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THIN RANKS MARCH

Two Hundred G. A. R. Members in Line — Troops Lead the Parade.

Two hundred veterans of the civil war, escorted by a battalion of regulars from Fort Wright and as many members of the national guard of Washington and escorted by hundreds of other citizens, marched through cheering throngs on Riverside today on their way to the annual Memorial day services at the Central Christian church.

When the men in the uniform of the regular army marched by in a trim line the crowd cheered and the cheers increased in volume when the men of the national guard filed by. But when the straggling ranks of the Grand Army men marched between the crowds that overflowed the sidewalks into the street the crowd gave full vent to its enthusiasm.

Headed by Captain J. E. Clark, grand marshal, the parade moved shortly after 2 o'clock from Lincoln and Riverside. A platoon of police and Reemer's band led the line. Four companies from Fort Wright, commanded by Major Stokes, were followed by the three local companies of the national guard, cammodande by Major George R. Lovejoy and their captains.

Some in Automobiles.

The members of the G. A. R., headed by the Reno drum corps, led the second division, which was commanded by E. H. Capron. In the line of march were 170 veterans and many more rode in automobiles further behind.

Nearly as many Spanish war veterans marched behind them, under command of Gray R. Harrower. A detachment of veterans of foreign wars, bluejackets and marines, commanded by J. M. Pike, bore an immense United States flag. The Sons of Veterans were headed by a float, decorated in American flags surmounted by an immense eagle and doves of peace.

Thirty cars bore the members of women's auxiliaries of the G. A. R., led by the Salvation Army band and commanded by Mrs. Winnifred Kerr and Miss M. Coverly. It comprised the Women's Relief corps, the Ladies of the G. A. R., the women's auxiliary of the Sons of Veterans and the Daughters of the G. A. R.

Carriers in Line.

The mail carriers' band headed the fourth division, followed by 45 mail carriers. Next came the North Central high school band, the local canton of the I. O. O. F. and the drill team of Spokane camp No. 99, M. W. A. Bringing up the rear in automobiles were county and city officers and other citizens.

The parade moved on Riverside to Browne, where it turned south to Third and west to Stevens. Here the regulars and the national guard opened ranks and the civil war veterans filed through into the Central Christian church, where the services of the day were held.

SPOKANE DAILY CHRONICLE.

Float of Fathers' Day Association Wins Applause in Memorial Parade



Fathers' Day association car in Memorial day parade.

One of the prettiest features of the parade yesterday was the memorial float, "Our Fathers," decorated by the Fathers' Day association, draped with blue and gray. On the front was a huge American eagle and numerous white doves found places among the flowers and national colors. On the sides of the car were large hand-made banners with the words, "Our Fathers."

A large monogram of the association also was used. The escorts wore blue and gray sashes with the word "Father" across the breast and the monogram of the association on the sleeve. The confederacy was represented by Walter Davis, second cousin of Jeff Davis. Mr. Davis was corporal in Company C, First Missouri cavalry. Major W. L. Boyd of the First Maine cavalry represented the G. A. R.

In the car with the fathers of the north and south were Miss Delpha Coffman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. Coffman, and Jack Bruce Dodd, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bruce Dodd. They were dressed in white and carried roses, the emblem of the association. In the front seat with the driver, Mr. Hutfell, was Lucius Metz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Metz. The escorts were Miss Eulalia Maiden of Walla Walla, representing the north, and Marvin H. Harrison of Norfolk, Va. Miss Maiden wore the gray and Mr. Harrison the blue, the colors being reversed. During the procession the two old soldiers in the car were showered with flowers from the bystanders.

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