
Chattanooga

NOTICE, APPLICANTS.

The Negroes' pension law passed by the Tennessee Legislature, provides that the Negroes pensioned by this Act must have been actual *bona fide* residents of this State three years if they served with a Tennessee command, and ten years if they served with a command from any other State. They must have remained with the army until the close of the war, unless legally relieved from service. They must be indigent. Unless you come clearly under the law, it is useless to file an application.

The Board meets the second Tuesdays in January, April, July and October.

## Colored Man's Application for Pension.

I, Clark Lee a native of the State of Georgia  
and now a citizen of Tennessee, resident at 1812 Riverwhiteville in the County of Hamilton  
in said State of Tennessee, and who was a servant from the State of Georgia in the war between  
the United States and the Confederate States, do hereby apply for aid under the Act of the General Assembly of Tennessee, of  
1921. And I do solemnly swear that I was with Col. Gordon, Col. Smith  
of Macon Ga.

in the service of the Confederate States, and that by reason of indigence I am now entitled to receive the benefit of  
this Act. I further swear that I do not hold any National, State or county office, nor do I receive aid or pension from any other  
State, or from the United States. I do further solemnly swear that the answers given to the following questions are true:

In what County, State and year were you born?

Answer Walker County Ga. State of Georgia  
near Ringgold. I do not know how old I am.

When did you go with the army? Give the names of the regimental and company officers under whom your master  
served. Left home about three weeks before the battle of Chick.

Answer Col. Gordon, 1st Con. Georgia Regiment under Gen. <sup>Bragg</sup>

Give the name of your owner. Jim Lee

What estate have you in your own right, real and personal, and what is its actual cash value?

Answer One lot - about Fifty dollars

What estate has your wife in her own right, real and personal, and what is its actual cash value?

Answer none I haven't any wife.

State the gross income of yourself and your wife from all sources for the past year. This must include all money received either

The statement is correct to my knowledge as to amount - Also that said Clark Lee has been unable to get work for about nine months. A.E. Raymo. supt. from wages, rents or interest on loaned money, if any. Also family supplies raised or received from rents and used by your family. *Son, Frank Co.*

When and where did you leave the army? *left the Army about two days before the surrender near Greedberg North Carolina*

How long and since when have you been an actual resident of the State of Tennessee? *about fifty years*

Have you an attorney to look after this application? *no*

If so, give his name and address. *Clark Lee*

Witness my hand this *4* day of *aug* 19*21*

*We know the applicant was with Col. Gordon to the end of our service. He being captured at Nashville. See 1864*

*John B. Anderson* Witness. Street and No. if any *1812 Reas. Whitesid*

Postoffice Address *Rossville Ga* P. O. *Chattanooga*

*W.H. Hill* Witness. R. F. D. (if any) *Tennessee*

Postoffice Address *3021 ave O East Lake*

*Chatta Tenn*

STATE OF TENNESSEE.

*Hamilton* County. } *M. Schneider* Trustee of said County.

certify that *Clark Lee* and his wife are assessed with *1/2* acres, valued at \$ *50<sup>00</sup>*, and with *no* personal property.

Witness my hand this *11<sup>th</sup>* day of *August* 19*21*

*M. Schneider*, Trustee.

If applicant and his wife have no property, the Trustee must so certify.

STATE OF TENNESSEE

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STATE OF TENNESSEE.

*Hamilton* County.

Personally appeared before me *J. M. Wilburn*

*Notary Public* of said County, the above named *Clark Lee*

the applicant, with whom I am personally acquainted, and having the application read and fully explained to him, as well as the statement and answers therein made, made oath that the said statements and answers are true.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this *11<sup>th</sup>* day of *August*, 19*21*.

*J. M. Wilburn*  
Notary Public

(If possible, the two witnesses as to character should have served with the applicant in the army, and if so, let them, or either, state in their oath, also any other information regarding applicant's army service.)

STATE OF TENNESSEE.

*Hamilton* County

Personally appeared before me *Chas. E. Watson*

*County Court Clerk* of said County, the above named *John B. Henderson*

and *J. H. Hill*, two of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing application, with

whom I am personally acquainted, and known to me to be citizens of veracity and standing in this community, and who make

oath that they are personally acquainted with the foregoing applicant, and that the facts set forth and statements made in

this application are correct and true, to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest in this claim,

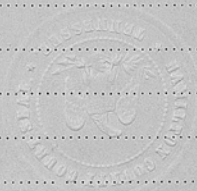
and that said applicant's habits are good and free from dishonor. And

further made oath to the following facts touching the applicant's service in the army:

State here what witnesses know of their own knowledge.

