

PATRIOTIC CITIZENS MUST STAND AGAINST LAWLESSNESS SAYS GEN. PERSHING

In Fourth of July Address at Marion, Ohio, Head of American Armies Raises Danger Signal—Sees Dangerous Tendency In Our Disregard for Law and Order—Moral Standards Have Become Weakened.

MARION, O., July 4.—The spirit of patriotic-Americanism that made "men and women by the millions" seek opportunity to serve the nation during the war was invoked by General Pershing today, speaking at Marion's centennial celebration, to combat the present "dangerous tendency toward disobedience to law."

"Moral standards have become materially weakened," he said, "and the criminal elements of society are less cautious in their activities. It is time for all citizens who cherish our heritage of free government to assert themselves and cry out against lawlessness and immorality. We must stand for prompt enforcement of the law, or concede that free government is a failure."

"Open adherence to the lofty ideals is quite as essential now in the post-war days as during war time when impending danger inspired every one to unselfish devotion and service."

Speaking of the signs of relaxed standards, General Pershing said: "Under the constitution every man is guaranteed the right to live, enjoy liberty, and pursue happiness, but there are those who defy these guarantees and seek to deprive others of these sacred privileges."

"Where whole communities openly sympathize with ruthless murder of inoffensive people in the exercise of the right to earn a livelihood, and where wholesale murder goes unpunished, it is imperative that public opinion should demand that the strong arm of the law, under fearless officials, take positive action. Overt and inexcusable acts of this character not only debase the participants, but lower the whole moral fabric of the nation and strike at the very existence of self-government."

General Pershing also dealt with the question of military preparedness.

"The voice of the blatant pacifist is again heard in the land," he said. "The unreasoning, the unthinking and those who will not learn from experience continue to advocate the theory that our army is of the people, and in the face of the loss of life and the cost in money that we ourselves have recently sustained, as a result of neglect of the most feeble preparation, they advocate against any sort of military training or preliminary organization and would so reduce us to make expansion impossible within any reasonable and possibly again compel the enormous expenditure of life and treasure under which the country is suffering today."

"I venture to say that few, if any, of these who would destroy our small army and navy in times of peace, were found in the ranks with these brave and patriotic men who fought to destroy the armies of our enemies on the field of battle."

TABLET TO M'KINLEY UNVEILED IN ATLANTA

ATLANTA, Ga., July 4.—Reading messages from President Harding and Governor Davis, of Ohio, featured the exercises at the unveiling here today of a bronze memorial tablet to the late President McKinley. The tablet, set in Stone Mountain granite, was placed near Peace monument in Piedmont Park, which was dedicated several years ago to the North and South at exercises in which President Roosevelt participated.

Governor Hardwick, delegations representing the Women's Relief Corps Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, Daughters of the Confederacy, Sons of Confederate Veterans and other patriotic and civic organizations saw little Charlotte King, of Georgia, and Betty Seeds, of Ohio, uncover the memorial. "Another token of the good feeling that now exists throughout our country, made possible by such beautiful thoughts as expressed by President McKinley," said H. F. West, in charge of the ceremonies.

After unveiling the tablet, the Buckeye Women's Club dedicated two trees in the Authors Grove, one to William Dean Howells, novelist, and another to President Harding.

