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Good Crowd Attends Dedication of Beaman Memorial Hall

MORE THAN 175 BANQUET GUESTS

LATE ARRIVALS SWELL
NUMBER TO OVER 200
PERSONS.

GOLD STAR MOTHERS
GUESTS OF HONOR

Two Women Whose Sons Were
First From Beaman to Give
Lives in World War Attend
Program—Col. Glenn C. Haynes,
Talks.

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Beaman, Jan. 9. — This town's new community memorial hall, recently completed by the local American Legion post at a cost of approximately \$4,000, was dedicated here last night and a banquet and program attended by one of the largest public gatherings here in some time. There were more than 175 seated at the banquet tables and others who arrived late due to inclement weather swelled the crowd to more than 200.

Legionnaires from Conrad, Gladbrook, Reinbeck, Grundy Center and Wellsburg were present to congratulate the local post on its achievement and besides those on the program there were other distinguished visitors, including State Representative Otto Albert, of Reinbeck, O. A. Ontjes, former representative from Grundy county, and B. H. Lindaman, of Wellsburg and C. H. Knox, of Holland, members of the board of supervisors.

Two Gold Star Mothers.

Two gold star mothers, whose sons were the first to die in the service of their country during the world war, and after whom the local post was named, were honored guests of the evening. They were Mrs. Ellen Weatherman, whose son, Hugh, was killed in action in France, and Mrs. Warren Walters, whose son, Roy, died in a camp in California.

Two G. A. R. members, B. M. Crookshank, one of the four surviving members of Andersonville post, G. A. R., of this place, and John Huie, who belonged at Dunlap but who now lives here, also were guests.

Floyd Hall, commander of Weatherman-Walter post No. 131, of Beaman, acted as toastmaster at the banquet and prayer was offered by Rev. H. R. Schmidt, pastor of the Methodist church here. Shirley Dilly, of Wellsburg, chairman of the Grundy county memorial commission which made possible the erection of a memorial hall here by dividing the county memorial fund

among the various legion posts presented the building to the town and it was accepted by Mayor Charles Moore.

T. L. Evans, a member of the board of supervisors and president of the Farmers Savings Bank, of Beaman, gave a talk in which he outlined the work of patriotic bodies in Beaman since the town's founding. Beaman had the first G. A. R. post in the county, he pointed out and it now is the only post in Grundy county still retaining its charter. He also praised the work of the legion post.

Legion Heads Talk.

Walter Eckhart, of State Center, commander of the fifth district American Legion, gave a legion talk, telling of the district's plans for the year. Mrs. Bernice Williams, of Marion, fifth district committeewoman, American Legion Auxiliary, talked on the work of the legion auxiliary and Col. Glenn C. Haynes, of Des Moines, commander of the Iowa department, American Legion, closed the meeting with a speech congratulating the Beaman post and outlining the ideals the American Legion hoped to live up to and the work it had outlined for the coming year.

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