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EDITORIAL

Rabid Whites Devastate East St. Louis and Kill Half Hundred. Women and Girls Take Part in Butchery,-Grand Jury to Investigate, but little Likelihood of Any Convictions.

COLORED PEOPLE ALL OVER THE COUNTRY AROUSED justice

Messages Sent to Washington Urging President Wilson to Order A Federal Inquiry—Baltimore in Line.—Whites There Will Oppose Federal Action.

thru Belgium and the French Reign to St. Louis. Colored citizens unitedof Terror were almost equalled in the ly rose to aid sufferers. Entire blame ckening, riotous, property-destroying for wholesale massacre blamed and murderous scenes enacted here by the militia and police who gave guns ment. whites who became frenzied every to the mob. All provisions being time they saw the face of a colored made to secure damages for property

The Emperor Nero was hardly more suffering and heartaches which have gruel than were white East St. Louis- come to these innocent people. ans, and police and militia, many plentiful here; conditions reason times, calmly looked on while some Quiet in East St. Louis now, d and homes occupied by colored per- | homes and after Governor, city officsons were becoming a prey to whites lials and militia acted feebly in the infested with the arson spirit. face of such a reign of terror.

WHITE WOMEN TAKE PART. Negro-bating, and even jumped on this vicinity; scattering like sheep. termined white law-breakers cars to pull off colored women and Let not the men of the East fail that East St. Louis will and must be beat them up. White women, the to demand federal investigation and "cream of civilization" were heard to redress for their brethren in distress eleefully make such remarks as "I St. Louis dailies urge this. hit a 'nigger' in the head with a brick." With a spirit like that of wild. beasts, whites set fire to colored homes and waited to fire on the occupants as they ran out to escape the flames.

A LITTLE BELGIUM.

Over 300 homes were burned an he devastated area especially around Eleventh and Causland avenues, resembled, in some respects, parts all it could do without going to the that East St. Louis would not the that The colored man went, the white man shot him in the head. The white

was seen to move. COLORED PEOPLE LEAVING Hundreds of colored men and wo- St. Louis city officials and the Red wen have left the city, many never Cross render assistance." o return. The four bridges leading across the river to St. Louis were the roads taken by many of those leaving. EYE-WITNESS DESCRIBES Policemen at the St. Louis end searched them for weapons. Whites, nowever, did not have to undergo this mearch. Many of those who left were sheltered in the homes of people

CAUSE OF OUTBREAK. Labor interests have been enkindling the fires of prejudice against the Negro since a large number came here to work as laborers in the place of Herald gives the following pen picture whites who had gone back to Europe of the brutality of the whites: to join the armies or their respective | "Saint Bartholomew's night did not countries. Hostility was especially outdo this massacre when once shown by union labor forces, always started. Indescribable barbarity was

opposed to Negro workmen gaining bern on the moment and perpetrated The alleged hold-up of two white cal of the most deprayed inhabitants men was given as the excuse for the of a western nation.

thirty colored men are said to have butchery; girls and women wielding cres under the czar. been killed at this time, and there are bloody knives and clawing at the eyes no known figures of the whites killed and wounded MIGRATION ATTACKED.

investigation by the City Council. report was made Saturday in wh Negro immigration here was attack layor Nollman went on recor being opposed to colored men comit mere to get work and even telegraph ed the Governor of Georgia and aske

assistance in keeping Negroes The report of last Saturday opposag the coming of Negro workers mad some of the prejudicea whites grow! colder and they began to "go after"

Rioting occured Sunday night and colored men began to prepare. number were gathered together Mon- Negroes had been, the riot reached when a riot can was sent into Here there was not such dense crov police. Detective Sergeant Cop- and there was no protection of any pedge and several policemen came on kind, not even a supine policeman or the scene in a few minutes. Some inefficient guard. men and the men, and Coppedge and thrown into the river, the creek. was shot and killed.

