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MAJOR GENERAL BARRY IN LINE TO SUCCEED LEONARD WOOD AS CHIEF OF STAFF OF UNCLE SAM'S ARMY



MAJOR GENERAL BARRY
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Washington, Dec. 12.—Major General T. H. Barry, at present commander of the department of the east, with headquarters at Governors Island, New York, is believed to be slated for the position of chief of staff after March 4, when the assignment of Major General Leonard Wood to that

ODE TO REDDING BY PROF. STIMSON

One of the Features of Protective League Meeting

Redding, Dec. 12.—Notable features of the Protective League meeting held last Saturday evening in the main school room of the Sanford School were the first public appearance of the newly organized Redding Glad club and their singing, among other selections, of an original song written for the occasion by Prof. John Ward Stimson. The affair was in all respects one of uncommon social interest. The club is composed of Dr. Smith, J. B. Sanford, Rev. A. J. Tongue, George Russell, Prof. Dittel and Herr Shoch. D. S. Sanford, who presided, introduced as the first speaker, Henry Israel of New York, editor of the publication "Rural Manhood." Mr. Israel's address was on the incultivation and development of the neighborhood and neighborhood on community spirit and the desirable results in social recreation and material betterment to be attained by such concert of effort. Its application in behalf of the country boy was especially commendable. Attorney H. S. Barnes, treasurer of the Redding Conservation Association, next told of what had been accomplished through neighborhood co-operation by that body. We found, he said, that our orchards were being destroyed by insect and fungus enemies and could only be saved by spraying. To hire machines from outside for the work would be expensive and not always practicable and so the residents got together and bought the needed apparatus. The results were highly satisfactory as the orchards had been given new life and the association had paid its way from the start.

Mrs. A. A. Gorham, representing the Redding Grange described some of the public benefits brought about by the exertions of that body, one of them being the establishment of the parcel post which was shortly to go into operation. The Grange was also committed to good roads and she hoped that our residents would soon be in such good shape as to facilitate the working of the enlarged postal delivery system.

Rev. Louis Burgess, pastor of the Center Congregational church, spoke of the exacting and laborious nature of the farmer's occupation and said that the farmer owed it to himself to lighten his toll as far as possible by the use of mechanical devices in order that he might have more leisure for recreation and self improvement. Rev. Mr. Tongue, pastor of the Center Methodist church said that when he received his present appointment he was asked some of his Conference brethren what sort of a place Redding was. As by way of response that looked knowing but remained non-committal he thought they were following the old rule of saying nothing because praise could not be given and hence he came to the town with many misgivings. There he was said to say proved unfounded because he had found Redding a very nice town and its residents uncommonly nice people. Prof. Stimson's song was then sung to the Amherst college air "Sabra." It made a great hit and runs as follows:

Let them sing of their Southland bananas,
And the orange and grape of the West;
But "The Apple" shall have our Honanas,
Our "nutmegs" shall turn out the best.
Old Georgia is proud of her peaches,
Virginia's persimmons are fine;
As thick as a fish full of bones,
But none of their farms ever reaches
Our dear Redding "chestnuts"
divine.

CHORUS.
O Redding blithe, O Redding gay,
Here hearts keep young the livelong day;
When her red sun doth seek her rest
She loves to blush on Redding's breast.
They may claim that her winters are
icy,
That her features grow acid and
tart;
But her humor is sparkling and spicy,
And warm is the glow of her heart.
Stern Puritan rocks are inside her,
As thick as a fish full of bones,
But once taste her jolly hard cider,
You'll soon find how soft are her
stones.

CHORUS.
Her grain is gold and green her grass;
Brave is each boy and sweet each
lass;
Her mellow light o'er glade and glen
Glow merry maids and gallant men.
You may praise up old Paris and London,
You may paint those fair scenes o'er
the seas;
But I tell you, their pride would be
undone
If on they breathed Redding's
pure breeze.
You may tell of your Terrapin and
SAY,
Your champagne so bubbling and
gay,
But give me sweet Redding in bloom,
When orchards are blooming in May.

