STATE OF MIHHESOTA. EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

PROCLAMATION.

again approach the day when America honors the memory of those who have offered their lives on behalf of their country. Hopes of continued peace are mingled with the recollection that only a few days ago lives of those who served their country were given in defense of the flag and of our national dignity. The lesson of bravery, of devotion, and sacrifice given by the men of '61 has not been lost upon the men of the present day. It is fitting and proper, therefore, that in paying our tribute to the old soldiers of '61 we should bear in mind and pay equal tribute to those who served in the more recent war with Spain and also recognize the bravery of the sailors and soldiers who gave their lives at Vera Cruz.

The national conscience awakened by the great moral and patriotic struggle of '61 embattled the entire nation. The memory of the deeds then accomplished is the heritage of the America of today. As the men of '61 offered their lives freely that this nation might be free and undivided, so should we live that their sacrifice shall not have been in vain. With each flower cast upon the graves of those who wore the army blue, there should be a firm resolve to live up to the ideal they established. The ranks of the old soldiers are thinning rapidly, but to those who are left must come the pleasing realization that in the light of events that have succeeded, their efforts have been richly repaid.

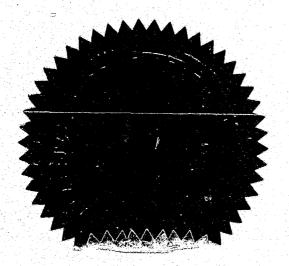
Therefore, I, Adolph O. Eberhart, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do issue this proclamation and urge the observance of

SATURDAY

May 30, 1914,

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DECORATION and MEMORIAL DAY.



IN WITHESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereto affixed this 26th day of May, A, D., 1914.

Governor.

Attest:

Secretary of State.

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