down manholes—anywhere. Among THE CARNAGE BEGINS. them was a little girl, 2 years old The mob spirit of the whites was shot through the heart and flung into en aroused, homes or colored peo- midroad. ple were stripped of firearms and the not the hectic and raving demonstra-

and the police apparently sym- There was a visible coolness and prethized with the mob. The coming meditation about it. Governor Lowden, 600 militiamen om Chicago and :-.e starting of investigation have caused an and may conduct an investigation than one hundred whites arin connection with the riots been discharged in the police

Louis Asks Bal-

Afro-American received the follawless portion of the community still threatens and says that the last scribably horrible. Hundred shot Negro will be killed or chased out of killed. Mothers separated from here. That isn't rioting—that's revo-ands and children and homes lution.

ended as race fights between whites and blacks. Yet these causes and attendant circumstances must be cleared beyond a doubt before any remedy can be intelligently applied. Not ouly should the fedural inquiry be rigid, but President Wilson should use his power to see to it that the leaders are brought to

a few will return to East St. Louis,

though firms are making inducement

sacre of the French Hu-

guenots.

ranks of the mad thousands.

"And the spirit of the mob still was

"Many of the rioters and partici-

pants in the charnel-house atrocities

hanged Negroe's rope broke and two

of the lynchers fell back into the

spray of a fire hose the mob howled

displayed high humor.

in any section of this country, and with as little fear of punish-

and for life, but can never pay for ity can feel itself safe. The police cannot be trusted, nor can the state militia. Unless the community is prepared to defend itself, it can expect to be butchered and outraged. East St. Louis found itself staged for a battlefield, and the side with the person was being maimed or murder- thousands have been arriven from their guns and ammunition won the day.

A mass meeting will be field at Bethel A. M. E. Church on Tuesday evening to protest against the East St. Louis atrocity. Every citizen should attend.

to some men to remain here; others to go South and further North. Hunthe spirit of repression and dreds leaving for any point away from claimed, boasted surpose of the aimed to go much father than merely to destroy such persons as were killed and eradicate the abodes

> the Colored Section. abused as a lesson to all others of his color. A murdered man wash' On the morning of July 4th the allowed to die after he had been in Afro-American received the follow- tally pierced. He was kicked and beaten with fists, feet and "St. Louis, Mo., July 3-At 6 o'clock hanged, shot some more, kicked an Tuesday evening rioting at St. Louis beaten again. was practically under control of two "And his martyrdom was notice thousand militia. The mob has done the world, written in flame and I

such as were burned out of their

attacks on Negroes since May 28th. William English Walling Negroes kill police sergeant, thinking

real colored section of the city. This a black man."

and wounded. The N. A. A. C. P. is vere punishment" for the East St. to form at Druid Hill avenue and War, Pole Vault, Mile race. taking the lead in offering protection. Louis mobs was demanded by the Eutaw streets and the youngsters, Socialist leader, William English Wall- who had hurried for fear of being ing said, because of the dangerous ef- boy scout troops and campfire girls will rise a few minutes before 5.30 A. and down the barracks caused t RIOTING IN E. ST. LOUIS lutionary Russia, South America and

Brutality Worse Than the Mas- rising as partly the result of German there to the park. The natty uni- spacious lavatory on the ground floor, the latter will creak loudly and forms of the Campfire Girls who were wash up, return and he ready to keep American troops at home partly the result of an attempt by the and admiration all along the line. tain that follows reveille by ten from the opposite side of the barracks, under their thumb.

