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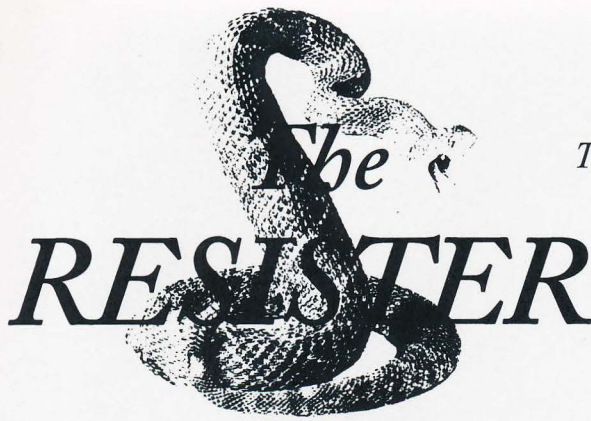
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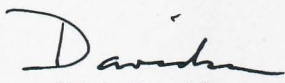
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One of the disadvantages of publishing by soldiers in the standing army is the possibility of disruption by unforeseen circumstances associated with military service. Under normal circumstances, these disruptions can be accounted and compensated for, through routine knowledge of rotations and assignments of the individuals involved. But, over this last summer, the odds caught-up with us. Several key individuals either were deployed, moved to new duty stations, or went on temporary assignments at the same time. As a consequence, the Summer issue of *The Resister* was delayed beyond the point where issuing both a Summer and Fall issue would be feasible. For that reason, the Summer and Fall issues were combined into a "double issue" of 64 pages.

The *Resister* is back on schedule now, and the next issue, Winter 1997, will be published in January.

Those of you whose subscription began with the Fall 1995 issue have thus received somewhat of an added value. If your subscription began with the Winter 1996, or Spring 1996 issue, your subscription has been extended by one issue, as have the subscriptions of those whose requests were postmarked between 01 June, 1996, and 31 August, 1996. Subscriptions postmarked after 01 September, 1996, will be considered to have been subscribed beginning with the Fall 1996 issue. In short, if you paid for four issues, you will receive four issues. I think this is equitable.

I apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused you. Thank you for your patience and understanding.


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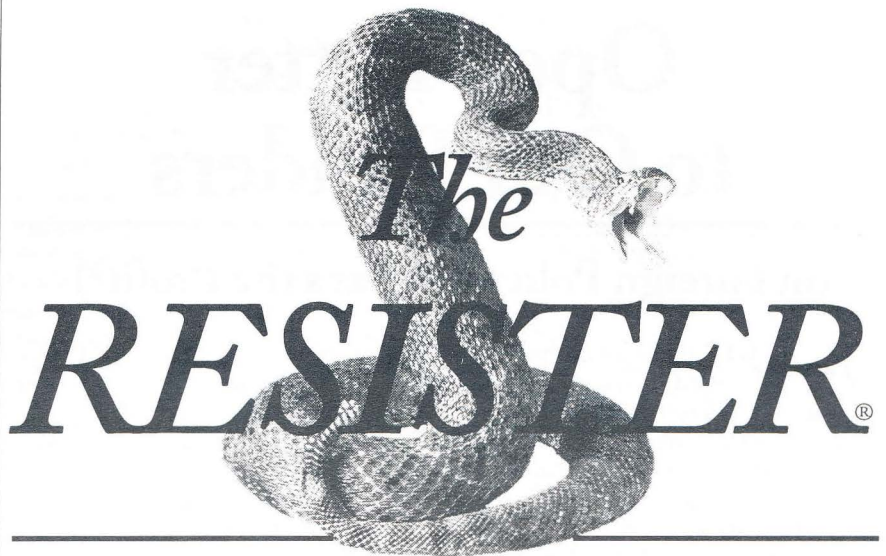
The philosophy of *The Resister* is straightforward. Individual rights, strict constitutionalism, limited government, American self-interest, laissez-faire capitalism, and republicanism; in short, the principles upon which this nation was founded.

We oppose: statism, socialism, collectivism, racism, altruism, internationalism, tribalism, unlimited democracy, pull politics, and the "New World Order;" in short, the ideologies of all tyrannies.

Our philosophical framework is Objectivism* (the rational morality of self interest—**Life**). Our political philosophy is grounded in the works of the Framers of the Constitution (government as servant, not master—**Liberty**). Our economic philosophy is laissez-faire capitalism (the origin of true rights—**Property**).

We do not advocate the overthrow of the U.S. government. We do advocate resistance to government tyranny. We do not advocate the initiation of force in doing so. We do advocate appropriate force-in-kind in retaliation. We advocate active resistance against the United Nations. Our goal is the restoration of the Constitutional Republic and to see government chained to the walls of its constitutional prison.

*The editors of this publication accept Objectivism as their philosophical base; however, we are not spokesmen for Objectivism and we alone are responsible for the views expressed here.



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Open Letter to Our Readers

... on Foreign Policy. (What's the Profit?)

A STUTE readers may have noticed a change in our Statement of Policy. The word "isolationism" has been replaced by the phrase "American Self-interest." *The Resister's* policy is to use language as precisely as possible. Some supporters have remarked that the term "isolationism" confuses what we really mean. The fact is that the English language is under siege by altruists who seek American immolation in the service of irrelevant losers around the world, and by nihilists who seek America's immolation to punish us for having once been free and prosperous. When language is so assaulted, it becomes useless to communicate information and concepts—which is language's only function in the first place (see: "Terror Language," Vol. 2 No. 3).

To illustrate the full scope of our battle, realize that our enemies have made it all but impossible to even *say* what we are fighting for. It was discovered early on that we couldn't communicate the simple concept of "legitimate interests abroad which tangibly benefit Americans" in anything less than a descriptive sentence. Words that should communicate that, or which once did, have been looted and perverted by altruists and nihilists. "National interest" now means "Altruistic self-less concern.

Therefore the term "isolationism" was chosen precisely because specific terms regarding "legitimate interests abroad which tangibly benefit Americans" have been looted by internationalists, in an obscene inversion of their once-precise meaning, to justify inherently non-beneficial foreign entanglements. Furthermore, "isolationism" was a sure bet to grab the attention of altruists and nihilists and make them squirm while they attempted to explain why we are expected to sacrifice ourselves for, say, some starving Somali.

But any term that contains hidden meanings is not precise. While "isolationism" does exactly describe our unwillingness to self-immolate around the world, it also creates a straw man; that the state of the world is of no concern to us. That is patently and absurdly false.

For example: We do not ask, "What should be done about Bosnia?" we ask rather, "Should anything be done about Bosnia?" The former question presupposes that tribes of central Asian barbarians who are slaughtering one another is somehow a problem, that it only remains to work out the details how to resolve it. This is the basic selfless foreign relations premise of an altruist. The latter question correctly asks, "Of what real concern is Bosnia and how will our involvement there materially benefit America?" This is the legitimate, objective foreign relations premise of a capitalist.

The Resister maintains correctly that American foreign policy must restrict itself only to that which is demonstrably in our material national self-interest abroad, not that we can have *no* self-interests abroad. But because such terms as "American interests abroad" and "national interests" have been perverted by collectivists to mean self-less concern, we decided to reject all such phrases in favor of: "American Self-interest." We needed a consciously intended phrase to communicate a concept which has been extinguished from the mind of the American people. Our choice was to create one and stand by its concept or be silenced. We will not be silenced.

Observing the deployment of our armed forces to Somalia, Rwanda, Haiti and Bosnia (to name just a very few of the most obvious examples) one would think that the standing army of the United States exists to feed starving irrelevancies, prevent savages from killing each other, install Communist governments at bayonet point, and keep tribes of Balkan peasants from looting one another into extinction. What most observers of the selfless international sacrifice of our standing

army fail to grasp is that those deployments are the logical consequence of that nest of internationalist sycophants—the State Department—carrying out the international socialist agenda of their ideological masters, the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR).

Nobody can honestly contend that the Soviet Union would not have collapsed in the 1920's without U.S. "aid." Beginning in 1917, and continuing through the 1980s, the United States pumped *hundreds of billions* of dollars in cash and technology into the Soviet Union. Even today, the U.S. continues to pour in billions in cash and technology. Meanwhile, Russian "arms control" inspectors wander around secure U.S. facilities, their reconnaissance aircraft cruise U.S. airspace, and Russian soldiers train on U.S. bases. The United

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States and Russia are "partners for peace" all right: just never forget that "peace" is the Communist bromide for One World Socialism, and that the State Department's goal since the 1930's has been, according to former Ford Foundation (a major source of funding for the left) president H. Rowan Gaither, "to make possible a comfortable merger with the Soviet Union."

Consider that, without exception, since the Russian revolution of 1917, U.S. foreign policy has consistently *advanced* world socialism. To put this fact in perspective for our new readers in Special Forces we offer El Salvador and Haiti as two recent examples.

El Salvador was never in danger of falling to the Communist FMLN insurgents—until the U.S. offered to "help." U.S. Army Special Forces were given the busy work of training the Salvadorian army. Their rules of engagement effectively crippled the Salvadorian's ability to combat the Communists ("hu-

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man rights” pabulum is debilitating twaddle when there are Communists to be killed.) The U.S. State Department worked feverishly to reach an “understanding” with the Communists—promising the Salvadorian government a “Sandinista solution.” Throughout the war the American media spared no effort to paint the Salvadorian government with their “right wing” and “human rights violation” (they *meant* anti-Communist) broad brushes. Meanwhile, USAID was concocting a property expropriation and redistribution of wealth plan.

A small band of Salvadorian soldiers saw through the tissue of lies, knew what had to be done, and started killing Communists and their active supporters. Their inevitable success was met with horrified shrieks from the U.S. press and Congressional threats to withdrawal U.S. “support.” The Salvadorian government, under U.S. pressure, apologized for being *too* successful and thereafter promised to punish anybody who tried to win. Now, Communist FMLN guerrillas have been “merged” with the Salvadorian military and police, and the U.S. inspired “coalition” government is shot through with Communists, rampant corruption, World Bank “economic advisors” and IMF debt. But the region is now “stable.”

Jean Bertrand Aristide—Communist, defrocked “priest,” voodoo mystic, co-founder of the Unified Party of Haitian Communists (PUCH), champion and promoter of hanging burning tires around his opponent’s necks, manipulator of howling mobs of ex-French slaves, and dreamy hero of the Congressional Black Caucus (who swoon over his every cretinous mumble)—was returned to power in Haiti at the point of Special Forces bayonets. While general Downing—who never wore a green beret in his life—blubbered “This is a classic SF mission!” any effective anti-Communist opposition in Haiti was ordered to be systematically destroyed. As one field grade officer remarked to a captain who objected; “It’s the president’s policy, therefore it’s *your* policy.” But Haiti is now “safe and secure for democracy.”

The first, and arguably only, legitimate role of the U.S. military is to defend America from all enemies, foreign and domestic. Foreign enemies are easy to identify and kill—unless the State Department is calling the shots. What is causing great confusion in the armed forces today is the fact that our domestic enemies are standing before university blackboards, sitting behind government desks, and lording behind judicial benches.

The second legitimate role of the U.S. military is to enforce America’s self-interests. For example: the Gulf War was an unmistakable legitimate use of our armed forces in America’s rational and material self-interest. We deployed to defend one of *our* natural resources. (We developed that resource, we paid for the technology to exploit it, and we pay royalties to theocrats who could not have conceived of its extraction.) We had every right to take it back by unconstrained unilateral force, reduce Iraq to a goat pasture and seize *their* oil fields (which we also developed) in the bargain. But we didn’t.

Bush groveled and scrapped before the United Nations for *permission* to act. We had to form a “coalition.” Meanwhile, the altruist’s propaganda machine churned out its mind-numbing drivel about restoring “democracy” to Kuwait (a monarchy, only one rung removed from the medieval theocracy of Saudi Arabia). The *profanum vulgus* drooled in front of their mind-control boxes soaking in recycled World War I Belgian propaganda about babies being ripped from their mother’s arms and spitted on Iraqi bayonets (you almost expected to hear the word “Hun.”) The *profanum vulgus* blustered “We support our boys in the Middle East!” To their eternal credit they did. But for the wrong reasons.

Note the egalitarian and altruistic justifications for the Gulf War—“democracy” and “The Children.” Our property rights and American self-interests were not even mentioned. (Well, they were, but only by Communists and their “liberal” *shavki*—a Russian contraction for “trash-eating dogs”—and only in disparaging terms. Conservatives, predictably, denied that property rights and American self-interest had *anything* to do with the Gulf War.)

What, excluding national defense, might be a legitimate role for the U.S. military in “post cold-war” foreign policy? **Colonialism.** (But only *after* our constitutional government—in other words, moral government—is restored.)

The moral justification for colonialism is that any despotic “government” that violates the rights of its own citizens has no right to exist. Colonialism therefore is morally justified when American national and economic interests can be mate-

rially advanced by crushing gangs of despots and colonizing their country. Any Third-world socialist prison (including Russia and China) is fair game. America certainly would have the moral right, although not the duty, to invade and colonize any one of them.

For example: If America had invaded Haiti for the expressed purpose of making it a colony we would have been morally justified in doing so. But we invaded Haiti for altruistic reasons, to restore a Communist voodoo mystic to power in the name of “democracy,” and because a gang of tribalists—the Congressional Black Caucus—demanded an election pay-off. For those reasons Haiti is still, and will forever remain, a dunghill.

In answer to those leftists who are now holding their heads in their hands rocking back and forth whining “colonialism is racist!” our answer is: “No,

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colonialism is progress.”

This does not imply that colonialism is a necessary corollary of capitalism—but it certainly is a moral one. We defy our Communist and tribalist-collectivist opponents to name a single Third-world country that did not materially benefit from Western colonization. After all, Third-world cities, infrastructure and industries—now being systematically looted into ruin by indigenous “governments of national liberation”—were not build out of wattle and mud, cattle paths, or village forges.

We have been to most former colonies throughout our careers in Special Forces, and every one of them has reverted to their natural state of savagery, barbarism, theocracy or collectivism. U.S. foreign policy would have equal rationale if it were conducted from Moscow. But the Council on Foreign Relations building in Moscow-on-Hudson is close enough for the State Department.

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Policy Change

FOLLOWING last issue's Open Letter side-bar entitled "Looters," I received several letters from readers who took issue with my objection to subscribers making copies of *The Resister* and selling them. One reader pleaded that he was simply recovering his costs of duplication. Another actually had the gall to contend that he was doing *The Resister* a favor by reproducing and selling it. My position on such blatant attempts by others to profit at our expense is unchanged: If you are reproducing *The Resister*, and selling it, you are stealing from us. No rationalization excuses such action. I ask our subscribers, should you find somebody selling reproductions of *The Resister*, either at cost or for profit, please quietly obtain a business card and a sample of the reproduction and forward them to our Kansas City address. There is no need to discuss the matter with the individual involved. He will be speaking with our attorney in due time.

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Regarding the matter of individuals reproducing copies for friends or to show others a sample: If you do so at your own expense, simply apply the "reasonable man" test. A small number of copies passed hand-to-hand in order to broaden the reading audience is not unreasonable. In fact, that is our main source of advertising. It is also our primary means of spreading through the military. I simply ask that you apply common sense and not become an outlet for panhandlers. If you've received more than one reproduction it's time to quit expecting handouts and subscribe. *The Resister* doesn't just appear out of thin air four times a year. It is very expensive to produce.

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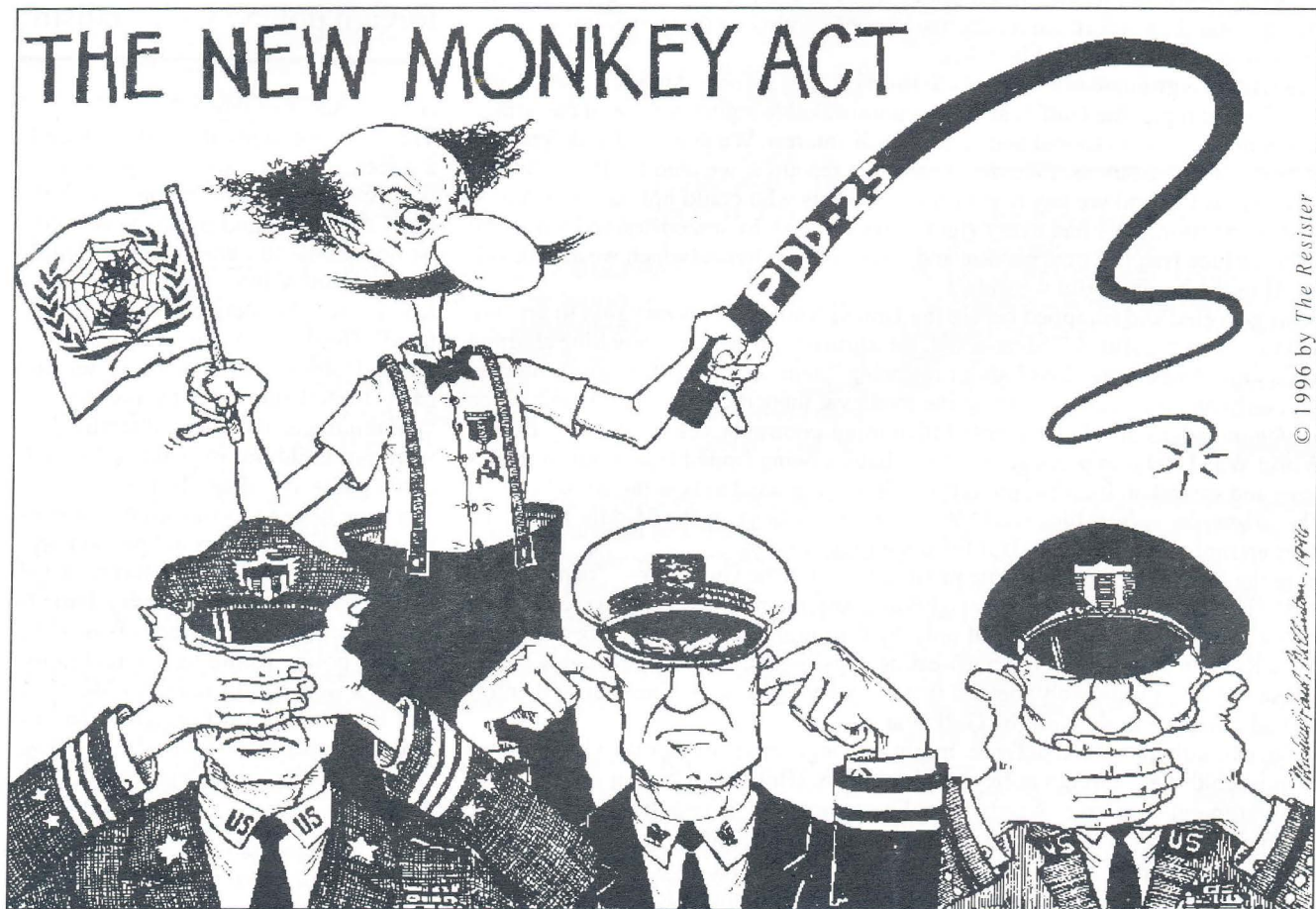
ticles in the past, I thank you for your integrity.

To our military readers: Word has passed up the line that many military readers, particularly those in Special Forces, would like to subscribe, but have an aversion to their name being on "a list." These are troubled times and I understand, although I have to say honestly that I'm a little surprised nobody seems to have figured out how to accomplish that task. Here is how it's done.

Find an accommodation address *off post*, preferably with a civilian. Pool the subscriptions of however many soldiers wish to subscribe. Subscribe as a "Resident" or "Occupant." The requested number of copies will be sent to whatever address you designate. Pick up your package *off duty* and give them out to your subscriber pool. (Current regulations imply that possession of multiple copies *on duty* is intent to distribute.)

Just remember, if you use an accommodation address, we'll send it to wherever you designate, but it's your responsibility to ensure that where it is sent is a legitimate address.

J.F.A. Davidson



Editorials

No man's life, liberty, or property is safe while the legislature is in session.

Judge Gideon J. Tucker

The Cheka

AMERICA was rocked in 1943 by the publication of *Undercover* by John Roy Carlson. Carlson's book documented his three years as an undercover operative and informer in what he described as the Nazi underground in America. Prominent American patriots, America First advocates, anti-New Deal spokesmen, and their publications, associations, and supporters were implicated as being part of a nationwide anti-Semitic fascist conspiracy. Lives and reputations were smeared and ruined. Communists redoubled their recruiting campaigns. Roosevelt became more bold in his protection of Communists in his cabinet; internationalists jumped up and down yelling "We told you so!" and the terms patriotism and isolationism, already under attack, were converted, overnight, into anti-concepts. The problem was, the information revealed in *Undercover* was a deliberate, calculated *lie*.

John Roy Carlson's real name was Avedis Boghos Derounian. He was an Armenian Communist in the employ of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. He was subsequently sued—and convicted—for libel by several people who he defamed in *Undercover*, which was referred to as "500 pages of twaddle—mere twaddle," by Judge Barnes of the federal court in Chicago. But the damage to the innocents Derounian smeared in *Undercover* had already been done; all in the name of the ADL. What motive did the ADL have for smearing patriotic Americans who opposed the blatantly socialist New Deal and America's senseless entry into the Second World War? The simple reason, the *only* reason, was that the libeled patriots were anti-Communists. The ADL considered then, and still considers, anti-Communism to be an unpardonable "crime."

Since the 1930s the ADL has systematically defamed, libeled, and smeared anybody who gained public prominence as an anti-Communist. When ADL spokesmen scream "anti-Semite," or "racist" or "fascist," or "white Christian male" what they really mean is that their target of defamation has spoken out against subjective "laws" and government policies that advance socialism in America.

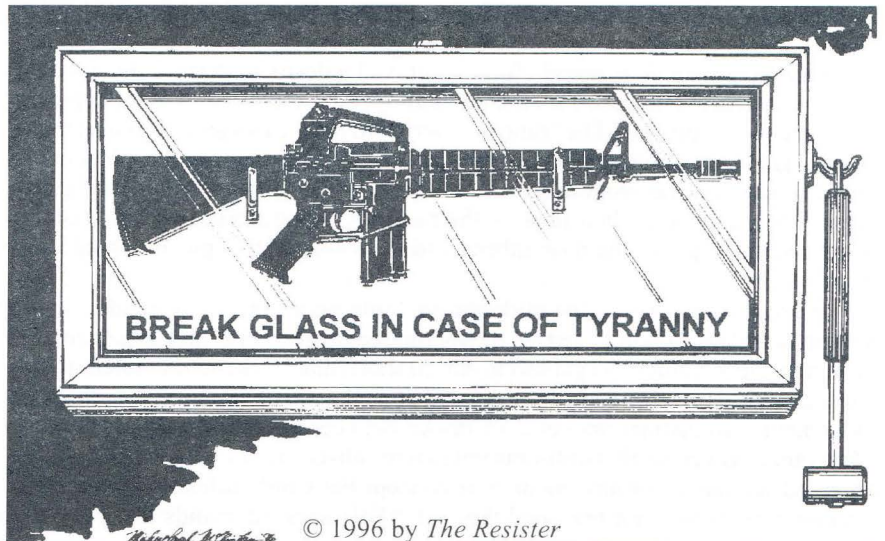
The ADL, consistent with their socialist and totalitarian agenda, are advocates and lobbyists for any arbitrary subjective "law" or government policy that is intended to strangle individual liberty or eliminate individual choice. In 1946 the ADL was the moving force behind an obscene New York state program, the Fair Employment Practices Commission (FEPC), which required employers to hire and promote employees according to the whims of a state appointive board that had the power to fine or imprison any employer that did not accede to the FEPC's arbitrary choices of employees, or promotions, in *private* business. As a logical adjunct to the FEPC the ADL offered "model legislation" that would have made any derogatory reference to a Jew a *federal criminal offense*! The Communist Party USA championed that proposed "model legislation" tirelessly, for the sole reason that all a Communist had to do was declare himself a Jew to avoid any litigation for his treasonous activities. But then, that was the explicit purpose behind ADL's "model legislation"—which was taken verbatim from existing "laws" in Stalin's

Soviet Union. Today, that is the explicit purpose behind the ADL's "model legislation" on so-called hate crimes.

The ADL maintains the largest private (and illegal) domestic intelligence apparatus in the United States. It's snitches, informants and undercover operatives target any organization or individual who espouses constitutionalism, a return to objective law, patriotism, American self-interest, or anti-socialism. The ADL functions, for all intents and purposes, as the intelligence service of the Communist Party USA.

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This criminal enterprise is geared to silence any opposition to ADL's communist agenda through blackmail, coercion, libel, extortion and legal terrorism. All the ADL has to do is mumble the mystic incantation, "anti-Semitism," to coerce publishers into not publishing books or magazines the ADL finds offensive, TV producers



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to cancel shows the ADL does not want shown, spin the news to the ADL's slant, or pressure sponsors to cancel lectures by people the ADL does not approve of. The ADL accomplishes this by threatening individuals with adverse publicity (blackmail) or protracted and costly lawsuits (legal terrorism) if they are not cooperative. The ADL's payoff for these extortionary practices is perceived public legitimacy for whatever contemptible drivel and blatant lies they are shopping at the time.

A careful examination of the programs, policies and "legislation" the ADL supports reveal them to be incremental steps on the path to socialist totalitarianism. There has not been a single whim based gun control, censorship, anti-capitalism, anti-property or anti-freedom of association "law" passed since the 1930s that the ADL has not sponsored or publicly supported—or that the Communist Party USA has opposed.

To bring this fact into immediate focus we refer our readers to the anti-paramilitary training "laws" enacted in 24 states since the 1980s. The base document upon which these "laws" were crafted was written by the ADL and shopped out to states' legislators for the ostensible purpose of combating "hate." According to the ADL, "hate" defines any organization or any person who opposes their, or their ally's, Communist agenda.

"ADL urges the vigorous enforcement by the states of existing statutes outlawing specific types of paramilitary training" said a recent ADL press release. "Many of these measures, currently on the books of 24 states," it continues, "were patterned after a model bill formulated by ADL. The League has written to the governors of the remaining 26 states, urging them to work with their legislatures to adopt such statutes."

By what right does a private partisan organization "formulate" legislation specifically designed to abrogate the unalienable right of individual citizens in a constitutional republic to drill as a "well regulated militia" in self-defense against tyranny? By what criteria do "representatives" enact such legislation?

The answers to these questions are simple. The ADL arrogated to *themselves* the extralegal authority to "formulate" anti-constitutional legislation, and leftist legislators legitimized the ADL's usurpation of the legislative process by acceding to the ADL's tribalist-collectivist whims.

The ADL's expressed long range goal is to make "hate" a federal crime. This is nothing less than an open declaration advocating *thought crime*. In no other country in the world—including Israel—have Jews, on the whole, experience the freedom and liberty inherent in America. In no other country in the world has the ADL exerted so much time, effort, money and propaganda to effect totalitarianism and establish themselves—through that obscenity, the Justice Department's Civil Rights division—as America's Thought Checka.

From 1917, until its alleged collapse, the ADL held the *Soviet Union* to be the model of "tolerance and freedom for Jews." In November, 1946, ADL spokesman Louis Levine, writing in *Soviet Russia Today* stated, "One does not dare be anti-Semitic in Russia." [Original emphasis.] The ADL's sister organization in the Soviet Union, the Jewish Anti-Fascist Committee, made certain the gulags were filled to capacity to drive home the point.

Now, ask yourself: "Why does the ADL support gun control and promote anti-militia legislation?"

Better yet, ask a prisoner in a Russian gulag.

J.F.A. Davidson

The Virtue of Intolerance

ALTHOUGH we are growing a little weary of the incessant attempts by tribalist pressure groups and extortion rackets to label *The Resister* as "racist" and "extremist;" yet so long as those groups persist, (groups whose sole purpose is to implement fully nondiscriminatory egalitarianism—which by definition demands the abandonment of all objective standards of value) we will continue to expose their agenda for what it is: the desire to destroy the good *because* it is good. The specific method employed by these gangs is an appeal to "tolerance" for "others." The "others" referred to in all cases are, of course, themselves. Their specific demands, in the name of "tolerance," are the silencing of any discourse on the immorality of their ideas, the suspension of any judgment on the consequence of their ideas—their actions, and the criminalization of any discrimination against them (in other words, freedom of thought and freedom of association.)

In the vocabulary of tribalist-collectivists "tolerance" means surrender to and acceptance of any whim-based act or wish-based demand that advances their goal of standardless, valueless egalitarianism. In short, their demand for "tolerance" is nothing less than a demand for moral and ethical agnosticism; a demand that no judgement—no distinction—ever be drawn between good and evil.

"Tolerance" is yet another anti-concept that tribalists and collectivists demand be accepted without question. As an anti-concept the word "tolerance" evokes an emotional response, not reasoned thought. "Tolerance" demands that primitive

behavior be as equally accepted as civilized behavior. It demands that immoral behavior be as equally accepted as moral behavior, that lies be as equally valid as truth, and that irrationality be

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as equally regarded as reason. In other words, "tolerance" means nothing less than endangering that which is good for the sake of that which is evil in the name of "hope" for "understanding." The undefined sub-categories of "tolerance" include the terms "diversity," which means compromise, and "inclusive,"

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which means standardless. "Tolerance" therefore is nothing more than a feel-good term for *appeasement*.

The *decretum*: "Judge not, that ye be not judged..." is a baseless demand that man abandon all standards of value and morality and surrender his mind to the first mystic or whim worshiper who whines "who are you to judge?" That appeal contends that there is nothing to know, there is no reality, and therefore there are no absolutes to which an individual must adhere. It means the abandonment of principles, upon which individual judgment is based, and the renouncement of standards against which principled judgment is gauged.

No rational man should ever hesitate to pass moral judgment on the irrational, the immoral or the evil. A rational man has a responsibility to himself, in respect for himself and the truth, to champion the rational, the moral and the good. All issues have exactly two sides; one is the truth and the other is a lie. Any compromise of the truth, any middle ground, any appeasement of untruth is an unspeakable evil. The man who adheres to a lie may still have some respect for the truth if he accepts responsibility for his choice. However, a man who compromises the truth to seek a "consensus," or abdicates the truth to find a "middle ground," a compromise, or to appease, is a coward and a blackguard who shuts out the truth in order to pretend that he has no choice in the matter and that no values exist.

Advocates of "tolerance" are mystics who contend that the subject requiring "tolerance" must be forgiven anything and that morality can be dismissed completely if only we have enough love and understanding for the criminal or the depraved. Some broad examples. When Mexican peasants swarm across our Southern border, demanding the "right" to be parasites, and then further demand that Spanish be as equally recognized as the English language, they are demanding that their criminal presence, the redistribution of wealth they could not conceive of creating themselves, and their degradation of a language they refuse to learn, be regarded with "tolerance." When street savages riot, loot and burn their own neighborhoods we must "tolerate" their savagery *because* they behave like savages. Homosexuals must be "tolerated" *because* they are sexual perverts. Feminist demands for undeserved egalitarianism must be "tolerated" *because* they cannot demonstrate equal merit.

In each of the above examples "tolerance" means the appeasement of criminality, savagery, perversion and meritlessness for no other purpose than the destruction of the regard for law, civilization, and objective standards of morality. A failure to pass objective moral judgment on subjective immoral actions, statements and

beliefs is a surrender to immorality, lies and irrationality.

A concrete example. If, in a briefing, you catch your commander lying you have a moral responsibility to *yourself* to interject, "That is not true." How

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many commissioned and non-commissioned officers would lie, cheat and steal, or tolerate those who do, if they knew that among them there were those who would not tolerate such behavior, and who would make it public when it was discovered?

