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Defense Day Celebrated In All Parts of Nation

Plan to Get Line on Fighting Forces Carried Out in All Parts of the Country During Day.

PATRIOTIC PROGRAMS ARE CARRIED OUT

Test is limited one as it deals only with personnel.—High Officials Help in Celebrations.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Sept. 12.—The nation's defense machinery intended for actual use only in the event of a war emergency, was given its first test today accompanied by patriotic demonstrations in every part of the United States and its possessions.

It was a limited test, the actual expansion plans of the War Department designed to cover a period of months, but dealing only with the question of personnel and not with supply, equipment, housing or training. The progressive stages were consolidated into this one day.

The day's program called for a trial of the decentralized defense machinery set up since the national defense act of 1920 was substituted for the pre-war system. Demonstration of the success of the new scheme of defense will signify the separation from the military establishments, at least so far as active service is involved, of General John J. Pershing, who has devoted his time since 1918 to perfecting it.

When the Defense Day test actually got underway today, it was apparent to War Department officials after studying reports from outlying commands, that their hopes had been entirely justified by the response throughout the country of men who for the day had reported for duty to the corps area commanders, and in the more local districts to the commissars set up to function like the draft board did during the war.

For the day, at least, the navy was commanded by an officer of the army, Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, its acting secretary, and the head of the War Department, Secretary Weeks, came to his office as a rear admiral of the naval reserve.

Secretary Roosevelt appeared in his army uniform with the insignia of the first division of the 42nd Central Postal Directory, which he served in France.

When Governor Woodcock, secretary of the Admiral Weeks, in the war secretary's office he was assigned for duty for the day to the secretary's staff, and directed to report later to participate in the parade here.

DEFENSE DAY IS RECOGNIZED HERE

Program to Be Carried Out This Afternoon—Parade to Form at Armory and Move at 3:30 O'clock.

Concord will play its part in the nation-wide military demonstration called for today by President Coolidge with a parade of soldiers, veterans, and citizens and an address by John M. Ogleby.

The program for local observance of National Defense Day has been arranged by W. A. Foil, chairman of a committee appointed by Governor Morrison, and will begin at 3:30 with the movement of the parade up Union street from the armory to the new high school. There Mr. Ogleby will make his address.

Major Foil will be in charge of the parade as chief marshal.

In the line of the parade, which will form promptly at 3:30 o'clock, will be a detachment of police, a colored band, members of Company E, 120th Infantry, North Carolina National Guard, reserve officers and enlisted men, the American Legion, boy scouts, gold star mothers, the American Legion Auxiliary, the D. A. R., the U. S. G., the Y. M. C. A., the Rotary Club, the Kiwanis Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Merchants Association.

The line of march of the parade will start at the armory, north on Union street to Marsh street, west on Marsh street to high school.

Refreshments will be served after the exercises which will be featured by Mr. Ogleby's address and a drill by members of Company E.

BYRNES ADMITS HIS DEFEAT IN RUN-OFF RACE HELD TUESDAY

Former Congressman, Upon Face of Almost Complete Official Returns, Admits Blease Is Victor.

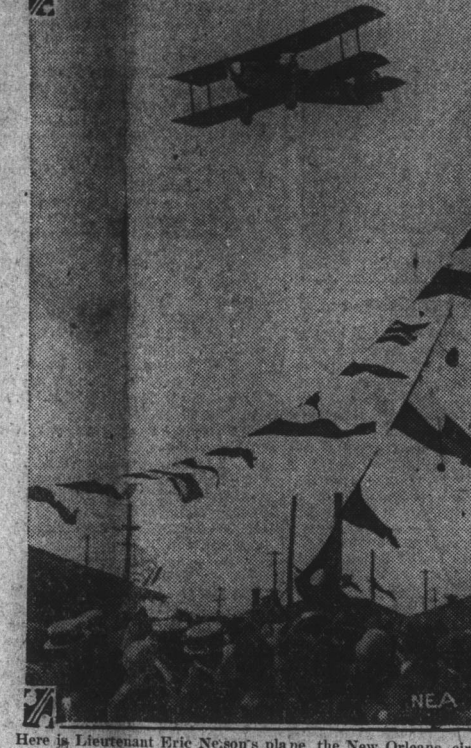
BLEASE DECLINES TO SAY ANYTHING

Wanted to Wait Until Official Returns Were Counted Before He Had Anything to Say.

Columbia, S. C., Sept. 12 (By the Associated Press).—Coleman L. Blease, twice Governor and conceded to be the most picturesque figure in the state since Ben Tillman, will be the junior Senator from South Carolina for the next six years.

