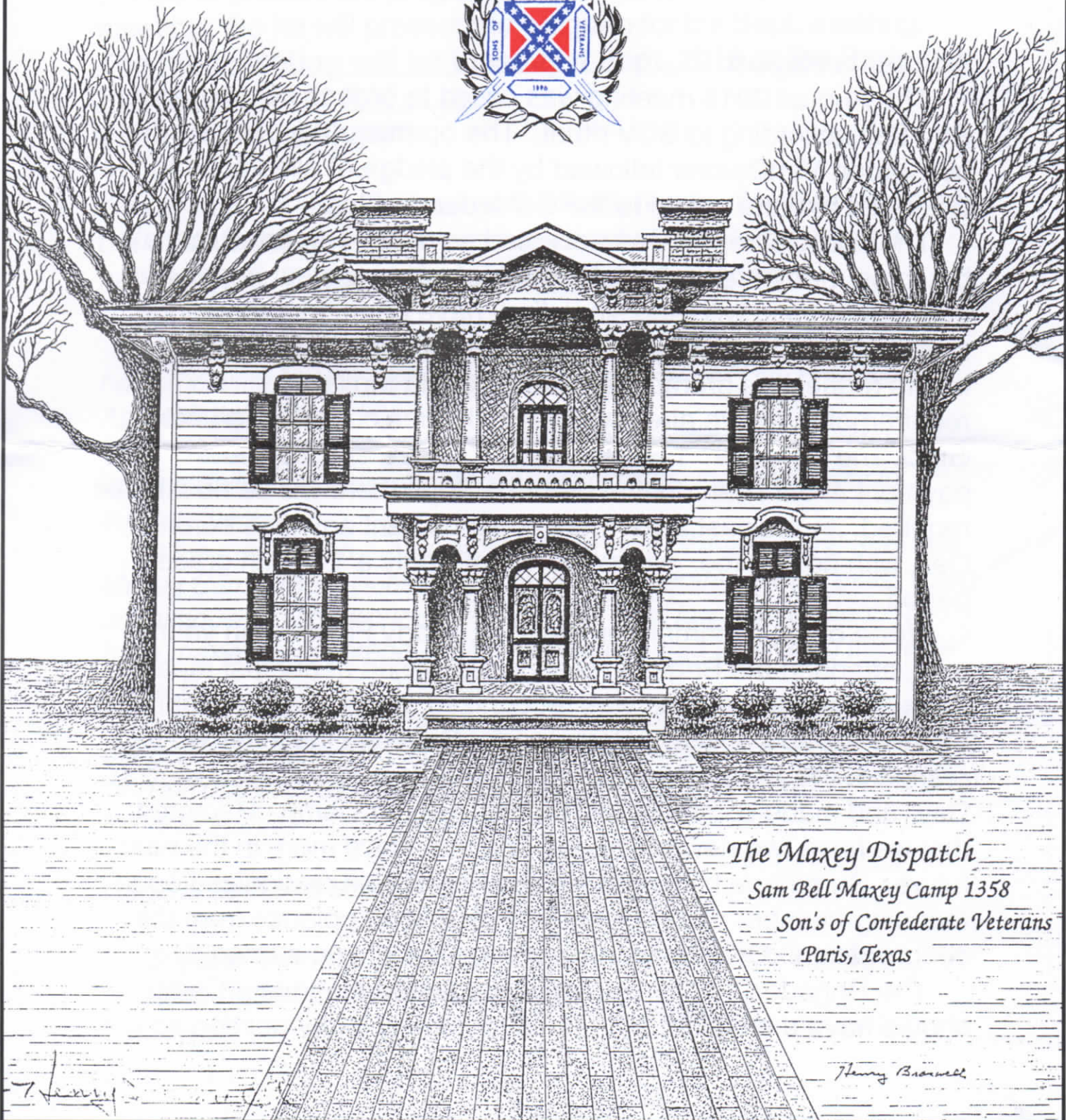


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The Maxey Dispatch
Sam Bell Maxey Camp 1358
Son's of Confederate Veterans
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The Newsletter of the Gen. Sam Bell Maxey Camp 1358
Sons of Confederate Veterans, Paris TX
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Adjutants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

The August 2018 meeting was called to order by Commander Ray Ball according to SCV ritual. The opening prayer was offered by Gordon VanDeaver followed by the pledge of allegiance to the U S Flag, and the salute to the Confederate Flag.

