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1776 and 1950 Fights For Freedom

July 4th, 1950, was an eventful day.

It was not only the 174th anniversary of American independence, but marked the day when the United States ground forces made the first contact with the enemy in the current fight for independence in South Korea.

Patrick Henry in an immortal address pointed out that "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty."

The fight in South Korea is for the same principles as the fight of American colonists when they pledged their lives and their sacred honor in the Declaration of Independence.

Russia seeks to destroy human liberty and substitute therefor the system of communism with total dictatorship.

The invasion of South Korea is but a starting point for those who would destroy all democracies of the world and have one world under communism.

A Greensboro Daily News editorial July 4 made the following pertinent observations:

This 1950 Independence Day finds the United States of America, dedicated in 1776 to the cause of freedom through the Declaration of Independece, fighting again for that cause.

This time we appear to be backing the right of freedom for a tiny republic on the South Korean peninsula. Actually we are fighting to retain that important right for ourselves and for free people over the entire world. This crusades takes many forms. Sending planes and ships and men into action at Korea is an important one; rearming the democratic states of Western Europe is another; preserving individual liberties in the U.S., although less tangible, is still another.

The fighting is, of course, the most dramatic step taken since our combined might of arms subdued the fierce dictatorships of Hitler and Mussolini and the expansionist leaders of Japan.

The Kremlin is said to be surprised at United States action to halt the scheduled Communist sweep over Korea. This surprise is justified. Often as at the start of World Wars I and II, our nation has been slow to act. Our strong tendency to "let George do it" now has apparently been replaced with the correct impression that George, represented by France or Britain or any other world power, is no longer in a position to take the lead.

But no one should be surprised at American willingness to fight. This country, as it is easy to remember on July 4, was born fighting.

Russia should also remember that formidable opposition has never caused the U. S. to shrink from a war.

In 1776, when our fighting capacity was at its lowest ebb, we tackled Britain which, despite certain commitments in Europe that kept her from using her full strength on an "upstart" colony, was the greatest world power of that day. Germany and her allies were a formidable threat in 1914; the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo axis of the recent conflict threatened to strangle the world.

But when the cards were down Uncle Sam did just what he's doing today. He fought for the right of free people to stay

Distinctly in character are we, this 174th anniversary of our own assertion of independence.

Highway Death Toll Reaches Apalling Total

Traffic deaths killed United States people at the rate of one every 14 minutes during the Fourth of July holiday period.

The nation's total of fatal accidents through the holiday period to Tuesday night had reached 515 people.

While the Korean war occupied the most attention, it is interesting to note that the accident toll was 515 and for the same corporation lawyer who stood for period in Korea there were only two American casualties.

This death toll occured on the highways North Carolina Democratic primin the face of grim warnings from every newspaper and radio, telling people of the votes. But since Graham did not dangers of reckless highway travel and get a clear majority in a four-way pleading with them to use care and caution.

North Carolina at this point is calculations was second only to Michigan in the number of people killed in highway and break: the Supreme Court's deother accidents. Michigan's fatalities totaled 26 on the highways and North Carolina had 20 slaughtered in highway travel. In sions stirred up could be measuraddition, there were eight other accidental ed by their effect in North Carodeaths in North Carolina, including six lina, the most progressive of drownings.

Danger that lurks on the highways is no longer something that can be considered as a mere threat. The situation is grim and critical and no solution is in sight. Use of caution and reasonably good judgment Note the phrase; "North Carolina, for expanding to 500,000. So, the on the part of drivers could reduce the toll the most progressive of Southern to an occasional death.

Speeding is the leading cause of highway deaths, with intoxicated drivers figuring in many others.

The only remedy we can suggest is for scheduled to be held July 1 as an every driver to make sure that he doesn't all-out Graham victory celebra- ed surprised all the amateur Galcause an accident and try to get out of the tion for Dr. Frank Graham . . way of others.

-THE-EVERYDAY COUNSELOR





Why not get in step with Almighty God race, pointing out how Mr. Byrnes and His great onward-going program with is making his political rounds the world? Why not get in step with the Cadillac with a Negro chauffeur. people about you who are a part of this The magazine's opinion on the program?

in military service, and know that one of the first lessons taught a recruit is the art of keeping in step with the other members of his group. The fellow who is out of step is always walking on the other fellows heels.

We don't like the fellow who is constantly out of step with life, the chronic croaker and complainer, the perennial pessismist, the pimple picker. The man who can see nothing but defects, find nothing but faults, speak nothing but criticisms is to be pited. He is an obstructor in the world where helpers are needed.

J. B. Lawrence writing in the Southern Baptist Home Missions Magazine points to those great characters in the Bible who caught step with God and moved forward in His great onward-going program.

"Moses caught step with the infinite and led a nation into the Promised Land. Paul caught step with the program of God and rooted Christianity in the life of the world. Luther caught step with the Holy Spirit and gave pause to the papal power, of Rome by sponsoring religious freedom for men. George Washington and the singers of the Declaration of Independence in America caught step with the spirit of liberty and gave to the world the most equitable form of government known to man.

