

Poppy Days Proclaimed By Knudsen

A proclamation issued today by Mayor Carl C. Knudsen designates Friday and Saturday as Poppy days in Wisconsin Rapids, at which time the traditional pre-Memorial day sale of the red flowers will be conducted by the auxiliary units of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

"Citizens of Wisconsin Rapids served gallantly in the defense of our nation in two world wars and many sacrificed their lives in that service," Mayor Knudsen said in his proclamation.

"The memory of those who so died will always be held in highest honor in this city, and will always be a source of patriotic inspiration for us all. This memory is brightened each year and honor paid to the war dead by the wearing of the memorial poppy on the occasion of Memorial day.

"As mayor of the city of Wisconsin Rapids, I do hereby proclaim Friday and Saturday, May 28 and 29, to be Poppy days in this city, and urge all citizens to observe this occasion by the wearing of memorial poppies."

The poppy sale by the two auxiliary units will be conducted Friday evening and Saturday morning in the downtown business section, volunteer works being stationed at each corner on the principal streets. Proceeds are used for veterans' rehabilitation work.

Mrs. Robert DeWitt is chairman of the V.F.W. auxiliary's Poppy day committee, assisted by Mrs. Ruby Turner as co-chairman and Mrs. Rolland Mullenix as finance chairman. Mrs. Harold Pagel is general chairman for the Legion auxiliary, with Mrs. Harold Wittenberg as finance chairman, Mrs. Gus Fiegel as industries chairman, Mrs. Clarence Plahmer in charge of window displays, and Mrs. W. F. Bushnell and Mrs. Ray Schanock as school chairmen.