MEMORIAL SERVICES IN TEXAS

Throughout the State Respect Was Paid the Late President.

MEETING IN THE HALL OF REPRESENTATIVES

Governor Sayers Presided, and Judge John H. Reagan Made the Principal Address—Other Addresses Made and Prayers Offered.

Austin, Texas, September 19.—The spacious hall of the house of representatives commenced to fill up half an hour before the time set apart for the union memorial services. Not only were the galleries filled, but in the aisles were placed chairs for the accommodation of the public. The audience was chiefly composed of women and children, with bright gowns and gaily decorated hats. Only a few of the older ladies were dressed in black, and the contrast between the flashing colors of the womenfolk and the somber decorations of the house was startling.

Promptly at 11 o'clock Governor Sayers mounted to the speaker's rostrum and called the assemblage to order, announcing that the choir would open the services with the hymn, "Nearer, My God, to Thee." The entire audience stood during the rendition of the hymn.

Rev. R. K. Smoot then offered the invocation. He asked the Divine Spirit to shed His light and spirit on the meeting, and asked that He bless all that might be done on this occasion.

The choir then rendered "Lead, Kindly Light," a favorite hymn of the late president.

Rev. J. A. French of the First Baptist church read the Ninetieth psalm.

Rev. C. G. Widen then read the fifteenth chapter of First Corinthians.

Rev. W. D. Bradfield offered prayer, saying we had assembled here this morning to pay tribute to a noble, simple Christian. Through the mist of despair we could see a ray of hope, and we praise Thy holy name that we are a Christian people and believe in the resurrection. The faith in God brings hope and relief in sorrow. He prayed that the statesmanship of the country might find inspiration from the Christian example of the dead president's life and his noble resignation on a disruption. He prayed for blessings on the stricken wife of the martyred ruler, and the nation, hoping that good might come out of evil.

The choir then rendered "Asleep in Jesus."

Judge E. T. Moore of Austin spoke of "McKinley, the Citizen." He opened by saying that the great outpouring of people spoke more than he could do. He told of a dream in which he saw a meteor fall, striking down Episcopal hill, then bells pealing and a soft, sweet voice saying: "McKinley is dead." This called to his mind the grand edifice at Buffalo, the Hall of Music, where the president had been stricken down, where the chivalry of the nation had met to greet their ruler. Judge Moore then paid President McKinley a most beautiful tribute as the representative of a superb citizenship, Christian and noble husband. Next he drew a picture of the assassin, asking whence he came and who was behind him. He represented a class which was opposed to God, to country and to society, and with stealthy hand shot down the president of the nation. How can such things happen in America? In the presence of the people and under the protection of the law he had shot down the noble president. The assassin murdered his victim. Had the second bad his way it would have torn the famous wounded limb from limb and burned him as would the Indian his victim; but the majesty of the law protected the murderer.

There was always light to follow the darkest day, and there was something unseen in the ways of Providence. He trusted that the time would soon come when the bloodthirsty anarchists would be regenerated. In conclusion he said the sweetest part of McKinley's life was his domestic life, and should be an inspiration to all. President McKinley was a citizen, a statesman and a Christian. He alluded again to the man McKinley's devotion to his invalid wife, having always cast aside the pleasures of society to be with her. And she, the Christian wife, had evidently led him with a gentle hand onward and upward. She had looked forward to the time when McKinley would lay down the cares of office and they could again be at home. It was, however, denied her. An assassin's bullet had transferred McKinley from earth to heaven. A million men stood by the grave who would fight for Christianity, for citizenship, for home, and their stood ready to bare their swords in defense of what they believed.

Mrs. W. G. Bell next sang, in a most beautiful and clear voice, "Nearer, My God, to Thee," music by Holden.

Judge John H. Reagan then read his address, which is as follows:

We are assembled here to participate in the expression of the Nation's grief. The president of the great Republic has been stricken down by the hand of a wicked assassin and 80,000,000 people are caused by the act of a vile and God defying anarchist to mourn the death of a great and good man. That he was no ordinary man is shown by the fact that, in addition to some minor offices filled by him, he was eight times elected to the congress of the United States; he was twice elected governor of the great State of Ohio, and twice elected president of the United States; the greatest honor which could be conferred on any man by the voice of a whole people. When I say he was a good man I am sure I speak the general judgment of those who knew him best. I do not rely wholly on the opinions of others as to his character. He and I served together in the responsible positions of members of congress for ten years, and while we belonged to different political parties, we were always personal friends. I always regarded him as an able, honest man, and entertained for him very sincere respect, and I had assurance that my feeling was reciprocated.

When he was elected president the first time, in writing to him on another subject, I said to him that as we had to have a republican president, I was glad it was William McKinley.

His good temper and amiable character were illustrated in his public life, and conspicuous so in his tender and respectful consideration of his affectionate wife. He was a good and true man in private life, and in his official life he was honest, diligent and faithful. He feared God and loved his fellow-men.