A staff correspondent of the Chicago WORSE THAN BELGIUM. Speaking as a member of the executive committee of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Mr. Walling in his tele- tended the exercises at the park dur- out of a possible eight. You must

with malicious deliberation not typiately prepared this riot for a whole clearly as anything could that the day Everything must come off the matwas worse, therefore, than anything folk. Whole families brought lunches Sheets and blankets are folded and Bet on May 28, in which three colored Boys of 13, 14, 15 and 16 were in the Germans did in Belgium and to be and spent the day on the benc'res un- placed at the top 6. your bed, the and two white men were killed. Over the forefront of every felonious compared only to the Jewish massa- der the trees, while the small boy and latter on top of the other. The pil-

"The riot was caused by the efforts for a genuine romp. of dying victims, sprang from the "There was no attempt at avenging dividuals. black skin was a death prevailed for half a century and to Scouts won the banner for the best pany must walk around the barracks warrant. Wherever a Negro appeared give Negroes better pay and treat drilled company. Scoutmaster Pat- and clear up pieces of paper, litter he was stoned, shot, beaten, strung them like human beings. up-more than a dozen suffered all of GERMAN PLOT.

these forms of savage onslaught. "This reign of terror has passed "Fire came as an inspiration woman set the first blaze and the south to the north, doubtless fostered by German spies. triumphantly carried off on the shou German plot to prevent conscripti ders of her brethren for it of Negroes and keep large sections CHOICE OF DEATH American troops in America may suc-"For that the Negroes had the bit-

ter choice of remaining in and being burned to cinders or venturing out uation calls for immediate action. and being shot and lynched. There must be swift and severe pun- stood third with 26. "Far out in the outskirts of the city ishment for the mob. But this will A where stray and sparse settlements not suffice. There should be an im- ond place, with Macedonia again mediate presidential proclamation in third place. the present military exigency that the full military power of the nation will be used in defense of the lives and

APPEAL TO WILSON

St. Louis Message Asks That Steps Be Taken To End Riots.

night and prepared an appeal to Prest in these contests. ident Wilson and to Governor Lowden. A telegram was sent to President ground children under the direction of There were many groups, some of Wilson asking him to take steps to Mrs. Adelaide Green enlivened them even without impromptu lead- stop the killing of Negroes and ers, standing about or poking here burning of their homes. and there, killing their Negroes as Lowden was asked to sen; additional they found them. No one was drunk. troops.

of and remedy for the St. Louis atrocity. It seems clear that the riots began as labor disputes between workingmen, and

Experience in all the sears of lynching in this country, shows that the mob that does the lynching is usually influential enough to prevent the courts from punishing the ring leaders. Hardly had the rioting in East St. Louis reached its high point when the leaders telegraphed Washington to forestall federal interference. Unless the millions of colored people throughout the whole country in one single persistent voice besiege President Wilson and their congressional members, urging the President to act, and at once, scenes of East St. Louis may be enacted

As long as the President does not act, no colored commun-

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ed by the Atrocity in East St. Louis.

overcast sky for the Fourth did not keep large numbers Baltimoreans from the river and resorts in the suburps. By far hovever the largest attendance was noted pany baseball league has been formed, ers some with the master's degree; at the celebration at Druid Hill Park, several of the scheduled games al- preachers and numerous students; all where a committee under the chair- ready having been played. Company go back to their books, this time all manship of Mr. Harry T. Pratt made 1 has defeated Company 14 and Com- having the one arrangements for a community cele- pany 2 defeated Company 13. bration. The frightfulness in East The program in celebration of the sound the "call to quarters." This Saint Louis clamped down tight the Fourth included the following events: means that it is fifteen minutes before

more of the nature of simple outings. SCOUTS ON TIME by assistant marshall Howard Gross will awaken you at 5.30 A. M. Then no other set of men. formed at the lower end of Druid Hill you must partially cress, grab your avenue at 1.30, and marched from toilet equipment, make off to the When John Doe gets into his cot forms of the Campfire Girls, who were wash up, return and be ready to greet so while Doe is moving about in it. very well drilled brought applause that "fall-in" command of the cap- After a time a droll voice will come

mainder of the route. TEN THOUSAND AT PARK

of the anti-Negro element of the south In the afternoon several thousands right side of the bed, near the foot. to check the exodus of colored labor of folk gathered in a depression be- WHOLE COMPANY CLEANS-U' which promised to force the south to hind the lake to witness the athletic! After breakfast you must "police" suspend the reign of terror which has games and drill. Last year Ames Boy the barracks—that is the whole com terson's charges duplicated the tri- etc. While the grounds are cleared umph this year, and added to it alright, some find this phase of the when his troop of Campfire girls won daily life a good time to "soldier"