"Tolerance" is not a virtue. It is a surrender of virtue; a compromise of integrity, a moral appeasement to the willfully evil. "Tolerance" is an abandonment of philosophical principle in favor of psychological mysticism.

The *decretum*: "Judge not, that ye be not judged..." is an unconscionable submission to compromise and appeasement. Our *decretum* is: "We judge, and are prepared to be judged."

Intolerance of irrationality, compromise and appeasement is unquestionably virtuous.

Melancton Smith

Separate State and Economy

THE CONSTITUTION grants to Congress, under Article I, section 8, clause 3, the power to regulate interstate commerce. The specific intent of that clause was to prevent the states from taxing or otherwise interfering in trade passing through their borders, thus securing the free flow of goods and trade among the various states. Indeed, were this provision lacking, goods originating in state A could be (and were under the Articles of Confederation) taxed or impounded during their passage through state B en route to their destination in state C. James Madison expressed the intent of the commerce clause succinctly:

A very material object of this power was the relief of the States which import and export through other states, from the improper contributions levied on them by the latter. Were

these at liberty to regulate the trade between State and State, it must be foreseen that ways would be found out, to load the articles of import and export, during the passage through their jurisdiction, with duties that would fall on the maker of the latter, and the consumers of the former. (The Federalist XLII)

The defect of the commerce clause however, is that it was an open door to abuse by the federal government. So long as the Constitution was adhered to by strict construction the commerce clause was a reasonable power delegated to Congress, by the states, to ensure the free flow of goods and trade. Following the Civil War however, Congress began arrogating to itself powers

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that were expressly prohibited to it prior to the Civil War. Abuses of the commercial clause prior to the Civil War were, to Congress's credit, few. After the Civil War those abuses became legion.

Axiomatic among laissez-faire principles is the incontrovertible fact that monopolies cannot exist within a free market economy without an expressed grant by government legislation that is intended to drive competitors out of the market in question. The excesses of so-called Robber-Barons in the late 19th century were the product of pull-politics inherent in federal economic regulations, not a laissez-faire economy. The formation of the Interstate Commerce Commission in 1887, followed by that egregious evisceration of laissez-faire economics and individual rights, the Sherman Antitrust Act of 1889, sealed the doom of laissez-faire and inaugurated the formal era of the mixed-economy (part capitalism, part socialism) in America.

As a consequence, numerous "laws" were passed that not only regulated the conduct of business, but required businessmen and professionals to register with government to obtain licenses and permits in order to exercise their rational faculties in their own self-interest. Think about that for a moment. In order to exercise your own rational faculties, in order to produce and create, in other words, in order to live and pursue happiness (meaning the acquisition of property), one must be *licensed by government*. Not only does one have to seek permission, but if it is granted, such permission requires tribute (taxes) to the "government" that permits it!

This is nothing less than legislative extortion at the behest of pull-peddlers and "lobbyists" that denies individuals, first, the right to pursue happiness without permission, and second, the right to the full profit resulting from the exercise of their rational faculties. This unconscionable evil is no different in principle than having to scrape before some local Mafia boss for permission to live, and then paying his goons protection money for the privilege. A "government" in a mixed-economy is nothing but a criminal gang.

Not far removed from these early assaults on laissez-faire was the end of private banking (the Federal Reserve), the willfully evil (and unconstitutional) direct taxation of the successful *because* they were successful (the 16th Amendment), and the abolition of specie currency by Roosevelt in 1933. These acts, of course, were all Marxist in origin, application and practice. Many of the anti-capitalist "laws" and acts passed during the late 1800s and early 1900s were craven responses to the so-called "populist" movement which, at heart, was (and still is) peasant socialism.

Businessmen have been made, by default of government legislation under the pretense of the commercial clause, *de facto* criminals. *Every single action taken by a businessman to improve his business or increase his profits may be prosecuted as a violation of antitrust statutes.* And no single federal agency is more intentionally evil, more willfully destructive and more deliberately anti-capitalist, than the Justice Department's economy police, the Antitrust Division. The very existence of that pestilent bureaucracy makes the practice of capitalism itself a federal crime!

Antitrust "legislation" is thoroughly collectivist in both theory and practice, and *ex post facto* law in application. Henry Demerest Lloyd, a leader and activist of the antitrust movement in the 1880s, revealed the true intent behind the Sherman Antitrust Act. The system America needs, he stated, was one "in which no man will have a right to with his own what he will, but only a right to do what is right." (Defined by who?— government.) The enforcement of antitrust "laws" is based on nothing more substantial than bureaucratic whimsy.

Ever since the willful final destruction of even the pretense of capitalism under the administration of the crypto-Communist Franklin D. Roosevelt (president Clinton's hero), which "legalized" looting of the economy for the "public good," the socialist regulation of the economy for "development," and the fracturing of the economy to "promote competition," America has been driving headlong into socialist economic ruin. And make no mistake; this process has been deliberate.

The term "regulate Commerce... among the several States" has today lost any explicit, rational or objective meaning. If you grow wheat on your personal property, and harvest a portion of that wheat for your personal consumption, you may

be indicted as a criminal for interfering in the "interstate commerce" of wheat. If you own a foundry you can be indicted as a criminal for owning an interest in the mine that provides the ore you refine. If you correctly assess the market for your product and plan, invest and build for future production, you may be sent to jail for "obstructing competition."

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The federal government (or, if you prefer, the Mafia) is permitted to fix prices, wages, production quotas, shipping rates, etc., but if a businessman does it he is sent to jail. The only true business crime is government interference in business. The only true business criminals are government bureaucrats who write business regulations.

Patriots may whine about the abrogation of their rights from now until eternity. But until Congress is prohibited from passing any legislation abridging the right of individuals to trade amongst themselves freely, without let or hindrance, in their own self-interest, and until the executive branch is stripped of all agencies that regulate business, no antecedent rights may be claimed nor exercised.

To close this loophole in the Constitution, the commerce clause, which through "progressive" interpretation and "liberal" exercise has made capitalism a crime, I propose a blunt, uncompromising amendment to the Constitution expressly separating the state and the economy:

Congress shall make no law abridging the right of the people to engage in business, trade, and commerce.

The securing of the true exercise of the unalienable rights of life, liberty, and property is that simple. All this amendment explicitly states is that you have the *opportunity* to pursue happiness. It does *not* confer obligations on anybody else to provide that opportunity, or to

ensure that you succeed. You succeed or not based on your *own* merits. If you want to see three quarters of the federal government (and most state and local government) and nine tenths of all government regulations evaporate overnight, the separation of state and economy amendment is the only vehicle that can bring that end about.

Government economic planning (socialism), regulation of business (mixed-economy), and legislation of business practices for the "common good" (fascism) must be rejected metaphysically, denied and denounced epistemologically, and resisted by all means available. The constitutional clause ensuring unfettered commerce

and trade among the states is just and reasonable. The usurpation of its original intent by socialists to regulate productive activity and loot success is an egregious injustice, and an evil that must be destroyed.

Melancton Smith

These Guys Want Our Trust?

RECENT Congressional hearings revealed that over 900 United States soldiers and airmen were held as prisoners of war by the North Koreans following the Armistice of 1953. United States servicemen were abandoned to the unspeakable horrors of imprisonment by Korean and Chinese barbarians, and medical and mind-control experiments at the hands of Russian thugs and their East European serfs. President Eisenhower, and his uniformed sycophants—those in whom the abandoned soldiers had placed their trust, faith and confidence—*knew* United States soldiers were still prisoners, and they were intentionally abandoned to their fate because, according to Mr. Al Santoli, a Congressional investigator who testified at the hearings, "In a nuclear age, Eisenhower could not risk telling the Russians of Chinese that we're willing to go to all-out war to get our prisoners back." In other words, Eisenhower didn't want to make the Russians and Chinese mad.

Not that the abandoned soldiers had any say in the matter. The soldiers who fought in Korea were largely draftees. Being draftees they were herded into slaughter like cattle. What for? For no value, no gain, no purpose, no object, no benefit, *no reason*, because the draft, stripped of its collectivist window dressing, simply means government may dispose of your life as it sees fit. It is the unconscionable socialist premise that "rights incur obligations" (to—*whom?*) and the unspeakably evil altruistic notion that individuals "owe something" to some undefined, unspecified "greater good" (determined by—*who?*)

The soldiers who fought and died in Korea, and those POWs who were abandoned to an excruciating death at the hands of Asian Communist barbarians by their "commanders," died and were tortured for the expressed purpose of accomplishing exactly nothing because it was forbidden by the United Nations, and the State Department, to win the Korean war. Mr. Jan Sejna, a former Czechoslovakian defense official, confirmed before the Congressional committee that U.S. prisoners were subject to mind control and behavior modification experiments. Most were executed when they out-lived their "usefulness."

Protests by some senior officers (a few of whom still retained a shred of human decency), against abandoning soldiers who were known to be prisoners, were ignored. Eisenhower whined that he was "intensely interested" in the fate of "the missing POW's" and said he wanted to make sure "everybody was doing all they could about it." Encouraging words from somebody who sheltered and protected Communists in his administration, and who signed an executive order prohibiting Defense Department personnel from testifying before the Senate committee on un-American activities.

Consider not only Korean War prisoners, but also the POWs unaccounted for in Viet Nam. Were those soldiers (were *any* soldiers *ever*) told up-front, plainly and honestly, that not only were their lives forfeit to the range of the moment whims of some pragmatist grubbing for votes, but that they could hold out no hope if, through misfortune, they were captured by the enemy, because demands for their return would be *impolitic*? That would require honesty; figure those odds.

The horrible fate of both Korean and Viet Nam POWs at the hands of Asian barbarians, Russian peasants to whom they were transferred, and East European serfs who experimented on them, begs the question: "By what conceivable principle should soldiers entrust their lives to unprincipled pragmatists?" Speaking only for myself, I can think of none.

The historical fact of American POWs being abandoned to an unspeakable fate by those entrusted with their command and care, is *prima facie* evidence that no trust or confidence can ever be extended to those who would dispose of our lives to further their political careers.

I am a soldier. I volunteered. I obey my orders and give my full effort to accomplish those missions I am assigned. But I will *not* be disposed of like some anonymous herd animal. If I am abandoned, and if I live through it, and if I make my way back, those political pragmatists who wrote me off will discover *why* I volunteered.

J.F.A. Davidson

Correspondence

...the republic of letters.

Thomas Jefferson

FROM all I can tell, Dr. Jack Kevorkian's actions are based on two premises: free will, and a human's ownership of his own life.

It's a predominantly conservative issue. Therefore, it is not explicitly *about* anything. No definitions of any kind have been supplied. No arguments of any kind have been put forth, and no principles of any kind that have been invoked. As always, the conservatives are floating in a vacuum. They cannot explicitly tie the issue to altruism, egalitarianism, religionism, or even existing law.

But the same fascists who oppose Kevorkian also oppose the premises of free will and self-ownership in other issues as well. These people are religionists: "God" has put a veil of fog over your earthly mind, "the Devil" can manipulate it beneath that veil, and we all suffer "original sin" anyway. In that system, you certainly don't have free-will. "God" created life generally and yours specifically, you owe him for it, and "what the Lord giveth, the Lord taketh away." In that system, you certainly don't own your own life.

I theorize that free will and self-ownership is what the fuss is *really* about, but the conservatives are so anti-ideological that they don't even know this. I also theorize that if the liberals get involved they will be more effective.

And they might be getting involved already. A recent press photograph showed wheelchair-bound protesters wearing signs and shirts which say, "Not dead yet." Quotes like, "He's been very successful in changing the debate to make it easier to kill people with disabilities." These are liberal crippled poster-children tactics. Just watch. They will tie this issue to some set of (evil) principles. They will make it about something and they will get the conviction the conservatives could not.

A Supporter
FCCO

AMERICA still could go either way, but if we go to dictatorship—not "toward" it anymore, but to it—then here is my prediction.

The coming fascist omnipo-state will worship and enshrine nihilism. Not egalitarianism, communism, socialism, welfarism, democracy, unionism, or even tribalism. Those things are nothing but tools, and the only times they are used is in the cause of the destruction of the good. I can think of no issue in recent decades wherein they been used for anything but the promotion of the worst losers and the advancement of the basest of evils. They are held forth not for our betterment, but—and usually explicitly—for our own destruction. That is their selling point, remember? Environmentalism is the purest example. Note the power those shitty hippies have after only a mere 20 years of effort. Note that environmentalism doesn't apply to Indian reservations, inner city ghettoes, dirty sandbox nations or tyrannical island-states. But it will. The only true environmentalist "in harmony with nature," the only true worshipper of the incomprehensible not-to-be-touched holy jungle-god "Gaia," is a *caveman*. That is where we all are supposed to end up. We will bow to rats who are holier than our will, and against whom we may not prevail. That's about like it is now when they arrest farmers for running over one. When the eco-terrorists come for your fire—when the Fire Marshall confiscates your barbecue and your Franklin Stove—that would be a good time to shoot to kill. He wouldn't do that, you think? Can you still grill on the balconies of apartments in North Carolina? Take it from there.

Nazi Germany's leaders enshrined "Aryan" as a human ideal and sold it as a twisted heroism. Soviet Russia's leaders enshrined communism as an economic ideal and sold it as an impossible vision of an eternal, effortless and very materialistic Cornucopia. As sick and evil as those systems are, consider how

different the appeal and marketing was from the appeal and marketing of the American Nihilist system we are being sold today.

America's leaders—our politicians, academics and media—do not hold any kind of human as an ideal or any kind of heroism as possible or even desirable. They do not hold any particular economic system as worthy of serious attention, or any kind of materialism as a legitimate incentive for mankind. We are not being offered positive ideals, we are only being offered negative anti-ideals. If we criticize the Germans for buying into an *Übermensch* and the Russians for buying into magically filled abattoirs, then we couldn't possibly criticize too harshly those Americans who knowingly and willfully buy into Über-biodiversity and the renunciation of meat.

If environmentalism runs its full and logical course, America will make Germany look like Galt's Gulch, and the rest of the world will follow. I'm not talking about a few paltry decades of communism. I'm talking about hundreds or even thousands of years of dark ages, except we won't be spending them in the 800s, we'll be spending them in the early Pleistocene. This will be voted in by our families and neighbors. On our 2 million year retrojourney, our rulers will require permits for everything not forbidden—about like it is now. What Americans need won't be as much "things" as it will be *skills*; practice at living outside the "law" so that life is worth living in the first place. But, almost nobody will be doing it—about like it is now.

In the meantime, going toe-to-toe with the US military won't be an option. Our fascist "leaders" know that already. But the Army is leading us back to the cave anyway, being Environmental Stewards and all. They will eventually become less useful in the promotion of losers and evil in peasant sewers across oceans we will no longer know how to cross. Their efforts will then take place only

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at home, where they and the king will be the only ones allowed to carry weapons.

To jail a man for not showing obsequiousness to a monarch is evil. To jail a man for not showing it to a woodpecker or a rat is *unspeakable*. If there are words to portray the immensity of that evil, I do not know them.

A Supporter
FBNC

THERE is an issue I must address.

In the latest issue (Vol. II, No. 4, Spring, 1996) you state your disgust with people who sell copies of your publication. Most of these copies are the only contact people have with you. It is their only source, but contains subscription information in case they like what they read. I give away many copies and occasionally sell a few for \$2.00 to help cover copy cost. I can't see how you could object to this.

If you do object I will stop, but you might not get as much exposure.

David

Austin, TX

If I understand your argument correctly, you contend that if you loot and sell that which you have expropriated, that is "moral" because people might like what you have given them and later buy the product from those who produce it; and if you charge a nominal fee for this 'service' to us you are merely recouping your "business" costs.

We'll risk, despite your fascinating threat to withhold stolen goods from an anxious audience, not getting "as much exposure."

We do, however, offer The Resister for sale in bulk quantities at discount, and having purchased them honorably they are thereafter your property, and you may dispose of them as you see fit, or for whatever price (not to exceed the cover price) the market will bear.

J.F.A. Davidson

THE Anti-Defamation League (whom some of us call the "Anti-American Defaming League") recently issued a press release hailing the German court conviction of that "Farmbelt-Führer" twit, Gary Lauck, to four years in prison for "inciting racial hatred by disseminating anti-Semitic and racist hate material."

The ADL are typical medieval mystics. They actually believe that people are blanks who, if not protected from "bad" scribblings, will become what they accidentally read. The ADL believes that people have no minds and that their empty skulls must be filled with good ADL thoughts—at gun point if necessary.

How accidental anti-jewish sentiments occur, and are thus determined, escapes me. Maybe blindfolded Bible darts. Maybe Talmud dice. Maybe astrology. It couldn't possibly have anything to do with the way the ADL, and their terror arm of hoodlums and thugs, the JDL, behave. That would be impossible. Having established themselves as self-appointed thought police the ADL is always "hailing" some further erosion of individual rights or "praising" some dictator wannabe like Schumer (isn't he Jewish?) You can almost picture ADL holding an inquisition in some JDL run *konzentrationslager*, wearing red yarmulkes and howling "Confess!" with a chorus in the background rocking back and forth in unison mumbling "Hail Foxman" while the torturer spits in your ear, "Ve haff vays of changink deinem tauts!"

Anyway, ADL declared that idiot Lauck of being personally responsible for the trebling of Germanic xenophobia since 1991. Wow; just one guy! What if there had been two?

The fact that Lauck violated no American laws when he was extradited to Germany does not phase our Jewish Gestapo. Having "hailed" this egregious usurpation of American law, the ADL has opened the common law door of precedence. Now, ADL members can be kidnapped and tried for criminal conspiracy for violating the 1st Amendment rights of Americans. Or doesn't it work both ways?

Don't get me wrong. I think Lauck is a low-life. But at least he has the human decency to admit he is a Nazi and we may judge him on that basis. The ADL however will never admit they are Communists—until they are running the prison camps..

A Jewish supporter
FDNY

WHY should anybody trust anything you have to say? Your writers are anonymous and your sources are unattributable. *Behind the Lines* recently wrote an article about you that claims you are frauds. What do you feel about that?

A Field Grade Doubter
SOCEUR

In answer to your last question first, I don't "feel about" anything. Animals "feel" their way through life. I am a human being. I think my way through life.

Regarding your first question, I think that anonymous authoring brings out the best in rational men and that it brings out the worst in irrational men. The Federalist Papers, and the Antifederalist Papers, were all authored anonymously. According to your premise this invalidates the philosophies, arguments, ideas and logical constructs of the framers of the Constitution.

Ideas are true or untrue, rational or irrational, whether you know who authored them or not. Contending that the truthfulness or reason of ideas can only be judged based upon knowledge of authorship is as base an admission of second-handedness on your part as is your admission that you didn't even consider that notion until you read something somebody else had to say about it.

I also note that you request anonymity for yourself—which also makes you a hypocrite.

You might also ask the author of that Behind the Lines article, Greg Walker, why he cavorts with, and appologizes for, an American citizen who fought with the El Salvadorian Communists against the very unit Walker was assigned to at that time.

J.F.A. Davidson

RECENTLY, an acquaintance suggested that *The Resister* should tone down its rhetoric. He mentioned that its strident editorial tone would eventually result in lost readership. Apparently he thinks you are too "extreme." He further suggested that being more moderate would lend greater credibility to your stance on issues. I am writing to say that I consider *The Resister* to be refreshingly blunt and I would not like to see you become

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“moderate.” You say what you mean and mean what you say. Yours is the only patriotic publication I’ve read that is consistent.

I have to wonder whether those morons who want *The Resister* to appease rather than oppose have convinced themselves that: “They don’t really mean it, they’re just being extreme to draw attention to their points; but now they have our attention, so the extremism is no longer required, and we should all sit down and compromise.”

It reminds me of our last conversation during which you stated that during the colonization of a Third World dunghill, you would have a propagandist stating in precise terms exactly what he means, leaving the irrationalists to spend years trying to figure out “what he really means.”

Some people will go to any lengths to evade principles. Conservatives are perfect examples. At least liberals have principles, albeit evil ones.

Sharon
“E” Ring, Pentagon

I T SHOULD come as no surprise that Syl Jones, an editorialist for the Minneapolis Star-Tribune’s opinion page, would brazenly deny something plainly obvious to any honest observer. That gun owners in general, and the National Rifle Association in particular, are consistently spoken of by liberals in language reminiscent of the Nazi invective against those they considered *untermensch*. In a recent op-ed piece, Syl Jones stood upon the corpse of a small girl killed by street savages of his own race to rail *against* law abiding citizens. Predictably, like an African who considers technology to be magic, Jones blamed the “thing” (in this case a gun), not his “brothers,” for her murder.

Nor is it surprising that an intellectual mystic like Jones would seek to persecute those citizens who, in the spirit of the Founding Fathers, desire to live a productive, rational, and therefore *human* life.

A firearm is a tool; a means to an end. In itself a gun is neither good nor evil. In the hands of the citizen it is the means by which he defends his own life (that is, life as a human being), in order to live in accordance with his own rational judgment.

To disarm the citizen therefore is to

deny him control over his life. Disarmament reduces him to the status of cattle—to be subjugated and slaughtered at the whim of individual and elected predatory animals.

Just as one has, in a civil society, a right to speak one’s mind to those who are willing to listen, there is also a right to remain silent; to *not* reveal oneself as a predator, or to do so only by means of secret ballot.

It would be the height of absurdity to presume that mystics and predators, such as Syl Jones, do not vote for the policies they publicly advocate. Their vote empowers the predators in public office, and unleashes the three-letter death squads upon citizens who seek to be something more than hominid livestock. These mystics and predators are the ones who initiate sequences of events which result in atrocities like Ruby Ridge and Waco—and the yet unnamed horrors to come.

This we cannot forget, should never forgive, and must never allow to go unpunished.

It is time that those of us who can still honestly call ourselves free men face up to one very basic fact: Those who advocate, enact and enforce the form of predation know as “gun control” are nothing more than murderers, and must eventually be dealt with as such.

R. Hemmerding
Minneapolis, MN

WE WERE recently briefed that *The Resister* is considered a threat to “good order and discipline.” I’ve read all your issues. I sometimes wonder if you couldn’t get your point across with less rhetoric and more facts, but it’s your publication to do with as you please. Just my two cents. But, having read all your issues, the works of the Framers and our Founding Fathers, and some of Ayn Rand’s work, I find nothing in *The Resister* that contradicts either your statement of editorial policy or your oath to defend the Constitution of the United States.

After our briefing, and in an objective effort to find some hole in your logic of military dissent, particularly in your anti-socialist stance, I re-read FM 22-100, [*Military Leadership*, Editor] specifically, Chapter 4. One paragraph leaped off page 87. You know what it is, but your civilian readers may not, so

please forgive the long quote:

To a true military professional, loyalty to the ideals of the nation means a deep belief in serving and defending the ideals of freedom, justice, truth, and equality found in the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution. It is the sworn duty of military leaders to defend these ideals; numerous wars in the past have been fought to preserve them. These ideals will guide you if personal and professional values ever conflict. Legal and moral actions that assist the Army in defending these ideals are right. Actions that are contrary to the ideals or principles upon which this nation was founded are wrong.

Son, you have more supporters than you can imagine. I cannot claim that they will come to your defense if you are hammered. You’re a hot item my friend, but you’re doing the right thing. Hang in there, and watch your six; nobody else will—or at least admit it.
De Oppresso Liber.

A Field Grade Supporter
USASOC

Thanks, sir.

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Periodic Intelligence Report

Intelligence is a simple and self-evident thing. As an activity it is the pursuit of a certain kind of knowledge; as a phenomenon it is the resultant knowledge.

Sherman Kent

Dissent Behind The Fence

LIEUTENANT Colonel Kenneth McGraw, Public Affairs Officer (PAO) for the United States Army Special Operations Command (USASOC) has a thankless job. For all practical purposes his job description reads: "Lie for the chain of command." Public Affairs officers do their jobs the best they can. "Professionalism" demands it. In fairness, LTC McGraw simply repeats to the public the lies he is directed by the chain of command to tell them. PAOs squirm like snared weasels when their general's lies are caught-out, promise to call you back, which they do after the "new truth" has been properly rehearsed. For example: "[T]hey are dark olive green helicopters, not black."

Dark OG or black, the helicopters that began buzzing in and around an abandoned Pittsburgh, PA, industrial park and hospital at 2200, 03 June, 1996, were not part of "routine" training by "Green Berets," as described by LTC McGraw. "Overall, nine helicopters— six OH6 scouts and three MH-60 Black Hawks— were utilized, though not all at one site," McGraw said. True enough, as far as his explanation went, but the helicopters involved were from 1st Battalion, Special Operations Air Regiment (SOAR), based at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. 1st Battalion, SOAR is dedicated to the direct support of Combat Applications Group (CAG), more popularly know as Special Forces Operational Detachment-Delta (SFOD-D.) And 1st Battalion's helicopters *are* black. The 2nd and 3rd Battalion's helicopters are dark olive green.

The helicopters in question were "Little Birds," OH6s modified as direct fire gunships capable of carrying a four-man "brick" in "people-pods" to secure the landing zone for MH-60Ls which follow on with the main assault force. LTC McGraw went to extraordinary lengths to play down reports of gunfire and explosions as "simulators" and "recordings of gunfire and explosions from on-board public address systems."

Asked why the public wasn't notified about a military exercise, LTC McGraw stated "We don't put out any broad, sweeping statement [announcing such exercises] that covers everybody." (Weasel - English translation: "It was supposed to be a secret.")

"We don't want to unnecessarily alarm people for what might take place," he continued. "[W]e don't want to create a commotion by having a lot of people wanting to observe the training, which has the potential to create a worse public safety situation." (Weasel - English translation: "We thought we'd get away with it.")

LTC McGraw's statement about helicopter paint schemes was a typical half-truth. His explanation about simulated gunfire was a lie. CAG does not train with blanks or simulators. The gunfire heard by witnesses was real, and the "simulators" were linear shaped-charges used to breach the "vents" (windows and doors) of the buildings being assaulted, and flash-bangs used in room clearing.

LTC McGraw's efforts to smear frosting on dung might have been marginally within his preview as official mouthpiece for USASOC if CAG was actually a subordinate unit of USASOC, and therefore answerable through it for their actions. But CAG is a subordinate unit of the Joint Special Operations Command (JSOC), an organization that answers only to the National Command Authority. McGraw tried his level best to pin CAG's operation in Pittsburgh on Special Forces. But CAG is not part of Special Forces— and frosting covered dung is still dung.

CAG has been conducting live fire exercises in U.S. cities for the past three

years. Generally, one exercise occurs each quarter and rotates between squadrons "A," "B" and "C." Exercises have taken place in Los Angeles, Chicago, Detroit, New Orleans, Miami, and most recently, Pittsburgh. According to sources behind "The Fence" these exercises are purposely kept secret from all but the city police SWAT teams with which they are conducted. Elected city officials are not told about the exercises until just prior to launch, because neither the SWAT teams nor CAG trust them to keep their mouths shut. According to one source, the rationale for this is the time honored maxim, "It's easier to beg forgiveness than ask permission." Prior to each exercise, which is planned and organized by "D" Squadron, CAG (the training squadron), an advanced party (ADVON) deploys to the "training area" about 30 days prior to the event. (Please note that these

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- 1) Official documents and substantiated accounts detailing the subordination of U.S. armed forces to United Nations control, with particular emphasis on the U.N. Military Staff Committee.
- 2) Documented proof of CPUSA, agent of influence, or communist sympathizer influence in, and infiltration of, local, state and federal government.
- 3) Any material pertaining to Operation Alliance and all counter-drug Joint Task Forces, with particular emphasis on the militarization of local, state and federal law enforcement agencies and the unconstitutional use of federal armed forces to enforce civilian law.
- 4) Official documents pertaining to the "convergence" of U.S., Russian and former Warsaw Pact military, internal security, and law enforcement agencies.
- 5) Documentation pertaining to the demilitarization of the National Guard.
- 6) Examples and proof of moral, ethical, and personal corruption within the chain of command.

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things are planned at least a year in advance; “D” Squadron just doesn’t pull the name of a city out of a hat and then start planning.) During the site survey, conducted jointly with the host SWAT team, targets are identified, property owners are contacted and “briefed” on the importance of their remaining silent, and infiltration routes and safe houses are established and tested.

Several U.S. Army counterintelligence agents accompany the ADVON. Their job is to assess the probability of keeping the operation secret and, according to a second CAG source, their primary tools are their impressive credentials and a briefcase bulging with cash. “The badges are the stick and the money is the carrot,” related the source. “Appeals to ‘national security’ and ‘patriotism’ are woven with artfully concealed threats, and if those don’t work, the bag men buy their silence. Having the local cops around,” he said “ensures cooperation.”

The teams begin infiltrating the target city several days before the exercise. They arrive individually or in small groups by various modes of transportation, pass down “the net” established by the ADVON, then assemble prior to the “take down” to plan and link up with their equipment and weapons which were deployed ahead of them in rental vehicles and cached. If they are lucky they can do a drive-by of the target during planning. Usually, however, they must rely upon the ADVON’s targeting. They conduct a link up with the SOAR birds at a “hot” LZ someplace away from town, then execute the mission.

During an exercise in New Orleans last year, the owners of CAG’s target, the Alcoa Aluminum chemical plant in Saint Bernard Parish, having agreed to the live-fire assault on their property, strongly objected to the destruction of a three foot-thick wall with a 30 pound satchel charge. CAG’s CI fixer on the scene made good with the owners—to the tune of \$95,000. According to witnesses, this sum, when spread around, was sufficient to silence other property owners in the semi-suburban area whose windows shattered in the blast.

Miami required a little more creativity. Part of the ADVON’s job is to set up the objective for the berserkers. This includes placing bullet traps and targets in the buildings to be assaulted. Apparently, one member of the Miami ADVON spent too much time in the local Yuppie hangout with his Dade County counterparts telling lies and showing off his beeper. A slightly misplaced bullet trap resulted in a sniper’s bullet caroming off the bullet trap, piercing a wall, and exiting through the front window of an all-night office supply store full of customers. When the local hoods showed up with CAG’s bag men the pointed question by concerned customers, “Who are *those* guys?” was answered “State cops and sheriff guys.” A creative combination of badges and money kept the incident out of the local papers.

Incidentally, JSOC is, by executive order, and the full version of PDD-25, exempt from the Posse Comitatus statutes. This fact does not sit well with many CAG operatives, and not everybody in CAG is pleased with their new internal security mission letter. In an attempt to identify potential dissidents, JSOC has been conducting surveys of its operatives, eliciting candid commentary on what they think about “current political events.”

One survey required operators to write reports on their opinions about internal political conditions in America and involvement with the United Nations. Shortly following that survey, Special Forces began receiving an influx of senior former CAG operators counting the days until retirement. Apparently, some of the responses did not conform with the party line.

Although CAG has never lacked for volunteers, their forthcoming December 1996 recruiting drive will be accompanied by a reduction in the traditional standards for acceptance into the Advanced Land Navigation Course (Delta selection for the uninitiated) at Camp Dawson, West Virginia. For almost 20 years, SFOD-D/CAG has relied upon a steady stream of volunteers, the old five-event PT test, the Advanced Land Navigation Course, and an ego shattering interview with “The Psychs,” to flesh out their ranks of operators—zero to ten soldiers per semi-annual class.

Now, all of a sudden, they are reducing their initial standard to the Army’s three-event PT test. The new standards at Dawson and for the interview are not yet known. We do know, however, that the standards have been “normed” to conform with Force XXI expectations. In other words, CAG has been directed to modify their selection standards by those who couldn’t pass selection.