There is something that governs the conduct of generous natures, which causes personal associations and friendships, as to individuals, to rise above party divisions and honest differences of opinion, and which tends to ennoble and beautify human nature, and to bless the human family.

In this great free country no reason exists for men to become anarchists. The freedom of speech and the freedom of the press are guaranteed to all by our constitution and laws. By free public discussion we seek to enforce the great principles which are the basis of civil and religious liberty, and by the aid of a free press we expose public errors and incorrect public opinion, and by making all citizens eligible to public offices, and by a frequent change of those who make our laws, and administer our governments, State and National, it is emphatically a government of the people, by the people, and for the people. In being the people's government it seems to be amazing that any one should be so unreasonable and so wicked as to wish to disorganize or to destroy it.

Our country has for its existence the example that people are driven to desperation by the miseries of the old world, surely there can be no excuse for it in the United States, where by the use of the ballot we can make and unmake such laws and governments as reason and the necessities of the case may demand.

Anarchists are the enemies of society, of good order, of law, of good government, of religion and of property. And if it can be done without too great an abridgement of the safeguards of popular liberty they ought to be excluded from our country. Any attempt for this purpose, however, should be made with great caution, so as not to endanger the safety of our people by placing in the hands of tyrants the means of oppressing them.

Great and prosperous and happy as our people are at this time, no thoughtful man can doubt that there is danger for the future, growing out of the conflict between capital and labor. If our people are alive this danger may be averted by the use of the free ballot. If it is not to be so averted, no one can doubt that it will ultimately lead to the use of force and violence, possibly of the most disastrous character.

My prayer and hope is that our people may realize this danger and by the wisdom and justice of their action save and perpetuate and add to the greatness and glory of this model Republic.

I could point out measures which, if adopted by the Federal and State governments, would accomplish this great purpose. But this would involve the discussion of partisan questions, not to be considered on this mournful occasion.

Judge Towne addressed the audience on "McKinley, the Christian." He was a Christian, and as citizen, statesman or president he gave evidence of the fact. Though dead he was still a Christian. The speaker then gave a brief history of the life of President McKinley from the time, when at the age of 16 he had connected himself with a church, and in every position he afterward filled in after life he was McKinley the Christian and shone as an example to the boyhood, manhood and womanhood of the world. Through all the temptations as a soldier, politician and lawyer he had passed through he had come out untarnished as a Christian and his last words evidenced his trust in his God and Savior.

Judge Moore then announced that at this morning's services the religious organizations were speaking, but tonight the State would speak through its governor and representatives, and he extended a cordial invitation to the public to attend.

"My Country, 'Tis of Thee" was next rendered, the entire audience rising to its feet and joining.

Rev. C. Polk Goodson of the Cumberland Presbyterian church delivered a touching prayer, in which he referred to the noble Christian life which the late president had lived.

The audience, still standing, sang the "Doxology."

Rev. W. T. McDonald delivered the benediction and the ceremonies closed at 12:25.

NIGHT SERVICE.

The house of representatives was crowded at 8 o'clock tonight, when the memorial exercises, conducted by the legislature, were opened. Every seat was occupied, including the gallery, and many were compelled to stand. The following is the order in which the program was rendered:

Prayer—J. W. Gatlin, chaplain of the house.
Music—Chorus.
Address—Governor Joseph D. Sayers.
Music—Solo.
Address—Hon. R. E. Prince, speaker of the house.
Address—Senator Harris, on part of the senate.
Music—Solo.
Five-minute addresses by members of the senate and house of representatives.
Music—Chorus.

The singing was exceptionally good, and all the speakers were given the closest attention.

The memorial exercises held tonight by the legislature in respect to the memory of President McKinley were attended by over 3000 people. Representative hall was filled to the doors and many were unable to gain admittance. The exercises were opened by prayer by Rev. J. W. Gatlin, chaplain of the house. He was followed by a chorus by the choir of the Tenth Street Methodist church.

Governor Sayers delivered a touching address on the life of the dead president, with whom he had a long personal acquaintance during his terms in congress. The governor said that never in the history of the world have people been moved to deeper grief at the death of a ruler than at the sudden taking off of President McKinley. No words of condemnation were too strong for the dastardly work of the assassin who took his life.

The governor reviewed the president's trip through the South while en route to the Pacific coast.

"It was my duty and pleasure," said Governor Sayers, "to meet President McKinley at Houston and accompany him to the capital of the State of Texas. He saw for himself that we were Americans by the royal welcome with which he was received. The State capital never looked so well as it did on that day."

The governor alluded to the visit of the president to the senate chamber, where he acknowledged the courtesies that had been extended him. It was a truly patriotic welcome.

Governor Sayers commended the legislature for its expressions of sympathy.

"Spirit of McKinley, if you could be here tonight and see the audience gathered to do honor to you, I feel death itself would be robbed of its sting," exclaimed the governor.

The governor reviewed his acquaintance with President McKinley when they were both members of congress. President McKinley was always firm in his political convictions and his rule was "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

In all of his relations with members of both branches of congress when president, he was always the same courteous gentleman.

