

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

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**Adjutants Report** 

The September 2018 meeting was called to order by Commander Ray Ball according to SCV ritual. The opening prayer was offered by Bill Milling followed by the pledge of allegiance to the US Flag, and the salute to the Confederate Flag.

I reported that all active members from last FY have paid their dues which have been sent to GHQ, and Tex Division. Also Camp dues are 100% paid. I received an email from Tex Div as a receipt for dues they had received from our Camp. It did not show the 100% but that is understandable since it was before I mailed the last to them. I have not received an update from them, and have not received anything from GHQ. I do have the bank statement and it will show checks they have deposited. So we have a backup to the system for proof that we are 100% paid for FY 2018/19.

August 2018 was the first month of FY 2018/19. The IRS requires that we file for an "e-postcard " for the past FY 2017/18. Commander Ball is dealing with IRS to file. It aint easy but it must be done. When you get into their system you only have to answer one question, but getting in is a problem usually. Our Camp is a "not for profit" organization and owes no taxes. I am confident that our Commander can get this filed, since he has for the last several years and is still sane, I think.

We had one visitor at our September meeting. A previous member of our Camp from way back. We welcomed him as a reinstate member. He was given the form for membership and I hope he will be at our October meeting with required info to become active as a member of our Camp.

We had no program for the September meeting. The entire hour was taken up by discussion of how to better serve our Camp, and by doing so, our Confederate ancestors. Hopefully Bryan Bailey, who was prepared to present the program two meetings ago will still be ready to present his program this month. I had two members, who had to miss the September meeting due to work. They were disappointed when they thought they had missed Bryan's program. I told them to skip work if they have to since Bryan is still raring to go (I hope).

The next meeting will be tuesday 2 October 2018 at the Paris Public Library at 6:00 p. m.

## **Quasi Editorial Comments**

I haven't heard of any move to destroy Confederate monuments or statues lately. We still need legislation to ensure that there will be harsh punishment for any one, or group, that does. The bill is

still pending in Austin.

Although its not Confederate it is history under attack. The cenotaph at the Alamo is scheduled to be removed. The site where 178 Texans gave their lives to give General Sam Houston time to set his trap for the Mexican army would be reduced to just an old building. I sure hope the proposed bill; <a href="American War/Veteran Monument Preservation and Protection">American War/Veteran Monument Preservation and Protection</a> passes before they move anything.

Those of us who value freedom should remember the sacrifice made there and honor the site of the Alamo. The defense of it is

on par with that shown by our Confederate ancestors.

Although we haven't heard much from them lately I'm sure the PC crowd is still around, and still ready to show disrespect to our Confederate ancestors aided and abetted by most of the media. There is so much false information on the history of this country that is thought to be true by so many. We must do our duty and try to counter that.

We might be surprised by how many of our state legislators are

on our side if you call them. National could be, I hope so.

We all know of the fact that many family's had members serving on both sides during the war. They met on the battlefield more often than we might guess, and some were very dramatic.

When Confederates reoccupied Galveston 1 January 1864 Confederate Major A. M. Lea was leading the attack on the U.S.S. Harriet Lane. When they boarded her he found, and held in his arms, his dying son Union Lieutenant Lea.

An Englishman commanding a Confederate unit led a successful charge that overrun a Union battery, and took the

surrender of the opposing commander, his brother.

When Confederate Admiral Franklin Buchanan led the C.S.S. Virginia in the battle with the U.S.S. Moniter, he actually attacked the U.S.S. Congress a ship on which his brother was serving as an officer.

Confederate Major H. B. McClellan had four brothers in the Union army, as well as his first cousin General George McClellan. The Confederate Major was General Jeb Stuart's chief of staff.

Confederate General Patrick Cleburne (whose military training was in the British Army) had one brother who served in the Union Army, and another who served in the Confederate Army.

In the bitter fighting at Gettysburg John Culp had a son serving the Confederacy, and another serving the Union. Both struggling for the family's home at Clup's Hill.

A real oddity. The 7th Tennessee Confederate Regiment captured the entire 7th Tennessee Union Regiment.

War can bring about some unusual events but that is magnified when both side are of the same country

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