Gov. Kennon Urges 'Proper Observance' of Bicentennial

LAFAYETTE, Ind. (AP) - Gov. Homer O. Kennon issued a proclamation Friday urging proper observance of the bicentennial of the United States.

Kennon's was one of a series of proclamations issued by governors around the country in the past week. The proclamations were issued on the urging of President Woodrow Wilson.

Kennon said the overemphasis on the military aspect of the bicentennial has obscured the true meaning of the event.

"The bicentennial is a time for us to remember the principles on which this country was founded," Kennon said. "It is a time for us to reflect on the values that have made our country great."