The governor then dwelt on the spotless record of the dead president and concluded by declaring that the death of the president has brought the people of America closer together.

At the conclusion of Governor Sayers' address Misses Edwards and Jackson sang "O, Divine Redeemer."

Speaker Prince next addressed the house. He declared that the terrible tragedy enacted at Buffalo, viewed from the present standpoint, was about the opening of a better life. His going is marked with tears. He paid a loving tribute to Mrs. McKinley and the president's devotion to her.

"Humanity is powerless to assuage her woes," declared the speaker. The crime of the assassin marks the capstone of infamy and vice. Considered from the standpoint of the assassin, we can but commend him to the mercy of God," said the speaker. Considered from the standpoint of the nation, it was a direct blow at the government. Speaker Prince concluded by asserting that as a Texan and American, never will the anarchists take charge of this nation.

Lieutenant Governor Browning delivered an eloquent address on the life of the president. He said that when the time was necessary the people always come together; that there had been three presidents assassinated, but the last but caused more gloom than the others on account of the changed conditions of the country.

Representatives Mulkey, Aldrich, Neff and Hawkins also spoke, as did Senator Grinnan, and the service close, with an anthem and prayer.

At Wharton.

Wharton, Texas, September 19.—In keeping with the governor's proclamation, the citizens of Wharton have closed all places of business between the hours of 11 and 12 a. m. At the Baptist church a large assemblage of people repaired to take part in the memorial services in honor of the memory of the dead president. The services were conducted by Rev. R. P. Stokes, pastor of the Baptist church; Rev. W. D. Gaskins, pastor of the Methodist church; Rev. R. P. Davant of Belton; also appropriate addresses by Hon. W. L. Hall and G. G. Kelly, Esq. Every mark of respect that is possible will be shown to the memory of the noble dead, and Wharton in common with the whole nation bows her head in sorrow to the mandate, but "it is God's way—His will be done."

AT CALVERT

The Church Was Taxed to Its Utmost Capacity.

Calvert, Texas, September 19.—In response to the proclamation issued by Mayor C. S. Meredith, memorial services were held at the Methodist church of this city from 11 a. m. to 1 p. m. The decorations under the tasteful supervision of Mrs. William McIntosh and Mrs. C. S. Meredith consisted of a bust picture of the late president in the rear of the pulpit, surrounded by crepe and bunting, while through the edifice was becomingly arranged bunting and crepe, draperies, evergreens and flowers. In gilt lettering over the arch above the pulpit appeared the deceased ruler's last words: "It is God's way. His will, not ours, be done."

The spacious church was taxed to its utmost capacity to accommodate the vast crowd which had assembled to do homage to the memory of a president so universally beloved.

Camp Townsend, U. C. V., marched to the church in a body and occupied a tier of seats near the front; just across the aisle sat the officers and privates of company L, Second Texas infantry, U. S. V., dressed in their blue uniforms, thus beautifully typifying the blending of the blue and the gray, a fond hope of the lamented president.

Mayor Meredith introduced the program by announcing the National anthem, "America," in the singing of which the entire assembly joined. The prayer of invocation was offered by Rev. C. C. Carroll, pastor of the Baptist church, followed by a scripture reading by Rev. J. K. Thompson, pastor of the Presbyterian church, who read from Romans, xiii and Psalm cxvi. The choir, composed of the best talent of the various churches of the city, sang "Lead, Kindly Light." The mayor in a brief yet exceedingly appropriate manner spoke of the distinguished American, whose death we mourn, and called for a report of the committee on resolutions. Hon. Scott Field, as chairman of this committee, read the following resolutions:

The citizens of Calvert, in compliance with the proclamation of the president of the United States, the governor of Texas and the mayor of the city, give expression to the feeling in the following resolutions:

Whereas, William McKinley, the late president of the United States of America, in the zenith of his power and usefulness and beloved by the people, has been stricken down in death by the hand of an assassin, influenced by no motive of revenge, but acting in utter disregard of human life—however exalted in station or base in character—and as a direct thrust at the government to which we are all devoted; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we express our horror at the inhuman act, condemn the anarchist murderer, and may his name be execrated through all the coming ages. In like manner we condemn the abominable doctrine and teachings of anarchists; and in view of the danger that threatens the government we proclaim our devotion to its principles and dedicate ourselves to its perpetual maintenance;

Resolved, That in the death of William McKinley we have lost one of the purest, wisest, most conservative and patriotic presidents who ever filled that exalted position, and we mourn the death of an officer so wise and just, and a man so pure and exalted in character; and,

Resolved, That we in common with millions of our fellow citizens assembled today, extend our heartfelt sympathy to the devoted wife, whose all-absorbing love so greatly formed the purest and exalted character of her honored husband.

Scott Field,
J. A. Foster,
Dr. F. J. Gibson,
William McIntosh,
S. M. Gibson,
M. L. Collat,
Committee.