James F. Byrnes, representative in Congress from the second district for the last 14 years, today issued a statement accepting defeat in the Democratic run-off primary of Tuesday in which, according to latest available returns, he ran second to the former Governor by 2,314 votes out of a total of 198,000 tabulated. It was the closest senatorial race in this state in more than 20 years, state historical records show.

Circling Above the Field



Here in Lieutenant Eric Neeson's plane, the New Orleans, circling over Mitchell Field when the 'round-the-world' flyers came to New York. It was the first of fight their way through the crowds to reach the officials who were there to welcome them.

PERSHING LAYS ASIDE SWORD

General to Retire After Brilliant Service in the United States Army.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 12.—After a brilliant career of nearly forty years as an officer of the United States Army, General John J. Pershing, who won world-wide fame as the chief commander of the American troops engaged in the world-war, is ready to relinquish his duties as chief of staff to his successor in office, Major General John L. Hines.

The change is due to the fact that General Pershing will become 64 years of age tomorrow, and therefore, under the law will be relegated to the retired list. Some time ago there was talk of continuing the distinguished soldier on the active list after he had reached the age for statutory retirement, but efforts to bring this about through special legislation by Congress were abandoned when it became known that General Pershing preferred to retire to private life.

Through nomination by the President, which was unanimously confirmed by Congress in 1919, General Pershing is entitled to retain the permanent rank of general of the regular army during the remainder of his life. He is the first to hold this rank in the United States Army since the death of General Phil Sheridan.

Ever since he came out of West Point in 1880 as a senior cadet captain, the highest honor there, General Pershing has been living and fighting battles. His first duty after leaving the military academy was to plunge into the campaigns that destroyed the power of Gtrovimo and opened the Southwest to tardy civilization. When scarcely a year out of West Point he was complimented by General Miles for "marching his troop, with pack train, over rough country, 140 miles in forty-six hours, bringing in every animal and man in good condition."

In 1898 he went to the Spanish war with his regiment, the Tenth Cavalry. He was promoted for gallantry at the battle of El Caney in Cuba and returned from Santiago to Washington to solve problems as head of the division of customs and insular affairs.

In September, 1899, at his own request, he was assigned to duty in the Philippines, where he accomplished the extraordinarily difficult task of subjugating the Moris. It was for all these things, probably, but chiefly for his work in the Philippines, that President Roosevelt in 1906, promoted Capt. Pershing to the rank of brigadier-general, jumping him over the heads of 862 other officers—the record jump in the history of the army.

In 1915 he again came into the limelight as the commander of the punitive expedition into Mexico. On September 25 of the next year he was promoted to the rank of major general, then the highest on the army list. In view of his long and brilliant record of service his promotion to lieutenant-general, announced between the United States and the Central Powers of Europe, became inevitable, to take chief command of the American forces sent across the Atlantic created no surprise. The record of General Pershing in Europe is so well remembered that any recapitulation of his services during the period of the World War would be superfluous.

PRISON LABORS FOR LOEB ALREADY SELECTED

Loeb Will Work in Prison Chair Factory and Leopold Will Be Assigned to Prison Rattan Factory.

SPENT NIGHT IN "COURT SOLITARY"

Will Begin Manual Labor Tomorrow After Attending Defense Day Exercises at Prison During Day.

Joliet, Ill., Sept. 12 (By the Associated Press).—Richard Loeb will be assigned to work in the prison chair factory, and Nathan Leopold in the rattan factory, Warden Whitman announced this morning. They go to work tomorrow.

The two famous prisoners were taken to the penitentiary here last night. They spent their first night in "court solitary" where all prisoners must spend their first night in Joliet penitentiary. They are now known as convicts Nos. 3,345 and 3,396.

Having forfeited a life of ease in their palatial Chicago homes for the routine scheduled for all lifers, the prisoners tomorrow will begin manual labor in the prison factories. Today they were to attend the Defense Day exercises to be held at the penitentiary.

Announcement of assignment of the two young prisoners was made by the warden immediately after they had attended the Defense Day service in the prison, with 1,200 other prisoners. Dressed in blue denim trousers and jackets, with their hair closely cropped, the boys sat almost in the middle of the prison auditorium. They stared straight ahead and refused to smile when other prisoners laughed at some remark of the speaker. When they rose to pass out all the prisoners were told to take a long look at the latest inmates of the institution.

The boys, the warden announced, will be kept in different sections of the prison, and will have cells alone for a time. This morning they sat near each other, but the warden announced that they will be separated from now on. Leopold kept his face down, and Loeb did little more than glare over the auditorium.

