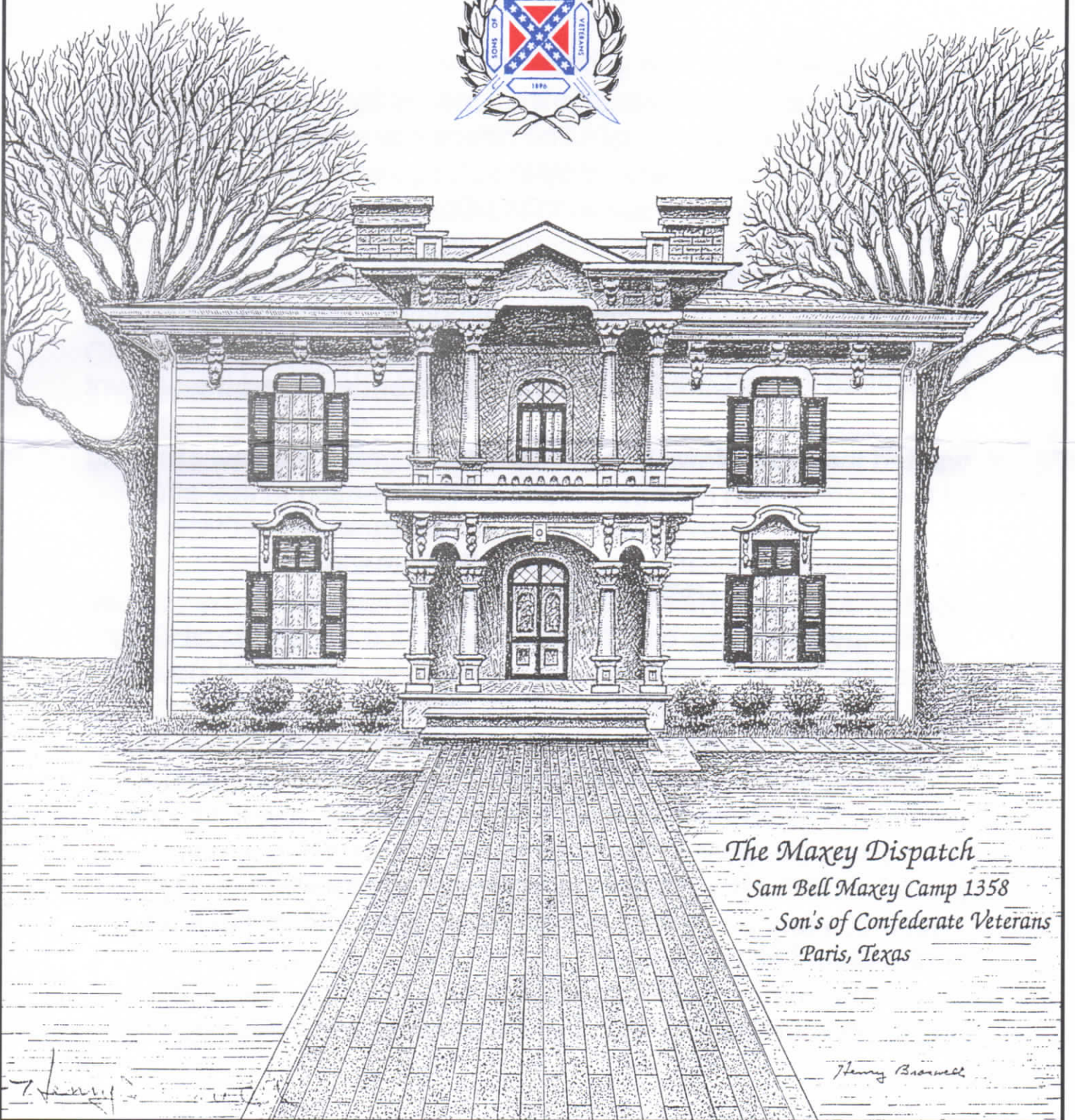


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Adjutants Report

The February 2018 meeting was opened by Commander Ray Ball according to SCV ritual. The opening prayer was given by Gordon VanDeaver, followed by the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag, and the salute to the Confederate Flag.