Unanimously adopted and ordered published in The Houston Post, Galveston News and local papers and a copy of the same forwarded to Mrs. McKinley.

Mr. Field then outlined in a speech filled with eloquence and pathos the career and character of this great and grand statesman, commenting upon the deplorable tragedy which deprived the nation of a useful and much beloved chief executive. Rev. John R. Duan, rector of the Episcopal church, next addressed the audience. The choir sang "Asleep in Jesus." Rev. C. J. Oxley, pastor of the Methodist church, made the concluding speech. Both Rev. Dunn and Rev. Oxley dwelt principally upon the Christian side of President McKinley's character and spoke feelingly of the great man's sublime love for his God and unswerving devotion to his invalid wife.

The choir then sweetly sang "Nearer, My God, to Thee," Rev. J. K. Thompson led in the Lord's prayer, joined by the people and pronounced the benediction.

AT COLUMBUS.

Resolutions on the Death of the President Were Adopted.

Columbus, Texas, September 19.—The proclamations of the new president, the governor and the mayor inviting the citizens to lay aside their business affairs from 11 to 12 o'clock this morning and to assemble to voice expressions of regret at the death of President McKinley, were observed in Columbus. The postoffice and banks were closed all the day and pictures of the late president, draped with mourning, were displayed at some of the places of business. The flag of the fire department has been at half mast since the president's death. At 11 o'clock a mass meeting was held at the court house and the following resolutions adopted:

Whereas, The life of Hon. William McKinley, president of the United States, has, while in the prime of his manhood, been extinguished, not as the result of a natural cause, but by the hand of violence; not inflicted by an honorable combatant, fighting under the flag of his country for an adequate or patriotic cause, but by the hand of an assassin, who by stealth evaded the strictest police regulations in order to accomplish this bloody and heartless deed and who, without other motive than the sheer wantonness and frenzy, under the red banner of anarchy, murder and desperation and as an arch enemy to any form of constituted government, dealt this treacherous and murderous blow at the chief executive of the most free form of government upon the face of earth today. And, while the majority of us entertain different political views from those held by the late president, but recognizing in him an honorable advocate of the principles he loved and cherished, and his earnest endeavors to cause them to redound to the good of the people over whose destinies he presided; and desiring to express our appreciation of his great abilities and of the purity and gentleness of his private and domestic life and character; and of our unqualified disapproval and condemnation of the act of the assassin who felled him low, and of the organized band of which he is a member and whose behests and mandates he was at the time executing; and while bowing in humble submission to the hand of the inevitable, and repeating with him whose death we now lament: "His will, not ours, be done." Therefore, be it

"Resolved, by the people of Columbus and vicinity in mass meeting assembled, That we deeply sympathize with the family of the late President McKinley in their hour of sad bereavement and tender to them our sincere sympathy and condolence.

"That in his tragic death a blow has been dealt at the fundamental principles of government for which our forefathers fought and for which many of them laid down their lives.

"That in the death of President McKinley the government has lost an able and honorable chief executive; the wife a kind, tender and considerate husband, whose life is worthy of the highest emulation.

"That we denounce and condemn the assassination and the lawless band of which the assassin is a member and call upon our legislators, both State and National, to enact such laws as will enable the courts to free the country of such criminals that they may no longer find a habitation upon soil or which floats the Stars and Stripes."

District Judge Kemp addressed the assemblage in kindest expressions, paying tribute to Mr. McKiley's chivalrous deportment as soldier and husband, to his love of country and sincerity of effort for the betterment of his fellowman.

AT EXIA.

Appropriate Resolutions Were Adopted at the Meeting.

Mexia, Texas, September 19.—Memorial services were held here this morning in the city hall and to large attendance of people was a fitting tribute to the memory of a popular public officer, an exemplary citizen and a devoted husband.

Rev. W. B. Anews was chairman and Major N. P. Houx secretary.

Feeling addresses were delivered by Major W. E. Doyle Mr. B. W. Jackson, Judge W. M. Whe, Prof. R. B. Cousins and Captain T. J. Gibson. "Lead Kindly Light," "Nearer, by God, to Thee" and other appropriate sacred music was rendered by a large choir and fervent prayers were offered by the local ministers, after which the following resolutions were adopted by a silent rising vote:

Your committee appointed to draft resolutions expressive of the sentiments of this meeting on the death of the president, make the following report:

Assembled at the request of the governor of the State and the mayor of this city to pay a tribute of respect to the memory of our deceased president and obeying the dictates of our own feelings, the citizens of Mexia adopt the following resolutions:

On September 6, 1901, in the full vigor of his manhood and while in the discharge of the exalted duties pertaining to his office as president of the United States, William McKinley was struck down by the hand of an assassin, and on the 14th day of September he died, beloved by his own people and respected by all the nations abroad.

The deceased president was a patriot and statesman of the highest order and in the discharge of his obligations to society and the state, he ever wore the white feather of a blameless life. The tears of a grief stricken people attest their love for him, while living, and their deep and unfeigned sorrow and bereavement in his untimely and tragic death.

