

GAY IN COLORS RALEIGH SHINES

Old Glory Waves in Warm Greeting.

STATE FLAGS ALSO

Fayetteville Street From Graded
School to Capitol, Martin Street
From Depot to Postoffice and
Many Residences Bright
in the Red, White and
Blue.

Raleigh is gay in colors today and will be gayer and brighter still tomorrow as the thousands gather here to take part in the exercises which come with the unveiling of the bronze statue of Worth Bagley on Monday.

The decorations are such as to be impressive as well as beautiful, the display which has been arranged under the personal supervision of Mr. Sherwood Higgs being artistic and elaborate in all of the details which go up to make the city attractive.

Fayetteville street and Martin street are in a revel of red, white and blue, the folds of hundreds of United States flags flying in abandon in the soft breezes of springtime. From the graded school building on the south, to the Capitol at the north end of the street are the flags at close intervals and the sight is an inspiring one, while from the Union depot to the postoffice is a similar beautiful display. The placing of these flags has been done through the courtesy of Manager Carr of the Raleigh Electric Company, and it has been done well.

With the bronze statue of Worth Bagley swathed in a great United States flag as a centre piece the decorations on the Capitol grounds are on a liberal scale. The speaker's stand, the band stand and the children's chorus stand are all decorated. The arrangement of the speakers' stand is the handsomest ever seen here, as handsome as has ever been attempted in the State, on it in artistic arrangement being United States flags and shields, surmounted with eagles, the basis of the decorations being red and white bunting. The band stand is festooned gaily and on the south front of the Capitol two beautiful North Carolina flags add to the effect, which set in nature's offering of full foliaged trees, a carpet of green, and hundreds of rose bushes with the first offering of spring, is one that is beautiful in the extreme.

There is yet to come the decorations on stores and residences, these, too, to be effected with the flags. The Governor's mansion will be decorated as will also the residences of Mr. Josephus Daniels, where is now Mrs. Adelaide Worth Bagley, mother of the gallant young man whose statue is to be unveiled, and the naval officers who are here for the occasion, Col. Charles E. Johnson, Mr. Herbert W. Jackson, Mr. W. M. Russ, Mr. Sherwood Higgs and others, while on the route from the depot, the new and handsome home of the News and Observer will have its decorations. The Capital Club will be handsomely decorated as will also the Yarrowborough House.

The splendid effect of the flag decorations was made possible by the United States War Department, as it loaned Chairman W. M. Russ, of the Worth Bagley Monument Committee 227 big United States flags to use on the day when in bronze the nation will pay its tribute to the memory of the brave young Ensign, of North Carolina, who "First Fallen" in the Spanish-American War, gave his life for his country at Carderock on the eleventh of May, 1898, a hero of the South, the last call was given him at his post of duty.