According to several operators, CAG’s mission is shifting from counterterrorism to internal security. The official rationale for the mission letter change is JSOC’s proponency for the latest bandwagon—Counter Proliferation (CP). Briefly, counter proliferation involves “taking out” (weasel for “kill”) anybody threatening to use, or in possession of, nuclear, biological or chemical weapons.

CP train-up began over two years ago in preparation for the administration’s current shrill and panicky “concerns” about the spread of weapons of mass destruction and Washington’s urgent “need” to get the military involved with law enforcement to stop it. “The whole thing is a fake,” one CAG source told us. “Almost without exception,” he said, “the classified message traffic describes

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the ‘black market’ in nuclear materials to be one police or intelligence agency trying to sell [nuclear] materials to another police or intelligence agency.” In other words, all the frightening stories of nuclear smuggling and black marketing involve cops trying to entrap cops. There is some dissent in CAG about the ramifications of CP because the mission entails being at the beck and call of the United Nations by virtue of the nonproliferation agreements among member nations. Further, nonproliferation, in the UN’s eyes, includes small arms. Guess whose?

Which brings us back to LTC McGraw’s “explanation” about CAG storming around U.S. cities conducting live fire exercises. “This [Pittsburgh] was standard, prearranged training,” LTC McGraw said. “This is not training for some type of contingency or for anything [specific].” Several sources in CAG disagree.

“Look; our *in extremis* mission involves

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linear targets [planes, trains, buses] and point targets [rooms, or a suite of rooms,]” one CAG source said. “Those targets can be set-up in our shooting house; so why are we training to take down entire buildings or complexes?”

LTC McGraw has an answer: “[B]esides, if you train in the same area over and over again, it becomes routine. So we look for urban areas that offer realistic challenges and which are as safe as possible.” A safe answer, that explained exactly nothing.

Let’s add it up.

CAG, specifically trained to assault known linear and point targets in foreign countries, is training to attack unknown urban targets in the United States.

CAG’s parent unit, JSOC, is exempt from Posse Comitatus.

JSOC wrote CAG’s new mission letter emphasizing counter proliferation.

“Proliferation” of non-government nuclear, biological and chemical weapons is a fraud.

Nevertheless, the panic level about this non-existent threat is being raised by the

administration.

The United Nations includes small arms in their “understanding” of non-proliferation.

CAG has been surveyed concerning their “feelings” about UN participation. Experienced CAG operators are beginning to go “to Group” awaiting retirement.

CAG selection standards are being lowered to increase the number of young operators.

As one old operator put it, “None of this adds up to anything good.” We agree.

Promotion Politics

FOLLOWING the January 1996 Sergeants Major promotion board Command Sergeant’s Major Henry Bone visited various SF Groups to give a Non-Commissioned Officers Professional Development class on how the centralized promotion board works and what the board considers when reviewing an individual’s records for promotion. Those who know how centralized promotion boards work choked down their vomit and listened politely while the gullible majority took it all in and actually asked questions and planned their schooling and career paths.

In theory, a promotion board is empaneled, briefed on their duties and responsibilities, is sworn to secrecy and reminded of their duty to select for promotion only those individuals who merit promotion for the good of the “Total Army” concept. Board members are also reminded about integrity. (We will reserve our comments on the fact that those who require reminders about integrity have precious little of it to begin with.)

A promotion board must sift through thousands of personnel “jackets” that contain the individual’s DA photo, 2-1, 2a, and his last two or three Non-Commissioned Officer Evaluation Reports. A worksheet inside each jacket allows each board member to “vote” on the individual’s eligibility for promotion by means of a matrix, the headings of which contain the board’s criteria for consideration (i.e., education, military schools, assignments, etc.) These “votes” are tallied, averaged, and the resulting numerical score (between 0 and 6) determines the individual’s eligibility to advance to the next rank. In theory, it all sounds wonderfully fair and objective. The problem is it’s a lie.

Several sergeants majors and field grade officers who had no need to be reminded about integrity have come forward to explain to *The Resister* the way a promotion board *really* works.

Faced with a mountain of jackets and a limited time in which to review them (average time per jacket is 30 seconds), board members fall back on the only criterion available to them. In the words of one Sergeant’s Major, “Do I know this guy and do I like this guy, or not?” Another Sergeant’s Major remarked, “A key tool in this process is a pad of Stick’em Notes in each cubicle. If the reviewer knows you and likes you he fills in 5s or 6s in the matrix, scribbles “Promote” on a stick’em, slaps it on the jacket, and passes the jacket to the neighboring cubicle. The recipient, whom in all probability *doesn’t* know you, scribbles 5s and 6s in the matrix and once again the jacket is passed. “It’s understood,” related a field

grade officer, “that the courtesy of recommending a record with a ‘promote’ tag will be returned by other board members.”

The stick-em note also works the other way. Regardless of your competence, ability, and intelligence, if your jacket passes through the hands of a board member who does *not* like you, you can bet your career it will be passed with a stick-em recommending you be not promoted.

Many an NCO with the right schools, a college education, choice assignments, “walks on water” NOCERs, and a spotless record has pondered why, despite his qualifications, he was not selected for promotion. “The answer is simple,” said another sergeant’s major. “At some point he pissed somebody off, stepped on somebody’s toes, broke somebody’s rice bowl, or made somebody [sitting on the board] look stupid. If that board member remembers his name, he’s toast.”

So, the next time you look around and ask yourself “how did that dirt-bag get promoted?” remember that it’s not what you know, or how competent you are, it’s how ingratiating you’ve been with those who will be sitting on the board. In reality, the fastest route to promotion is being liked.

The Death of Special Forces Qualification: A Brief History

BASICALLY, it began when the Special Forces Selection Battery was prohibited from being administered by the Department of the Army in the late 1960's because "civil rights" groups whined that it was discriminatory. Quite frankly, it *was* discriminatory. It required objective, conceptual and abstract thinking in risk taking and problem solving. It required deductive logic and analytical thought. It assessed for unorthodox thinking and creativeness. Rarely, fewer than 25% of those who took the selection battery met the assessment criteria. Of those, fewer than 10% in any given class completed the Special Forces Qualification Course (SFQC). It was not unusual to have graduating classes of ten to fifteen soldiers, and frequently, two or three classes would be combined to make up a graduating "class." Group, battalion and company sergeant's majors played cut-throat to lure graduates to their units.

But the bean counters decided that was just a little *too* elite. One of the biggest complaints by the conventional army against SF was that it bled-off the best non-commissioned officers from the Army. Of course, those whiners could not comprehend that the whole purpose behind SF's selection procedures *was* to find the best NCOs and concentrate them in one place. The whole rationale behind the old selection criteria was to assemble in one twelve-man detachment the talent necessary to recruit, train, organize, deploy, advise, fight and reconstitute an infantry battalion of indigenous people for the expressed purpose of killing communists. Naturally, this greatly upset the conventional army, which operated then, and still operates, on the principle that leadership and ability are derived from position, authority and the politics of those giving the orders— not intelligence and ability. Even without the Special Forces Selection Battery, the instructors at the United States Army J.F.K. Institute for Military Assistance (USAJFKIMA), predecessor of the United States Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School (USAJFKSWCS), managed, through sheer cunning and deviousness, to weed the unfit from training. Many an SFQC student let his concentration or resolve slip for just the split second necessary to find himself on the "Blue Bird" enroute to the 82nd Airborne Division. Standards were maintained by dint of pure determination and effort.

Then, in 1980, a pack of female "education specialists" from Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC) descended on IMA with the smell of blood in their nostrils, waiving their Master Degrees in Systems Approach to Training (weasel language for outcome based education), and orders from Department of the Army to "fix" SFQC's low graduation rate. They fixed it.

Their two hundred plus page report recommended several training "strategies" which were immediately adopted by IMA. Standards were "normed." The graduation rate climbed. The TRADOC females were happy because they had secured for themselves jobs at IMA as education specialists and were thus given license to run outcome-based-roughshod over all SF training. The bean counters were happy because more students were graduating. The IMA brass was happy because the bean counters (who wrote the brass' Officer Evaluation Reports) were happy. SFQC opened up to senior NCOs— so, many Sergeant's First Class, who were losers in their own branches, came to SF to get promoted. The IMA brass were rewarded by having their Institute upgraded to a Major Command (MACOM), which gave them a star bilet, and a new name (USAJFKSWCS). Coincidentally enough, this was also the time frame that SF began to receive a massive influx of rangers. Also, a female captain named Katie Wilder figured that was as good a time as any to become the first SF qualified female because her colonel father and Senator uncle made it known that it was forbidden to fail her— despite the fact she failed standards *three times*. But Colonel Ola Mize, Commandant, USAJFKIMA, rucked her into the ground and she finally quit. (He is still revered for that by those of us who remember that near disaster.)

The old hands saw the writing on the wall, and the conventional army hand that was scribbling it, and began retiring in droves.

But SFQC was not yet completely "fixed." Only 50 - 70% of students were graduating each class and those mean old instructors were still trying to weed out the losers whom they recognized, someday, they would have to serve with on an Operational Detachment. So the females and the bean counters went back to work. Beginning with a directive from TRADOC that SFQC "needed" a near 100% graduation rate, the outcome based "education specialists" invented the perfect scam—the Special Forces Assessment and Selection Course (SFAS).

It took the geniuses at SWCS about three years to work out the bugs, but here is how the scam currently works: If you can do physical training (PT) for three straight weeks, and master the same basic leadership tasks you were given in Primary Leadership Develop-

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ment Course (PLDC) you are, for all practical purposes, guaranteed to graduate SFQC. By eliminating anybody whose knuckles don't drag on the ground, up front, in SFAS, those who begin SFQC finish SFQC. The beauty of the scam is that SFAS is not considered *part* of SFQC. And even if you decide to quit SFQC, you are begged (not by the instructors— by their bosses) to stay, or simply refused permission to quit. Near 100% graduation rate— balloons and confetti! Almost.

The very recent inquisition in search of "extremists" in SF, and bad tattoos, identified a disturbing trend: SF was too "white." Obviously, according to NAACP and Department of the Army critics, this was the result of discriminatory standards. Soldiers were actual-

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ly required to have a GT score of 110 and, horror of discriminatory horrors, pass a *swimming test*! DoA mullahs vehemently denied SF was *too* “white” and set out to prove it.

The first task was to “correct” the special operations recruiting film. During the months of July and August 1996, army film crews spread out around SWCS and the ranger battalions to make a new flick. But they ran into a major problem: the flick was too “white.”

The takes were reviewed by Generals Scott, Bowra and Tangney, but when they counted the number of Negro and Caucasian soldiers in each frame the quotas DoA told them were acceptable were not present. The solution was easy—shoot the film again to reflect the “future truth.”

For example: During the filming of mortar drill at Company B, 1st Bn, 1st SWTG(A) in mid July, the politically correct one-to-two quota was staged, but a group of *real* students were standing in the background. The camera man stopped filming. Addressing the background students, while flagging his arm in the direction he wanted them to move, he said, “*You white guys need to move out of the shot.*”

A related incident occurred while the film crew was shooting rangers in action down in Georgia. Unable to obtain the “correct” quota among available rangers they dragooned the support unit truck drivers, slapped black berets on their heads, and resumed filming.

When Generals Scott, Bowra and Tangney reviewed the new film they had it stopped at strategic frames and took count of the racial mix. They gave it the thumbs-up. The forthcoming special operations recruiting film will not only be politically correct, it will be a lie. But not for long.

Major General Tangney, Commanding General, USAJFKSWCS, continuing the tradition of SWCS commanders preceding him, is “fixing” SFQC to correspond with a “future truth.”

The GT score requirement of 110 for special forces candidates is being lowered to 100.

The swimming test will still be given, but will *no longer* be a must-pass event; in other words, the swimming test will become nothing more than a finger wave.

As Command Sergeant’s Major Michael Jefferson, 3d SFG(A), noted in his *CSM Newsletter #11, Aug. 1996*, “These changes are designed to open up the recruiting base by nearly 85,000.” He further wrote, “I do not anticipate any changes in our standards for quality personnel graduating the SFQC.” Right...

Those are almost the exact words mumbled by DoA spokesmen when the Special Forces Selection Battery was discontinued in the 1960s— a test battery, we note for the record, those who are now destroying SF never took themselves.

If they had, they would not now be in a position to destroy Special Forces.

“It Was a Brilliant Plan, But There Was Only One Thing Wrong With It; It Was Pure Bollocks!”

Blackadder III

LIEUTENANT Colonel King, Commander, 3d Battalion, 1st Special Warfare Training Group (Abn), recently held a meeting with his company commanders and committee chiefs concerning instructional materials used during the field training phase (formerly Phase III) of the Special Forces Qualification Course. Several instructors responsible for the unconventional warfare portion of classroom instruction had requested permission to include *The Resister*. This request was in response to frequent queries by students about *The Resister*, which the instructors were reluctant to address on the platform.

LTC King admitted that the subject would not go away by ignoring it, so he authorized instructors to use copies of *The Resister* during the block of instruction on propaganda, sedition and subversion. He further stipulated that *The Resister*, when presented to the students, must be juxtaposed with *Mein Kampf* and the *Communist Manifesto* as an example of “hate” literature and “extremist” views. In so presenting *The Resister*, King smirked to his audience, “we can marginalize it in the eyes of the students.”

The field training branch instructors know better than their colonel, but they figure that if their colonel is gracious enough to admit to the inevitable who are they to contradict his rationale?

As one instructor told us, “Now we have authorization to make hundreds of copies of *The Resister* at government expense and pass them out to Special Forces

students, and all we have to say is, ‘compare *The Resister* against *Mein Kampf* and the *Communist Manifesto*.’” “Besides,” another instructor said, “King is so thoroughly despised that any order he gives to the cadre that will make him look stupid is carried out immediately— and without question.” Apparently, however, LTC King’s largess is part of a bigger plan. Several instructors at Camp Mackall have noted occasions when Special Forces “students” have approached them asking disturbingly impolite questions such as, “What kind of a *cache* do you have?” and “Did you bring any select fire weapons back from Saudi?” and “How can I get in touch with ‘those guys?’” Leaving aside the obvious red flags questions such as these raise, a number of Field Training Branch instructors have identified several CID informers posing as Special Forces students. Planting *poseurs* in close proximity to target groups in the hope that their cover or “legend” will gain them access to

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said groups, allowing them thereby to become moles, is an old internal security game. Everybody involved on both sides know the rules, and the exhausting bit is not so much identifying the *poseurs* and informants as it is keeping them at arms length and feeding them disinformation while protecting the integrity of the group itself. *Poseurs* also run “risks,” but as we said, everybody involved knows the rules. Old intelligence hands may recoil in horror at our frank admission that “we know that they know we know what they are doing” as a flagrant violation of established “good form.” In a purely tactical sense they are correct. Yet, the fact that we know what “they” are doing, does not ameliorate the fact that “they” also know

what they are doing, so why, operationally, keep it a big secret? We know who the *poseurs* are and all we are doing now is waiting for them to show up. It was all inevitable.

The difficulty the *poseurs* face is that they will arrive playing their dealt hand as Spades— but the game is Bridge.

“Racism” in the Ranks

ON 07 DECEMBER, 1995, two white 82nd Airborne Division soldiers killed two black civilians in Fayetteville, North Carolina. When police searched the off-post quarters of one of the soldiers, James Burmeister, they found Nazi memorabilia, “racist” literature, and paraphernalia consistent with the trappings of the tribalist thugs who call themselves “skinheads.” Mr. Burmeister’s associates, Malcolm Wright and Randy Meadows, were also arrested and indicted.

The press and their cattle prod, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, went berserk. Headlines shrieked about “white supremacists” in the Army while television panicked about “extremists” in uniform. It was a great story. It was also a calculated lie. Here is what really happened.

On the evening of 07 December, soldiers Burmeister, Wright, and Meadows went “downtown.” On the way they stopped at a residence in a criminal-infested Fayetteville neighborhood, where they met Michael James and his girl friend, Jackie Burden— both black. The purpose of the meeting was to buy marijuana, which Mr. James was happy to supply. At the time of the sale, he was on parole for drug trafficking. According to police sources, Mr. James was to have his parole revoked for failing three successive urinalysis tests during the previous month. Miss Burden was wanted on a felony warrant.

Mr. Burmeister and his friends left to enjoy their purchase, only to find that Mr. James had pulled the oregano switch on them. Not a little upset by African business practices, they went to a local establishment to drink liquid courage and fine-tune their outrage. They later went cruising, according to press accounts, looking for blacks. However, they were looking for two specific blacks: Michael James and Jackie Burden.

To hear the press tell it, Mr. James and Miss Burden had decided to turn their lives of crime around; they might have been getting ready to set off down the street, hand in hand, to read the Bible together. According to police sources, they were planning to skip town to avoid impending arrest. In either case, they never made it.

Just past midnight, Mr. Burmeister and associates spotted Mr. James and Miss Burden. Messrs. Burmeister and Wright stepped out of the car to confront Mr. James and demand restitution. Strong words were exchanged.

At this point events are confused by conflicting testimony. What is not disputed is that Mr. James was found by investigators with a knife close to hand, with one graze and two fatal bullet wounds to the head. Miss Burden, fumbling for her own concealed knife while retreating, was slow and sloppy, and stopped the next three bullets.

Messrs. Burmeister and Wright decamped, leaving Mr. Meadows in his car and in the lurch. The Fayetteville police arrived to find Mr. Meadows looking for his associates, asked him a few embarrassing questions, and the rest has been widely reported. The unpleasantness of 07 December, 1995, was, therefore, a dope deal between knuckleheads and career criminals that went bad.

It would have stayed that way if Fayetteville Chief of Police, Roy Hansen, had not let his ego get the better of him but, as a political appointee, he couldn’t help

himself. Suddenly thrust into the national limelight, Chief Hansen played up the race angle. The press said it was a racial killing and agreeing with the press made Chief Hansen look smart.

Meanwhile, cops who worked the neighborhood were quietly pointing out some contradictory facts. One was that the neighborhood was predominantly black. If the soldiers had been looking for random blacks why did they wait until they found Mr. James and Miss Burden? Also, according to one Fayetteville cop, if these had been random racial killings, the neighborhood would have exploded in a riot. It didn’t. On the contrary, according to another Fay-

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etteville cop, the general consensus in the neighborhood was: “Good riddance to all of them— two dopers are dead, three of their customers are in custody, so screw them all.” Policemen who noted these facts were told to sit down and shut up.

The saturation press “coverage” was a marked contrast to the treatment of numerous local cases of black violence against whites. For example, the beating death of a white soldier at the hands of five black soldiers two months before the December shootings was reported once— grudgingly— on the back pages of the Fayetteville Observer-Times. This time, there was a month of hyste-

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ria about "extremists" in the Army, and plenty of vacuous speeches by U.S. Representative Eva Clayton, (D-NC, 1st gerrymandered tribal homeland). There were urgent messages from Army Secretary Togo West and much regret that the First Amendment prevented soldiers from being adequately controlled. There was mandatory "Extremist Organization Awareness Training," followed by strip searches for "bad" tattoos. The Army set up a traveling inquisition to root out "extremists."

Practically none was found, but the NAACP smelled fresh blood and moved in for the kill. In a final, shameless act of appeasement, LTG Jack Keane, Commanding General, XVIII Airborne Corps and Fort Bragg, installed the NAACP as the official Fort Bragg race *geheime Staatspolizei*, complete with liaison officer. Now, any incident involving a minority is, by default, a "racist" incident and tribalist-collectivists can demand "cooperation" from the Army brass.

What seemed like the perfect incident was not long in coming. On the morning of July 16th, 1996, soldiers of Group Support Company, 7th Special Forces Group (Airborne) stumbled out of bed to find that the doors of seven barracks rooms had been spray painted with red swastikas. Five of the rooms were occupied by black soldiers and two, then empty, had been previously occupied by blacks. During the 6:30 a.m. Physical Training formation, soldiers were inspected for telltale traces of red spray paint. Brigadier General Kenneth R. Bowra, CG, United States Army Special Forces Command (Abn), rushed to the scene and vowed to the assembled soldiers that the culprit would be found and urged the soldiers to cooperate in the manhunt.

The U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Division arrived with spinning witch compasses. The media intoned their mantra about "racism in the ranks" and even the Commander in Chief worried piously and publicly about the seven red swastikas. Just when the howls of indignation reached a feverish peak, army investigators in Washington leaked the fact that the primary suspect was a black soldier who apparently wished to distract attention from the fact that he was being discharged as unfit for duty. The media immediately fell silent.

On August 8th, shortly after word got out about the suspect, U.S. Representative

Eva Clayton (D-NC, 1st gerrymandered tribal homeland), arrived at Fort Bragg to praise the creation of a military committee to "bridge the gap" between Fort Bragg and the Communist inspired Fayetteville Human Rights Commission. After weeks of foot stomping and indignation about "the incident," she, too, had fallen strangely silent about it.

Not so, the Commander in Chief. In his nomination acceptance speech at the Democratic National Convention, he once more trotted out the saga of the seven swastikas. The news about the race of the probable perpetrator was so lightly distributed, he and his speechwriters must have missed it.

Back in North Carolina, justice grinds on for Mr. Burmeister and friends. The charges are 1st degree murder and conspiracy. Mr. Burmeister's lawyer has denounced the Fayetteville police department for creating adverse publicity and has petitioned for the trial be moved to Winston-Salem, where there has not been quite so much bawling about "racism."

Meanwhile, the press continues to say that the killings were racially motivated.

Mole Hill

DEFENSE Intelligence Agency reorganized its liaison centers between several other intelligence agencies so that liaison functions within a single command now fall within a single command element staff organization. The new designation is Counterintelligence & Security Activity. As of 20 June, 1996, "centers" responsible for collection, production and information systems were redesignated "Directorates;" in fact, all line elements within DIA now fall within the new directorates.

The new directorates align with those in the CIA and NSA. For example, DIA's new Directorate for Intelligence Operations (DO) aligns with CIA's Directorate of Operations (DO). DIA's new Counterintelligence & Security Activity now falls within DIA's Directorate for Administration (DAC) and combines all DIA counterintelligence activities in order to improve "customer support" by specialized counterintelligence activities. In short, collection, analysis and production activities that were once spread through several departments and centers are now combined under the new directorates.

So what? Axiomatic in any intelligence organization is the time proven principle of compartmentalization of information, people and activities. This ensures that somebody who does not *need* to know something does not know it. If, for example, a DIA counterintelligence officer cultivates a penetration agent, there is no need for CIA or NSA to know about it unless that operation will have some impact on the latter's operations. In that case, those within CIA or NSA who have a *need to know* will be "read-on," but only with those details necessary to "deconflict" the possibility of "blowing" one or the other's operation. This procedure ensures there is definite control over who knows what, when, and in what detail. The centralization of intelligence functions is an egregious violation of all known

security principles. With the current restructuring of the U.S. intelligence community, and the blurring of military and civilian agencies, access to ongoing operations becomes exponentially more difficult to control. Although a

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fractured and compartmentalized department is extremely difficult for moles to burrow into, yet a combined department has the potential of becoming a mole hill.

A simplistic example would be an office where every discreet function was conducted in a small office behind locked doors. A compromise of one office would not be likely to compromise others. DIA's reorganization on

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the other hand, is the equivalent of a typing pool, where everybody has access to everybody else's work. A mole would be able to burrow in multiple directions and eventually compromise everything.

All this reorganization of U.S. intelligence functions stems, of course, from vice president Al Gore's "redesigning" of government. Regarding the reorganization of U.S. intelligence over the past three years, the question that begs answering is,

"Who, now in a position of authority within the intelligence community, has access to what information they would not have had access to *prior* to the reorganization?"

Revisions to Intelligence Control Markings

MESSAGE traffic dated June, 1996, from Commandant Marine Corps, addressed to ALMAR (All Marine [activities]), terminated the use of intelligence control markings on classified documents. Significantly, the authority for terminating control markings, and three of the six references cited in the message header, originated from message traffic dated April and May, 1996, from the CIA's Director, Central Intelligence (DCI)— (president Clinton's appointee), John Deutch. The Army and Air Force received similar traffic.

The control markings in question are WINTEL, NOCONTRACT, NOFORN, REL, and REL TO. The control marking WINTEL used to mean, "Warning Notice-Intelligence Sources and Methods Involved.) NOCONTRACT used to mean, "Not Releasable to Contractors/Consultants." NOFORN used to mean, "Not Releasable to Foreign Nationals." REL and REL TO used to mean "Authorized for Release to..."

After 12 April, 1996, WINTEL and NOCONTRACT were no longer authorized to be used as control markings. After 01 August, 1996, NOFORN, REL and REL TO were eliminated. In place of the old control markings, Deutch specified two new control markings; US ONLY (UO) and US AND (specify country(-ies)) ONLY. Further stipulated by Deutch was that the US ONLY control marking was warranted for use on only a "limited amount of intelligence" as specified by his office.

The authority to mark documents with classification and control markings falls into two categories; originating authority and derivative authority. For example; a Special Forces Group commander has the authority to originate a SECRET document marking, but his subordinates do not. If, however, subordinates use the Group commander's original SECRET document as a reference in their own work, they *derive* the authority to classify their own work SECRET to protect the referenced document from disclosure. Control markings subcategorize who has access to the classified document and how it must be handled.

The elimination of control markings specifying who has access to classified documents is a very dangerous development. It essentially allows the hemorrhaging of classified information by the originating authority, including information containing the source and method of its collection, to foreign governments, international organizations, coalition partners, and foreign nationals. During every deployment under United Nations mandate, there have been occasions of considerable friction between U.S. forces and U.N. personnel, particularly civilians, over access to U.S. military intelligence.

Perhaps a clue to the reason for the end to control markings on classified documents revealed itself briefly in Haiti when the Army Special Operations Task Force (ARSOTF) headquarters was placed under the United Nations mandate. During that period, Top Secret traffic was routinely looted from the ARSOTF Secure Compartmentalized Information Facility (SCIF) and passed to the United Nations intelligence staff (U2) by United States Army and Marine Corps personnel assigned to, and working for, the U2.

"We would prepare the ARSOTF commander's daily intelligence summary (IN-SUM) and read folder, and also prepare sanitized extracts for the U2," related an ARSOTF staff officer. "But, almost daily," he continued, "U.S. members of the U2 staff would go to the SCIF and pull hard-copies of the original TS/SCI traffic

from the [commander's] read folder and pass it to their counterparts in the U.N. staff." He further related that information not cleared for release to foreign nationals (stamped NOFORN) was found in the headquarters of Pakistani "peacekeepers" on several occasions—the same information that had been "extracted" from the ARSOTF commander's read folder and passed to the U2 by

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U.S. personnel! "God knows," he further stated, "who else got that information." Indeed.

Even if the officers and non-commissioned officers involved in passing classified U.S. documents to the U.N. in Haiti were caught and called to testify before the United States Congress, they would be prohibited from doing so by the terms of treaty arrangements with the U.N. regarding the performance of duties by U.S. military personnel on behalf of the U.N.. Thus soldiers sworn to defend the Constitution, may perform espionage on behalf of the U.N., and be immune from prosecution for doing so.

CJTF-Six Planning Conference

JOINT Task Force 6 held its semi-annual Planning Workshop and Counterdrug Missions conference at Fort Bliss, Texas, on 24 and 25 September. An Initial Planning Conference (IPC) was held in the main conference room in JTF-6 headquarters on Biggs Army Airfield, El Paso, Texas, on 24 September for units and personnel new to JTF-6 missions. The main event, the Planning Workshop, was conducted at the Centennial Club on Biggs Army Airfield on 25 September.

The purpose of the Planning Workshop was to solicit volunteers from over 100 active, reserve and National Guard units invited to attend, to conduct JTF-6 unsourced missions for the remainder of 1996 and 1997.

For our civilian readers, an unsourced mission means no unit has been designated to perform it, thus the solicitation for volunteers. Unsourced missions are based on requests to Operation Alliance for military "assistance" from law enforcement agencies. A sourced mission, on the other hand, already has a designated unit to perform it, and these are planned at least two years in advance; for example, a Rapid Support Unit (RSU) mission. However, missions performed during an RSU rotation usually take the form of last minute requests from law enforcement agencies to Operation Alliance, although law enforcement operations planned months in advance will be briefed during the RSU IPC about two months prior to deployment—like ATF's plan to attack Mount Carmel.

The list of unsourced missions solicited during the planning workshop included 15 medical evacuation, 15 aviation, and 15 ground reconnaissance missions to Cleveland National Forest, California, between June and September 1997. The medical evacuation and aviation missions are support for the ground reconnaissance missions. (JTF-6 gives each discreet level of support its own mission number, although the units will be based at the same location. This is for accounting purposes.)

There were 35 unsourced listening post/observation post (LP/OP) missions spanning January through October 1997, and ranging across the Southwest border region. Almost half the LP/OP missions will be in support of the U.S. Border Patrol. Ground reconnaissance missions generally entail a company size unit conducting three to four active patrols for the duration of the mission. LP/OP missions also entail a company size unit rotating personnel through three to five surveillance sites which are manned for the duration of the mission. A medical evacuation mission is generally a single helicopter, while aviation missions generally consist of two to three utility helicopters to support a ground recon or LP/OP mission with

reconnaissance, insertion, extraction, and resupply.

One mission in particular caught our attention. It was a single aviation operation in support of the El Paso, Texas, FBI office, scheduled for 30 September, 1996.

What was interesting about Septem-

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ber's JTF-6 Planning Workshop was how much JTF-6 missions have been scaled back. Normally the list of unsourced missions is at least ten pages long. This time there were only three pages.

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Combined Federal Campaign

ONCE AGAIN it's time to dig deep in your pockets and shell out your hard earned pay to the almost uncountable charities and foundations that have been at the forefront of eroding your individual liberties. Although charity is, by definition, voluntary, Lieutenant General Jack Keane contends otherwise. In his letter addressed to "All Federal Employees" in this year's CFC tabloid, LTG Keane reminds us, "We have an obligation to demonstrate our concern for others each year through the Combined Federal Campaign." So, when the charity cheerleaders come around banging their tambourines, remind them of the true goals of the following organizations:

Farm Animal Reform Movement: Advocates of "humane" treatment of food animals. They are devoted to reducing the human diet to nuts, grasses and berries.

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA): These "animal rights"

terrorists are the ones who bring lawsuits against people who kill predatory animals that attack their children. True PETA advocates would leap in front of a speeding truck to save a dog in the road. Unfortunately, this does not happen often enough.

Black Cops Against Brutality: Their programs "empower citizens while sensitizing police officers to the pain of the community." In other words, if you're black, whites *make* you commit crimes.

Center For Democratic Renewal: The organization that started the whole racially motivated church burning lie. They are still lying about it.

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Rails to Trails Conservancy: Devoted to the taking of private property so they and their friends can dress-up in Gucci hiking cloths and say, "Oooohh!" when they see a bird.

Negative Population Growth: "Advocates first halting, then reversing, U.S. and world population growth, so that population can eventually be stabilized at a lower, more sustainable level." There is only one way to accomplish that goal. I say we kill *them*.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change: Training center for "Kingian Nonviolence." This means starting a riot, then demanding government intervention and yet more "civil rights." Successor to the Communist Party of North Carolina run Highlander Folk School.

Economic Policy Institute: Promotes a "prosperous/fair economy." They mean socialism.

Human Rights Watch: "Defends freedom of expression and association, and due process under the law." But only if you are a Communist.

National Gay and Lesbian Task Force: These are the sexual perverts and barbarians who demand "rights" and recognition as a government-protected species through "laws" that put government's gun to your head, with their finger on the trigger.

Jesuit Volunteers: International: Communist agitators. 90% of Central and South America's problems would be solved if they were rounded up and shot.