Warden Whitman told newspaper men that the prison authorities hoped to guide and remodel the characters of the prisoners, and added that to this end the youths will be kept entirely apart from any outside influences including friends, relatives, newspaper men and interviewers. The length of the restriction will depend on their development, he said.

Tell World Farewell.

Joliet, Sept. 12.—Nathan F. Leopold and Richard Loeb today bade the world goodbye with a smile and started a lifetime behind prison bars. In what they were told would be their last interview with newspaper men, the slayers of young Robert Franks declared they had been told not to talk, said they were glad their contact with reporters was over, and smilingly backed out of the presence of the newspaper men.

Buzzards Ape Aviators.

Antietam Battlefield, Sharsburg, Md., Sept. 11.—Another of those "tell it to the marines" stories is emanating from the camp of the 3,000 marines from the Quantico, Va., base who are preparing here for their demonstrations Friday of the battle of Antietam.

The story has it that a flock of buzzards after watching the tricks of the aviators attached to the force, are dispersing the prisoners. In what they claim to practice as a flock the flying formation of the aviators, but one of the birds, nicknamed "Frita" is credited by the most voracious with perfection in looping the loop, doing the "barrel roll," the "falling leaf" and "Immelman Spins."

With Our Advertisers.

Three big 88¢ days at Elford's, Saturday and Monday. Many bargains can be found in this 88¢ Cent Sale.

S. S. Brown Shoe Store has just received an attractive pump in light tan.

Howard's Filling Station is open day and night at the corner of Depot and Church streets. "Service With a Smile."

Piggly Wiggly has fresh vegetables of all kinds. See ad.

Coal prices, quality, service, full weight guaranteed. See ad. of A. B. Pounds.

Report Capture of Ibing.

Shanghai, Sept. 12 (By the Associated Press).—The Chekiang forces defending Shanghai operating on the front west of this city, have captured the town of Ibing, compelling the Kiangsu army in that sector to fall back toward Changchow.

WHAT SMITTY'S WEATHER CAT SAYS

Probably showers tonight and Saturday, preceded by fair weather in the east portion tonight; warmer in west portion tonight, cooler in the west portion Saturday.

PRESIDENT IS EXPECTED TO VISIT MIDDLE WEST

Has Received Many Invitations to Speak in That Section of the Country.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Sept. 12.—President Coolidge is expected by some of his advisers to accept a few of the many invitations he has recently received to speak in the middle west.

Among the scores of invitations which have been extended to the President by various organizations are included requests for him to speak in Chicago, St. Paul and cities farther west. The President today was to review the Defense Day parade.

REPUBLICANS FIGHTING IN LAFOLLETTE'S STATE

However, at Dawes Meeting There Were Cheers For Senator LaFollette.

(By the Associated Press.)

Milwaukee, Wis., Sept. 12.—Republican organization leaders in Wisconsin took steps today to carry on the fight launched against Senator LaFollette's re-election candidate last night by Chas. G. Dawes, republican vice presidential nominee in an address here.

Plans for the contest in LaFollette's home state were discussed informally by several local party leaders, and Wm. M. Butler, republican national chairman, after last night's meeting, which was attended by an audience that overflowed the auditorium.

Cheers for Senator LaFollette were heard frequently before the meeting got underway, and these cheers grew somewhat in volume when Mr. Dawes in his opening sentence mentioned the name of the Wisconsin senator. The atmosphere seemed for a time to be charged with the feeling existing in the state.

Representative Byrnes May Contest Election

Columbia, S. C., Sept. 11.—Indications that Congressman James F. Byrnes intends to contest the vote of the primary of Tuesday, by which former Governor Blease appears to have been nominated for the United States Senate, are contained in reports received here that the congressman had requested the executive committees in Greenville and Spartanburg to preserve the ballots.

Eight Months Babe is Drowned in Fall

Elizabeth City, Sept. 11.—Mary Louise Brown, eight months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Brown, of Shiloh, Camden county, was drowned in a fall of water, according to information received here today.

It was wash day at the Brown home Tuesday, and the mother was busy with the clothes while the father had gone to take the older children to school. Unobserved by the mother, the baby pulled herself up the side of a large wooden pail, about the size of a land stand, filled with water and toppled in, head-first.

Americans Leading British

Garden City, N. Y., Sept. 12 (By the Associated Press).—American golfers were ahead of their British opponents today in three out of four foursomes when the 36-hole Walker cup matches were interrupted for lunch. One match was square after the 18th hole.

THE COTTON MARKET

Reports of Texas Hains and Other Factors Promoted Fresh Buying Early Today.

(By the Associated Press.)