*He known the applicant was with  
Col Gordon to the end of service  
December 1864*

Witness my hand and seal of office, this *16<sup>th</sup>* day of *September*, 19*21*



June 1, 1923.

On Clark, Lee, 107, col.

Clarkie Lee, col.,  
c/o Allen Black,  
2623 Williams St.,  
Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dear Sir:

Your case was filed in September, 1921,  
and the Board at that time wrote you the following  
letter, and to which we have never had a reply:

"The Board has considered your  
case and disallowed it. It must have  
proof, from persons who know the facts,  
that you served with the Confederate  
Army until two days before the surrender.

"Your witnesses say that you served  
to the end of the war, in December, 1864.

"If you will send in proof, the  
Board will reconsider your case."

From this letter you will see what is  
the matter with your case.

Very respectfully,

By order of the Board,

JPH:M

Secretary.

June 16, 1923.

Hon. Gordon Lee, M. C.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Gordon:

I am writing you in the interest of a dear old colored man, who states he was before the Confederate War a member of your family, in other words, he was a slave and belonged to your father.

I have been interesting myself to get a State pension for him based upon the fact, as he states that he was a body servant, during the latter year of the war, to Col. Clark Gordon, your Uncle, and remained with him loyal and true to the close of the war and came home with Col. Gordon after the surrender of Gen. Johnson's Army in North Carolina. If he can establish this record he will be entitled to a Tennessee State Pension under our present pension law allowing pensions to our faithful old slaves, who remained true to the close of the struggle to their "white folks!" I am proud of the fact that I am the author of this bill, making our faithful old slaves, who took part in the field, during the war.

Now I understand that you are not expected to know these facts of your own knowledge, but I am hoping that you know enough of the facts from reliable authority that would establish this old man's eligibility under the provisions of the Tennessee Pension Law.

Write me such letter as you feel justified in doing in regard to this matter that I may file it with Clark Lee's application for a Tenn. State Pension.

With highest regards I am your friend

Very sincerely,

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Bozart's Sea

June 29. 23



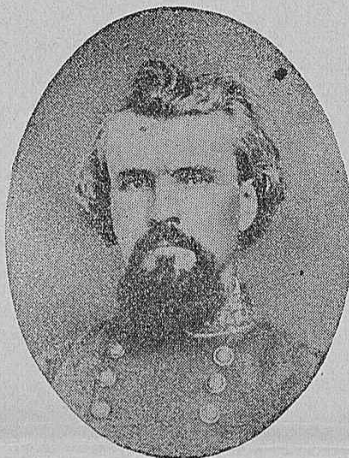
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CHATTANOOGA, TENN. June 28-1923

*Times Building*

Gen. Jno. P. Hickman, Secty.

Nashville, Tenn.

My Dear General Hickman;-

Re-Pension Application of  
Clark Lee, Col'd #107

Capt. Shipp and I have been trying to get a pension for this old negro for some time. It seems that he has been turned down by the Board for lack of evidence. I am enclosing a certificate from old man Grouch who lives about 18 miles from here, up in the mountains, and is too old to travel, and is nearly blind. I drew up the certificate and the old negro took it to him, but was not able to employ an officer or notary to go with him. What can be done about it?

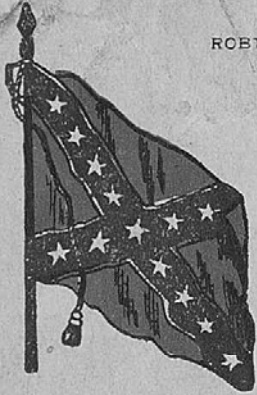
Capt. Shipp wrote to Gordon Lee about it, but he is off on that Alaska junkett and is not expected back for some time. I am enclosing Capt. Shipp's letter (I mean copy of his letter) to Gordon Lee, United States Senator, and the reply of his Secretary.

Please tell me is there anything more we can do to help this old negro?

Yours Faithfully

*John N. Johnson*

I note by today's paper the death of Adj. Gen. Booth.



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BOARD MEETS SECOND TUESDAYS IN JANUARY  
 APRIL, JULY AND OCTOBER

Nashville, Tenn. November 10, 1921.

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Very respectfully,

By order of the Board,

Jno. P. Hickman  
 Secretary.

