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DECORATION DAY PLANS READY

Plans for Friday Holds Promise of Interest For Veterans and Their Friends

Memory of Comrades Who Bore Arms For Their Country To Have Fitting Recognition; Parade in Morning to Be Followed by Patriotic Exercises at City Park or Armory

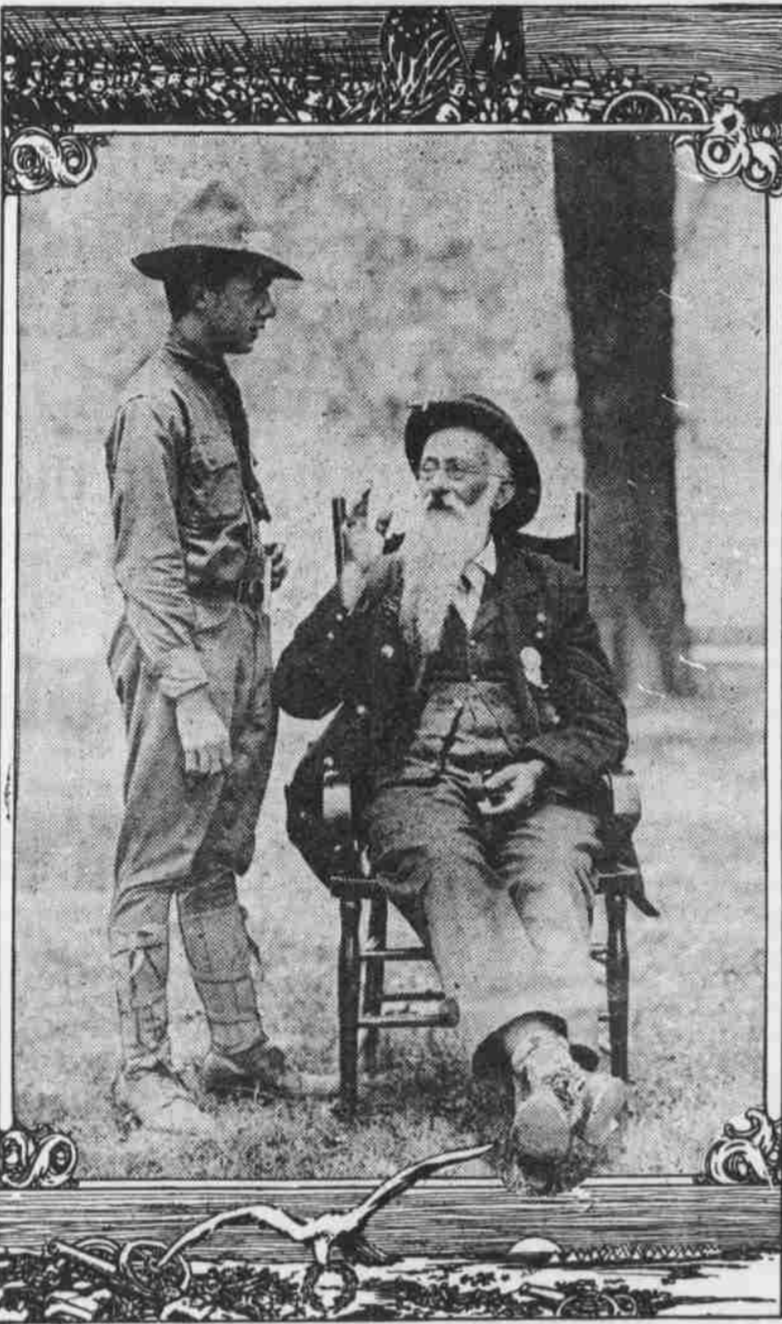
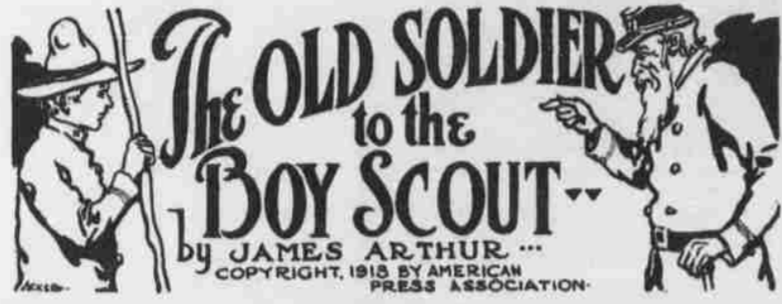
With the formulation of a program and arrangements for a parade, plans for the proper observance of Decoration Day in Dallas are now complete. The parade will form at the armory at 10 o'clock on Friday morning, but the line of march will be determined by the condition of the streets later. John E. Miller has been appointed marshal of the day. The parade will be headed by the Dallas band followed by company G, N. G. as guard of honor for the veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic and Woman's Relief Corps. Students of Dallas College and of the high school and the public schools will also participate in the parade.