New York, Sept. 12.—Reports of rain in Texas and relatively steady Liverpool cables caused a good deal of covering and probably promoted fresh buying in the cotton market early today. The opening was steady at an advance of 8 to 15 points. After irregularity, due to the execution of overnight selling orders from the South, active months sold 30 to 25 points net higher, October advancing to 23.33 and December to 22.88. Opening prices were: October 23.25; December 22.77; January 22.77; March 23.01; May 23.30.

Lenoir-Rhyne College is Officially Opened

Hickory, Sept. 11.—With 225 students registered and many more expected today and tomorrow, the thirty-fourth annual session of Lenoir-Rhyne college opened yesterday with special exercises in the chapel. Rev. George Longaker, pastor of Corinth Reformed church was the principal speaker.

Going back to the days of the little red school house when names were carved on desks and window panes, the speaker drew a parallel between the names carved on the desks and the effect those names had on the nation in later years. He urged the students to carve their names, not on the desks, but on the towering rocks of success that will defy all manner of decay.

Unsuccessful Attempt to Start Revolution

Libson, Sept. 12 (By the Associated Press).—Another unsuccessful attempt to bring about a revolution has been made by the communists with civilians and soldiers involved. Leaders of the movement have been arrested, and the capital is calm.

Loeb and Leopold Have a Close Call With Death on Their Way to Prison

Penitentiary, Joliet, Ill., Sept. 11.—Nathan F. Leopold, Jr., and Richard Loeb, who killed 14-year-old Robert Franks for a thrill, narrowly missed possible death on their motor trip to prison tonight, the climax of their separation from society for the remainder of their natural life.

At the center of a five car convoy traveling about 35 miles an hour, the powerful automobile carrying the two boys and deputy sheriffs was seen to swerve abruptly to the right, dive into the unbalanced track of an electric railroad, suddenly right itself and bounce 50 yards down the center of the right way before it was stopped. The brakes on the car ahead of the boys had burned and stuck bringing it to an immediate stop. To avoid smashing into it, the driver of the Leopold-Loeb car gambled with death and steered at a right angle into the rails and ties. His coolness and judgment, many officers of the party attributed the aversion of a more serious result.

Leopold and Loeb were unharmed, though badly jarred. They arrived here at 7:53 p. m. to begin serving their sentences.

The Youthful Murderers Leave Chicago at 8:57

Chicago, Sept. 11.—Nathan Leopold, Jr., and Richard Loeb were started on their way to Joliet penitentiary at 8:57 o'clock tonight.

The two youthful murderers of Bobby Franks, both nattily dressed, were bundled into one of three waiting automobiles and whisked away on the 40-mile trip which will take them to the prison. In the same car were five armed deputy sheriffs.

Heading the procession was Sheriff Peter M. Hoffman, with a half dozen other deputies, in another closed car. The deputies were armed with rifles and shotguns. The third automobile contained newspapermen.

Leopold and Loeb passed through the lines of waiting newspapermen, smiling but silent. Neither would talk except to mumble a goodbye. As they entered the car, flashlights flashed. Both boys visibly were startled.

JOHNSON MILLS TO RESUME OPERATION

Monday the Mills Resume Work Bringing 1,000 Persons Back to Their Jobs.

Charlotte, Sept. 11.—The Johnson mill, chain of cotton mills in North Carolina, employing about 1,000 operatives will resume full-time operations Monday, according to announcement by company officials today. The mills have been closed since early in the summer.

Under present conditions the mills will do well to break even, according to J. Leake Spencer, secretary, who pointed out that the company was forced to provide employment for the operatives.

The Chadwick-Hoskins mills here will open on Monday also, officials of the company have announced. These mills employ between 1,500 and 2,000 workers. The mills will operate on a day shift only, officials saying that they see no prospect of day and night operations for the near future.

MIRACULOUS ESCAPE FROM INSTANT DEATH

Train Strikes and Demolishes Automobile Driven By Mr. Harris, of Gastonia.

Gastonia, Sept. 11.—L. C. Harris, general manager of the S. S. C. Motor company, miraculously escaped death or serious injuries today when the car he was driving was struck and totally demolished by the Carolina & North-Western freight car, standing on a siding obstructed his view, it is alleged, and before he was aware of the presence of the train backing up to the station he was on the track, and the rear coach of the train hit the car amidship. The automobile was practically demolished. How Mr. Harris escaped serious injury is hard to understand.

REAR PLATFORM SPEECHES DAVIDS PROGRAM TODAY

Democratic Nominee for President Spoke Twice En Route to Cheyenne, Wyo.

(By the Associated Press.)

