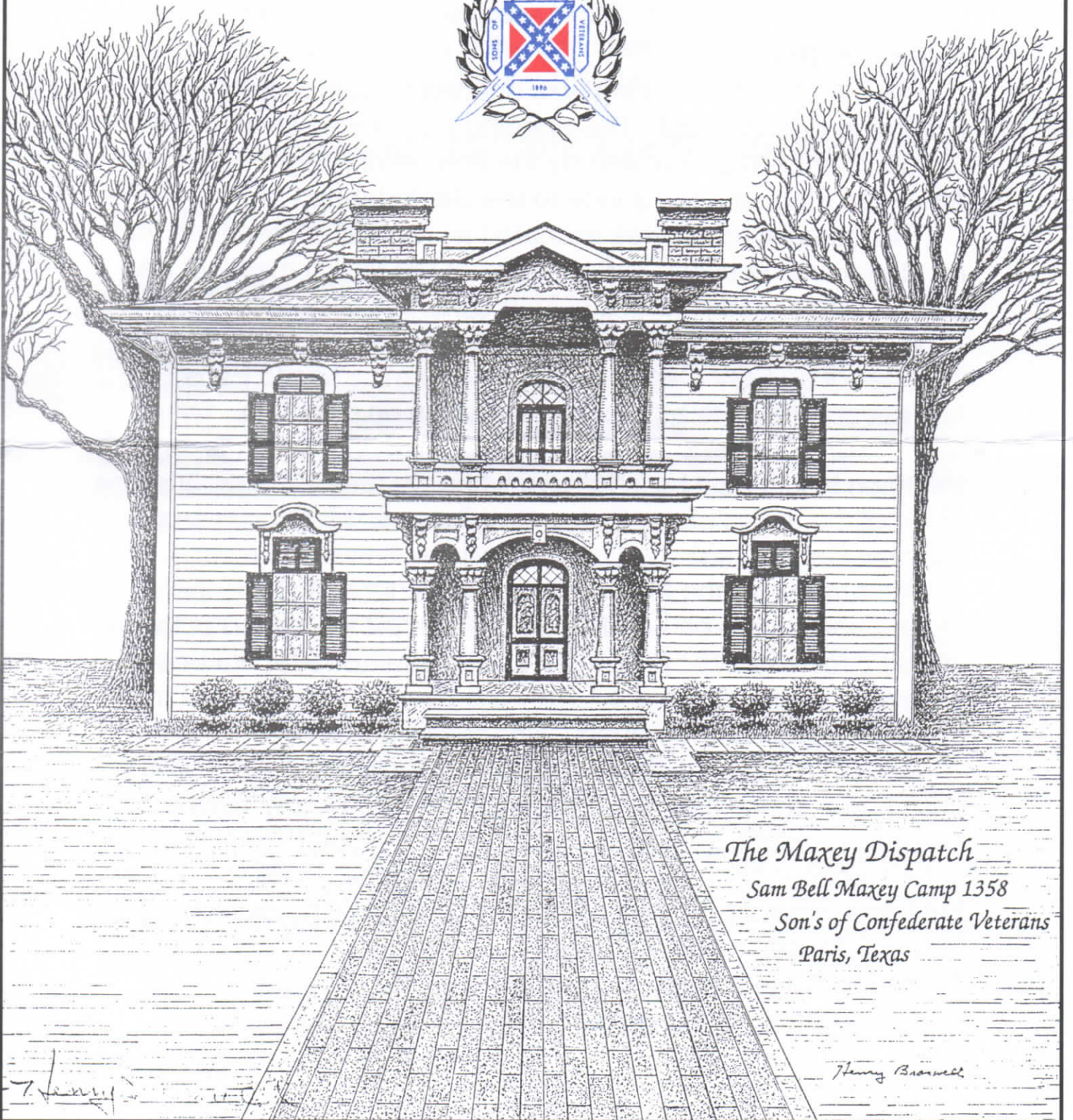


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The Maxey Dispatch
Sam Bell Maxey Camp 1358
Son's of Confederate Veterans
Paris, Texas

Sam Bell Maxey House - Paris, Texas - By Judge Henry Braswell

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The Newsletter of the Gen. Sam Bell Maxey Camp 1358
Sons of Confederate Veterans, Paris TX
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Adjutants Report

The March 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 after I reported that the donations received, and reported at the March meeting, had put our Camp on firm financial footing for this fiscal year.