Clark Lee did  
 serve in the Confederate  
 army two days before  
 the surrender from  
 Reubin Couch  
 JPH:M

I am a witness  
 to that fact he left the army on Clark Gordon  
 Reubin Couch  
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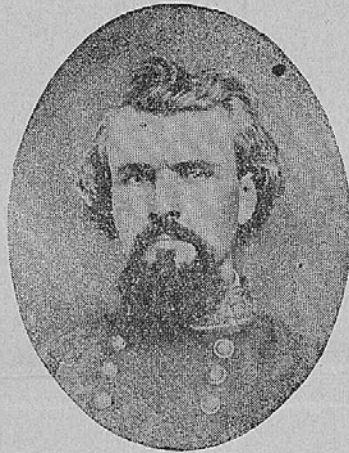
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CHATTANOOGA, TENN. July- 13-1863

Gen. Jno. P. Hickman, Secty.

Nashville, Tenn.

My Dear Gen. Hickman:-

Replying to your postal of 12th. in re Clark Lee-Applicant for pension, I beg to hand you herewith your letter to him of Nov. 10-1861.

As I wrote you that Shipp and I have been trying to get this old man a pension for some time. It seems by your letter that he lacked proper evidence, and he has put himself to a great deal of trouble to locate some one who was in the army and who knew him and his record. He found old man Crouch who is now past going, is almost blind and too feeble even to go to the table without assistance. Crouch has made a statement-which I sent you- that Clark Lee was with the army up to the close of the war and went home with his master after the Surrender.

Now if the statement of Crouch has to be certified, you will please let me know by return mail (if possible) and we will arrange to have a magistrate or a notary sent into the country to take his statement. If however it can be avoided we would like to do so, but if it has to be done it must be done at once as Crouch is very old and feeble, and is the only one we can lay hands on at this time that was really with Lee at the surrender.

Yours Very Truly

*P.S. If anything wrong with his old Application, let me know & I will make out one for him*

*John N. Johnson*

Rear 1812 Whiteside St.

Nov. 8, 1921.

Chattanooga Tenn.

Dear Sir: I received your Card a few days ago stating that my Case (107), had been received and filed but I haven't heard anything since. I didn't know whether anything was wrong or not. So please notify me if there is any trouble with the papers am anxious to hear from them.

Obligingly

Clark Hill

1812 Whiteside St.

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June 18,,1923.

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Mr. J. F. Shipp,  
Loveman Bldg.,  
Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dear Mr. Shipp:

Your letter of the 16th inst.,  
has been received in the absence of Mr. Lee,  
who is on a trip to Alaska, with a representa-  
tive party of the Appropriations Committee of  
the House. Upon his return I shall be glad  
to place your letter before him.

Very sincerely,

*K. Rountt*  
Secretary.

State of Georgia  
County of Walker

Rossville, Ga. June 16 1923  
R.F.D.

This is to certify that Clark Lee Colored was in the Confederate army with his master Col. Clark Gordon, of the First Confederate Georgia Regiment, Infantry, and that he was with our Regiment up to the close of the war. I testify that I saw him in person two days before the close of the war he was with his master Col. Clark Gordon at the time.

I was Teamster in this Regiment, and I certify that Clark Lee went home with Col. Gordon at the close of the war. I am drawing a pension from the state of Georgia and you can find out anything you want to know about me from the Records of the Pension Bureau of the state of Ga.

Witness

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Georgia Couch

Reubin Couch

Rosville Ga R.F.D.

Clark Lee (Col.) 107  
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Now I am very old &  
getting disab'd & to work  
would you please  
don't forget to look this  
matter over & let me  
hear from you soon  
I feel like I deserve  
a pension - will  
thank you in

advance -  
Yours truly -

Clark Lee -

2923 - William St.  
Chattanooga Tenn -  
C/o Allen Black -

Chattanooga Train -  
May 1921

Mr. J. P. Kitchener  
Wash. D.C.  
I was a white man  
and I was left

I had 3 boxes of  
books & said that  
I would have to go to  
Washington or buy  
from W. H. D. & I  
had a suitcase & had  
of my business  
by the last train I paid  
\$100 to a private agent  
here in Chattanooga -

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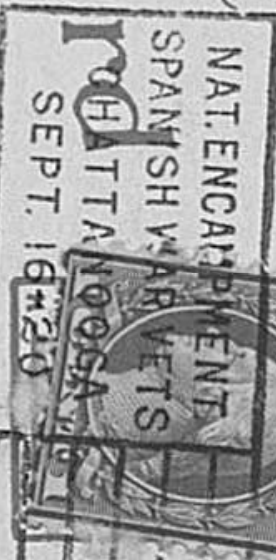
Rooms without Bath \$1.50 up.  
Rooms with Bath \$2.00 up.

J. B. POUND, President,  
JOHN E. LOVELL, Manager.

Please reply to  
my request of  
the 13<sup>th</sup> in  
re Grant &c  
Yours  
Wm. W. Johnson



POST  
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Chattanooga



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Tenn

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