

A Public Humanities Series Lecture by

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# “Thinking about 'Tomorrow and Tomorrow and Tomorrow': Bill Clinton, *Macbeth*, and High School English”

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4:00 pm in Humanities 1008

In 1990, then Governor Bill Clinton walked into an English class in rural Arkansas as they were studying *Macbeth*, and recited a soliloquy from the tragedy that he had memorized during his own senior year. The moment represented a remarkable convergence between literature, politics and the history of education.



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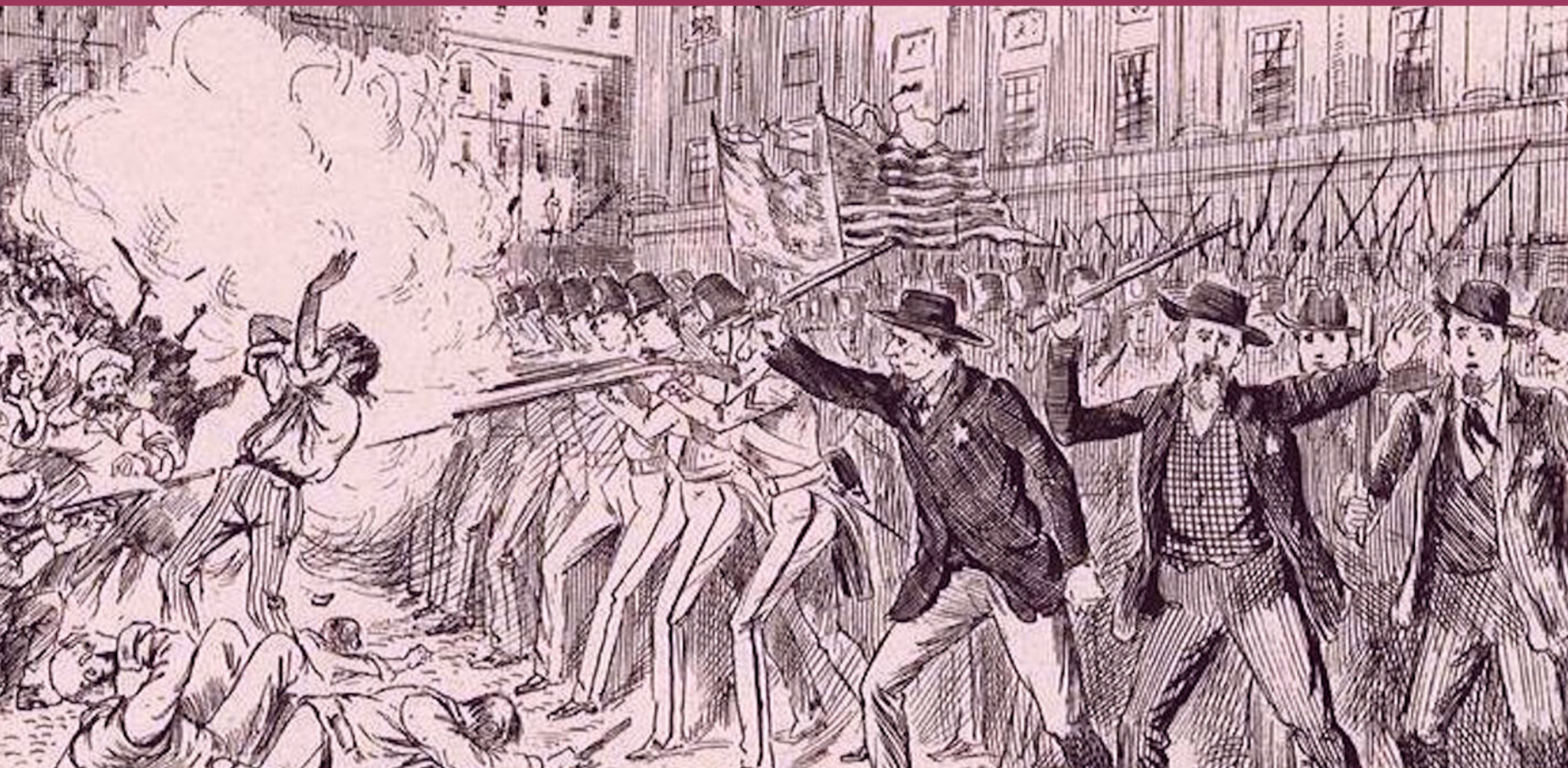


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