So, when CFC representatives come around groveling for your money, tell them you subscribed to *The Resister* instead.

Special Forces Field Survey

BEGINNING in March, 1996, and continuing through June, most Special Forces qualified soldiers were required to complete the Special Forces Field Survey. The survey was pushed with a command emphasis that had to be experienced to comprehend fully. It was obvious to the old-hands that somebody's career was riding on the quantity of responses, not necessarily on the outcome. This may seem an odd observation, unless you've studied statistics and statistical analysis. It was obvious that the chain of command was hoping to skew the results by incorporating as many FNG's as possible in the survey. It was a cunning plan.

MG Tangney— then commanding general of Special Forces Command— promised the survey results would be released in June, 1996. They were, but only to General's Tangney, Tangney's successor, MG Bowra, and LTG Scott, on 25 June, 1996. The troops had to wait until September, which permitted MG Bowra's "suggestions," (according to the transmittal memorandum by the U.S. Army Research Institute,) to be incorporated in the *approved* release.

The survey was conducted by Dr. Martha Lappin, leader of the SF Research Team, and research psychologist Marisa Diana, both from the U.S. Army Research Institute. (Martha was the cute one.) Several soldiers asked if they could have copies of the survey questionnaire, but Martha would say, "Oh, no!" and assure the soldiers they would be getting the results "real soon, probably in June" then sent them packing with a warm self-esteem smile.

No matter. I have my blue copy before me as I write this, along with the slides Martha and Marisa prepared for General Bowra and company. (Slides, as a reminder to our civilian readers, reduce otherwise complex issues to simplistic bromides easily grasped by general officers.)

Slide #3 is titled "Issues of Concern to SF Soldiers." The qualifier on this slide states; "Input from SF Commanders will be useful in interpreting these results and guiding subsequent analysis." This means that the data collected from enlisted soldiers needs to be explained away by the very guys who were responsible for the decisions the soldiers were complaining about.

Before I begin, a word about language. Precise language conveys facts. Imprecise language conveys nothing but fuzzy abstractions. The field survey slides are shot-through with warm-and-fuzzy, touchy-feely, reality-is-unknowable words, which spread the blame so far and wide that nobody could possibly be held accountable for the results the survey outlines. For example; soldiers did not make

statements, they *believed*; they didn't *think*, they had *feelings*; they didn't state *facts*, they had *perceptions*. No serious researcher uses fuzzy language to convey analytical results— unless the intent is to marginalize the statements of the audience from which the research is derived. Statements of fact must be dealt with as facts; opinions can be ameliorated or discarded as they agree or not with the party line. But then, psycholo-

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Martha's and Marisa's slides covered eight "Issues of Concern to SF Soldiers" and three "Positive Aspects of the SF Experience." (The word "experience" is used here by Martha and Marisa to reduce a concrete— a conscious career choice— to the level of a spur-of-the-moment whim.)

The first three issues of concern are the "Zero-defect" mentality, "Micromanagement," and "Training." The thread in these issues is that training is directed from above, the details of training are "managed" until the training no longer has any value, and it is finally assessed

for "risk" until it is harmless.

The fourth issue of concern, "Perceived Support for Missions," states in part; "The large majority [of soldiers] believe that there are few in the chain of command who are willing to fight for what is best for the A-Team, and nearly all agree that in SF today appearances are more important to the command than accomplishing the mission." This, of course, is referred to as soldiers' *perceptions* rather than observed facts. This issue of concern also let a cat out of the bag; that there is "widespread disillusionment with SF leadership."

The fifth issue of concern, "Eroding Perks and Benefits," deals in part with benefits that have been eroded Army wide; SF soldiers are simply more articulate in identifying them. The major issue was the loss of separate rations on deployments. The regulations, however, are clear on this issue: when a commander declares a mission to be under field conditions, you lose your separate rations. The issue of contention is not the money *per se*, rather the definition of "field" and what part of the unit budget the TDY money, designated for the soldiers in the original mission budget, gets moved to.

The sixth issue of concern, "Family Concerns," merely restated a fact of SF service that has been widely known for decades. SF definitely separates wives from play-pretties. Most guys eventually find wives—durable/nonexpendable. Play-pretties are durable/expendable.

The seventh issue of concern, "Deployments," let another cat out of the bag. "Soldiers are, however," this slide states, "questioning the *types* of missions they are assigned—the large majority indicate that they are dissatisfied with the way SF troops are utilized today." [Original emphasis.] Apparently Martha and Marisa were a little unsettled by the "Additional Comments" that defined the "*types*" of missions SF soldiers were dissatisfied with, and they declined to name them. Therefore we will name them: any United Nations directed, mandated, or run missions, JTF-6 missions, and Humanitarian Assistance missions. Most guys recognize the U.N. is run by Communists, JTF-6 is turning us into internal security cops, and digging ditches for peasants only leads to demands for more ditches.

The eighth, and final, issue of concern is "Retention/Reenlistment Issues," which begins; "An alarming number of SF soldiers, especially medics, indicate that they are looking for ways to leave SF." Almost 25% of SF soldiers would leave SF if early out options were offered, and more than 50% of medics would leave. Also, SF reenlistment rates are declining. Although the operations tempo was initially considered the cause for this, "Other factors," according to Martha and Marisa, "appear to be more critical." The "other factors" are issues of concern numbers one through seven.

Here is where we take sides with the immediate chain of command. Martha and Marisa state, "SF leaders may, in fact, be fighting for more time, training, and financial incentives for their teams and soldiers; however, such efforts are not

apparent to most of the force." True enough. Commanders support *their* chain of command, even if they don't like the decisions they make. Similarly, senior commanders will support the decisions of their subordinates to avoid the appearance of dissent or disunity. The Army would dissolve into chaos if this were not so.

The fault in the flow of information to

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the troops, if commanders really *are* fighting "higher" for time, training, and incentives, rest squarely with the Sergeant's Majors. The SGMs *know* what is going on and why. When the troops don't know what is going on, and why, the SGMs are either asleep at the switch, or believe that being a "yes-boy" will put them in contention for E-10.

The former is inexcusable. The latter is unconscionable.

During the Special Forces Command Commander's Conference hosted by 5th SFG(A) on 21 October, the above issues will be discussed in detail. How about some blunt, cold, objective facts for a change? The troops can handle the truth. When they are lied to the command brings the inevitable results upon themselves.

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Political Intelligence

Thoughts on “Calling Someone a Communist.”

by
Dorothy Payne

For as long as I can recall, liberals have considered it an unspeakable and unpardonable sin to “call someone a Communist.” They will gleefully dump all over you if you are obviously wrong, but they will turn really vicious if you are right. Unless instructed otherwise, Communists do not identify themselves as such, and freely lie about it if challenged. (*Everyone* exposed in the Venona intercepts made a career of lying.) The liberal view is that identification as a Communist is likely to impede the work of said Communist, and perhaps lead to questions about his or her “non-Communist” supporters as well.

My early difficulties stemmed from noticing that a colleague a) spent all his vacations in the Soviet Union—in Stalin’s time, too, b) was written up favorably in the Communist Party press, c) had most of his works published by Marzani & Munsell, the CPUSA publishers at the time, d) served as an urbane but spirited defender of Fidel Castro, and later, e) helped to publish the musings of Angela Davis, twice CPUSA candidate for the Presidency of the United States. There were lesser clues as well.

I mentioned to a liberal colleague that I thought the man was a Communist. Within weeks, my job and my career were on the skids! Every liberal rallied to defend the Red at my expense. The liberals’ explanation was, “[A]s long as he’s safe, we’re safe.” But in no way was I safe! I translated this to mean, as long as a blood-Red is safe, all us pink-and-yellows are safe too. This was a sharp lesson in the fact—fact—that the Communists could never, ever, have succeeded as well as they did without copious cover from the liberals.

These swine made a “right-wing extremist” of me. I despise all of them. Thereafter, I would be snidely accused by liberals of “looking for Communists under the bed.” My response was that I had never done that. Rather, I looked for them behind government desks and university blackboards, *and that is where I found them.*

Now, there is a further problem, in that leftist lawyers will gladly help a Communist to sue you for calling him a Communist, and you will have a hellish time try-

At the bottom of all totalitarian doctrines lies the belief that the rulers are wiser and loftier than their subjects and that they therefore know better what benefits those ruled than they themselves.

Ludwig von Mises

ing to prove your case other than circumstantially. (The FBI may “know” the person well, but certainly will not assist you.)

However, I have been able to get away with the following formulation. “In my opinion, So-and-so is, for all practical purposes, a Communist.” This means,

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of course, that he or she will parrot the line and perform as a Communist, but never admit to the affiliation. To the extent that we are still allowed to have opinions, this formulation can’t very well be challenged. Just hope that your opinion counts for something more than the hot denials out of the Reds and all their liberal supporters. The “for all practical purposes” phrase also neatly covers those tedious liberals who never paid their dues but who are, for all practical purposes, Communists.

“We Are Borg”

RALPH NADER is running for president on the Green Party ticket. Ralph Nader, in case you’ve forgotten, is the reclusive guru of the post-modern cargo-cult known as “consumerism.” He won’t win of course. He is not supposed to win. What he is expected to do is coalesce, under one banner, the Communist’s “liberal” shock troops for the next four years. Just for the record, Ralph Nader is not a Communist. He is a “progressive.”

Communism has some pretty obvious connotations and Communists know it. Hard core Communists don’t really care what anybody thinks about them because they figure that when they finally get into power, whomever the re-education camps cannot turn into a “responsible citizen” the gulags will swallow up.

But the people who front for Communists and Communist ideas—Lenin’s “use-

ful idiots,” who we in America call “liberals,”—also need protectors; a layer of ideologues and pedagogues who are adept at unleashing upon society the do-good destructiveness of “liberals,” yet who are judicious enough to reign in their destroyers periodically so they can assess the damage and pick new targets. This intermediate layer of nihilists are called “progressives.”

In a press conference at the capitol building in St. Paul, Minnesota on 29 August, while introducing some native named Winona LaDuke as his running

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mate, Nader said: "This campaign is to build a progressive party for a progressive democracy that both respects all people and provides them with the instruments for democratic action that produces a just and happy society—a society that stresses balance and creativity, and possesses a sense of humane legacy for future generations."

When I read that I went out and purchased another two cases of ammunition. The Green movement, as "progressives" describe it, is based upon "Ten Key Values": Ecology, Social Justice, Grassroots Democracy, Non-violence, Community-based Economics, Feminism, Respect for Diversity, Personal & Global Responsibility, Sustainability and Decentralization. Let's decipher these in turn. "Ecology" means; living at the subsistence level of nomads. "Social Justice" means; only minorities, homosexuals, females, cripples, and parasites have whatever "rights" they demand at any given time. "Grassroots Democracy" means; the Party is free from error and anybody who dissents ends up in the gulag. "Non-violence" means; anybody who throws the Green's stones back at them is a "fascist." "Community-based Economics" means; medieval guild socialism (just like AFL-CIO, but at a village level.) "Feminism" means; surrender to complete irrationality, utter meritlessness, and witchcraft.

Khmer Noir

THIS ONE may have escaped you. An AP photograph taken during the rash of June church burnings depicted a uniformed member of the New Black Panther militia standing guard while a pack of Black Panther Party members and supporters paraded through a burned-out church in witness to the most recent outrage. This "militiaman" is depicted holding a Colt AR-15 and his smug demeanor hints at more than a little stage setting for the camera. Without question, if the burned church in question had catered to Caucasians rather than Negroes, and the "militiaman" had been a Caucasian rather than a member of the blatantly Communist Black Panther Party, the hysteria mongers in the media would have smeared their editorial pages with howling diatribes against "white militia extremists" brandishing "assault weapons" in public. But the Black Panthers are "progressive" so it's perfectly acceptable for *them* to go about armed and put on such displays.

Some history to jar your memory.

Since its inception, the so-called civil rights movement has been financed, advised, led, and controlled by Communists. The guru of the "civil rights" movement, Gunnar Myrdal, was an open socialist and his wife and son were indicted in the mid-50's by the House Committee on Un-American Activities for their work on behalf of the Communist Party USA.

Remember Rosa Parks, the saintly lady who, on 01 December, 1955, was so tired and foot-sore that she refused to move to the back of the bus? Her's was act one, scene one, in what communists refer to as "guerrilla theater." Rosa was simply acting out what she had been taught during her attendance at The Highlander Folk School in Monteagle, Tennessee, by Don West, who at the time was District Director of the Communist Party of North Carolina. Guess who *else* was a regular attendee of West's CPNC Highlander Folk School? Why, none other than Martin Luther King!

King started out as the shill for the Montgomery Improvement Association, an organization founded by ex-convict Fred Shuttlesworth, who was an organizer for several Communist front organizations in Alabama at the time. One of King's key advisors was Bayard Rustin (arrested for homosexuality by the Pasadena Police Department in 1953—record 33914), a member of the American Forum for Socialist Education, a known Communist front organization. Together, Shuttlesworth, Rustin and King founded the Southern Christian Leadership Conference—the agit-prop arm of the Communist Party USA's Southern Conference Educational Fund, which was headed by CPUSA member James A. Dombrowski.

"Respect for Diversity" means; egalitarianism devoid of any identifiable standards.

"Personal & Global Responsibility" means; any human irrelevancy prying roots out the ground in Burundi (or an endangered rat, or a patch of swamp for that matter) has a moral blank check on your life.

"Sustainability" means; technology reduced to the level of a village forge.

"Decentralization" means; a return to rule by village elders and witch doctors.

I've heard it said that choosing between the Republicans and the Democrats is to choose between the lesser of two evils. Even ignoring the fact that the lesser of two evils is still evil, if that is your "rationale," go the limit—vote for pure evil; vote Green.

Consistent with Communist agit-prop tactics, King's "non-violent" marches during the early 60's were purposely staged to accomplish exactly the opposite effect. King revealed the purposes of "non-violent" agit-prop in the 03

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April, 1965 edition of *Saturday Review*. Quoting King:

1. Nonviolent demonstrators go into the streets to exercise their constitutional rights.
2. Racists resist by unleashing violence against them.
3. Americans of conscience, in the name of decency, demand federal intervention and legislation.
4. The Administration, under mass pressure, initiates measures of immediate intervention and remedial legislation.

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"It is in fact," continued King in the same article, "the only reason for a 'nonviolent' demonstration: To generate pressure on the Congress to install more collectivism."

The Civil Rights Act of 1964, the most blatant abrogation of individual and property rights in American history, is proof of this methodology. King knew he was playing to an audience of "useful idiots" (i.e., Congress.) He had the good graces to get killed before he could do much more damage.

During the late 1960's and early 1970's, armed street-gangs referring to themselves as the Black Panther Party, whom, hiding behind their skin color, Mao's "Little Red Book," and a sympathetic liberal media, took to the streets of major cities across America for the expressed purpose of murdering police officers and fomenting race war. Those few who were caught were arraigned before "progressive" judges who were "in tune" with the injustices of "the system." There then followed a shrill barrage of police brutality accusations from the liberal media, ACLU, the National Lawyers Guild, and the NAACP. You see, the police dared to defend themselves. Most Black Panthers walked. Some members of the Black Panther Party, not quite as retarded as their Maoist brothers, sought political office.

Forward to the present. Representative Bobby Rush (D-IL), now sitting on the congressional Commerce Committee, was involved in a serious confrontation between Black Panthers and Chicago police in 1969 when the Chicago Police Department raided the Black Panther Party's Chicago headquarters. According to the 1996 *Who's Who*, Rush claims to be a founding member of the Black Panther Party, and an active member of People United to Save Humanity (PUSH), the Jesse Jackson vehicle.

Representative Ron Dellums (D-CA), who is currently serving as Chairman of the National Security Committee, is a long-standing Black Panther Party drone. His 1970 election bid had the support and financing of no less than the Communist Party USA. As friend and supporter of Black Panther cop-killer Huey Newton, Dellums participated in the 1968 United Front Against Fascism conference sponsored by the Black Panther Party and the International Liberation School. During his shoe-in bid for Congress, Dellums attended the 1970 World Conference on Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia, in Stockholm, Sweden. The Communist front organization, World Peace Council, paid the tab. Dellums shared accommodations in Sweden with CPUSA members Gil Green and Sylvia Cushner.

The 06 February, 1971, edition of the Communist *Daily World* reported that Dellums permitted the use of his congressional offices to Communist organizers planning May Day demonstrations in Washington, DC. Dellums also provided space for Jane Fonda and Tom Hayden to organize an "American Imperialism" seminar for members of the congressional staffs—this following Fonda's treasonous anti-American broadcasts from Communist Hanoi.

After laying low for the past decade, the Black Panthers are staging a come-back. Now called the New Black Panthers, an example of their "progressive" community activism was witnessed recently in Dallas, Texas, when they threatened to send their armed gangsters to break-up a Dallas school board meeting. In a craven act of cowardice, the school board, city council, and Dallas police, all caved in to the threat.

Following a church burning in Greenville, Texas, armed Black Panthers arrived

threatening to kill "crackers." Swift on their heels, in a slavish reenactment of King's methodology, was a gang of Socialist Workers Party agitators demanding federal intervention.

Heard anything lately about the shipment of select-fire AK47s and RPG7s that originated in Communist Red China and were intercepted in San Francisco? You won't. According to a source in the ATF, those arms were destined for delivery to the New Black Panthers in Los Angeles and San Francisco (a gift from their Chinese Communist masters), not to somehow anonymous "street gangs" as reported

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in the press. The *Khmer Noir* are re-arming. When they begin rioting, looting and ambushing police officers their sycophants in the media will cluck "We need more tolerance and understanding!" and their political cattle prods in the NAACP will demand greater "empowerment" for "oppressed" minorities.

We suggest the confiscated Chinese weapons should offered for sale to Korean and other businessmen in LA. They know exactly what to do with them.

Church Arson Update

THERE have been developments in the once-huge but now fading story about black church arsons. The massive manhunt for perpetrators has [since August] snared firebugs, all of them black. On July 24th, Al Hatcher was detained for burning a black church in Selma, Alabama. His sister explained that Mr. Hatcher's Vietnam was experience had left him "basically homeless and troubled since he got back." That would be for about the last 20 years.

On August 4th, a black teenager named Mark Young was charged with burning two black churches in Greenville, Texas back in June. This is where the New Black

Panther Party has such a jolly time tramping around with rifles, vowing to kill any "cracker" who set a fire. The NAACP promptly insisted Mr. Young's confession was coerced. The National Council of Churches (NCC), it will be recalled, has rustled up huge sums to help rebuild the burned churches and to "fight racism." On July 8, the worlds largest forest products company, International Paper,

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promised to supply enough free lumber, paneling, and other wood products to rebuild all the churches. The company's CEO, John Dillon, urged his employees to give money to the NCC's Burned Churches Fund, and promised that the International Paper Foundation would match contributions dollar for dollar.

On July 10, President Clinton signed the unanimously-passed Church Arson Prevention Act, which doubles jail time for church burners from 10 to 20 years and provides loan guarantees to help congregations rebuild. On the same day he addressed the NAACP convention, saying that the burnings were "an attack on the whole idea of America." A fire-blackened crossbeam from a black church lay before President Clinton's podium; he solemnly touched it after his remarks.

Meanwhile, a cable network called the Faith & Values Channel has scheduled two airings of a National Council of Churches production called "The Churches Are Burning." The show highlights the NCC's central role in calling attention to this vicious arson scourge, and to NCC's sterling record in combating racism. The program is available on videotape for \$19.95, postage and handling included, by calling (800) 251-4091.

Another massive campaign to humiliate white people seemed to have worked up an unstoppable head of steam—except that a few people began to ask what was really going on. On July 8, the *Wall Street Journal* published a story pointing out that there has been no sudden wave of arson, that blacks are burning many of their own churches, and that there is no wave of pyromaniac "racists." The *Journal* traced the entire hullabaloo to a deliberate fraud perpetrated by the Atlanta anti-racist group, the Center for Democratic Renewal.

On July 29, the *New York Post* devoted its entire editorial page to exposing the fraud. It reported that the NCC's Burned Churches Fund is administered by Don Rojas, who served with Maurice Bishop's Communist government in Grenada and later lived in Cuba. As the August 9 *Wall Street Journal* points out, the \$9 million raised by the NCC, \$3.5 million has been set aside to "fight racism." Who is to get a good chunk of this swag? The *Center for Democratic Renewal*, which launched the fraud in the first place. [Emphasis added.]

The story (and the money) have certainly come full circle, though the sordid de-

tails have not yet received anything like the attention the lies about "racism" did. Fire investigators agree that the media whooping prompted "copycat" church burnings that would not otherwise have occurred. As the *Wall Street Journal* pointed out, this means the Center for Democratic Renewal and its friends

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appear to have brought about some of the very acts of terror for which they have cynically blamed white "racists."

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A Farewell to Feminist Pestilence

by
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WESTERN Christian civilization, in [the feminist] view, was a malevolent, patriarchal structure—"phallic imperialism" was the popular phrase. It had to go, to be replaced by their own goddess—like spirituality and wisdom. A fire with hatred for the male of the species, awash with notions prodigiously contrary to all common sense—and backed by the U.N. and socialists everywhere—these rancorous pests energetically set about restructuring society in their own image.

Any perusal of feminist literature and theory shows what a prominent role lesbianism plays in the movement. "Feminism is the theory, lesbianism is the practice." To end "sexual oppression," lesbianism was projected as a safeguard against "compulsory heterosexuality." For many feminists, lesbianism was the "purest form of feminism."¹

Well, these deluded harpies, imbecilic, mischievous and malicious, have slowly gained their feminist utopia. The feminist anti-family millennium is here. Social fallout from all this noxious drivel? Total disaster. As U.S. evangelist Pat Robertson has observed, radical feminists have (among other things) persuaded equally silly women to despise marriage, reject religion, rush to divorce, kill their children, become lesbians.

Everywhere, the baleful touch of such "progressives" is felt. Western society's moral fiber has been shredded. On all sides we see moral breakdown and disorder, nowhere more so than in the traditional family. The totally permissive society has brought with it easy divorce, the spread of homosexuality, woman's rights, State support for abortion, condoms for kids, legalized pornography... the list goes on.

Divorce

Current public policy properly recognizes the deep biological and nurturing bonds between mothers and children and the indispensable role mothers play in their child's development. The cataclysmic mistake has been to minimize, not to say actually discourage, the father's equally important role.

The single parent phenomenon is now a common experience, often producing dire results for children despite the best efforts of the solo parent. As fatherhood fragments, so the children's well being tends to decline with it. A large part of the human cost of divorce is paid by children. Many if not most children of fatherless families are in some way deprived and disadvantaged. Child abuse has become alarmingly prevalent.²

Yet, to this day, the loopy female demagogues hail as one of their greatest triumphs the widespread acceptance of easy, "no fault" divorce. Radical feminists peddle "no fault" as spelling "liberation" from the married role, from the "prison" of a home. It would, they promised, eliminate messy divorce pro-

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ceedings and their impact on children.

The very existence of this Sword of Damocles hanging over every husband and wife validates the attitude that marriage is temporary and based on self-satisfaction rather than commitment and responsibility. The word "marriage" with its connotations of fidelity, mutual support and emotional stability is fast disappearing, to the point where in Britain they are seriously discussing the need for marriage at all.

One way or another, the feminist moonshine has helped create one of the biggest ruptures in the accepted social system in all human history. Far from providing "liberation" for women, it has in fact often proven chiefly liberation for men, often with economic devastation for the woman. Single parenthood is rising fast. Under the influence of the "feminist mystique," we have seen a huge move to the fatherless society.

But times change. A multitude of studies now available make it perfectly clear that the collapse of fatherhood is a bigger factor in crime, juvenile delinquency and educational failure than race, poverty or any other social variable.

Henry Bilter, Professor of psychology at Rhode Island University and author of *The Father Factor* says delinquency is "three to four times as frequent in children in the care only of their mother... we are talking about drug use, criminal behavior, school drop out, unmarried pregnancy. *Paternal deprivation is much more of a problem than maternal deprivation.*" [Emphasis added.]

Richard Warshak, Professor of Psychology at the University of Texas, South Western Medical Center, states that boys suffer "harmful effects" from being brought up without a father, in particular regarding gender identity and scholastic achievement. "There is no reason to believe that mothers have a monopoly on competence in rearing children. Fathers can do just as well, often better."

Recent polls conducted by the U.S. Family Research Council found that 55% of Americans favor making it harder to leave a marriage when one partner wants to stay together. Others want to slow down and toughen up divorce procedures, with a shift to traditional fault standards for divorce: adultery, abuse, desertion; a much bigger shift to joint custody or even *a return to the 19th Century practice of father custody*, so discouraging both father and mother from divorce. It is now also urged that mandatory child support payments be limited to cases where fathers have clearly been at fault. [Emphasis added.]

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¹Next time there is a "gay pride" parade take care to note the feminists who shriek hysterically about women being treated as "sex objects." It will be plain that in their case that bromide is an obvious contradiction. Editor.

²Here we disagree with Mme. Parker because she does not define her terms. First, a fatherless family is an oxymoron. Second, "Child abuse" has lost any objective meaning and is now a foggy notion coined by social workers to appease an ever shifting quicksand of feminist agendas.

For example, in Canada, if a parent spans a rude child in public he may be charged with "child abuse." In a recent case in Northumberland, PA, two children were taken from their parents because Leslie Brydon, an Attorney for the government, stated in court that the parents believed the Constitution was still relevant and that the parents read the Bible to the children and that those kinds of things are a danger to the children. Petitions against the parents were entered stating that the parents were mentally ill *because* they read the Bible and Constitution to their children.

Finally, beating a child senseless is child abuse. Smacking him across the mouth because he talked back to you is called instilling respect. *Children do not have rights.* Editor.

Innumerate Parasites

PERSISTENT arguments from the left against "welfare reform" (how does one "reform" a base evil?) stipulate that "blacks" are not to blame for welfare expenditures because "whites" make up the majority of welfare recipients. Pro welfare "black" activists claim that they account for only 37% of the 13 million parasites. "Others," they claim (they mean "whites,") make up the rest. These numbers are recounted by serious talking heads aghast at the thought that "we" could deny so little to so few, smug in the assurance that "others" would be hurting themselves more than "blacks" if so-called reform occurred. Twaddle. Okay, some 4th grade math.

In big round numbers there are 250.0 million people in America. In big round numbers, "blacks" make up 12% of the population for a total of 30.0 millions. That leaves 220.0 million "others" left.

If you accept that 13.0 millions are on welfare, and 37% of those are "black," that means that 4.8 million "blacks" are on welfare. That leaves 8.2 million "others" on the dole.

Wait for it....

4.8 million "blacks" on welfare, divided by their population of 30 million, means that 16% of "blacks" are on welfare. 8.2 million "others" on welfare, divided by their population of 220 millions, means that just over 3.7% of all "others" are on welfare.

If we convert the big round numbers into a base million number system, out of 250 people, 30 are "black," and 220 are "others." If 13 people are on welfare, and 37% of them are "black," that means almost 5 of those 13 people are specifically "black," while the other 8 are all "others." Quite a disparity.

What is disingenuous about the numbers used by "black" welfare activists is that they omit any specification of the term "white," in which they obviously lump Asians, Hispanics, Indians, and both legal and illegal immigrants. Yet, even using their numbers and their definitions, "blacks" are on welfare at a rate *MORE THAN FOUR TIMES* that of all "others" combined.

The implication that parasitism is more prevalent among "other" groups fails the rational test because activists do not define those other groups, nor do they compare the percentage of specific "others" in sample populations receiving welfare against each specific "others'" total population.

Nonetheless, they have admitted that "blacks" have the greatest per capita rate of parasitism, and the delicious part is that they did it by lumping every other minority together with "whites" in an attempt to make *themselves* look better.

Feeling a Little Stupid Lately?

THE UNITED NATIONS World Health Organization (WHO) actively promotes the use of fluoride in water purification, beverages, toothpaste, mouth wash, topical gels, dietary supplements and food. If the WHO advocates fluoride that is reason enough to avoid any products containing fluoride. But the medical journal, *Neurotoxicology and Teratology*; Vol 17, No.2, 1995 provides urgent compelling reasons.

Researchers Phyllis J. Mullenix, Department of Toxicology, Forsyth Research Institute, Boston; Ann Schunior, also of Forsyth; Pamela K. Denbesten, Department of Pediatric Dentistry, Eastman Dental Center, Rochester, New York, and William J. Kernan, Veterinary Diagnosis Laboratory, Iowa State University, asserted that "there have been reports from Chinese investigators that high levels of fluoride in drinking water (3 to 11 ppm— parts per million) *affect the nervous system directly* without first causing physical deformations from skeletal fluorosis. [Emphasis added.]

"One study of adult humans," states their report, "found attention affected by sublingual drops containing 100 ppm of sodium fluoride [NaF], an exposure level potentially relevant to humans, because toothpastes contain 1000 to 1500 ppm and mouth washes contain 230 to 900 ppm fluoride. Also," they continue, "effects on behavior were related to levels of fluoride found in plasma and in different regions of the brain." The observers found that it was fluoride levels in plasma, not fluoride levels of exposure, which best predicted effects on behavior. They observed that "similar plasma fluoride levels... have been found in humans ingesting 5 to 10 ppm fluoride in drinking water...."

The authors point out that theirs is the first laboratory study to demonstrate that the central nervous system's functional output is vulnerable to fluoride and that fluoride accumulates in brain tissues. Speaking of the conclusions drawn from their study of fluoride use and toxicity levels the authors state, "a generic behavioral pattern disruption as found in this study can be indicative of a potential for motor dysfunction, IQ deficits and/or learning disabilities in humans."

Dr. Frank Bertrand of Stilfontein, South Africa, commenting on the *Neurotoxicology and Teratology* study notes: "Fluoride is a very strong oxidizing agent and will destroy vitamin E and other anti-oxidants... but most dangerous of all is probably the fluoride gel used in dental surgery. The WHO recommends a 2.72% NaF [also known as *acidulated phosphate fluoride*]." That is 12,300 ppm! "Fluoride in an acid medium," continues Dr. Stilfontein, "tends to produce the very corrosive hydrofluoric acid, which will attack and eat its way through glass. Dental gel,

delivered to surgery in acid resistant plastic containers, is left in the mouth for four minutes. Some of this highly concentrated NaF is swallowed."

Dr. S. Gibson, Research Physician, Glasgow Homeopathic Hospital, states that fluoride reacts with hydrogen bonds in biological molecules to form HF (hydrofluoric acid) bonds, with adverse physiological effects at very low concentrations, well below 1 ppm.

Dr. Stilfontein further notes that cancers usually attributable to cigarette use (i.e. lung and mouth) were, for all practical purposes, absent before fluoridation of water in Britain in the early 1950s, then increased exponentially several years after fluoridation was introduced.

[Try this little experiment. Go to your local water purification plant and inquire how to purchase, oh, say, one ounce of pure NaF (sodium fluoride.) Tell them you have a well, and wish to treat your water for your children's "oral wellness." When you get out of the federal slam after being indicted under various nuclear non-proliferation treaty acts for soliciting the sale of nuclear "byproducts" and one of the most toxic neurological poisons known to man, write us a letter and let us know how it went. Editor.]

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Horror Quotes

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"If I could have gotten 51 votes in the Senate of the United States for an out-right [gun] ban, picking up every one of them... 'Mr. and Mrs. America, turn 'em all in,' I would have done it. I could not do that. The votes weren't here."

Senator Dianne Feinstein, CBS-TV's "60 Minutes," 05 February 1996

SENATOR Feinstein is not bound by the meaning of words, by any recognizable principles of honor, by the Constitution, or even by the hoplophobes' own assertions that gun control is for the purpose of stopping crime.

