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Photo by Steve Mueller

## Soul Power In Resurrection City

... the other side of demonstrations

## Resurrection City Now Part Of Past

By EVIE STEVENSON  
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The permit allowing the establishment of Resurrection City in Washington expired on Monday, June 24.

Its termination resulted in the eviction of its inhabitants into the streets of Washington.

Rev. Ralph Abernathy, leader for the Poor People's Campaign, immediately marched into phase two of the Campaign: demonstrations, civil disobedience and mass arrest.

Abernathy, along with over 200 others, yielded to D.C. police in an orderly fashion on Monday.

The arrests were made upon Abernathy's group who marched upon Capitol Hill and upon a smaller number of campers in Resurrection City who failed to leave on time.

The Poor People expect to maintain residence in Washington in private homes and churches. This influx of marchers could be minimized for the present because of the substantial number in jail.

Abernathy, however, feels secure that more will come to the capital to support the movement.

Mr. Hilliard Caldwell, co-chairman of the People's Reform Organization for Democracy (PROD), the group that organized the Poor People's Campaign in the Chapel Hill area stated, "The arrests will bring more support into Washington."

Caldwell felt that the government should have extended the permit to camp in order to avert violence.

The younger militants of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference will take this opportunity, while Abernathy is in jail, to take more brash actions concerning the Campaign.

One problem that the Campaign's leaders had to cope

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## July 4th Celebration Scheduled At Kenan

The 16th annual community-wide Old-Fashioned Fourth of July celebration will be staged in Kenan Stadium this year for the benefit of the American Field Service (AFS) student exchange program.

Profits from the event will pay the cost of a high school student from another country coming to spend the school year in Chapel Hill next fall.

This past year an Argentine high school girl lived with a local family under this program. This coming school year a girl from Australia will come to Chapel Hill, and a local scholarship winner will go to Switzerland.

In addition, the Fourth celebration will provide funds for the two Chapel Hill high

school students who are going abroad on AFS scholarships this summer and next fall.

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## 'Citizens Committee' Opposes Gun Control

By TOM GOODING  
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"Once the government confiscates the weapons, the people in the rural areas and in the hinterland of the country couldn't stop a communist take-over," according to Col. Henry E. Royall.

Col. Royall is chairman of the Citizens Committee to Defend our Constitution, a "state-wide organization to fight any move to register guns."

Col. Royall described the committee. "This is a citizens committee made up of people all over North Carolina," he said. "It is very broad base. It is a volunteer organization made up of a cross section of people."

The committee has been operating for nearly two weeks and according to Col. Royall, "We have been getting a wonderful response. We have already acquired the signature of about 16,000 people."

"We send the petitions to Congress periodically. They are submitted to Congress to preserve the rights of the citizens under the 2nd amendment of the so-called Bill of Rights of the Constitution.

"The people of the state are very disturbed about these control laws and they want to end them. We are going to continue this movement as long as there is a threat from Washington."

Col. Royall then discussed the objectives of the committee.

"We are going to try to vote down any and all gun control laws and registration laws that are presented to the Congress because we are satisfied with the laws as they are now."

Col. Royall then justified the

actions and reasons of the committee he chairs. "Any further gun laws would be an infringement on the constitution as specified in the 2nd amendment," he said.

The Second Amendment states:

"A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed."

Col. Royall said, "We don't need any further harassment of the individual citizen who needs some way to protect himself and his property because policemen can't stand beside every person—there just aren't enough of them."

Col. Royall then said what he

felt would be the government's sequel action to registering guns.

"If this registration were complete over the entire nation as President Johnson has stated he wants the next move to be to confiscate all the weapons."

Royall then expressed concern that this would leave the people completely defenseless.

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"With the troops out of the country and not enough policemen the people of the country couldn't stop a communist take-over of the country."



## Signatures Continue On Gun Bill Petition

By JUDY FLYNN  
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"People have been wonderful," said Mrs. William Dooley, 110 Fern Lane, "and we see no reason to stop."

Mrs. Dooley and six other former Robert Kennedy campaigners have been collecting donations in memory of Kennedy and signatures for a petition in the Y Court since June 17.

Nearly 1500 people have signed the petition which asks for this in two ways:

—All persons having guns should be required to register them with the proper authorities.

—No interstate sale of guns should be allowed.

The signatures were sent to Senator Jordan of North Carolina and Senator Tydings of Maryland by Mrs. David King, 19 Hamilton Road, who phrased the petition.

Mrs. King originally presented the petition before a Democratic executive meeting in Orange County.

"They approved it," she said, "so we started the petition here."

Mrs. King got the idea for the petition from her mother who started a similar one in Wilson, N.C.

Mrs. G. Liptain, 214 Rosemary, a Kennedy supporter, said that "the group is asking that the petition be shown to all North Carolina Congressmen."

"Jordan," Mrs. Dooley continued, "has always voted against gun control bills."

However, in a letter received by Mrs. King Sen. Jordan said he realized that there should be some sort of gun control law.

"We're looking into this," Jordan wrote Mrs. King.

"Although so many people are in favor of the petition, we've had some interesting arguments," commented Mrs. Dooley.

"People complain that it's too much trouble to register their gun, but we tell them they register their car so why not their gun," she said.

"Some people are against outlawing mail order of guns," said Mrs. King, "but we tell them it's just as easy to buy a gun from your local dealer."

Donations from the Kennedy memorial fund now amount to \$250, Mrs. Dooley noted.

"After Kennedy's death we contacted his national headquarters and asked what to do with campaign funds and donations," said Mrs. King. "We were told to give it to some local worthwhile project he would have supported," she said.

"What we'll do with it," she continued, "will depend on the amount we finally collect." "We're going to keep collecting as long as there's interest shown."

The Kennedy people are considering several suggestions for use of the memorial money. The American Cancer Society of Orange County has asked to be considered along with a day care center, an anti-poverty program, and a scholarship.

Another booth was set up

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