"God is going on and the man who stops not only breaks step, but falls out of line and is left behind on the wayside of the trivial while the host of progress march on to their appointed destiny. We live in a moving world. The vast expanse of space is filled with spinning planets and revolving sun. Nothing is static except death. It is so in the kindom of God.

"The easiest thing in the world is to organize a retreat. The tragedy of life is to live at a poor, dying rate. The peril of the kingdom of God is that the good may take the place of the best. God wants His people to go on."

Get in step with God. His great program is moving forward. No one is going to stop it. The followers of Christ are soldiers as well as saints. Join the onward-marching hosts of the church of God. Get in step with your thinking, with your life, yes, with your pocketbook. Anything less than one-seventh of your time and one-tenth of your money throws you out of step.

written this week by Tom Out- Wake Forest in 1934 and began

TIME MARCHES . . . This is what Time, the weekly newsmagazine, says in this week's edition about the nominaation of Willis Smith for the U. S. Senate:

"At first, big Willis Smith, a the South-as-is, couldn't decide whether to make another try for the U. S. Senate. In last month's ary bantam Fair Dealer Frank Graham had led him by 53,383 a runoff. Smith didn't know whether he could muster enough money and votes. At the last minute, he decided to try . . .

". . . He got a real campaign cision against segregation in Southern colleges and interstate city from the ground up, the condining cars. The dust those deci-

"Last week in the runoff, Lawyer Smith won his case by 18,000-

These excerpts from the Time one-column photo of Mr. Smith. are playing a game of bowling . .

REARRANGED . . Young Democratic Clubs executive committee meeting. with national speakers who sup- go to the polls. Also, attendance port the Truman Fair Deal pro- at the highway safety conference gram, was hastily postponed last last Thursday brought more surweek and the program is being prises. Scheduled to meet in the sharply overhauled. Reason: Var- hall of the House here originally. ious speakers notified YDC President Terry Sanford that they would not be available for the July 1 date.

JIMMY BYRNES . . . Just across the line in South Carolina the veteran Jimmy Byrnes, former U. S. Senator, ex-Supreme Court Justice, former Secretary of State, and "Assistant President," is running for Governor. Time carries this week a long article on this with the other candidates in a big outcome, as gathered from discussions with various people in this Many of you who read this have been spot "just a little bit south of North Carolina:" Jimmy Byrnes will win by a landslide.

HOKE NORRIS . . . Thirteen rears ago right along now Frank Gilbreath, who with his sister wrote "Cheaper by the Dozen," the movie version of which is now playing about the State, and Hoke Norris were working here in Raleigh for the Associated Press. Now comes an orchid for Hoke, who is a specialist in labor reporting for the Winston-Salem Journal. He has just won a Neiman Fellowship awarded by Harvard University to outstanding newspaper writers. For many a year now North Carolina newsmen have been looking to the day when one of their number would

be chosen for this high honor. Norris will spend his year at Harvard studying labor and social issues. He graduated at Wake Forest, where his parents moved in 1930 so their sons, Frank and Hoke, could go to college. His father, a minister, still preaches and many a Wake alumnus recalls with pleasure the quiet, friendly hours he spent as roomer at the



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(Editor's Note: The column is Norris home, Hoke graduated at work, like many another North From 1937 to 1946 he was with

three years out for Army duty. time Norris would cub dowd with to Gov. Scott. a bad code in the dose.

ARCHITECT'S DREAM

Matthew Novicki, acting head of race, Willis Smith was entitled to the Dept. of Arch. of the State College School of Design, left Raleigh last week for India carrying architectural plans for a new capital city in the Punjab Pro-

Prime Minister Nehru gave the nod to Punjab to build a capital tract being placed with a New York architect, Albert Meyer, who beckoned to the State College professor, a native of Poland and a consultant to the United Nations lesign board, to draw up the architectural plans for the city. Nowicki's plans include civic centers, business areas, residential secarticle are carried here merely to tions, and government building. present some of the out-of-State Provisions will be made for a thinking on the recent primary. population of 150,000 with plans world continues to build. . states." Time also runs a neat and sometimes it seems as if we set 'em up and knock 'em down.

> INCREASED PUBLIC INTER-EST . . . The voters on May 27 and June 24 who stood up to be countlops as to the number who would

and this seats only about 20 to the State College Textile Building Auditorium, which holds about

Chairman John Park and his conferees diverged widely upon deas, methods, etc., to accomplish Carolina newspaperman, with the their purpose. But all were to-Daily Advance in Elizabeth City. gether in thinking that traffic the Associated Press . . with in all, it was one of the best meetings ever held here and Hoke still likes to recall how something good . . . including a Herbert Peele, until recently pub- watered down version of automolisher and editor of the Daily bile inspection by the next Legis-Advance, placed a bag of oranges lature . . . may come out of it. A by his reporter's typewriter each salute to Chairman Park . . . and

> TO GENEVA . . . Americans (Continued On Page Eight)

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