Regarding the meaning of words, Feinstein swore an oath to uphold the Constitution upon taking office, and she knows quite well that the Second Amendment says "the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed." But the words mean nothing to her because in the twisted universe of her animal consciousness, words do not transmit knowledge or concepts, they merely enter her brain

as random noise unconnected to reality. Random noise cannot be processed and has nothing to communicate, thus she treats words simply as things to be strung together in any order without conflict or consequence. Regarding principles, she abides by none and there is no way to communicate any to her because to do so would require the use of words. Regarding the Constitution, it is just more random noise to her, and none of the words within it will necessarily have any more meaning to her than those of the Second Amendment or of her oath to uphold it along with the rest of the document. There are no words, principles or laws which can regulate her behavior while in office. Impervious to reason, all that is left is

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force, and she, as a result, perceives the world as an ape perceives the jungle: as a contest of force between things which produce positive emotions and things which produce negative emotions. Regarding the purpose of gun control, her treatment of words as random noise allowed her to confess explicitly, and obviously, that the target of intended gun confiscation is not the criminal element, but the productive law-abiding element: "Mr. and Mrs. America." Because her twisted brain allows no distinction between the productive and the thug, she can interchange them haphazardly in speech and deliberately in policy.

Those for whom words have no meaning, cannot be reached by reason; legislators who cannot be reached by reason will only produce the kind of jungle their atrophied minds can comprehend.

"We tried our best to infuse some social significance into the language along the lines of what sociolinguists do."

Sol Steinmetz, Executive Director, explaining the policy of including politically correct "words" such as "womyn" and "heightism" in the Random House Webster's College Dictionary

We remind our readers that is why we use pre-socialist dictionaries. Newspeak was used in George Orwell's *1984* to "infuse" into language the same type of collectivist propaganda pushed by the same type of bipeds today. Because words merely concretize concepts, because the use of words conjures those concepts in the mind of any listener or reader already familiar with the word and the concept, and because concepts are the basis of all sentient thought and are the mental process which distinguishes us from animals, the goal of any who alter language for the purpose of smuggling into it "social significance" is the destruction of your mind from the inside out.

"Womyn" does not conjure the concept of more than one adult female, and that was never its purpose. Its purpose is to bring to mind the evil notion that any word containing the letters m-a-n or m-e-n constitutes oppression of women as a class by men as a class. But what possible oppression can be ended or remunerated by a mere spelling alteration which affects nothing other than the concepts conjured up in your own mind? Only the "oppression" of thought-crime. To engage in it, they say, is to oppress an entire class.

Steinmetz's craven appeasement of the thought-police gives them an on-ramp into the mind of everybody who uses that dictionary.

"Freedom of expression is no more sacred than freedom from intolerance or bigotry."

— John Jeffries, Associate Dean of the Graduate School of Management and Urban Policy, New School for Social Research

You have just witnessed an abject confession that the agenda of modern leftists is every bit as incompatible with free speech as with the right to keep and bear arms, and that both agendas have always been coincident. The first question to ask yourself when confronted with it is: what is meant by "intolerance" and "bigotry," and how can they be egregious enough offenses to merit prohibition of speech?

"Intolerance" is being co-opted by collectivists and nihilists who twist it into a chimera vaguely indicating violence. What the word really means is unwillingness to accept something as valid. In other words: remaining true to what you believe when confronted with that which you oppose.

"Bigotry" was long ago co-opted to mean the *act* of intolerance. To proclaim a right to be "free" from others remaining true to their beliefs is so horrible a notion that it should not be described in print, and requires no explanation anyway.

To proclaim that this alleged "right" is so important that it can merit prohibiting others from *expressing* those beliefs is a blatant call for censorship— on the grounds that it is justified solely because without it, you might oppose those who oppose you. Is that egregious enough to merit suspension of the First Amendment? It is not; and we would like to take this opportunity to publicly remind Jeffries, and all like him, that if peaceable expression is prohibited to us, we will have no choice but to resort to bullets.

The second question to ask yourself is: who is it that Jeffries does not want us to

be allowed to oppose?

The answer, predictably, is inferiors— whether they be moral or intellectual. The smoking gun of altruism proclaims that one buys his right to exist only by indenturing himself into the service of those inferiors: Leona Helmsley to serve the "have-nots," Michael Milken to serve the inept, educated Americans to serve "special education programs" (which serve the vacuous), National Endowment of the Arts grants to serve the evil, and the United States Military to serve the primitive.

It logically follows that if inferior specimens deserve to be served by their betters in the realm of economics, that they also deserve to be served by their betters in the realm of expression. Thus, your freedom of speech is not pawned off to buy the freedom of a respectable human from the bigotry of racism or nationalism (which would still be unconscionable), but to buy the "freedom" of a shrieking gutter-level savage from the "bigotry" of your disapproval of his gutter-level savagery.

That is the specimen Jeffries does not want you to oppose with words. It is the same specimen Feinstein does not want you to oppose with guns, and Steinmetz does not want you to oppose with thought.

"Most of the facts presented in GATHERING STORM come from investigative reports by our Militia Task Force—which were based on information gathered in covert operations."

— Morris Dees, Harper-Collins Publishers publicity interview

Dees is one irrationalist who is fully aware of the meaning of his words and actions. He is a would-be tyrant of Orwellian proportions who has taken upon himself the role of eliminator of thought crime. The Southern Poverty Law Center, the Anti-Defamation League, Klanwatch, and numerous other civilian groups, openly pride themselves on reporting dissent to government agencies. All dictatorships have their puppets who beat the bullet one more day by sending their fellow citizens into its path. Such groups are variously known as informers, collaborators and Quislings. All of them develop into semi-organized networks using the "covert operations" that Dees takes so much pride in.

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"Nonviolence is really tough. You don't practice nonviolence by attending conferences, you practice it on the picket lines."

— Cesar Chavez, NAACP

Consider that it is almost exclusively the Communist led and mafia-infested unions that produce picket lines, and those unions exist for the sole purpose of holding government's gun to the heads of business owners to force them to comply with the irrational and immoral edicts of altruism, Marxism and extortion. Consider that these picket lines are, predictably, an unruly mob invading private property they've no right to invade, or blocking public right-of-ways they've no right to block. Consider also the fact that they usually do this to forcibly prevent "scabs"—an unconscionable slander against innocent people who are willing to work—from gaining access to the victimized business to do the jobs the pickets have walked away from, but still expect to keep. Mr. Chavez is trying to convince you that these compound acts of violence are "non-violent," that a thing is really its opposite, that "A is non-A."

His twisted rationalization for engaging in acts of violence for the cause of Marxism is the same rationalization that gave bloody birth to government protected unions in the first place.

"This is so scary. How did this degenerate into violence? How did we come to this point? We're just trying to protest."

— Sarah Chobanian, 20, a University of Michigan junior from Grand Rapids

Statement made when the anti-Klan protest mob she was part of "non-violently" attempted to storm the Ann Arbor, MI, Police Department and began throwing stones and bottles at police. Miss Chobanian, predictably, "studies" political science.

"If regulating the rest of us could prevent this [senseless murder] happening even once, should we demand it? Yes! Yes! Yes!"

— Barry W. McLeane, Letters To The Editor, Minneapolis Star-Tribune, 09 August, 1996

Mr. McLeane's letter to the editor was in response to a teary-eyed diatribe against the NRA and guns, which was written because a predatory street-animal murdered a little girl while spraying bullets at somebody else. Completely unconscious of the fact that Minnesota gun laws already prohibit nearly everyone carrying any kind of uncased gun, and that this prohibition once again failed to deter murder (Minneapolis set a new record for itself last year, with over 90 homicides), McLeane cries out for the ultimate in altruism: he begs himself to be enslaved and wishes to drag everyone else along with him, on the pretense that merely wishing for an end to murder will make it so.

There is nothing more pathetic than the sight of a man screaming at the universe to obey his wishes, to grant him safety from force even as he demands that more and more force be exerted by government, and to allow him to deserve any part of that magical safety he would trade the freedom of everyone else for. It is precisely this irrational act of screaming at the universe that leads to senseless murder in the first place.

"To use [the word "rape"] carefully would... to be careful for the sake of the violator, and the survivors don't care a hoot about him. [Men falsely accused of rape] have a lot of pain, but it is not a pain that I would necessarily have spared them. I think it ideally initiates a process of self-exploration. 'How do I see women? If I didn't violate her, could I have? Do I have the potential to do to her what they say I did?' Those are good questions."

— Catherine Comins, Assistant Dean Of Student Life, Vassar, as quoted in *Time*, 03 June, 1991

To translate this obscenity requires that it be taken seriously and at face value. Comins states explicitly that false accusations are good because they destroy an

innocent man's self-esteem, meaning: his assessment of himself as a man fit for living rather than as a brute fit only for death. She had no intention of spending her energies bringing justice to the few actual rapists around our institutions of "higher learning;" she fully intends to spend those energies knowingly debasing the innocent, to the level of the lowest among the guilty, for the expressed purpose of destroying their self-esteem with false accusations—and their lives with governmental retribution for a crime they did *not* commit. This is her admitted desire to destroy the innocent *because* they are innocent, and it is her confession of pure unmitigated hatred—not just of men, but of life itself.

If anyone ever doubts that there exist tribalists in America who would lead innocent members of other perceived tribes to the gas chambers, there is no excuse for doubt any longer—Miss Comins is one of their speakers.

"Of course we need welfare reform. Any idiot could design a better welfare system than the one we have—all it takes is more money."

— Molly Ivins, columnist for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Ivins confesses bluntly the truth about liberals trying to solve problems by simply throwing money at them. Whose money? Yours, of course. How did they get your money? At gun point. Why did they extort it from you? For the "greater good." What is the justification for that? No answer; just pay up or die.

Ivins also confesses what her standard is. Note that the inarguable first step in improving any system, even an evil one, is to make it more efficient, (i.e., to get greater use out of existing resources.) Yet Ivins is completely unconscious of that possibility. Her only answer is extortion, her only consideration is resources, her only standard is "I want more!" and her only methodology is incompetence. Any idiot, she says, is capable of that.

We agree.

"If you believe in freedom and equality it MUST apply across the board. People talk about the Constitution and it talks about freedom, of freedom of speech, of the right to life. But at the point they were talking about it, they

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weren't talking about women, Blacks, Indians, animals. So where was this freedom they were talking about?"

— Ramona Africa, MOVE, on "animal rights" 16 April, 1996

"If you're not mentioned in *The Resister*, you're nobody."

Major General William Garrison

We remind her that it is the Declaration of Independence which speaks of "the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness," and that the Constitution, when written, addressed only the relationship between free rational men and their government. To be blunt, Indians were excluded because they were savages and lived as such. Negroes were excluded because— with the notable exception of Negro freemen who *were* included (thousands of whom were slave owners)— Negroes were at that time not free or educated, nor did they have the slightest concept of individualism; they were tribalists, and their enslavement was not the cause of their anti-individual mind set, but was a consequence of it. Women were excluded because, in general, they owned no property and therefore had no voice.

We also remind Romona Africa that animals cannot have rights because they have no consciousness capable of comprehending them, and thus could not possibly abide by those same "rights" as held by their fellow animals. To grant them rights is to declare that "rights" are meaningless, and that the corollary responsibility to respect those rights is not even worth consideration. For animal "rights" activists, this is not a problem: animals are fully expected to rob, kill and eat each other with impunity, but only man is to be prohibited from treating them as they have treated each other for over two billion years. Thus, Ramona Africa's assessment of man is that man is *beneath* animals, and her political policy is intended to treat him as such.

In both cases, Ramona does not object to some alleged lack of freedom. She objects only to the lack of a standardless egalitarianism between humans, and of a twisted nihilism concerning human action toward animals.

Major General William Garrison's last joke about *The Resister* before he was forced to retire following a Congressional investigation based, in part, on *The Resister's* revelation about his personal culpability in ordering Cobra attack helicopters and AC-130 gunships to "stand-down" while U.S. Army Rangers and Delta operators under his command were being killed in the streets of Mogadishu, Somalia. (See "Please Send More Men. I Seem to Have Used All Mine Up," Vol. II, No. 2.)

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Any government, that is its own judge of, and determines authoritatively for the people, what are its own powers over the people, is an absolute government of course. It has all the powers that it chooses to exercise. There is no other—or at least no more accurate—definition of despotism than this.

Lysander Spooner
Trial by Jury, 1852

A Critique of the Militia Movement

by
Melancton Smith

An energetic national militia is to be regarded as the capital security of a free republic, and not a standing army forming a distinct class in the community.

Henry Knox, Secretary for the Department of War, 1790

JUST government derives its legitimacy from the consent of the governed, and exists solely to secure the unalienable individual rights of "Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness." The militia movement is a recognition that the Constitution specifies those powers delegated to government that it may exercise, and that powers not permitted to it government is prohibited from exercising. It is a recognition that the Bill of Rights does not *grant* individual rights (meaning, it does not define so-called constitutional rights), rather it delineates unalienable individual rights antecedent to the Constitution which therefore *may not be legislated upon* by Congress, nor infringed by government in the exercise of those limited powers delegated to it.

The gravest charge leveled against the militia movement by the media, politicians and law enforcement, is that it is anti-government. The anti-government accusation is designed to instill fear and uncertainty in the docile herd of taxpayers who have been brain-washed throughout their lives to believe that government is the giver of all that is good, despite a contradictory objective reality.

The problems this nation faces today are not the result or consequence of the militias springing up across America. The militias are the reaction of individuals to palpable tyranny. The collapse of the legal system is not the result of the common law and jural movements; those are reactions to the incoherent jumble of subjective, deliberately contradictory, whim-based arbitrary "laws" that Americans— every American, every day— break solely by virtue of waking in the morning and conducting their personal lives and business. The growing disgust with public (read government) education is not the fault of the home schooling movement; home schoolers recognize that the very minds of their children are in peril of *intentional* mutilation and crippling at the hands of "progressive educators." The underground economy is not responsible for the "loss" of thousands of millions of tax dollars; it is the logical consequence of a "progressive," incomprehensible, confiscatory tax system and government regulation of business which are intentionally designed to cripple economic growth, punish success, and redistribute wealth to foreign and domestic parasites. And the resistance of property owners to federal regulation and *de facto* taking by Communistic "ecologists" is not illegal defiance of the federal authority; it is the recognition that property is the guarantor of individual rights.

The sole legitimate purposes of a national government are to defend the nation and safeguard individual liberties. The sole legitimate purposes of state and local governments are to protect their citizens from force and fraud. And that is all.

When government agencies are formed for the expressed purpose of making the acquisition, use and disposal of property subject to the whims of tribalist-collectivists, unaccountable bureaucrats, and tree and animal worshipers; when the unalienable right to use one's rational faculties in one's self-interest (trade and conduct business) is regulated by government or subject to institutionalized looting for the "public good; when property and profit are taxed and confiscated *because* they are property and profit; when parents are compelled to exile their children to government school so they will become "socialized" and "good citizens" as dictated by government educators; and when the people are disarmed by

either decree or default, and their unalienable right to defend themselves against government improbities, tyranny or despotism, by speech or by arms, is stripped from them by "law," then government's legitimacy is forfeit. The government that so legislates no longer has a right to exist. *It has chosen its own means of destruction.*

The militia movement is not anti-government— it is pro-liberty. It is a recognition that current government is not a guarantor of life, but that government can take life on a whim (witness Waco.) It is a recognition that current government is not beneficent, current government is mindless random coercion (witness the recent anti-terrorism "legislation.") It is a recognition that gov-

The problems this nation faces today are not the result or consequence of the militias springing up across America. The militias are the reaction of individuals to palpable tyranny.

ernment cannot create wealth; government can only systematically loot wealth (witness the institutionalized looting of the tobacco industry.) But this growing realization by patriots is little different than that of a deer caught in the headlights, staring stupidly as its doom bears down on it.

The major problem with the militia movement is that it is well over a century late— and philosophically bankrupt.

Secretary of War Henry Knox introduced the plan to organize the citizen-soldiery (the militia), in a letter to President Washington dated January 18, 1790. He wrote:

The well-informed members of the community, actuated by the highest motives of self-love, would form the real defense of the country. Rebellion would be prevented and suppressed with ease; invasions of such a government would be undertaken only by madmen, and the virtues and knowledge of the people would effectually oppose the introduction of tyranny.

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Knox's letter defined the legislative debates leading to the Militia Act of 1792. His assumption was that the armed citizenry would not only rise as a body to resist foreign aggression, but would also be ever vigilant against the slightest usurpation by domestic government of their unalienable rights as free men. "Hence," remarked Knox in his letter, "the science of legislation teaches to scrutinize every national institution, as it may introduce proper or improper habits [in context, *laws*, Editor.], to adopt with religious zeal the former and reject with horror the latter."

These powerful words, backed-up by appropriate legislation, the Militia Act of May 8, 1792, intended the armed citizenry of free men to remain vigilant against government overreaching and jealous of their unalienable rights. They asserted the right of the militia, in their self-interest, to not only resist foreign aggression, but also tyranny by their own government. Thereupon, having this unalienable right *avouched* (not granted) through legislation, the militia immediately fell asleep. In 1819, when John Marshal, the fourth chief justice of the Supreme Court, arrogated to the Supreme Court the power to interpret the Constitution—a *power not delegated to it by the Constitution*—the militia, the armed citizenry, should have rose up en masse to force their representatives to bring the Supreme Court back in line with its constitutional charter. But the militia weren't paying attention. Now the Supreme Court, whose horrors are legion, is the *de jure* "living constitution." A law that is mutable is not law, it is arbitrary chaos.

Did the militia rise to oppose the 14th Amendment, which was "ratified" by blatant coercion and fraud, reduced state constitutions to amusing curiosities, marked the origin of the cancerous growth of the federal legislation, but most evil of all, established the "legal" precedent of *ex post facto* legislation to rationalize that which was already being practiced by force? The militia did not. For all practical purposes that abomination, the 14th Amendment, might as well simply read (to make it consistent with its application): "The end justifies the means."

Did the militia even stir when the Sherman Antitrust Act made a criminal of every businessman? No, they were too busy envying the successful while parroting socialist package deals and spouting "progressive" and "populist" bromides.

Did the militia mobilize and march on Washington in outrage when Congress approved the blatantly unconstitutional 16th Amendment? No. After all, it only applied to "the rich" and they could afford it (so went the Communist class envy argument.) Now the militia whine the mealy phrase "I'm a taxpayer" when opposing some further legislative outrage—as if publicly sanctioning their own victimization wielded the slightest whit of influence.

Did the militia oppose the 17th Amendment, which finally gutted what little independence the states retained? They did not. They wanted egalitarian popular democracy. They got it. You're living with it now.

Did the militia rise to oppose the Dick Act of 1903 that repealed the Militia Act of 1792, or oppose the National Guard Act of 1916 that permitted the militia to be drafted into the standing army, or justifiably rebel in 1933 (that year keeps popping up, doesn't it?) when the revised National Guard Act of 1933 made the state's militia (since 1916 the National Guard) a *component of the federal Army of the United States*? No. But now the militia scratch their collective heads wondering how they came to be called "a threat to society."

Did the militia resist by force of arms the insane female Christian Puritanism of the 18th Amendment? No. But the militia's mute sulking did ensure the inevitable establishment of organized crime to counter it, and the logical consequence of *unconstitutional* federal law enforcement to deal with the criminals the *federal government created* at the stroke of a pen. Think about the inevitable consequences of Puritanism the next time you demand vices be declared "crimes."

Did the militia assemble to oppose the 19th Amendment which extended the franchise by 50% of the population to those who had no stake in restraint of government, whose Suffragette movement was run by Marxists, and whose range-of-the-moment whimsies on trivia issues and "progressive" causes now define elections? No. The militia surrendered to the political blackmail inherent in universal suffrage.

Did the militia demonstrate to the federal government, in uncompromising belted terms, the explicit meaning of the 2nd Amendment when the National Firearms Act of 1934 was passed? Yet again, no. The militia were too busy feeling

sorry for themselves waiting for "somebody" to do "something" about a depression caused by a renegade, *unconstitutional* central bank. They got their mystic in 1933; his name was Franklin D. Roosevelt.

I could go on and fill the remainder of this issue with specific examples of

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"laws" and "acts" that the alleged militia ignored, couldn't bother to hold their representatives directly, personally and immediately accountable for, or more horrible to contemplate, the militia actually advocated out of sloth, stupidity or envy. Is it unfair of me to point to the intellectual sloth of your ancestors as the origin of your struggle to regain your liberty today? No, because your ancestors thought and behaved like herd animals, and now you are in the slaughter pen. The truth is not fair, it is simply the truth.

THE original purpose of the militia was "[T]hat every citizen be armed" to defend life, liberty and property from foreign invasion and government overreaching. That second original purpose was forfeit the very instant the first private citizen received money from the Treasury, or received a "favor" from legislators who passed a "law" that drove his competitors out of business. That first original purpose was forfeit in inevitable consequence. You don't get something for nothing. Which brings me to my second point: the militia movement is philosophical bankruptcy.

The Constitution is not a philosophy, it is the legal consequence of the philosophical grounding of the framers, both federalist (the base document) and antifederalist (the Bill of Rights.) Life is not a philosophy; living free and uncoerced is a consequence of limited government adhering *to* a philosophy. Liberty is not a philosophy, it is the resultant *of* a philosophy. Property is not a philosophy; its rational acquisition, use and disposal is a derivative of the

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practical *application* of a philosophy. That philosophy is, generally, Aristotelian. Specifically, it is Objectivism.

The Resister receives hundreds of documents, pamphlets, tracts, books, newsletters, tapes and letters from patriots and patriotic organizations. With singular exceptions the bulk of this information accepts by default the Kantian premise of irrationalism, the Marxist premise of altruism, and Hegelian premise of statism, as the foundation of their personal and political beliefs without the slightest concern that those same philosophies have resulted in America today standing at the crossroads of totalitarianism. The only difference between the patriot movement at large, and the government in general, is the degree to which they both accept the same evil collectivist premises.

How many in the patriot movement have taken note of the Old Left, New Left, and fascist hitchhikers who have glommed onto the movement? How many have taken note of the distinctly anti-capitalism rhetoric of most radio celebrities? How many talk about "populism" without the slightest knowledge that the Marxist inspired populist movement in the late 1800's was directly responsible for: a) paper money, b) the Federal Reserve, c) inflation, d) Anti-trust "laws," e) income tax, f) subsidies, g) unlimited democracy, and a host of other evils resulting as logical consequences? Not many.

For the first time in history there is a stirring of rebellion to *restore a government to its legally constituted form*, not replace it with another. But if this just rebellion is to succeed, patriots need to reject out-of-hand every single premise of altruistic Marxism and *embrace rational selfishness*. They need to reject Kantian irrationalism and embrace Aristotelian *reason*. They need to reject utterly every single facet and every nuance of socialism and embrace unfettered *laissez-faire capitalism*. If they do not, they will not only fail to restore the most free government to ever exist, their contradictions will accelerate the very tyranny they allowed to manifest, and now claim to oppose.

The Resister has stated in the past that our support of the militia movement is, in principle, unconditional, but that our support of any particular militia is, without

compromise, unequivocally conditional. As soldiers in the standing army we are (objectively and rationally) prohibited from becoming involved with the militia, and no active duty member of Special Forces Underground ever will. However, as a logical consequence of publishing *The Resister* we receive correspondence from a number of patriotic organizations. Yet, to date, we have received no correspondence from a single organization that has, as a matter of *principle*, explicitly rejected altruistic and socialistic premises.

Do you want to know the real reason *The Resister* is so feared by advocates of altruism, statism and collectivism (from both the left and the right?) Because they know our dream is to see the golden flag with the coiled rattlesnake and the words, "DON'T TREAD ON ME" fluttering over every federal building— not as a new national flag, but as a constant reminder to government that they are our servants, not our masters—and those words brook no compromise.

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If a constitution is so framed that official power becomes at once absolute and independent of law; if the magistrates who are to administer the law are authorized like the *praetors*, to make it from time to time as they think proper, as to who shall exercise the most authority, and he who succeeds the best, cannot be compelled by the people either to surrender or reduce it; the very appointment, in such case, tends to stimulate all the evil propensities, and create a dereliction of all the moral obligations of man. But it is an error, to suppose, (if it is supposed,) that this is confined to republican forms. The distinction would only be in name. Create a government of any kind, and invest its officers with powers so extensive and uncontrollable, and there will be the same abuses. The only difference will be that in one case we shall say the people are oppressed; in the other that they are betrayed.

William Rawle

Tripwire

by

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How we burned in the prison camps later thinking: What would things have been like if every security operative, when he went out at night to make an arrest, had been uncertain whether he would return alive?

Alexander Solzhenitzyn, *Gulag Archipelago*

WHAT would be the tripwire resulting in open rebellion? Examining the Bill of Rights, and considering *EXISTING* laws only, and not failed attempts, you will find that every clause has been violated to one degree or another. Documenting those violations would fill volumes; and it is important to remember that only government can violate the exercise of unalienable individual rights and claim immunity from retribution. We omit martial law or public suspension of the Constitution as a tripwire. The overnight installation of dictatorship obviously would qualify as “the tripwire,” but is not likely to occur. What *has* occurred, what *is* occurring, is the implementation of every aspect of such dictatorship without an overt declaration. The Constitution is being killed by attrition. The Communist Manifesto is being installed by accretion. Any suggestion that martial law is the tripwire leads us to the question: what *aspect* of martial law justifies the first shot?

For much the same reason, we will leave out mass executions of the Waco variety. For one thing, they are composite abuses of numerous individual rights. Yet, among those abuses, the real tripwire may exist. For another, those events are shrouded in a fog of obfuscation and outright lies. Any rebellion must be based on extremely hard and known facts. Similarly, no rebellion will succeed if its fundamental reasons for occurring are not explicitly identified. Those reasons cannot be explicitly identified if, in place of their identification, we simply point to a composite such as Waco and say, “See, that’s why; figure it out.” Any suggestion that more Wacos, in and of themselves, would be the tripwire, simply leads us back again to the question: what *aspect* of them justifies rebellion?

For the same reasons, we leave out a detailed account of Ayn Rand’s identification of the four essential characteristics of tyranny. She identified them quite correctly, but together they are just another composite from which we must choose precipitating causes. These characteristics are: one-party rule, executions without trial for political offenses, expropriation or nationalization of private property, and “above all,” censorship.

With regard to the first characteristic of tyranny, what is the real difference between the Fabian socialist Republican Party and the overtly socialist Democrat party? Nothing but time. Regarding the second we have the FBI’s Hostage Rescue Team and the ATF’s enforcement branch. In action they simply avoid the embarrassment of a trial. Regarding the third we have asset forfeiture “laws,” the IRS, the EPA, the FCC, the FDA, the Federal Reserve, the Justice Department’s Antitrust Division and a myriad of other executive branch agencies, departments and commissions whose sole function is to regulate business and the economy. Regulating business for the “public good” (fascism) is no different in *principle* than outright nationalization (Communism.)

However, the fourth characteristic of tyranny, censorship, is the obvious primary tripwire. When ideology and the reporting of facts and how-to instructions are forbidden, there is nothing remaining but to fight. Freedom of speech and persuasion—the freedom to attempt to rationally convince willing listeners—is so fundamental an individual right that without it no other rights, not even the *existence* of rights, can be enforced, claimed, debated or even queried.

Does this censorship include the regulation of the “public” airwaves by the FCC,

as in the censorship which prohibits tobacco companies from advertising—in their own defense—on the same medium which is commanded by government decree to carry “public service” propaganda against them? Does it include federal compulsion of broadcasters to air politically correct liberal twaddle for “The Children?” Does it include the Orwellian “Communications Decency Act”? Does it include any irrationalist “sexual harassment” or tribalist “hate speech” laws which prohibit certain spoken words among co-workers? The answer: *unequivocally yes*.

Although the above do not pertain to ideological or political speech, yet they are censorship and tactically they are designed to intimidate people into the acceptance of *de facto* censorship. We

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say that any abrogation of free speech, and any form of censorship, which cannot be rectified by the soap box, the ballot box, or the jury box, must be rectified by the cartridge box—*or lost forever*.

Americans have been stumbling over tripwires justifying overt resistance for well over 130 years. On one hand, we submit that gun confiscation is a secondary tripwire only. It is second to censorship because if speech is illegal we cannot even discuss the repeal of gun control, or of any other population controls. If only guns are illegal we may still convince people to repeal those laws. On the other hand, gun confiscation may be a *sufficient* tripwire because the primary one, censorship, can be fully implemented only after the citizenry is completely disarmed.

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Resistance, in the context of this article, means those legitimate acts by individuals which compel government to restrict its activities and authority to those powers delegated to it, by the people, in the Constitution. The distinction to be drawn here is that the objective of patriotic resistance is to *restore* original constitutional government, not change the form of government. To this end we believe:

The enforcement of any laws— local, state, or federal— that through the action or inaction of the courts makes nugatory the individual means of resisting tyranny, justifies resistance.

THE operative terms of the above statement are the parameters that must be defined and understood if resistance to tyranny and despotism is to be honorable, and for the cause of individual liberty, rather than anarchy resulting in a new gang of tyrants. Rebellion can never be justified so long as objective means of redress are available, which are themselves not subverted or rendered impotent by further or parallel subjective legislation. The goal of patriots throughout the country must be the *restoration of objective constitutional law and order*. The failure to enforce a subjective law (i.e., the Communications Decency Act) does not justify that law existing, but it also does not justify resistance. This is because non-enforcement leaves avenues of redress, including the forbidden activity itself, still available. Should a lower court uphold or ignore a case that challenges a subjective law, peaceable means of redress are still open by higher or lateral courts in another jurisdiction.

However, should the U.S. Supreme Court uphold subjective laws, or refuse to hear the cases challenging them, then the legislative, executive, and judicial branches have all failed to guarantee individual liberty, from the widest principles to the smallest details. A single refusal by the highest court in the land to overturn a whim based subjective law, or to refuse to hear the case, is sufficient to justify resistance to that law because there is simply nowhere left to turn for further attempts at redress. At such time nobody is morally bound by that law. Tyranny gets one chance per branch.

America is either a constitutional republic or it is not. If we can restore our republic it will ultimately occur through *reason*, and reason will then lead our representatives to make unconstitutional those laws which, by any objective standard of justice, should have never been considered in the first place. However, we cannot assert our claim to restore our liberty if we but accede to a *single* socialist construct. Freedom and serfdom cannot coexist. We cannot have it both ways.

Life, and the means to preserve it, cannot coexist with disarmament. Liberty, and its rational exercise, cannot coexist with subjective constraints. Property, and its acquisition, use and disposal, cannot coexist with expropriation. The federal government's first task is to obey the Constitution. It has refused. Our first task as free men is to force the federal government to obey it again. The Constitution of the United States of America is a constraint on the federal government, not on the individual. Likewise, the constitutions of the various states are constraints on the state governments, not on the individual.

The Constitution contains many provisions allowing the violation of our natural rights as free men by immoral and unethical men in government. The true heroes of the ratification debates were the Antifederalists, who secured Federalist guarantees that the Bill of Rights would amend the Constitution. To their undying credit, the Federalists lived up to their promise. Nevertheless, only after constitutional limitations on government have been restored in their original form can we consider amending the Constitution to redress its very few remaining defects (for example; the absence of a separation of state and economy clause.)

Laws that make nugatory the means of resisting tyranny and despotism determine the tripwire. The creeping legislative erosion of the 2nd Amendment is not the only tripwire that justifies resistance. We submit that any gun control is a secondary tripwire. Not only because it can be effortlessly evaded, but also because it strengthens our cause. It is second only to censorship. If speech is illegal we can discuss neither repeal of gun control, or the repeal of any other unconstitutional "law."