We had a visitor in attendance at the March meeting. He is a member of an SCV Camp in Dallas with family ties to Paris. He has never lived here but does visit the city on occasion. I gave him info on our Camp including the dates of our meetings, and an invitation to join us if he is in town when we meet. He reported on some of the antics of the Dallas City Council. More on this under Editorial Comments.

The turnout for the March meeting was not bad at all. the dependables were on hand as usual, with the exception of those whose circumstances prevented it. We can however honor our ancestors wherever we are. They are ever on my mind as I trust they are with all our members. No greater heros ever lived.

An item reported in the last Dispatch about the politico who was pushing for cancelation of Confederate Heros Day in Texas. Well, he was reelected, so now we have another issue to deal with in defense of our heritage. He had the "big name" familiar to many but I was impressed by some of his opposition who didn't have the "name." Maybe next election day, when I hope we will still have Confederate Heros Day, the outcome will be different.

The program was supposed to be a video of the Battle of

Chancellorsville. However we couldn't get the video system to access it. We watched the Battle of First Manassas instead because it was the only one on the DVD that we could. Where is a techie when you need them? Oh well it was the first major battle of the war and the Confederates sent the Union army and spectators, who came to watch the show, running for their lives back to DC. The program for the April meeting will be about "myths in the lost cause." The material for this will be from a book by Dr. Richard Montgomery who is a member of the Denton SCV Camp.

The next meeting will be 3 April 2018 at the Paris Public Library at 6:00 p. m.

John Brown: Adjutant

Quasi Editorial Comment

I received a Division-wide message about changes at National Headquarters. Some longtime employees recently retired and the message was to update and clarify the changes to Headquarters Staff at Elm Springs. The following new employees are ready to serve you.

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Another message was received from Texas Division. The Dallas City Council has indicated that it intends to discuss the status of the Lee Statue and other Heritage items at an up coming meeting. It appears the City Council will vote on the proposal to donate the Statue to the Civil War Museum in Ft. Worth. We have encouraged members to attend these meetings in the past but please adhere to the advice of our legal counsel David Vanderberg regarding this issue. His tactic may be the best result we can get with no additional impact to our limited treasury. He was asked if the SCV should send people to the meeting.

He recommended against it saying "the City Council has shown that

they vote against the great weight of citizens testimony. And we have nothing to gain by supporting the vote; in fact any support by the SCV at a public meeting could hinder the vote."

Additionally, we may be missing a more underlying issue. The city of Dallas is not as liberal as Austin or San Antonio and they (Dallas) are getting some blow back from constituents on the projected cost involved to the detriment of city services which are already compromised due to lack of local funding. Very few business leaders are for changing all the streets named for Confederate personnel because of the associated cost involved.

The city has already spent a million dollars just to move the Lee Statue and it is estimated that repairs to the Statue could easily cost an additional million. The council is talking about another \$200,000 to move the Statue to Ft. Worth, and to "fix" Lee Park. This Statue seems to be a black hole money pit for the City of Dallas that keeps on giving. They want to move the war memorial from Pioneer Park at an estimated cost of \$500,000 and we all know city estimates are usually low. I would suggest that someone may be looking at the litigation cost along with these other costs piling up and wondering where is all this money coming from. Its definitely not in the city budget. The Dallas City Council has awakened a sleeping giant. There is some really big conservative money in that town, and just start rattling the cage a lot more; let them lose the war at little to no additional cost to us; and stay away from Dallas City Council meetings where the Lee Statue is on the agenda.

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