A. E. F. CHAMPION TO BATTLE BRENNAN TODAY

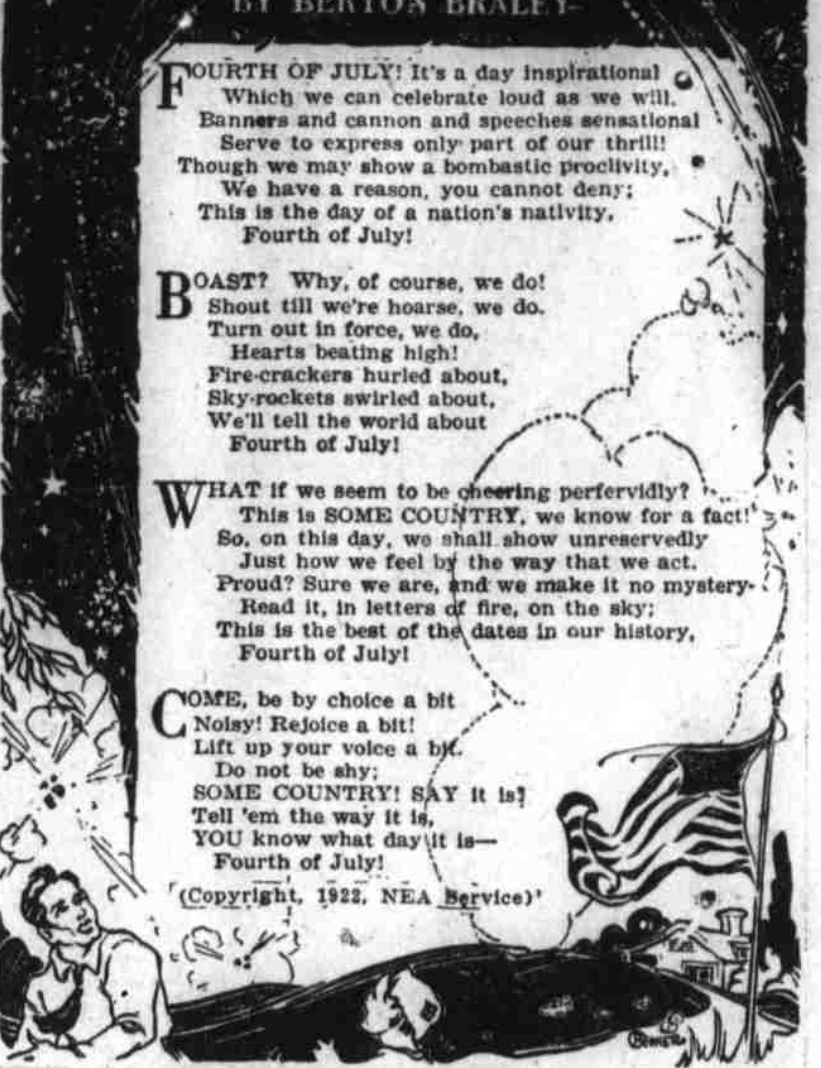
ASHLAND, KY., July 4.—Bob Martin, of New York, heavyweight champion of the A. E. F., and Bill Brennan, of Chicago, who lasted twelve rounds with Jack Dempsey at Madison Square Garden in December, 1920, will meet in a twelve round no-decision bout here at three o'clock this afternoon.

COLUMBUS, GA., July 4.—Kid Peck featherweight champion of the South, and Kid Bartlett, of Charleston, S. C., challenger, met here this afternoon in a ten round bout.

THE WEATHER

Unsettled, probably showers tonight and Wednesday; cooler tonight.

BIRTHDAY OF A NATION



FOURTH OF JULY: It's a day inspirational Which we can celebrate loud as we will. Banners and cannon and speeches sensational Serve to express only part of our thrill! Though we may show a bombastic proclivity, We have a reason, you cannot deny: This is the day of a nation's nativity, Fourth of July!

G. H. S. GRIDIRON TRAINING AUGUST 15

Local Squad Starts Practice On That Date—Two New Coaches Employed—Workouts at Rotary Park.

Officials of the Gastonia High School Athletic Association have been at work for the past week mapping out plans for their 1923 football season. With plenty of material on hand and two coaches added to the staff, the team will again plow its way into enemy territory for a share of the state prep school honors. Last year's team was the first the local high school had had since back in 1911. The record made by that team was fair and, with the lads profiting by the past year's experience, this year's squad expects to have a considerably better showing on the gridirons of Charlotte, Gaffney, Shelby, Concord, Lincolnton and others.

YANKES HELPED GREATLY BY RUTH AND MEUSEL

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RICHARD CROKER ASKS COURTS TO PROTECT FATHER'S ESTATE

NEW YORK, July 4.—Richard Croker has applied to Surrogate Coburn to appoint a suitable person or trust company as administrator of the estate of his father, the former Tammany chief, who died several weeks ago in Ireland. Since no will has been filed here, Coburn said, he thought it to the best interests of the estate that an administrator be appointed immediately. The surrogate issued citations returnable September 19.

"BOLL WEEVIL SPECIAL" ARRIVES AT LEXINGTON

In a telegram sent Monday night from Lexington, Kentucky to Mrs. J. A. Anderson by her son, Mr. Walter Anderson, it is stated that the "Boll Weevil Special," a Ford touring car which left here Saturday for the West, had reached Lexington Monday night in spite of bad roads from the North Carolina line to that place. The other members of the party are Everett Jordan, Kenneth Parker and Pink Rankin. They left Lexington this morning for St. Louis.