Censorship is not *a* tripwire, it is **THE** tripwire. Thus by default, censorship morally justifies rebellion.

Under censorship, no other rights, including the right to be free from censorship, can be advocated, discussed or queried. It is incorrect to say that after censorship comes utter subjugation. Censorship is utter subjugation. There is no greater usurpation of liberty while remaining alive. After censorship come the death camps, and they are not a prerequisite to complete subjugation, they are merely a symptom of it.

Censorship *qua* censorship is sufficient in itself to justify open rebellion against any government that legislates, enforces or upholds it. However, that is not the half of it. Censorship is alone in being the only violation of individual rights that does not require actual enforcement, or challenges in court, before rebellion is justified. When the government forbids you to speak or

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write, or use your own or a supporter's property to address willing listeners or readers, that government has openly and forcibly decreed that the art of peaceful persuasion is dead and will not be tolerated. Upon that very instant, all peaceable avenues of redress have been closed and the only possible method of regaining individual liberty is force. Whenever we give up that force we are not only ruined, we *deserve* to be ruined.

Censorship is already being "legally" imposed through accretion by compromisers, appeasers and pragmatists within government at all levels. Note the *demands* by "progressive" organizations and self-appointed "civil rights" groups to ban so called "hate" speech (they mean thought and debate), or "extreme" language (they mean principled dissent), or "paramilitary books" (they mean the knowledge of *how* to resist.) When our government imposes censorship it will be because our ability to use force to resist censorship no longer exists. Buying copies of *The Resister* is not yet prohibited; buying machine guns already is. Unwarranted search for un-

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licensed books has not yet occurred; unwarranted search for unlicensed weapons has already begun. As your unalienable right of peaceable discussion and dissent is being daily abridged, your right to peaceably assemble and associate in advocacy of your self-defense, according to your own free will, has already been outlawed (courtesy of ADL's "model" anti-militia legislation.) Unconstitutional federal agencies now arm themselves with weapons that you may not own, and train in tactics that you are prohibited from mastering. Before a government is sure you won't resist, they will make sure you *can't* resist.

The most irrational, contradictory, short-range, whimsical notion possible to men who claim the unalienable right to resist tyrannical government, is the notion that they must first let their ability to resist be stripped from them before they have the right to use it. This is the argument of so-called conservatives who pish-tosh the notion of legislative "slippery-slopes," and sycophantic adherents of a Supreme Court that has no constitutionally delegated authority to interpret the Constitution in the first place. We reject the notion of mindless compliance with subjective "laws." Subjective laws must be resisted on metaphysical and epistemological principles, moral and ethical grounds, and on constitutional and historical precedence.

NO RATIONAL man desires ends without means. No rational man can be faced with his own imminent subjugation and truly believe that once things are as bad as they can get, that "sometime," "someone," will do "something," "somehow," to counteract that trend. Any man who counsels another to appeal to those mystical equivalents of "divine intervention" for "deliverance" from tyranny is our enemy by all principles conceivable within the scope of *rational* human intelligence.

The time to organize resistance is not after censorship, but before it. The time to prepare resistance is when our *ability* to resist is being threatened. The time to begin resistance is when that threat has been upheld or ignored by the courts.

The unalienable rights that safeguard our ability to resist are limited to those which, if not violated, allow us the ability to plan and use all the materials necessary for resistance. We submit that only the following meet that criteria:

*freedom of speech and of the press, and the right to peaceably assemble— so that we may advocate ideas, report and discuss news, and instruct others how to carry out resistance activities (1st Amendment);

*the right to keep and bear arms— so that we may have appropriate force in our hands should we need it, and be trained to use such force as necessary (2nd Amendment);

*the right to be let alone— so that we may be free of government intrusion in our lives, liberty and property (3rd Amendment);

*the right to be secure in our persons, dwellings, papers and property from unwarranted, unaffirmed searches and seizures— so that our records, ideological materials and weapons will remain in our hands (4th Amendment).

For the purpose of this discussion we believe that no others rights are relevant because if every individual right other than those four were violated— although it would be an unspeakably evil act on the part of the government, justifying immediate and unforgiving resistance— *their abridgment would not effect our ability to resist.*

If any of the first four amendments are infringed by legislation, enforced by executive power, and their abrogation is

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upheld or ignored by the courts, unremitting forcible resistance, and aid and comfort to its citizen-soldiers, is a moral imperative for every single person who believes that life, liberty and property are unalienable, self-existing, and not grants of government privilege.

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The United States should get rid of its militias.

Joseph Stalin, 1933

The foundation of a free government begins to be undermined when freedom of speech on political subjects is restrained: it is destroyed when freedom of speech is wholly denied.

William Rawle, LL.D.
Philadelphia, 1825

Dissent in the Military

by
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ENOUGH comment followed my Open Letter on dissent in the military (Volume II, Number 4) to continue the topic and describe some of the historical background surrounding the panicked demands of the left to shut *The Resister* down. Please bear in mind that when I use the word “draft” below it is with nothing less than utter contempt for the institution itself. A draft is an abrogation of *all* rights. The notion that rights impose “obligations” to the state is the contention that a man’s natural rights are not unalienable, but grants of privilege from the state. The belief that a man “owes something” to the state, and that the state may therefore press him into involuntary service, and dispose of his life based on nothing more substantial than some unspecified “duty” to be a sacrificial animal at the whim of the state, is an incalculable evil.

The reason I bring up the subject of the draft is because there is a movement afoot to revive it. This movement is congealing within academia and tribalist pressure groups such as the NAACP. More hair-raising yet is that there is a parallel movement within the Army War College and the Department of Defense. No, America does not face imminent invasion or destruction at the hands of some enemy (and even that would not justify a draft.) The latest rationalization for a draft is because liberals contend that the voluntary military is not “diverse” enough (they mean it is too white,) attracts “intolerant” people (they mean men) and is a breeding ground for “extreme” views (they mean it still contains some principled men.) In blunt terms, the new advocates of the draft are those socialists and tribalists within academia and government who were the very same people who opposed the draft when the military was killing their Communist ideological comrades in Viet Nam. But now that “progressives” have control of the blackboards, and government swivel chairs, compulsory military service will allow them to use the naked coercion of the Uniform Code of Military Justice to compel “tolerance” on a steady stream of young men. In short, the proposed new draft is intended to complete the work of multicultural brainwashing begun in the public schools on those who escape university lobotomies.

What does this new draft trend have to do with dissent in the military? It is part of the frenzy whipped up by the leftist media and their tribalist-collectivist cattle prods— the Southern Poverty Law Center, the Anti-Defamation League, the NAACP, *ad nauseam*— over their fears that the military has not yet been fully pacified by the whimsies of political correctness. The Department of Defense, at the direction of Secretary William Perry, and Army Secretary Togo West, is rewriting regulations governing the participation of soldiers in so-called extremist organizations, political activities, and political dissent. The drafts of these regulations are expected to start circulating around the beginning of October. Noteworthy is the fact that last Winter’s inquisition revealed no “extremist activity” of any significance (whatever that means; the puppet masters controlling the inquisition never explicitly defined “extremism,” and like any other anti-concept “extremism” defies definition and relies instead on the emotional response it invokes— very much like an animal grunt.)

Typical of the irrationality of tribalist-collectivists, the lack of a perceived threat to their balkanization and socialization of the military is more alarming than a concrete threat. There *might* be “extremists” in some undefined future, therefore action must be taken *now* to a) weed out anybody who shows *signs* of “extremism” (they mean principled thought), b) ensure “extremists” are prevented from joining the military (they mean patriotic young men), and c) “educate” recruits about “tolerance,” “diversity,” “inclusiveness” and “values” (they mean brainwashing reinforced by compulsion of the UCMJ.) The threat tribalist-collectivists perceive is not from the odd young screwball thug who goes stomping around in skinhead drag. After all, skinheads and tribalist-collectivists share the same philosophy— nihilism.

No, the threat perceived by tribalist-collectivists is that principled anti-socialist dissent in the military, like *The Resister*, has the potential to undo their decades of patient subversion in the military to make it a socialist model of “tolerance” they can hold before “the people” and say: “See how progressive the military has become by implementing our policies.” Then they will demand legislation to compel “intolerance” (a neat inversion of meaning) nationwide in schools, factories and business— and eventually in your home.

Do you doubt this? It’s already happening. A recent, hair raising *Army Times* op-ed piece suggested that the dysfunction of the civilian justice system could be solved if the courts adopted the UCMJ model (the author meant institutionalized naked coercion.) Another

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article waxed all dreamy about how “tolerant” America would be if only the military’s equal opportunity standards were adopted (the author meant coerced at gun point) nationwide— in schools, factories and businesses. Widely separated in time those articles were easy to overlook. The reaction to them in the military was, “They don’t really mean it.” The terrifying reality is, they do mean it.

How did the military become a social experiment for the rest of the nation, and what does that have to do with rewriting regulations regarding dissent in the military? To answer this question I defer to history.

In the 1968 spring edition of *Voice of Intelligence*, the publication of the National Counter Intelligence Corps Association, Bernard J. Sweeny wrote about Communist infiltration and subversion of the U.S. Army dating as far back as 1924. In that year several soldiers were

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court-martialed and sent to Alcatraz for agitating for a military union. In Alcatraz they officially joined the Communist Party. A legal campaign by “progressive” lawyers and foundations secured their release in 1928, whereupon they went to Moscow as “consultants.” There, they presented their plan for “democracy in the armies of capitalist countries” which was adopted by the 6th World Congress of the Communist International. By 1941 their plan of subversion was at work in the military but was halted on order of the Communist International when Hitler invaded Russia. Stalin then ordered the Communist Party USA to send its members into the military, at all levels in all branches, to fight for *democracy!*

Here is the really chilling part. In early 1944, Franklin D. Roosevelt ordered the dismantling of Army Counterintelligence Corps and Office of Naval Intelligence offices that dealt with the activities of Communists and Communist Front organizations in the military, and ordered the destruction of their files. Army CIC and Navy ONI investigators working the cases were sent to remote and unrelated assignments. According to Sweeny, and Alexander Barmine, an advisor to the OSS, General George Marshal directed that over *fifty thousand* files on known Communists in the U.S. Military be destroyed. Of related significance is the fact that, ten years later, the civilian heads and military brass of the Department of Defense strenuously resisted testifying before the McCarthy Committee about the presence of known Communists in the Army. In fact, McCarthy’s most vicious critic was Joseph Welch, *counsel for the Army*. President Eisenhower signed an executive order on 17 May, 1954, forbidding DoD employees from testifying before the committee!

THE COMMUNISTS began their open phase of subversion on 30 June, 1966. On that date three soldiers from Fort Hood, Texas— James Johnson, Dennis Mora, and David Samos— held a press conference in New York announcing their refusal of orders to deploy to Viet Nam. Their legal counsel was Stanley Faulkner from the National Lawyer’s Guild, the legal arm of the Communist Party USA. It was pure “guerrilla theater.” Even before the three were arrested by Military Police, the Communists had formed a Front called the Fort Hood Three Defense Committee which began churning out reams of anti-military propaganda and received donations from “overseas” and the web of “foundations” that funded (and still funds) the left. The Army, of course, caved in. The three were released after serving only half their five year prison terms. Johnson went to Hanoi, and Mora returned to his “job” as an activist for the Communist W.E.B. Du Bois Clubs.

Communists began flooding into the military representing such diverse groups as the Progressive Labor Party, Young Socialist Alliance, Socialist Worker’s Party, W.E.B. Du Bois Clubs, Students for a Democratic Society, Youth Against War and Fascism, and all the other “progressive” organization that just wanted “peace.” Among their activities were the distribution of Communist publications such as *Challenge*, *National Guardian*, and *Ramparts*.

In September, 1967, a twice court-martialed “progressive” draftee named Andy Stapp, with the help of another “progressive” soldier, dusted off the 1924 plan of the original Communist military union agitators and formed the American Servicemen’s Union (ASU). The ASU began publishing an underground newspaper called *The Bond*, which was sent free and unsolicited to thousands of U.S. military personnel around the world. Heavily funded by “progressive” foundations, it was a pretty slick rag. Its collectivist theme naturally called for “more *democracy*” [emphasis added] in the military, but by weaving Communist themes among purely parochial issues, and the minutiae of military service, it became quite popular on military bases, due in part to the Communist organization, Viet Nam Veterans Against the War, and the always red-leaning Quakers.

There followed a flood of underground newspapers distributed by Communists in the military at “coffee houses” adjoining military bases, which were operated by Communist Front organizations for that expressed purpose. By 1969 these anti-American rags included *Fatigue Press* (Ft. Hood, TX), *Counterpoint* (Ft. Lewis, WA), *Open Sights* (Forts Belvoir, Meyer, Meade and Marine Base Quantico, VA), *Flag-in-Action* (Ft. Campbell, KY), *Bragg Brief* (Ft. Bragg, NC), and *FTA* (Ft. Knox, KY).

The proliferation of Communist run “coffee houses” and the spread of their pub-

lications eventually caught the eye of the press. The 26 May, 1969, edition of *U.S. News & World Report* wrote: “Time was when publication of an anti-military newspaper could be considered a violation of Article 134 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice... the catchall statute dealing with anything... considered ‘to the prejudice of good order and discipline.’ The courts are now saying that... what is prejudicial to good order and discipline is often a matter of opinion.”

Responding to the unwelcome attention being paid to this situation, colonel C. A. Stanfiel, acting Adjutant General, Department of the Army issued a remarkable document approved on 27 May, 1969, and issued 23 June, 1969, entitled *Guidance on Dissent*.

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gesting a growth of dissent among military personnel,” colonel Stanfiel cautioned “the Army’s response to such dissent will—quite properly—continue to receive much attention in the news media.” Any action taken against dissent, he continued, “may therefore reflect—either favorably or adversely—on the image and standing of the Army with the American public.”

In paragraph 5.a.(3), *Possession and distribution of political materials*, colonel Stanfiel wrote, “A commander may not prevent distribution of a publication simply because he does not like its contents.” In fairness, he did specify, as obvious exceptions, that publications were unlawful if they counseled “disloyalty, mutiny, or refusal of duty.” However, he cautioned, “Mere possession of a publication may not be prohib-

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ited," unless coupled with an intent to distribute; intent being defined as being in possession of "several copies."

Notably, paragraph 5.b. addressed the Communist "coffee houses" as being protected under the "Constitutional rights of freedom of speech." He very properly pointed out however, that "activities taking place in the coffee houses" that included "refusal to perform duty or to desert," or anything illegal or having an adverse effect on "soldier health, morale or welfare," permitted the commander to place them off limits.

In an egregious surrender to the ASU, Paragraph 5.c. stated that mere membership in a "servicemen's union" was not prohibited, although commanders were properly advised they were not authorized to recognize or bargain with ASU and that, "Collective or individual refusals to obey orders" were actionable under UCMJ.

Paragraph 5.d. is entitled *Publication of "Underground Newspapers."* In full, the text reads:

Army regulations provide that personal literary efforts may not be pursued during duty hours or accomplished by the use of Army property. However, the publication of "underground newspapers" by soldiers off-post, on their own time, and with their own money and equipment is generally protected under the First Amendment's guarantees of freedom of speech and freedom of the press. Unless such a newspaper contains language, the utterance of which is punishable under Federal law (e.g., 10 U.S.C. Sec. 2387 or the Uniform Code of Military Justice), authors of an "underground newspaper" may not be disciplined for mere publication. [In the 31 March 1986 edition of PA Pam 190-2, *Guidance on Dissent*, the words, "...the utterance of which is punishable under...." were replaced with the words, "...forbidden by...." Also, the statute cited in the 1986 edition is 18 U.S.C. Sec. 2387.]

The remainder of *Guidance on Dissent* dealt with on and off post demonstrations. I remarked above that the 1969 *Guidance on Dissent* was a remarkable document, and indeed it was. In a single Department of the Army policy statement, every subversive act being committed by Communist agitators in the Army was legitimized (albeit somewhat tempered) by a sweeping appeasement of what they were already doing. Other military regulations governing political activities and membership in "extremist" organizations, including the "passive participation" clause now being shrilly denounced, were also issued during this time frame.

Most of the inevitable damage however, was tempered by the short duration of a draftee's service, the end of the draft in 1973, and any commander's prerogative to bar soldiers from reenlistment. For all intents and purposes Communist radicalism in the military died out in the mid 1970s.

The shrill panic of the left over *The Resister* is what is known as poetic justice. By strictly adhering to the very regulations and policies that appeased the subversive activities of Communist agitators in the military 30 years ago, *The Resister* reaches far and wide to undermine and subvert the agendas of collectivists in the military while championing strict constitutionalism, individualism, and laissez-faire capitalism; the very ideas collectivists and statist fear and loath the most.

The current rewrite of the regulations, due to be shopped out for comment as this issue goes to press, and which are due to be published late this Fall, is a vivid illustration that the original and current regulations governing dissent in the mil-

itary were intended solely to appease the left, thus allowing them to cement their hold over the military. Now that collectivists are running government at all levels, regulations originally intended to benefit them are "dangerously vague," "inappropriate for a progressive military devoted to democracy" and permit "extremists" to spread their ideas. [Please note for the record that "liberals" consider "bad thoughts" (they mean principles) to be infectious.]

There is no doubt that the forthcoming regulations will attempt to appease every tribalist-collectivist pressure group "concerned" about "extremism" in the military. There is even talk within the Pentagon of reinstating the blacklist of banned organizations.

I reserve comment on the new regulations until I read them, although I admit that I expect them to be thoroughly

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whim based, irrational and unjudicable regulations deliberately designed to instill fear, not understanding, in the minds of soldiers. And if they do reinstate the blacklist, how much do you want to bet that Southern Poverty Law Center, the Anti-Defamation League, Center for Democratic Renewal, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and the myriad other Communist and Communist Front organizations, demanding "a more representative cross section of society" in the military, will not be on it?

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Seed of Fascism: The Commerce Clause

by
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THE CLINTON administration and the regulators at the Food and Drug Administration, true to their fascist orientation, are intent on further controlling the use of tobacco, especially cigarettes. (President Clinton, an occasional cigar smoker, and FDA czar David Kessler, a pipe smoker, seem to be mainly concerned about forms of tobacco they do not use.)

The current plan is to put new restrictions on advertising, such as billboards and magazine ads and to outlaw the promotional use of cigarette logos on baseball caps and T-shirts, tobacco sponsorship of sporting events, and cigarette machines. The FDA wishes to go further and regulate cigarettes as a drug. That would mean the agency would impose its "safe and effective" standard on cigarettes. Potentially, that could result in the outright prohibition on production, which is what the antismoking lobby has long wanted. That nicotine is not offered as a pharmaceutical makes no difference to Czar Kessler.

The strategy for accomplishing their ends is appeal to the protection of children. In the name of keeping cigarettes from kids, the antismoking lobby will make it more difficult, if not impossible, for adults to smoke. But most of what the lobby proposes has nothing to do with children. Removing cigarette machines from bars obviously will not reduce kids' exposure to smoking. The advertising restrictions will have little effect. There is no correlation between advertising and the use of tobacco by teenagers. According to economist Dominick Armentano, teen smoking in other countries increased after bans on tobacco advertising. In this country, black and white youth see the same ads. Yet black teens have much lower smoking rates than white teens.

In other words, the protection of children is a ruse. The real program is to harass adult cigarette smokers, with the hope that someday, when it's politically feasible, cigarettes will be prohibited altogether. States and localities are already beginning to bar smoking in private establishments such as restaurants and office buildings. That is obviously another grave blow at private property. The anti-smoking lobby and their sympathizers in the government believe that private property that is open to the public should not be free to cater to smokers. Nonsmokers are alleged to have a right to a smoke-free environment in someone else's building. (The second-hand smoke scare, the rationalization for those bans, has been debunked by medical people such as Gary Huber and risk specialists such as Kip Viscusi.)

The regulation of tobacco reveals the underlying fascist nature of today's political-economic system. Fascism here is not used as an emotional epithet but in its technical sense. The fascist systems of the 1930s were designed as an alternative to anti-bourgeois Marxism and the allegedly chaotic laissez-faire capitalism. Under fascism, property, including business enterprises, remains nominally in private hands, but the state arrogates to itself the power to set the terms on which things are produced. That power includes the authority to prohibit production of something entirely if the rulers so choose.

That's the system we live under today. While the first national fascist regulation of the American people began during the Progressive Era at the turn of the century, comprehensive regulation got underway with the New Deal. Unsurprisingly, President Roosevelt and other New Dealers admired what Mussolini was doing in Italy. Il Duce expressed his admiration for FDR.

The national government today claims the power to regulate nearly everything and to determine prices and other factors when it believes necessary. Sometimes the regulation is indirect. For example, the government can set the price of an agricultural product simply by promising to buy the supply at a given price. Obvi-

ously, no one will sell below that price in the market. It can also affect the price by limiting the amount of land on which a crop may be grown and by subsidizing production with the taxpayers' money. (It is only this year that some farm programs have begun to be phased out, although cash subsidies and payments for not growing will continue. The problem with phasing such programs out is that a future Congress can halt and reverse process.)

How can the national government get away with it? After all, we are supposed to have a free-enterprise economy, not a fascist one. By what authority does the state sink its claws into the productive life of the American people?

By the authority of the U.S. Supreme Court and its misinterpretation of the Constitution.

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Before the Constitution was adopted, states under the Articles of Confederation had put up protectionist barriers that interfered with the free flow of trade in the new country. One of the main reasons for what became the Constitutional Convention was to stop that. The framers' solution was the commerce clause, which was intended to make a free-trade zone out of the United States. The clause delegates to the national government the power "regulate" commerce between the states. (The clause also delegates the power to regulate trade with foreign nations and Indian tribes.) At first, the clause was closely interpreted as referring only to interference by the state governments

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with the flow of goods. In 1824 Chief Justice John Marshall's Supreme Court, in the first big case involving the commerce clause, *Gibbons v. Ogden*, struck down a New York law creating a steamship monopoly for traffic between New York and New Jersey. Marshall laid down the principle that for the national government to have jurisdiction, a case must involve interstate commerce; that is, the trafficking of goods (not manufacture) between two or more states. He also recognized that the enumeration of the interstate commerce power implied powers not enumerated (concerning intrastate commerce) and thus undelegated. That was a reaffirmation of the framework of the Constitution, which created a national government whose powers were, in James Madison's words, "few and defined." In that framework, if the Constitution is silent with respect to a power, it is not possessed by the national government; rather, it is reserved, as the Tenth Amendment puts it, "to the States respectively, or to the people." The doctrine of limited, delegated powers is at the heart of the Constitution. Without it, the document would be useless. A constitution that permitted a government to define its own powers would be a contradiction in terms.

Gibbons got things off to a good start, but it didn't last. Marshall sprinkled just enough bad seeds that, taken out of context, would allow later justices, legal scholars, and political opportunists to cultivate the commerce clause into a general power over anything that could conceivably affect interstate commerce. For example, in 1870, the Court upheld federal inspection of steam passenger vessels that remained within a single state but carried goods shipped from or destined for other states. That was ominous because the power claimed by the national government was not intended to prevent a *state's* interference with free trade; the object of the regulation was private enterprise. In that case, we can glimpse the beginning of the modern view that the commerce clause grants to Congress a general power. It was a short step to creation of the Interstate Commerce Commission in 1887, which cartelized the railroads and regulated their rates. (That big railroads, most of them recipients of land grants, approved the regulation as a shelter from competition is immaterial.)

ONE LAST barrier to full control had to be hurdled. Taking the lead from Marshall, succeeding courts insisted on confining the commerce power to *commerce*, the movement of goods; production was regarded as prior to commerce and thus outside federal jurisdiction. In 1895, the Court would not let the central government use the Sherman antitrust law (which was based on the commerce clause) to stop the merger of sugar refiners; that involved production not commerce. In 1903, the Court upheld a federal prohibition on the interstate trafficking in lottery tickets; that was said to be commerce. In 1918, it struck down a prohibition on the interstate shipment of goods produced in plants using child labor; the law was aimed at a mode of production.

But as legal scholar Richard Epstein has written, the barrier between production and commerce was "not as well-defined" as the Court held. After all, a market economy is an integrated network of activities in which everything affects everything else, however remotely. Manufacturing arrangements can influence commercial activities and vice versa. It was only a matter of time before the barrier would disappear and the national government would begin to regulate production directly.

Looking back, the progression from the early cases to the New Deal, when all inhibitions on federal regulation of the economy were dispelled, appears inexorable. Too many points had been conceded along the way. The mooring of the commerce clause—the principle that *state governments* could not erect trade barriers—was too long lost, the distinction between government and private acts too long forgotten. (The Sherman Act, after all, outlawed private "combinations in restraint of trade.")

In 1935 the Court upheld the New Deal's National Labor Relations Act, which compelled employers to engage in collective bargaining with unions. It held that the commerce clause subsumed those things "affecting commerce." In the particular case, the Court said that phrase meant "tending to lead to a labor dispute burdening or obstructing commerce." After Roosevelt threatened to pack the Court to dilute influence the uncooperative "nine old men," a majority of the justices subscribed to the most expansive definition of the commerce clause. The Court

blessed the Secretary of Agriculture's power to set minimum prices for milk sold *intrastate*. "The marketing of intrastate milk," wrote the Court in the 1942 *Wrightwood Dairy* case, "which competes with that shipped interstate would tend seriously to break down price regulation of the latter." In other words, nothing, certainly not liberty, should be permitted to get in the way of the national government's power to regulate the economy.

As bad as it was, *Wrightwood Dairy* still preserved something of the distinction between commerce and production. Did that mean the commerce clause barred the national government from regulating production? No for long.

Enter Roscoe Filburn, an Ohio dairy and

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poultry farmer, who raised a small quantity of winter wheat, some to sell, some to feed his livestock, and some for his family to consume. In 1940, under authority of the Agricultural Adjustment Act, the central government told Mr. Filburn that for the next year he could plant only 11 acres of wheat and harvest only 20 bushels per acre. He harvested 12 acres over his allotment for consumption on his own property. When the government fined him, Mr. Filburn refused to pay. *Wickard v. Filburn* got to the Supreme Court, and in 1942 the justices *unanimously* ruled against the farmer. (Sitting on the court was that great champion of the right to privacy, William O. Douglas.) The government claimed that if Mr. Filburn grew wheat for his own use, he wouldn't be buying it — and *that* affected interstate commerce. It also argued that if the price of wheat rose, which is what the government wanted, Mr. Filburn might be tempted to sell his surplus wheat in the interstate market, thwarting the government's objective.

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The Supreme Court bought it.

The Court's opinion must be quoted to be believed. "[The wheat] supplies a need of the man who grew it which would otherwise be reflected by purchases in the open market. Home-grown wheat in this sense competes with wheat in commerce." As Epstein commented, "Could anyone say with a straight face that the consumption of home-grown wheat is 'commerce among the several states?'"

For good measure, the Court justified the obvious sacrifice of Mr. Filburn's freedom and interests to the unnamed farmers being protected: "It is of the essence of regulation that it lays a restraining hand on the self-interest of the regulated and that advantages from the regulation commonly fall to others." Here is a blunt, and refreshingly honest, description of regulation. Unfortunately, it was not used to strike down the government's interference with a man's peaceful growing of wheat on his own land.

After *Wickard*, everything is mere detail. The entire edifice of civil rights legislation stands on the commerce clause. Under this maximum power, the government has been free to regulate nearly everything, including a restaurant owner's bigotry. The Court has held that if Congress sees the slightest connection to interstate commerce, it will not interfere, because it is not its role to second-guess. But that is no test at all. If Congress passes a law under the commerce clause, by definition it is asserting a connection.

It saw a connection, for example, when it passed in 1990 a law prohibiting the possession of firearms with 1000 feet of schools. Defenders of the law argued that

guns create a violent atmosphere, distract children from learning, make them less competitive workers later, and, hence, affect interstate commerce.

Luckily, that convoluted chain of illogic was too much for the Supreme Court, which struck down the law in the *Lopez* case. It was the first time in 60 years that a majority of justices said that Congress exceeded the scope of the commerce clause and went beyond its enumerated powers. The case could be used to thwart the antismoking lobby's efforts. But we do not yet know if *Lopez* heralds a permanent departure from the fascist interpretation of the commerce clause. Don't bet on it.

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We will not recognize it as it rises. It will wear no black shirts here. It will probably have no marching songs. It will rise out of a congealing of groups and elements that exist here and that are essential components of Fascism. The essentials of Fascism are: (1) corporatism; (2) government-created purchasing power as a substitute for private investment; (3) production of government funds by bank credits; (4) militarism; (5) dictatorship.

It will be at first decorous, humane, glowing with homely American sentiment. But dictatorship cannot remain benevolent. To continue, it must become ruthless. When this stage is reached we shall see that appeal by radio, movies, and government-controlled newspapers to all the worst instincts and emotions of our people. The rough, the violent, the lawless men will come to the surface and into power. This is the terrifying prospect as we move along our present course.

John T. Flynn, 1941

The Centers for Disease Control: Superstitious Shamanism at the Dawn of the 21st Century

by
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IN 1662, the *Armarium Urguentum* advised physicians on the treatment of gun shot and other wounds: "If the wound is large, the weapon with which the patient has been wounded should be anointed daily; otherwise, every two or three days. The weapon should be kept in pure linen and a warm place but not too hot, nor squalid, lest the patient suffer harm."¹ Three centuries later some physicians are still superstitiously treating the weapon instead of the wound.

Treating the weapon, these silly physicians have prescribed superstitious gun avoidance—"removing guns from the home" in their parlance—along with the standard panoply of gun bans and restrictions. In order to treat sociopathic violent behavior of individuals, America's witch doctors have prescribed hopophobia (fear of weapons) for the entire globe. Still more farcical is the mysticism inherent in their interpretation of their data. Recall that Centers for Disease Control—sponsored researcher Dr. Arthur Kellermann studied the risk of those increasingly vilified "guns in the home."² His statistics told us that a household with a "gun in the home" has a risk of homicide 2.7 times that of a household without a gun—at least in the types of homes he studied; homes with illicit drug use (31.3% of his cases), alcoholism (24.8%), arrestees and parolees (52.7%), and domestic violence resulting in injury (31.8%) and hospitalization (17.3%) far exceeding national averages.

Interestingly, according to the authors' own data, guns were next to last in importance of the "risk factors" studied. Alcohol, living alone, family violence, and renting one's home held more risk than guns according to the authors' calculations, yet the most important risks were barely mentioned in the publicity or the authors' discussion.

Kellermann provided sparse data in his published report and he has steadfastly refused to release his data for scrutiny by his peers and critics; a quite unusual and suspect refusal since his research was funded with our tax money. Nonetheless, from the sparse data he did provide we know that at most 49% of the homicides were committed with "gun in the home." Kellermann's assessment of risk depends entirely upon whether or not his control group accurately reported their gun ownership. If gun ownership was misreported it would be impossible to measure the "risk" of guns. Dr. Henry Schaffer, a biostatistician and geneticist at North Carolina State University, one of the co-authors of the withering review of the medical literature on guns,³ has dissected Kellermann's data and concluded that, "52% of the [gun ownership] control data was biased in the direction which increases the odds ratios [risk assessment] in their analyses. This contradicts their own claim that there was no problem with the controls under reporting [gun] ownership.... So none of the [Kellermann] et al odds ratios... are correct—they are biased upwards— i.e. in the direction of their favored conclusion."⁴

At best Kellermann's data might have statistically shown that for some subset of seriously aberrant and dysfunctional homes, a "gun in the home" is statistically a

"risk factor" even though the dreaded "gun in the home" is not used in the homicide, however, the inability to assess the actual gun ownership of his control groups deflates even that claim. Keep in mind an important subtlety, the statistical definition of risk factor is only the outcome of a mathematical operation showing a correlation, but *does not imply a causal relationship*. The "crude odds ratio" statistical method used by Kellermann cannot distinguish between "cause" and "effect."