The assassin whose cruel hand gave him a mortal wound had no personal enmity toward him, but the motive that prompted the deed that sent a thrill of horror throughout the civilized world, was the destruction of all government and the reduction of organized society to a condition of confusion and anarchy.

We, therefore, demand such action on the part of our State and National authorities as will extirpate this foul growth, known as anarchy, from American soil.

We extend our sympathy to the bereaved and heart-broken wife of President McKinley, but we know no human sympathy can replace the consolation she feels when she remembers his dying words: "Let God's will, not ours, be done."

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to Mrs. McKinley and the Dallas News, Houston Post and the local papers be requested to publish same.

Thos. J. Gibson, Chairman.
Mrs. J. D. Jackon,
Mrs. J. Doseahy,
Mrs. N. E. Meador,
Miss Laura Roers,
Miss Minnie Reeling,
N. P. Houx,
John L. Wortham,
J. B. Reece,
D. Katten,
Committee.

AT BELLVILL.

Set Program Carried Out and Resolutions Adopted.

Bellville, Texas, September 19.—Union memorial services in honor of President McKinley were held this morning at the German M. E. church South from 11 a. m. to 12 m., at which the following program was rendered:

Song by the choir .....“America"
Reading of Scripture .....J. G. Mueller
Song by the choir .....
.....“Nearer, My God, to Thee"
Prayer .....Rev J. G. Mueller
Short address .....
.....By the Pastor of the Church
Song by the choir .....
.....“Lead, Kindly Light"
Reading resolutions formulated by.....
Messrs. Chesley, Blake, Bell and Brewer
Address to the resolutions .....
.....Chesley and Brewer
Song by the choir .....
Benediction .....By the Pastor

The following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, William McKinley, the universally esteemed and beloved chief executive of our Nation, has been stricken down by the hand of an assassin and has thus become a victim and martyr to the principles of orderly government; and

Whereas, His purity and simplicity of character, his patriotism and love of country as exemplified by a long public career, and his conservative management of public affairs during the time of his incumbency as our president, has won for him the personal esteem and affection of all of our citizens, and also the universal admiration and esteem of the civilized world as a wise and conservative president; and

Whereas, We, the citizens of Bellville, desire to express our appreciation of the pure and lovable character and patriotic citizenship of him whose death has shocked all civilized nations of the world, and to express our horror that such an act is possible in a free republican government;

Therefore, Resolved 1. That we deeply deplore this event and regard it as a national calamity which has cast a gloom over the whole country and caused every true American to blush with shame that such an occurrence should be possible under our free government and benign institutions.

2. That we are in favor of the suppression by appropriate legislation, of the incendiary incitations and teachings of the openly avowed doctrine of anarchy, so far as such teachings are aimed at the destruction of government, and trust that adequate Federal enactments may be speedily passed for that purpose; and we request our immediate representative and our State senators to co-operate in securing such legislation.

3. That we extend to the faithful and devoted wife of our departed president our heartfelt sympathy, and that the secretary of this meeting forward to her a copy of these resolutions.

A. Chesley,
S. R. Blake,
John F. Bell,
J. S. Brewer,
Committee.

AT NAVASOTA.

Services Were held at White and Colored Churches.

Navasota, Texas September 19.—Business was entirely suspended here this morning between the hours of 10:30 and 12 o'clock in respect to the memory of the murdered president and a vast assembly of all classes gathered at the Presbyterian church in union memorial services. A chorus composed of the united choirs opened the service with the song "America," and Hon. A. F. Brigance read the forty-sixth psalm. Rev. J. G. Tanner asked divine blessing upon the congregation and returned thanks for the prosperity of the country, beseeching continuance of same under new rulers. Addresses were delivered by Prof. S. H. Blake, Hon. E. A. Scott, District Attorney A. M. Campbell, Hon. McDonald Meachum, County Attorney Haynes Shannon and Colonel Gordon Boone. "Nearer, My God, to Thee" was sung and the benediction asked by Rev. J. M. Adams.

The colored people held services at the Lee tabernacle, and the reporter is informed that labor has been suspended in many portions of Grimes county today.

At Chappell Hill.

Chappell Hill, September 19.—Today the citizens of Chappell Hill joined in the universal tribute paid by the nation to the memory of our late president, William McKinley.

Between the hours of 11 and 12 o'clock all business was practically suspended and a large congregation assembled in the Methodist Episcopal church, where a program befitting the sad occasion was properly observed.

The proclamations of both President Roosevelt and Governor Sayers were read respectively by Misses Mamie Ellis and Wheeta Murray.

Miss Graves read a paper full of feeling and pathos; Rev. J. M. Gant of Bellville delivered a short talk on the business methods of our late president, showing his honesty and integrity in all his transactions with his fellow men; then Rev. George Phair of Hempstead delivered an address upon the life and character of the lamented McKinley, showing his goodness, his honesty, his benevolence and his Christian faith.

The program was interspersed with appropriate music by the choir, most feelingly rendered.