the banner for the best drilled group (to loaf). By this time it is near shouts of admirers as the Scouts from infantry drill under the instruction Ames executed difficult drill forma- one of the colored non-commissioned tions like veterans. The youngsters officers of the regular army. You'll tury." piled up the high score of 44 points, find in him an interesting personage Sharp Street Scouts scored 34 points who knows the drill. for second place, and Macedonia troop

71 GET RIBBONS Up on the long road 162 boys of a brought the crowd to their toes with bons for winning 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place Folk dances and marches by play-

feature of the program. COMPLICATIONS

in our JUNE BRIDE CONTEST. We will give them the same considerour contest, only we cannot send them our grade of coal, Reading Anthracite," we will however, if one should win, make arrangements realization of the color of its im the locality that they live, to serve them. All entries must be in before hands and the infamy of its soul, the Wednesday of this week.

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WORK AND AT PLAY

There might well be difference of opinion as to the causes Rookies Celebrate Fourth in Great Style—Day's Program Is Varied by Athletic Events-Learning To Use The Bayonet—Signalling and Aiming Take Up Time.

FUN AND JOKES MAKE THE TIME PASS.

Practical Jokes Wake Up Sleepers Who Snore Too Loud .-Instructors Have Medals For Marksmanship.— Everybody Has To Study.

mbraced interior guard duty, signalling. The "wig-wag" signalling already been turned in to the medical instruction is now replacing the sem- officers to the effect that you are sick.

day, the day when the rookies, their is good for your health that you put accoutrements and quarters are inmonthly "muster"—the day their time of service during month, etc. The major of the batta- the retreat chords, a four inch gun lion verifying the commander's mus- lets forth a roar that startles the surter. All of this precedes the Army rounding neighborhood for a time

ourteen companies of the Training thrilling music of the star Spangled Camp were formed into three batta-Bruce Williams, 24th Infantry, as jutant and with Sergeant Major Robhis repast, even the luscious prunes. ert Fearing, of the 15th New York Infantry as sergeant-major.

interest in athletics. An inter-com- in the army; lawyers, doctors, teach-

yard dash; Three Legged race, high course you have it to "make down."

very rarely a "cuss" too, especially if whose snoring becomes objectionable More than ten thousand persons at- you've slept only four or five hours find it profitable to moderate. ing the day. Baby carriages outnim- have swept under your bed and have "Savages at East St. Louis deliber- bered the automobiles, and proved as made-up the same by six o'cleck. Without military excuse, it was for youngsters more than older tress daily, except the mattress cover. Chicagoan Urges Citizens To the smaller girl let themselves loose low is then placed on top of these. Shoes must be kept clean and at the - seven o'clock, when morning instruc-"Go it Cap," "you can do it" were tion begins. From 7 to 9 you have

> At 9.15 o'clock you shift to physical bayonet" in which you learn how to sent to handle the situation. "lunge," "thrust," etc., your bayonet | "Arms have been taten away from fantry drill regulations, interior guard Louis might easily happen here." ular chedule, which is subject to cago newspapers. early part of the day. The good work that the city playgrounds are capable afternoon instruction begins at 1.30 P. M. usually with semaphore or "wigthe three points—one each time you police officer, testifying today in West aimed—form a tiny triangle you may Ham police court. consider your aim a good one.

Practically all of the colored regu- whites. Mad. 5020 sharpshooting or both. During the arrests.