Morning Program.
The patriotic exercises will be held either at the City Park or the armory, owing to weather conditions, but in either case will consist of the following:
Selection, Dallas band.
Invocation, Rev. Cornwall.
Song, "America," audience.
Selection, Male quartet.
Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, Rev. P. Gates.
Selection, High School quartet.
Address, Walter L. Tooze, Jr.

Strewing flowers for the unknown dead.
Selection, Male quartet.
Selection, band.
A delegation representing the veterans will visit the Dallas cemeteries on the morning of Friday and will decorate the graves of departed comrades. In this connection it is urged that all who have flowers to spare are requested to leave them at Staffin's drug store not later than 8 o'clock on Friday morning.

A committee from the G. A. R. visited the city cemetery on Sunday afternoon and placed flags on the graves of the following comrades: John Wiseman, Joseph Lowe, B. F. Reasoner, J. E. Smith, J. M. Conroy, William Grant, H. C. Dimick, Samuel Coad, William Gilliam, Cornelius Gilliam, Milton Thompson, D. S. Martin, Samuel Sloan, William Siebring, A. Siefarth, Simon Tuttle, Martin Hisey, G. W. Reed.

Anyone knowing of other United States soldiers who are buried in the cemetery and whose names do not appear in the above list, are kindly requested to notify B. Lovelace at Dunagan's paint store before Friday, as it is earnestly desired that all graves of those who have borne arms for the union, be properly decorated.



WELL, lad, you have your uniform. When I put on the blue My heart was young, my hopes were high.

I was a boy like you. I thought that it was great to don The bright and brave array, But Uncle Sam's regalia then Meant something more than play.

It meant long years from Bull Run's field, Where raw troops felt the breath Of leaden storms, whose lightnings flashed And thunders spoke of death, Co Appomattox, where beneath Der famous apple tree Che sun went down upon the hopes Of those who fought with Lee.

It meant long marches and a bed Upon the frozen ground, Che open sky our only tents, Che elements around. It meant scant clothing, slimmer fare And insect teeming dens. It meant disease and fever camps And southern prison pens.

It meant the fiercest fighting This old world has ever seen From fair Oaks to the Wilderness And all the way between, And this with brothers of the blood, From common lineage sprung, With the same sacred memories, Their speech a common tongue.

All that is over now, my lad. Che passions have surcease. We have one flag, one hope, one land, And all our ways are peace. Gone are the hatreds of the past, Che anguish and the tears. Che battle scars are buried 'neath Che snows of fifty years.

May you, my grandson, never know Such fratricidal scenes, But keep alive their memory, Co teach what freedom means. Through them this land, as Lincoln said, Saw liberty's new birth. Through them she now has come to be Che leader of the earth.

FILE APPLICATIONS FOR LAND
O. & C. Railway Lands Still Proves Attractive to Investors.
Ten applications for the purchase of O. & C. railway lands in Polk county were filed with County Clerk Robinson today by John McKee. These lands are a portion of the vast tract under litigation and which was recently decided adversely to the company in federal court at Portland. As stated elsewhere in today's issue, it is probable that these lands may never be open for settlement and, if they are, many years will probably elapse.

Parade a Feature.
It is planned to make the morning parade one of the features of the occasion, and a substantial prize will be offered for the best decorated automobile owned in Polk county outside of Dallas, and another prize will be offered for the best decorated machine owned within the city. Prizes will also be offered for the best decorated building in the city.

It was agreed to employ the Dallas band and it is probable that the Perrydale band will be secured. Senator Burkett, of Nebraska, one of the Chautauqua attractions, will be the orator of the day.

