

Decoration Day.

The 30th day of *May* is Decoration Day and will, as heretofore, be observed in Hope. It is, by act of Congress, a national day, and, in more populous communities, is observed with elaborate ceremonies. The custom of decorating the graves of those who gave their lives that the Nation might live, or, who, having survived the conflict, have since passed over the river, is a beautiful one and may well arouse the patriotism of every lover of his country. It is a day for all, and it is earnestly desired that all who can, should take part in the observance of the day in Hope, both in the march to the cemetery—on foot or in conveyances—and in the afternoon exercises at the Congregational church.

The following is the program for the day:

The procession will form on Steele Avenue at 10 a. m., and headed by the band followed by the G. A. R. Post and citizens, will march to the cemetery where the ceremonies will be in accordance with the ritual of the G. A. R., after which the procession will return to town and be dismissed. At 2 p. m., appropriate addresses will be delivered by the Rev. M. L. Stinson, the Rev. S. B. Mahaney and others, at the Congregational church.

All who can are requested to provide themselves with button hole bouquets to be worn during the day.