Denver, Col., Sept. 12.—John W. Davis, the Democratic Presidential candidate, was ready today to conclude his campaign in Colorado with rear platform speeches at Brighton and Greeley en route to Cheyenne, Wyo., where tonight he will deliver the third of his series of addresses, scheduled for the west.

Speaking here last night to an audience which taxed the capacity of the municipal auditorium Mr. Davis met the recent claim of the Republican leaders that his party is putting forward too many issues, with the declaration that he would meet them on a single ground, the record of their administration of government in the past four years.

Brooklyn Now Only One-Half Game Behind.

New York, Sept. 11.—Brooklyn continues to be anchored right outside of the National League leadership. The Dodgers today won a hard fought 11 inning game from the Phillies and drove up within a half a game behind the Giants when the McGraw athletes enjoyed an off-day. All three leaders chalked up marks on the right side of the ledger in the American League. The Yankees, however, gaining half a game on their rivals by winning twice from Boston while Washington was winning a game from the Athletics.

Paddock Sets Fast Pace in Exhibition.

Cleveland, Sept. 11.—Charles Paddock, world's champion sprinter, equalled his 100-yard mark of 9.45 seconds over a turf track in an exhibition here today.

A few minutes later Paddock lowered the world's record for 175 yards over a turf track. His time was 17.45 seconds. The previous record was 18.25 seconds, set by Hoben in Berlin, earlier in the year.

Ford Charlotte Plant Will Employ Over 1,000.

Charlotte, Sept. 11.—Approximately 350 new employes have been added to the payroll of the Ford Motor Company at its assembly plant here and within three months there will be additions to number of 500 making total employed 1,000.

Senator Harrison to Speak on 18th in State Capital.

Raleigh, Sept. 11.—Senator Pat Harrison, of Mississippi, will speak in Raleigh September 18, according to state Chairman John Dawson tonight, and the contest over this great orator's date is over. Chairman Dawson greatly regretted not being able to send Mr. Harrison either to Greensboro or Winston-Salem, but the chairman declared the great hall of Raleigh decided the issue for him. The auditorium holds approximately 5,000 and there is every indication that the Mississippi will fill the Senator Harrison was the Democratic keynoter in New York and he is rated the greatest stumpster in the United States.

Mrs. Ferguson Not Worried by Suit.

Temple, Texas, Sept. 11.—Declaring "we are so used to injunctions that I guess one more won't make any difference" Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson, of Temple, Democratic nominee for governor, said when she was shown a dispatch from Austin saying that an injunction suit to keep her name off the ballot in the general election had been filed in Austin.

Both Mrs. Ferguson and her husband and campaign manager, former Governor James E. Ferguson, declined to make any further comment.

North Carolina Observes Day.

Charlotte, N. C., Sept. 12.—North Carolina today did its bit in observance of National Defense Day.

Throughout the state citizens halted their labors to demonstrate their readiness and willingness to rally around the flag in case of national distress. National Guard and skeleton reserve forces were assembled for a demonstration of how effective the plans for the defense of the country can be made.

Civic organizations, the Red Cross, Boy Scouts and other societies, gathered and demonstrated the medium of parades how well they can be brought together in case of necessity.

There were patriotic meetings at which speakers conversant with national defense affairs were heard. Brigadier General A. J. Bowley, commander of Fort Bragg, was the speaker of the day at Asheville; while Adjutant General Metts of North Carolina, spoke in Charlotte. Other leaders spoke in other cities of the state.

Plans for Defense Day were begun several days ago when Governor Morrison, complying with the request of the War Department for state participation in State tests, issued an order for mobilization of the National Guard in various communities. He also named county committees to have charge of celebrations.

National Guard Companies, Hospital Units, Civic Organizations, Gathered.

National Guard companies, hospital units, civic organizations, and several hundred citizens, marched through the downtown streets here late today.

Celebration will begin in Raleigh at 7:45 o'clock this evening with a parade up Fayetteville street to the east portico of the capitol where Governor Morrison will make a defense day speech.

Parade of various units filled with civilian volunteers and an address by Col. H. D. Styer, commander of the first American forces to land in Siberia, when a red army under German command threatened to overrun that country, featured the celebration at Greensboro.

Simple exercises will mark the day at Winston-Salem with exercises on court house square, closing by a parade by the local company of National Guard and reserve officers.

Atlanta, Sept. 12.—That Defense Day

will be observed in some form in all the states of the fourth army corps area today including the states of Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana, is the expectation of area headquarters here.

Pacific Coast Observance Day.

San Francisco, Sept. 12.—Citizens of the Pacific Coast states prepared today to join in the observance of Defense Day exercises. The capital ships of the Pacific fleet were anchored off San Francisco today.