

STATE OF MINNESOTA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
ST. PAUL

P R O C L A M A T I O N.

Thursday, April 27th, 1922, is the centenary of the birth of Ulysses S. Grant, who, as a general, brought the Union armies to victory and who later was twice elected to the highest office in the nation.

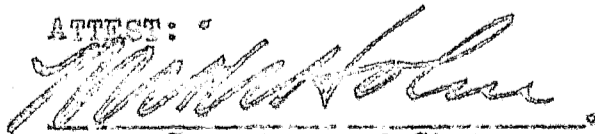
General Grant was a typical American soldier. The art of war, the glory of conflict, struck no spark in him. He was not a born fighter. He hated war. He was rather "A patriot compelled to fight." When taking up arms became necessary to preserve the Union, he went into the struggle with a firm conviction that the cause was right and that right would triumph. His confidence of success, his indomitable will, his boundless energy, his unusual common sense, broad vision and grasp of details, rather than technical training or military genius, brought him to leadership and made his army victorious.

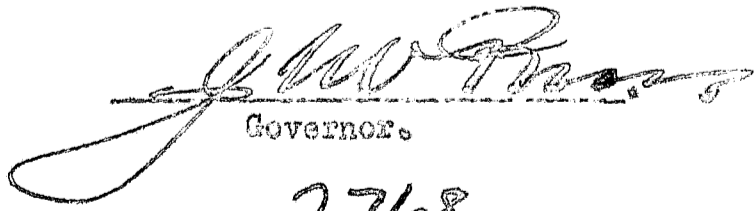
World events a half century later have made us see more clearly what we owe to Grant and his contemporaries for their struggles and sacrifices. United as we are today, we have become, in war and in peace, not only a nation of first rank but a people to whom the world looks for the salvaging of civilization. Divided, we would be feeble and inefficient.

NOW THEREFORE, I, J. A. O. Preus, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby urge all the people of our state to observe the centenary of the birth of this soldier and statesman. Let us study this career and get inspiration from the life of the man who in war declared, "I will fight it out on this line if it takes all summer", but whose dying prayer was that "Peace may prevail" in the land he loved. Let us emulate his unselfish patriotism and reconsecrate ourselves to service to our beloved country. Let us join in an effort to make our land each year a better land to live in and a nation better able to lead in work for the welfare of mankind.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed hereto, this seventh day of February, 1922.

ATTEST:


Secretary of State.


Governor.
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Wm. H. Johnson
Secretary of State