COTTON MARKET TODAY'S COTTON MARKET

Receipts 45 Bales Price 22 1-2 Cents (Strict to good middling)

GRAMMAR GRADE PUPILS CAN MAKE UP WORK

City Schools to Conduct Coach School During August So Pupils May Eliminate Conditions Before Fall Opening.

Supt. W. P. Grier, of the city schools, announces that plans have been completed whereby grammar grade pupils of the Gastonia schools may attend summer school during the month of August in order that they might make up any back work that they not passed. If the people respond to the movement enough to justify such an institution, the parents will have no fees to pay, as the city board of education has agreed to pay same if the parents will send their children to school. However, if only a few attend, the costs will have to be paid by the parents of the pupils attending.

MARION EXTENDS WARM WELCOME TO PRESIDENT

MARION, O., July 4.—(By The Associated Press.)—Thousands of out of town visitors joined residents of Marion today in their Fourth of July celebration of the home-coming of President and Mrs. Harding and the tenth anniversary of the founding of the city. Preparations had been made for a variety of activities through the day with the President, General Pershing and Charles G. Dawes, former budget bureau director, scheduled to deliver addresses in the afternoon to a public gathering at the fair grounds.

WARSAW, July 4.—Rioting occurred in Vienna when the Polish authorities prohibited an anti-Jewish lecturer from delivering an advertised speech. One policeman was killed and ten persons were wounded. Following the disturbance the police distributed garrils to protect the Jewish inhabitants.

LONDON, July 4.—(By The Associated Press.)—Several freighting aircraft bearing the markings of the Irish Free State—green, white and red stripes—flew by pilots belonging to Free State forces, left the Croydon airfield today for "the Dublin front," the Evening News says.

GERMAN PHYSICIAN AT LENINE'S SIDE

BERLIN, July 4.—According to the Golos Rossi, the noted German neurologist, Professor Foerster, has again gone to Moscow, in response to a hurried summons, to attend Kikolai Lenine. It is reported that the soviet government has asked Dr. Foerster to remain in attendance upon the soviet premier for six months.

RAILROAD OFFICIALS SAY STRIKERS ARE RETURNING TO THEIR OLD JOBS

STORM DID NOT KEEP CROWD FROM TENT SERVICE

Evangelist Haggard Preached Last Night From Tent "Where Art Thou?" Question God Put to Adam.

(Reported for The Gazette.)

The Haggard meeting grows in interest from day to day. Immense crowds gather for every service. Even last evening, with a heavy cloud hanging over the sky, the folks came just the same. Services at the tent are going to begin thirty minutes earlier than usual tonight. The Lory Mill Company is going to give a spectacular fire works display that people will want to see, so we are having our services just a little earlier than usual so that they may attend. Lory Mills is always ready to help us put anything over, so when they try to put a thing over we are right with them. We try to stand by those who stand by us.

The evangelist took as his text Gen. 3:9 last night. "Where art thou?" was the question God asked Adam in the garden of Eden when he had eaten the forbidden fruit. God called Adam because he loved him. He did not call him to punish him nor did he call him to destroy him. When God called Adam, he hid behind a bush. From that day to this men have been hiding from God. If you break God's laws, you want to hide from him. God has always had a word for man. For six thousand years it has been rolling along, and yet we keep asking ourselves the question, "Who am I? Whence came I?"

This evening, I am not asking you how you stand in the sight of your neighbors, but how do you stand in the sight of God. How is your standing with God? How do you stand with your church? What position do you occupy? Would you be afraid to stand up for the things that your church stands for? In your church, do you really stand for God? The time will come when the church will stand up for God. It does not do so today. Are you communing with God, or are you out of communion with him? We want to examine ourselves personally tonight. Where are thou? The great trouble with us we want to put things off until some other time. God needs men and women now who will stand up for him. Would you stand up tonight as a child of God? Has that life of yours been such that you would not be afraid to stand up as a Christian? How is it with your soul tonight?