Rev. Hal Buckner, pastor of the Baptist church here, read the ninetieth psalm, which was most appropriate to the occasion.

The meeting was largely attended and deep-seated heartfelt grief was most visibly marked in the faces of all present.

AT BIG SPRINGS.

Evidence of the Great Sorrow of the People.

Big Springs, Texas, September 19.—Responsive to the proclamation of the president of the United States and of the governor of Texas, nearly every man, woman and child in Big Springs and vicinity gathered at the churches here today to do honor to the memory of the dead president. The chief service was held at the First Methodist church, and was arranged by a union of the pastors of the city. The church was packed to its full capacity and the services were listened to with bowed heads and streaming eyes. Not in a long time have such touching scenes been enacted here, and the day will live always in the memory of those who were at the services. Every business house, every law and land office, all public offices, the bank and the Texas and Pacific division shops were closed, and there was absolutely no business attended to. The people gave up the whole day to the contemplation of the martyred president's splendid life and his tragic death.

At the Methodist church the following program was carried out and all during its rendition the large audience was visibly affected:

Invocation—Rev. G. H. M. Wilson.
Music, song—"My Faith Looks Up to Thee."
Reading proclamations—Revs. Wilson and Jones.
Music—"America."
Scripture reading—Rev. W. F. Kerby.
Prayer—Rev. Charles Irvin.
Song—By male quartette.
Music—"It Is Well With My Soul."
Prayer—Rev. O. C. Jones.
Song—"Nearer, My God, to Thee."
Benediction—Rev. G. H. M. Wilson.

Appropriate resolutions were drawn up by a committee, of which Postmaster George H. Sparenberg was chairman, and after some discussion, in which the life and character of the late president was spoken of touchingly and impressively, the resolutions were adopted by a unanimous vote.

AT WORTHAM.

A Good Program Had Been Arranged for the Service.

Wortham, Texas, September 19.—In response to the governor's proclamation and their own wishes in the matter a number of representative citizens of Wortham met Wednesday afternoon and arranged a program for the memorial services of today on the death of President McKinley. Their program was carried out as arranged.

Every place of business in the city—save one—was closed at 10:30 o'clock and the citizens met en masse at the corner of the principal business street and the street leading to the Baptist church (the largest auditorium in the city), where they were formed in line, and headed by the Wortham cornet band, the Pythian Knights and the Rathbone Sisters, under T. B. Poindexter, marshal of the day, marched to the church.

The house was crowded and many were obliged to remain outside, not being able to get in the building. After prayers by local preachers and an interesting song service the crowd listened for an hour or more to patriotic speeches on the life and services of President McKinley, in which anarchists came in for a share of attention.

The superintendent of school headed his pupils, numbering nearly 100, and marched with them to the church, where they listened to lessons of love and loyalty to our government and its representatives that will long be remembered by them.

The principal speakers of the occasion were Chairman Blair, rector of the Protestant Episcopal church; Mr. R. Andrews, the eloquent and popular blacksmith; Dr. Page, T. E. Wheeler, representing the Knights of Pythias and the Rathbone Sisters; Justice B. F. Wilson, whose words I would be glad to give; Captain W. R. Barden, Thomas Longbotham and L. N. Barbee, closing with the hymn "Nearer, My God, to Thee." All the proceedings were appropriate and beautiful.

AT BRYAN.

Business Was Suspended and People Attended Services.

Bryan, Texas, September 19.—Memorial exercises were held at the opera house this morning, lasting from 10:30 to 12 o'clock. Business of every kind was suspended and the schools dismissed, the children attending in a body. Judge John M. Henderson of the court of criminal appeals acted as master of ceremonies. The exercises opened with the singing of the National hymn "America" by the choir and congregation. Prayer by Dr. W. C. Friley, pastor of the Baptist church; music, "Nearer, My God, to Thee;" Scripture lesson by Rev. Jewell Howard; prayer, led by Rev. A. M. Stewart, pastor of the Free Will church; song, "Lead Kindly Light;" address by Rev. J. D. West, pastor of the Presbyterian church; song, "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep," by the choir; address by Judge J. W. Doremus; address by A. B. Berry; address by General H. B. Stoddard; address by Major L. L. McInnis. The addresses were full of lofty sentiment and pathos, and made an impression on the audience that they will never forget. The tributes to the lamented McKinley were beautiful and all the speakers bitterly denounced the crime of the assassin. The audience was dismissed with a closing prayer by Rev. E. L. Smettles, pastor of the Methodist church.

AT WACO.

Schools Closed and a Union Service Was Held.

Waco, Texas, September 19.—McKinley memorial services were generally observed in the city today. Nearly every business house in the city was closed from 10 o'clock until 4 and the banks and postoffice remained closed all day. The public schools closed at 10 o'clock and remained closed until 2 o'clock also. The universities closed all day and had memorial services in the morning.