Statistically identifying something as a "risk factor" does not mean the "risk factor" caused the problem. In this case, Kellermann has demonstrated that in his unrepresentative subset of dysfunctional homes suffering a homicide a gun is 2.7 times as likely to be found compared

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to homes without a homicide, but has not demonstrated that a "gun in the home" caused the homicide. He has not demonstrated that a "gun in the home" is a "risk" as we commonly understand the word. Unfortunately, and unjustifiably, Kellermann and his admirers use this correlation to advocate stringent gun restrictions and bans, allowing a blurring between the statistical and common understandings of "risk;" a blurring that is convenient to their express political goals of "removing handguns from the home."

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To advocate meaningful gun policy one must logically determine the cause of the discovered correlation. Are guns more common in the homes suffering homicide because the "gun in the home" caused the homicide?— or are guns more common in the homes suf-

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fering homicide because those homes are involved in other activities that increase risk of homicide? (as though guns are a proxy for the real risk factor)— or are guns the “effect,” being more common in the homes suffering homicide because those homes are located in high risk communities? If dangerous activities or high risk location prompted or “caused” certain homeowners to obtain guns because of their perception of increased risk, a “gun in the home” would not be expected to cause increased risk in normal homes and, consequently, there is no justification for advocating stringent or widespread gun restrictions or bans.

Kellermann is a member of Handgun Epidemic Lowering Program (HELP), pediatrician Katherine Kaufer Christoffel’s handgun ban lobbying group. Kellermann’s Emory University School of Public Health and Dr. Mark Rosenberg, Director of CDC’s National Center for Injury Prevention and Control are members of Cease Fire, another gun control lobby group. Virtually all of the prominent prohibitionist poster-boy researchers are similarly members, individually or institutionally, of the same or other gun ban lobby groups.

In their advocacy they frequently reference Kellermann’s assessment of the “2.7 times” risk of a “gun in the home.” This, of course, implies that they have accepted, but not demonstrated, the missing link, that the “gun in the home” caused the risk. They have some serious, or amusing, explaining to do. Since Kellermann’s sparse data show that 51% of the homicides did not involve the “gun in the home,” how could that gun “cause” the homicide? Did the gun magnetize murderers to the home? Did the gun on the closet shelf or in the gun safe emanate mystical rays that caused healthy loving people to go berserk and murder a householder by strangling him, or knifing him, or clubbing him to death?

Clearly, juxtaposing Kellermann’s findings with other research supports our contention that people who have or perceive high risk are motivated to obtain guns as the demonstrably safest and most effective means of protection.⁵ Even accounting for his findings, there is no justification for the superstitious gun avoidance and gun ban policies advocated by Kellermann, his CDC handlers, and his admirers. All of who, of course, are subsidized by your own labor; your tax dollars pouring through the CDC.

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Unfortunately for taxpayers who are bled to finance the apparat’s alphabet soup of collectivist propagandists, lobbyists, strategists, and apologists (CDC, NEA, CPB, etc.), the CDC’s transgressions surpass simple superstitious hoplophobia and blend seamlessly into old-fashioned prevarication. As the CDC has already admitted, and the Wall Street Journal reported in their May 1, 1996 front page expose,⁶ the CDC has used strategic lies to promote their politicized AIDS agenda. On the topic of guns and violence the CDC has campaigned similarly with strategic lies and misconduct.

Against a media blackout on this issue, our non-profit, national, physicians think tank has struggled uphill to expose the CDC’s verifiable (and possibly criminal) misconduct. The CDC’s National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC) has used tax money to fund gun prohibition newsletters and lobby for gun bans. CDC diverted tax funds earmarked for study of farm injuries to fund a 1992 rally with Handgun Control Inc.’s Sarah Brady in Iowa (while posturing to the media that one reason NCIPC should not be disbanded is that they study farm and other injuries).

CDC’s Directors have been very clear in their statements of their personal political agenda, including their membership in, and the institutional membership of, their so-called “independent” researchers in gun ban lobbying organizations (e.g. Handgun Epidemic Lowering Program, Cease Fire, etc.), but pose before the media as “objective scientists” hiding behind a bromide of concern for “innocent children” which, according to the American Academy of Pediatrics’ definition, *includes drug dealers up to the age of 24!*

CDC’s tax-funded researchers, such as Kellermann, have similarly been repeatedly exposed in the scholarly medical, legal, and criminological literature as biased polemicists, condemned by their own words and work.

All this misconduct has been called to the attention of Congress by us, by other physician organizations (such as Doctors for Responsible Gun Ownership of the

Claremont Institute), and by numerous independent scholars. Though we have repeatedly provided this information, it has remained virtually unpublished by corporate media. Naturally the CDC has nurtured— and corporate media has uncritically propagandized— the convenient fiction that they are objective and loving scientists who are being martyred by bloodthirsty gun manufacturers and demons at the National Rifle Association.

Let us not mince words: the CDC’s directors and researchers have prostituted themselves, as media have prostituted their journalistic integrity, to serve a political agenda. Thankfully, the Internet and alternative media allow *thinking* Americans to bypass such propaganda and censorship. Our efforts to disband CDC-NCIPC failed this year, but their gun research money has been

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cut. Perhaps in the 105th Congress, when CDC’s NCIPC is disbanded, as it should be (it is far too tainted to be salvageable), they will only have themselves to blame. No bloated, corrupt bureaucracy gorging on tax dollars dies an easy death, particularly when apparatchiks and corporate media shills run interference for them.

We have sobered many audiences by noting that, according to the estimate of the American Medical Association’s own house organ, the *Journal of the American Medical Association*, 180,000 Americans die every year from physicians’ negligence,⁷ almost five times the number of Americans killed with guns. One might fairly conclude from such a “costs only” analysis that doctors are a deadly public menace. Why do we not reach that conclusion? Because, in balance, and with little

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thanks to the CDC's liars in lab coats, doctors save many more lives than they take; and so it is with guns.

As all fourteen studies of the protective benefits have shown,⁸ every year about 1 to 2.5 million Americans use guns to protect themselves, their families, and their livelihoods. About 400,000 of those defenders believe that they would almost certainly have lost their lives if they had not had a gun for defense. Even if 90% of those defenders are wrong, the lives saved by guns would still be more numerous than the lives lost to guns. Lives saved, injuries prevented, medical costs averted, and property protected—by guns. These are the benefits of guns with which we can live.

Oddly, the public debate on guns has focused on the criminological and “public health” aspects of guns, but has virtually ignored the most important reason for all free people to own guns.

University of Hawaii genocidologist Prof. RJ Rummel, in his book *Death by Government*, estimated that as many as 330 million people have died this century at the hands of government. Let those dead be not mute, for there is no better reason than *that* for a free people to deny their own governments a monopoly on the tools of force.

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The Economic Foundations of Freedom

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ANIMALS are driven by instinctive urges. They yield to the impulse which prevails at the moment and peremptorily asks for satisfaction. They are the puppets of their appetites. Man's eminence is to be seen in the fact that he chooses between alternatives. He regulates his behavior deliberately. He can master his impulses and desires; he has the power to suppress wishes the satisfaction of which would force him the renounce the attainment of more important goals. In short: man acts; he purposively aims at the ends chosen. That is why we have in mind stating that man is a moral person, responsible for his conduct.

Freedom as a Postulate of Morality

All the teachings and precepts of ethics, whether based on religious creed or whether based on secular doctrine like that of the Stoic philosophers, presuppose this moral autonomy of the individual and therefore appeal to the individual's conscience. They presuppose that the individual is free to choose among various modes of conduct and require him to behave in compliance with definite rules, the rules of morality. Do the right things, shun the bad things.

It is obvious that the exhortations and admonishments of morality make sense only when addressing individuals who are free agents. They are vain when directed to slaves. It is useless to tell a bondsman what is morally good and what is morally bad. He is not free to determine his comportment; he is forced to obey the orders of his master. It is difficult to blame him if he prefers yielding to the commands of his master to the most cruel punishment threatening not only him but also the members of his family.

This is why freedom is not only a political postulate, but no less a postulate of every religious or secular morality.

The Struggle for Freedom

Yet for thousands of years a considerable part of mankind was either or at least in many regards deprived of the faculty to choose between what is right and what is wrong. In the status society of days gone by, the freedom to act according to their own choice was, for the lower strata of society, the great majority of the population, seriously restricted by a rigid system of controls. An outspoken formulation of this principle was the statute of the Holy Roman Empire that conferred upon the princes and counts of the *Reich* (Empire) the power and the right to determine the religious allegiance of their subjects.

The Orientals meekly acquiesced in this state of affairs. But the Christian peoples of Europe and their scions that settled in overseas territories never tired in their struggle for liberty. Step by step they abolished all status and caste privileges and disabilities until they finally succeeded in establishing the system that the harbingers of totalitarianism try to smear by calling it the bourgeois system.

The Supremacy of the Consumers

The economic foundation of the bourgeois system is the market economy in which the consumer is sovereign. The consumer, i.e. everybody, determines by his buying or abstention from buying what should be produced, in what quantity, and of what quality. The businessmen are forced by the instrumentality of profit and loss to obey the orders of the consumers. Only those enterprises can flourish that

supply in the best possible and cheapest way those commodities and services which the buyers are most anxious to acquire. Those who fail to satisfy the public suffer losses and are finally forced to go out of business.

In the precapitalistic ages the rich were the owners of large landed estates. They or their ancestors had acquired their property as gifts—feuds or fiefs—from the sovereign who, with their aid, had conquered the country and subjugated its inhabitants. These aristocratic landowners were real lords as they did not depend on the patronage of buyers. But the rich of a capitalistic industrial society are subject to the supremacy of the market. They acquire their wealth by serving the consumers better than other people do and they forfeit their wealth when other people satisfy the wishes of the consumers better or

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cheaper than they do. In the free market economy the owners of the capital are forced to invest it in those lines in which it best serves the public. Thus ownership of capital goods is continually shifted into the hands of those who have best succeeded in serving the consumers. In the market economy private property is in this sense a public service imposing upon the owners the responsibility of employing it in the best interests of the sovereign consumers. This is what economists mean when they call the market economy a democracy in which every penny gives a right to vote.

The Political Aspects of Freedom

Representative government is the corollary of the market economy. The same spiritual movement that created modern capitalism substituted elected officeholders for the authoritarian rule of absolute kings and hereditary aristocracies. It was this much-decried bourgeois liberalism that brought freedom of conscience, of thought, of speech, and of the press and put an end to the intolerant persecution of dissenters.

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ing to his own plans. He is free to compete on the market for the most desirable jobs and on the political scene for the highest offices. He does not depend more on other people's favor than these others depend on his favor. If he wants to succeed on the market, he has to satisfy the consumers; if he wants to succeed in public affairs he has to satisfy the voters. This system has brought to the capitalistic countries of Western Europe, America, and Australia and unprecedented increase in population figures and the highest standard of living ever known in history. The much talked-about common man has at his disposal amenities of which the richest men in precapitalistic ages did not even dream. He is in a position to enjoy the spiritual and intellectual achievements of science, poetry, and art that in earlier days were accessible to a small elite of well-to-do people. And he is free to worship as his conscience tells him.

The Socialist Misrepresentation of the Market Economy

All the facts about the operation of the capitalistic system are misrepresented and distorted by the politicians and writers who arrogated to themselves the label of liberalism, the school of thought that in the nineteenth century crushed the arbitrary rule of monarchs and aristocrats and paved the way for free trade and enterprise. As these advocates of a return to despotism see it, all the evils that plague mankind are due to sinister machinations on the part of big business. What is needed to bring about wealth and happiness for all decent people is to put corporations under strict government control. They admit, although only obliquely, that this means the adoption of socialism, the system of the Soviet Socialist Republics. But they protest that socialism will be something entirely different in the countries of Western civilization from what it is in Russia. Any anyway, they say, there is no other method to deprive the mammoth corporations of the enormous power they have acquired and to prevent them from further damaging the interests of the people.

Against this fanatical propaganda there is need to emphasize again and again the truth that it is big business that brought about the unprecedented improvement of the masses' standard of living. Luxury goods for a comparatively small number of well-to-do can be produced by small-sized enterprises. But the fundamental principle of capitalism is to produce for the satisfaction of the wants of the many. The same people who are employed by the big corporations are the main consumers of the goods turned out. If you look around in the household of an average American wage-earner, you will see for whom the wheels of the machines are turning. It is big business that makes all the achievements of modern technology accessible to the common man. Everybody is benefited by the high productivity of big-scale production.

It is silly to speak of the "power" of big business. The very mark of capitalism is that supreme power in all economic matters is vested in the consumers. All big enterprises grew from modest beginnings into bigness because the patronage of the consumers made them grow. It would be impossible for small or medium-size firms to turn out those products which no present-day American would like to do without. The bigger a corporation is, the more does it depend on the consumers' readiness to buy its wares. It was the wishes—or, as some say, the folly—of the consumers that drove the automobile industry into the production of even bigger cars and forced it today to manufacture smaller cars. Chain stores and department stores are under the necessity to adjust their operations daily anew to the satisfaction of the changing wants of their customers. The fundamental law of the market is: the customer is always right.

A man who criticizes the conduct of business affairs and pretends to know better methods for the provision of the consumers is just an idle babbler. If he thinks that his own designs are better, why does he not try them himself? There are in this country always capitalists in search of a profitable investment of their funds who are ready to provide the capital required for any reasonable innovations. The public is always eager to buy what is better or cheaper, or better and cheaper. What counts in the market is not fantastic reveries, but doing. It was not taking that made the "tycoons" rich, but service to the customers.

Capital Accumulation Benefits All of the People

It is fashionable nowadays to pass over in silence the fact that all economic bet-

terment depends on saving and the accumulation of capital. None of the marvelous achievements of science and technology could have been practically utilized if the capital required had not previously been made available. What prevents the economically backward nations from taking full advantage of all the Western methods of production, and thereby keeps their masses poor, is not unfamiliarity with the teachings of technology but the insufficiency of their capital. One badly misjudges the problems facing the underdeveloped countries if one asserts that what they lack is technical knowledge, the "know-how." Their businessmen and their engineers, most of them graduates of the best schools of Europe and America, are well acquainted with the state of contemporary applied science. What ties their hands is the shortage of capital. A hundred years ago (this article was written in 1960. Editor) America was even poorer than these backward na-

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tions. What made the United States become the most affluent country of the world was the fact that "rugged individualism" of the years before the New Deal did not place too serious obstacles in the way of enterprising men. Businessmen became rich because they consumed only a small part of their profits and plowed the much greater part back into their businesses. Thus they enriched themselves and all of the people. For it was this accumulation of capital that raised the marginal productivity of labor and thereby wage rates. Under capitalism the acquisitiveness of the individual businessman benefits not only himself but also all other people. There is a reciprocal relation between his acquiring wealth by serving the consumers and accumulating capital and

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the improvement of the standard of wage-earners who form the majority of consumers. The masses are in their capacity both as wage-earners and as consumers interested in the flowering of business. This is what the old liberals had in mind when they declared that in the market economy there prevails a harmony of the true interests of all groups of the population.

It is in the moral and mental atmosphere of this capitalistic system that the American citizen lives and works. There are still in some parts of the United States conditions left which appear highly unsatisfactory to the prosperous inhabitants of the advanced districts which for the greater part of the country. But the rapid progress of industrialization would have long since wiped out these pockets of backwardness if the unfortunate policies of the New Deal had not slowed down the accumulation of capital, the irreplaceable tool of economic betterment. Used to the conditions of a capitalistic environment, the average American takes it for granted that every year business makes something new and better accessible to him. Looking backward upon the years of his own life, he realizes that many of the implements that were totally unknown in the days of his youth and many others which at that time could be enjoyed only by a small minority are now standard equipment of almost every household. He is fully confident that this trend will prevail also in the future. He simply calls it the "American way of life" and does not give serious thought to the question of what made this continuous improvement in the supply of material goods possible. He is not earnestly disturbed by the operation of factors that are bound not only to stop further accumulation of capital but may very soon bring about capital decumulation. He does not oppose the forces that—by frivolously increasing public expenditure, by cutting down on capital accumulation, and even making for consumption of parts of the capital in business, and, finally, by inflation—are sapping the very foundations of his material well being. He is not concerned about the growth of statism that wherever it has been tried resulted in producing and preserving conditions which in his eyes are shockingly wretched.

No Personal Freedom Without Economic Freedom

Unfortunately many of our contemporaries fail to realize what a radical change on the moral conditions of man, the rise in statism, the substitution of government omnipotence for the market economy, is bound to bring about. They are deluded by the idea that there prevails a clear-cut dualism in the affairs of man, that there is on the one side a sphere of economic activities and on the other side a field of activities that are considered as noneconomic. Between these two fields there is, they think, no close connection. The freedom that socialism abolishes is "only" the economic freedom, while freedom in all other matters remains unimpaired.

However, these two spheres are not independent of each other as this doctrine assumes. Human beings do not float in ethereal regions. Everything that a man does must necessarily in some way or other affect the economic or material sphere and requires his power to interfere with this sphere. In order to subsist, he must toil and have the opportunity to deal with some material tangible goods.

The confusion manifests itself in the popular idea that what is going on in the market refers merely to the economic side of human life and action. But in fact the prices of the market reflect not only "material concerns"—like getting food, shelter, and other amenities—but no less those concerns which are commonly called spiritual or higher or nobler. The observance or nonobservance of religious commandments—to abstain from certain activities altogether or on certain days, to assist those in need, to build and maintain houses of worship, and many others—is one of the factors that determines the supply of, and the demand for, various consumers' goods and thereby prices and the conduct of business. The freedom that the market economy grants to the individual is not merely "economic" as distinguished

from some other kind of freedom. It implies the freedom to determine also all those issues which are considered as moral, spiritual, and intellectual.

The simple truth is that individuals can be free to choose between what they consider as right or wrong only where they are economically independent of the government.

What makes many people bind to the essential features of any totalitarian system is the illusion that this system will be operated precisely in the way which they themselves consider desirable. In supporting socialism, they take it for granted that the "state" will always do what they themselves want it to do.

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Underground Organization Within Insurgency (Part 1)

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The following text is reprinted from one of the classic works of unconventional warfare (UW): Department of the Army Pamphlet No. 550-104, Human Factors Considerations of Undergrounds and Insurgencies, dated September 1966, written under contract to the Department of the Army by the Special Operations Research Office, The American University, Washington D.C.. Lest the reader doubt the applicability of UW research conducted over 30 years ago, we note that Special Forces' current advanced training course in the mechanics of UW follows this text so closely that, for all practical purposes, the two are identical— with the exception that current training materials are classified SECRET/NOFORN and the text below is an open source. We remind our gentle readers that the historical references to Communist organization and methodology within the text were deferential acknowledgement to those organizational techniques used by Communists which worked. Mr. Molnar was a researcher who simply documented who used what techniques, under which circumstances, that resulted in success in a specific operational environment— and that is how you should also consider the text.

Clandestine organizations can be used for good or for evil. The context of the following text presumes an organized attempt to overthrow or replace a legitimate government. As we have stated, and will continue to state, our objective is to restore legitimate constitutional government. We present the following therefore in that context. Anybody who would seek to overthrow or replace our government is our mortal enemy.

J.F.A. Davidson

Introduction

THE organizational structure of an underground reflects a delicate balance between efficiency and security. While carrying out operations, underground members must be constantly aware of the hostile environment in which they act. The diverse and often conflicting requirements of security and efficiency add complications and anomalies to the underground structure and operations. Many times, in order to achieve one goal, others must be sacrificed.

After many decades of conflict and repeated trial and error, Communist organizational skills and tactics have reached a point of handbook simplicity. Although most of the Communist principles and practices have antecedents in other movements, few organizations have practiced the underground art so widely and so persistently for such an extended period of time.

Although the principles, rudiments, and techniques of political recruitment, organization, and control are elementary and can be found in all societies, their successful application is always impressive.

To fully understand how and why an individual makes certain decisions or takes certain actions, it is essential to understand how he perceives the world around him and to examine the stimuli which impinge upon him within his environment. Whether they are members of family, industrial, or social organizations, persons assume roles which are defined by the nature of the organizations. For this reason knowledge of underground organization is important and prerequisite to the understanding of the behavior of underground members. When an individual joins

The legal effect of these constitutional recognitions of the rights of individuals to defend their property, liberties, and lives, against the government, is to legalize resistance to all injustice and oppression, of every name and nature whatsoever, on the part of the government.

Lysander Spooner, 1852

a subversive organization, the organization becomes a major part of his daily life and alters his patterns of behavior markedly.¹

If an organization is to achieve its objectives, certain activities, including decision-making and communications, must be carried on. The structuring of these activities provides the context for an individual's behavior and motivation. The roles assumed by the individual, the information he acquires, and

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the rules, rewards, and punishments imposed upon him by the organization establish the patterns he follows. These structural and organizational determinants will be briefly reviewed [below.] For the purposes of this study, an *insurgent or revolutionary movement* is defined as a subversive, illegal attempt by an organized indigenous group outside the established governing structure to weaken, modify, or replace existing governing authority through the protracted use or threatened use of force. An underground is defined as those clandestine or covert organizational elements of a subversive or insurgent movement which are attempting to weaken, modify, or replace existing governing authority.

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In its initial stages, when the insurgency is being organized and is necessarily operating in a clandestine nature, the entire organization is considered an *underground*. As the movement develops strength, some elements are militarized and operate overtly. The guerrilla arm is used to combat the military force of the existing government. In this phase the military efforts of the guerrilla units are augmented by the clandestine activities of the underground, which carries on the political war, establishes shadow governments, and supports the military effort. A dual structure of a guerrilla force and a covert underground force appears in most insurgent movements.

INSURGENT ORGANIZATION

MANY factors influence the organizational structure of insurgent organizations. The social, economic, and political conditions within the country to a large extent determine who the discontented are, who the participants will be, and what issues and cleavages will appear. Insurgency tends to develop out of internal conflict. Usually the participants do not have access to government authority and force, and through protracted conflict attempt to win the support of the people and establish shadow governments.

Terrain and environmental factors also affect organization. Although an underground can function in almost any environment, guerrilla forces are seldom found in harsh climates or highly populated areas. If the leaders of the movement are also members of other organizations, they tend to work within those former organizations and to attract members from them to the underground. Consequently, the character of the former organizations tend to influence the form and character of an underground.

Sanctuary is vital to the existence of an insurgent organization. Neighboring countries or relatively inaccessible rural areas within the country must offer the insurgents a base area to train cadre and experiment with political appeals and insurgent organization.

External support, primarily psychological but also material, is required if the movement is to survive. International relations have considerable effect on the outcome of internal conflicts.

The form of the underground organization is determined in many respects by the types of people who originate the movement and the environment within they must operate. If the organizers are primarily military men, the organizational structure usually takes on many of the features of a conventional military organization. If the organizers are politicians, the political role and political aspects of underground activities will be stressed.

Insurgent organizations by necessity operate on both political and military fronts. Not only must they neutralize or destroy the government's military force, they must also win the support of the people and control the people through shadow governments.

The insurgent military force is usually crude and begins with small-unit guerrilla action. If the conflict runs its full course, a regular mobile force, supported by other paramilitary forces, evolves. On the political front, an underground is formed to subvert existing governmental support and organize support for all the insurgents. The underground works through mass organizations and front groups of existing nonpolitical organizational structures and eventually establishes control of people through shadow governments. The underground supports the guerrilla and military front by providing supplies, intelligence, and paramilitary support.

Many times the duties and activities of guerrillas and underground overlap and it is difficult to distinguish between the two organizations. However, several distinctions can be made. Guerrillas have responsible unit commanders, and live and operate outside of the control and surveillance of government forces. Underground members usually live within the control and surveillance of government forces. Their activities may be either legal or illegal, but their goals are illegal within the system and they try to conceal their organization and the identity of their members from the governing authority. All of the civilian organizations associated with an insurgency are defined as underground.

Although the apparent goals of an insurgent organization are well publicized, the true goals may not always be known. For example, in a Communist-inspired insurgency, the Communist Party infiltrates the insurgent organization and creates

a clandestine, covert parallel hierarchy within it. In a Communist-dominated insurgency, the underground includes both the civilian organization and the Communist clandestine, covert organization.

MILITARY COMPONENT

THE military elements initially employ guerrilla tactics, usually developing a mobile main force later. The regular main force is usually organized along conventional military lines into sections, platoons, companies, battalions, and even regiments. These units operate in the countryside, moving from region to region. The main force is generally supported by paramilitary or guerrilla forces at the regional or local level.

The regional troops, the second element, are assigned responsibility for an area comparable to a province or a state. They move about conducting raids, ambushes, and attacks against govern-

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ment troops. They seek refuge and supplies from local villages at night.

The third element, a local militia, operates from a village and is generally composed of village residents. The members of these units live in their usual way by day and go out on raids only at night.

For definitional purposes, those elements that operate openly, are organized along conventional military lines, and use conventional tactics, will be considered the mobile main force. Those overt elements that operate on a full-time basis and use guerrilla tactics will be referred to as paramilitary, or guerrilla.

UNDERGROUND COMPONENT

Function

THE underground arm of the insurgent movement is usually a hierarchical structure, rising from a base of cells, through branches, districts, states, or provinces to national headquarters. The members may be described as being three types, depending on their degree of commitment. The

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leadership cadre is the hard core or the organization and consists of persons who devote full time to the cause. The regular workers continue their ordinary roles in society, but are available to perform organizational duties and attend meetings on a regular basis. The auxiliary, or part-time workers, are available to perform only particular tasks or special assignments.

Another large group is important to the underground—the unorganized sympathizers, nonmembers who participate through such activities as passive resistance and mass demonstrations or by withholding aid and assistance to the government. While the guerrillas and the main force carry out the insurgent military effort, it is the function of members of the underground to infiltrate and subvert government organizations and institutions. Besides playing an offensive role against the government, they have administrative and organizational roles. They recruit and train members, obtain finances and supplies, establish caches for both the underground and the guerrilla forces, conduct terrorist and psychological operations against the government, and try to win the people's support of the movement. In support of the guerrillas, they are charged with collection of intelligence and with carrying out sabotage against military installations. One of their most important roles is to establish shadow governments and control the people.

The Cell

THE BASIC unit of the underground organization is the cell. It usually consists of a cell leader and cell members. The leader assigns work, checks on members, and acts as a liaison with underground committees. A large cell may require assistant cell leaders. Its size usually depends upon its assigned functions, but in dangerous times the cell is kept small to reduce the possibility of compromise. The cell may be compartmentalized in order to protect the underground organization and reduce the vulnerability of its members to capture. Compartmentalization restricts the information any member has about the identity, background, or current residence of any other cell member. He knows individuals only by their aliases and the means by which they can be reached. This follows the underground "fail-safe" principle: if one element in the organization fails, the consequences to the total organization will be minimal. Furthermore, it is a security measure which protects not only the organization but the individuals in the compartmentalized cells.

The degree of compartmentalization depends upon the size of the organization, the popular support given the government's security forces by the populace, and the probability of detection by security forces. If the security forces have neither instituted population control and surveillance, nor tried to infiltrate the underground organization, the degree of compartmentalization is usually small. At the other extreme, if the populace supports the government and willingly informs it about subversive activity, compartmentalization will necessarily be rigid.

Cells may be organized on a geographical basis or on a functional basis within such groups as labor unions, the professions, and women's organizations. Both types of cells often exist simultaneously. The cells may be highly centralized, with orders flowing from a high command throughout the organization; this tends to increase the efficiency of operations. On the other hand, the organization may be highly decentralized, with units in various parts of the country operating autonomously; this reduces its vulnerability.

The structure of underground cells usually reflects a compromise between requirements of organizational efficiency and the need for security. The structure also varies with the phase of insurgent development.

Structure. The *operational cell* is usually composed of a leader and a few cell members operating directly as a unit. They collect money, distribute propaganda, and carry on the necessary political functions of an underground. (See figure 1.) The *intelligence cell* is unique in that the cell leader seldom comes into direct contact with the members of the cell and the members are rarely in contact with each other. The structure is such that a member who has infiltrated into a government agency, for example, contacts the cell leader through an intermediary such

as a mail-drop, cut-out, or courier. The cell leader is in contact with the branch leader through a courier or mail-drop. Characteristic of this cell is the high degree of compartmentalization and use of indirect communication. (See figure 2.)

The *auxiliary cell* is commonly found in front groups or in sympathizers' organizations. It contains an underground cell leader, assistant cell leaders, and members. Members are usually highly involved in the cause of the underground, but they are either unreliable or untested for routine underground work. The cell leaders identify potential recruits and screen them for the operational underground or intelligence cells. The auxiliary cell differs structurally

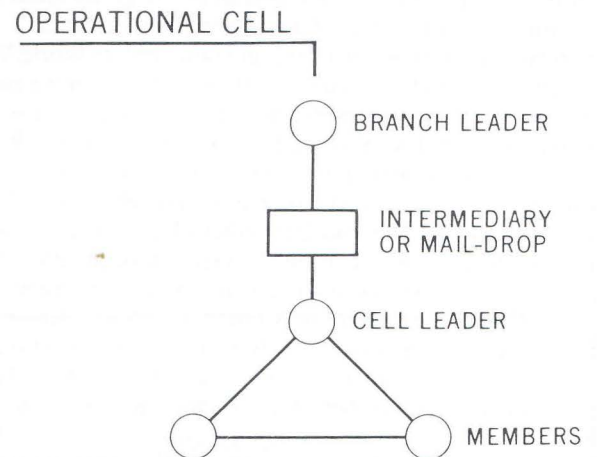


Figure 1. Operational cell.

from the operational cell in that it is larger in size, has an intermediate level of supervision, and has little or no compartmentalization. It is primarily used to handle large influxes of members during an expansion period. (See figure 3.) **Size.** Underground operational cells are usually composed of 3 to 8 members.² Activities which call for a division of labor require a large cell and a high degree of coordination. The cell may be called upon to serve a specialized function, or it may be asked to work with other cells, each performing part of a complex function in the underground. A big cell with little compartmentalization minimizes the need for formal communications and is thus less vulnerable as far as written records are concerned. However, its vulnerability to capture is greater, because the members know each other and have frequent interac-

tion. If one member is caught and informs, all members will be compromised. In the small compartmentalized cell, the danger that critical underground leaders and cadre will be captured is minimized. On the other hand, it has greater need for formal communications between units.

The size of the operational cell also varies according to the phase of development of the organization. Where there is a political party which is legal, the main attempt is to recruit people into the party and then indoctrinate them. In this case the cell may be large. For example, in Germany prior to World War II, the Communist Party cells consisted of as many as 20 members who met twice a week. Each cell was headed by a political leader, an administrative organizer, and an agitprop leader.³ When it became apparent that the Nazis were gaining control of the country, the Communists prepared to go underground. The cells were reduced in size and compartmentalized to diminish the risk of infiltration by agent provocateurs. Only the leader of each group of five knew the identity and addresses of the other four members of his cell. He alone could contact the higher levels of the party.⁴ As a practice, no one person in one group knew the identity or composition of any other group.

Similarly, the Communist Party in France before World War II had cells of 15 to 20 and even 30 members. After the party was declared illegal in September 1939, until the armistice in June 1940, cell size was reduced to three men in order to maintain a high degree of security.⁵ Later, to increase the party's effectiveness and size, eight-man cells were set up, but between October and December of 1940 the size was reduced to five men. During the German occupation, the party returned to three-man cells in order to ensure maximum security.⁶ In times of maximum security the three-man cell seems to be the basic unit. But when government security enforcement is relatively loose and there is a need for recruitment, cell members may be increased to as high as 30.