Birthday Surprise.
Mrs. J. C. Gaynor was given a surprise by the Ladies' aid society last Friday afternoon, it being her birthday. A pleasant social time was spent by all.

DALLAS TAKES BIG END AT FIELD MEET HERE

GREAT CROWD WITNESSES EXCITING EVENTS OF SATURDAY BETWEEN POLK COUNTY SCHOOLS.

MULKEY MADE JUMP RECORD

Sixteen-year Old Lad of Dallas High School Surprises Attendants at Event; Dallas Leads in Points, With Independence Second; Dallas Wins Ball Game From Airlie.

Dallas galloped away with the honors in the Polk county school field and track meet held in this city last Saturday before one of the largest crowds ever gathered here to witness an athletic event. The meet well repaid the crowd as it was exciting from first to last.

Dallas gathered in 74 points; Independence 41 points; Airlie 28 points; Monmouth 10 and Bethel 1. Although Dallas has a heavy lead in the points it is no indication that the meet was not without its sensational features.

Makes Thrilling Jump.
Mulkey, of Dallas, made a thrilling jump of 21 feet 5 inches, which comes near being the record for a 16 year old lad. The interscholastic record for the country is 23 feet and 5 inches, made by E. T. Cook of Ohio in 1906. Mulkey's jump is just two feet behind the world's interscholastic record. Considering the fact that Cook had been in splendid training for years for the event and a much older lad than Mulkey, Mulkey's jump is remarkable.

Dallas Takes Ball Game.
Dallas took the ball game and the county championship from Airlie in the morning by a score of 5 to 4. Many were of the opinion that Airlie had a little the edge on the local boys and it was certain at some stages of the game that the visitors did. Some squabble arose because it was claimed by the visitors that Dallas allowed Bevens, its pitcher, to rest for half an hour near the close of the game and that the rest allowed.

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BASE BALL LINEUP LOOKS GOOD

MANY FAST PLAYERS SEEN IN NEW BASE BALL CLUB.

Men to be Given Tryout; Ted Serr to Manage Team; List of Players With Their Positions.

The Dallas base ball team has been organized for the present season and among the players who will tryout are the following: Catchers, Shaw, Serr, Herzog; pitchers, Barham, Myers, Clark; first base, W. Tooze, R. Boydston; second base, F. Boydston; short, Cooper; third base, Baker; outfield, W. Barham, E. Barham, L. Rice. All other local players who are not on this list may receive a fair tryout against these players by reporting at the public school grounds Sunday morning at 9 o'clock.

Material Looks Good.
The material looks good and a fast bunch should be the result of careful picking and elimination. For catchers we have Shaw and his good headwork and playing; Herzog has been playing with the high school and his work is well liked by all. Serr has been playing with some of the best teams in Portland and the valley and has a good record in California. Barham, Clark and Myers are known to be capable of working with the best on the mound and Tooze and Boydston rank with some of the best semi-pro men in the country. Boydston's work at second will be hard to improve and with Cooper at short that position will be one of the strongest on the team. "Home Run Baker," as he is known by all, has a fine record and has broken up more games by his slugging at opportune times than any other player in the valley. L. Rice and W. and E. Barham will be hard to beat in the outfield, for they are fast and are hard hitters.

Ted Serr who has had considerable experience in managing some of the best teams in Portland and elsewhere, has been selected as manager of the new Dallas aggregation.

INJUNCTION FACES THIRD SALOON PROPOSAL

CITY ESTOPPED FROM ISSUING LICENSE TO JAMES V. CHITTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH VOTE OF COUNCIL.

SAYS ORDINANCE VIOLATED

Wm. J. Coy, Complainant, Declares City Has Not More Than 2300 People; Judge Galloway Grants Injunction at Salem; Present Liquor Interests Accused.

Probability of a third third parlor in Dallas was placed in the problematical class on Monday when City Auditor Gregory was served with an injunction, signed by William J. Coy and issued by Judge William Galloway at Salem on Saturday, restraining him (Gregory) from issuing a license to James V. Chitty, as granted by the council at a recent session under the provisions of a new ordinance carrying an emergency clause which also passed the council.