My friend, you should live every day as if it were the last day. Remember, death is liable to come at any time. It may come to you tonight. Wise men make their wills long before they die. We want you to size up your spiritual affairs. How is it with that soul of yours tonight? Could you say to Jesus tonight, "I am ready to go." Are you away from God? If you are, you are not enjoying religion. May be you have moved from a church some where. There you were a Sunday school superintendent, or possibly you occupied an important position in that church. You have found things different here. Because of this you have fallen out of the church work, because of this you have begun to backslide. May be you are one of these graveyard members I do not go much on graveyard religion. That is the last place I am going. If your church membership was good back in the country, it ought to be good here in Gastonia. Ninety per cent of those who do not move their church membership with them backslide. God does not need dead men. He wants living men.

I used to worry about a burying place, but since I have found that Jesus Christ has power over the resurrection, I do not care where I am buried. Quit worrying your old home church. Think of that never seen a happy backslider yet. I have seen a happy backslider yet. You cannot be happy and neglect your duty. If you are a happy backslider, I say that you have never been born again. I believe in being born of the Son of God. The best of men backslide, but thank God they had enough of the love of God to come back. I am not condemning you for backsliding. I am condemning you for not coming back to God.

If you do not want to backslide, go to work. God is not mad at you. He loves you. He is saying, "Wandering child come home." You are going to pay for all of the backsliding that you do. He is calling you to come back home. Why not come back to him? As soon as we get the backsliders back to God we are not going to have any trouble to get the sinners saved. You are a stumbling block so long as you stand where you are. Some body is stumbling over you. Where are you fathers and mothers? God help you to say where is my boy tonight? Oh, where is he? Perhaps he is out gambling, drinking, and possibly doing many other things, our boys are subject to today. Where are your children tonight? Fathers and mothers, I am calling on you to know where they are. God has loaned them to you. Where are they? He is calling you back to him that you may lead them to Christ. The angels would rejoice to see you come back tonight.

You are doing more than breaking the great heart of God. You are grieving your pastor and your church. My heart goes out to them. I beg you with all of my soul to come back to God. He is ready to take you back, the church of Jesus Christ is ready to take you back. Even the lost like to see men doing better. They like to see good consecrated men and women. The man in the world may help you to backslide, but likes best to see you stand to God. Let the man

This, However, Is Denied By Union Officials. No Definite Figures As to Number of Shopmen On Strike Have As Yet Been Made Public—United States Railroad Labor Board Brands Strikers As "Outlaws."

MANY MORE WILL GO OUT SAY UNION OFFICIALS

Oilers, Clerks, Freight Handlers and General Workmen Strike On Long Island Railroad—No Disorder.

NEW YORK, July 4.—Union officials insisted today that hundreds of other union workers employed by railroads would join in the strike against wage reductions made by the Railroad Labor Board.

At the Sunnyside yards of the Long Island Railroad, strike leaders said that oilers, clerks, freight handlers, and general workmen had joined the strikers' ranks. The strikers also claimed that the walkout of electricians at the Long Island power house had compelled the railroad to get its power from public utility corporations.

Railroad officials, denying that the walkout had hampered the operation of trains, declared the ranks of the strikers were being rapidly filled by experienced men who had been laid off during the depression. Many pensioners were said to be reporting for work.

There was little trouble reported, union officials instructing their followers to avoid violence. In New Jersey, a squad of twenty-five men who had replaced striking railroad workers were stoned by a crowd and five of the men refused to continue working.

Members of the railroad clerks union in New York were instructed by their national officers to continue on their "routine jobs" and not be stampeded into a sympathetic strike until the result of the strike balloting now taking place was ascertained.

DISARMAMENT PLAN OF LORD ROBERT CECIL IS WELL RECEIVED AT PARIS

Regional Defensive Plan Meets United States' Objection to Article Ten of League of Nations Pact.

PARIS, July 4.—(By The Associated Press.)—The plan for general world disarmament which was laid before the temporary mixed commission on disarmament of the League of Nations yesterday by Lord Robert Cecil, of Great Britain, was presented in full detail at this morning's session of the commission. This plan is said to have been favorably received by most of the delegates.

All nations, according to Lord Robert's plan, would sign a general disarmament agreement and would agree to go to the defense of nations in their respective regions or continents in case of aggression.

The principle American objection to Article X of the League of Nations, it is held, would be met by this regional defensive plan, in as much as the United States already is committed to a similar policy on the American continent under the Monroe doctrine, and Lord Robert's plan is designed to limit each nation's obligations in defensive alliances to such regions.

