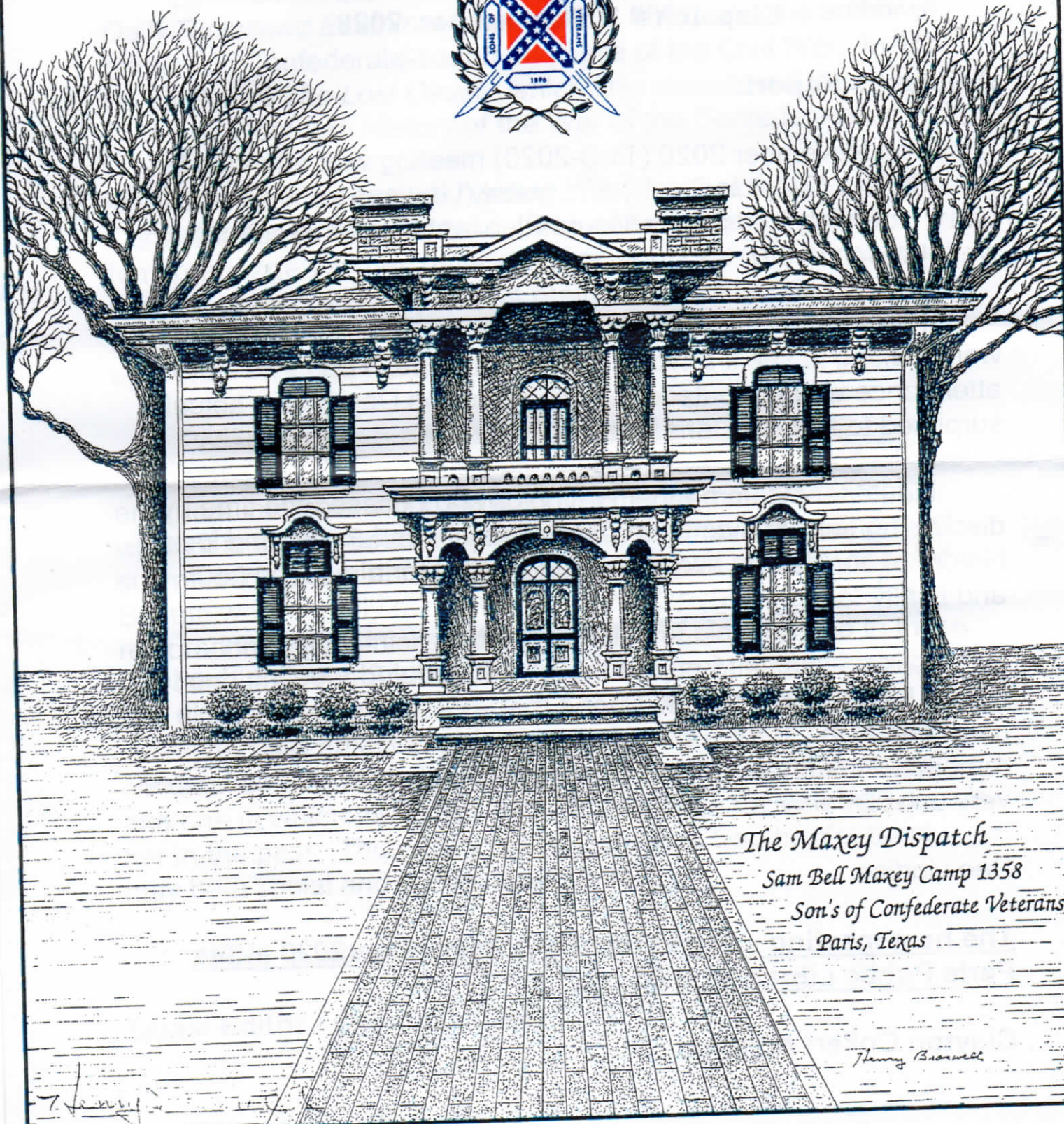


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Adjutant's Report:

The November 2020 (11-3-2020) meeting was attended by the Adjutant (Clayton Coker) and guest (Lieutenant Commander Larry "Joe" Reynolds) from Mount Pleasant. No other members were present.

The meeting was not officially called to order because we were waiting to see if anyone was going to show up. The lack of attendance was attributed to it being Election Day. I was actually surprised to find the Paris Public Library open.

Lieutenant Commander Reynolds and I passed the time by discussing current events, former military experiences, and local history of our Camp. We waited and talked for almost an hour and finally "adjourned" at 1845 hours.

I will be unable to attend the next scheduled meeting due to a prior family commitment. I hope that some of you will be able to meet and "wing it" through our last meeting of 2020. Also remember that there will be no January meeting. This has been a very unusual year for all of us.

Deo vindice.

The next meeting will be Tuesday 1 December, 2020 at the Paris Public Library at 6:00 pm.

Clayton Coker: Adjutant

Editorial:

Edward A. Pollard was the highly respected editor of the *Daily Richmond Examiner* from 1861 to 1867, and the author of numerous Confederate-based accounts of the Civil War. In 1867 he published *The Lost Cause*, which was considered the Standard Southern History of the War of the Confederates.

He opens the book by writing, "The facts of the War of the Confederates in America have been at the mercy of many temporary agents; they have either confounded with sensational rumors, or discolored by violent prejudices: in this condition they are not only not History, but false schools of present public opinion." This rings familiar still today.

Pollard closes his 752 page book with the following observations: "The war has not swallowed up everything. There are great interests which stand out of the pale of the contest, which it is for the South still to cultivate and maintain. She must submit fairly and truthfully to *what the war has properly decided*. But the war properly decided only what was put in issue: the restoration of the Union and the excision of slavery; and to these two conditions the South submits... And [the] things which the war did not decide, the Southern people will still cling to, still claim, and still assert in them their rights and views... In such conditions there may possibly be a solid and honorable peace; and one in which the South may still preserve many things dear to her in the past. There may not be a political South. Yet there may be a social and intellectual South."

ARNF- Always Remember, Never Forget.

Quasi Editor - Clayton Coker



Jefferson Davis

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