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### July Fourth

Rocky Martin

Wednesday, the nation celebrated the 197th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence by a group of rather young men representing British colonists literally fed up with a variety of impositions by the distant mother government.

They were brash indeed.

Great Britain was the world power, challenged only by France, her acrossthe-channel neighbor. The colonists had little, both in numbers of men and quantity material. Indeed, spirit was the major asset.

Nor were the colonies united, for there were many colonists who did not wish to cut the ties with Great Britain and many of these were to don the red andwhite uniform of the British and fight against their brother.

It amazed the world when the British surrendered at Yorktown in 1781.

The list of complaints against the Crown as written in the Declaration of Independence is long.

But most important and worth rereading frequently is the brief statement of principle.

"We hold these truths to be selfevident that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their creator with certain inalienable rights-that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

Almost all, at one time or another, decline to believe that all men are created equal and endowed by the creator with certain inalienable rights.

Almost all tend to forget that all men are entitled to the pursuit of happiness-not necessarily happiness itself.

### Hats Off

George W. Mauney, the veteran chairman of the board of directors of Kings Mountain Hospital, Inc., has been a dedicated and effective chairman and his re-election as president was a wise decision by his fellow board members.

Congratulations, too, to the other officers, all re-elected, and to the newest member of the board, Fain Hambright, of Grover.

### **New Bloodmobile Year**

Just beginning is another Red Cross bloodmobile year, with Kings Mountain reported slightly behind on its 1972-73 bloodmobile "account."

Over the years, Kings Mountain has done a good job on filling its share of the area blood bank.

All are called on to do more. Uses for the whole blood, blood plasma and other blood derivatives in treating illnesses, grows and the population is growing.

The result is continuing presurre

and need for even more blood donations.

Hearty congratulations to American Legion Auxiliary Unit 155 which led other units in the state in receiving top awards at the recent state convention in Charlotte. The 111 members and officers are to be commended.

### Refreshing

Here is an unusual occurrence in the world of politics. In Pueblo, Colo., Mrs. Rene Egan,

candidate for state senator, withdrew

from the race.

She issued this statement: "Withdrawing certainly is not an easy decision. One does not run for the sake of running, but for the betterment of a community. In my judgment, Senate District 25 couldn't be represented better than it is by incumbent Sen. Vincent

Not only unusual, but refreshing.

Congratulations are in order to Mrs. Betty Neisler Timberlake, winner of the Emily Smith Medallion from Mary Baldwin College and to Bill Patterson, first place winner among law students in N. C. National Bank's will and drafting

Dr. John Wood Robinson, who contributes a religious column, "Beginning the Day" in the Spartanburg, S. C. Herald, wrote recently:

Understanding

"There is a rule in a private school in England that if two boys are caught fighting each other, they are tied together for a day. They must eat, walk, work, with each other in the closest possible way. This method usually cures them of fighting, as it leads to a better understanding of each other.

"Often we forget that we may be just as peculiar to others as they are to us. Just a little understanding sometimes makes such a difference.

"I read a little illustration of real understanding in the Reader's Digest sometime ago. A man had just put up a sign, "Puppies for sale," and had stepped back to inspect the litter.

Suddenly, he heard a little boy's voice say, "Mister, I'd like to buy a puppy if they don't cost too much.

"Well son, they are ten dollars," the man answered. The child's face fell. "I only got a

dollar and sixty-three cents. But could I see them anyway?" As the little balls of fur came roll-

ing out the boy said anxiously, "I heard there was one with a bad leg. "Yes," replied the man, "I'm afraid that she is hopelessly crippled. So you

wouldn't want her. She will never be able to walk very well." Hiking up one trouser leg, the little

boy showed a brace. "I don't walk so good either, and I reckon she'll need some understanding till she gets used

Needless to say, the little boy got his dog, and money was not mentioned. Nothing is more greatly needed in our world today than real understanding. It could solve many of the problems that are confronting us.

### How's That

A Wall Street Journal reporter noted recently the plight of a Wichita, Kansas man who argued that none of his income was taxable because none of it was received in gold and silver.

The metals, the man said, are the only legal media of exchange under the

The Tax Court retorted that the Constitution isn't quite that restricive and added that Federal Reserve notes aren't "bogus and counterfeit" as the man contended.

### Greenwood, S. C. Index-Journal Out Of Past

The little red school house is a part of American tradition, although most of the one-teacher or two-teacher schools that most of us remember had not been painted at all.

Through necessity, older and brighter students in those schools were used extensively in coaching smaller ones, probably to the advantageof both.

In any case, that method is now coming back. President Thomas F. Jones of the

University of South Carolina reported in a recent speech how USC is experimenting with new methods of teaching and seeking to understand how the learning process can best be approach-

"The use of students as teachers," was one of the three approaches.

"This means," Dr. Jones said, "that we're going back to the Little Red School House'—the best rural America. In many, many cases students respond better and more openly to schoolmates than to teachers who tend to appear as authority figures and critics. The teach-

ers keep it in hand."
It shows once again that there are things we can learn from the past, if only we will have inquiring minds to seek out the best and minds open enough to accept them.

### Letter To Editor

study of The Ten Commandments in our Beginner and Kindergarten Departments at Boyce Memorial A.R.F. Church. The first Sunday the lesson concerned the Laws as given to Moses and our laws and law enforcement today. Lieutenant Bob Hayes, a member of the Kings Mountain Police Department, visited our class that day and, although he stayed only a few minutes, the im pression he made on those young minds was tremendous.

and said to them.

ment for the fine job you're do-

Mrs. Eugene Steffy

### Garden Time

By M. E. GARDNER N. C. State University Most home gardeners have used peat "moss." However, many readers do not know that there are differences in the physical ed spokesmen, continues to deny and chemical characteristics of peat, depending upon the kind of plants from which it originated. How is peat formed? It is self comes forward to refute formed by the laying down of sucthese allegations, many Americessive generations of plants un- cans will continue to question the der water. In the absence of air, President's Watergate role. these plants decompose very slowly

there are four major plant ate Watergate committee. Then groups: the sphagnum group, he could pour out his version of omposed of various herbaceous the Watergate story once and plants. This peat has a strong for all. And the American people hynum group, associated with the mosses, sedges and other flowering plants. This type is generally neutral or slightly alkaline in reaction; the reed-sedge group, formed from sedges, cattails and grasses; and the shrub and tree group, formed from blueberries, alder and willow. This last group yields a peat which lacks uni- and Rutherfordites can share in formity because of the coarser the pride, since they are involv-material content such as decay. ed in a State House District or ing back, twigs and branches.

Sometimes the tem peat and Cleveland county, muck are used interchangeably, between the two products. Peat

Here is a first-termer back Friendship is the only between the two products. Peat

House, named to the committee gether.—Woodrow Wilson. about 35 per cent while muck be most on the spot when the soil may range between 35 per 1974 legislature convenes. Here up early to get

sphagnum group. It has an acid reaction and a nitrogen content ranging from 1 per cent to 3 per cent. It is low in both phosphorous and ranging from 1 per cent to 3 per shall Rauch appointed to the experience of the center of the cen ous and potash and is relatively

free of weed seed and fungi.
Peat has many uses. It intities by the nurseryman and florist for seed germination, rooting county will have part of the decutives and in the preparation claims. of soil mixtures for potting plants.

# Talk Less,

"This form of listenings isn't eavesdropping," she points out. It's a way to find out some of your child's innermost feelings about himself, about his lot in life, about his feelings toward them. It's a way to find out some of your child's innermost feelings about himself, about his lot in life, about his feelings toward them. It's a way to find out some of the about himself, about his feelings toward them.

It often takes a lot of patience to hear a child out-especially when he's slow at getting around to the point, Mrs. Haywood says. But cutting him off with a 'hurry up, I haven't got all day," good emmunication channel with Gayety theater on Ninth street, with your child later.

le and eager to tell all.

Show interest in what he has is the huge J. Edgar Hoover to say, even though it may seem building of the Federal Bureau of trivila, Mrs. Haywood recom-Investigation.

participation in school, too.

### Viewpoints of Other Editors The first of June we began a NIXON SHOULD TESTIFY DAMERON WILLIAMS

counsel John Dean's testimony some years back which he called 205 N. Morris St., Gastonia, anthat President Nixon must have "Hoping you are the same." Lat-nounce the birth of a son Thursknown about the Watergate er, and possibly before, he wrote day, June 28, Kings Mountain break in and subsequent cover-up the column for local house or hospital. attempt all along. But at the gans. same time, many other Americans same time, many other Americans aren't accepting those repeated White House denials of Dean's Liked about local people and nounce the birth of a daughter, not. They usually don't. Senate Watergate committee.

Last Sunday, we had visitor and the children excitedly told him, "You should have been here the Congressmen have cast clouds would always end up his writing other Sunday, we had a real over Dean's testimony implicativith . policeman here." And went on to ling the president. They have same, Dameron Williams." question, and in some cases have Thank you, Lieutenant Hayes, for your visit, and thanks to you and the other members of the Kings Mountain Police Depart-Kings Mount his alleged involvement in the

But the fact remains that John Dean has delivered his sensation-Senate committee in front something Mr. Nixon hasn't done up to now.

Nixon, always through appoint-

The best thing the president of the United States could do right How many plant groups are now would be to make a voluninvolved? Generally speaking tary appearance before the sentral tar

## POSITIONS

Clevelanders can be proud of their state legislators. Gaston going to do until you've done it. a State Senate District with

Here is a first-termer Jack cent and 75 per cent. Much of the is Rep. Bob Jones, a Forest City strictly for the birds.—Franklin resident who represents Clevefavorite supplier s muck.

The peat you buy is, for the most part imported from Germany or Canada and is formed by the decomposition of the land county, appointed to the North Carolina Courts Commission. Here is Rep. Robert Z.

Falls, the dean of the legislation pamed a subcombattma Gandhi. tive delegation, named a subcom- hatma Gandhi. mittee chairman to study panded Advisory Budget Commission.

creases the water-holding capa-city of sandy soils and provides better aeration in closes texturcity of sandy soils and provides better aeration in closes textured soils. It is a must for successfully growing the acid loving has a voice, a direct imput to has a voice, and commits saving great amounts of time fully growing the acid loving has a voice, a direct imput to the miracle of electricity we are plants and is used in large quanthese commissions and committee saving great amounts of time plants and is used in large quanthese commissions.

Mr. Hunt's ascension to the de- have it, all y cision-making levels of state govilks to a doll or his dog.
"This form of listenings isn't Jones will have should be equal-

Also listen when the child four legislators live outside the tries to talk to you. Too often parents are likely to want to reap some of the recognition for tell a child what to do, rather their actions, and it certainly can tell a child what to do, rather their actions, and it certainty can than posing a question that lay claim to the achievements of Dr. Hunt and Mr. Falls—Shelby entertain the thought of structure of the convenient way of meeting the seriously entertain the thought of structure.

## THE FBI PROMISES ETERNAL VIGILENCE

One of Washington's best-known attractions is disappearlessen your chances of a Wreckers are tearing down the

Its new neighbor across the street cents an hour.

Many Americans apparently Dameron Williams used to don't believe former White House write a column for The Gazette

damaging testimony before the senate Watergate committee, what they were doing. Once in Monday, July 2, Kings Mountain awhile, he would bring in mem-Pro-administration spokesmen, about something that happened

> Dameron used to come by the newspaper office and chat. He nounce the birth of a son, Tues he could get up early and stay late and never run out.

Aside from his talent to amuse -and he had plenty of that he Nixon, under oath, before the discuss the events of the day or of the ongoing issues that fold live television cameras. That's over from the past into tomorrow.

People liked Dameron Williams. He was a gentle man and kindly man. He liked people and he liked to see them laugh. Dameron lived among us for a

long time. He died last week and his many friends will miss him, miss his humor, miss his bright and optmistic outlook.-Gastonia QUOTES OLD AND NEW

### Happy people are those

are producing something.-Wm. R. Inge.

There's another Indian village a little below Wounded Knee. It's called Sprained Ankle.-Shelby

same as if they had pneumonia-Kin Hubbard. Never tell anybody what you're

-Cornelius Vanderbilt. Some of us should be thankful King St., City we have far more than we de-

serve. Arnold Glasow. Friendship is the only cement Ellison Dr., City

That old saw about getting

### NOT REALLY!

Electricity has become so much a part of our lives that most of use take it for granted and can-It's good that we can have not conceive of a world without

To realize just how good we do is take St., City there was no electricity. Simple Box 199, City there was no electricity. Simple Box 199, City tasks like washington and iron. a look packward to a time when, Listen More

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RALEIGH. — Talk Less and Isten more ils pretty good advice when it comes to dealing with children.

Mrsfl Faye Haywood, extension family life specialist, North Carolina State University, suggests

Medical school controversy and its solution. And what could be more helpful than be able to turn directly to Sen. Rauch or Rep. Falls about the way the state's money is spent or whether taxes are raised, lowered or olina State University, suggests

Listen More

League's having recognized his abilities very early in his legislative career. What that means is that Dr. Hunt will be deeply involved in the East Carolina Medical school controversy and its solution. And what could be more helpful than be able to turn directly to Sen. Rauch or Rep. Falls about the way the state's money is spent or whether taxes are raised, lowered or lowered lowered lowered or lowered l family life specialist, North Car-olina State University, suggests you listen to your child when he ous problem, the access to the country of the constantly feeding it during the constantly feeding it during since the day to keep it going. Since burning wood or coal was the main source of energy, a pall of

smoke hung over most cities. Electricity is the lifeblood of modern civilization. Electric util-ity companies did not vent the needs they fill. They have always been part of life. Electricity's contribution has been to provide a cleaner, safer, more efficient ping progress, halting construction of needed power plants and returning to the "good old days" of backbreaking labor. Not really!-Transylvania Times.

Gayety theater on Ninth street, the home of Washington's strip-by North Carolina farmers rose with your child later.

He'll be more free about telling you his troubles, his joys, his plans when he gets older if you let him know you're interested in what he has to say when he's little and easer to tell all.

the home of Washington's stripby North Carolina farmers rose tease shows.

One man watching the scene saverage hourly rate of pay in cases where living quarters were furnished was \$1.45, also up 14 to and easer to tell all.

14-page booklet, "Doing trivila, Mrs. Haywood recommends. And ask him leading questions to encourage him to talk all the more.

This is a good step toward having a child who learns to think on his feet—who's more open and on his feet—who his had on his h Your Best on Aptitude Tests," of ing a child who learns to think on his feet—who's more open and willing to converse with others once he gets out into the more competitive world.

HARD-CHARGING WOMEN

In olden days, men rode chargerintendent of Documents, U. S. ers, Now they marry them.—In a Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. 20402.

## **Announcements Food Prices** Birth

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Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Lee Smarr, Route 4, Box 417, an-

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Ewell Samuel Tate, 203 N. Sims St., City Mrs. Olin Sutherland, 306 Fairview St., City Mrs. William Blanton St., City

# Are Higher,

You're right, food prices are high just like the price of virtually everything else. The difference

Americans are so use to prices Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Peterson, 99 Island Rd., Rt. 1, Blacks is to jump every item into the burg, S. C., announce the birth of same category. Overlooded is the a son, Monday, July 2, Kings fact that agriculture respondes to high prices by increasing production, often to the point of over-production. This orings prices down.

North Carolina State University extension economists, n recent series of papers on the many aspects of food pricing, point out that agricultural products do not follow the continuous uward trend that many other products follow.

Agricultural prices do go up as they have in recent months, but they also come down. Sometimes they go up very fast, but they often go down very fast.

A 3 per cent meat price increase this month, for example, doesn't mean a 40 per cent increase for the year, as might be expected. In fact, it may mean a 19 per cent decline somewhere down the road. The nature of livestock pro-

duction reveals why meat prices move both ways-up as well down. A farmer can't decide today to produce a beef steer or hog and market it tomorrow Weeks, months or even years are required. The farmer doesn't know what

price he will get for his product at the time he decides to produce He guesses that it will be ADMITTED THURSDAY

Edgar H. Barber, 107 Wateroak

profitable or he wouldn't decide to produce it. He often bases his guess about prices on what Mrs. Frances H. Biddix, 621 E. has been getting recently and what he is getting now. So, if prices are high now, he guesses maybe they will stay high at least long enough for him to get geared up and produce a lot more

at the high price level. Once the farmer has decided to produce something there are not many good ways of stopping the production process. Once a baby pig is born, there is a pretty good chance that in four to six months there will be a 200-Mrs. Joe Dean Bratton, Rt. 2, pound live hog headed for mar-

So what happens? When prices are low, farmers decide to cut back on production because they are losing money. But when they reduce production, prices begin to go up. So they decide to in-crease production again in response to the profitable prices. But it takes times before they have anything to sell. As every one eventually has more to sell, prices fall again but they have to go ahead and sell all they have started to produce even at low prices. Thus, the cycle starts all

over again. Roxanne Guinn, Rt. 4, Box pends on the length of the production process and other factors such as changes in production costs and changes in consumption habits which change the normal relationship metween levels production, prices and profits. The hog-pork cycle tends to be out four to six years in lengt the beef cycle is longer-10 years

When se ral commodities reach the high price part of their cycles at one time, it may have a rather drastic effect on food prices. This seems to be what has happened recently, according to the NCSU economists. So meat prices are high, but it is not likely they will stay high very long. They will be low again and then Brandioni Dr., Gastonia They will be low again and then Robert T. Ruff, 805 Boyce St., it will be the producers rather than the consumers who are in a

bind. The only thing that makes ups and downs tolerable, for pro-M. Dyke, 106 that at least prices are neither high or low all of the time.

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