By the terms of his complaint upon which the injunction was issued, William J. Coy declares that the city council is attempting to violate the provisions of ordinance No. 149, passed November 21, 1910, which provides that but one license shall be issued for each 1000 inhabitants or major fraction thereof within the corporate limits of the city. Coy sets up the allegation that there are now but 2300 people within the corporate limits and cites the fact that but 2124 were here in 1910, according to the government census, as proof of his assertion. Members of the city council who voted for the issuance of the license to Chitty declare their belief that there are more than 2500 people here.

Mr. Coy, who is a resident of this city, and a well-known prohibitionist, gives a bond in the sum of \$100 with J. P. Rogers as additional surety to hold the city against damage in the event that the final hearing on the injunction shall be decided against him.

Brings Strong Contention.
Since the filing of the injunction and even before, the probability that a third saloon might soon be in operation here caused the widest comment, some declaring that the city council had deliberately violated the provisions of ordinance 149 while others asserted, with equal vehemence, that the council was entirely within their rights.

The first draft of the present saloon ordinance was published in the county papers for the information of the voters on October 11, 1910. The county was dry at that time, but the council explained to the voters that this ordinance had been prepared in advance of the election to let the people know how the liquor business would be controlled and regulated in the event that the county went wet at the November election. The section limiting the number of saloons in the city was worded as follows:

"In issuing such license, or ordering them to be issued, the said city council shall permit but one license to be issued for every 1000 inhabitants or fraction thereof, residing within the corporate limits of Dallas."

The election was held on the 8th day of November following, and the county was voted wet. Thirteen days later—or on November 21—the city council passed the liquor ordinance as originally drafted, with the exception that the foregoing section was changed to read "one license for every 1000 inhabitants, or major fraction thereof."

Liquor Interests Blamed.
Chitty and friends of the third saloon idea declare that the proprietors of the two saloons already in business here are the real movers behind the injunction proceedings, and that they are using the prohibition forces as catspaws to keep out competition. This is denied by the present saloon interests while those opposed to the liquor business state that they are against the move because the honor of the city was pledged to the dry element prior to the November 1910 election and that, because of that pledge, the county decided to license saloons.

It is not known when the case will be heard further in Judge Galloway's court. The Judge, it is understood, will be here some time before the new judicial district law goes into effect early in June, but whether he will take up the question at that time is not known.

Chitty has already purchased his bar fixtures and stock and a large sum has been expended on the building and improvements all of which must await the adjudication of the trouble in the courts.

DALLAS FEATURE OF CARNIVAL AT SALEM

OVER 500 BOOSTERS FROM HERE MAKE LIFE MERRY AT STATE CAPITAL LAST WEEK.

THIS CITY IS WHOLE PARADE

Enthusiasm Runs Riot; Visit Means Hundreds of People at Big Fourth of July Celebration and Chautauqua Meetings; Engine 1361 Carries Moose Lodge 1361 to 'Doins.'

Drawn by engine 1361, gaily decorated and screeching greetings, members of Moose lodge 1361 of Dallas invaded Salem Friday night for one of the roundups times of the year. Over 500 Dallasites were in Salem on that day, Salem-Dallas day of the Moose carnival.

And it was all Dallas on that day. If there was ever any doubt of the boosting proclivities of the people of this city they were swept away in a tide of enthusiasm Friday.

In the parade Friday afternoon Dallas was practically the "whole thing." Out of a sparse number of automobiles Dallas carried away the honors with over half the cars and for decorations the ears of this city were far in the lead. With giddy advertisements of the Fourth of July celebration and Chautauqua here as well as of the Dallas supremacy in the world of prunes and fruit the thousands who had gathered at the carnival will have a vivid remembrance of this city and undoubtedly the showing will mean that hundreds of Marion county people will be in Dallas for those big events.

Dallas Crowd Helps.
At night Dallas was also the main feature. Without the Dallas crowd and the Dallas band, Friday, the big day of the carnival, would have suffered materially. This is admitted by those who were in charge and Salem Moose and Salem people have been singing the praises of the Dallas contingent ever since.

In speaking of the showing made by this city the Salem Statesman had

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PAVING WORK TO START SOON

NEW PLANT FOR USE HERE ALREADY ON WAY.

Curb Work May Begin Next Week; Work on Clay and Ash Streets Resumed; Requisitions Necessary.