CHORUS.
In love or Lore, in Peace or War,
Brave Redding's boys shall march be-
fore;
And their hearts light those lamps,
Which heroes burn in "Putnam
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Redding, Conn., Dec. 3rd, 1912.
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OUR FOREIGN LETTER

Vienna, Dec. 12.—Gossip in court circles indicates the early rehabilitation of Archduke Ferdinand Karl, who some months ago renounced titles, honors and high command in the army in order to marry pretty Bertha Czuber, daughter of Professor Czuber of the Vienna high school. The Archduke, who took the name of "Burg," it is said, will be rehabilitated by Emperor Franz Joseph through the intercession of Archduke Ferdinand, heir to the throne. His wife is to be ennobled and give the title of "Countess."

St. Petersburg, Dec. 12.—At the trial of Police Inspector Makarovich and three policemen at Vilna on the charge of inhuman brutality to an arrested peasant, it was proven that they had bound their victim hand and foot with chains, laid him on the ground, jumped on him, beat him about the head and finally hung him half dead into an underground cell. They were let off with sentences of 21 days imprisonment for the inspector and seven days each for the policemen.

Real papers are contrasting this leniency with the punishment of a month's imprisonment recently passed upon M. Garbunoff, the publisher, and his friend, M. Boulanger, for the crime of carrying Madame Schmidt, a follower of Tolstoy, according to her wishes, without church ceremonial.

Milan, Italy, Dec. 12.—Switzerland is the latest country to follow the present European mania of arresting alleged international military spies. Four members of the Milan Alpine Club who in company with the rest of the membership yesterday ascended Mount Civevada, later became separated from their companions and were forced to descend on the Swiss side of the mountain. At the border they were promptly arrested for alleged military spies when it was found they had taken numerous photographs from the top of the mountain which overlooks some of the Swiss fortifications that guard the Italian frontier. They were released after their identities had been fully established, the photographs films, however, being confiscated.

Zurich, Switzerland, Dec. 12.—Adoption of a nationalization scheme for existing cattle and reduction of the du-

ties on foodstuffs are demanded in the platform of the Swiss Social Democratic party as remedies for the present high cost of living. In the past three years the price of meat in Switzerland has gone up 29 per cent., and of milk 35 per cent., while rents have increased in the cities by 46 per cent., with a corresponding increase in wages of only 12 per cent.

Cologne, Dec. 12.—Up-to-date high-waymen in Germany are now using the biograph as an accessory. Franz Kugler, while walking along the banks of the Rhine, encountered a couple of thugs robbing a woman. He interfered, and they took to their heels. While the woman was profusely thanking her rescuer, a well-dressed stranger, stepping out from behind a boulder, introduced himself as a manager of a moving-picture concern and expressed his appreciation of the part Kugler had unwittingly played in the little drama. In fact, he was so impressed with Kugler's histrionic ability that he offered him a job as actor on the spot. Kugler accepted, and when it came his turn to pose before the camera he allowed himself to be robbed. His pocketbook, watch and chain and other valuables were taken, then he was knocked down and left lying unconsciously.

On recovering, Kugler found that his fellow "actors" had disappeared with the "manager" and the camera man.

MISSING SOUTHTON GIRL FOUND AS MAID WITH MERIDEN FAMILY

Meriden, Dec. 12.—Annie Severa, the little Southton girl who has been missing from home since Dec. 24 and who was supposed to have been found in New Britain, last week, but proved to be a case of mistaken identity, has been found at the home of H. L. Stevenson here. According to the girl's story, instead of going to New Britain as she was supposed to do to sell toilet articles, she came here. On arriving here she went to the city missionary society and asked for employment and a place as maid at the Stevenson home. It was secured. When her father came here Wednesday night she refused to go home, alleging that he did not treat her kindly. He left her but it is expected will institute legal proceedings to get her back home.

MORE WITNESSES EXAMINED IN GRAND JURY PROBE OF GRAND TRUNK NEW HAVEN DEAL

New York, Dec. 12.—A rumor that William Rockefeller had been subpoenaed to testify before the federal grand jury which is investigating the New Haven Railroad was widely circulated, today, as the result of a conference between the financier's personal secretary and Special Deputy Attorney General Adkins, in charge of the probe.

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