

**HARBORD IS TO HEAD RADIO CORPORATION**

General Slated to Succeed Pershing Leaves Army  
Dec. 29.

**ROSE FROM THE RANKS**

His Career Brilliant—Weeks and Pershing Extol His Abilities.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18 (Associated Press).—Retirement from the army of Major-Gen. James G. Harbord, Deputy Chief of Staff and one of the outstanding American military leaders in the world war, to accept the presidency of the Radio Corporation of America, was announced to-day by Secretary Weeks. He will be succeeded in Washington by Major-Gen. John L. Hines, now commanding the Eighth Corps Area.

Gen. Harbord joined the army in 1889 as a private. He rose through every grade from private to Major-General. The road to the office of Chief of Staff was cleared for him by special act of Congress because of his great ability.

Gen. Harbord's retirement becomes effective December 29 and he will take up his new duties January 1. He had been selected to succeed Gen. Pershing as Chief of Staff on the latter's retirement, and Secretary Weeks said in his formal announcement that the loss to the active forces of the army through Gen. Harbord's separation from the service "cannot be adequately expressed."

**None Better in Army.**

"We have not had in our military service or in our Government service in any capacity a man of higher qualities or one who has inspired in others a greater degree of confidence," said the War Secretary. "The business he will enter is in its infancy and it will offer full scope for his abilities. That he will prove himself a great leader in industry and commercial affairs seems as certain to me as his great leadership in military activities. I have an acute sense of personal loss in his going. His ability and loyalty have been of vital importance to me in administering the affairs of the War Department."

In his letter to Secretary Weeks, applying for retirement, Gen. Harbord pointed out that he had been on active service for thirty-three years, "having enlisted on January 10, 1889, with continuous service since enlistment, more than sixteen years of such service being abroad."

"Whenever occasion has offered during nearly thirty-four years of service," Gen. Harbord's letter went on, "I have been an advocate of opportunity for the younger men of the army. At this time of elimination by Congressional action of hundreds of officers from the career to which they have dedicated themselves, I feel that my retirement, thus saving some man to the army who would otherwise be lost to it and affording promotion to younger officers for whom I step aside, is but consistent."

Gen. Harbord has had the offer from the radio corporation under consideration for almost a year. His acceptance was opposed by Secretary Weeks and other officials, including Gen. Pershing, who to-night made this statement:

"I feel that I am voicing the views of the entire army in expressing keen regret that Gen. Harbord has decided to go into civil life. His distinguished services abroad and at home and his life need not be recounted as they are well known to all Americans."

"We shall miss him in our councils. We wish him the greatest success in his new career, and I predict that his unusual experience as an organizer, administrator and executive of great enterprises, will insure his success in the business world."

Even higher praise of Gen. Harbord's qualities was voiced by Gen. Pershing in the following endorsement made on a routine efficiency report concerning the retiring officer:

"A superior officer in all respectable, efficient, loyal. His ability as a commander is without limitation. Has a most thorough knowledge of both staff and command duty. The ablest officer I know."

Gen. Pershing, on his assignment to command the troops in France, chose Gen. Harbord as his first aid, making him Chief of Staff. Gen. Harbord was then put in command of the Marine Brigade, training it and teaching it at Belleau Wood, where the Second Division stopped the German drive toward Paris in 1918. He took command of the Second Division and led it in the Meuse offensive. With command of an American corps and later of an American Army almost a certainty in his future, Gen. Harbord, for the welfare of the army in France, acquiesced in an assignment by Gen. Pershing putting him over the urgent task of reorganizing the service of supply behind the American lines. He performed this task with brilliant efficiency.

He was recommended by Gen. Pershing and Secretary Baker for the grade of Lieutenant-General, but as he had not commanded a corps this elevation was denied him.

In the radio corporation he will succeed Edward J. Nally, who has been appointed managing director of international relations of the corporation and who will make his headquarters in Paris.

**CHAPLAIN, A SHERIFF, TO HANG SECOND MAN**

Will Perform Duty Despite 'Spineless Reformers.'

DES MOINES, Nov. 18.—The Rev. W. E. Hobb, Sheriff and former A. B. F. chaplain, said to-day that he would execute his second hanging "because there is no way to evade the terrible task except the way of a coward."

"The method is clumsy, the act is gruesome and the effect is not permanent," he said in a long statement explaining his state of mind. He added that he accepted hanging as his duty because it was the will of the majority and the law of the State.

"Brainless people who have no ability to think . . . will condemn and rave and shout as usual," his statement said. "Intending religious fanatics will plead and pray and forget that God is a God of justice and mercy and that judgment is as much a duty of love as mercy is the delight of love. . . . America is cursed to-day with a lot of spineless reformers. They think of a minister as a daisy, a useless, spineless creature with lily white hands who spends his time attending ladies' societies and pink teas."

The prisoner is Orris Cross, slayer of George Fowdick, Des Moines grocer. The hanging will take place at Fort Madison penitentiary next Friday.

**SET TOWN AFIRE; ROB BANK.**

Bandits Start Blaze, Shoot Man to Clear Way for Holdup.

GENOA, Ohio, Nov. 18.—Six bandits held up the quarters of the Genoa Banking Company late this afternoon and escaped with several thousand dollars after starting a fire to draw the attention of the citizens to another section of the village and shooting a citizen so badly he probably will die.

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