

2 SURVIVORS HERE OF G.A.R ASK 'HOW LONG?'

John Hart, 94, of 506 North Main street, and John Reed, 89, of Lima, the only two surviving members of Stoker Post, No. 54, G. A. R., of Findlay, gazed at the assemblage of patriots gathered at Maple Grove cemetery yesterday for the Memorial Day services and silently, wistfully recalled other similar occasions when the G. A. R. in Hancock county numbered far into hundreds of members.

"There's only the two of us left this year—" lamented Mr. Hart.

"— and next year, well, we'll just have to wait and see— next year," added Mr. Reed.

Then the heads of the two grand "old soldiers," as they've been termed for years, straightened and each looked squarely into the eyes of the other. They smiled. They smiled determinedly.

—and, resumed their chatting of other and happier but no less memorable Memorial Days when the G. A. R. was young and strong and its members numbers well into the hundreds.