At 11 o'clock there was a union memorial service at the First Baptist church, which was largely attended. All of the pastors of the city participated in this service and the address of the occasion was made by Rev. S. A. King, pastor of the First Presbyterian church. The services at this hour were very impressive.

At 2 o'clock there was a union memorial service held at the city hall. Major J. W. Riggins presided at this service and addresses were made by Congressman R. L. Henry, Hon. Charles A. Boynton, J. W. Chapman, Sam Sanger and others.

Business was practically suspended from 10 o'clock until 4 p. m. and the entire city was in mourning.

AT SHERMAN

The Knights Templars Attended Service in Full Uniform.

Sherman, Texas, September 19.—Today, Sherman, in obedience to a sense of a sad duty and in compliance with the proclamation from the president, mayor and governor displayed marks of respect and mourning for the deceased president. Emblems of the people's grief have met on every hand in the homes as well as in public places. The principal memorial services were held at the Travis street Methodist Episcopal church, South. It was crowded to its utmost and many stood outside. Indivisible Friends Commandery No. 13, Knights Templars was present in full uniform. Dr. John S. Moore, pastor of the First Presbyterian church and chaplain of Mildred Lee camp United Confederate Veterans offered prayer, Rev. W. E. Buggs, pastor of the Travis street Methodist parish rendered scripture reading; Dr. Cryce, president of Austin college delivered a short address.

All kinds of business was suspended between 11 and 12 o'clock. All schools were dismissed and work was suspended on all construction of public works.

AT FORT WORTH.

Veterans of Opposing Armies Were in Attendance.

Fort Worth, Texas, September 19.—Five thousand people filled the city hall and the opera house today in observance of memorial exercises in honor of the martyred president. Addresses were made by Drs. Luther Little and R. C. Armstrong and Hon. M. A. Spoonts and Major J. J. Jarvis.

On the platform were seated four British army officers, Colonel De Burge, Captain Dennis, Mr. Sessions and Mr. Custance, who constitute the remount commission. On the left arm of each was encircled a band of crepe. The blue and the gray mingled their sorrows together. There were several hundred Grand Army of the Republic and Confederates who occupied a prominent place in the hall, seated together, at the head of the latter being Major General Commanding K. M. Van Zandt of the Texas division, United Confederate Veterans. One thousand school children attended the services.

At Jefferson.

Jefferson, Texas, September 19.—Memorial services were held today in accordance with the following proclamation:

To the People of Jefferson.

As a mark of respect to the government of the United States, and in pursuance of the proclamation of the governor of the State of Texas, and as we think it highly proper and right to honor our late president, and express our great sorrow at his untimely death, and the manner in which he was stricken down, and to show our contempt for the spirit that prompted the act, and our deference for the life and memory of the Nation's ruler. Therefore, I, as mayor of the city, hereby invite all the citizens of Jefferson to close their places of business between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12:30 p. m., on Thursday, the 19th instant, and assemble at their places of worship for the purpose of paying tribute to the honored dead.

The whites will hold a union memorial service at the Methodist church, at which place I am requested to extend a cordial invitation to all to attend. Addresses will be made by Dr. Clopton and W. T. Armistead. J. H. Rowell, Sr., Mayor.

At Manor.

Manor, Texas, September 19.—In accordance with the proclamation of Governor Sayers and in obedience to the promptings of a universal desire to manifest a hearty appreciation of that great and good man, the citizens of Manor and vicinity gathered in mass meeting at the Baptist church at 11 o'clock this morning to hold memorial services in honor of our deceased president. Persons of all shades of political opinion united in doing homage to his memory and in paying tribute to the life and character of our late chieftain.

The stores were closed; all business practically was suspended during the services.

Appropriate addresses were made by J. F. Nagle, Esq., Dr. J. S. Watson and Elders Stephen and Frainham, and the united choirs of the town discoursed solemn, sweet music.

At Yoakum.

Yoakum, Texas, September 19.—Memorial day in respect to the memory of President McKinley was observed here by appropriate services at the opera house. All stores were closed from 11 a. m. to 12 m. The machine shops were closed at 10 o'clock, to remain closed the rest of the day, while the postoffice observed Sunday hours. The opera house had been tastefully decorated by a committee of ladies. Over the stage was the president's picture surrounded by bunting and the United States flag. An interesting feature of the exercises was the presence of about 300 school children, who came to the hall in a body.

Mr. Price concluded his interesting address on the life and services of the president with the words: "Know ye not that a prince and great man is this day fallen in Israel?"

At Nacogdoches.

Nacogdoches, Texas, September 9.—In accordance with a proclamation issued by Mayor John B. Nelson every business house in the town was closed and every wheel at the manufacturing plants was stopped. Judge Davis adjourned the district court from 11 until 12 o'clock to pay homage to the dead president.

The opera house, where the people assembled, was draped in mourning and could only hold about one-fourth of the people who gathered. The choir sang "America," "Lead Kindly Light" and "Nearer, My God, to Thee." The eulogies were pronounced by two of the most prominent citizens and were gems of thought and beauty.

Flags of the city were at half mast and the different church bells were tolled during the ceremony.

