Invasion

In the early light of April 19, 1775, an invading force marched from Boston toward Lexington and Concord, Massachusetts. Their goal was to locate and capture certain rebel leaders and to capture or destroy the arms, ammunition and provisions thought to be stored in the area. Five years earlier The Boston Massacre had taken many lives and was still fresh in the minds of many. From the protests over taxation and colonists pressing for the right to run their own affairs, the call for independence from England is growing. The stage is set for open conflict.

Over the preceding days the local Militias had learned of the plans to move on Concord and had dispersed and hidden the contraband arms along the route of march. On the preceding night the local Militia got word the actual attack was underway and the Militia plan to sound the alarm and muster was activated for defense. Militia forces from villages up to 25 miles away answered the alarm. From a main force of about 700 British Regulars, a smaller contingent moved onto the town green at Lexington, Massachusetts. There they demanded that the greatly outnumbered "rebels" disburse. Shots were fired and the Militia fell back before the invaders.

The British Regulars continued on toward the town of Concord, destined to again meet the militia forces at the North Bridge. In the time it took to make this march the alarm had been well sounded and militiamen turned out to now outnumber a company of Regulars at the North Bridge by nearly 4 to 1. Confronting each other from opposite sides of the Concord River, the Militia formed up into ranks and advanced on the British Regulars. The audacity of these rebels! Eventually the Regulars fired and the Militia returned fire. Now "the shot heard 'round the world" had been fired.

Seeing their position rapidly deteriorating, the British forces chose to retreat to Boston, constantly harassed by an ever increasing Militia force, now approaching 2000 members, responding to the early alarm to muster. Had it not been for a relief column of British forces dispatched from Boston to rescue them, they may have been wiped out.

You knew all that, right?

Generations of emigrants had come to the new world in search of fortune and freedom, especially religious freedom. They had settled in colonies with support from, and commerce with, Europe. They lived for decades in tolerable coexistence but the rulers in England wanted more compliance from their colonial subjects. The settlers wanted to be treated more as Citizens of the realm and less as subjects. After "...a long train of abuses and usurpations...design(ed) to reduce them under absolute Despotism...", the former subjects threw off foreign rule and declared their independence. The Revolutionary War

had begun.

You knew that too, right?

The Militia, later supplemented by a newly instituted colonial army, faced down and then defeated the world super-power of the day, the Royal British Army and Navy. When roused, the Citizens of the new nation prevailed against long odds. The Revolutionary War was the first time a major foreign power had ever invaded the colonies. Invasion was tried again in 1812 with the newly formed United States of America - with the same results. No other invasion has tried since then.

That is, until now.

America, founded on the principles of freedom, especially religious freedom, now finds that our freedom is threatened. This nation has always tolerated various religions and the worship of its members. Indeed, our constitution specifically disallows the establishment of any national religion and provides for the free exercise of religion.

Today it is obvious that adherents of one religion, perhaps in a distorted version of it but never the less under the name of one religion, seek to force their view on all nations. The goal of this forced religious compliance goes beyond what might be called theistic practices and well into the area of religious based secular law, laws which control all daily life and legal dealings. These religious beliefs and laws would control private affairs among business, families and communities. They would run counter to our well established national heritage. Together they comprise ideas and practices which are an anathema to our society.

To coin a phrase, these religious edicts are totally "Foreign", and abhorrent to our Constitution. America and much of the free world finds itself under this attack - social, military and terrorist attack with the above goal.

Considering the number of attacks over the years, and the association of one religion with those attacks, there certainly is a correlation of events. Formal causation, if not yet proven, can not be far behind. It is clear that all those of this faith are NOT terrorists, but nearly all terrorists have been of this one faith. They have proclaimed adherence to the religion and their cause of forcing the world into compliance with it and their law. To them, lying, cheating, stealing and murder are approved methods to achieve this compliance. This is clear because in the heat of battle, and in the desperate act of suicidal attack, the terrorists proclaim their faith and belief in martyrdom.

The world is at war with fanatical Islam.

As it was 240 years ago in America, the Militia is rising to stand in the gap and stop this invasion. The Militia is made up of ordinary civilians, who choose to become Citizens and stand up for their country and heritage. They will stand, speak out, confront and repel the

invasion, perhaps as the only force opposing it. Given enough Citizen Militia pressure, and hopefully soon, they will be joined by the national government which will eventually acknowledge the threat and fight the invasion.

Today, in too many cases the invaders find soft targets where victims can not, or are not allowed to, defend against the invaders. This lack of defense must change or freedom will fall. When a hand full of fanatical invaders can attack large groups of essentially helpless civilians, they can murder them at will. Were a hand full of invaders to fall upon a few Citizens prepared to defend against them, they will be stopped cold, dead in their tracks.

Do not forget our heritage and history of freedom. That history tells us that a few dedicated Citizens can stand up against seemingly insurmountable pressure and can prevail in an fight for freedom. The fight might not only be with an outside invading force, but the fight for freedom can also involve other complacent civilians and our elected representatives. With sufficient pressure and leadership, those unresponsive entities can be educated and convinced that the defense of liberty is not a radical idea, but instead is a necessity.

The American Militia knows this and it is teaching it throughout America, and now the world.

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