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PHILIPPI, BARBOUR COUNTY, W. VA., THURSDAY NOVEMBER 15, 1923

SOLDIERS' MEMORIAL UNVEILED LAST SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Impressive Exercises Marked the Unveiling of Soldiers' Memorial on Court Square—R. E. O'Conner and Ex-Governor Cornwell were Speakers for the Occasion

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A. C. Merrill, an ex-serviceman of the local post was in charge of the ceremonies and after a short invocation by Rev. Ray N. Shaffer a list of the contents of the Strong Box was read by Rezin E. Chrislip, post finance officer and it was placed at the foot of the monument . . .

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List of Contents of Strong Box

Official Record Book, containing the following records:

Alphabetical list of the men in whose honor the Memorial is erected, with short biographical sketch of each, where obtainable.

Names of Memorial committees in charge of erection of Monument and Unveiling Ceremonies.

Names of officers, Barbour County Post No. 44, The American Legion for the year 1923.
(arranged alphabetically)

Names of contributors to SOLDIERS MEMORIAL FUND, giving ONE HUNDRED DOLLAR or more followed by names of contributors giving less amounts, with amounts specified.

List of Public Schools contributing to Memorial fund, giving the name of school, name of Trustee, name of Teacher, name of pupils (where this information was supplied) with the amount contributed.

List of contributions other than money for the Strong Box:

Making of Oak Outer Box, by Bruce Strum.

Lumber for Oak, Outer Box, by J. N. Dadisman.

Solid Copper Inner Box, made and donated by Frank D. Woodford.

Leather, Loose Leaf Record Book by Red's Pep Orchestra, Adrian F. Davis, Manager.

Linen Covers for Record Book and Relics made by Mrs. D H Poling.

Typing of Records by Miss Flossie Dyer and Miss Opal Robinson.

Relics as follows:

Musket Ball, by Mrs. H. A. Rogers

Columbia Half Dollar, 1893, 3c Postage Stamps issued 1886, by Wesley H. Lantz.

"Buffalo Nickel" 1917, "Dime" 1918, "Quarter" 1919, Coins for the years the U. S. were actively in the World War by Herman B. Watson.

Indian Dart, found in Perry Co.(county) Ohio, by J A Matthew.

Musket Ball, found in Philippi, by A. W. Poling.

Indian Dart, found on "Taylor's Drain," by Thomas McMinn.

Paper Cartridge, found in old C. F. Thompson Building, Philippi, when razed, A. S. Poling.

Coin, U. S. 10 c. date 1821, Musket Ball, found one square from Court House; by Dr. C. B. Williams.

Musket Balls, Civil war relics, by George W. Baughman.

Coin, U. S. Date 1802, ONE CENT (large) .. Coin, U. S. "Lincoln Penny" Date 1909, with designer's initials, Coin, U. S. 5c. Date 1883. This coin does not bear the word CENTS; by Rezin E. Chrislip.

Minie ball, found one square from Court House by W. I. Chrislip.

Coin, U. S. "liberty Dollar", Date 1022, by A. B. Cornwell and Family.

Indian Dart, found along Elk Creek, by Notlona Nutter.

Indian dart, found in Valley District, by C. H. Simpson.

Cartridge, with Land Bullet, first metal cartridges made, by Mrs. Virginia Sturm.

Coin, U. S. 1c. Date 1848 (large), Coin, U.S. 5c. silver, Date 1851, Coin, 5 Pfennig, Date 1898; by Mrs. Hugh S. Byrer.

Musket Ball, small caliber, found along Anglin's Run, Philippi, by John W. Ballah.

Cartridges, Blank for Springfield Rifle, Model 1896, with note that these Model Rifles will be used with those cartridges in the Unveiling Ceremonies of the Memorial, by Barbour Co. Post No. 44, The American Legion.

Copy Banquet Menu and Program, honoring Judge Alston G. Dayton, by A. S. Poling.

Copy Souvenir Booklet, Home Coming Week, Philippi, W Va, 1911, by W. B. Kittle.

Copy Program, last Convention, Department of West Virginia. The American Legion.

Copy last issue, The American Legion Weekly.

Copy Official Membership and Record cards.

Copy last issue, The Barbour Democrat.

Copy last issue, The Philippi Republican.

Copy Last issue, The Belington Progressive

History (condensed) of Barbour County, written by Wm T. Ice.

History (condensed) of City of Philippi, written by Warren B. Kittle

History (condensed) of Barbour County Post no. 44, The American Legion, written by gen. Geo. S. White, Adj't.

Copy of Official Receipts issued contributors.

Copy of Program of Unveiling Ceremonies.

Copy of Luncheon Tickets given out on November 11th.

Copy of the Contract entered into by this Post with the Elkins Monumental Works, the Contractors for the erection of the Memorial.

Roster of membership of the Kiwanis Club of Philippi (contributors).

Roster of the membership of the local order of Pythian Sisters (contributors).

Roster of the membership of the Junior Concert Band (who contributed their services on the day of unveiling.

Transfer, on glass, of the Official Insignia of The American Legion. An official bequest of the Contents of the Strong Box, when opened.

Billfold containing the following Old Paper Money; \$100.00 Virginia in Treasury Note, \$5.00 Bank of Philippi Note; by Mrs. Lucy Grant.

\$100.00 Confederate Note; \$100.00 Confederate Note; C. H. and C. E. Simmons.

\$50.00 Confederate Note, by Mrs. J. W. Bosworth.

\$10.00 Confederate Note, \$10.00 Confederate Note, \$1.00 Bank of the Old Dominion Branch Bank, Pearisburg, VA; by Winfield S Lang.

\$5.00 Confederate Note: by Mrs. R. V. Price

Just before sealing the Box, the following were placed in, not being officially recorded:

Post Card Views of Philippi and a buffalo Nickel, date 1923, by Dr. W. O. Davis, Roster of the members of the Graduating Class of Philippi High School, 1923 (contributors). Photograph of Robert J. Ritter and sister by his mother. Financial Statement, Citizens National Bank of Philippi, (contributors).