PARIS CELEBRATES OUR INDEPENDENCE DAY

PARIS, July 4.—America's Independence Day was celebrated in Paris today by a series of patriotic demonstrations and social gatherings.

Representatives of the Veterans of Foreign Wars placed a wreath on Washington's statue and joined French organizations in exercises at the tomb of Lafayette. Ambassador Herrick will hold the traditional reception this afternoon and tonight will be one of the speakers, together with Premier Poincare, at a dinner given by the American Chamber of Commerce. Marshal Foch, Marshal Joffre, Leon Bourgeois, and other men high in public life will attend.

of the world know that you stand square for God and he will take off his hat to you. Young ladies if you want men to respect you let them know that you are a Christian.

The evangelist said many more good things, but we leave off here until another time. The storm hindered some last evening, but despite the down pour of rain, there were nearly fifty professions of religion. Up to this time, there has been nearly two hundred who have dedicated their lives to God. Some of these were church members, but this is one of the most hopeful things about the meeting.

AS RESULT OF WALKOUT SHOPMEN ARE BEYOND THE PALE, SAYS BOARD

Washes Its Hands of All Responsibility—Puts It On Jewell.

STRIKERS LOSE STANDING

Unless They Return to Work at Once—Picketing Being Done In Kansas.

CHICAGO, July 4.—(By The Associated Press.)—After more than two hours discussion today with Chairman Ben W. Hooper and W. L. McMenimen, of the Railroad Labor Board, E. F. Grable, president of the maintenance of way union, had not decided to cancel the threatened strike call to his 400,000 rail workers. The conference adjourned near one o'clock for lunch with no settlement reported.

CHICAGO, July 4.—Striking railway shopmen, called "outlaws" by the United States Railroad Labor Board, whose summons to a mediatory conference was defied by shop crafts officials, today entered on the fourth day of their walkout in protest against wage reductions and decisions by the board with the actual number of men who responded to the strike call still in doubt, and no reports of serious effect on transportation.

As a result of their walkout the shopmen are beyond the pale of the labor board, whose members announced that the strikers would receive no further official recognition by the Government agency set up as arbiter of railroad controversies.

Having washed its hands of the shopmen's strike and left the blame on B. M. Jewell, shop crafts executive, as chairman Hooper asserted, the Labor Board today centered its energies in a conference with officials of the United Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes in an effort to avert a walkout of railway maintenance men whose leaders consented to mediation before following the shopmen out on strike.

Meanwhile, in various rail centers, the carriers displayed a formidable attitude towards the "outlawed" shopmen.

Statements to strikers announced that unless the men returned to work immediately they would forfeit all seniority and protection rights and pensions, and in some instances they were threatened with the refusal of future employment. In its announcement the labor board declared that men taking the places of strikers would be considered officially as the employes of the roads in all future matters before the board.

Reports from various rail centers said strikers were returning to work. Boston and Maine railway officials stated that 200 strikers had returned and that others had applied for their old jobs. Union officials denied the statements.

Some roads continued to fill vacant jobs in the shops as rapidly as possible with men who responded to advertisements offering employment.

Four reports of violence or disorders in connection with the strike were received. Governor Parker, of Louisiana, in a proclamation called upon authorities throughout the state to rigidly enforce the law and permit no demonstration which might lead to clashes.

Governor Allen, of Kansas, cautioned authorities to protect men who desire to work in railroad shops. Informed by the sheriff of Harvey county that only "peaceful picketing" was being done, Governor Allen responded: "There is no such thing as peaceful picketing in Kansas."

Mayor Harry B. Burton, of Kansas City, Kas., called a meeting of union leaders, railroad executives and police officials today to discuss alleged assaults and intimidation of workers. Mayor Burton said he received assurance from Governor Allen and from Judge W. L. Huggins, of the industrial court, that troops would be sent to maintain order if necessary.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, denounced the railroad labor board for "outlawing" the striking shopmen and William H. Johnston, president of the International Association of Machinists, declared that the board's action would in no way affect the position of the unions.

ONE DEAD, TWO INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

MACON, Ga., July 4.—As the result of an automobile accident late yesterday near Haddock, 20 miles from Macon, Miss Hughie Lee Adams, 34, of 2901 Third street, Macon, is dead. Joel S. Etheridge, Macon, is reported dying, and Miss Carrie Etheridge, of Haddock, is suffering from a fractured skull.