

Thursday, August 17, 1911

Court convened with officers present the same as on yesterday. When the following proceeding were had to-wit:

Whereas, heretofore A. J. Meriwether, J. P. Hall and W. W. Howeth appeared before the Honorable Commissioners Court of Cooke County, Texas in open session as a committee from the Joseph E. Johnson Camp No. 119 U.C.V. of Gainesville, Texas and made application to said Court for a suitable room in the courthouse then under construction to be designated and set apart for the use of said camp in holding its meetings after the completion of said courthouse, and also to get permission of said court to erect a Confederate Monument on the North East corner of the Public Square in Gainesville, Texas. Said monument to be dedicated to the memory of the noble and patriotic women of the South whose pious ministrations to our wounded soldiers and sailors soothed the last hours of those who died far away from the objects of the tenderest love and to the Confederate Soldiers and sailors and

Whereas, it is now desired that an order of the Court granting permission to erect said monument the same as shown in the contrast by and between said A. J. Meriwether and the McNeal Marble Co. of Marietta, GA dated August 19, 1910 and shown by photographic design accompanying same exhibited in this Court be entered upon the minutes of said Commissioners Court as the said monument will soon be ready to place in position.

Therefore, It is now ordered by the Commissioners Court of Cooke County, Texas in open session that the permission to erect said monument be and the same is hereby granted to said A. J. Meriwether for the erection of said Confederate monument upon the North East corner of the Courthouse Square in the City of Gainesville, Cooke County, Texas for the purpose hereinbefore mentioned and that all the necessary ground not to exceed thirty-feet square in the North East corner of the said public square in Gainesville, Texas be and is hereby dedicated and set apart for the purpose of erecting and maintaining said monument.

It being understood that the placing of said monument shall conform to the grade level that may be established by the court or under its direction as also to the curb lines as may be fixed by the said Court.