The financial report was accepted as read. I reported that all but three members had submitted dues. I have great hopes that the three unpaid will reup since they have been, to a man, long time, loyal to the cause, members of our Camp. I have sent them letters requesting prompt payment to avoid the late fees requirement. I have already mailed all dues collected to date to GHQ, and TEX DIV. I can still remit to these entities a late payment and if I can do that before 1 Sept. there will be no late fee required. In the past a payment could be sent any time before 1 Dec. with no late fee. No more, now it's only a 1 month grace period.

Three of us, Commander Ray Ball, Brady Fisher, and yours truly, attended the Brigade meeting discussed at our last meeting. Each Camp represented was recognized, and a member reported on their Camp's activity. Commander Ball read the letter we had printed in the Paris News about "Law Enforcement Appreciation Day" and made comments on the state of our Camp. He noted that we have two new members, and may have more in the near future. Sure hope he's right. Brady Fisher was recognized as a founding member of our Camp and received applause from the congregation. OK Brady enjoy the ego-boost you earned it.

The Brigade Chaplain strongly suggested that every Camp should have a chaplain. We need to comply in my opinion so get

ready to be voted in to that position at the next meeting. Oh come on, you can attend the meeting and decline to serve if you want.

The August meeting was taken up mostly on how to respond to Law Enforcement Appreciation Day. Bryan Bailey, who was primed to present the program was asked to do it at the next meeting. So he will present the program for the Sept. meeting.

The next meeting will be tuesday 4 Sept. 2018 at the Paris Public Library at 6:00 p. m.

John Brown; Adjutant

I know that not everyone takes the Paris News. I'm pretty sure our out of state members don't so here is what our Camp voted to have printed. It was in the tuesday 14 August edition.

A national heritage organization "The Sons of Confederate Veterans" has proclaimed to it's members 16 August 2018 as "Law Enforcement Appreciation Day."

We recognize the fact that law enforcement officers put their lives on the line daily. We have, as responsible citizens, the moral duty to support them.

At the meeting on 7 August 2018 members of the General Sam Bell Maxey Camp 1358, Sons Of Confederate Veterans, Paris Texas, voted unanimously to show our appreciation for local law enforcement. To have maximum coverage of this event in our area submitting this letter to the Paris News was also voted.

We invite, and hope the entire area will join us on 16 August in offering our undying gratitude to those who serve to defend our society of free citizens of a country governed by rule of law. How you would do it is up to the individual.

General Sam Bell Maxey Camp 1358, SCV

Brigade Commander Sam Mercer requested a copy of the letter and one has been sent.

Quasi Editorial Comments

I received an e-mail from TX Div. to rally County Farm Bureaus to support Monument Protection Legislation. Division has been told the key to getting their support is speaking at local Farm Bureau Committee meetings. The American Farm Bureau has a plank in their handbook supporting American War/Veteran monument preservation and protection. However the Texas Farm Bureau does' not. Don't know about other state's Farm Bureau.

The next Legislative session (in Texas) starts 1 January 2019. Tex Div asks members/Camps to contact the County President and ask for speaker time at their next meeting. Your topic should be to ask for their support on the upcoming monument protection legislation by lobbying their local Texas Rep. and Senator to support either soon-to-be Senator Pat Fallon's bill in the Senate or Rep. James White's version in the House. Also ask them to support a statement plank in the Texas Farm Bureau handbook supporting American War/Veteran monument preservation and protection.

The proposed bill will be patterned on the Alabama Law with larger fines for violations. A significant difference would be that for jurisdictions other than state, such as counties, or cities, monuments could be moved or modified only if no taxpayer funds are used. We will discuss at our next meeting.

One final comment. Hooray for the city of Tyler. Their ISD had a meeting to rename the Robert E. Lee High School. The vote they thought would surely pass. When the motion to rename was made not one member of the board would second it, and the motion failed. Finally a victory against the PC crowd.

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*