Paving operations in the city of Dallas will begin soon after the first of June according to members of the Clark & Henry Construction company which has the contract. A new paving plant has been shipped to Dallas and will probably arrive next week. The first work undertaken will be the building of the curb.

Work on Clay and Ash streets which was suspended when the rainy season began last fall was resumed this morning and will be pushed forward to completion as rapidly as weather conditions will permit. Adams & Martin who were awarded the contract for hauling all rock required by the city at 70 cents per yard, signed up Monday morning and will do the work on Ash and Clay streets. They will also haul rock for the proposed improvement of Fairview avenue, the city doing the grading.

Decision that hereafter all material purchased for the city must only be on requisition signed by the committee, or some member thereof, has been made by the street committee which has been designated purchasing agents for the city. Heretofore, it is said to have been the practice to order supplies and other material indiscriminately but hereafter all who expect to have their bills allowed must be supplied with requisitions for each item thereof.

A nobby new sign gracefully attached to the door jamb on the North side of the city hall now conveys information as to the whereabouts of the office of the "City Auditor, Police Judge and City Engineer" and hereafter it will not be necessary for visitors who have business with these officials to hinder into the city jail or climb the nice steel bell tower to locate them.

New \$20,000 Bank Building Will Soon Rise in Dallas

Dallas City Bank Will Build on Corner of Main and Mill Streets; Work to Start Soon.

Expenditure of probably more than \$20,000 in a modern store and office building, was the decision reached yesterday at a meeting of the board of directors of the Dallas City bank when a deal was closed for the purchase of the Morris Klingler property, corner of Main and Mill streets now occupied by a one-story frame building used as a meat market. A deal was arranged for the purchase of the Mattison and Matthews property adjoining the Klingler corner on the north and west and this insures the erection of a building 60x84 feet. Active building operations will begin early in July according to present plans of the bank. The present meat market building will be razed and the store room now being fitted up for saloon purposes will be moved off the lot to some temporary location to be decided.

Cream Brick Construction.
While plans have not yet been drawn, and although the exact nature of the architecture has not been determined, it is probable that the new building will be of cream brick construction, or facing, on Main and Mill streets. Aside from the banking room, which will occupy the corner, there will be two store rooms on Main street, and one facing on Mill street. It is understood that the north room on Main street has been leased for two years, while an option to lease has been given on the Mill street room. There will be one room on Main street which has not yet been leased. The upper floor will be fitted up for office purposes and will be modern in every respect. Entrance to the upper floors will be by stairway which will rise from the center of the building on the Main street frontage.

Start on Masonic Building.
A force of workmen began last week on the addition and improvement of the Masonic temple building on Main street. The first work under way is the digging of trenches and the building of the concrete foundations for the 20 foot extension to the rear of the present building which will give the occupants of the newer floor additional store space. Plans has already been stated in these columns the second floor will be used as a banquet hall by the lodge while the third floor, which will be added, will be used for lodge purposes.

Hotel Addition Soon.
J. W. Crider, owner of the property, announces that plans have been drawn for the addition to the Hotel New Scott which he has in mind and that this work also will begin in a few days. A new concrete building will be built on the lot adjoining the Sterling Furniture store

PLANS FOR FOURTH UNDER WAY

COMMITTEES TO HANDLE DETAILS OF AFFAIR NAMED.

Prizes for Decorated Automobiles and Store Buildings; Much Interest Shown in Arrangements.

With the appointment of various committees the arrangements of many details and a general discussion of the affair, Dallas' coming big Fourth of July celebration, was given a substantial boost at a special meeting of the board of directors of the Dallas Commercial club held last night. The full membership of the board was present and much interest in the coming celebration was manifested.

The following committees were named:
Advertising and Parades—Walter L. Tooze, Jr., W. V. Fuller, J. R. Craven.
Finance—Charles Bilyeu, Henry Serr, W. R. Ellis, Eugene Foster.
Band Music—Amusement committee of Commercial club.
Other music—Fred W. Zeller, Mrs. D. M. Metzger, John E. Miller.
Baby Carriage Parade—H. H. Belt.
Decorations—C. S. Longhary.
Sports—H. L. Fenton, Walter L. Tooze, Ted Serr.
Concessions—W. A. Ayres, W. V. Fuller, W. L. Soebren.
Fireworks—Henry Serr.
Program—Eugene Foster, H. H.