The financial report was accepted as read. I reported that I had the memorium to General Robert E. Lee published in the Paris News as indicated in the last Dispatch on Confederate Heros Day in Texas. That was a friday issue on the 19th of January in the News, and I had used a Camp check. I later deposited the amount of the check in the Camp fund. I used a Camp check because I wanted the Paris News to see that it was a group effort. At the end of the meeting two members made a nice donation to that effort.

On the topic of donations' I am most happy to report that a former member of our Camp Billy McBride made a more than healthy donation. He moved his membership because he lives in Big Sandy and it was convenient to be a member of a local Camp. His loyalty to our Camp didn't leave when he moved and I'm sure glad. Thanks Billy from all members of the Sam Bell Maxey Camp we are in good shape now to finish this fiscal year in "black ink."

We had a better than I expected attendance at the February meeting. Thunderstorms were roaming the area, and icing roads were a real possibility. Didn't hear of anyone having a major problem getting home after the meeting and that was good news. With that many present on a night like that we should have a full house during good weather.

Good weather notwithstanding why not bring a guest? If they qualify for membership who knows they may see fit to honor their

Confederate ancestors and join us, especially since there is so much disrespect directed at all Confederate issues of late. Bring your wife, or girlfriend, (but not both on the same night unless you have some special understanding with them that the rest of us would like to know about) family members or just friends. They are all welcome.

The program for the February meeting was presented by Ray Ball where he reported on the Confederate Heros Day celebration in Longview which he attended. I couldn't go with him because I was suffering from some sort of malady and didn't want to infect a lot of SCV members. Ray also addressed Confederate issues of interest.

The program for the March meeting will likely be a video of a major battle for Southern Independence, sometimes called the Civil War.

The next meeting will be 6 March 2018 at the Paris Public Library at 6:00 p. m.

John Brown: Adjutant/Quasi Editor

Quasi Editorial Comment

I am going to have to tap dance around an issue that is of interest to most of our members. Our Louisiana, and Oklahoma members I hope will treat this as valuable information since you can't vote in Texas. The tap dance is because we are a non-political organization and this involves politics. I cannot, and would not, endorse a candidate for office in Texas. You will have to use this information and your judgement as to who you vote for.

If you are not voting for candidates in the party this individual belongs to you cannot vote for or against him in the primary. So that leaves the rest of us to vote as we feel is in the best interest of Texas, and The Sons of Confederate Veterans.

I will not name the individual that this concerns but he is presently serving as an elected official and has the title "Commissioner" of a State Agency. I have received two e-mails

about his stance on Confederate and historical artifacts. He is in a position of power to bring about changing or destroying things that honor our ancestors and it looks like that is what he intends to do. I don't trust e-mail information usually but when one comes from State I pay attention.

In the upcoming primary election this individual has at least two opponents, and they are pushing hard that he intends to, in their words, "reimagined the Alamo" by moving and replacing it with a Disney style park, and **cancel Confederate Heros Day in Texas.**

Messing with the Alamo is directly under his authority and he carries a lot of weight there. Don't know how much clout he has with Confederate Heros Day. More than I like I think since political correctness seems to be the order of the day in Austin.

Law makers several years back took daily control of the Alamo from the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, and now a new fight is looming over how it will be presented in the future. The Commissioner of the Texas General Land Office has a major say about that----hint---hint.

I encourage all our members to check the validity of all this and act accordingly. If we don't stop this idiocy there will be nothing left for us to support.

Sorry about the tap dance but it was necessary.

Quasi Editor; John Brown

***Stand firmly by your Cannon
Let ball and grapeshot fly
And trust in God and Davis
But keep your powder dry***