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GETTYSBURG, Pa., July 1—Under a scorching sun, 3,000 persons gathered at the Eternal Light Peace Memorial on the battlefield today and heard a call for national unity — for a "resolve never to be torn in two again."

The occasion was the commemoration of the first day of the terrible three-day Battle of Gettysburg. The speaker was Gov. William S. Scranton of Pennsylvania, making a welcoming address to the folks from North and South.

He said there is unfinished business left over from the war between brothers, including "the task of driving prejudice out of the human heart at least as readily as we are learning to drive man into outer space."

Recalling the "new birth of freedom" by which Abraham Lincoln spoke, Scranton said this had been brought forth painfully.

"It was won on the perforce of reconstructing," he said, "and then lay sore until the North plunged into building its industrial machine."

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"Now the new freedom begins to move again this time into stormy adolescence. In the South, in the West — in every section of the nation men are called upon to look into their own hearts."

The crowd today was far smaller than officials expected. This probably was due in part to the almost insufferable 100-degree heat.

Governor Scranton noted that it was in just such weather as this that the battle began 100 years ago today. On the first of three battles that struggle Gen. Robert E. Lee's Confederates drove Gen.