

PLANS FOR DEDICATION OF COUNTY MEMORIAL ROOM

It is a wish, now that the War History material is coming in so rapidly, to have a dedication of the Griggs County Memorial Room on Decoration day. This date may seem quite far in the future, but the amount of material yet to be gathered and arranged, will require the active help of all in the county.

The county commissioners have promised some cabinets for War Trophies and other exhibits as soon as a cabinet maker can be obtained to do the work. Mr. Frigaard has kindly consented to the use of his office for Memorial Room. Here the exhibits will be under his care, and can be seen at any time.

We hope also, to have a complete exhibit of all the different types of articles made by the Red Cross of Griggs county. These will include surgical dressings, and a Junior Red Cross display, which we had hardly dared hope to obtain.

The Binford Times has promised a file of its papers from 1918 to date, and the Hannaford Enterprise has already forwarded the issues of 1917 1918 and 1919.

There will be albums of photos of various camp scenes to be gathered and mounted; groups of letters of Griggs county men, that tell the story of camp life, to be typed and put into permanent form; albums of letters that illustrate the different types of stationery of varied war organizations, to be mounted, and so forth.

Anything pertaining to the various activities of War time will be of interest, and is wanted for the Memorial Room. Save them, whether they have been mentioned or not. Perhaps they have not been that of.

Service records continue to be returned—and almost invariably with a photo—until there are now on file over 125 completed records.

The value of these as Service Records is beginning already to be illustrated in a rather unexpected meaning of service. Week before last an inquiry came to find out who the relatives were, of a man being invalided home, so they would be prepared to meet him. This information chanced to be at hand.

Last week another inquiry came. This asked for the present address of Ole Blueflat. It was wanted by a service man, not of Griggs county, who was ill at Dunselth Sanatorium, and who hoped by Mr. Blueflat's aid to be able to get added compensation as they were in the same regiment in service. This was information we could not give, for Mr. Blueflat is one of about 75 men who went from Griggs county, of whom to date, we know neither their service record or present address.

This service to our men is bound to increase as the years go by, and we hope in time, to get a 100 percent record of our Griggs county men. Let every man be sure his record is completed. His may be the very record needed to aid some former service man in distress.

With these things accomplished we will have a Memorial Day exercise we will not soon forget.

Mrs. Chas A. Porterville.