Fort Des Moines, Ia, July 5.—The ference (recitation) is held on one of of the subjects already mentioned. Durin- ing this recitation you may be quizzed: work, some of course being more apt ory. From 4.30 to 5.30 you have opportunity to get yourself together for The instruction during the week "retreat." In case you are sick, at in- 4.45 P. M. you go to the hospital for semaphone blow the "sick call." Your name has So if your case amounts to nothing

At retreat the fourteen companies ine up in double rank side by side in front of the barracks and along the lengthy and spacious cement walk. the As the buglers sound the last note of and at the same moment the band stationed at the fort sounds forth the Banner. During the retreat calls the rendition of the national anthem. At o'clock comes the evening mess. The afternoon sun has whet the rookies appetite and he eats freely of

EVERYBODY HAS TO STUDY From 7 to 9 P. M. comes the study hours. It is an imposing sight to see men of fifteen to twenty years service efficiency. At 9.30 l. M. the buglers "taps" are to be sounded. You are race, 100 yard dash; Shoe race, 220 due in your bed at 10.45 P. M.-of jump; relay race, broad jump (stand- Should the sergeant in charge or of the city. Fifty whites were killed New York, July 5—"Swift and se- As early as 10.30 the parade began ing); Broad Jump (running); Tug of quarters come around with his flash light and find your bunk empty, you may receive a "black mark." (Three black marks sends you home.) Being, in a telegram to President Wilson late, came into the Afro-American Camp life at Fort Des Moines has tween taps and "reveille" quict is sup-Building to quench their thirst with come to be known as just one thing posed to prevail; yet at times you can Such punishment is necessary, Wall- ice water. A parage consisting of after another. If you're wise you hear suppressed laughter running up fect of race riots in America on revo- with their bands and drum corps led M., or if you please the reveille gun jokes and puns which are sprung by

> Southern states to keep the Negro The playing of the national anthem minutes. Of course, it is only natural saying—"Doe why don't you grease caused a demonstration by whites at that grunts and groans from down that cot? Soon, and very soon too, North avenue, which enlivered the re- the long line of beds and cots—about after these puns you find the rookies twenty-five on a side—should greet asleep; some snoring in a deep bass, the echo from the reveille gun; and others in a coloratura soprano. Those

SAYS "GET GUNS" Prepare Themseles

Chicago, July 5.—Resolutions placing the blame for the East St. Louis riots on Illinois public officials, protest ing against acts of the State Defense Council and calling for a conference of whites and blacks to find a remedy for the "wrongs, of the black race" were adopted Tuesday night at a meeting Tuesday.

The adoption of the resolutions was preceded by flery speedies by several of the speakers. Me. ers of the Illinois National Guar - state officials and Chicago newspapers were freely condemned. The East St. Louis riots were termed the "calamity of the cen-

WOULD SEND LIGHTH "I have heard," said F. L. Barnett, "that the national guardsmen were told not to fire on the white mob. If drill-"setting up" exercises. These this is so, everyone who had anything exercises are designed to move each to do with the giving of that order muscle in the body. At times this should be court martialed. If white notion is painfully felt, at other guards could not queil the riot the times you hear a bone "crack." About men of the Eighth Illinois Infantry, 9.45 you go into the 'manual of the the colored regiment should have been

dashes and relay races at the enemy. Then too you learn the Negroes of East St. Louis. I don't how to protect yourself in bayonet believe there is a man in Chicago who combat by the "rear pass," "right would let a white policeman come into step," "to the left" and also how to his house and take his gun away from "parry right," "parry high," etc. All him. I don't advocate that Negroes these tend to bring about high shall have an arsenal in their homes efficiency with the bayonet. Confer- but one or two guns would not be too ences are held from 10.30 to 12 on in- much. What happened in East St. duty or field service regulations. Of A. H. Roberts, a deputy clerk of the course, the instruction follows a reg. Circuit Court was bitter against Chi-

> "ag" signalling. The semaphore arm Police Called Out to Quell Disturbance signalling is quite popular among the London, England. July 2-"In conrookies. From 2:30 to 3:00 the rookies sequence of the infatuation of white they are taught how to aim, the use of girls for black men in this district range leaf, etc. If after aiming at a some of the inhabitants are greatly bull's eye on three different occasions incensed against co'ored men," said a

> > Disturbances lasted un: