Just as it has been on about thirty other Fourth of Julys in our nation's history, Americans are fighting wars on this one-hundred-ninety-first anniversary of the declaration of independence. In Vietnam, American Marines are blocking a frantic *** attempt by North Vietnamese troops to sweep south against U.S fortifications. From his Texas ranch, President Johnson reminded us that "the freedom we celebrate is ours only because of the valor of ** to die for it."

But for most Americans it has been the customary day of picnics, parades, speech-making and fireworks.

In Milwaukee, a parade featured fifty=four colorful and historic circus wagons from the Circus World Museum at Baraboo, Wisconsin. Former President Harry Truman watched a parade from the front porch of his home on Delaware Street in Independence, Missouri. In an hour

Willingboro, New Jersey, the tradi

Fourth of July parade got underway men minus a few units.

Several veterans groups and civic organizations withdrew because of a float space sponsored by the John Birch Society.

President Johnson's first grandchild - Fatrick

Lyndon Nugent - was christened today in a ceremony at

a Roman Catholic Church about a mile from the L B J

ranch in Texas. The thirteen day old baby boy had slept

through most of his public appearances so far - but

he was wide awake for today's ceremony. Later, as the

tiny tot was lovingly being passed around from one member

of the family to another, President Johnson remarked:

"That's crue and inhuman punishment."

After the christening, President and Mrs. Johnson flew to Texarkana, Texas, for the funeral of Mrs. Wright Patman, wife of the Texas congressman who is chairman of the House Banking and Finance Committee.

The Soviet Union today launched another Cosmos satellite - the fourteenth to be fired aloft since the death of Cosmonaut Vladimir Komarov last ** April. There's no word concerning the new satellite's mission - but some Cosmos spaceships are being used as research vehicles in an effort to determine what brought about Komarov's death in the final state of his space flight.

Two Egyptian jet fighters buzzed Israeli troops in the Sinai Desert today. The Israeli command says one was shot down by anti-aircraft fire - the other driven off. The incident took place west of the Suez amid reports that Russia is shipping a steady stream of fighter planes, tanks and artillery to Egypt's badly mauled armed forces.

An Ethiopian government spokesman denies reports from Cairo which say more than five thousand Ethiopian troops have invaded the Egyptian Sudan. An Egyptian newspaper carried a dispatch from the Sudanese capital of Khartoum - saying that the Eo Ethiopians -- supported by tanks and planes - had advanced more than eighteen miles inside the border. In Washington, State Department officials see they have no information to substantiate this the invasion reports.

against rock-throwing students in Seoul and three Korean

Where they had their towns today, a this second straight day of violence. More than a hundred and fifty students were were arrested - as they protested the alleged rigging in the recent elections which gave President Park Chung Hee's ruling party a three to one majority in Pattern Parliament.

Today's demonstrations involved some eight thousand students who have the streets.

Evangelist Billy Graham will hold a revival in the great north Italian Metropolia, the autocapt. It furin, that, tomorrow -- marking the first time he has ever delivered a sermon in Italy.

Then the movest on to Yugoslavia for a series of religious meetings in Zagreb -- where he will preach in a Communist country for the first time. A spokesman for the Graham organization say. Yugoslav authorities are being "very cooperative" about letting him preach there, despite the official atheistic

position of the government.

There were touches of both the traditional and the modern in today's coronation of King Tupou the Fourth - ruler of an independent Polynesian Kingdom of one-hundred-fifty south Pacific islands. When He was crowned in the ting royal chapel on the island of Tonga, while -- outside - coconut palms swayed gently in the breeze. Graceful lilies and gladioli decorated the altar in the chapel and hibiscus flowers hung from the walls. - but a closer the pacifical revealed that the hibiscus was made of coloned plastic.

All Tonga seemed to be waiting to greet their king in the palace grounds as he emerged in his ermine and silk coronation robes and wearing his ak gold crown.

Cloud the crown and robes set somewhat wearing uneasily on King Tupou's portly, three hundred pound body.

Alabama's Governor, Mrs. Lurleen Wallace flew to Houston, Texas, today and entered a hospital
for tests and possible surgery for and a malignancy.

She checked into the M.D. Anderson Hospital, which
is internationally known as a cancer clinic. Accompanying
her was her husband - former Governor George Wallace.

State officials say Mrs. Wallace will continue to exercise
her powers as Governor while in the hospital by remaining
in constant communication with her advisers in Montgomery.

Whatever became of that old saying - "have a safe and sane Fourth?" We used to hear it this time every year - when fireworks are popping all over the place. And we need to hear it again - but for a different reason. The death toll on the nation's highways has already set a record for a Fourth of July weekend and before it's over - it could become the most tragic summer holiday in our history. So, if you are listening I hope you'll drive with extra special courting; watch out for those coming toward you, trying to pass you - and so on. I hope you will be listening tomorrow evening - and not from a hospital bed.

Now here's an appropriate question. Who said -"Lafayette, we are here"? Appropriate because those famous words were spoken -- exactly fifty years ago today. Occasion - General John J. Pershing, celebrating the Fourth of July in Nineteen Seventeen. Place -- Paris. Lafayette's tomb. Meaning of the words - the A E F arriving to join France in World War One. Black Jack Pershing, ready to lead his men - against the legions of the Kaiser. Just as Lafayette had fought for America in the War of Independence.

I'm reminded of those dramatic days because.

In new biography of Pershing has just appeared. Written

by Professor Frank & Vandiver (van-di-ver) - for the

silver Burdet; series called "illustrious Americans.

And Pershing was, of course. - an illustrious American.

The grant, scene at La Fayette's tomb in Nineteen

Seventeen - is described in this book. Along with the ringing apostrophe to LaFayette. So - who said it?

Pershing? himself - you say? - welt, Black Jack remarked
later - "many have attributed this striking utterance
to me, and I have often wished that it could have been
mine."

Actually, a staff officer, Colonel Charles & Stanton, spoke for the General - during the ceremony.

And it was Colonel Stanton who delivered that we immortal words:

- "Lafayette, we are here!"

Why was Pershing called Black
Tack?" Because for years he was in
personal command of regro
covabry. He found them great
Romen — and liked to work with them.
His fellow cavalry officers dubbed
him Black Tack; and it stuck.

Australia's youngest state Premier -- forty year old Don Dunstan of South Australia, -, says that boys and young men have the right to wear their hair "right down to their knees" if they want to -- regardless of what the court judges say. Dunstan agrees with the view that no court has a legal right to tell a defendant to get a haircut, or put on a coat and tie. He also points out that on ceremonial occasions Supreme Court Judges must wear full-bottomed wigs -- complying with a tradition that began when the well-groomed man wore his hair in long ninghints ringlets - down to his shoulders. and s-l-u-t-m.