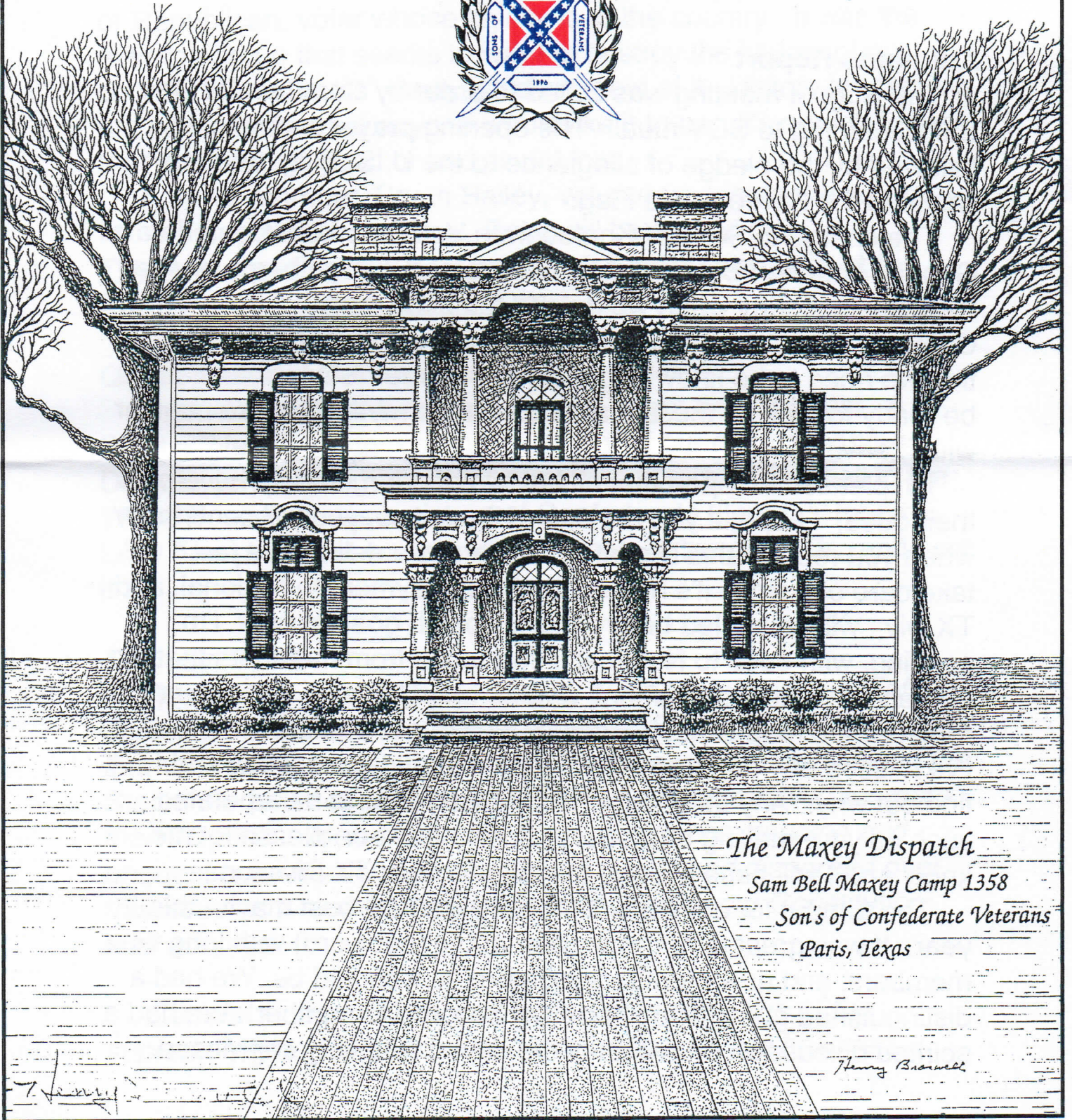


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Adjutants Report

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

The charge to Sons of Confederate Veterans from Confederate General Stephen Dill Lee in 1906 was read. This charge is what identifies us today when we defend the good name of the Confederate soldier, and pursue the true history of his era. To do that we need to be knowledgeable of the true history of that era to be ready to reply to those that espouse the myths that are popular with many today.

I'm pleased to report that all but two of our members have paid their dues. I hope, if you are one of those two, you will send them when you receive this Dispatch. If there is a delinquent fee, I will take care of it since it's not much. Dues payment to National, and TX Div., will be mailed before this Dispatch goes to print. I'm sending, with dues to National, information from members that did not receive a dues statement, and for one I know of that has not received the magazine. Hopefully we will get that taken care of. If I've missed any one that didn't receive them let me know and I will find out why. Any other information that needs to be up-dated such as your mailing address, or phone number, please let me know and I will pass it along to National, and TX Division.

The turnout for our August meeting was the best maybe this year. It was great to hob-nob (how about that word) with long time members, and new members together as it should be. We had a distinguished guest who I hope will become a member. We had a spirited discussion of events of the day. I was very impressed.

I presented the program with selected parts of a speech about the state of the country today. The attack on our country, that included our Confederate heritage, by extreme activists. It was pointed out that the attack was not carried out by the hard working Democrat, or Republican, voter whose loyalty is to the country. It was the extreme group that seems to want to destroy the history of our country that "offends" them, which is most of it. History is what it is not necessarily what anyone would like it to be. It's our job to see that true history, good or bad, is not lost.

A brave member, Bryan Bailey, volunteered to do the program for the September meeting. Bet it will be a good one.

The next meeting will be Tuesday 3 September 2019 at the Paris Public Library at 6:00 p. m.

Quasi Editorial Comments

I came across an item that I thought might be of interest. A Dr. Scott wrote a letter to a sitting president of our country. The good Dr. was complaining about a prominent picture on the wall in the White House. It was a picture of Confederate General Robert E. Lee. The president wrote a letter in reply to the good Dr., and here it is.

Dear Dr. Scott

Respecting your August 1 inquiry calling attention to my often expressed admiration for General Robert E. Lee, I would say, first that we need to understand that at the time of the war between the States the issue of secession had remained unresolved for more than 70 years. Men of probity, character, public standing and unquestioned loyalty, both North and South had disagreed over this issue as a matter of principle from the day our Constitution was adopted.

General Robert E. Lee was in my estimation, one of the supremely gifted men produced by our Nation. He believed

unswervingly in the Constitutional validity of his cause which until 1865 was still an arguable question in America; he was a poised and inspiring leader, true to the high trust reposed in him by millions of his fellow citizens; he was thoughtful yet demanding of his officers and men, forbearing with captured enemies but ingenious, unrelenting, and personally courageous in battle, and never disheartened by a reverse or obstacle. Through all his many trials, he remained selfless almost to a fault, and unfailing in his faith in God. Taken all together, he was noble as a leader and as a man, and unsullied as I read the pages of our history.

From deep conviction I simply say this: a nation of men of Lee's calibre would be unconquerable in spirit and soul. Indeed, to the degree that present-day American youth will strive to emulate his rare qualities, including his devotion to this land as revealed in his pain staking efforts to help heal the Nations wounds once the bitter struggle was over, we, in our own time of danger in a divided world, will be strengthened, and our love of freedom sustained.

Such are the reasons that I proudly display the picture of this great American on my office wall

*Sincerely
Dwight D, Eisenhower*

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***