At Victoria.

Victoria, Texas, September 19.—Nearly every business house closed at 11 o'clock today and remained closed the rest of the day. Memorial services for late President William McKinley were held at the opera house, which was crowded. All the churches joined in the exercises, and all civic bodies were represented. The following is the program:

Hymn, "Lead, Kindly Light"....Audience
Scripture reading....Rev. A. I. Searborough
Prayer.....Rev. I. M. Kimbrough
Addresses....J. L. Lockett and V. B. Proctor
Hymn, "Nearer, My God, to Thee"
.....Audience
Address.....Rev. A. I. Searborough
Hymn, "My Country, 'Tis of Thee"
.....Audience
Benediction.

At Texarkana.

Texarkana, Texas, September 19.—All the religious denominations of this city congregated at the opera house here today and held funeral services in honor of the late President McKinley. All of the business houses were closed throughout the day and fully 3000 people attended the ceremonies. The consolidated choirs of the city took part and the services as well as the eulogy were rendered by Rector Percy Peop of the Episcopal church. Hon. Lee Estes delivered a beautiful panegyric on the merits of the late president and was followed by other eloquent speakers. There was a requiem high mass sung at the Catholic church at 8 o'clock, the Rev. A. Baroin officiating.

At Richmond.

Richmond, Texas, September 19.—Memorial services were held at 11 o'clock in the Methodist church, South. Addresses were delivered by Rev. S. W. Thomas of the Methodist church and Rev. Thomas J. Windham of the Episcopal church. Several appropriate hymns were sung. The attendance was large.

The colored people of this place held memorial services in both churches. The 11 o'clock service was held in the Methodist church and the evening service was held in the Baptist church. All church bells were tolled for a half hour.

All the stores closed today from 9 to 12 o'clock, and a large number attended the memorial services.

At Huntsville.

Huntsville, Texas, September 19.—Memorial services in honor of President McKinley were held in the Methodist church here from 11 a. m. to 12 m. today. The public school children attended in a body, and all denominations participated in the service. All business houses were closed during that hour.

At Eagle Pass.

Eagle Pass, Texas, September 19.—The death of the late president was fittingly commemorated here today. Public buildings, banks, stores and private residences bore the National colors, festooned with emblems of mourning. A procession of civic orders and school children, headed by the Eagle Pass military band playing the dead march, ended on San Juan plaza, where an immense throng listened for an hour and a half to sacred songs and music, to a sermon by Rev. L. S. Bates and to an eloquent eulogy by Rev. U. B. Buchanan. The entire memorial service was impressive and will be long remembered.

At Corpus Christi.

Corpus Christi, Texas, September 19.—During the session of the county court yesterday a committee from the bar of Nueces county presented to Judge Hopkins a set of resolutions deploring the irreparable loss of our great statesman and chief executive, President McKinley, and recommended that court adjourn until Friday out of respect to the president. Judge Hopkins then acquiesced on the request and declared the court duly adjourned until Friday. A set of resolutions was also adopted deploring the recent death of Nueces county's able and efficient sheriff, John McTiernan.

At Hallettsville.

Hallettsville, Texas, September 19.—Out of respect for our dead president every business house and office in the town was closed today from 11 a. m. until 1 p. m. Many of the business houses were draped in mourning. Promptly at 11 o'clock the brass band, from the court house tower, played "America," which was followed by the favorite hymn of the president, "Nearer, My God, to Thee." Memorial services were held at the Methodist church and by the Hebrews of the town at their place of worship. Sadness was written upon every countenance.

At Ennis.

Ennis, Texas, September 19.—Union memorial services of President William McKinley were held this morning at 11 o'clock in the Methodist church. The interior of the building was draped throughout. The memorial sermon was delivered by Rev. R. T. Phillips, short talks were made by the different pastors and members. Special music for the occasion was beautifully rendered. The entire business of the town was suspended.

Penitentiary Memorial Services.

Huntsville, Texas, September 18.—On Sunday, September 15, the prison chapel at Huntsville was appropriately decorated for the occasion and fitting memorial services were held. The services consisted of songs, readings and short talks. It was real impressive and much appreciated by all present. The patriotism of the prisoners is not entirely dead. "We weep with those who weep."

At Hearne.

Hearne, Texas, September 19.—In accordance with the invitation extended in Mayor Brady's proclamation every business house was closed and business entirely suspended at 11 o'clock today until after memorial services, which were held at the Baptist church. The seating capacity was taxed to its utmost to accommodate those who gathered to pay a last tribute to President William McKinley.

At Corpus Christi.

Corpus Christi, Texas, September 19.—At the Methodist church today the Methodists, Presbyterians and Baptists united in a memorial service for President McKinley. All business houses and government branches closed this morning while the colored brass band marched through the streets playing a funeral march. The city generally was in deep mourning and everywhere were to be seen half mast flags and emblems of mourning.

At Eagle Lake.

Eagle Lake, Texas, September 19.—About 200 citizens g