Critical high risk cells are usually small, compartmentalized and detached. Intelligence cells are highly compartmentalized and usually maintained at approximately three members.⁷ Sabotage cells are also usually kept to three-man cells and remained independent of other underground networks.⁸ The sabotage units usually work on their own and set up their own communications system.⁹ Specialized terror units function in much the same manner and are also kept to three to four members.¹⁰ Auxilliary cells, such as those in youth organizations, are less compartmentalized and violate many of the rules of clandestine behavior in order to enroll members into the underground organization. These cells act as a screening device, testing members before they are accepted into the formal underground organization. (In World War II, in the anti-Nazi movement, one underground labor youth leader was in charge of 10 subordinates who among them had 90 followers. The members were primarily young students who collected intelligence and gave it to their leaders, who in turn submitted it to the formal underground leader. In Cuba during the anti-Batista movement, a propaganda cell was led by one formal underground leader, with 12 subordinates, who in turn controlled 400 members of the propaganda section.¹¹)

Number. The number of cells primarily depends upon the density of the population. An underground seeks to disperse its units geographically as well as ethnically. To avoid overconcentration in any one group, organization, or geographic region, which would make surveillance by security forces easier within each area, the underground generally has cells in various blocks, districts, cities, and regions. It infiltrates and also creates cells in existing organizational elements, such as labor, youth groups, and social organizations.

Communist party members maintain dual-cell membership. The underground

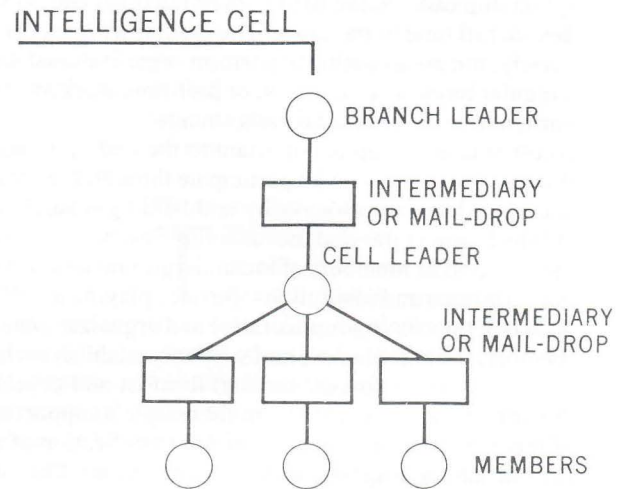


Figure 2. Intelligence cell.

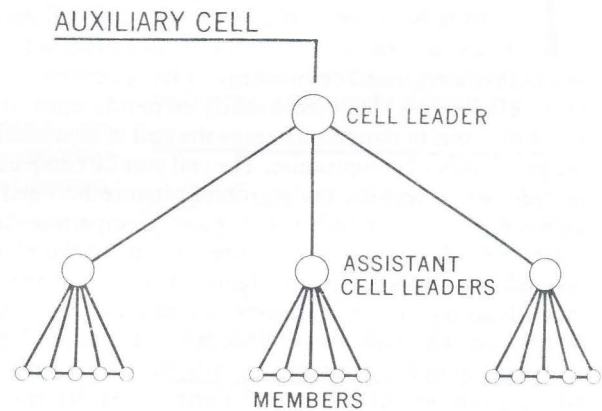


Figure 3. Auxiliary cell.

member may be part of a cell made up of agents who live within a certain residential area or block: these are called street cells. He may also be a member of a cell at his place of employment: a workshop cell.¹² Dual cell membership is more or less universal in countries where the Communist party is legal, and the number of cells a member belongs to depends on the functions he is to perform.

[Part 2 will appear in our next issue and cover parallel cells, cells in series, command and control, organization and evolutionary dynamics, and organizational influences upon motivation and behavior.]

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But away off in the wilds of America a soldier had been found totally different from any that had ever walked a battlefield. Upon one day he was a civilian quietly following his plow; upon the next he became a soldier, knowing no fear and carrying a whole destroying battery in his trusty rifle. He was a soldier from conviction to principle, from loyalty to his country, from duty to his family. He moved with the discipline of the educated soldier, but he fought with the desperation of a lion at bay. He followed the commands of his superiors when they led to victory, but in his military lexicon there was no such word as fail.

General John A. Logan, 1887

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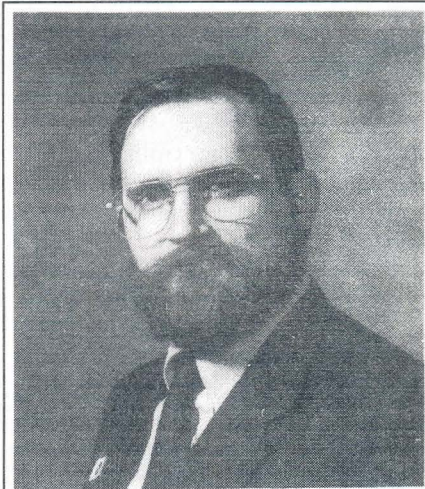
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The military value of a partisan's work is not measured in the amount of property destroyed, or the number of men killed or captured, but by the number he keeps watching.

John S. Mosby

Principles of Observation

by
Michael Bateman

OBSERVATION is complete awareness by an individual of his surroundings, achieved through maximum employment of the senses. Expert observation enables him to recognize and recall any object or situation accurately, fully, and clearly. Our ability to perceive depends upon our innate ability, experience, and training in relation to our environment, for perceive means to see and understand.

Accurate observation requires the mental effort necessary to recognize, analyze, and relate the constituent parts of our surroundings, and to interpret the patterns and relationships present. However, we usually perceive or comprehend only that which interests us or is capable of being understood with minimum effort. Because an extensive vocabulary usually is built upon knowledge and clear conception of the object to which the term is applied, the person with a wealth of descriptive terms comprehends more than the person with an inadequate vocabulary. A woman's interest in color, based on its importance to her personal appearance, endues her with knowledge of the various shades of color and the vocabulary necessary to describe them. Conversely, a man usually observes the basic color only. An Eskimo suddenly transplanted to Times Square would be able to comprehend or describe few of the sights and sounds around him, because he would lack the necessary vocabulary.

The person untrained in observation usually perceives another person as a whole, and not as a grouping of particular physical characteristics. We meet people every day but these meetings do not enlarge our ability to describe the features of those persons. The techniques of observation and description are acquired only by continual mental effort. An understanding of the techniques involved in accurate observation and a knowledge of the psychological factors affecting observation are necessary for any intelligence operator.

To train himself to make accurate observations the operator must first practice continual and complete awareness and alertness so that he can observe and understand persons, situations, objects, or incidents. Second, he must replace casual observation of generalities with study and observation of detail. Third, he must train himself to estimate as accurately as possible the passage of time, the speed of moving objects, directions, and distances. Fourth, he must be familiar with colors, shades of colors, and distinctions among varying degrees of intensity of light. Fifth, he must be able to visualize that which takes place in his presence. Finally, he must acquire the ability to observe objects and incidents in relation to his investigation or mission.

The investigator who is aware of the fallibility of the senses will understand why different persons put different interpretations on the same facts. He will realize that variation in the testimony of two or more persons, each of whom has witnessed the same occurrence, does not necessarily mean that one of them is trying to deceive him or that those with the minority version are mistaken. Because he realizes that it is unusual for two or more persons to agree on the facts of an incident, or to describe it in identical terms, he will not overlook the possibility of collusion when there is agreement and identical description by witnesses.

To be observant requires training. The student observer should learn to fix in his mind the peculiar details of a face and the characteristics of an object or scene. He must bear in mind that observation implies a careful distinction between facts observed and interpretation of those facts. Substitution of an individual interpretation of a fact for the fact itself is a common error.

When an investigator questions a witness to an incident, his questioning

...observation implies a careful distinction between facts observed and interpretation of those facts.

should appeal only to the memory and not influence the answers of the witness through suggestion. Many of the observation reports made by untrained laymen are the result of guesswork wherein the imagination builds on, and frequently reworks, the few details actually seen; in this process the mind rationalizes the resultant compound into a logical but not necessarily accurate or factual picture. Suggestive or leading questions merely encourage this human weakness; the skilled investigator avoids them.

Hearing accurately and remembering what is heard also require training. The student observer should train himself in "ear memory" by listening attentively to conversations with the purpose of maximum retention. Listening to sermons, lectures, and plays and then writing in detail what he has heard will help the observer train himself.

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Proper training in visual observation does not require that the agent attempt to observe and remember every face and every scene. Rather, he should concentrate on retention of details with which he will probably be concerned in his operations.

Functioning of the Senses in Observation

The accuracy of an observation will depend upon the senses employed in making the particular observation. Certain senses are more reliable than others. Some sense organs are better developed in certain persons than in others. The investigator must take the foregoing into consideration in evaluating an observation.

Sight. The perception of a physical object through the sense of sight does not usually involve a detailed analysis of the shape and color of the object. Frequently only a few characteristic points are observed, and the picture is unconsciously completed by resort to the store of images obtained through past observations. For example, a person who sees only a nose or face well known to him does not hesitate afterwards to fill in the gaps as to the identity of the individual. The sense of sight, although not as objective as the sense of hearing, is nevertheless considered to be the most accurate sense.

Hearing. Hearing is the most objective sense. The observation of a sound, however, is often unclear and subjective. It is difficult to estimate distance from the source if the cause of the sound is unknown. The direction of sound is a matter which the observer can seldom fully determine. In perceiving and reporting sound the observer unconsciously compares the sound to a whole series of memories of sounds he has heard and he attempts to coordinate them mentally. Generally, a person does not listen to all the sounds which form a spoken sentence. The sounds heard are compared unconsciously with sound "pictures" which the observer already possesses, or else the more complicated work of forming visions which correspond to them is undertaken. The listener does not register a long series of sounds but rather reconstructs the talk from separate sound fragments and fills the gaps with the aid of his power of combination. Thus, in repeating a conversation from the beginning, he reconstructs it accordingly, and the resultant report, however logical, is inaccurate.

Touch. In most persons the sense of touch is very slightly developed and must be considered as a limited medium of perception. Unassisted by visual perception, the sense of touch is frequently deceptive. Thus, the accuracy of an observation made by touch in the dark is generally questionable. However, in a blind person the sense of touch may be highly developed.

Smell. The olfactory sense is an unreliable medium. It is possible to experience the sensation of smell without the presence of an odor. Suggestion frequently exerts a strong influence on attention to and perception of smell.

Taste. Taste also is an unreliable medium of perception. Taste is individual, and the objective sensation of taste is easily replaced by the observer's conception of the taste which he experiences.

Many psychologists claim that 85 per cent of what we learn is gained through the medium of sight; 13 per cent through hearing, and the remaining 2 per cent through touch, smell, and taste. It will be noted that from the investigative standpoint the various senses have the same relative ratio of reliability.



Weep for the Zulu: An Appeal for Aid to Inkatha

FOURTEEN years back Robert Mugabe, the former US/Soviet backed terrorist chieftain who had recently become President of Marxist Zimbabwe, formerly Rhodesia, sent his North Korean-trained Fifth Brigade into Matabeleland, to slaughter thousands of defenseless Ndebele, his principal remaining political opposition. It is important to remember that the Ndebele are first cousins to the Zulu, Africa's historic military aristocrats. Now it seems that the globally-annointed Nelson Mandela and others heading his Communist-dominated SA government are doing likewise, using the "Matabeleland Option" against their own principal opposition: the Zulu people of KwaZulu/Natal.

Since 1984, when the ANC/SACP "voted" to make SA "ungovernable," no less than 425 leaders of the Zulu-based Inkatha Freedom Party (IFP) have been assassinated by ANC hit squads. Further, since 1990, some 14,000 Zulu have been gunned down or "necklaced." Politically, IFP leader Prince Mangosuthu Buthelezi, and his Zulu Christians, are the sole remaining obstacle to a complete Communist takeover in South Africa. The ANC/SACP elite are not the only enemies of the independent Zulu. Equally, if not more dangerous, are the U.S. State Department and its New World Order partners, who have imposed communism on South Africa.

Further, many of the ANC's "former" terrorists have been absorbed into the SA National Defense Force or the SA Police. Many of these "re-trained" terrorists are now stationed in KZN as part of the alleged "peace force." Into this conflagration, ANC/SACP is relocating thousands of Xhosas, traditional enemies of the Zulu.

Desperately needed in this horrendous situation are pharmaceuticals and theatre equipment, baby food, and all items needed to care for the wounded. If any among you can help, checks should be endorsed to: Prince Mangosuthu Buthelezi, and sent to The Aida Parker Newsletter, Box 91059, Auckland Park, South Africa. Please do not make checks out to APN.

This is a classic case of "do not seek to find for whom the bell tolls... it tolls for thee." Remember the words of the Fabian socialist, Nicholas Murray Butler, long-time associate of U.S. banker J.P. Morgan: "Communism is the instrument with which the financial world can topple international governments and then erect a world government, with a world police force and world money...."

Weep for the Zulu. Weep for us all.
Aida Parker

Moral Decision in Warfare

by
R. Hemmerding

YOUR company is the advanced guard for a Continental Army infantry battalion conducting a movement to contact. Your scouts report a People's Democratic Army platoon constructing a roadblock across your battalion's route of advance. This blocking force includes civilian labor. You analyze the situation and order the objective seized. Are your orders tempered by the presence of civilians?

SCHOOL SOLUTION

No, the presence of civilians can have no influence on your decision to attack and seize the objective.

COMMENTARY

To halt action (and become therefore paralyzed) because of the certainty of death to innocent victims of the PDA is to sacrifice to the depravity of those who, in this case, may be using forced labor, and to hostage takers in general. Those civilians present on the objective who had refuse to resist and thus allowed themselves to become slave labor are not worth the sacrifice of those fighting to retain their personal liberty. Those who voluntarily assist the PDA have made their conscious decision and the inevitable consequences are of their own choosing.

In either case, the presence of civilians is not a planning consideration. The attack goes in as if they were not present.

Moral Decision in Warfare #2

You are the assault platoon commander in a company attack on a People's Democratic Army strongpoint. During the obstacle breach your 1st Squad leader refuses to assault through the breach thus placing your entire platoon, and the outcome of the company attack, in jeopardy.

What do you do?

[The feature Moral Decision Game, will no longer be presented as a contest. Again, as in other MDGs, most respondents knew what decision had to be made, but could not explain *why* they made that decision—which is the whole point of MDG. Therefore, in future issues, we will pose the problem as Moral Decision in Warfare and present the solution. Please feel free to continue to offer solutions. Those that identify the moral issue involved will be duly recognized. Editor]

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...I drew these tides of men into
my hands
And wrote my will across the sky
in stars.

T.E. Lawrence

William Rawle, LL.D. *A View of the Constitution of the United States of America*. 1825. Edited and Annotated by, Walter D. Kennedy and James R. Kennedy, Land and Land Publishing Division, P.O. Box 1921, Baton Rouge, LA 70821. ISBN 0-935545-18-2. Paperback, 290 pages. 1993.

Reviewed by J.F.A. Davidson

AS MY COLLECTION of pre Civil War books on the history of the early republic and the Constitution grows, so does my appreciation for the passionate defense of the philosophical principles embodied in the phrase, "Life, Liberty, and Property," as revealed by early commentators in their works on the Constitution. The contradictions in analysis between early and modern works on the Constitution, of the language, meaning, and intent of that document, are so blatant, that one can only conclude that modern works on the Constitution deliberately misrepresent its intent. Indeed, a cursory examination of the authors of practically every school textbook on government and United States history in use since the 1920s reveals that, with few notable exceptions, they were at best "progressives"—many were admitted Marxists.

One volume in my collection stands out as an authoritative final check whenever a constitutional argument is made in these pages; William Rawle's *A View of the Constitution*. William Rawle was a highly respected legal authority in the early republic. He was a Northerner, and counted both Washington and Franklin among his friends. He was also an ardent abolitionist. Yet his treatise on the Constitution adamantly defended, not only the right of a state to secede from the Union, but also the constitutionality of secession. So long as a state remained in the Union—a federation of federal republics, as Rawle described it, paraphrasing Alexander Hamilton—that state had a duty to all other states to maintain a republican form of government.

If a faction should attempt to subvert the government of a state for the purpose of destroying the republican form, the paternal power of the Union could thus be called forth to subdue it. Yet it is not to be understood that its [Federal government's] interposition would be justifiable, if the people of a state should determine to retire from the union, whether they adopt another *or retained the same form of government*... [Emphasis added.]

In other words, the South was right.

Another 19th century Constitution textbook reviewed in these pages, A.O. Wright's, *An Exposition of the Constitution of the United States*, (1889), contends, "The result of the [Civil] war decided that the American people are *one nation*, and meant to remain so." [Original emphasis.] But, then, Wright was writing from the position of having chosen the winning side. The victor may write the history—that does not make it the truth. (Wright's work, otherwise, is superlative, and a staple at this writing desk.)

Rawle stated in no uncertain terms that states were sovereign republican entities, entered into compact (the Union, created by the Constitution) for their mutual benefit. In his introduction, he clearly stated that each state was a sovereign before, and after, the ratification of the Constitution:

Each state was naturally tenacious of its own sovereignty and independence, which had been expressly reserved in their antecedent association, and of which it was still meant to retain all that it did not become unavoidably necessary to surrender... [T]he people, formed into one mass, as citizens of the union, yet still remaining distinct, as citizens of different states, created a new government, without destroying those which existed before....

Rawle was also very keen in identifying how individual liberty, and the sov-

eighty of the states, would be lost if the federal government were allowed to interfere in state affairs.

[I]n order that such interference may not wantonly or arbitrarily take place, that it shall only be on the request of the state authorities: otherwise the self-government of the state might be encroached upon at the pleasure of the Union....

Of course, self governance of the states vanished after the Civil War, and any pretense of state sovereignty evaporated with the Seventeenth Amendment—

The victor may write the history—that does not make it the truth.

which was its original purpose to begin with.

Among the many heated debates during the Constitution ratification conventions was the antifederalist admonition against a strong executive branch. That early presidents restrained themselves from abusing the power conferred upon them is a tribute to their moral character as, James Madison phrased it, "Great Men."

It was inconceivable to the early constitutionalists that those who attained to the highest elected office in the Union would purposely, with malice aforethought, work to destroy that with which they were entrusted. It was an evil too great to comprehend. As noted by Rawle, "The fears of those theoretical writers, who have gratified themselves by lamenting the internal dangers of our republic, have been chiefly directed against the tendency of the executive authority to overpower the freedom of the people." Unfortunately, those "theoretical writers," the antifederalists, have been proven correct more often than not.

Were Rawle alive today, I have no doubt he would be standing with us—as does his work, *A View of the Constitution*.

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John A. Logan. *The Volunteer soldier of America*. R. S. Peale & Company, Publishers, Chicago and New York. 1887. xxiii + 706. Plates and index.

Reviewed by Melancton Smith

SEVERAL readers have written to complain that *The Resister* reviews books that are not available to the public and in many cases have been out of print for over a century. The reason for this is to establish that the texts *The Resister* uses to support its editorial position and arguments were once considered rather mundane patriotic fare, which at the time of their printing were considered mainstream, but today would be considered dangerously subversive “antigovernment” ravings of the paranoid right. This is what intelligence types call “indicators” of where, exactly, the left is coming from. One such book is General John A. Logan’s *The Volunteer Soldier in America*. Although General Logan was a Unionist, yet he despised that “institution of aristocracy,” the United States Military Academy, and held that the volunteer soldier, the **militiaman**, was the rock foundation of this nation’s defense.

The American volunteer soldier, according to General Logan, was unique in history. He was an integral part of his government, self-possessor, capable of grasping the opportunities open to him—never granted, simply available—to raise his station through dint of personal effort “until industry and enterprise bring him honest fortune.” These circumstances gave the volunteer soldier his distinctive character:

He follows the banner of no potentate as hireling, dependent, vassal, or menial. He is a free man, fighting for home, family, country, and the government of which he is a factor. His arm is raised for a principle, for right, for justice. The immense difference between the man who is a soldier through such considerations, and him who is one *by mere occupation or by force*, need not be dwelt upon. [Emphasis added.]

The Volunteer Soldier contains a wealth of information about the origins and purpose of the Militia Act of 1792. Part I, “History of Military Education in the United States,” contains the texts of several important documents establishing the militia system. General Logan assembled those documents in his book for the purpose of disseminating them as widely as possible because, at the time, they were available only within the Congressional Record. He included them also to counter the growing trend within Congress to establish a large, professional standing army based on European systems.

President Washington’s special message to Congress, dated August 7th, 1789, urged the formation of a militia system: “It is unnecessary,” he wrote, “to offer arguments in recommendation of a measure on which the honor, safety, and well being of our country so evidently and so essentially depends....” Secretary for the Department of War Henry Knox’s report to Washington on the necessity of a militia is included, as well as the full text of Knox’s plan, approved by Washington, for organizing the citizen-soldiery.

Although Knox’s plan was not implemented as drafted, its essential elements were eventually passed as The Militia Act of 1792. Logan’s comments on the 1792 act affirm that the intent was clearly that a nation of citizen-soldiers guaranteed both national security and personal liberty.

[I]t enunciates certain principles underlying a free and healthy growth of republican institutions, which must live as golden maxims as long as the Republic exists, and deserve inculcation as an essential element of the education of American youth.

You can open General Logan’s book to almost any random page and strike gold. Readers constantly write to *The Resister* asking about the origins of the oath of enlistment. Although I am certain there are earlier versions, the earliest version found to date was found in Logan’s reprint of the 1878 federal statutes governing West Point. It reads:

Each cadet shall, previous to his admission to the Academy, take and subscribe an oath

or affirmation in the following terms: “I, A. B., do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and bear true allegiance to the National Government; that I will maintain and defend the sovereignty of the United States, paramount to any and all allegiance, sovereignty or fealty I may owe to any State, county or country whatsoever; and that I will at all times obey the legal orders of my superior officers, and the rules and articles governing the armies of the United States.”

Concerning this, and other provisions of the 1878 enabling act for West Point, General Logan writes: “From these examples of legislation the reader may begin to realize the tendency and power of an institution that has gradually fastened its hold upon the military resources of the country until it has become a piece of machinery of dangerous possibilities.”

General Logan was no radical. His book, *The Volunteer Soldier of America* was written from the perspective of a man who, through sheer personal effort, rose from humble beginnings to attain a seat in Congress and then command of the Fifteenth Army Corps under General Sherman. He was a patriot and an ardent defender and spokesman for the citizen-soldier, the militiaman, as the first line of defense of his country and defender of republican government.

He warned against the aristocratic tendencies appertaining the establishment of a large professional army, officered by men who renounce their ties to their states and embrace foreign military structures, thus setting themselves apart from American society as a distinct class whose loyalties are bought and paid for every four years.

Would most officers order their men to fire on (now legislated into impotence) American citizen-soldiers? I believe they would. Would their men follow those orders? I honestly don’t know. I do know that the men’s answer, either way, would spark another civil war.

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The Militia Laws of the United States, Now in Force, Passed, May, 1782 [sic] and July, 1862. Also, the Militia Laws of the State of New York, Passed, April, 1862. New York: T.R. Dawley, Publisher. 1862. 16 pages.

Reviewed by J.F.A. Davidson

THIS PAMPHLET, published in 1862, contains the full text of the militia statutes described in the title of the publication. The statute described as dating from 1782 is a misprint—the statute printed is in fact The Militia Act of 1792. The most fascinating thing about this pamphlet is the manner in which the 1792 act was amended in 1862.

The 1862 amendments, amounting to sixteen sections, specifically delineated the authority of the President of the United States over the militia when called into federal service, and further specified the distinctions between militia called into service and volunteers from the militia who enlisted in the standing army of the Union. Sadly, I have as yet been unable to locate comparable statutes from any of the Confederate States.

What is made expressly clear in Section 10 of the Act of 1792, is that the militia is, and was always intended to be, the citizen-soldiery of their respective States. Although subject to federal call-up, upon declaration of war by Congress, the only responsibility of the State to the federal government was to report to the President, through the Governor, annually, the status of armament, organization, and training of the State's militia.

Section 1 of the 1792 Act also makes clear that, not only is the National Firearms Act of 1934 unconstitutional, its subsequent enforcement by the Treasury under tax codes, and all following "legislation" that builds upon the 1934 NFA, and its bases, are illegal.

[A]nd every citizen so enrolled and providing himself with arms, ammunition and accouterments required and aforesaid, shall hold the same exempted from all suits, distresses, executions or sales for debt, or for the payment of taxes. [Emphasis added.]

Clearly, by unalienable right, and by law derived therefrom, a citizen-soldier SHALL NOT BE DISARMED under any circumstances of fortune or misfortune. The deeper I research The Militia Act of 1792, the deeper becomes my conviction that I would trust my neighbor with a machine-gun before I'd trust federal cops—who, by definition, are unconstitutional—with one.

Books Received

James Bovard. **The Farm Fiasco.** Institute for Contemporary Studies Press, 243 Kearny Street, San Francisco, CA 94108. (415) 326-0263. 1991. vii + 382 pages. ISBN 1-55815-114-1. \$10.95.

Federal farm policy is trampling individuals rights, sacrificing the poor to the rich, and giving congressmen and bureaucrats vast arbitrary power over American citizens. For sixty years, the U.S. government has devotedly repeated the same agricultural policy mistakes, Unfortunately, the federal safety net is slowly strangling American agriculture. Farm policy is the perfect example of politicians' inability rationally to plan and control economic development.

From the Introduction

William A. Donohue. **Not Our America... The ACLU EXPOSED!** Washington Legal Foundation. 1989. Library of Congress Catalog Card Number: 89-051027.

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From the Rear Cover

Wyatt Marrs. **The Man on Your Back.** Norman, University of Oklahoma Press. 1958. xiii + 289 pages. Library of Congress Catalog Card Number: 58-5483. np.

One of the first studies of social parasitism.

Ludwig von Mises. **Omnipotent Government: The Rise of the Total State and Total War.** Libertarian Press, Inc., Spring Mills, PA 16875. 1944. Reprinted 1969 and 1985. xi + 314 pages. ISBN 0-910884-15-3. \$11.95.

Martin L. Gross. **A Call for Revolution: How Washington is Strangling America— And How to Stop it.** New York, Ballantine Books. 1993. vii + 279 pages. \$10.00.

Philip K. Howard. **The Death of Common Sense: How Law is Suffocating America.** New York, Random House. 1994. ISBN 0-679-42994-8. 207 pages. \$18.00.

Gregory P. Pavlik, editor. **Forgotten Lessons: Selected Essays of John T. Flynn.** The Foundation for Economic Education, Inc., 30 South Broadway, Irving-On-Hudson, NY 10533. 1996. vii + 200 pages. ISBN 1-57246-015-6. \$14.95.

Newsletters Received

(The review of new letters below does not imply an endorsement of them by *The Resister*, simply that we find them intelligently written, well researched, and consistent with one or more ele-

ments of our editorial statement of policy.)

The American Jural Society News. Publisher, John Williams. Editor, Randy Lee. General Delivery, Canoga Park Post Office, Canoga Park, California.

The American Jural Society News is a front line resource for researchers of American common law, and how law has been subverted since the Civil War by the federal courts. The American Jural Society offers several reprints of 19th century legal texts for sale through their catalog, including *Bouvier's Dictionary of Law*, dated 1856. Write for subscription terms.

VCT (Voice of Citizens Together) Newsletter. VCT, 13601 Ventura Blvd., Suite 163, Sherman Oaks, CA 91423. Voice: (818) 501-2061. Fax: (818) 501-0359. Web: <http://www.instanet.com/~vct>. E-mail: vct@instanet.com. \$25.00 per annum.

VCT Newsletter documents the excesses and impact of illegal immigration from Mexico.

The Free Press. Publisher and editor: Jerre Kneip. The Free Press, P.O. Box 2303, Kerrville, TX 78029-2303. Fax: (210) 869-7374. E-mail: freepress@kfc.com. \$25.00 per annum.

The Free Press is a common law publication. A good source for commentary on common law issues. Closely follows the Montana Freemen case.

The Resister Video Tapes Received

An American Patriot in the King's Court. Douglas J. Tinsley, 3115 White Horse Road, Suite 171, Greenville, SC 29611.

An excellent primer on some of the core issues of the patriot movement. Highly recommended to introduce the skeptical to the realities of America today.

Death & Taxes: ...One Citizen's Fight For Freedom Against the IRS. Country People Productions, 2554 Lincoln Blvd., Box #456, Marina Del Rey, CA 90291. Voice: (310) 396-9242. Fax: (310) 396-7612.

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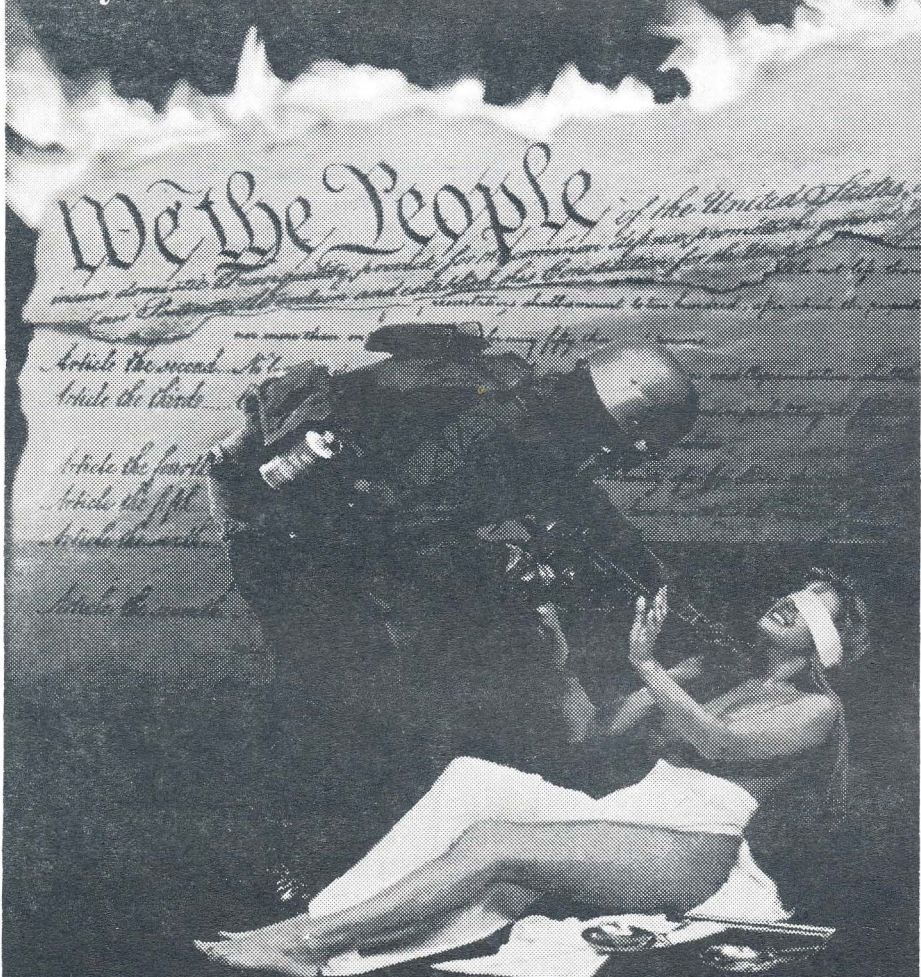
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